

September

TO: Post Adjutants
FROM: Tom Hallett, Boy Scout Chairman
SUBJECT: Eagle Scout of the Year

The American Legion has been partners with the Boy Scouts of America since the beginning of our organization in 1919. To enhance that relationship, we offer a scholarship program to Eagle Scouts through our “Eagle Scout of The Year” Program. The Minnesota winner will receive a \$1,000 scholarship. The Minnesota winner’s scholarship application will be forwarded on to National to be judged. The National American Legion Eagle Scout of the Year will receive a \$10,000 scholarship. Three 2nd place scholarship awards will be given in the amount of \$2,500 each. The American Legion Eagle Scout of the Year will join the Youth Champion delegation and participate in the Annual National Convention.

The National organization will have the Eagle Scout application on its website after November 1. Please go to <https://www.legion.org/scholarships/eaglescout> to download a copy of the scholarship after November 1. **DO NOT USE OLD FORMS.** National will only accept the current application form.

The nomination form is to be completed, certified by the Post Commander, and should be in the hands of the District Boy Scout Chairman no later than February 1.

The District Chairperson and his/her committee will evaluate the nominations and submit them to Department Headquarters no later than March 1. The Department Chairman and his committee select the winner of the “Minnesota Eagle Scout of the Year”. The Scout selected receives a plaque at the Minnesota Department Convention with expenses paid for him and his parents to attend the Department Convention.

It is my sincere hope that each Post will participate in nominating The American Legion “Eagle Scout of the Year” and support a scouting program in your community.

The District Chairpersons MUST receive your applications by February 1.