

CRITERIA FOR THE GOLDEN BEEHIVE AWARD

1. THE GOLDEN BEEHIVE

This award is similar to a Golden Halo Award of other states. It was created to recognize certain individuals who have been especially active in the Good Sam State Organization in Utah. Until the establishment of this award, deserving individuals have not been recognized for their many hours of volunteer work and support.

2. NOMINATION FOR THE AWARD

An outstanding candidate can only be recognized when some member takes the time and effort to write a letter of nomination and forwards it to the Chairperson of the Golden Beehive Committee. The nominating member must have first hand knowledge of the activities of the nominee.

All activities cited for a nominee must be in relation to Good Sam activities. A member other than the nominee must submit the letter of recommendation to the Chairman. A copy of this letter shall also go to the State Director, the nominee's Chapter President, and if from a different chapter, the nominator's Chapter President. The Chapter President's responsibility is to verify actuality of content. If discrepancies occur, the Chapter President will notify the Chairperson of the Golden Beehive Committee by telephone followed by a letter. All communications shall be held in strict confidence.

The letter of recommendation must be submitted to the Chairperson at least seventy five (75) days prior to either the State Samboree or the fall Tag-A-Long. The Chairperson will acknowledge receipt of all recommendations. The Chairperson will submit the nominations to the Committee Members, who will return their decision within twenty (20) days of receipt.

3. MEMBERSHIP

The Golden Beehive Award can be made to a "membership" even though on spouse is deceased, however the "Award Plaque" will reflect both names. Membership includes Husband and Wife, or a single member

4. ELECTED STATE OFFICERS

The State Director and the State Treasurer are not eligible for the Golden Beehive Award during their tenure.

5. AWARD COMMITTEE

The Award Committee, appointed by the State Director, will review and verify all nominations to ensure compliance with the following criteria. Their decision will be reported, within the time frame noted in Paragraph 2, to the Award Chairperson, who notifies the State Director.

NOMINATION CRITERIA

A. MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING-The nominee must be a member in good standing of the International Good Sam Club and a Utah Chapter member for a minimum of ten (10) continuous years in one or more chapters.

B. CHAPTER ACTIVITIES- A point system has been established for Chapter activities. One (1) point will be awarded for each new member that the nominee brings into his or her or another chapter. One (1) point will be awarded for each year that they served as an officer, a committee chairperson or an active committee member. On the chapter level, a total of fifteen (15) points must be earned for a couple and eight (8) points for a single nominee. One of the couple must have served as President of a chapter. That member also must have been chairperson of at least one committee and served as an officer other than president. The second member should have served as an officer, and must have been a committee chairperson and an active member of a committee. Each nominee's activities must be listed with dates and associated points identified. Nominees must have attended at least twelve (12) State Samborees and/or Tag-A-Longs.

C. UTAH STATE ORGANIZATION ACTIVITIES- A point system has been established for activities at the State level. The State Director will receive three (3) points for each term served. The State Staff will receive two (2) points for each term served. The Chairperson and active members serving on a committee appointed by the State Director will earn one (1) point. One (1) point will be awarded to the chairperson and active members who work on the preparation of each State Newsletter. One (1) point will be awarded per Samboree for parking, workshops or demonstrations, chairperson of a game, seminar presenter, serving a meal, serving coffee and donuts, working at the GS store, computer work, registration desk, and judging an art and crafts show. The total points required at the State level are ten (10) points per couple and five (5) points for a single nominee. Dates, duties, and locations of each activity are required.

The nominees must have participated in at least three (3) of the following activities. Two (2) points will be awarded for each activity.

D. DOGS FOR THE DEAF- Nominee assisted in the following: (List all activities performed and dates.)

E. ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY OR A PARK- Nominee has assisted in the following: (List activities performed and dates.)

F. CHAPTER'S CHARITY PROJECT- Nominee has collected canned goods, made up food baskets, items for nursing homes -etc.) List dates and activities.

G. ADDITIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Nominee has participated in the Good Sam agenda by assisting the State Parks, BLM City Parks, Federal Parks, by trash control, letter writing, drawing up plans, attending meetings or hearings. (List dates and locations)

Nominee has assisted the Special Olympics. List dates.

Nominee has participated in the Crimson Circle Program. Give details

Nominee has served as Stand-by -Sams. List dates and city

H. PERSONAL COMMENTS

I. NUMBER OF POINTS NEEDED.

There are a minimum of thirty-one (31) points for a couple and sixteen (16) for a single nominee. The points must be accumulated for a couple as follows:

1. Fifteen (15) points from Chapter activities.
2. Ten (10) points from the Utah State Good Sam Organization activities.
3. Six (6) points from "D" through "G" activities.

The points for a single nominee are as follows:

1. Eight (8) points from Chapter activities
2. Five (5) points from the Utah State Good Sam Organization activities.
3. Three (3) points from "D" through "G" activities.

7. AWARD CEREMONY

At either the State Samboree or the Fall Tag-A-Long, the State Director, assisted by Committee Chairperson shall present the Golden Beehive Award(s), consisting of a plaque, engraved nametag and a copy of the nominating letter.

All approved original nomination letters will be submitted to the State Historian to be recorded.

8. DISAPPROVED NOMINATIONS

Within ten (10) days following the award ceremony, the Committee Chairperson will return all nominations not being awarded to the nominator for possible resubmission.