

Vernon Bauer Memorial James E. West Award

Each year, a Scouter is selected by the previous Award Recipients to receive a James E. West Fellowship Award to honor of the memory of Vernon Bauer, Scouter 1959–2002. The recognition is presented at the District Recognition dinner. Ralph Waldo Emerson observed that "an institution is the lengthened shadow of one man." Scouting today is the "lengthened shadow" of more than three decades of the farseeing and dedicated leadership of Dr. James E. West. Like Dr. West, the selected Scouter must have likewise cast their own "lengthened shadow," as shown by their dedication and service to Scouting contribute to the Scouting legacy for future generations of youth.

Vernon Bauer was an active volunteer with the Boy Scouts of America for forty-three years and Scouting was a very important part of his life. He served as Assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 746 throughout his scouting career as well as an Adult Advisor in the Order of the Arrow. He worked for the District in many capacities from 1966 through 2002 and provided service to the Council as a Philmont Crew Advisor and ASM at two National Jamborees. Vernon was honored with many awards to include Outstanding Commissioner, Outstanding Unit Scouter, District Award of Merit, and the Silver Beaver. Vern was a serious advocate of Scout advancement, but was never too serious not to enjoy a good time in the process.

Previous Award Recipients

John H. Carpenter - 2003
James R. LaVey - 2004
Alvin D. Hill - 2005
Robert E. Bell, Sr. - 2006
Carolyn S. Adamiak - 2007
Edward R. Huneke, Jr. - 2008
Aubrey A. Palmer - 2009
Elmer J. McFadden - 2010
C. McKinley Rost - 2011
David Jeffers - 2012
John O. Simons Jr. - 2013
Donald W. Smith - 2014
Douglas Littrel - 2015
Richard L. Shaw - 2016
Kenneth Mason - 2017
Bill Fleck - 2018
Richard Rost - 2019

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