

RUSSELL NEYNABER QUALITY AWARD

1. **HISTORY** - This award was established in 1973 to honor Russell (Rusty) Neynaber, our twenty-ninth Lodge Chief. While on active duty in the U.S. Navy in 1972, he was accidentally killed when the jet on which he was a crew member exploded after takeoff.
2. **PURPOSE** - This award recognizes the Lodge and Chapter officers who are responsible for achievement in the Order of the Arrow and the Lodge.
3. **AWARD YEAR** - The award is given for Lodge and Chapter achievement from the annual meeting to the October Executive Committee meeting of the same year.
4. **RECOGNITION** - The Chapter officers and advisers of Honor Chapters will receive the Gold Award for completing the mandatory a, b, c, d requirements and four of the six remaining requirements. The Lodge officers and advisers will receive the Silver Award if the Lodge fulfills the same requirements (at least 3 out of 5 Chapters receive the honor). When a member is eligible to receive duplicate recognition, a pin will be issued for wear on the ribbon.
5. **AWARD** – The award is medal to be worn on the Scout uniform. The medal is the head of an Indian Chief with the word 'Michigamua' under it. The medal is suspended from a red, white and blue ribbon.
6. **RECORDS AND REPORTS** - The Chapter and Lodge will maintain the following forms to certify the completion of the requirements: Attendance Form (A-1), Unit Election Reports, Unit Contact Form (UCF). A form listing all of the requirements will be made available to be turned with forms UFC and form A-1. These forms must be turned in no later than October Executive Committee meeting of the year for which the award is earned. The form must be filed with the Lodge Recognition Committee Chairman.
7. **REQUIREMENTS** - The Chapter/Lodge must qualify for eight out of these ten requirements to receive and honor award. The first four requirements (a, b, c and d) and mandatory.
 - A. Maintains or increases membership.
 - B. At least 30 of eligible Ordeal members go through Brotherhood conversion.
 - C. The Chapter(s) holds unit elections in every eligible troop desiring one. The election teams are trained and conduct the elections in proper uniform.

- D.** The Chapter Hosts at least one Service Weekend at a council camp or a community service project during the year
- E.** At least 70 percent of the troops in the Chapter(s) area have a camp promotion visit or are signed up for summer camp.
- F.** At least 70 percent of the Chapter/Lodge officers attend the annual Lodge training seminar.
- G.** The units in the Chapter(s) are made aware of the Lodge's Where to Go Camping book.
- H.** The Chapter/each Chapter hosts at least one major Lodge event during the year.
- I.** The Chapter(s) has/have enough ceremonial teams so that there are no more than 50 candidates per ceremony. The teams are trained and have parts memorized
- J.** The average attendance at Lodge events exceeds 25 of the/each Chapter's membership. (Form A-I)
- K.** The Chapter(s) submit(s) an article for every issue of the Lodge newsletter.