

The Ed Benson Service Award Summary

Official Name: The Branch 8 Ed Benson Service Award

Format: Two plaques, a larger perpetual plaque with a picture of Ed, and plates for inscription of each recipient's name, and an individual plaque to be given to the awardee. The larger one would stay with the Branch and would have the names of all of the recipients engraved; the individual plaque would have just the recipient's name engraved and would be his to keep. A printed certificate would also be presented to each recipient.

Qualifications: Any active member of the Branch (sponsor) can nominate a fellow active member (nominee). The following factors should be considered, but all are not necessary for the nomination. They are listed in no particular order of importance:

- Has made other positive contributions to Branch 8
- Has provided new ideas or approaches to the Branch
- Has been Big and/or Little Sir
- Has been on Branch Executive Committee (BEC)
- Has been an activity chairman and participated in Branch activities
- Has been responsible for establishing a new Branch activity.
- Has been involved in State-level Sir activities or administration

Voting Procedure: The application (see attached) is to be submitted to the BEC and a subcommittee of 3-4 BEC members plus one senior Branch member (with 10-15 years as a member) will review the application and provide a recommendation to the BEC. A majority (51%) vote from the BEC would result in awarding the applicant. If the applicant is not passed by the BEC, the sponsor will be notified; if the applicant is passed, both the nominee and the sponsor will be notified by the Big Sir and a date and time for the award will be determined.