

Dr. Kenneth King
2019 Silver Buffalo Award Recipient
May 31, 2019

Scouters receive the
2019 Silver Buffalo Award
Scouting's top honor for volunteers



They've led giant corporations and highly ranked universities. They've skied at the North and South poles and chased eclipses around the world. They've volunteered with music education programs and at their places of worship.

Impressive stuff, but there's something even more remarkable on the résumés of the 13 men and women receiving the Silver Buffalo Award this year.

I'm referring to their service to Scouting. Combined, this year's Silver Buffalo Award recipients have given more than 400 years of service to the Boy Scouts of America.

In recognition of their commitment to this life-changing movement, these volunteers join the illustrious **list of people** who have received Scouting's top honor for adult volunteers.

The list features massive names in Scouting (Robert Baden-Powell, “Green Bar Bill” Hillcourt), Hollywood (Walt Disney, Jimmy Stewart), sports (Yogi Berra, Archie Manning) and government (Gerald Ford, Lyndon B. Johnson).

The Silver Buffalo Award is part of the so-called “Silver family” of BSA awards, alongside the Silver Beaver Award for distinguished service within a council and the Silver Antelope Award for distinguished service on the regional level.

Let’s meet the Silver Buffalo Award Class of 2019. These Scouters were honored on May 31, 2019 at the BSA’s annual meeting in Denver.



The Silver Buffalo Award Class of 2019



Dr. Kenneth D. King
Northern New Jersey Council

The “opportunities and experiences, the skills it has taught me and the friendships it has permitted me to develop” are what, according to Dr. Kenneth D. King, make his more than 55 years as a Scout and Scouter so special. That and “the opportunity to expose youth to the wonderful world of Scouting.”

An Eagle Scout, he has received the Distinguished Eagle Scout Award, the Silver Antelope Award, the Whitney M. Young Jr. Service Award, the Silver Beaver Award and the District Award of Merit. He is a member of the Eagle Scout Hall of Fame for both the Northern New Jersey Council and the Patriots’ Path Council.

Dr. King serves on the management team of the 2019 World Scout Jamboree, as Northeast Region jamboree commissioner and as a National Eagle Scout Association member. He served the Northeast Region as Commissioner and Vice President and as Area 5 President. He served as Essex Council President and Commissioner and as Northern New Jersey Council Commissioner and Vice President for Endowment.

The President of King Educational Consulting, he is a past president of the New Jersey Association of School Administrators and the New Jersey Council of Education. Dr. King has also served the youth in his community through membership on the boards of the East Orange YMCA and the Metropolitan YMCA of the Oranges, where he was the Chief Volunteer Officer.

Dr. King attends Lacey United Methodist Church; he and his wife, Dr. Alease Griffith-King, have four children--Lorrie King-Morales, Douglas King, Leidene King and Dr. Tonya Cook.

Dr. King served as the Assistant Superintendent of Schools in the East Orange School District and retired in 2009, after having worked in the District for 46 years.