

BRANCH 62 AWARDS COMMITTEE

The Awards Committee was assigned by Branch 62 Big SIR Heber Slusser in September 2023 to look how we should best use awards to recognize the work that our members do to support the branch. The committee will meet at least quarterly to review the branch member recognition status.

Forms for initiating awards are available on the State website database. A record of all awards given is kept in both the branch and state membership records.

The available branch awards and their requirements include:

- **Honorary Life Member (HLM)**

- This lapel pin award is given to a member who has clearly earned it through exceptional and extraordinary service.
- Recipient must be a member for 5 years or more.
- Recipient steps forward whenever the need arises.
- The recipient would be recognized by his peers to have earned it.
- The HLM is not to be treated lightly or awarded merely based on good fellowship.
- A branch is allowed only 1 HLM per 50 branch members.



- **Senior Honorary Life Member (SHLM)**

- When a Branch HLM has been an HLM for 10 years he shall be automatically elevated to Senior HLM status.
- There is no limit to the number of SHLMs in a branch.

- **Honorary Life Member Emeritus (HLME)**

- In situations where the BEC has determined that the HLM can no longer attend or participate in branch functions, the BEC may approve by two-thirds affirmative vote assigning that member HLM Emeritus status.

- **Distinguished Service Award (DSA)**

- This lapel pin award is given to a member who has clearly earned it through exceptional and extraordinary service.
- Recipient must be a member for 3 years or more.
- Recipient steps forward whenever the need arises.
- The recipient would be recognized by his peers to have earned it.
- The DSA is not to be treated lightly or awarded merely based on good fellowship.
- The DSA is automatically given to members for completion of service as Big Sir.
- There is no limit to the number of Big Sir DSAs allowed in the branch.
- A branch is allowed only 2 DSAs per 50 members (excludes Big Sir DSAs).



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- **Senior Distinguished Service Award (SDSA)**
 - A member who has been a DSA for 5 years will be automatically elevated to Senior DSA.
 - SDSAs do not count against the allowed number of Branch DSAs.
- **Distinguished Service Award Emeritus (DSAE)**
 - In situations where the BEC has determined that a DSA recipient can no longer attend or participate in branch functions, the BEC shall, by two-thirds affirmative vote, assign the DSA member to Emeritus status.
 - DSAEs do not count against the allowed number of Branch DSAs.

- **Doing My Part Award (DMP)**

- This lapel pin award is given for special recognition to members who have not earned the level that a DSA or HLM award requires but has been contributing to the success of the Branch.
- There is no limit to the number of DMP awards that can be given.



- **Age Recognition Award: (AR)**

- There are 90 (Senior), 95 (Super Senior), and 100 (Century) year milestone awards.
- It is given to branch members upon reaching an age milestone of 90, 95, or 100 years.