BEYOND THE GOLD

Polish Falcons of America Legion of Honor

Eligibility Requirements

- 1) Member must be in Good Standing (including National Dues) at the time of application.
- 2) Member must have received their Gold LOH at least **7 (seven)** years before being nominated for the "Beyond the Gold."
- 3) Their involvement within the Polish Falcons organization must have continued after receiving their Gold Legion of Honor.
- 4) The nominees shall be nominated by their Nest or District.

Awards Process

- The Nest or District Awards Committee meets to select nominees for the Award.
- Each Nest or District can nominate up to two individuals per year.
- The Nest or District then votes on the applications.
- The approved applications are sent to the First National Vice President to confirm Membership and Award status of the nominees.
- The LOH Commandery will then vote to approve the applications.
- A simple majority vote is required to approve an application by the Awards Committee,
 Nest or District, and Commandery.
- Nest or District is notified as to the decision of the Commandery.
- The Commandery will make the inaugural presentation at the 2024 National Convention. After that, Awards shall be presented as Nests and Districts determine.
- After 2024, it will be up to each Nest and District to present the Awards.

Outstanding Issues

• The type of Award, or token of appreciation, medal, certificate, given to an awardee shall be determined at a later date.

Inaugural Presentations

Since 2024 will be the inaugural year of the Program, the following is the proposed timeline for the Program:

- May 20—Board of Directors votes on the proposal.
- June 1—Memberships, Nests, and Districts are notified of the new Program through all available channels.
- September 1—Application forms are made available.
- March 1, 2024—Application Deadline to the National First Vice President.
- April 1, 2024—Applications sent to LOH Commandery
- June 1, 2024—The deadline for Commandery to report its final decisions to the First Vice President.
- Awards are prepared for presentation at the National Convention in July.

Post-2024

After the inaugural presentations in 2024, the Program will continue in 2025 and beyond. Therefore, we recommend that the nomination and approval process be done simultaneously, not throughout the year, as we do current awards.

- September 1—Nominations Open
- October 31—Deadline for submitting nominations to the National First Vice President
- December 15—Last day for Commandery to announce recipients for the upcoming year.