

Greetings Goyans!

For a fifth straight year, the St George GOYA has an opportunity to participate in the **The President's Volunteer Service Award** program. We invite you to apply for this award. Given your ongoing service activities within our own community, many of you may have already met the requirements to receive the award.

The **PVSA (Presidential Volunteer Service Award)** deadline is quickly approaching. I am requesting all GOYANS submit to the Advisors, no later than Sunday, October 5th, your community service hours. Attached is the form to be used to submit your hours. You will need to provide your full name, birthdate, e-mail address and a phone number where you can be reached in case there are any questions. Additionally, you will need to provide the date (MM/DD/YYYY) the community service took place, a brief description of the activity performed, organization and hours spent performing the service. The community service could be GOYA related (Ex: St Basils, Charily Night, Festival, Sunday School, Alter Boy etc.), School related (Ex: Food Drives, Clothing Drives, Concession Work, etc.). The community service needs to have taken place from September 1, 2012 to August 31, 2013.

The award levels are as follows:

KIDS (Ages 14 and under)

Young Adults (15 – 25)

Bronze 50-74 hours

Bronze 100-174 hours

Silver 75-99 hours

Silver 175-249 hours

Gold 100+ hours

Gold 250+ hours

We also have an opportunity, as we did last year, to earn a PVSA award for our GOYA. For those of you who don't have enough hours to qualify for the awards above, still submit your hours. They will be used in tabulating our GOYA PVSA. We need a *minimum* of 1000 total hours for our GOYA to earn a bronze level with each member having earned 25 hours minimum. All award recipients receive a personalized certificate of achievement, a congratulatory letter from the President of the United States, a congratulatory letter from the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation and an official President's Award pin.

