



Eagle Scout Court of Honor

Troop 467
North Atlanta District, Atlanta Area Council
Boy Scouts of America

Award Ceremony

Kyle Alan Edson
Jacob Riley Turner
Andrew Pryor Roberts Young



Sunday, February 26, 2012
3:00 p.m.

The Chapel
Peachtree Road United Methodist Church



For Kyle's project, he helped eliminate sewage contaminants from Silver Lake. He mapped the line of sewers along the lake front trail, and matched each sewer with its identification number. He then designed signs that included the identification number and the county dispatch number. All 37 signs were installed along Silver Lake's trails with the help of ten volunteers.



Jake's project was to lead his team of volunteers to build and install a hexagonal wooden bench around a large tree at Little Nancy Creek Park. Planning and construction of the bench took over 130 hours of work on the part of Jake and his team.



Andrew and his volunteers cooked and served a lasagna dinner, raising \$1200 to stock the food pantry at Emmaus House. They shopped using a combination of couponing and weekly specials and were able to provide the groceries needed to prepare the weekly food bags (15 per week) for three weeks. Andrew and his team delivered the food, assembled the bags, and helped with distribution.

It is said that no Scout becomes an Eagle without the support of his parents. We also know that our sons are blessed with capable, caring Scout leaders who encouraged them for seven years. They are more than Scout leaders—they are exemplary role models whose influence our families will feel forever. We are blessed to have them in our lives, and we are deeply grateful for their generosity of time, talent and spirit. Scoutmasters Mark Dunaway, Ken Goldwasser, and Val Carolin; Troop 467 Poet Laureate, Bill Swilley; Life-to-Eagle Coordinator, Paul Underwood; “Cast-Iron Chef”, Steve Danielek, and all of the other adults who have planned trips, braved rain, heat, cold, and rugged terrain have individually and together created lasting memories for us all. The families of Troop 467 are a wonderful community of which we are honored to be a part. Please join us for a reception in the Hall of the Apostles following the ceremony.

The Edson, Turner and Young Families

Brief History of the Eagle Scout Award

When the U.S. Scouting movement began in 1910, the highest rank was that of the First Class Scout. The Life, Star, and Eagle designations were not ranks but awards for earning merit badges. A First Class Scout who had earned a total of 21 merit badges was presented with the Eagle award. In the first draft of the Boy Scout Handbook, the highest award was called the "Silver Wolf" award but the name was quickly changed to that of our national bird, the eagle.

This year, the Boy Scouts of America celebrates 100 years of Eagle Scouts. The first Scout to earn the Eagle award was Arthur Rose Eldred, a member of Troop 1 in Oceanside, New York, who earned the Eagle award in August of 1912. Eldred did not have to complete a service project, a requirement that was not introduced until 1965, but he was required to undergo a board of review (and some say a grilling) by the founders of the Boy Scouts of America including Chief Scout Executive James E. West and Chief Scout Ernest Thompson Seton.

Since 1912, the requirements for the Eagle award have expanded significantly. Today, a Scout must still climb through the first five ranks of Scouting and complete 21 merit badges, but he must also show leadership within the troop by assuming a leadership position. By completing a service project where he must enlist the help of others, the Scout puts into practice what he has learned about leadership. After an Eagle candidate meets the service and leadership requirements, he must then complete a Scoutmaster conference and sit for an official board of review.

Troop 467 was first chartered in 1965 and is celebrating its 47th year. In 1967, the troop produced its first Eagle Scout, Arthur Holekamp. To date, the troop has minted 112 Eagles. In 1912, 23 Scouts earned the Eagle award. Today, 50,000 Scouts a year earn the right to wear the Eagle badge including over 500 Scouts from the Atlanta Area Council. Since 1912, nearly two million young men have earned the right to be called Eagle Scouts. Once an Eagle, always an Eagle.

The Eagle Scout Promise

**I reaffirm my allegiance
To the three promises of the Scout Oath.
I thoughtfully recognize
And take upon myself
The obligations and responsibilities
Of an Eagle Scout.
On my honor I will do my best
To make my training and example,
My rank and my influence
Count strongly for better Scouting
And for better citizenship
In my troop,
In my community,
And in my contacts with other people.
To this I pledge my sacred honor.**

So what is an Eagle Scout? To quote the old Handbook for Scoutmasters, he is a young man "who is qualified to help others but as well to take care of himself. His badge is not a decoration, but rather a symbol of knowledge and ability."

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Order of Ceremony

Welcome and Introduction of Guest.....Mr. Val Carolin
Scoutmaster, Troop 467

Opening Ceremony.....Sam Crane, Senior Patrol Leader

Posting of the Colors, Pledge of Allegiance, Scout Oath and Law.....
....Sam Crane and Color Guard

Invocation.....Rev. Thomas Martin
Peachtree Road United Methodist Church

History of Scouting.....Mr. Bill Swilley
Assistant Scoutmaster, Troop 467

Lighting the Eagle Trail.....Mr. John Crane
Assistant Scoutmaster, Troop 467

Reflections.....Mr. Mark Dunaway
Committee Chair, Troop 467

Eagle Scout Challenge.....,.....Mr. Val Carolin

Eagle Scout Promise.....Mr. Val Carolin

Presentation of Eagle Scout Award.....Mr. Mark Dunaway

Eagle Scouts' Remarks.....,.....Kyle Edson
Jake Turner
Andrew Young

Retiring of the Colors.....Sam Crane and Color Guard

Dismissal.....Sam Crane