# George Mason District Court of Honor

Honoring the Volunteers That Support Our Youth and Units 2021 - 2022



## Agenda

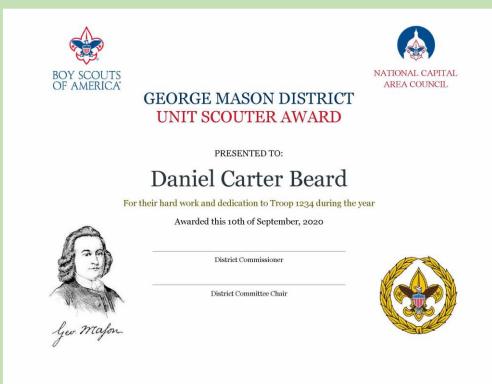
- Service to our Units
  - Unit Scouter Awards
  - Unit Appreciation Awards
- Service at the District Level
  - 2022 District Award of Merit
  - 2022 Silver Beaver
  - Order of the Arrow Key Three Challenge
  - 2022 Schenekar Award
- Unit Leader Award of Merit to Chris Hunter
- George Mason Roundtable (to follow immediately after)

### Unit Scouter Award

The Unit Scouter Award is presented to a limited number of persons from the district.

The award recognizes volunteers for noteworthy service to the unit in which the awardee is registered.

The award can be for excellence of duty, action during a crucial period, or sustained performance on behalf of the unit.



#### **Brandon Graves**

Brandon has been an active parent and leader in Pack 78 for the last 5 years. He has worked as an Assistant Den Leader for Wolf and Bear Dens, as Den Leader for the Webelos and AOLs, and held the Committee Chair for a few years. His dedication to Scouting, love for history and art and example for what it means to be a good steward of the environment, a dedicated participant in politics and community are unparalleled. Pack 78 Scouts and adults have learned a great deal from Brandon. Pack 78 recognizes and thanks him.



#### **Brian Christopher**

For five years, Brian has led his den from Tigers, through Webelos, and to the Arrow of Light. He cheerfully pitches in with all aspects of Pack leadership, and he is a mainstay of our campouts and service projects. He is beloved and appreciated by all the Scouts and parents of Pack 152.



### **Tony Tran**

Much thanks to Tony and Camtu Nguyen for their tireless support of Pack 656 and working through rechartering!

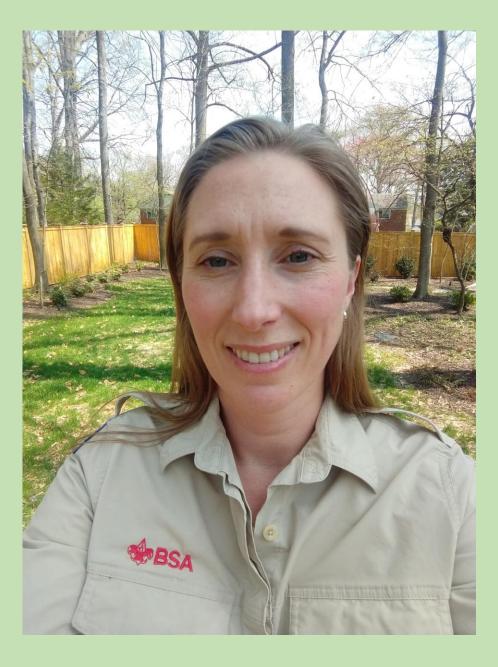
#### **Rob Sucher**

Robb Sucher is a long-time den leader who is coordinating P657's campouts in 2022. Robb is extremely self-motivated and has overseen every aspect of the pack's fall campout making this premier event an absolute success. Robb is building on that success by planning P657's spring campout. Robb contributes exceptional effort in everything he has undertaken for the pack helping to make P657's program a success.



### **Carrie Hasse**

Carrie has been an amazing leader. She is a role model for leadership. She has the respect of everyone in our Pack



### **Brian Diffel**

Brian Diffel is concluding his service to Pack 681 and continuing as a leader with Troop 681 after four years of service as a Cub Scout Leader. Since 2019, Brian has served as Committee Chair for Pack 681, leading the Pack through the challenges of the Pandemic while still maintaining a healthy and active Pack.

#### **Cheryl Schlosnagle**

Cheryl, a Girl Scout Gold Achievement recipient, her sons, and her family, comprising three generations of Eagle Scouts, understand the meaning of service. Many years ago, when P833 needed a popcorn kernel, Cheryl volunteered without hesitation and has continued the tradition of selflessly volunteering to 'help the Pack 833 go' ever since. Over the years, Cheryl has performed many roles within the unit to ensure her pack's success, but perhaps her greatest contribution to P833 youth and adults is her exemplification of living the Scout Oath and Law, every day....always.

#### **Matthew Leatherman**

Matthew has been a pack parent and volunteer from the moment he stepped in the door. Matt and his oldest son, Sam, first joined as our inaugural Lion Den in 2016. Matt stepped up immediately and volunteered to be a Den Leader. Despite having little volunteer experience, he showed up every week with enthusiasm, cheer, and a zeal for getting his Scouts educated while having fun.

He has since added a second son to the Pack, and he rotated back to again serve as a Lion Den leader with Jake's den when they joined in 2019. Matt did such an outstanding job that a replacement den leader was able to step right in and manage a squared away den so that Matt could become our Assistant Cubmaster.

As a Pack leader, Matt created a wiki from the ground up to warehouse information for our Pack's events so that new leaders could step right in with everything they need right at their fingertips.

He has analyzed our fundraising and recruiting data using his personal expertise and greatly augmented our ability to be successful at both.

Matt will now step into the Cubmaster role as Colin ages up with his youngest son. Matt has already stepped up and began spiritedly recruiting scouts and families to attend Goshen Summer Camp in 2022. Pack 882 could not be in better hands.





#### **Terrence Gabriel**

Terrence Gabriel stepped up to become Cub Master of Pack 919 a few years ago. Thank you for your dedication to scouting and support of the Freedom Hill Elementary school community.

#### Lee Wilkinson

Lee is the Superglue that holds Pack 976 together. He has taken on a huge portion of running the pack both in planning and in executing programs. If no one else can do a job, Lee jumps in and takes care of it himself. He has focused well on keeping boys engaged and involved and giving them new opportunities to explore.





#### **Matt Zawislak**

As our Committee Chair and then our Cubmaster, Matt's leadership over the past five years has been a tremendous asset to Pack 987. Under Matt's direction, our Pack was able to safely continue offering dynamic and engaging programming online and in person during the COVID pandemic which resulted in membership growing 34% in 2022.

The scouts of Pack 987 are particularly thankful that Cubmaster Matt has shared his passion for model rockets, reintroduced raingutter regatta to our programming, and assisted in cutting countless pinewood derby cars in his workshop over the years.

#### Nick Blonkowski

Nick stepped into the Pack's Committee Chair position to help drive the Scouting program for the Pack and across all dens. He sought additional training like Scouterhorn to enrich the experience for scouts. His organizational and communication skills ensured effective Pack level planning, kept Scout families informed throughout the year, and made a successful recharter possible. Prior to stepping into this role, he served as a den leader and continued to be active at the den level in addition to his role as the Committee Chair.

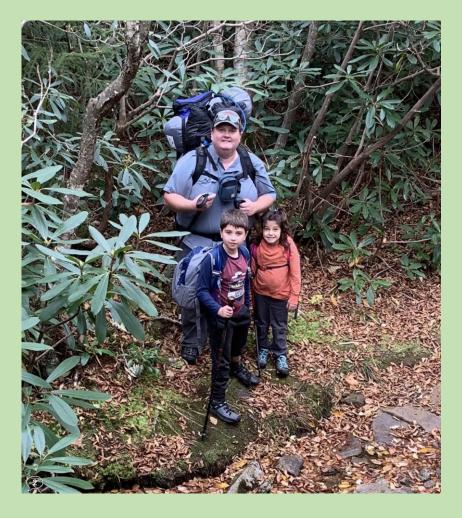
#### **Jason Dalton**

Jason took on the role of cubmaster in 2020 for Pack 1139 and has bravely kept the Pack going throughout and as appropriately during the pandemic.

When we could not meet in-person, Jason figured out how to keep our scouts engaged through virtual meetings and activities. When we could start meeting in-person again, he made sure that our activities were safe and inclusive, respecting choices families were making regarding their health and safety.

He also was mindful of the Pack's budget in the activities that were chosen. He performed these duties while managing numerous personal obligations both at work and home that were incredibly demanding. He never expressed the struggles or conflicts that he had as a cubmaster during these difficult times but always made sure to be helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, and cheerful to others.

His actions clearly show that he is trustworthy and loyal and it is reflected in the Pack 1139 leadership, volunteers, and scouts.



**Michele Kennedy** 

Michele Kennedy went above and beyond to deliver a summer camp experience for Troop 13 during the summer of 2020 by arranging a week-long summer camp with merit badge study and fun for scouts. Without her efforts, the troop would have had to forgo their camp experience due to COVID closures, delaying advancement and weakening troop morale. She has continued to support the troop's summer camp planning in subsequent years.

## Troop 152B

#### Will Covey

Will Covey has been instrumental in managing Troop 152's Boards of Reviews (BORs) for the past eight years, helping hundreds of scouts advance in rank from Scout through Life.

Notably, he quickly shifted at the beginning of COVID to remote BORs assisting numerous scouts continue their advancement journey while maintaining appropriate protocols during the pandemic. Will also led and organized the troop's 2021 Philmont trip and participated in the troop's 2020 Summit Bechtel High Adventure and 2016 Philmont trips





### Joe Wood

Mr. Joe Wood served the Scouts of Troop 187 and Pack 1513 as an Assistant Scoutmaster, Merit Badge Counselor, and Den Leader.

He was a super-volunteer, giving freely of himself whenever needed. He possessed a wide variety of technical knowledge and skill that he conveyed to young people, whether teaching Home Repair and Automotive Maintenance Merit Badges, helping the Troop build two functional chariots for the District Camporee, or helping on countless camp outs.

He supported his son Joey on his path to become an Eagle Scout and volunteered regularly with his daughter Samantha's Girl Scout Troop. He passed away suddenly January 22, 2022, and Troop 187 wishes to honor him with this award.





### **Brandon Nunes**

After 5 years of service as an Assistant Scoutmaster, Brandon has completed his first year as Scoutmaster.

Brandon has a true passion for scouting. He has attained Wood Badge training and adds so much value to our troop.

Brandon enthusiastically supports all activities that scouts want to take on and encourages them to plan and execute their plans. Brandon attended Sea Base with our scouts and is currently preparing for Philmont this summer.

### **Nicholas Draper**

Troop 349 is nominating Scoutmaster Draper for his relentless advancement of the Scouting program despite the numerous challenges presented by the Covid-19 pandemic, which has been ever present during his tenure. He provided opportunity and encouragement for our Scouts to move forward and even instituted internal improvements that benefit current and future Scouts.



### Troop 976B

### Abe Bacarra

Abe always puts the boys and their priorities first. He has made Troop 976 a boy-led troop by giving them the space to learn, to make mistakes and to lead. Despite COVID, he has continued the tradition of monthly campouts or other outings, even setting some personal records for cold weather camping. He has made the weekly Scout meetings a haven from all the stresses in the world by making sure the Scouts have fun and the space to progress at their own speed. His genial approach to life and high expectations for the boys have made him very appreciated by Scouts and parents alike.

## Troop 987B

#### **Louis Sichenze**

With deep appreciation for your many years of service to Troop 987 and serving as Advancement Chair. Thank you for diligently tracking, actively supporting, and cheerfully delivering recognition to our youth.



### Troop 987G



### **Esther Sichenze**

With appreciation for your service to Troop 987G including making the 2022 Philmont high adventure trip for Troop 987G possible through your leadership and support.

## Troop 1539B

### **Joe Nichols**

Joe Nichols has been an Assistant Scoutmaster for over 7 years and is a central pillar of our Scouting program. First, he is a Merit Badge counselor for several key required Merit Badges including Cooking, Camping, and Emergency Preparedness.

He is an Eagle Project Coach helping multiple scouts successfully plan, execute, and document their eagle projects.

Joe is an avid canoeist who has completed Northern Tier and is a lead advisor for an upcoming Northern Tier crew. He is an experienced hiker and backpacker, and he developed and led training hikes to prepare crews to go to Philmont in both 2020 and 2021. He was the lead advisor for the crew that DID (finally) go to Philmont in the summer of 2021.

He embodies all the points of the Scout Law, but he is especially helpful, friendly, courteous and kind.



**Jack Gallagher** 

Jack has served with the troop for the better part of a decade. To say that Jack handled "numerous administrative tasks" for our troop is to make the understatement of the year. It literally took four new adult volunteers to replace him as his sons age out.

Jack has juggled our finances, awards, merit badges, advancement, and a host of other jobs that are the lifeblood of an active troop. He and his family will be missed, but we are thankful for the example that Jack set. Troop 1887 is better because he was a part of it."

#### **Brian Jackson**

A dedicated Scout leader and Scouter, Brian Jackson is a previous ASM for Troop 1888 and a founding leader of the Troop.

As an ASM, he provided many opportunities for Scouts to achieve rank requirements for advancement. He also created numerous Merit Badge events for the Scouts to earn either through classes or during camp outs.

He committed to advancing his own skills through the Wood Badge program, where he created a new service award recognizing Scouts for every 10 hours of service performed, which is then presented to the Scout during the Troop's Court of Honor.

He worked hard during the COVID quarantine providing virtual opportunities for Scouts and assisted with Scout activities once allowed back in person.



## Troop 1978G



### **Patty Whelply**

Patty Whelpley is a 1978G committee member and our Troop Merit Badge Dean. She also serves as the Merit Badge Dean for our brother Troop 1978B.

During the last two years she has championed our Troops' combined Merit Badge Academies. Her energetic can-do spirit and meticulous attention to detail has allowed over 80 Scouts access to dozens of merit badges during 10 separate academies. She has recruited counselors, coordinated enrollment, and ensured our Scouts were linked to their counselors.

As COVID restrictions limited our ability to meet in person, Patty's imagination allowed the Scouts in both Troops 1978 G & B to learn new skills and socially interact. This has been a highlight of our Scouting program!

## Troop 1996B

**Peter Oppenheimer** 

Peter Oppenheimer has been selected as the commissioner's award recipient due to his longstanding leadership and commitment to our troop's overall success. He has attended and led summer camp numerous times, been on too many weekend campouts to count, and in his final act as an ASM prior to stepping away, will lead troop 1996 to the Maine High Adventure base for 10 days in June of 2022.

He has also served as the unit training chair and in that role continues to keep the leaders of 1996 up to date and fully YPT trained and 77% position trained, making the troop one of the most well-trained units in the District.

### Unit Appreciation Award

The unit appreciation award is a District award presented by a unit to a Scouter who has provided outstanding service to the unit and its youth.



Geo. Mafon



#### GEORGE MASON DISTRICT UNIT APPRECIATION AWARD

PRESENTED TO:

William D. Boyce

For their hard work and dedication to Pack 1234 during the past year

Awarded this 10xth day of September 2020

District Commissioner

District Committee Chair





#### **John Price Van Cleve**

John has been a leader for the Tiger, Wolf, Bear and Webelos Dens and for the last couple years has been Assistant Cubmaster, helping with securing our reservations at camp and parks. He has graciously volunteered to be the Cubmaster for Pack 78 for the next year before his son bridges out.

#### **Dan Kirkpatrick**

Dan has been an active leader and father in the Pack for the last 4 years. He has held den leadership positions and facilitates the advancement of our scouts at all levels.

#### **Garth Robbins**

Garth has been an active parent in Pack 78 for more than 7 years. Both of his sons have now bridged out and are continuing in Scouts BSA. He was actively involved during den meetings, herding the cats at large Pack meetings, and helped our scouts through their first summer camp week at Goshen last summer.

# Pack 78 (Cont.)

#### **Bledar Tota**

Bledar graciously took on the role of Den Leader for the Wolf Den this year. His participation and encouragement of the Scouts to do their best has motivated and energized his den.

#### **Michael Harris**

Michael graciously took on the role of Den Leader for the Bear Den this year. He brings kindness and great leadership to the role and has been a principal reason for growing the number of scouts in the den.

#### Lynn Stattel

Lynn has been the popcorn colonel for the last few years. Not an easy position, but one for which she was perfectly suited. She successfully encouraged scouts to get out there and fundraise for our Pack.



Mike Harris

### Wendy Bang

Wendy has served as our Pack Advancement Chair, making sure our youth members are recognized for their remarkable achievements. She brought her positive attitude to everything she did, from recruiting new members to teaching first aid.

### **Tyler Blanchard**

Tyler, and Eagle Scout and longtime supporter of Scouting, quickly volunteered for a leadership position, stepping up to help lead his Tiger den as Assistant Den Leader, helping to keep den meetings organized and fun.



Wendy Bang

#### **Thomas Fortuna**

Thomas, a master of facts and figures, keeps our Pack's finances on track as our Pack Treasurer. Thomas's steady hand has kept Pack 152 on strong financial footing.

# Pack 152 (Cont.)

### **Ann Christopher**

Ann leads our Bear den, is a leader of our Pack Campouts (including leading an awesome orienteering course), and she is the principal leader of most of our Pack service projects, including Scouting for Food and the Vienna Town Cleanup. Under her leadership, Pack 152 collected 2,875 pounds of food this year, approximately the weight of a black rhinoceros.

### **Glen Buckholz**

Glenn ably leads our Wolf den, and he also stepped up to help lead special events, including our Pack rocket launch and Pinewood Derby, preparing himself to be our next Special Events Chair.

#### **Carmody Daman**

Carmody stepped up to be our first leader of a girls' den when Pack 152 opened its doors to our sisters and daughters. When we needed a new Pack Committee Chair in a pinch, she stepped up for that role, too, leading our Pack Committee through an unusually challenging recharter.



Ann Christopher



Glen Buckholz

## Pack 152 (Cont.)



### **Scott Kelly**

Scott leads Pack 152's highly active Tiger den, the future of the Pack, through fun and engaging den meetings and activities. Scott was quick to step up into his leadership role with his exemplary can-do attitude.

### **Tom Hazzard**

Tom is our outgoing Special Events Chair, having been the leader of our Pack Pinewood Derby and rocket launches for the past three years. BALOO qualified, Tom has also participated in the leadership of our Pack campouts, including a very moving flag disposal ceremony that brought some of our participants to tears.

Tom Hazzard

#### **Robert Deal**

Robert Deal has selflessly been leading Pack 187 and would not be nearly as successful without him.

#### **Scott Sanford**

Scott's dedication to the Wolf den has brought them great success and led them to accomplish many new activities for the Pack.

### **Phillip Padden**

Phil has devoted great effort and positive energy to serving pack families and working tirelessly on membership renewals and the pack's rechartering process during these challenging times in the BSA.

# Pack 187 (Cont.)

#### **Scott Smith**

Scott's efforts to keeps out Webelos Ones active and moving has ensured these active boys have plenty to do together as we move out of COVID quarantine.

#### **Clefton Davidson**

Clefton's leadership as led to another successful year of young men graduating into boy scouts from pack 187. We are proud of the boys' success and grateful for Clefton's work.

#### **Kat Bachman**

Kat is a leader of our girls' AOL den. Kat stepped up to lead when the other leaders of the den stepped down. She has helped ensure that the girls will be able to complete the Cub Scout program

#### **Dave Berthiaume**

Dave is a long-time den leader. During the pandemic, he served as leader of 2 dens stepping in to provide leadership as other people had to step down

### **Geary Morris**

Geary has served as the Pack's Assistant Cubmaster for the past two years. She has been an invaluable help in organizing pack meetings, planning activities, and providing support to other leaders.

### Jeff Walker

Jeff has been in charge of our Pack's recharter for the past several years. Jeff has insured that all paperwork is completed properly and submitted timely and successfully. Jeff Walker (L)



# Pack 657 (Cont)

### **Howard Fiddy**

Howard is a long-time den leader. During 2021 and 2022, he provided crucial technical assistance to the Pinewood Derby, allowing it to happen without a hitch and have our first livestream of the event.



Mark McGunagle

#### Dori Hazan

Dori is the Pack treasurer. She has planned our budgets for the past several years, kept the accounts, and ensured that all bills are paid on time.

### **Mark McGunagle**

Mark has been a long-time den leader, leading 2 dens with 13 scouts. He also serves as the Pack communications chair and has been involved in the Cubmobile races.

### **Hans Miller**

Hans has been a long-time den leader. During 2021 and 2022, he has stepped up and served as the chair of our pack's Pinewood Derby, allowing us to hold the event despite the pandemic.



### **Tosche Station**

Tosche Station is a comic book/toy store in Springfield VA. The owners at Tosche assisted Pack 675 in their shoe drive. They helped us organize and bag approximately 16 bags of shoes (450 pairs of shoes).

### Jordan Kislear

For outstanding contribution to the committee and assistance in running the Pinewood Derby.

### **Susan Lee**

Words cannot describe Susan's amazing leadership and contribution to Pack 675. Thank you for everything you do!

### **Chris Glazner**

For outstanding leadership as our camp coordinator and Pinewood Derby organizer.

### **Christian Griggs**

This year marked Christian Griggs's last year of thirteen years of direct leadership to the Scouts of Pack 681 in Den Leader and Committee leadership positions as his youngest bridges over to Troop 681. Christian has fostered the growth of hundreds of Scouts while providing an outstanding example and quality mentorship to the Pack's next generation of adult leaders.



Christian Griggs



Kristin Natale



#### **Kristin Natale**

Kristin has served as a den leader for our Arrow of Light den for many years now. Kristin's scout spirit was a huge asset when many scouting families, including her own, merged with our pack in 2021. Her cheery disposition and can-do attitude made this merger a great success. Our scouts have always benefitted from her willingness to jump right in and work enthusiastically towards their success.

#### **Paul Ratcliffe**

Paul stepped in as a den leader for our current Webelos den 2 years ago. He has jumped in as a volunteer at every event that we have held, always with his sleeves rolled up and ready to get to work. He is a credit to our pack.

Paul Ratcliffe

#### **Ross Camara**

Ross consistently helps the Pack. From setting up the Pinewood Derby to guiding scouts at the popcorn storefront. It's a pleasure having his assistance with the scouts of Pack 919.

### **Chris Rogers**

Chris Rogers, jumped right into leadership after his sons joined, filling a crucial Assistant Cubmaster job.

#### **Kate McGuire**

Kate McGuire has done double duty by taking on the job of treasurer while also helping keep a den afloat until we can find a leader.

#### **Chris Lavery**

Chris Lavery has been active with the troop committee and helped keep his den active through direct engagement with the kids. He is also getting ready to take on an even more active role in a year when he transitions to committee chair.

#### Ken Lee

Ken Lee has been a key part of leading a den and involved in planning for the Pack as a whole.

# Pack 976 (cont.)

### **Kevin Comer**

Kevin Comer, filled an important need within the pack by taking on the Lion den leadership.

### **Tyler Heimann**

Tyler Heimann has been an active part of the Pack's leadership and will be a big loss when he moves away from the area.

### **Dan Rinaldi**

Dan Rinaldi (Webelos 2 Den), helped keep his den involved despite pandemic difficulties and many have now joined the troop.

### **Dan Aloisi**

Dan Aloisi has been active with the pack committee and doing a great job co-leading the Wolf Den.

### **Brett Leis**

Brett has been a tremendous den leader and scout mentor for the past five years. Brett is an all-around handyman, which he put to use in leading his den on numerous service projects at Flint Hill Elementary. The parents of his den are particularly thankful for Mr. Brett's ability to leverage his military experience in running a tight and structured ship while the scouts love his leadership and learning all sorts of new knots (and the Aussie names for those knots). Because of Brett's guidance, 100% of our AoL Scouts bridged to a troop this year and will be continuing their Scouting adventures.

#### **Ted Sienknecht**

Ted has been instrumental in reinvigorating and strengthening the relationship between our unit and chartered organization. Ted consistently goes above and beyond in lending his Scouting experience and offering guidance to our Pack, helping us schedule and reschedule meeting space in an ever-shifting COVID environment, and helping our pack procure its first trailer for camping adventures. We are extremely grateful to have such an amazing COR.



Brett Leis



Ted Sienknecht

# Pack 987 (Cont.)



Peter Stapleton

### **Peter Stapleton**

One of the longstanding bucket list items for our Pack was a climbing adventure but we lacked a trained instructor to make it happen. Enter Peter Stapleton.

Peter arranged a Scouterhorn climbing event for Troop 987 and invited two additional packs to participate. Peter managed all the climbing wall logistics, and assisted hundreds of scouts over a very long day. The scouts of Pack 987 are extremely thankful for the amazing experience.

#### **Brian McCabe**

Thank you for your sustained service to Pack 987 as Committee Chair and significant efforts to sustain this compelling program for the Cubs.

### **Andrew Davison**

Andy served admirably as the co-Cubmaster showing leadership with the Scouts, den leaders, and parents. He showed enthusiasm and strove to ensure safety of the Scouts and richness of the program as the Pack navigated how to hold in person Scouting events this past year.

### **Ahmed Ali**

As Pack Quartermaster, Ahmed's efforts ensured that Pack outdoor events, especially the Pack campouts included all the necessary equipment and supplies. When the Pack held its first campout since Covid-19, Ahmed and his family prepared individual family packs of s'mores kits to ensure safe distribution of this key part of any campout.

#### **Susan Martonik**

As advancement coordinator, Susie diligently ensured that all Scouts received recognition for completing their Scouting adventures. She communicated frequently and proactively with Pack and Den leaders to deliver a successful recognition program.

### **Sarah Singmaster**

Sarah organized the fall hike, finding a new location for the pack that provided a great experience for the large number of participants. She planned the hike by checking out the area on her own first to ensure it would be suitable for all levels and still provide an exciting experience. Beyond this, Sarah was active in all pack events and at the den level.



Sarah Singmaster

# Pack 1132 (Cont.)

### Joe Williamson

Joe agreed to take on leadership of the Bear Den this year and organized a Bear Carnival enjoyed by all dens in the Pack. He also played a key role in a successful Scouting for Food in the fall.

### **Paul Durr**

Paul agreed to take on leadership of the Tiger Den with his first year in the pack. He integrated himself into the Pack leaders' meetings and also helped contribute to a successful Scouting for Food program in the fall.

#### **David Lattimore**

David served as the Webelos I Den leader delivering an active program for these older Cub Scouts. He also helped guide the new Bear Den leader as well as continued to play an active leadership role during all pack events.

### **Giancarlo Matias**

Giancarlo served with integrity and teamwork as the Pack Treasurer. He was an integral part of the Pack leadership team and helped ensure that the Pack could complete its recharter.

#### **Martin Etner**

Martin Etner has been part of Pack 1139 over many years as his children participate in Scouting. He is currently the Tiger den leader. During my time with Pack 1139, Martin has always been a role model to others, whether as a den leader, volunteer for many Pack activities, or as a parent. Martin bravely led Pack 1139's adoption of family scouting, allowing Pack 1139 to have a strong female den presence. Martin possesses incredible knowledge of the Scouting requirements as his role as den leader throughout the multiple ranks. He is always cheerful even when the Scouts can be difficult and is always friendly, courteous, kind, and helpful towards others.

#### **Amy Scott**

Amy Scott is our advancement chair and Lion den leader. Amy bravely took on these demanding roles and performs them cheerfully. She has always been helpful to others. Amy makes these jobs seem very easy. In addition to her strong organizational skills, her calm, friendly, courteous, and kind demeanor makes her an excellent Lion den leader and is reflected in the significant increase in the lion den size.

#### **Christopher "Chip" McCaslin**

Chip is an active, engaged, hands-on Den Leader, who initially stepped up from Assistant DL when personal circumstances caused his predecessor to step down in mid program. He assisted operating the Pack and District Pine Wood Derby in 2021 and volunteered to run both his Pack and the District PWD in 2022. He engages well with youth, interacts positively with adults he recruits and is highly recommended by his Cubmaster.



Amy Scott



#### **Doug Scoville**

Doug has served tirelessly as our Pack Committee Chair for a number of years and has worn many hats (Den leader, Committee Chair, etc. sometimes simultaneously) while continuing the business of our Pack. Over the last 10 years the Scovilles have served our Pack and this year marks their final year as their youngest child will bridge over in the next few weeks.

### **Julie Scoville**

Julie has assumed multiple roles in the Pack leadership (due to volunteer vacancies) and she has served as Pack 1513 Assistant Cub Master for many years. Over the last 10 years the Scovilles have served our Pack and this year marks their final year as their youngest child will bridge over in the next few weeks.

Doug Scoville

# Troop 13

### **Daniel Roberts**

Mr. Daniel Roberts has worked for three years as the Troop Camping Coordinator. Daniel has worked behind the scenes to find places for the Troop to explore, enable their adventures, and facilitate the Troop's preparation for High Adventure treks. He has been exceptional as a Camping Coordinator, taking a little guidance from the Scoutmaster then finding new places for us to visit. Daniel is an unsung hero on the Troop's committee.

#### **James Day**

Mr. James Day worked with Scouts in Troop 13 to plan and execute two High Adventure treks. One Trek was a 6 day/68mile backpacking trip in the Dolly Sods the other was 6-day canoe trek in the wilds of Maine, at the Maine High Adventure Base. Mr. Day was instrumental in mentoring and guiding the crew leader and participating Scouts to successful adventures in both locations. His mentoring helped Scouts understand that they can accomplish a complex trek from idea to walking or paddling the last few miles.

#### **Randy Becker**

Mr. Randy Becker has worked for four years as the Troop Treasurer. He has kept track of the Troops finances, worked to create a budget so that the Troop can track where money is used and ensure that Scouts in need have resources to support their Scouting career.

## Troop 140B

**Andro Franetovic** 

Andro joined the unit as a Committee Member after his oldest son bridged to the Troop and became more involved after his youngest son bridged to the Troop. Andro has stepped up to assist the Gronkk patrol as the scouts work on their advancement. Andro is a professional chef and has been instructing the scouts and scouters on the finer points of cooking on campouts.

### Troop 152B Emily Covey

Emily Covey served as Merit Badge Coordinator during 2019-2021. Most notably Emily coordinated and/or taught 28 virtual merit badge classes from March 2020-December 2020 which provided valuable opportunities for Troop 152 scouts to continue to engage in scouting activities during the height of the pandemic.

#### **Kristin Heath**

Kristin Heath has been an active Troop Committee member since 2013. In 2018, she became the Chartered Organization Representative which included working with Vienna Presbyterian Church on creating policies throughout the pandemic.

#### **Jim Taylor**

Jim Taylor has been extremely active with the troop since 2006. He served as an adult advisor for Scout trips to high adventure bases at Philmont Scout Ranch and the Sommers Northern Tier/Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness in Minnesota. Since 2006, he has been the adult in charge for many patrol/troop camping and backpacking trips and leader of numerous Boards of Reviews.



Emily Covey



Jim Taylor (R)

# Troop 152B (cont.)



Steve Di Leonardo (R)



Michael Van Durick (R)

#### **Steve Di Leonardo**

Steve Di Leonardo has been an active ASM since 2016 acting as an advisor to multiple patrols and leading multiple troop camping trips and service projects including Wreaths across America. He served as one of our leaders of our Mulch Day fundraiser managing the sales/orders for as many as 8,000 bags of mulch. Steve has served as an adult advisor at many summer camps and at Philmont.

#### **Michael Van Durick**

Michael Van Durick has been an active ASM since 2015 leading multiple troop camping trips and expeditions. He served as one of our leaders of our Mulch Day fundraiser managing the coordination of the mulch spreading orders. Michael has served as an adult advisor at many summer camps and will be participating in the troop's Seabase Trip this summer.

# Troop 187B

#### **David Laun**

Mr. Laun has served for many years as the Troop's Treasurer. Early in his tenure he worked through a complicated rearrangement of how the Troop's bank accounts relate to those of our Chartered Organization. He has ensured that dues coming in and reimbursements going out are completed in a timely and transparent manner, and he has provided essential input as we navigate rechartering uncertainty. And he also teaches Cooking Merit Badge, often the last stop before Eagle. The Troop extends its heartfelt appreciation!

### **Todd Christian**

Mr. Christian is the model of Scout Spirit. Mr. Christian was instrumental in bringing the Peace Light to the George Mason District and Troop 187, specifically. Mr. Christian is a great mentor at troop meetings signing off rank requirements as well as conducting ILST for the last two years.

#### **Michael Ross**

Mr. Ross, a former Scout of T187, showing Scout Spirit accepted the Committee Chair position. Mr. Ross exudes qualities of a leader in the upper echelon of BSA Scout leaders. His cheerfulness and kindness creates an atmosphere of wanting of belonging and involvement for the Scouting movement.



**Todd Christian** 

# Troop 187B (cont.)

#### **Beverly Beuster**

Mrs. Beuster has taken on the Advancement Chair position and has managed an excellent transition from her predecessor. She has kept the awards and badges organized and ensured that Courts of Honor run smoothly. As one of the most important adult volunteer positions, we really appreciate her service!

#### **Senthil Nagappan**

Mr. Nagappan immediately stepped up, to become merit badge counselor, so that continuity would be handled all at once. He brings a love of the outdoors, service to others, and an intense knowledge of astronomy to this position.

#### **Anthony Hammerquist**

Upon the troop's departure to a campout, Mr. Hammerquist called in a friend to assist in the repair of an unexpected electrical issue with Troop trailer light fuses. The repair was completed in the dark allowing the trailer to make a safe travel to camp.

## Troop 187B (cont.)

### Liz Hammerquist

Ms. Hammerquist with a short-fused notice (< 24 hours before a campout) an almost impossible coordination of a troop trailer movement from an inaccessible location back to our meeting location. Ms. Hammerquist's swift response allowed the camping trip to happen.

### **Scott Willey**

Mr. Willey has been non-stop since retiring as Scoutmaster. Not only did Mr. Willey take on the George Mason District Scouting For Food coordinator, he led SFF for T187. Mr. Willey has been helpful as an Eagle Scout advisor with Scouts successfully achieving the ultimate rank. Look again, and Mr. Willey can be seen mentoring Scouts or preparing a presentation.



### Troop 345B



Keith Robinson (L)

#### **Alex Hutton**

In addition to serving as an Assistant Scoutmaster, Alex is a shining example of service and leadership to the scouts and the troop. Alex has created a new troop website for use in recruiting. Alex has also been active at all troop activities including service projects, hiking, and camping. Alex also took a group of Scouts to summer camp at Goshen Scout Reservation.

#### **Keith Robinson**

Keith is the consummate Scout and serves as both our Assistant Scoutmaster and the Cubmaster of his younger son's pack. Keith is all in - he's active in all troop activities. This past summer, Keith attended both Northern Tier and Sea Base with our Scouts.

### Troop 349B Chris Ross

A former Scoutmaster, Chris currently serves as Troop 349's Eagle Advisor. During his tenure, the Troop graduated eight (8) Eagle Scouts. This is a source of great pride, and we thank Chris for his efforts! Chris also led last year's successful High Adventure at Northern Tier.

### **Polly Myers**

Polly is recognized for her efforts managing internet advancement and awards for Troop 349. Her work is mostly behind the scenes but is critical in tracking and rewarding Scouts for their efforts in rank advancement and Merit Badge completion.

### **Emily Draper**

A former Cubmaster and Troop 349 Treasurer for the last 4 years, Emily has a long history with Scouting. She keeps Troop finances in order and ensures funds are available when needed. Her tireless efforts and willingness to stay engaged make her a role model to the Troop.

#### **Reka Shinkle**

Reka coordinates Boards of Review for Troop 349 - recruiting parents, managing the schedule, and handling the associated administrative tasks. The Troop is averaging 2 Boards per week as we approach our Spring Court of Honor and her efforts are greatly appreciated.



**Chris Ross** 



**Polly Myers** 

# Troop 349B (cont.)

### Jim Rydell

Jim has served as the Troop's Mulch Sale coordinator for the last 4 years. This is Troop 349's sole fundraising event each year and it involves the coordinated delivery of thousands of bags of mulch. Last year's effort resulted in a profit of \$9000.

### John Wilson

A long-term ASM for Troop 349, John is conducting planning meetings and leading hiking events to condition Scouts for the High Adventure trip he is organizing for Summer 2022 to Philmont Scout Ranch near Cimarron, NM. These Scouts will be prepared!

### Laura Hill

Laura organizes and coordinates Courts of Honor for Troop 349 – maintaining the traditions and trappings of Scout recognition. She gets special kudos for the fantastic year-end Court of Honor, cookout, and pool party last June.

### **Patrick Fleming**

Patrick organized the Troop's summer camp participation last year - a significant effort any year, but especially taxing last year as Covid measures caused rework of schedules and grouping of Scouts. Despite the challenges, a good time was had by all and many Merit Badges were earned.

## Troop 681B



#### **David Erickson**

David has led the Troop planning for summer camp for the last 2 years



### **Mary Keutel**

Mary is an Assistant Scoutmaster, planning many events and supporting the Troop Committee.

# Troop 681B (Cont.)



### **Jeff Martinson**

Jeff is an Assistant Scoutmaster planning many events leading up to Philmont.

### **James Simonson**

Jim is an Assistant Scoutmaster always helping to plan and organize outings



## Troop 976B

### **Harry Rice**

Harry has been willing to fill not one but two crucial and detailed jobs on our Troop Committee as rechartering guru and as medical records coordinator. He has been an active participant in committee meetings and weekly Scout meetings and in serving on boards of review.

#### **Elizabeth "Betsy" Argauer**

Elizabeth "Betsy" Argauer has long been active in the troop and has organized religious medals, helped at troop events and been in charge of ordering patrol shirts. But this year she formally joined the Troop Committee to fill a role she was made for – coordinating Eagle Scout applications. She has three sons who already are Eagle Scouts and two more working toward it, so she brings incredible experience to the job and we know our applicants are in good hands with her help.

#### **Steve Tryon**

Steve Tryon agreed to step into the role of treasurer even though his own children were close to finishing their Eagle trail. And he has stayed in the job to tide us over until his replacement can start later this year. He is prompt in providing reimbursements and thorough in his record keeping.

### Troop 976B Cont. Rebecca Etter

Rebecca Etter recently finished many years as our advancement coordinator. Her record keeping has helped our boys earn their advancement and merit badges. She has organized boards of review and kept the reams of paperwork moving.

### **Mike Hughes**

Mike Hughes is a steady presence at our weekly meetings, particularly good at working with younger Scouts. He's been an important addition to our ASM lineup, participating in many campouts. He and his wife, Nikki, also helped lead our troop's annual fundraising project – the Christmas wreath sale.



Mike Hughes



John Waterston (L)



Troop 987B



Mike Angove

#### John Waterston

Thank you for your long service to Troop 987 and time coordinating regular and Eagle Boards of Review for our youth.

#### Tong "Tony" Kwak

Thank you for your sustained coordination of summer and winter camps for Troop 987 and always-helpful support ensuring a great outdoor program for our youth.

#### Mike Angove

Thank you for your support to Troop 987 by becoming our High Adventure coordinator and ensuring adventure for our youth in the next summer session.

#### Randall "Randy" Weinhardt

Thank you for your continued support as Treasurer and diligent management of Troop 987 finances for the furtherment and sustainment of our program.

Thomas (L) and Randy (R) Weinhardt

# Troop 987B Cont.

### **Mohammed Elghoul**

Thank you for your substantial service to Troop 987 by becoming our Advancement Chair and supporting recognition for our youth.

#### **Tom Salen**

Thank you for your active support of Troop 987B as an adult volunteer.

#### **Kathleen Sichenze**

Thank you for your many years of service to Troop 987B and for actively supporting as an adult volunteer.



**Mohammed Elghoul** 



Tom Salen (L)



Greg Gurski (R)

# Troop 987G

#### **Greg Gurski**

With deep appreciation for your many years of service to Troop 987 including founding and sustaining Troop 987G. You exemplify helpfulness and cheerfulness in your leadership.

#### **Gunnar Spafford**

Thank you for your service to Troop 987G



Peter Stapleton

#### Jonathan Ng

Thank you for your service to Troop 987G.

#### **Peter Stapleton**

Thank you for your service to Troop 987G and willingness to become Scoutmaster.



Jonathan Ng

# Troop 1143B

### **Mark Quigley**

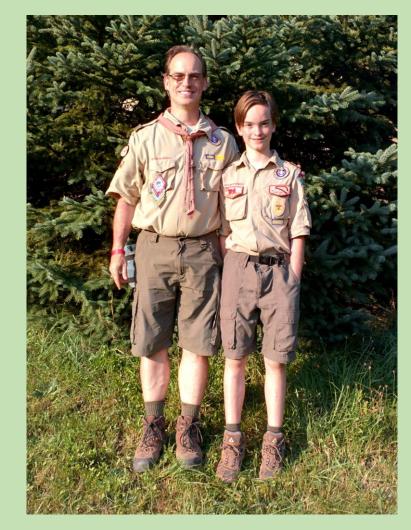
T1143 presents a Unit Appreciation Award to Assistant Scoutmaster Mark Quigley for service to our unit during troop meetings and campouts. T1143 especially thanks Mr. Quigley for successfully delivering our Rappahannock river kayaking contingent to safety after a poorly marked pull-out was missed!

#### **Dan Willham**

T1143 presents a Unit Appreciation Award to Assistant Scoutmaster Dan Willham for service to our unit during troop meetings and campouts. T1143 especially thanks Mr. Willham for sharing his fantastic telescope during our November sky watching campout with the Northern Virginia Astronomy Club at Sky Meadows.

#### **Chandra Bhimarajou**

T1143 presents a Unit Appreciation Award to Committee Member Chandra Bhimaraju for service to our unit during the October Orienteering Campout at Patuxent River Park in Maryland. Mr. Bhimaraju volunteered to maintain two-deep registered leadership for our unit's participation after the Scoutmaster and an Assistant Scoutmaster were unavailable to attend the event due to schedule conflicts.



Dan Willham



Susannah Cretal



Brett Nickels

# Troop 1539B

#### **Susannah Cretal**

Susannah Cretal keeps track of the dozens of Troop 1539 health forms, ensuring that we have up-to-date copies on file and that they are filled in correctly. Susannah has devised a filing and spreadsheet system to keep track, and she always makes sure our adult leaders have all the needed health forms before they depart on a troop outing.

#### **Bret Nickels**

Bret Nickels, the Troop 1539 advancement chair, works diligently to ensure that scouts receive the correct awards and are fully recognized at each Court of Honor. He was also an integral part of our effort during COVID restrictions to move our troop away from paper and toward the use of Scoutbook for recording merit badge requirements electronically. He is also a regular member of the Buzzard (Adult) Patrol on campouts.

### **Tim Ballew**

Tim Ballew manages Troop 1539 systems, including not only Scoutbook but also our own troop website and the various hurdles that go along with keeping data in sync. Tim has been an integral part of the effort to move our troop towards better online record-keeping and reporting. Tim is a Merit Badge Counselor for an Eagle-Required Merit Badge and was an adult leader on one of two crews to go to Philmont in 2021.



**Tim Ballew** 

# Troop 1539B (Cont.)



Donna O'Harren (R)

#### Donna O'Harren

As the Activities Coordinator for Troop 1539, Donna O'Harren is unparalleled in her ability to schedule campsites and activities in and around our troop schedule, typically working with a challenging set of parameters, not to mention COVID restrictions. When our Patrol Leader Council decides they want to do an activity that we haven't done in the past, Donna is an expert at finding the contact information she needs to set it up.

#### **Susan Skaggs**

Susan Skaggs works closely with the Troop 1539 Committee to keep track of and send reminders to adult leaders on Youth Protection Training, and to provide a second pair of eyes for rechartering. She also has worked on recruitment outreach and volunteered to assist with applications at Join Scouting Night. Susan is always willing to lend a hand on an unanticipated but critical task, like running to the Scout Shop on short notice.

#### **Dana Stewart**

Troop 1539 has been very fortunate to leverage Dana Stewart's experience with graphic design and social media to launch our troop's new recruitment website and to improve our outreach to elementary and middle schools. Dana designed an entirely new Court of Honor program for our troop that could be viewed on a mobile device, which also allows us to have more flexibility to include photos and change the layout as needed. Dana very patiently incorporates changes to Court of Honor programs, sometimes at the 11th hour (literally) to finalize them.



Susan Skaggs



Dana Stewart

# Troop 1539B (Cont.)



Sindy Yeh

Sindy Yeh is the head of the Board of Review Committee for Troop 1539. Sindy is meticulous in setting up Boards of Review for our scouts in a very timely manner. She coordinates the committee members who sit on each Board and provides guidance for adults who are new to the process. She seamlessly moved from in-person to virtual Boards during COVID lockdown without missing a beat and has successfully moved back again to in-person meetings.

### Yan Zhang

As treasurer, Yan Zhang manages the finances of Troop 1539, making sure that we stay financially solvent while ensuring that deposits and reimbursements are made in a timely manner. Yan recently spent a significant amount of time working through the setup of online banking for our troop, which greatly streamlines our ability to track and budget for expenses.





Yan Zhang

# Troop 1887B

### **James Cercere**

A dedicated Committee member, he has undertaken the task of planning and coordinating the summer camp Contingents for both Boys Troop 1887 and Girls Troop 1888. He stepped up to this role after attending summer camp with the Troops last year when it was his son's first summer camp.

### **Colin Dorrity**

Despite serving this past year as a Cubmaster with a local Pack, Colin is organizing and training up our Crew going to Philmont this summer. He was Cubmaster for his younger son and Philmont Crew Advisor for his older son at the same time. His dedication to supporting our Troop is an excellent example for us all.

#### **Janet Song**

Janet has graciously taken up the unglamorous job of orchestrating the administration of our quarterly Courts of Honor for five years. She coordinates banquet supplies from our Chartering Organization along with a pot-luck banquet. Undaunted by last minute planning on the part of Scout families or changes caused by COVID restrictions, she has delivered a truly delightful social meal as the Scouts revel in their awards and accomplishments.

### **Daniel Song**

A dedicated Committee Member and Merit Badge Councilor for eight years. In particular, Daniel has planned and coordinated the Troop's annual ski trip. This is one of the trickiest events to pull off because one never knows when there will be enough snow in the area to ski. Somehow, he seems to manage to keep pulling it off.



Colin Dorrity (L)

# Troop 1887B (Cont.)



### **Andrew Wankum**

Andrew has become the Committee Chair for two Troops – a Boys Troop and a Girls Troop both sponsored by the same Chartered Organization for 4 years. He has been the calm anchor for guiding both troops through the unchartered waters of operating a scouting program in the Covid pandemic. Under these trying circumstances, the troops have continued to maintain strong outdoor programs and successfully recruit new members.

#### **Steve Johnson**

A dedicated Scouter, Steve is a relatively new Assistant Scoutmaster to the Troop, yet he volunteered and led our 2021 Summer Camp contingent as well as additional weekend camping opportunities for the troop. His enthusiasm is catching. As he was presented with his "Trained" patch, I heard another parent in the troop say "Hey I should do that training too!".

Steve Johnson (L)

# Troop 1887B (Cont.)

### **Chris Coates**

A dedicated Scouter, Chris recently switched from being a Committee member to being an Assistant Scoutmaster (ASM) as he wanted to be more involved with the Troop's outings. He completed all of the Training for ASM and more specialized training as well. We have had a number of very active adult leaders age out with their sons and Chris has stepped right in to allow the troop to maintain its strong camping program.

### **Page McKinstry**

Page has been coordinating the Troop's Medical Forms over the past four years. She displays the tact and relentless mindset necessary to wheedle new forms out of each scout and adult leader every year. We can confidently go adventuring knowing we are covered on the medical side should the need arise.

### Troop 1888G

### **Catherine Bavido-Arrage**

A dedicated Committee member and adult leader with Troop 1888 for three years. She is currently serving as advancement recorder and helps organize the boards of review. She has organized and served as adult leader on several scouting events and camp outs.

### **Barbara Hamill**

A dedicated Scouter, Barbara Hamill served as Troop 1888's first Scoutmaster and was instrumental in establishing the female troop in 2019. Since then, she has served in several roles including her current role as Assistant Scoutmaster. She has served as mentor to both Scouts and adults. As an adult leader, Mrs. Hamill has led several Scouting events including last year's Scout summer camp to Bayshore. This year, she will serve as the adult leader for Troop 1888's first high adventure camp to Sea Base.

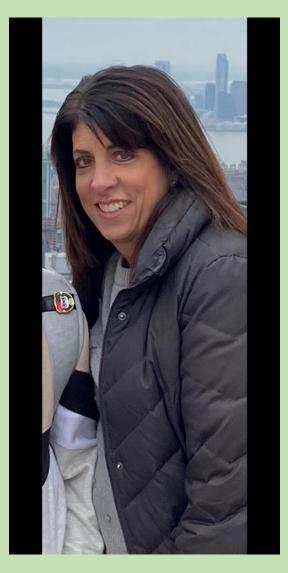
#### **Matthew Cook**

Matt is an active Scouter with two troops. He is a committee member in Troop 1887 and stepped up from assistant Scoutmaster to Scoutmaster this past year in Troop 1888. Matt is also a former recruitment chair for both troops. Matt has been great to work with. Troop 1888's Scouts push an aggressive camping and activity schedule, and Matt works overtime to make them happen as part of the program. Being Scoutmaster is not easy but having to work through a global pandemic in one's first year is especially difficult. Troop 1888 is lucky to have him as their unit leader.

#### **Andrew Arrage**

Andrew is a consistent supporter of Scouting and Troop 1888 He is an active committee member for two Troops, and is stepping down from "Popcorn Colonel". As a young Troop, fundraising is important to T1888. Andrew is a merit badge counselor and is patient when working with Scouts and new parents. His calm presence in Troop leadership is greatly valued.

### Troop 1978B



#### **Amy Summers**

Amy has served Boy Troop 1978 as the Troop treasurer ensuring the budget and monthly reports are accurate and reviewed at the Committee Meetings. Amy has recently retired from this position and the Troop is greatly appreciative of the support Amy has provided over the years. Amy's support as the Troop treasurer is greatly appreciated for the ongoing success of the Troop.

#### **Sharon Hughes**

Sharon has served Boy Troop 1978 as the Troop Advancement lead ensuring youth advancement was properly managed and documented. Sharon ensured the Troop's Courts of Honor had the necessary awards and certificates. Sharon provided behind the scenes support which is critical for the overall success of the unit.



**Amy Summers** 

Sharon Hughes

# Troop 1978G

### Nina Brown

Nina Brown serves as Troop 1978G's Advancement Co-Chair. She has volunteered many hours organizing and hosting Boards of Review. Her meticulous attention to detail ensures our Scouts' records are accurate and up to date.



Nina Brown (R)



Connie Lo

### **Connie Lo**

Connie Lo serves as Troop 1978G's Advancement Co-Chair and our Medical Form Administrator. Her meticulous attention to detail ensures all Scout records are accurate and up to date. She has volunteered countless hours organizing and processing our annual medical and health records and visiting the Scout Shop. Additionally, she works to prepare the medical binders for each Troop activity.

# Troop 1978G (Cont.)



Lisa McKinley (R)



Mary Neuse

#### **Lisa McKinley**

Lisa McKinley serves as Troop 1978G's Treasurer. Her meticulous attention to detail ensures our financial records are accurate. She has volunteered countless hours organizing and processing deposits and reimbursements. Additionally, she works closely with our brother Troop 1978B to coordinate joint spending plans and activity budgets.

#### **Mary Neuse**

Mary Neuse is an ASM in Troop 1978G. Serving as Patrol ASM, OA Advisor, and Merit Badge Counselor, Mary has volunteered hundreds of hours to the Scouts in our Troop. Further, last summer, she spent a week at Camp Goshen teaching Scouts and supervising their experience. As our only female ASM, we know that we can't do anything without her. This year she spearheaded the Troop's rockclimbing campout.

# Troop 1978G (Cont.)

### **Bryan Lytton**

Bryan Lytton is a founding ASM in Troop 1978G and has received the William D. Boyce Award. Serving as Patrol ASM, Bryan has volunteered countless hours to the Scouts in our Troop. This year he spearheaded our shooting sports experience at Isaak Walton, ensuring all Scouts were properly trained before engaging in archery, rifle, and sporting clays.

### **Bill Womack**

Bill Womack is a founding ASM in Troop 1978G and has received the William D. Boyce Award. Serving as Patrol ASM and Merit Badge Counselor, Bill has volunteered hundreds of hours to the Scouts in our Troop. This year, he spearheaded our winter camping experience and Medieval Times trip. Additionally, he assists with our shooting sports program and hiking adventures. Bill was more disappointed than the Scouts after the Klondike Derby was canceled due to COVID.



Bill Womack (L)

# Troop 1978G (Cont.)



Nick Manicone (R)



Griff Green (R)

#### **Nick Manicone**

Nick Manicone is an ASM in Troop 1978G. Serving as Patrol ASM and Merit Badge Counselor, Nick has volunteered hundreds of hours to the Scouts in our Troop. A natural science hobbyist, Nick enjoys teaching about plants, insects, animals, and astronomy. This year he spearheaded our forestry campout.

#### **Griff Green**

Griff Green is a founding ASM in Troop 1978G and has received the William D. Boyce Award. Serving as Patrol ASM and Merit Badge Counselor, Griff has volunteered hundreds of hours to the Scouts in our Troop. This year he spearheaded our blacksmithing experience, canoe trip weekend, and Christmas party. He also designed and helped our Scouts build their Klondike Derby sled!

# Troop 1996B

### **Tom Bruce**

Tom has served as an ASM for Troop 1996 since his son rejoined scouting in 2019. Tom has led several hikes, attends meeting regularly, and spent the summer of 2021 at Summer camp for the week while serving as acting Scoutmaster. As one of only two adult leaders in our troop to have earned the rank of Eagle as a youth he continues to set a great example for Scouts and scouters alike.

### **Stu Fried**

Stu was a part of the founding four families that set out to establish troop 1996. It was his leadership and willingness to run our troop committee that helped get us out of the ground and running. He has continued in that role for four years and will be transitioning to committee member in June.

# Troop 1996B (Cont.)

### **Becky Fulgham**

Becky is one of the founding parents for Troop 1996. In that role she established financial policies, developed our banking relationships, and implemented safeguards to ensure our Scouting funds and fundraising was in compliance with our charter organization and with Scouts BSA as well. Becky has passed the torch to our new Treasurer and will be stepping back as a committee member in June.

#### **Scott Hiromoto**

Scott stepped into the role of advancement chair after approaching the Troop COR about a more active role than just committee member. Over the past two years Scott has quickly taken on the role of cheerleader for our Scouts and regularly publishes advancement reports and updates. His work has aided the Troop by identifying those Scouts who are on the cusp of advancement; allowing the SM and the PLC to focus on aiding those scouts in getting over the line to make rank.

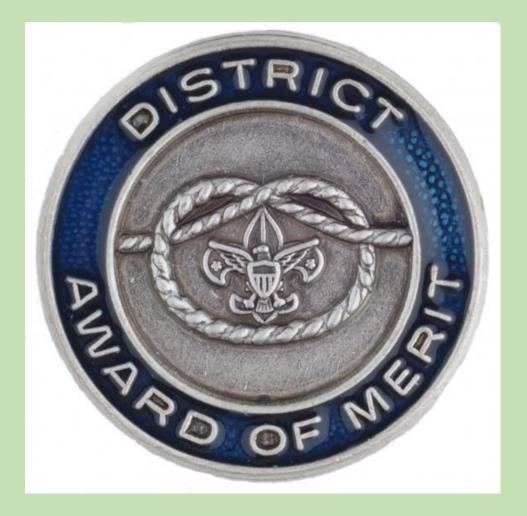


Scott Hiromoto

### Service at the District Level

### **District Award of Merit**

The District Award of Merit is presented by the District to Scouters who have rendered service of an outstanding nature to youth, both in the community and in Scouting.



### District Award of Merit – Alan Harvey

Alan served as Assistant Scoutmaster in Troop 681 from 2004 to 2020 and as Scoutmaster from 2020 to the present. Alan was Troop 681's Eagle Advisor for 8 years.

Alan has been a District Eagle Representative since 2018. In that role, he has worked with many Life Scouts on their Eagle Scout Service projects and has served on Eagle Boards of Review.

Alan is an Eagle Scout and has two sons that achieved the rank of Eagle.

Before becoming a Scouts BSA leader, Alan served as treasurer of Pack 681. He also coached McLean youth soccer for 9 years. Alan has been serving for 5 years on the St. James Catholic Church social outreach program which provides 150 food sets per month to needy parishioners.

### District Award of Merit – Scott Willey



Scott has a lengthy career of service to Scouting and his community. In Iowa, Scott earned his Arrow of Light and Eagle, participating in a Philmont trek and the 1985 National Jamboree.

Scott joined Troop 697 in 2000 as an Assistant Scoutmaster and Citizenship in the World merit badge counselor.

When Brian, his son, joined Cubs, Scott joined Pack 1513 as an Assistant Den Leader, then a Den Leader and, for three years, the Cubmaster.

After Brian bridged to Troop 187, Scott became an Assistant Scoutmaster and Merit Badge counselor again. After two years, Scott became Scoutmaster and served for four years.

Scott planned and led the 2018 Greek and Roman Fall Camporee, developed on-line maps for the District Scouting for Food and has been the Scouting for Food Coordinator for the last two years, collecting more than \$50,000 pounds of food last year. Scott also is the District Coordinator for Scouts with Special Needs.

An active member of the community, Scott has been a confirmation instructor for years at his church and assisted the Wilson High School marching band for the last six years.

### Silver Beaver

The Silver Beaver Award is the council-level distinguished service award of the Boy Scouts of America. Upon nomination by their local Scout council and with the approval of the National Court of Honor, recipients of this award are registered adult leaders who have made an impact on the lives of youth through service given to the council. The Silver Beaver is an award given to those who implement the Scouting program and perform community service through hard work, self-sacrifice, dedication, and many years of service. It is given to those who do not seek it.



### **Brian Summers**



Brian Summers has been an Assistant Scoutmaster at Troop 1978 for over six years. When his son, Brian Jr. was elected to the Order of the Arrow in 2017, Brian stepped up to take on the O/A Advisor position within the Troop. Brian was the Chapter Vice Chief Adviser for three years, an Assistant Roundtable Commissioner for three years and recently became the Scouts BSA Roundtable Commissioner.

Brian was part of the N6-82-18-1 Wood Badge course earning his beads in 2019.

An avid shooting sports practitioner, Brian has been the George Mason District Shooting Sport chair and member of the Council Shooting Sports Committee member for the last three years. Brian organized, led and participated in multiple shooting sports activities as well as training events for Range Safety Officers, Rifle and Archery classes.

Brian has led a STEM "First Tech Challenge" team since 2016. First Tech promotes STEM concepts of programming, electrical engineering and mechanical engineering. Brian's teams have won many competitions.

Brian is involved in the community, having been an active member of the Issak Walton League for more than twenty years. He has served in League fundraisers for the Children's Hospital, Christmas Party for Underprivileged Children and the Fishing Pond Catch & Release conservation. A long-time member of the Emmanuel Bible Church of Springfield, Brian is a God and Life Counselor for Scout's working on their religious award.

# Order of the Arrow

- 2020 Key 3 Unit Engagement Challenge
- It recognizes chapters making contact and visiting units in their District.
- The George Mason Chapter met the Key 3 Challenge in 2020. NCAC's Lodge recognizes
  - Chapter Chief Brian Summers II
  - Chapter Advisor Mark Serfass
  - District Executive Sam McGrath



### Schenaker Award for Meritorious Service in Support of District Roundtables

This Award is presented by the District to a volunteer that provides meritorious service to the George Mason District Roundtables.

The award honors Deb and Mike Schenaker who, beginning in the early 2000s when they joined the Cub Scout Roundtable staff, invested countless hours in support of the Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtables over more than 15 years.

Deb and Mike set the standard for selfless support of the District's Roundtables and unit leaders. We recognize each year a volunteer that follows their example of Roundtable support.



### 2022 Schenaker Award Recipient



Pat Berney

Pat Berney is the recipient of the 2022 Schenaker Award for his outstanding service to the George Mason District and its Roundtable over the course of many years.

Pat has supported Roundtable before, during and after his time as District Commissioner. A faithful participant in the Roundtable, Pat helps behind the scenes, provides a wise and practical perspective during discussions and is an experienced source of counsel to unit leaders.

### Unit Leader Award of Merit – Chris Hunter

Quality unit leadership is the key to a quality unit program—and it leads to better Scout retention.

A quality Scouting experience will help keep Scouts in the program, and the Boy Scouts of America created the Unit Leader Award of Merit to recognize the quality unit leaders who make that happen.

In addition to being the inaugural Scoutmaster of Troop 987G, Chris Hunter fulfilled all the requirements for the award including effective use of the advancement method so that at least 60 percent of the unit's youth advanced at least once in a 12month period.



# April 14, 2022



**District Court of Honor** 

# STAY INFORMED ATTEND ROUNDTABLE



Send a representative from your Pack or Troop to stay informed on upcoming events, program updates and trainings.