

# George Mason District Court of Honor

Honoring the Volunteers That Support Our Youth and Units

2022 - 2023



# Agenda

- District Award of Merit
- Service to our Units
  - Unit Scouter Awards
  - Unit Appreciation Awards
- Service at the District Level
  - 2023 Silver Beaver
  - 2023 Schenekar Award
- Unit Leader Awards
- George Mason Roundtable (to follow immediately after)

# 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. This is the highest award a District can bestow on a Scouter.



# District Award of Merit – Andrew Zaso

Andy earned the Arrow of Light, is an Eagle Scout and has been a member of the National Eagle Scout Association since 1982. Andy earned the Parvuli Dei and Ad Altare Dei youth religious awards. Andy was an Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 976 from 1997 to 2012. He then stepped up and served as Scoutmaster of Troop 976 from 2012 to 2015. Andy earned the Unit Leader Award of Merit in 2015 and also earned the Scouter's Key in the same year. Andy is a Vigil member of the Order of the Arrow (1982) and completed his Wood Badge in 2011. Andy was an Assistant Roundtable Commissioner for George Mason in 2016. Since 2019, Andy has been a member of the District Committee, coordinating multiple successful Camporees that provided opportunities for District youth to compete in Scout skills, shooting sports, pioneering, cooking and many other fun activities. An active member of his community, Andy also is active in the Knights of Columbus and has served the Order as a Grand Knight.

# District Award of Merit – Steen Simonsen

Steen Simonsen is an Eagle Scout, earned in 1985. Steen has served the George Mason District in a variety of roles. He was a Unit commissioner in 2017. He led District Marketing and Communications in 2018. A member of the District Committee since 2018, Steen was District's Friends of Scouting Coordinator from 2019 to 2022. In spite of the challenging circumstances during these years, Steen worked hard to coordinate a successful Friends of Scouting campaign. Under his leadership, the District met its goal each year.

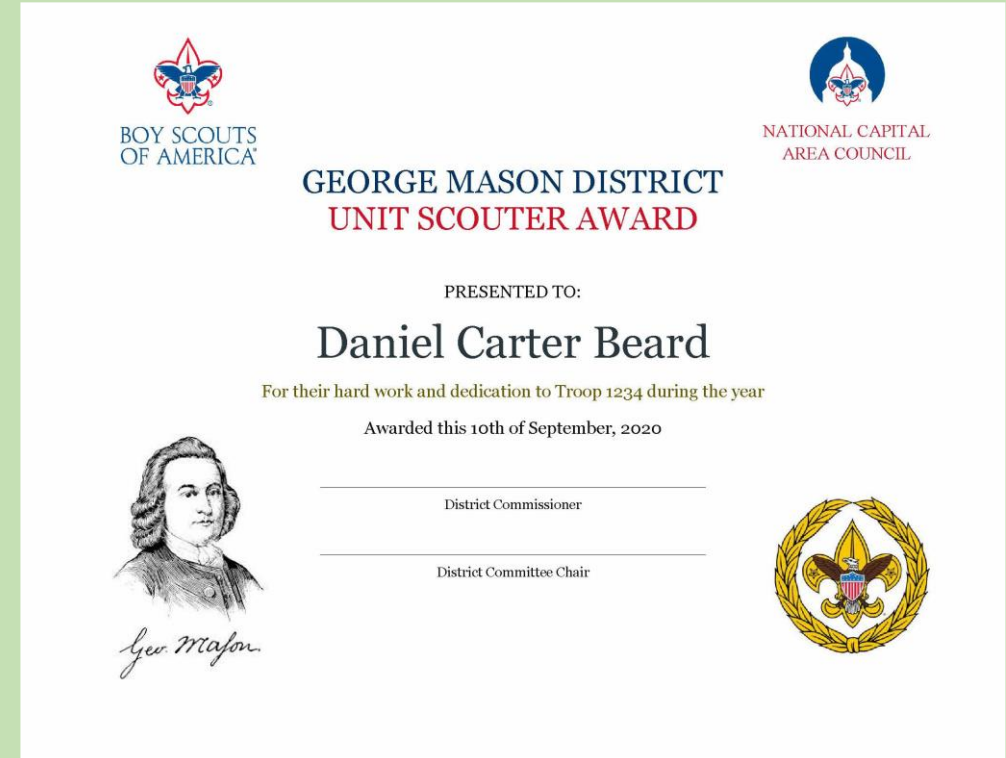


# Unit Scouter Award

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.



# Pack 152

## **Annette Minella**

Annette was Pack 152's Chartered Organization Representative with its former chartered organization, Wesley United Methodist Church, starting seven years ago when her own sons (now Eagle Scouts) joined Troop 345. She stayed with us as an invaluable member of our Key Three, helping to guide multiple successive leadership teams in overcoming significant obstacles, including Covid. When it became necessary for Pack 152 to find a new chartered organization, it was principally Annette who led us through the wilderness to find a new home with American Legion Dyer-Gunnell Post 180. We are forever grateful for Annette's years of service to our Pack and for the friendship and support we continue to receive from Wesley United Methodist Church, a bond that Annette was instrumental in building.



# Pack 187

## Ricardo Valenzuela

Mr. Valenzuela truly went above and beyond in his service to Pack 187. When the Pack was struggling to find new adult leadership, Mr. Valenzuela, despite already serving as Scoutmaster to Troop 187 and Assistant Scoutmaster in another Troop, volunteered to be Committee Chair. He was the driving force behind bringing the remaining Pack leaders together, recruiting new ones, and reestablishing a program. He recruited a temporary Cubmaster to get things going, and then a permanent one. He guided the Pack through the complex and wrenching labyrinth of finding a new Charter Organization when the prior Charter Organization dropped them. The Pack continued, enabling the Arrow of Light Den to complete their Cub Scout journey and join a Scouts BSA Troop, thereby keeping youth in Scouting. The Pack extends its great thanks to Mr. Valenzuela for his selfless and proactive leadership.



# Pack 187

## **Roxann Rowley**

Ms. Roxann Rowley is an individual who arrived at the right time for Pack 187. As Cubmaster, she is the Leader of the Pack. Springing into action, she quickly scheduled regularly occurring committee meetings that contributed to the success of every Cub Scout. She was instrumental in keeping the Pack a cohesive entity during the time of chartering. She is a leader that I am sure District or Council would want on staff. Pack 187 Cub Scouts, Parents, and Leaders are grateful to Ms. Rowley.

# Pack 656

## Jason Soules

Jason Soules has single handedly led Pack 656's Scouts, registered adults, and the families into working together to reinvigorate the Pack and set it up for future growth, and service, and fun. In his first year as Cub Master, Jason demonstrates that he takes his new role seriously. He routinely attends George Mason District roundtable meetings and passes along his notes and scouting ideas with the pack. He maintains good relations and open lines of communication with the pack's chartering organization, the Fairhill Elementary School PTA. Jason schedules and leads a wide variety of pack activities and brings topics of discussion to the monthly committee meetings. He does all this while leading the pack with enthusiasm, a good sense of humor, and humility. Jason's leadership of Pack 656 is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Cub Scouts and the Boy Scouts of America.





# Pack 657

## Hans Miller

Hans has been a den leader with Pack 657 since 2018. He has led two dens since he joined the Pack. He led his first den for 3 years (2018-2021) guiding the kids from the Bear to AOL. He has been leading his second den for 4 years (since 2019) guiding this second group from Tigers to their current rank of Webelos. Hans has been an exemplary den leader for the pack setting the standard for the other den leaders and providing them with guidance and help when needed. At every campout, his camp sets the gold standard. Hans also has organized and overseen our Pinewood Derby for the past three years. Hans has done a tremendous job handling the Derby and has ensured that the event is a huge success year-after-year. Not only does Hans handle these significant roles well, but he also never fails to answer the call when volunteers are needed for tasks big and small. He helps out at Pack Meetings, teaches knots at campouts, and fills in any time he is asked. Hans also serves as an Assistant Scoutmaster with Troop 349 in Falls Church, and was an Eagle Scout.



# Pack 675

## **Jordan Kislear**

Jordan has excelled as our Committee Chair. His leadership has been amazing. He ran an almost perfect Pinewood Derby for Pack 675. Jordan has been an amazing leader at our Pack meetings and our events.

# Pack 681

## **Erin Upton**

Erin completes more than seven years of service to Pack 681 as a Den Leader and super volunteer. In addition to shepherding two dens from Tiger to AOL Bridging and on to Troop 681, Erin is a stalwart volunteer, ready to help for any event from fundraisers to summer camp. Her superior organizing skills bringing together donut tables, concession stands, Scout Mass receptions, Blue and Gold Dinners, and many other essential items have enriched pack activities and helped the pack stay connected with our community and chartered organization. Erin will be missed as she continues her volunteer service with Troop 681.

# Pack 833

## Hunter Jonsson

Hunter Jonsson, Pack 833's Chartering Organization Representative, is a busy guy, as you can see from his picture. Still, he finds time to serve scouting and Pack 833, in which his daughter is an active member. Hunter grew up in a scouting family and achieved the rank of Eagle, but he credits his cub scout den leader - his mother with setting the foundation for a positive and rewarding lifetime of scouting. Hunter has a true appreciation for the Scout Oath and Law and is determined to pass along the values of scouting to the next generation.





# Pack 882



## Coz Adams

Coz Adams has been instrumental in growing the Tiger den this year, including the seamless integration of three female scouts into the den. While keeping all of his scouts from last year. Coz's limitless energy has contributed to word-of-mouth recruiting and a significant increase in his den size. Simultaneously, Coz recruited multiple female leaders from his den parents, ensuring that the den and pack were always able to hold safe events.

# Pack 919

## Ross Camara

Ross Camara has tirelessly served Pack 919 as committee member and, most recently, as committee chair, keeping the pack well organized. Also acting as the 2023 unit rechartering processor, Ross' efforts enabled Pack 919 to have on-time renewal submission. Thanks for all you do to support Pack 919 at Freedom Hill Elementary School, Ross.





# Pack 976



## Lee Wilkinson

Lee served three very challenging years as committee chair and was a committee member before that. He started in the middle of COVID and was able to keep the Pack active while jumping in on many other jobs when needed. He's organized, thorough, responsible, able to work as a peacemaker for differing opinions and always a pleasure to be around.

# Pack 1513

## **Mike Beasley**

For your dedication to pack 1513. Your selfless service and commitment to scouting directly contributed to dozens of scouts having strong foundations in making ethical and moral choices throughout their lifetime. Your leadership, guided by the Scout Oath and Law, are consummate.

# Pack 1537

## Dave Froman



Dave is our outgoing leadership team. Having been a man of many hats, he has been a great mentor and has always been a person you can call on and count on. His calm presence and willingness to help with a smile will be missed. He was a crucial leader for this pack keeping it alive when times were tough. And now that Dave is moving on from our Pack, he is still finding time to share his wealth of knowledge and I know he will always be a friend and resource for our current leaders

# Troop 140

## Jeffrey Ihnen

Mr. Ihnen has been the heart-and-soul of Troop 140 for over two decades. During that period, Jeff was the Scoutmaster for over 15 years. He still acts as Scoutmaster-emeritus, providing valuable guidance to current leadership when asked. Jeff currently serves on the Troop committee as both Charter Organization Representative and Treasurer. Until recently Jeff served informally as the advancement chair. Finally, he was instrumental in keeping Troop 140 active during lock-down by coming up with innovative solutions to keeping virtual meetings interesting, keeping boys engaged and continuing advancement. As a result, Troop 140 has more Scouts today than it did at the beginning of the pandemic. It is no exaggeration to say that Jeffrey's extraordinary dedication and leadership kept the Troop alive during that difficult time. Without Jeff's effort and dedication, Troop 140 would not exist today.



# Troop 152

## Brian Heath

Brian Heath has been an active member of Troop 152 since 2013 serving as Scoutmaster for 4 years and an ASM for 6 years. As Scoutmaster, he was one of the driving organizers of the Troop's COVID response ensuring the scouts remained active throughout the pandemic. Brian was the summer camp co-leader for 9 years and twice led crews to Philmont.





# Troop 187

## Scott Willey

Mr. Scott Willey is the epitome of what a Scout Leader is, no doubt! This year, Troop 187 has experienced challenging times with the Scouts BSA and United Methodist Church matter. At the same time, he accepted without hesitation, the position of Committee Chair. His leadership style and direction took the troop committee to a level that exceeds expectations of supporting the Scouts and Scoutmaster. His position as the troop Scouting For Food Chair is unparalleled to any other organized food drives. Scouts recognize his mentoring talent as the most sought after Life to Eagle Advisor. He is a Leader's Leader. He is an unpaid Professional Scouter. Troop 187 Scouts, Parents, and Leaders are grateful to Mr. Scott Willey.



# Troop 349B

## Patrick Fleming

Patrick volunteered to be a uniformed leader as soon as he joined the troop, and immediately began organizing excellent campouts for our boys. The next year, he was entrusted to lead our summer camp planning and execution, and now leads our High Adventure trips. He helps the PLC select locations, makes reservations, collects responses, books trips, and consolidates invoicing. As such, he has had a pivotal role in all the highlight events of every Scout's years, as far back as our oldest Scout can now remember, and has done it with humor, professionalism and respect, in the best traditions of volunteerism and servant leadership. Patrick represents the best of what Scouting can be and is an indispensable asset to our mission.





# Troop 895

## Jamie Martin

Troop 895 would like to recognize Scoutmaster Jamie Martin for his extensive service to the Troop. In well over a decade of leadership, he has been a guide and mentor to scores of scouts, including 60 Eagle Scouts. He is a role model for teaching citizenship, leadership, and outdoor skills. His enthusiasm, patience, and dedication sets a high standard for the Troop's scouts and adult leaders.



# Troop 976B

## Harry Rice

In just three years, Harry has made himself indispensable. Each year he takes on two big jobs: coordinating medical records and overseeing the recharter. He spends countless hours troubleshooting application snafus for parents and kids so that their introduction to the troop isn't frustrating. And he is an active contributor to the troop committee both in meetings and in boards of review.

# Troop 1539B

## Matt Craner

Matt Craner is an exemplary Assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 1539 successfully guiding one of the troop's larger patrols and many other scouts through rank advancement, merit badges, several summer camps and numerous camping trips over the last two years. Matt stepped up on very short notice to fill in as an adult advisor on a high adventure trip this past summer, without which this trip would have been cancelled. He serves continuously as an example of dedication and focus on the Scouts for other adult volunteers and the scouts as well.





# Troop 1887

## Steve Johnson

Steve joined Troop 1997 approximately 2 years ago with his son. Steve throw himself into his training right away. He earned his "trained" patch quickly and set an example for the rest of our Scouters to follow. He was instrumental in running numerous events in 2022 for Troop 1887, to include attending and manageing Summer Camp at Powhatan and running the inaugural "Cook-off Competition" campout for our scouts in the Fall. He embodies Scout Spirit every day and is deserving of this recognition.



# Troop 1888

## **Catherine Arrage**

Catherine Arrage served as advancement chair and adult leader for Troop 1888. She was instrumental in keeping the troop running smoothly for the whole year. She always put the scouts first while attending multiple events and campouts. She was the co-lead for troop 1888's first High Adventure trip to Sea Base in 2022.



# Troop 1978 B&G

## Janine Bruhn

As Eagle Coordinator for Troop 1978B and Troop 1978G, Janine mentored Life scouts and coordinated their advancement activities resulting in forty-three (43) scouts earning their Eagle rank. Janine trained scouts on the process for planning and executing Eagle projects, Eagle application, Eagle Board of Review, and Eagle Court of Honor. Through her leadership and mentoring skills, Janine made the very challenging journey of earning Eagle rank achievable to so many young men and women.



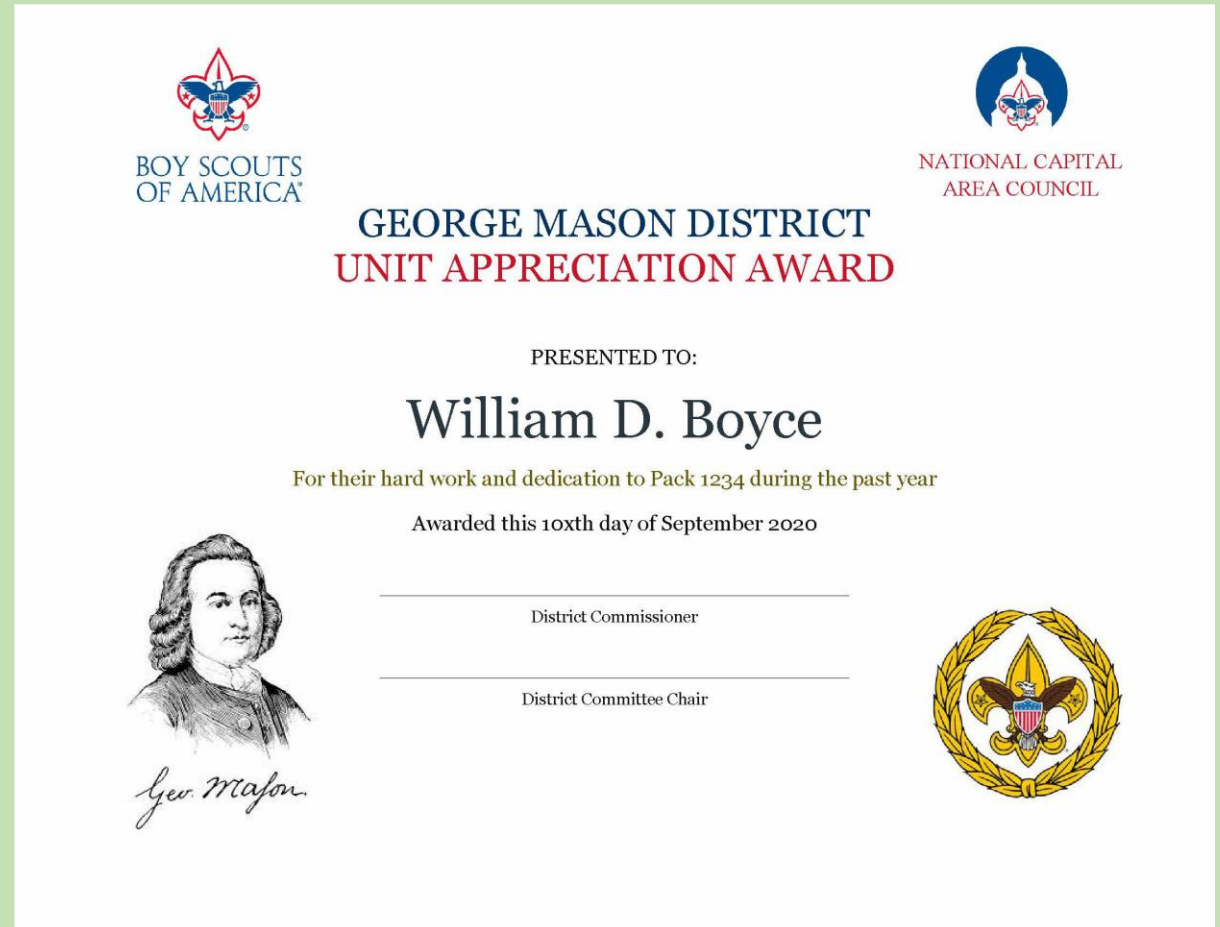
# Troop 1996

## **Wayne Casey**

Wayne Casey has stepped up and into a role of leadership, following the footsteps of our founding scoutmaster. During his first year he has demonstrated a commitment to the principles of "boy lead" and has been an advocate for the boys to build their plans, seek support and execute. Troop 1996 continues to flourish and has held monthly outdoor events, fundraisers, and achieved solid growth in terms of participation, advancement, and in simply having fun.

# 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.



# Pack 152

## Terese Blanchard

Terese is our Pack Treasurer and perpetual source of positive energy. She's an out-front leader, too, who knows how to run a mean Cubnapolis car building team.



Tyer Blanchard

## Tyler Blanchard

Tyler moved up from Assistant Den Leader of last year's Tiger Den to Den Leader of this year's Lion Den, and has recently agreed to step up again as the Pack's Assistant Cubmaster. We'll have a long and bright future with leaders like Tyler.

## Glenn Buckholz

Glenn ably leads our small but mighty Bear den, and he also serves as our Special Events Chair, Pinewood Derby Grand Marshal, Director of Flight Operations, and Pack Bugler.



Glenn Buckholz



# Pack 152 (Cont.)

## Ann Christopher

Ann leads our Webelos I den. She is also a leader of our Pack campouts, and she is the principal leader of our Scouting for Food efforts. Under Ann's leadership, Pack 152 collected 1,644 pounds of food this year, approximately the weight of 250,000 hummingbirds.



Ann Christopher

## Brian Christopher

Brian, formerly the leader of last year's AOL den, has remained one of foremost leaders in Pack 152, especially as a leader of our awesome Pack campouts.

## Chip Cullen

As Pack Committee Chair, Chip helped lead Pack 152 out of Covid and through a critical rechartering process in which we found a new home with American Legion Dyer-Gunnell Post 180, all while maintaining excellent relations with our former chartered organization, Wesley United Methodist Church, which generously continues to allow us the use of its facilities.



Brian Christopher

# Pack 152 (Cont.)



Scott Kelly

## Scott Kelly

Scott leads Pack 152's highly active Wolf den through fun and engaging den meetings and activities. He also volunteered to run this year's Cubnapolic car build and Cubnapolis race.

## William Leonard

Will stepped up on his first day to volunteer as the leader of our Tiger den, and he helps to lead funs and exciting combined meetings with our Lion and Wolf dens.

# Pack 187

## **James Cercere**

Pack 187 conveys its deep appreciation to Mr. James Cercere as a Pack Committee Member and Summer Camp Coordinator. He dedicated time to travel to the Summer Camp site to personally approve and coordinate. He is the one responsible for the Pack Cub Scouts exciting Summer Camp 2023 fun. Pack 187 Scouts and Leaders are grateful to Mr. Cercere.

## **James McCartney**

Pack 187 conveys its deep appreciation to Mr. James McCartney as a new Pack Committee Member. He did not waste one moment in volunteering when he and his son, Dexter joined the Pack. Pack 187 Scouts and Leaders are grateful to Mr. McCartney.

## **Matt Rowley**

Pack 187 conveys its deep appreciation to Mr. Matt Rowley as the Pack Treasurer. He took on the task of transferring funds and creating a new checking account for the Pack. Matt went the extra mile and added to his resume, Troop Secretary. His detailed notes are the envy of every Chief of Staff in reporting accurate information. Pack 187 Scouts and Leaders are grateful to Mr. Rowley.





Scott Sanford

## Scott Sanford

Pack 187 conveys its deep appreciation to Mr. Scott Sanford as the Pack Spring Campout 2023 Coordinator. Responsible for the Pack having too much fun. He dedicated himself unselfishly as the Bear Den Leader. Pack 187 Scouts and Leaders are grateful to Mr. Sanford.

## Scott Smith

Pack 187 conveys its deep appreciation to Mr. Scott Smith as the Arrow of Light Den Leader. He went the extra mile in not only bridging over the entire AOL Den, he instilled in every AOL Scout the Scout Spirit. Pack 187 Scouts and Leaders are grateful to Mr. Smith.

## Steve Owensby

Pack 187 conveys its deep appreciation to Mr. Steve Owensby as a Pack Committee Member. He showed enthusiasm, dedication, and support making the Pack successful. Pack 187 Scouts and Leaders are grateful to Mr. Owensby.

# Pack 656

## **Camtu Nguyen**

AOL den leader and leaving the pack after over 10 years of dedicated leadership and service.

## **Kuldip Singh**

Pack 656 Treasurer and PWD coordinator.

## **Mike Reese**

Pack 656 Lion and Tiger den leader.

## **Diane Reese**

Pack 656 Lion and Tiger assistant den leader.

## **Kelly Keeler**

Pack 656 charter organization representative.

# Pack 657

## **Ilan Goldenberg**

Ilan has served as a longtime den leader with the Pack. Ilan has kept his large den together and helped them complete the program.

## **Marty Weiss**

Marty has served as a longtime den leader with the Pack. Marty has also helped keep his large den on track and guided them through to the Arrow of Light.

## **Sarah Arni**

Sarah stepped up to become a den leader this year so that we had a female den leader for our AOL girls. Sarah is a constant volunteer and helper at pack events.

## **Dave Berthiaume**

Dave has served as a longtime den leader for multiple dens and leads a large den of AOLs. Dave is always there to help out whenever asked.

# Pack 657 (Cont)

## **Alec Williamson**

Alec is an exceptional den leader. He has led one den from formation to Wolves. His den has completed every adventure in the Lions and Tigers program. His plans serve as a template for other den leaders. Alec is now leading a second den with his younger son, who is a Lion. Alec is an Eagle Scout.

## **Dori Hazan**

Dori has labored tirelessly as our treasurer for three years. She ensures the bills get paid and that the money is collected. This past year she found a new payment solution after Paypal increased fees. Her new payment solution helped save the Pack money and enabled us to devote more resources to our program, rather than fees.

## **Howard Fiddy**

Howard is a longtime den leader and helps run the tech for our Pinewood Derby. Howard is an Eagle Scout.

# Pack 657 (Cont)

## **Anthony Gill**

Anthony is the longtime Committee Chair for Pack 657. Anthony has worked tirelessly to recruit volunteers and help out whenever asked. Anthony plans our schedule, helps come up with ideas for events, and ensure that the Pack runs smoothly. This year, Anthony went above and beyond and found a location for our fall campout at the last minute when other locations fell through.

# Pack 675

## **Erik Bergman**

Thank you for preparing and cooking fantastic meals at our Pack events.

## **Jessica Moberly**

Thank you for all your help in helping at our Tiger den meetings and events.

## **Jennifer Horsfall**

Thank you for all your help and leadership at our den meetings and at our committee meetings.

## **Lindsey Williams**

Thank you for all your help and leadership volunteering as a co-den leader.

## **Sheri Wolfrom**

Thank you for your guidance, assistance, and leadership, and becoming our treasurer.



# Pack 675 (Cont)

## **Toni Kislear**

Thank you for all your help and support on the committee and working on the Pack's social media.

## **Chris Glazner**

Thank you for all your help as co-den leader of the Bears.

## **Chelle Mohaber**

Thank you for all your leadership and support on the committee, planning our events, creating our Pack newsletters, and being the Den Leader of our Webelos.



Chelle Mohaber (R)

# Pack 681

## Mary Kazarian

As a Den Leader, Mary has helped her Scouts to grow and flourish from Tigers to Arrow of Light Scouts moving on to Troop 681 this Spring. Mary's positive and engaged leadership helped to develop a close-knit den of accomplished and confident young Scouts. She and her den were always ready to lend a hand and lead by example. Mary's service will be missed as she moves up to continue setting the example with Troop 681.

## Jack Shields

Jack's volunteer leadership has been an essential part of the success of many of the Pack's special events over the past few years. Jack served as a leader for Webelos Camp at Goshen and served as one of the Pack's Pinewood Derby scorekeepers, setting up, testing, and running the electronic scoring system. His service will be missed as he moves up with his Scout to support Troop 681.

## Stephen Muskett

Stephen's volunteer service as a leader at Goshen this past summer helped ensure a fun and successful week at camp. The Scouts and fellow leaders admired and appreciated his positive and knowledgeable leadership. His service will be missed as he moves up with his Scout to support Troop 681.

# Pack 882

## **Tom Chris**

Tom Chris stepped in this year to lead the Webelos Den, his first time in the leader role. With a few scouts moving on from scouting, Tom was a key part in recruiting new members and transfers into his Den. He led the pack's contingent to Goshen, and led the pack's fundraising efforts, always with an eye on process improvement and documentation to help future leaders.

## **Mark Cameron**

Mark Cameron leads our Bear den and has done an exemplary job this year, contributing to word-of-mouth recruiting and an increase in scouts in his den by three. In addition to leading the den, Mark is always willing to share his experience, and leads the pack's planning for the annual independence day parade.

# Pack 919



## Chris Perkins

The leadership and families of Pack 919 would like to express their gratitude to Chris Perkins for stepping up to become trained and take on the role of cubmaster. Chris' enthusiasm for the program and welcoming tone provide an excellent atmosphere for community building through scouting. Thanks for keeping our program fresh and fun, Chris.



# Pack 976

## Chris Rogers

Chris stepped up in a time of need to lead the Pack even though he was fairly new. His experience at another pack provided perspective and fresh ideas.

## Lisa Cerne

Lisa and her husband David kept her AOL den very organized and engaged so that they are motivated to continue in Scouting. Even with Lisa as a new den leader during the AOL compressed schedule, she skillfully maximized every den meeting to be fun while accomplishing the requirements. Lisa is friendly and taught her scout to support and include others.

## Christian Sotomayor

Christian and his wife, Claudia, have led the Wolf den and the Bear den before that. The Sotomayors fully embraced leading the Wolf den, including coming up with great outings that went above and beyond just accomplishing requirements.



Lisa Cerne

# Pack 976 (cont.)

## **Ken Lee**

Ken provides some institutional memory on the troop committee, having served as a den leader for many years and always providing good counsel. He has adroitly adjusted his program and his tiny den tripled in size this year. He is kind and treats his scouts and others with respect and gratitude.

## **Dan Aloisi**

Dan has used his own scouting experience to contributed to lead several different dens over the years, including co-leading the Bear den this year. He is loyal and stayed very active in the pack by helping with pack events.

## **Jasmine Hernandez**

Jasmine showed her reverence by jumping in to be the Religious Emblem Coordinator, which is an important connection to our sponsoring organization and sincerely appreciated. Jasmine has also been helpful to the Scout troop, lending her marketing skills to the wreath sale fundraiser.

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# Pack 976 (cont.)

## **Kevin Comer**

Kevin not only jumped back in to lead the Tiger Den with an exceptionally patient demeanor, but also helped with pack events. He has taken on a large den and is always willing to help others.

## **Chris Lavery**

Chris worked to get ready to take on the committee chairmanship after leading the Wolf den and has always been a contributor of ideas and hard work. His efforts have made a seamless transition.

# Pack 1139

## **Amy Scott**

Amy is serving in her second year as den leader in addition to serving tirelessly as Advancement Chair for the past several years. Amy is a stellar recruiter and is responsible for recruiting most of the twenty Tiger Cub Scouts in our pack.

## **Annemarie McCaslin**

Annemarie is serving in her third year as a den leader and has been active in the pack for at least eight years. She has been active in recruiting for years and represented our pack at recruiting activities. She has found creative avenues to advertise our pack and plans a number of our pack events.

## **Chip McCaslin**

Chip has bridged his nine Arrow of Light Scouts after being their den leader for three years. In addition to leading a rowdy group of Scouts, Chip leads our Pinewood Derby and leverages his IT skills to help our pack.



# Pack 1139

## Elizabeth Korondy

Elisabeth is the most energetic and creative den leader, leading our Webelos. She uses her connections to local businesses and organizations to find opportunities for our Scouts to serve and get the word out about our pack. She also puts on a stellar Blue & Gold program.

## Heather Etner

Heather stepped in when the pack needed a Lions den leader. She patiently works with our youngest den and has recruited several families.



Heather Etner

# Pack 1139



## **Luke Harris**

Luke stepped in this year to serve as Treasurer, filling a key vacancy in our Pack Committee. Luke has instituted several key approaches to modernizing our financial systems and establishing much needed financial policy. Facing a deficit, Luke implemented key measures to make our Pack solvent for the year. In addition to serving as Treasurer, Luke is a great cook and uses his culinary skills to enjoyment of all at our campouts.

# Pack 1513

## **Tim Maloney**

For your dedication to pack 1513. Your commitment to the Arrow of Light Den for over two years directly contributed to the success of these scouts.

## **Jenny Fishman**

For your dedication to pack 1513. Your commitment to the role of Popcorn Kernel for over two years; your volunteer efforts helped the Pack earn thousands of dollars directly contributing to enhanced experiences for Scouts and the community.

## **Michele Su**

For your dedication to pack 1513. Your commitment to the role of Treasurer for over two years; your volunteer efforts directly enabled the Pack to operate in order to serve Scouts and the community.

## **Mike Seaton**

For your dedication to pack 1513. Your commitment as the Pinewood Derby volunteer leader for the past two years helped foster a sense of sportsmanship and citizenship on dozens of Scouts

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# Pack 1537

## Tiffany McGettigan

Tiffany has been a leader and a parent with the pack for many years, very active in all aspects and always helping to make events happen, smoothly, effectively, and most importantly keep the needs of the scouts in the forefront. She is a driven and enthusiastic leader and makes being on the leadership team a joy.

## Trey Reyher

Trey willingly stepped up to take over as Cubmaster with only his youth scouting experience under his belt. He has learned plenty in his first few months and is taking on his new role with great enthusiasm and vigor. It is clearly a good fit for him and for our Pack.

## Brett Shook

Brett stepped up to take the lead when it became vacant to keep the den going and it has thrived, growing to twice its previous size. He has managed to keep the den on track and organize meetings in a way to keep all the scouts on track and thriving. Brett's professionalism and welcoming attitude is great for the den and imperative on our leadership team.



Brett Shook



# Pack 1537 (Cont)

## **Brian Mano**

Brian has been a phenomenal treasurer for our pack. He is calm and collected and organized. He is the perfect guy to keep our finances in order, understanding the needs for keeping a unit healthy.

## **Lisa Colglazier**

As a leader and a parent for many years with this pack Lisa brings many ideas and suggestions that help to make our events successful. She is the one always willing to step in and help, filling in wherever there might be a gap. An integral part of our leadership team.

## **Derek Reinhold**

A new parent/leader to our pack and to scouting. He is enthusiastic and has great ideas for his den meetings. Following along with the ideals of scouting, he is a great fit in our leadership team.

# Pack 1537 (Cont)

## Ed Roggenkamp

For successfully leading a den through to their AOL crossover. A leader for many years, making a difference in every meeting and event he participated in. He took his job seriously and made sure to incorporate the information the scouts would need in their new troop. A level-headed leader helping to keep us on the path to scouting success.

## Andy Harvey

We are so lucky to have you step up and volunteer! We absolutely believe that no one could do the job better than you. Your ability to organize and communicate seems to come very naturally. It has been amazing having such a dedicated quartermaster and seeing what a difference that makes in helping things to run smoothly from start to finish.



Ed Roggenkamp



# Troop 140

## Carrie Haase

Ms. Haase has taken on the role of Assistant Scoutmaster. Carrie has been extremely proactive and has brought a lot of fresh activity ideas to the Troop as well as being a leadership role model.

## Carter Neuberg

Mr. Neuberg has taken on the role of advancement chair and began a deep audit, reconciled scout books, and brought the records up to date. Carter has also put in place a process to help ensure the records stay up to date to ensure scouts are recognized for their achievements.



# Troop 152

## Steve Pearson

Steve Pearson has been active in Troop 152 since 2013 serving as a Merit Badge Counselor for 10 years and an ASM for 7 years. Steve has led numerous campouts, Eagle Scout projects, and scouting events during his time with Troop 152.

## Mandy Waddell

Mandy Waddell has been active in Troop 152 since 2015. She has served as the Eagle Scout Court of Honor Coordinator for 8 years. She also kept the troop happy and energized as the Mulch Day Hospitality Coordinator for 4 years.

## Jody Lambert

Jody Lambert has been active in Troop 152 since 2016. She worked diligently as the Troop's treasurer for 3 years.



Steve Pearson (L)

# Troop 187

## 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 Charter 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!

## Austin Wang

Troop 187 conveys its deep appreciation to Mr. Austin Wang as the troop's Outdoor Activity Coordinator. Mr. Wang started this new position running coordinating all the troop's outdoor activities with great success and benefit to the Scouts. Mr. Wang has single handedly coordinated the last two Goshen Summer Camps leaving breathing room for the rest of the leadership. Troop 187 Scouts and Leaders are grateful to Mr. Wang.

## Dick Talbert

Troop 187 conveys its deep appreciation to Mr. Dick Talbert for his unwavering dedication to teaching merit badges non-stop. Mr. Talbert is a one-person merit badge day event. Mr. Talbert goes beyond merit badge teaching by teaching the Scouts rank requirements, mentoring successful ways of conducting campouts. Mr. Talbert is an avid hiker influencing the young men to match him without saying a word. Troop 187 Scouts and Leaders are grateful to Mr. Talbert.



# Troop 187 (Cont.)

## **Jerry Orvedahl**

Troop 187 conveys its deep appreciation to Mr. Jerry Orvedahl for his unique leadership to our Scouts. Mr. Orvedahl in a minutes notice will say yes when adult leadership is requested. He leads with a smile and gentle mentoring. At Goshen Summer 2022, Mr. Orvedahl could be seen at any moment guiding and counseling Scouts. Troop 187 Scouts and Leaders are grateful to Mr. Orvedahl.

## **Bev 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!

## **Keyvan Kashef**

Troop 187 conveys its deep appreciation to Mr. Keyvan Kashef for the many campouts he has attended when the troop needed that extra adult. Much appreciation is warranted for his time last year volunteering as a leader for the troop at Goshen Summer 2022. Troop 187 Scouts and Leaders are grateful to Mr. Kashef.

# Troop 345

## Betty Burns

Let me take a moment to pay homage to the exceptional Betty Burns. As a multi-talented adult leader for Troop 345, Betty Burns has worn many hats, serving as committee chair, troop administrator, and newsletter writer, to name a few. Despite the demands of her various roles, Betty has never wavered in her devotion to the Troop.

Betty Burns is a pillar of strength and deserves the utmost recognition for her contributions. Her boundless enthusiasm and tireless dedication have been a source of inspiration for our scouts, who have benefited greatly from her guidance.

We are deeply appreciative of the time and energy Betty has invested in Troop 345. Her leadership and commitment have had a positive impact on our scouts and will continue to shape their lives for years to come.

# Troop 349B

## Laura Hill

Internet advancement and troop purchaser. Laura is selflessly doing double duty on our parent committee, faithfully attending every meeting. She tracks each Scout's rank advancement, merit badge progress, and other achievements, maintaining all relevant records. She also manages the Troop's supplies of merit badge patches, service pins, and similar materials. purchasing items as necessary.

## James Hinderks

Fundraising Coordinator. James shoulders the herculean task of managing our annual fundraiser, the sale of mulch. He coordinates sales materials, product sourcing, delivery venues, and vehicle rentals. During the sale period, he is always on hand to provide support and answer questions. He maintains the running sales statistics, and sends out weekly updates. He also developed an email sales strategy to boost last minute sales.

## Susan Janec

Board of Review Coordinator. Susan maintains the board of review calendar, scheduling each board of review as requests come in. She also performs the critical role of recruiting volunteers to serve on the boards of review. She is exceptionally methodical and organized; she developed a repeatable process for notifying the Scout family and reviewers by email, to remind them of the scheduled time and anything they need to do to be prepared. She's always willing to fill in on a board of review whenever we are short on volunteers.

# Troop 349B (cont.)

## **Katie Niemi**

Rechartering Coordinator. Katie has taken the lead on renewing our troop charter for several years. She complies the paperwork for our charter as well as our Journey to Excellence, meticulously reviews it for accuracy, and ensures that the paperwork is submitted before the deadline. Katie spends a considerable amount of her personal time on these activities from September through December of each year.

## **John Bonds**

John took over leadership of our summer camp planning and has proactively provided relevant merit badge information to Scouts. He has ensured we'll be well prepared when registration opens. John has also signed up for Climbing Level 1 Instructor Training to restart our troop's climbing program.

## **Craig Riegler**

Craig assumed leadership of our troop's George Mason District Merit Badge Day planning, resulting in 12 Scouts working on 15 merit badges, and lined up several adult volunteers to help facilitate the program. Craig is also helping plan the troop's New Scout campout for April.

# Troop 349B (cont.)

## **Hans Miller**

Hans managed the uniformed leader portion of the troop's recruiting program, including sending notifications to nearby Cub packs, planning and conducting a New Scout welcome hike, and participating in follow-up hikes to help AOLs meet their troop activity requirements. Thanks to his efforts, nine new Scouts will join Troop 349B this April.

## **Ben Hutchins**

Ben refined the descriptions of the troop's positions of responsibility, as we strive to add more rigor to these roles; the updated descriptions were used in our most recent elections. Ben has also generously lent his truck for towing the troop trailer on several campouts.



# Troop 681

## Jeffrey Salinetti

With his two sons, Jeff has been an active ASM within Troop 681 for almost nine years. He has supported many outings for the Viper and Narwhal Patrols enabling great Scouting adventures. In addition, Jeff has been one of the Troop's Eagle advisors, giving feedback and suggestions on how our Eagle Projects can be the best experience for our Scouts. His last year with the Troop, we will miss him and his contributions.



# Troop 895

## **Anne Marie Hvid**

Anne Marie is the consummate parent volunteer and a great scouter. She attends meetings, aids scouts with advancement and program events and enjoys participating on camping and outdoor events. She is taking a leadership role in our troop's big trip to Colorado and Camp Peaceful Valley this summer.

## **Rich McIntyre**

Rich supplies financial services to the Troop, keeping our banking records and facilitating prompt payments and reimbursements to leaders, parents and scouts. Rich works with the Troop Committee to help establish annual budgets and monitor the Troop's financial health.

# Troop 976B

## **Greg Beatty**

Greg has really stepped up to shine as an assistant scoutmaster. He jumps in and leads some of our outings and fills in for the scoutmaster when needed. He brings a calm presence that draws genuine respect from the Scouts.

## **Abe Bacarra**

Abe bring so much enthusiasm and energy to the job that our boy-led events are bound to be fun. He's always trying new things and forging a real bond with the boys. You'll find him shredding down the mountain with the boys, racking up frost points, sharing his love of shooting sports and joining other adventures.

## **Elizabeth “Betsy” Argauer**

Elizabeth “Betsy” Argauer has long been active in the troop and has organized religious medals, including an Ad Altare Dei group recently. She is our Eagle coordinator, handling all the logistics and giving the advice she has learned as a mother of FOUR (and counting) Eagle scouts.

# Troop 976B Cont.



## **Stephen “Mark” Monticelli**

Mark's steady leadership of our troop committee has helped our troop thrive. He brings intelligence, quiet confidence and strategic thinking to the job. He's also been busy this year leading this summer's Philmont crew.

## **Tara Rice**

Tara Rice has moved into the important role of advancement and has done a terrific job of organizing boards of review and all the details involved in keeping our Scouts moving ahead. She is a keen observer of people and interpersonal relations, which makes her a wise counsel to other leaders.

## **Mike Hughes**

Mike Hughes is reliable, patient and willing to step up and lead where needed. He and his wife, Nikki, do an incredible job organizing our troop's annual fundraising project – the Christmas wreath sale.

# Troop 976B Cont.

## **John Miner**

John Miner saved the day. When one of the other two leaders for our Seabase adventure got COVID just hours before departure, John seamlessly moved into the lead, rolling with the punches when flight delays upended the travel schedule. He had been thoroughly involved in the planning and when he needed to suddenly become the leader, he was prepared and led a hugely successful adventure the boys will never forget.

## **David Chichka**

Even as his son became Eagle and aged out, David continued to lead the troop's extensive merit badge efforts. And he's always game to teach outdoor skills and join in a campout.



# Troop 1143

## Mark Quigley

Mr. Quigley attended Summer Camp and all other T1143 events in 2022 despite his sons having aged out of the troop. Mr. Quigley's constant support has helped enable T1143 to continue its program and we are extremely grateful.



# Troop 1539

## Annie Dagleish

Annie Dagleish is responsible for recruitment and graphic design for our troop, designing multiple recruitment flyers, and working hard to reach out to various local schools in support of our recruitment efforts. Annie also is responsible for the production of the Court of Honor programs, and has taken this to a new level, incorporating lots of photos and figuring out new ways to make our electronic programs visually appealing.





# Troop 1539

## Brad Eldridge

Brad Eldridge is an expert on all outdoor gear, and has made available to our troop a garage full of equipment that rivals even REI--hence his nickname, 'Q' (yes, that's a James Bond reference). Brad is an active adult participant in troop campouts and high adventure, and proved his dedication by spending a frigid morning and afternoon in November evacuating a mouse family from our troop shed and then making much needed repairs.



# Troop 1539 (Cont.)

## Chenthil Kesavadas

Chenthil Kesavadas has served multiple years as a Troop Committee Member, and due to his experience, has assumed a more senior role in coordinating and leading Boards of Review. The Troop Committee appreciates his wise insights and perspective on troop administration, which have been invaluable in areas such as recruitment and budget.

## Sindhu Mohan

Sindhu Mohan is always willing to volunteer to fill the gap, and as a result has multiple roles in the troop. She organizes the annual troop uniform exchange and handles T-shirt orders, and has recently assumed responsibility for the assembly of awards for the troop's Courts of Honor.

## Jeff Nunez

Jeff Nunez is an active Troop Committee member, serving on multiple Boards of Review per month, particularly during busy rank advancement seasons prior to Courts of Honor. Jeff is an active adult participant on troop campouts, and he also proved his dedication by joining Brad on that same frigid morning in November doing shed repair.



Jeff Nunez

# Troop 1539B (Cont.)

## Shannon O'Harren

Shannon O'Harren came through on very short notice this past summer to fill in as the second adult leader on a high adventure trip, driving over 1,000 miles in 5 days between DC, Summit Bechtel and eastern Virginia to make it happen, and then followed that up by participating in yet another high adventure trip in August. In his spare time, Shannon also serves as a troop merit badge counselor and a Board of Review Committee member (and also joined Brad and Jeff doing shed repair on that same frigid morning in November).

## Scott Wohlander

Scott Wohlander has been an active Troop Committee member, serving on multiple Boards of Review per month, especially during busy times and on short notice. After attending Philmont, Scott has agreed to become an Assistant Scoutmaster and is leading a Lenhok'sin high adventure crew in 2023, but more importantly he is our Troop Barbeque Pit Master making the troop an annual meal to remember.

## Liping Zhang

Liping Zhang did a fantastic job with summer camp registration in 2022, tracking forms for each participant and managing payments for scouts and adults. She stayed on top of merit badge and event registration, making sure that our scouts were registered for programs in just a few hours after the registration window opened.



Scott Wohlander



# Troop 1887

## Chris Coates

Chris is an ASM who is always ready to roll his sleeves up and get outside with the Scouts. His steady cheerfulness is the embodiment of Scout Spirit.

## Andrew Arrage

Andrew manages all of our awards and advancement with aplomb. Andrew also attended Philmont as a leader and was instrumental in the Troop Crew's Success.

## Alysia Dorrity

Alysia manages our Scouting for Food Event. She greatly improved the planning and execution of the event with details that have increased our ability to find food for needy folks exponentially.

## Joe Kaleta

Joe is an ASM and Eagle Mentor. He is always available to provide guidance and mentorship and counseling to keep our scouts on the path.

# Troop 1887 (Cont.)

## **Tim Gregory**

Tim is an ASM and MBC. He also manages our records behind the scenes in Troopmaster and is essential in keeping us up to date.

## **John Sarracino**

John took over managing our funds this year and keeps everyone reimbursed quickly! He also attended Philmont as a leader and greatly contributed to our Troop Crew's success.

## **James Cecere**

James planned, managed, and attended our Summer Camp in Powhatan in 2022. The event could not have happened without his hard work.

# Troop 1887 (Cont.)

## Peter Stafford

Peter is an ASM. Peter manages our annual shooting campout, which is always our most popular event. It couldn't happen without his sweat equity in arranging the location, buying ammo, and ensuring our commitment to safety.



# Troop 1888G

## **Barbara Hamill**

Barbara Hamill served as Assistant Scoutmaster and adult leader for Troop 1888. Her leadership and enthusiasm was critical in the execution of 1888's scout program. She was always willing to sit with the scouts and help learn and grow. She was the co-lead for Troop 1888's first High Adventure trip to Sea Base in 2022.

# 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. She recruits and trains other parent on the advancement process. Her meticulous attention to detail ensures our Scouts' records are accurate and up to date.



# Troop 1978G

## Julia Beach

Julia Beach is a parent of a new 1978G Scout and immediately volunteered as a “lead adult” for a month and helped the Troop’s lead Scout plan the activities the PLC has directed. Her “can do” attitude ensured the Scouts had a great month. They were able to participate in both Dentistry and Climbing Merit Badges



# Troop 1978G (Cont.)

## Nancy Cline

Nancy Cline serves as Troop 1978G's Treasurer. Her fastidious attention to detail ensures our financial records are current and precise. 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 budgets.

## Connie Lo

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





# Troop 1978G (Cont.)



## Zhen Lo

Zhen Lo is a member of 1978G's Troop Committee and our Onboarding Coordinator. He ensures our newest Scouts are welcomed and introduced to Scoutbook. He has volunteered countless hours organizing and processing our activity permission slips. This year he championed a process where all permission slips and COVID waivers for the Troop, Chartering Organization, and BSA are digitally signed and electronically filed. This has saved parents and leaders hundreds of hours.

# Troop 1978G (Cont.)

## Anna Allen

Anna Allen is a parent of a new 1978G Scout and immediately volunteered as a “lead adult” for the month and helped the Troop’s lead Scout plan the activities the PLC has directed. Her “can do” attitude has ensured the Scouts have had a great month and year. With her mentorship the Scouts were able to coordinate a challenging backpacking experience in western Virginia



# Troop 1978G (Cont.)



## **Indu Ranasinghe**

Indu Ranasinghe is a longtime supporter of Troop 1978G. As long as her daughter has been a Scout, Indu has been prepared to volunteer and help out wherever she is needed. Always ready to ensure our Courts of Honor are well organized, she routinely lends her creativity to our program. Recently she has become more active camping with the Troop, for which we are grateful.



# Troop 1978G (Cont.)

## Fr. Tuck Grinnell

Fr. Tuck serves as Chaplain of Troop 1978G. We are extremely fortunate to have him join our program and serve as a kind ear and mentor to the Scouts. Regardless of their faith, Fr. Tuck helps the Scouts with their “duty to God” and navigating the 12<sup>th</sup> point of the Scout law – a Scout is Reverent.



# Troop 1978B

## **David Best**

As Advancement Chair for Troop 1978B in 2022, David mentored scouts and maintained an effective advancement program which enabled 75% of scouts to earn rank advancements in 2022. Through David's hard work and diligence, the SPL, conducted monthly award ceremonies to recognize the scouts' achievements which contributed to a strong scouting spirit. David, for all those long days and weekends processing advancement records and merit badges, we thank you.

## **Meaghan Molinini**

As Treasurer for Troop 1978B in 2022, Meaghan developed and maintained a Troop Budget and Financial Reports for the annual program, high adventure trips, and Troop and Patrol gear. Under Meaghan's stewardship, the Troop's financials, deposits and reimbursements were always accurate and timely which were greatly appreciated by the the Scoutmaster, ASMs, and High Adventure Crew Advisors. Meaghan, for funding the means to keep our program running and growing, thank you.

# Troop 1978B (Cont.)

## **Kristin Root**

As the Court of Honor Activity Lead and Membership/Troop Web Host Coordinator, Kristin provided outstanding service to Troop 1978B for two years. Kristin organized, planned, executed two Courts of Honor each year which were recognized as "the best ever Courts of Honor" in the Troop's forty-eight year history. Maintaining accurate membership and activity records for a large Troop is a ton of work. Thank you Kristin - you rock!

## **Joel Cline**

As ASM and Recruitment Chair for Troop 1978B and G, Joel was instrumental in recruiting twenty (20) new youth in the spring and fall fo 2022 and strengthening our recruiting program and Pack relationships. Through Joel's efforts and leadership, the Troop achieved its recruiting goals for 2022 and is well position to grow in 2023. Joel, it all starts with you. Bravo Zulu, my friend.

# Troop 1978B (Cont.)

## **Kirk Silva**

For outstanding service to Troop 1978B as Assistant Scoutmaster, Kirk was instrumental in mentoring the Patrol Leader and Troop Guide for the Cheeto Dust Patrol and delivering a quality program to his scouts throughout the year. The Cheeto Dust Patrol consistently performs well on scouting skills competitions and scout retention and advancement has been outstanding. As Summer Camp Lead ASM for 2022 and 2023, Kirk has revived the "fun" in summer camp for scouts and scouters. As Lead ASM for the November and December program, Kirk works extremely well with the Lead ASPL and SPL to plan and execute a fun and challenging program for scouts, scouters and high adventure crews. Kirk, you are a joy to work with and your scouting spirit is infectious.

# Troop 1978B (Cont.)

## John Cochran

As Lead ASM for the May Program, John has mentored the Lead ASPL to plan a wonderful twenty-two mile canoeing trek along the James River. As Patrol ASM for the Siberian Wolves Patrol, John has provided support and empowered the scouts in his patrol to learn new skills and challenge themselves in an outdoor setting. Finally, as the Crew Advisor for Philmont, John has efficiently formed the Crew and will mentor the Crew Lead to build an effective training program. Thank you John for being so active and fun to be around.



John Cochran

## Dante Torronez

As Lead ASM for the February Program, Dante has returned snow skiing to the Troop program, providing twenty-four scouts/scouters, many of which are first-time skiers, the thrill of snow skiing. As Patrol ASM for Siberian Wolves, Dante has worked with the Patrol Leader, SPL, and ASPL for Advancement, to increase the participation in scouting skill seminars, a monthly activity on Saturday dedicated to teaching scout skill requirements, which has directly lead to improved rank advancement for the Patrol and Troop. Thanks Dante for making a difference every day.



# Troop 1978B (Cont.)

## Matthew Zawislak

As the Quartermaster ASM, Matt worked with the Troop Quartermasters to ensure Troop and Patrol gear was in good working order to support the eleven (11) short-term and five (5) long-term/high adventure campouts in the Troop's program. As the Pioneering Merit Badge Counselor, Matt worked with the SPL and Lead ASPL to build a large monkey bridge and revive the Troop's pioneering skills. Matt, thank you for balancing your role as both Cubmaster, Pack 987 and ASM Troop 1978B.



# Troop 1996



Scott Hiromoto

## **Tom Bruce**

ASM - has lead and supported the troop since joining. He will retire at the end of this year.

## **Bill Schmittel**

Committee Chairman

## **Michele Schmittel**

Troop Recordkeeper

## **Chris Sturgill**

Troop Treasurer

## **Scott Hiromoto**

Unit Advancement Coordinator

# Service at the District Level

# 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.





# Jim Miller, George Mason Silver Beaver 2023

Jim devoted many years of service to youth in the George Mason District. Jim was a Webelos Den Leader in Pack 1513. He volunteered to be an Assistant Scoutmaster with Troop 1887 and, after 8 months, responded to the call to replace the departing Scoutmaster of 1887. He was Scoutmaster of 1887 for 25 years and oversaw significant growth in the Troop. Jim has been a merit badge counselor for Electricity and Rifle Shooting for more than 30 years. He is an NRA certified rifle instructor and certified Range Safety Officer. Jim is a member of NCAC Council Shooting Sports Committee and was on the staff of the 2005 National Jamboree at Fort A.P. Hill in rifle shooting. Jim also serves as a District Eagle Representative, helping over 40 Life Scouts achieve Eagle. Jim is an active member of St. Leo the Great Catholic Church in Fairfax, Virginia, serving as a Lector at Mass for over 30 years. Jim worked as an Electrical Engineer for the Department of the Navy, is a member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers and belongs to Tau Beta Phi, Pi Mu Epsilon, and Eta Kappa Nu. Jim has been a member of the Northern Virginia Gun Club for many years and was Treasurer of the Gun Club for more than 10 years.





# 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.



# 2023 Schenaker Award Recipient



Matt Burns

Matt Burns is the recipient of the 2023 Schenaker Award for his outstanding service to the George Mason District and its Roundtable over the course of many years.

Matt has supported Roundtable during his many years as District Advancement Chair as well as his more than three years as District Vice Chair for Program. A faithful participant in the Roundtable, Matt 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 – Matthew Maclean P152

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.

You cannot hope to find a better Cubmaster than Matthew Maclean. He embodies Scout spirit not only in word but in action. He takes his role in leading pack programming seriously, but also acts a teacher for the scouts.

He exhibits the wealth of patience needed to be a successful Cubmaster, but he knows how to keep scouts on task. As a result, the scouts in our Pack hold great respect for Matt.

He also understands how the bigger picture machinations of Scouting work, and is a primary reason that our unit functions as well as it does.

Matt Maclean is most deserving of the Unit Leader award of Merit.



# Unit Level Awards

## **Scoutmaster Key**

Todd Lundquist (T1978G)

## **Scouter's Training Key**

Gilbert Cullen

Allen Mohaber

## **National Summertime Pack Award**

Pack 657

# April 14, 2022



**District Court of Honor**

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