



CHARACTER IN ACTION DINNER

APRIL 23, 2026

RECOGNIZING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF
YOUTH AND ADULT VOLUNTEERS

GRANDOVER RESORT & SPA

CHARACTER IN ACTION DINNER

THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 2026 · 6:30 PM | GRANDOVER RESORT AND SPA, GREENSBORO, NC

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Welcome & Opening Ceremony

Eagle Scout Caroline Braden

Invocation

Eagle Scout Caroline Braden

Dinner

State of the Council

Robert M. Lewis
Council President

Special Recognitions for
Youth Safety Leadership

Silver Beaver Nita Grubbs
Council Vice-President of Risk Management

Special Recognitions for
Program Leadership

Silver Beaver Benton Neese
Council Vice-President of Program

Presentation of Training Awards

Silver Beaver Scott Welch
Council Training Chair

Presentation of Veteran Awards

Eagle Scout Caroline Braden

Presentation of District Recognitions

Eagle Scout Jason Hicks
Council Commissioner

Presentation of Commissioner Awards

Silver Beaver & Eagle Scout Lyndal Butler
Guilford District Commissioner

Presentations of Elbert K. Fretwell
Outstanding Educator Award

Eagle Scout Bryson Gregory
Silver Beaver & Eagle Scout Bud Harrelson

Speaker

Ms. Jenny Varner, President, Davidson-Davie
Community College, Proud Eagle Scout Mom

Venturing Summit Award Presentation

Eagle Scout Hunter Spalding
Venturing Officer Association President

National Outdoor Achievement
Award Presentation

Silver Beaver & Eagle Scout Chris Cobitz
Camping Committee Chair

National Medal of Merit

Silver Beaver & Eagle Scout Steve Worrell
Council Advancement & Recognition Chair

Presentation of Venturing &
Sea Scout Leadership Awards

Anya Maholick
Venturing Officer Association, Incoming President

Presentation of Silver Beaver Award

Silver Beaver & Eagle Scout Scot Welch
Silver Beaver Selection Committee Chair

Dedication of the Eagle Scout Clss of 2025

Silver Beaver & Eagle Scout Bud Harrelson

Celebration of Scouts BSA Eagle Scouts

Silver Beaver & Eagle Scout Steve Worrell
Council Advancement & Recognition Chair

Adams Eagle Scout Service Project of the Year

Silver Beaver & Eagle Scout Jason Coe
Eagle Scout Service Project of the Year
Selection Committee Member

National Outstanding Eagle Scout Award Presentation

Silver Beaver & Eagle Scout Jason Coe
Alumni Committee Chair

Council Alumnus of the Year Award

Silver Beaver & Eagle Scout Jason Coe
Alumni Committee Chair

Benediction

Eagle Scout Sam Whitesell
Tsoiotsi Tsogalii Lodge Chief

DISTRICT AWARD OF MERIT



The District Award of Merit is a council award presented to registered adult volunteers by districts in the same way the Silver Beaver is a national award presented by councils. The award is available to Scouters who provide outstanding service at the district level.

The District Award of Merit was presented to the following Scouters during their corresponding district banquets.

CLASS OF 2025 DISTRICT AWARD OF MERIT RECIPIENTS

Bradley Gibson, *Akela District*
Joshua Borders, *Alamance District*
Polly Dornette, *Alamance District*
Wallace Bradsher, *Cherokee District*

Nicholas Bright, *Guilford District*
Scott Meyers, *Guilford, District*
Jesse Bullins, *Uwharrie District*
Shane Herman, *Uwharrie District*

THE JAMES E. WEST FELLOWSHIP



The James E. West Fellowship honors people who contribute at least \$1000 to the local council's endowment. The interest generated from the council endowment allows us to serve more youth, provide adult leader training, provide camperships and scholarships to Scouts and families in need, and maintain our three camping properties.

The James E. West Fellowship is named for the Boy Scouts of America's inaugural Chief Scout Executive – James E. West.

Fellowship recipients receive a certificate, square knot to wear on their uniform, and lapel pin.

Tonight, we start a new tradition, moving forward all James E. West Fellowships will be presented during the council's annual volunteer recognition banquet, except for the James E. West Fellowship sponsored by Tsoiotst Tsogalii Lodge, which will be presented during the lodge's annual banquet.

CLASS OF 2025 JAMES E. WEST FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENTS

Dale Allred
Michael Brumble
David Burris

John "Mickey" McCrary
Loryn Payne
Melody Rose

Janice Totten
Samuel Whitesell
Eyan Wise



ORDER OF THE ARROW AWARDS

THE VIGIL HONOR

The Vigil Honor is a high mark of distinction and recognition reserved for those Arrowmen who, by reason of exceptional service, personal effort, and unselfish interest, have made distinguished contributions beyond the immediate responsibilities of their position of office to one or more of the following: lodge, Order of the Arrow, the Scouting community, and/or Scout camp.

TSOIOTSI TSOGALLI LODGE 2025 VIGIL HONOR RECIPIENTS

Don Grisgraber
Logan Lee Oakley
Bradley Johnson
Melody Rose
Jennifer Johnston Kerns

Richard Schiller
Joe Luna
Hunter Spradling
Cameron Moore
Yana Withrow



ORDER OF THE ARROW AWARDS

THE FOUNDER'S AWARD

Introduced at the 1981 National Order of the Arrow Conference, the Founder's Award recognizes Arrowmen who have given outstanding service to their lodge. The award is reserved for an Arrowman who demonstrates that he or she personifies the spirit of selfless service, as advocated by founder E. Urner Goodman and cofounder Carroll A. Edson.

**TSOIOTSI TSOGALLI LODGE
CLASS OF 2025 FOUNDER'S AWARD RECIPIENTS**

**Logan Lee Oakley
Michael S. Walser**



SPECIAL THANKS TO YOUTH SAFETY LEADERSHIP

The Scouting America has established a goal of becoming the national leader in youth safety within the next five years. To achieve this goal, the BSA uses multiple strategies.

Strategy 1: District Youth Protection Champions that track youth protection training status, encourage adult volunteers to complete YPT, and offer face-to-face YPT options.

Strategy 2: As part of the OA Induction process and NYLT syllabus, adult leaders are to walk through the open camping areas at unannounced times throughout the night of the Ordeal or NYLT patrol campout to provide roving supervision. Youth protection policies, including two deep leadership must be maintained during these walk-throughs.

Strategy 3: The National Camp Accreditation Program (NCAP) requires all long-term and short-term camps to include a health officer on its emergency response team.

Dr. Megan Henley Hicks, Council Health & Safety Supervisor

Health & Safety Committee Members – 2025

Megan Henly Hicks, MD, Chair
Nita Grubbs, RN, Volunteer Adviser
Josh Borders, RN, DNP, PhD
Sue Hampton, R

Philip Hernandez, Paramedic
Mickey McCrary
Don Wickline, MD
Woody Woodruff, MD

Health Officers - 2025

Allan Buccola
Rusty Gray
Sue Hampton
Shane Herman

Philip Hernandez
James Jordan
Joe Luna

Mickey McCrary
Enrico Mitchell
Chris Murphy

Melody Rose
Tom Stevenson
Addie Stewart



SPECIAL THANKS TO YOUTH SAFETY LEADERSHIP

CPR/FA/WFA Instructors - 2025

Josh Borders
Mike Brumble
Phillip Hernandez
Joe Jacaruso

Mickey McCrary
Enrico Mitchell
Dave Parker

Summer Camp Medical Recheck Assistants – 2025

Joey Boyd
Allan Buccola
David Burris
Ron Carter
Chris Fulcher
David Gardiner
Sue Hampton
George Hodgin
Joe Jacaruso
James Jordan
Rob Kennerly

Joe Luna
Mickey McCrary
George McLarty
Enrico Mitchell
Jay Pringle
Colleen Sovich
Scott Spillmann
Addie Stewart
Susan Thompson
John Young



SPECIAL THANKS TO YOUTH SAFETY LEADERSHIP

YOUTH PROTECTION CHAMPIONS - 2025

Christy Kirksy, <i>Council Champion</i>	Sharon Hamlett, <i>Cherokee Champion</i>
Nita Grubbs, <i>Volunteer Advisor</i>	Janelle Johnson, <i>Cherokee Champion</i>
Haley Buggs, <i>Alamance Champion</i>	James Jordan, <i>Guilford Champion</i>
Gart Evans, <i>Akela Champion</i>	David Burris, <i>Uwharrie Champion</i>



Campsite Hosts and Night Supervision Adult Leader Volunteers – 2025

Steve Ashworth	Van Hurd	Carol Plaster
Courtney Bailey	Crystal Jeremias	Todd Purgason
David Barnhill	Jennifer Johnston Kern	Josh Rose
Becky Sue Brooks	Denny Kerns	Melody Rose
Allen Buccola	Joe Luna	James Schuman
Haley Buggs	Mischa May	Patrick Smith
Sue Hampton	Scott Meyers	Colleen Sovich
Shane Herman	Enrico Mitchell	Aaron Walters
Eric Heskett	Drew Neil	Jeff Willett
Doreen Huntington	Willie Ore	Angela Wilson

SPECIAL THANKS TO PROGRAM LEADERSHIP

The Old North State Council extends its deepest thanks for the following adult volunteers for their leadership to our year-round program and training opportunities. These Scouters have served either as committee chairs, event directors, or training course directors.



- **Bill Burns** - Cub Fishing Derby Site Director
- **Bill Burns** - Merit Badge College Dean
- **Grayson Cardwell** - Cub Fishing Derby Site Director
- **Polly Dornette** - Camp-o-ree Chief
- **Shane Herman** - Cub Scout BB/Archery Event Coordinator
- **James Jordan** - Train-the-Trainer Event Director
- **Crystal Kessler** - Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO) Course Director
- **Crystal Kessler** - Certified Angling Instructor (CAI) Course Director
- **Crystal Kessler** - Cub Fishing Derby Site Director
- **Rich Lovett** - Cub Fishing Derby Site Director
- **Scott Meyers** - Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills (IOLS) Course Director
- **Janet Mintz** - Leader Skills Day Course Director
- **Janet Mintz** - Train-the-trainer Event Director
- **Jennifer Johnston Kerns** - National Youth Leadership Training Course Director
- **Mickey McCrary** - Wilderness First Aid Event Coordinator
- **Chris Murphy** - NRA Basic & Instructor Training Course Director
- **Jessica Murphy** - Summer Cub Day Hike Coordinator
- **Jessica Murphy** - Howl-o-ree Event Director
- **Jessica Murphy** - Mom & Me Event Director
- **Logan Lee Oakley** - AOL Trailhead Event Director

SPECIAL THANKS TO PROGRAM LEADERSHIP

- **Willie Ore** – Merit Badge College Dean
- **Cory Parsons** – Merit Badge College Dean
- **Loryn Payne** – Wood Badge Course Director
- **Melody Rose** – Paddle Craft Safety Event Director
- **Melody Rose** – Swim & Water Rescue Event Director
- **Colleen Sovich** – Cub Polar Day Camp Event Director
- **Gordon Stallings** – Certified Angling Instructor (CAI) Course Director
- **Gordon Stallings** - Cub Fishing Derby Site Director
- **David Swicegood** - Cub Fishing Derby Site Director
- **Tiffany Vines** – Council Popcorn Kernal
- **Michael Walser** – Conclave Adviser
- **Michael Walser** - Cub Fishing Derby Site Director
- **Bonnie Ware** - Cub Fishing Derby Site Director
- **Jeff Willett** – Camp-o-ree Chief
- **Angela Wilson** – Howl-o-ree Event Director

Special Presentation to Jennifer Johnston Kerns for her leadership of the council National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) Course that spanned December 2025 through January 2026. For her service and leadership as the NYLT course director, Jennifer is eligible to wear four Wood Badge beads. Tonight, we publicly present Jennifer with her fourth bead.





VETERAN AWARD

The Veteran Award recognizes individual members for tenure in Scouting. The recognition item is a lapel pin denoting the number of years of service. This pin is worn only on civilian clothing and not on the scout uniform. The veteran award is an adult recognition only.

William Poovey
John Mickey McCrary
Cedric Blade
Willie Ore
Robert Rhodes
Ken Clodfelter
Sue Hampton
Jerry Worthen
Tony Bowes
Carlton Van Hurd
Woody Woodruff
Jason Hicks
Jeff Benes
Shepherd Hester

Pack & Troop 4039, Chartered Org. Rep.	70 Years
Venturing Officer Association Advisor	65 Years
Council Executive Board	50 Years
Cherokee District, Member-at-Large	50 Years
Cherokee District, Member-at-Large	50 Years
Uwharrie District, Eagle Board Chair	45 Years
Council Executive Board	40 Years
Uwharrie District, Advancement Chair	40 Years
Cherokee District, Member-at-Large	35 Years
Troop 4540, Scoutmaster	35 Years
Council Executive Board	35 Years
Council Executive Board	30 Years
Pack and Troop 4009	25 Years
Guilford District, Roundtable Commissioner	25 Years

GLENN A. AND MELINDA W. ADAMS NATIONAL EAGLE SCOUT SERVICE PROJECT OF THE YEAR AWARD

The National Eagle Scout Association established the Glenn A. and Melinda W. Adams National Eagle Scout Service Project of the Year Award (ESSPY) to recognize valuable service of an exceptional nature by an Eagle Scout candidate to a religious institution, school, community or other entity through completion of an Eagle Scout project

**2025 OLD NORTH STATE COUNCIL ADAMS EAGLE SCOUT
SERVICE PROJECT OF THE YEAR RECIPIENT
KEATON FREDERICKSEN, TROOP 4396**

**2025 OLD NORTH STATE COUNCIL ADAMS EAGLE SCOUT
SERVICE PROJECT OF THE YEAR NOMINEES**

Jacob Delveaux, Troop 600
Bryson Gregory, Troop 4260
Collin Hinkley, Troop 103



VENTURING LEADERSHIP AWARD

The Council Venturing Leadership Award is a prestigious recognition presented to youth Venturers and adult Advisors who have made exceptional contributions to the Venturing program at the council level.

The purpose of the Venturing Leadership Award is to honor those who excel above expectations, demonstrate outstanding servant leadership, and exemplify the Scout Oath and Law through their service.

To be eligible, recipients must be registered for at least one year and hold a leadership position. Selection is based on dedicated service that directly impacts the growth and success of Venturing within our council.

Awardees receive a medallion suspended from a blue-and-white ribbon and a tricolor cloth knot for their uniform.



CLASS OF 2025 COUNCIL VENTURING LEADERSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS

Trystan MacKeigan Barnhill
John “Mickey” McCrary

Hunter Mills Spradling
Michael S. Walse

SEA SCOUT LEADERSHIP AWARD

The Council Sea Scout Leadership Award is a prestigious honor presented to Sea Scouts and adult leaders who have made exceptional contributions to the Sea Scouting program at the council level.

The purpose of the Council Sea Scout Leadership Award is to honor those who go above and beyond in their service, demonstrating outstanding leadership and a deep commitment to the Sea Scout program and its maritime traditions. To be eligible, recipients must be registered for at least one year and hold a leadership position. Selection is based on dedicated service that significantly impacts the growth and success of Sea Scouting within our council.

Awardees receive a medallion suspended from a blue-and-white ribbon. For their uniform awardees receive a tricolor cloth knot with a Sea Scout device for their uniform

CLASS OF 2025 COUNCIL SEA SCOUT LEADERSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS

Hunter Clinton Carter
Ava Schmutzer



NATIONAL OUTDOOR ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The National Outdoor Achievement Award is a rigorous recognition for Scouts BSA members, Sea Scouts, and Venturers who demonstrate exemplary knowledge and extensive experience in high-level outdoor activities.

The purpose of the National Outdoor Achievement Award is to honor youth who excel in outdoor participation across six key areas—Camping, Aquatics, Hiking, Riding, Adventure, and Conservation—demonstrating they are knowledgeable, safe, and comfortable in the wild.

To be eligible, recipients must earn specific National Outdoor Badges by meeting challenging requirements, including reaching First Class rank (or equivalent), earning relevant merit badges, and accumulating significant field experience such as nights camped or miles hiked.

Awardees receive a center emblem patch with specialized segments for each area of emphasis. For those who reach the highest level of mastery across multiple categories, the prestigious National Medal for Outdoor Achievement is awarded.

CLASS OF 2025 NATIONAL OUTDOOR ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENT

Benjamin McDaniel



NATIONAL MEDAL OF MERIT AWARD

The National Medal of Merit is a distinguished honor awarded by the National Court of Honor to youth members and adult leaders who have performed an act of service of a rare or exceptional character.

The purpose of the National Medal of Merit Award is to recognize individuals who demonstrate an uncommon degree of concern for the well-being of others. The act must reflect Scouting skills or ideals and go above and beyond what is normally expected of a member.

To be eligible, recipients must be registered members of Scouting America at the time of the action. The service performed may involve a lifesaving effort, but it is not required; however, it must not be a "performance of duty" or a professional obligation (such as an EMT or lifeguard acting on the job).

Awardees are presented with a medallion suspended from a gold-and-blue ribbon and an embroidered gold-and-blue square knot for wear on their field uniform.

2025 RECIPIENTS

Carlton Van Hurd

Jeremiah Eugene Straughan



ELBERT K. FRETWELL OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR AWARD

In 2016, the Boy Scouts of America established the Elbert K. Fretwell Award to honor educators who model Scouting values within their classrooms and schools and separate themselves from their peers as education leaders and advocates for the young people.

The Elbert K. Fretwell Award is named for the Boy Scouts of America's second chief Scout executive – Elbert K. Fretwell.

Prior to serving the Boy Scouts of America in a national leadership role, Fretwell was an Education professor at Columbia University.

Fretwell honorees receive a medal to wear around their neck and a certificate.



CLASS OF 2025 OF ELBERT K. FRETWELL OUTSTANDING EDUCATORS

- **Terry Aiken** – School Counselor, The Piedmont School, High Point, NC
- **Edwina Ashworth** – Retired School District Administer, Randolph County Schools, Asheboro, NC
- **Debra Garner Barham** – Retired School District Administrator, Guilford County School Greensboro, NC
- **Patti Loy Barnes** – Principal, Person High School, Roxboro, NC
- **Cara Hurdle** – Principal, Elon Elementary School, Elon, NC
- **Shirlrona Johnson** – Principal, Person Early College of Innovation & Leadership, Roxboro, NC
- **Joel Lillard** – School Board Member, Caswell County Schools, Yanceyville, NC
- **Dr. Tyron McMillon** – Principal, Bessemer Elementary School, Greensboro, NC
- **Christopher L. Murphy** – Mathematics Instructor, Alamance Community College, Graham, NC
- **Aaron Paul Benford Prillaman** – Adjunct Professor, Davidson-Davie Community College, Thomasville, NC
- **Dr. Justin Luke Snyder** – Senior Vice President, Student Learning & Workforce Development, Alamance Comm. College, Graham, NC
- **Jenny Varner** – President, Davidson-Davie Community College, Thomasville, NC
- **Dr. Barbara H. Zwadyk** – Adjunct Professor and Consultant, High Point University, High Point, NC

WILLIAM D. BOYCE NEW UNIT ORGANIZER AWARD

In a heavy London fog in 1909, American businessman William D. Boyce became lost and was approached by a youth who took Mr. Boyce to his destination. When offered a tip, this unknown Scout refused it, stating he could not accept money for a "Good Turn." This encounter inspired Boyce to incorporate the Boy Scouts of America on February 8, 1910.



The William D. Boyce New-Unit Organizer Award is presented to recognize adult volunteers who exemplify Boyce's organizing spirit by successfully leading the effort to charter a new traditional Scouting unit. The award consists of a white square knot set against a background of gold, green, and red—representing the traditional programs of Cub Scouting, Scouts BSA, and Venturing.

To be eligible, a volunteer must lead the organization of one new traditional unit (Pack, Troop, Crew, or Ship) following the established 12-step organization process. This recognition honors the dedication required to bring the values of Scouting to new communities, ensuring every youth has the opportunity to join.

Multiple volunteers can be recognized for a single new unit if they each made a significant effort during the organizational process. For each additional unit organized (up to three), recipients may earn and wear specific program devices representing the type of unit chartered.

2025 WILLIAM D. BOYCE NEW UNIT ORGANIZER AWARD RECIPIENTS



Crew 4797 - Russell Lee Citty

Crew 4797 - Connor Vines

Crew 4797 - Scott Vines

Crew 4797 - Tiffany Vines

Crew 4797 - Dale Weber

Crew 4797 - Delores Weber

Crew 7244 - Michael Lemnios

Crew 7244 - James Schiermeyer

Crew 7244 - Melody Rose

Crew 7244 - Maria Braden

Crew 7505 - Stephen Barron

Crew 7505 - Kellie McGrew

Crew 7505 - Jody Hall

Pack 3004 - Tracy Fortner Brown

Pack 3004 - Amy Heybrock

Pack 3004 - Eric Spratt

Pack 3502 - Tyson Nixon

Pack 3502 - Candida Espaillat

Ship 0004 - LaRaie Carter

Ship 0004 - William S. Milliken, Jr.

Ship 0004 - Hilco Wouldstra

Ship 0004 - Hunter Clinton Carter

Troop 4011 - Jack Holt Patterson

Troop 4011 - Fredrick Arbegard

Troop 4011 - Brandon Jones

Troop 5042 - David Baukema

Troop 5042 - Jonathan Regan

Troop 5042 - Kandace Koontz Perryman

THE SILVER BEAVER AWARD



The Silver Beaver Award was introduced in 1931 and is a council-level distinguished service award to the Boy Scouts of America. Recipients of the award are registered Scouters who have made an impact on the lives of youth through service given at the council level. Recipients not only provide service to youth through Scouting, but also advocate and champion youth through their profession, faith organization, and community service beyond Scouting.

Silver Beaver recipients receive a silver beaver suspended from a light blue and white ribbon and a light blue and white square knot for their uniform.

Tonight, we celebrate the Class of 2025 Silver Beaver recipients.

CLASS OF 2025 SILVER BEAVER RECIPIENTS

**Dr. Beau Braden
Nicholas Sterling Bright
Shelli Danette Luna
David Jordan Millsaps**

**Ryan Raymond Osborne
Melody Christine Rose
JD Wooten**



THE SILVER BEAVER AWARD RECIPIENT

DR. BEAU BRADEN

DO, MPH, MS, RDMS, FAAEM, FASAM



Beau's journey in Scouting began as a Tiger Scout, eventually earning his Arrow of Light and later his Eagle Scout rank. As a youth, he was inducted into the Order of the Arrow, achieving the rank of Brotherhood. His dedication to the program was further demonstrated by spending seven summers on staff at Camp Lassen in Northern California, where he served in diverse leadership roles, including High Adventure Director, handicraft director, nature director, and black powder shooting director.

Upon moving to Greensboro, North Carolina, Beau's commitment to Scouting transitioned into adult leadership. He initially served in Pack 104 and later played a pivotal role in transitioning Troop 101 to its new home at Our Lady of Grace, where he currently serves as the Chartered Organization Representative. His impact extends to the council level through his years of support for Cherokee Scout Reservation, working closely with the camp director to refine and improve programming.

Scouting is a cornerstone of the Braden family. Beau is a fourth-generation Scouter and one of four brothers who all achieved the rank of Eagle. This legacy continues with his own children: his daughter, Caroline, recently earned her Eagle Scout rank with Troop 219, and his sons, Fabian and Julian, are also Eagle Scouts from Troop 101. His younger sons, Sebastian and a son in Pack 104, are currently active in their own Scouting adventures. Beau's wife, Maria, further supports the movement as a founder of Venture Crew 244.

Professionally, Dr. Braden is the Founder and CEO of BradenHealth, where he has gained national recognition for his "mission-driven commitment" to revitalizing rural healthcare. His innovative model focuses on acquiring and reopening shuttered medical facilities across Tennessee, specifically in Henderson, Haywood, and Perry counties.

His work has been lauded by state and national leaders for saving lives and restoring economic stability to underserved areas. Dr. Braden holds a medical degree from Midwestern University and master's degrees from the University of Southern California, and he credits Scouting's lessons in leadership as the foundation for his professional success.

THE SILVER BEAVER AWARD RECIPIENT NICHOLAS STERLING BRIGHT



Nicholas Sterling Bright is a lifelong servant-leader whose dedication to youth development, community resilience, and the values of Scouting spans more than 60 years. A Navy veteran and visionary humanitarian, Nicholas has spent his life "Walking in Purpose," transforming his vision for a stronger community into a tangible impact that has changed countless lives across North Carolina.

Nicholas's journey in Scouting began as a youth in Troop 64 in Washington, NC, where he developed a foundation in leadership and the outdoors, eventually achieving the rank of Life Scout. His commitment to the movement continued into his adult life, where he has served with distinction for over 20 years.

Nicholas served as the Scoutmaster for Troop 29 in Greensboro, providing direct mentorship and leadership to young men. Nicholas's impact on Scouting was further honored when he was presented with the Whitney M. Young Jr. Service Award on December 10, 2015, for his work in bringing Scouting opportunities to rural and low-income areas. His unwavering service to the Old North State Council was recently recognized with the Guilford District Award of Merit on February 4, 2025.

Nicholas's professional and personal life is a testament to the Scout Oath and Law. As a U.S. Navy Seabee veteran with service in Vietnam and Japan, he brought specialized training in disaster recovery and mobile construction back to his civilian life.

Nicholas has developed and implemented over a dozen community programs, including the Applied Youth Development (AYD) program, which operated for 27 years, and the Knights of Nobility boys' mentoring program. A champion for families, he created Chessmen: A Link to Fatherhood and served on the North Carolina State Fatherhood Advisory Council. In 2025, the City of Greensboro Parks and Recreation Department dedicated a room in his honor at the Peeler Recreation Center, recognizing his 50-year history of selfless service to the city's residents.

Nicholas Bright's legacy is one of "unconditionally lifting up others." Alongside his wife of over 50 years, Frances, he continues to be a pillar of the Greensboro community, proving that a life dedicated to service truly has the power to transform the world.

THE SILVER BEAVER AWARD RECIPIENT SHELLI DANETTE LUNA



Silver Beaver honoree Shelli Luna is the Assistant Camp Director for Cherokee Scout Reservation. Summer 2026 will be Shelli's 7th summer on camp staff. She has also served as Health Officer and Provisional Scoutmaster. She started working with Scouting America as a committee member in Cub Pack 4144. Later she became the Scoutmaster of Troop 4144 for eight years and a Co-Advisor in Crew 4144. Shelli is Wood Badge trained, served on staff for 2 Wood Badge courses and was a Course Director for National Youth Leadership Training. Shelli also enjoys leading and serving on cook crews for a variety of events at Camp Cherokee.

Shelli is a Vigil Honor member of the Order of the Arrow and previously served as Program Advisor for Tsoitsi Tsogalii Lodge. She has been awarded the Elbert K. Fretwell Outstanding Educator Award and the Alamance District Award of Merit. As a youth, Shelli was a member of the Girl Scouts for twelve years and earned the Girl Scout Gold Award.

Shelli is the proud mom of Hunter Luna, Eagle Class 2020. She is in her 30th year of teaching elementary school in North Carolina and currently teaches 3rd grade at DF Walker Elementary in Edenton, NC. She is also an active member at Open Door Church.



THE SILVER BEAVER AWARD RECIPIENT DAVID JORDAN MILLSAPS



David Millsaps' Scouting journey is defined by a commitment to building—not just structures, but character and community. From his early days in the Piedmont Council to his current executive leadership in the Old North State Council, David has consistently used his professional expertise and servant's heart to strengthen the scouting movement and the lives of those around him.

David began his adult service with Troop 618 (Piedmont Council), serving as Assistant Scoutmaster and Scoutmaster, during which time he earned his Wood Badge beads.

Upon moving to Greensboro, he continued his impact through several key roles. David served as Pack Committee Chair for Pack 104 and later as Assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 101, where he specialized in mentoring the First Year Scout patrol. David's leadership expanded to the Guilford District Chair position and eventually to the Council level. As the Council Vice President of Facilities, David leads the critical effort to address deferred maintenance across all properties. He notably initiated "Elevate Cherokee," a task force dedicated to envisioning the future of Cherokee Scout Reservation for 2030 and beyond. Under his watch, the Royce Reynolds Scout Service Center was upgraded, and the lake dam at Cherokee will be repaired.

David's "Scouting Spirit" extends deep into his community and global mission work. For 22 years, he led the construction committee at Christ United Methodist Church, directing mission trips to Bolivia, Mexico, and Alaska. David serves on the Executive Board for Habitat for Humanity of Greater Greensboro, leveraging his professional construction skills to provide stable housing for families in need. Following the devastation in Western North Carolina, David stepped into the breach as the Interim Regional Team Leader for the United Methodist Church Disaster Ministries in Asheville. He has been a pivotal force in the long-term recovery, coordinating volunteer "mud-out" teams and structural rebuilding to return families to their homes.

Tonight, we honor David Millsaps for his distinguished service to the Scouting America and his unwavering dedication to building a stronger, more resilient community for all.

THE SILVER BEAVER AWARD RECIPIENT RYAN RAYMOND OSBORNE



Silver Beaver honoree Ryan Osborne began his Scouting journey as a Cub Scout in Charlotte, NC and earned his Arrow of Light. As adult his journey continued when his son joined Pack 574 in Mocksville where Ryan became a Pack Committee Member and then a Den Leader. During that time, he joined the District Committee and served as the Uwharrie District Popcorn Kernel. He moved up with his son to Troop 575 as the Troop Committee Chair. Ryan received the Conrad Penninger award for Uwharrie District Cub Scouter of the year in 2015, District Award of Merit in 2019, and Joe Cecil award for Uwharrie District Boy Scouter of the year for 2021.

Ryan currently serves as the District Commissioner in the Uwharrie District. He is a member of the Order of the Arrow and is an Owl from the Wood Badge course S7-70-21. He is on staff for the current Wood Badge course and has been a staff member for several district and council training courses.

Ryan and his wife Tonya of 32 years have two children, Emma and Eagle Scout son Ian who is serving in the United States Air Force.

The Old North State Council proudly presents the Silver Beaver Award to Ryan Osborne.



THE SILVER BEAVER AWARD RECIPIENT MELODY CHRISTINE ROSE



Silver Beaver Honoree Melody Rose is a founding member of, and is the advisor for, Venturing Crew 244 at St. Pius X in Greensboro. She also serves Troop 244 as an Assistant Scoutmaster and an Eagle Coach. Melody has served for 2 years as Assistant Council Commissioner of Training. She has served the Guilford District as the training chair for 2 years and as the Roundtable Commissioner for 4 years. She received the District Award of Merit in 2021.

Melody is a Vigil Honor member of the Order of the Arrow and, for the past three years, has served as the Adviser for the Dahlenega Tawodi Chapter. She has been on staff at CSR for 3 years and is entering her 4th year.

A proud Buffalo, Melody completed Wood Badge course S7-70-19 and has served as a staff member on three courses as ASM of Program, ASM of Troop Guides, and as a Troop Guide for the Bobwhites.

Melody is a recipient of the Scouters Key, Scouter Training Award, the Lutheran Servant of Youth Award, the James E West Fellowship, and the William Boyce New Unit Founders Award.

When not scouting, Melody enjoys spending her time outdoors gardening, hiking and paddling. Melody and her husband Josh are parents to GS Silver award recipient Anthea and Eagle Scout Michael. Melody is a member of Frieden's Lutheran Church in Gibsonville, NC where she serves as a confirmation teacher. She also serves as the Vacation Bible School music director, children's program director, bell choir director, and as a prior youth choir director.



THE SILVER BEAVER AWARD RECIPIENT JD WOOTEN



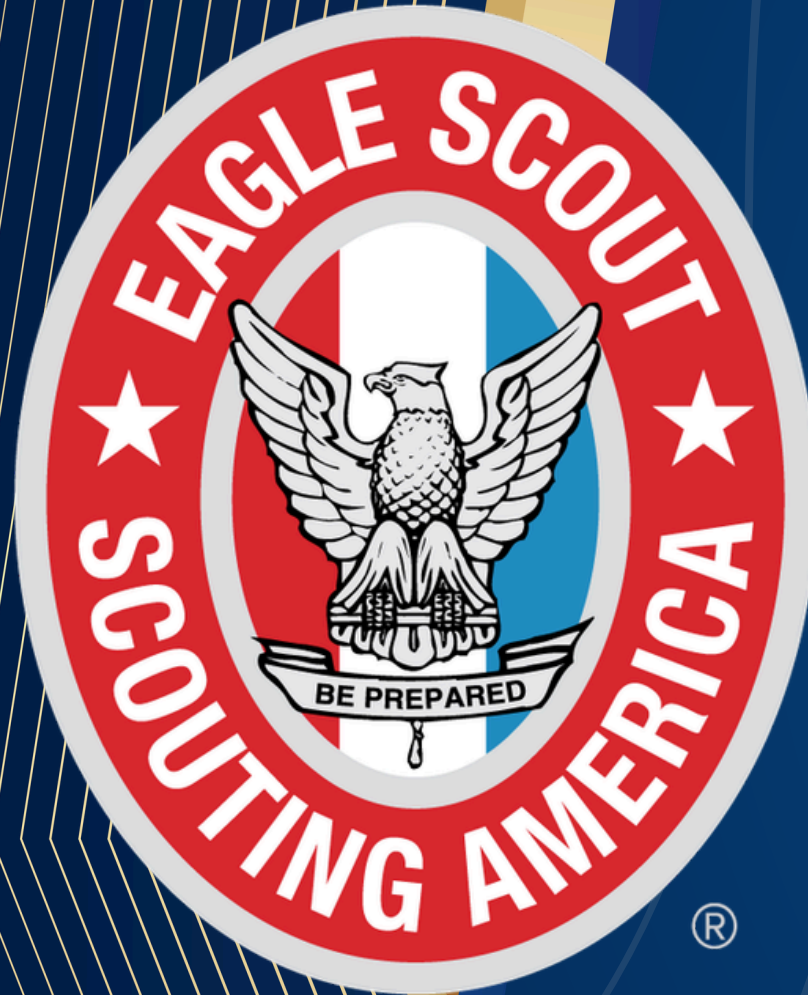
Silver Beaver honoree J.D. Wooten began his Scouting journey in Pack 220 in Ocean Springs, Mississippi, where he earned his Arrow of Light. He stayed active in Scouting throughout his youth, first with Troop 210 in Ocean Springs, then later Troop 484 in Gulf Breeze, Florida, where he earned the rank of Eagle Scout. When his family moved to Raleigh, North Carolina, J.D. stayed active in Scouting with Troop 364, where he served as a Junior Assistant Scoutmaster.

After several years away from Scouting while he served in the U.S. Air Force, J.D. resumed his Scouting journey when he joined the Old North State Council Executive Board in 2017. In 2021, J.D. was elected as Council President. During his time as President, the Old North State Council successfully navigated the national bankruptcy, grew youth membership by over 15%, launched new communications initiatives, invested heavily in camp facilities, and continued to grow the Council endowment.

J.D. now serves as Vice President for Communication, continuing to help the Council share the good news of Scouting. J.D. and his wife Elizabeth “EB” Kuhn look forward to welcoming twin boys in August.

The Old North State Council proudly presents the Silver Beaver Award to J.D. Wooten.





EAGLE SCOUT CLASS OF 2025

Gabriel Dante Aguilar
Nathanael Aguilar
Jackson Thomas Albright
Nathaniel Ray Alexander
Noah James Alexander
Chancellor Brown Anderson
Katelyn Anderson
Eli Armitage
David Lane Ashworth
Owen James Atkins
Owen Roberts Bailey
Jonathan Mark Barringer
Samuel Bartlett
William James Beamon
Luke Stewart Black
Aiden Ross Blackburn
Jonathan Blevins
Aaron Robert Blood
Jonas Gibson Boyd
Caroline Sophia Braden
Julian Michael Braden
Joseph Brinson
Thomas Brinson
Kane Garrison Browne
Elliott Paul Bunthoff
Grayson Clark Busse
Donald William Campbell
Aaron Thomas Carr
Hunter Clinton Carter
Lance Edward Carter
Matthew David Collins
Peyton Allen Crews
Alexander Crnjak
Zane Robert Davidson
Jonas McCrae Deltano
Jacob Terry Delveaux
Sidney David Dill

Emma Katherine Donovan-Mendenhall
Jose Kirk Dunst
John Alexander Eckard
Ryan Jame Edgerton
Amelia Dove Elledge
William Holden Ellis
Mitchell Faurote
Timothy James Sean Fenton, Jr.
Jackson Robert Fountain
Keaton Samuel Fredericksen
Gregory Alexander Fuller
John Robert Gansman, Jr.
Ryan Lee Garrett
Nathan Gibboney
Bryson Wright Gregory
Jackson Strader Grimley
Nikunj Gupta
Evan Grant Gwin
Jonathan David Hanes
Jacob Matthew Hannah
Cooper Eliza Harding
Aiden Cole Heskett
Lucas Heybrock
Carter Bryant Hicks
Landon Eli Hicks
Zachary Satoshi Hirata
Max Emmanuel Holder
Conner Horning
Allison Joy Houck
Walter Edward inabinett
Nicholas Charles Jamieson
Bradley Michael Johnson
Carson Philip Johnson
William Townsend Johnson
Wyatt Daniel Johnson
Aiden Crispin Jones
Joshua Jones

Alexander James Jordan
Rishi Kandala
Brody James Kerins
Torin Kerins
Morgan Patrick Kerns
Reaves Hodges King
Andrew Jacob Knesel
Nathan James Lemons
Henry Nathan Leventhal
Nicholas Lippincott
Jackson Saylor Marriott
Keegan Michael McARDle
Maggie McNees
Brett Alexander Menard
Phoneix James Milligan
Cameron Wayne Moore
James Moormann
Andrew Spencer Morgan
Trentyh Konnyr Murphy
Harlon Jude Murray
William Jonah Newnarn
Robert Edwin Niebauer
Kylan Allen Nifong
Duncan Hue Oakley
Marion Page Oakley
William Houston Parsons
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Kaleb Peeler
James Edward Penrod
Prathamesh Naga Peruri
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Owen Alexander Samet
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Mason James Schooler
Cole Robert Schwochow
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Logan Christopher Smith
Jay Makoto Solari
Hunter M. Spradling
Markos David Sprinkle
Lukas Stofferis
Quinten Matthijs Kenneth Stofferis
Jayson Taylor
Julian Ross Tolley
Noah Gabriel Turret
James Brendan Varner
Benjamin Bowden Vikner
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Bryce Matthew Whiteside
Benjamin Ross Wilder
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Eyan Joseph Wise
Isaas Paul Yates

SUMMIT AWARD CLASS OF 2025

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THE NATIONAL OUTSTANDING EAGLE SCOUT AWARD



The National Outstanding Eagle Scout Award (NOESA) is a prestigious distinction established in 2010 to recognize Eagle Scouts who have demonstrated exceptional service and remarkable professional achievement.

The purpose of the NOESA is to honor Eagle Scouts who have inspired others through their positive actions and distinguished themselves in their careers, hobbies, or community service at a local, state, or regional level.

Recipients must be Eagle Scouts in good standing who have made a significant impact beyond their Scouting endeavors. Unlike the Distinguished Eagle Scout Award, there is no minimum time requirement after earning the Eagle rank, allowing for the recognition of "local heroes" at the peak of their professional notoriety.

Awardees are presented with a silver medallion suspended from a blue-and-white neck ribbon and a device to attach to the Eagle Square knot on their uniform.

CLASS OF 2025

Katelyn Anderson
James Gordon Stallings, III

IN MEMORIAM

Teddy Wayne Williams

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Camp Director Emeritus



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