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OA Alliance meaningfully engages OA alumni through program, leadership and service

By MICHAEL D. TODD

OA ALLIANCE COMMUNICATIONS CONTENT LEAD

The arrow - launched into the evening sky during the Ordeal weekend - moves ever onward and upward. Its motion encourages members to preserve a cheerful spirit regardless of the circumstance and to be unselfish in their daily interactions with others. Since its inception over 108 years ago, the Order of the Arrow has actualized this meaning by playing a formative role in the lives of hundreds of thousands of Scouts and Scouters.

Once 21, some OA members immediately find positions as adult mentors to youth, but plenty of Arrowmen step away from an active Scouting role: they leave for college, find their professional calling and/or start a family. Many miss a reconnection with the OA; and if they do, their reconnection comes decades later. They lose contact with their Scouting friends and only learn about Scouting's National Honor Society through second-hand accounts or social media posts.

The Order of the Arrow Alliance was formed in 2021 to renew those connections.

A subcommittee of the national OA committee, the OA Alliance is a team of OA members supporting the mission and purpose of the Order of the Arrow by engaging alumni through communication, programming, leadership and service opportunities, while fostering lifelong friendships among members of the OA community. Simply, the OA Alliance's mission is the OA's alumni association. The stories shared, friendships formed and the adventures experienced have endlessly bound OA members tightly as its circle has widened. The OA Alliance strives to be the spark that re-ignites those memories.

Who is considered "OA alumni"? To start, anyone 21 or older, after two years of their lodge dues lapsing, are automatically signed up for the OA Alliance. They will then begin receiving our communications and be eligible

for other forms of engagement. The OA Alliance has initially served just this audience, though we are exploring an option for any adult Arrowman (21+) to opt-in to OA Alliance membership and more information on this will be available in the coming months.

In December 2021, the OA Alliance launched its quarterly eNewsletter, The Spark, along with a dedicated, alumni-focused section of the OA's national website to foster a connection directly with alumni. The Spark includes highlights of OA alumni in our Rekindling the Connection video discussion series and Beacons of the Circle articles.

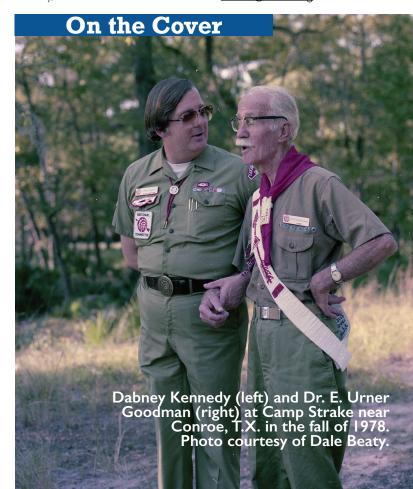
At the 2022 National Order of the Arrow Conference, the OA Alliance hosted "Alumni Day," offering alumni a way to attend a snapshot of the conference. At the 2023 National Jamboree, the OA Alliance hosted a booth in the Alumni Adventure Complex to highlight the association and its current work and future goals.

Lastly, the OA Alliance has launched



two helpful tools: the Registration Roadmap, available in both English and Spanish, and an Affiliates Hub. Those looking to re-register in Scouting and the OA can utilize the roadmap; members can leverage the hub to connect with other BSA and OA alumni groups and their leadership. Additional support and guidance for alumni looking to start their own local-based affiliates is forthcoming.

Have a local highlight of OA alumni you want us to feature? Want to learn more about joining or starting an affiliate group? Interested in subscribing to The Spark? Reach out to alliance@oa-bsa.org.



Message from the

NATIONAL CHAIRMAN

My Brothers,

Thank you for taking the time to sit down and read *The Silver Arrowhead*. Our publishing team works long and hard to get this information together for you. In these changing times within the BSA, it is nice to have this constant. I want to open with a big THANK YOU to Mike Hoffman for his service as the national chairman of the Order of the Arrow from June 2016 until December 2021. It is a great honor (and more than a little intimidating) to follow in the footsteps of all of the amazing chairs we have had for the national OA committee.

A lot has happened since our last edition of The Silver Arrowhead. The Order of the Arrow has made significant progress on fulfilling the pillars of the 2022-2024 business plan. While we have reduced the size of the national OA committee, we have broadened our participation of subcommittee members throughout the country. We have the most diverse national OA committee ever. The OA had a strong showing at the 2023 National Jamboree with 310 young men and women who made up our Operation Arrow Staff. A total of 10,355 hours of service were provided to the jamboree. This doesn't include the countless hours that about half of our staff spent on delivering the Summit Apex program at the jamboree. In addition, we had national committee members and subcommittee members serving at every level of the jamboree team. I can truly say that the Order of the Arrow was crucial to the success of the jamboree. There were way too many Arrowmen to thank each of you individually. Suffice it to say that I want to thank each of you that were involved with those efforts.

We have hired Cortland Bolles as our national director. Cortland has hit the ground running and is helping us continue to move forward. We are currently advertising for an associate director position. We bid farewell to Rebecca Martinez as our administrative assistant when she moved to the BSA accounting department but have welcomed Scott Lollar as her replacement. The OA steering committee is now meeting monthly to help keep the committee moving towards our goals. This has allowed our full committee meetings to focus more on strategy than reports.

We were able to overcome funding difficulties from the BSA bankruptcy to deliver high quality OA High Adventure programs under the leadership of Ryan King. We had approximately 240 young men and women experience a life-changing OA High Adventure program. We are already in the process of confirming our programs again for next year with signups beginning this October. Thanks to Russell Smart and Tim Brown and their team who recently updated the OA exhibit at the National BSA Museum at Philmont Scout Ranch. I also want to thank Bill Topkis and Russell Smart for the loan of some of their memorabilia for the OA display. I have asked Michael Thompson to come back on the national committee to help us ensure that we are continuing to preserve the history of our great Order.

Through the innovative efforts of Tim Reiss and Mike



Hoffman, we have begun the process to recapitalize the Order of the Arrow Endowment. Mike and I were able to work with the BSA National Foundation to establish a safe, secure, and dedicated fund for the Order of the Arrow Endowment within the Foundation. I am sure Mike has already reached out to many of you. I hope that each of you reading this will consider supporting this recapitalization effort. More to come on the many ways to participate.

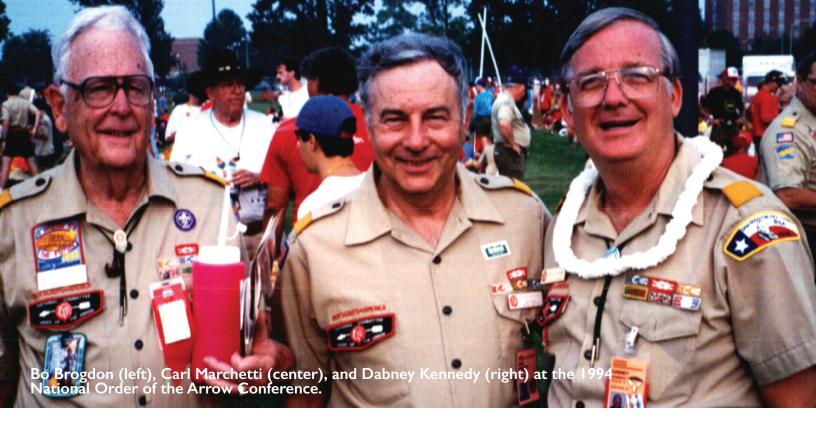
We recently announced that the 2024 National Order of the Arrow Conference will be held at the University of Colorado Boulder July 29-August 3, 2024, under the leadership of Clint Takeshita. I hope that each of you will consider joining us either as a participant with your lodge or on the conference staff. Our regions continue to deliver high quality National Leadership Seminars and Developing Youth Leader Conferences. You can find the dates for these programs on the national website.

In closing, I want to thank you. Each of our Distinguished Service Award recipients have many untold stories about how you have affected the lives of numerous Scouts and Scouters. Your contributions to the OA and Scouting are greatly appreciated. I would consider it and honor and pleasure to have each of you continue to contribute your time, talent, and/or treasure to the Order of the Arrow. You are the people who have made the Order of the Arrow what it is today. I thank you for your trust that I will continue to move the Order of the Arrow forward while preserving our history and traditions the best way that we know how.

Yours in Service,

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Dr. Chris Grove National Chairman Class of 2006



Dabney Kennedy: a visionary leader and mentor

By NELSON R. BLOCK CLASS OF 1994

Dabney Kennedy – creative and visionary leader, energetic worker, and wise mentor to young Arrowmen – was one of the founders of the modern Order of the Arrow.

Born March 31, 1936 Stephenville, Texas to Americas and Fermer Kennedy, Dabney was raised in Brownwood, where he enjoyed music and school, worked from age 12 in the local drug store, and was active in Pack 1, Troop 1, and Explorer Post I. Bright, hard-working, and good with people, young Dabney excelled at all he did. He was drum major of his high school band. After only two years, the Scouts in his troop elected him to the Order of the Arrow. He served as Otena lodge chief in 1952 and 1953, and was chosen as the lodge's first Vigil Honor member in 1954. He earned his Eagle at 16, followed the next year by his Explorer Silver Award. In 1957 Dabney served as a member of the OA Jamboree Service Corps.

After high school, Dabney attended Howard Payne University, in Brownwood, graduating in 1958 with a B.S. degree in biology and chemistry. During this time, he remained active in Scouting, serving as adviser to Otena Lodge. After college, he studied pharmacy at the University of

Texas, in Austin. While in Austin, he was a commissioner for the Capitol Area Council and president of the university's chapter of the national Scouting fraternity, Alpha Phi Omega.

Dabney married his high school sweetheart, Peggy Jean Parks, in 1960. They had two sons, Mark and David, both Eagle Scouts and Brotherhood members of the Order.

Though the owner of his hometown drug store encouraged Dabney to return home and take over the business, Dabney was offered a job with a Dow Chemical Company's subsidiary, Dow Pharmaceutical. He accepted and left pharmacy school in his third year, and he and Peggy moved to Houston. Dabney's 30year career at Dow Pharmaceutical and Dow Brands earned him positions as a regional sales manager, national sales trainer, and national safety manager, and the only person to twice receive the Dow Chemical Company Presidential Award for Community and National Service.

Even with a new bride and a new career, Dabney still found time for Scouting, serving as OA chapter adviser and camping committee chair in his district in Sam Houston Area Council.

In 1966, Dabney began 16 years of service as the lodge adviser of Colonneh Lodge. Already one of the largest lodges in the Order, Dabney's skills in planning, organizing,

and working with people helped create a powerhouse of activity. Eager to engage teen and collegeage Arrowmen, Dabney found new ways to involve them in program leadership, and listened to their ideas. Together with his co-adviser, the venerable **Virgil Smith DSA** '79, they focused on having exciting lodge events and meaningful service projects at the council's camps.

Since the 1950s, Dabney had been a leader in section (formerly called "area") OA conferences, and knew well the need to update training to meet the needs and skills of new generations of Arrowmen. He was in the lead of the movement to have the Area 9-B conferences at local colleges, as was done for national conferences. Moving area conferences to college campuses encouraged attendance with dormitory rooms and dining halls instead of tents and camp food and college auditoriums and classrooms for training and programs.

Dabney's energy and fresh ideas earned him an invitation to join the national OA committee in 1970, a position he held for the rest of his life. There, his talents were directed at a larger audience, and as usual were reflected in the growth he brought to other people.

Dabney quickly became friends with our Founder, **Dr. E. Urner Goodman DSA '40**. Recognizing the wonderful effect Dr. Goodman's spirit

and energy worked on Arrowmen, Dabney began arranging visits by the Founder to Colonneh Lodge events. Dabney used these trips to preserve Dr. Goodman's personal history as well as the story of the Order of the Arrow, by having his talks recorded. As part of these excursions to Texas, Dr. Goodman would stay with Peggy and Dabney, where he enjoyed time in the family's backyard pool. In July 1976, Dabney set up an extensive videotaped interview of Dr. Goodman by future National Chief Chris Boswell DSA '79, in front of the fireplace at the Kennedy home.

Dabney began leading national OA conferences, first as conference chairman and then as national vice chair for program, and became the genius behind the outstanding event that is the modern NOAC. He participated in 27 NOACs since 1954, was on staff for 22, and supervised and led ten. During his years as NOAC chair, he grew average attendance from 3,465 delegates to 5,517 delegates, with peak attendance during his chairmanship of 6,900 delegates in 1990.

Beyond NOAC, Dabney helped create the modern National Jamboree Youth Services and Service Corps programs, which expanded to include the American Indian Village and Total Outdoor Adventure Program, creating staff opportunities

for 500 to 1,000 older Scouts each jamboree. He took a lead role in creating new programs, such as the OA Philmont Trek Crew, the national OA Indian Seminars, and the National Leadership Seminars, for which he served as the chair or a trainer for 46 weekends. In addition, he served as program chair or trainer at 16 national trainings at Philmont Training Center and the former national training center at Schiff Scout Reservation. He created the Founders' Award, as well as the OA 60th and 75th Anniversary Awards.

In all that he did, he gave those responsible for these national programs the gift of both a vision and the inspiration to make the vision come true, while also affording them the freedom to innovate. He enlarged the group of Arrowmen, both youth and adult, making meaningful decisions and doing substantive work, and encouraged them to move forward. He listened to everyone and counseled wisely, empowering all those involved. He taught many adults how to listen to the youth leaders, and was a perpetual example of how this was done.

Together with former national committee chair **Carl Marchetti DSA '58**, Dabney worked tirelessly to put the Order on a self-funding basis, creating an endowment which allowed the Order to offer improved programs as well as funds to allow the national youth officers to travel throughout the country in support of region, section and lodge programs.

Dabney was instrumental in creating the way we preserve Scouting history. In the 1990s, he developed the first large museums at national OA conference, with youth leadership and staff, using his extensive personal collection of historic materials and encouraging other collectors to display their treasures. He was the first to train youth Arrowmen in preparing for and recording interviews of important Scouters.

Dabney's work in helping young Arrowmen develop into leaders is evident in today's work of the BSA at a national level. Many leaders of this summer's National Jamboree learned how to plan, staff, and carry out a large national program while working with Dabney.

Widely known throughout the Order as a friend and mentor, he was beloved. When Dabney retired after 25 years as section adviser, he gave a farewell speech at the conference. He stopped twice, unable to continue

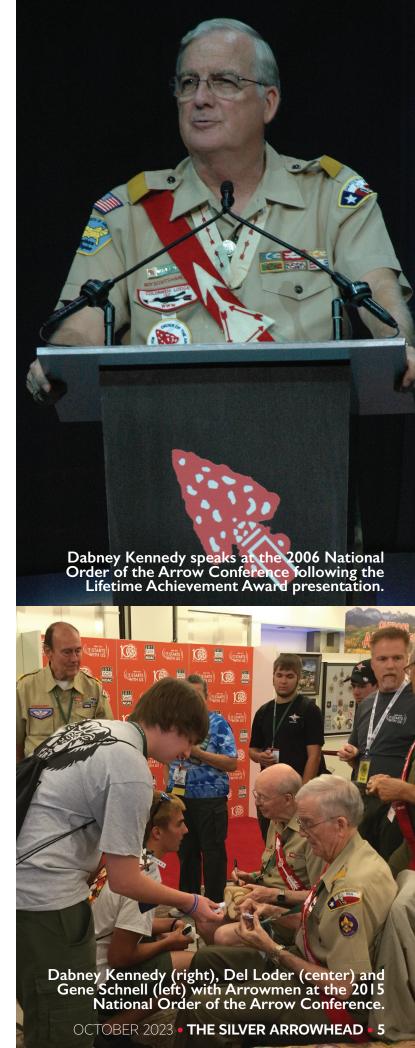
because of the emotion he felt – both times the hundreds of Arrowmen in attendance gave him a standing ovation several minutes long.

After mentoring enough future leaders to be comfortable in stepping back completely, Dabney began to relinquish leadership in the early 2000s. His long and outstanding career was recognized at the 2006 NOAC with the Order's Lifetime Achievement Award, the third of only five ever given. Already the recipient of the Silver Beaver and Silver Antelope Awards, in 2021 he received the Silver Buffalo Award.

Dabney was also a leading local conservationist and advocate of flood control. Flooding is a major worldwide natural challenge. For 30 years, as an officer of the Willow Waterhole Greenspace Conservancy and other civic groups, Dabney helped lead an inventive partnership with the Harris County Flood Control District. Together, they developed a 290-acre park costing millions of dollars providing flood control, soil and wetlands conservation, and vast parklands with play and recreation areas (including a Scout pavilion named for Dabney), giving urban Houstonians a nearby place to enjoy nature. News media and local and state officials have recognized this work as groundbreaking, and BSA honored Dabney's work with its Distinguished Conservation Service Award (then called the Hornaday Silver Medal).

Dabney suffered a stroke in 2013, which significantly affected his ability to attend OA events, but his many friends and those he had mentored as youths kept in touch and were always interested in his welfare. He visited the 2015 centennial NOAC for several days, where he spent hours meeting Arrowmen, signing sashes, and speaking of Dr. Goodman and the days of the Order's exciting growth many years before. He passed away on June 5, 2022.

Robert K. Greenleaf, the founder of the servant leadership movement, wrote in The Servant as Leader, "[P] rophetic voices of great clarity, and with a quality of insight equal to that of any age, are speaking cogently all of the time. ... The prophet grows in stature as people respond to his message. ... It is the seekers, then, who make the prophet." Dabney's lifetime of leadership as a servant of youth is demonstrated by the number of Arrowmen who have followed his example and, themselves, now lead others in cheerful service.





Harvey A. Gordon: Scout camp builder

By DAVID M. MALATZKY

ARCHIVIST

TEN MILE RIVER SCOUT MUSEUM

Early Years

Harvey Adam Gordon, son of Adam Oscar and Minnie Gordon, was born on January 19, 1884 on a farm near Raleigh, IN. He graduated from the Raleigh High School, the Richmond, IN Commercial School and studied at the Wharton School of Commerce, University of Pennsylvania.

Family Life

Gordon married Bonnie Rebecca Pritchard and had two sons: Richard O. Gordon (born circa 1909) and Robert A. Gordon (born circa 1906). They divorced in N.Y. State Court in 1930 while he was employed by the N.Y.C. Boy Scouts. Gordon remarried and his new wife Lyllyan Gordon survived him after his death in 1938.

Volunteer Scouter

Gordon became Scoutmaster of Troop 42, Pittsburgh on March 27, 1913 and served as a member of the Pittsburgh Council Camp Committee. After moving to Philadelphia he served as Scoutmaster of Troop 15 and in various local volunteer positions: deputy commissioner, senior deputy commissioner, executive committeeman of the Scoutmasters' Round Table, and member of the Philadelphia Local Council. Prior to entering Scouting professionally, he was an engineer for various railroad companies.

Manhattan Council Executive

In January 1917, Gordon entered professional service as Scout executive of Manhattan Borough Council. The New York Herald noted at the time that Gordon was an experienced outdoor man and hiker and built himself a log cabin with the same tools the pioneers used. In March and June 1917, Mr. Gordon mobilized 1,400 Manhattan Scouts in Central Park, each time in less than three hours.

In December 1917, Gordon was

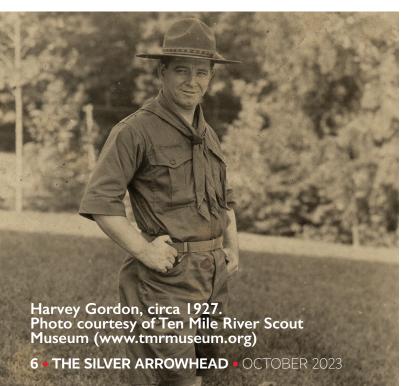
appointed chief field executive of Philadelphia Council. During the spring of 1918, he became Scout Executive of Philadelphia Council. In March 1919, he raised \$23,000 in a fundraising campaign in Shamokin and Coal Township. PA.

Regional Service

In April 1919, Gordon was appointed deputy field commissioner of Region 3. Over the following months he was promoted to deputy regional executive and then regional executive of Region 3.

Chief Camp Director Kanohwahke Scout Camps

In December 1919, while serving as Region 3 executive, Gordon was requested to take the position of chief camp director and organize the multi-council camping operation on the Kanohwahke Lakes in Harriman State Park, then under National Council control. In 1922, when the Boy Scout Foundation of Greater New York took over operation of the camps, they hired Mr. Gordon, who continued on as chief camp director until 1928. The Kanohwahke Scout Camps reached a maximum enrollment of 3,600 campers by the 1928 season.





Grand Lodge National Scribe

On November I, 1924, Gordon was elected national scribe at the Fourth Grand Lodge meeting of the Order of the Arrow, then at the Kanohwahke Scout Camps. The night before, he was inducted into the Vigil Honor of the Order of the Arrow. Gordon was reelected national scribe at Grand Lodge meetings in 1925, 1926 and 1927, serving until 1929. He was a member of the key national leadership team during some of the important developmental years of the Order.

Harvey Gordon was one of eleven individuals that received the O.A.'s Distinguished Service Award in 1940 (posthumously), the first year this recognition was given.

Director of Construction, Ten Mile River Scout Camps

In 1927, the Boy Scout Foundation of Greater New York (led by Foundation President Franklin D. Roosevelt) purchased the Ten Mile River Tract near Narrowsburg, NY. Gordon was appointed director of construction of the new Ten Mile River Scout Camps, which by 1930 replaced the Kanohwahke Scout Camps as the N.Y.C. Scouting summer camp. Gordon was responsible for the design and construction of the five original T.M.R. Borough Camps. According to the 1930 U.S. Federal Census, both Harvey Gordon and

his son, Richard O. Gordon resided in Tusten, NY, and were listed as construction engineers.

In October 1929, Gordon notably ran for the position of Tusten Town Supervisor as a member of the Republican Party. The Boy Scout Foundation of Greater New York, his employer, ordered him to withdraw from the election.

World Jamboree Service

In July 1929, Gordon served as chief quartermaster of the BSA contingent to the third World Scout Jamboree in Birkenhead, England. He was responsible for physical arrangements, including site design, equipment and food service. Gordon played a similar role as director of physical arrangements for BSA contingents at the 1933 and 1937 World Jamborees.

National Camp Engineer

Following major completion of the Ten Mile River Scout Camps, in July 1930, Gordon was hired by National Council, BSA as the first national camp engineer. He personally inspected hundreds of camps and made recommendations for each. Gordon standardized designs for camp layouts and many camp structures. BSA councils were asked to send him contour maps of their properties and he suggested layouts for their new camps.

In 1935, Gordon was promoted to national director of the new Engineering Service.

1935 National Jamboree

From late December 1934 to approximately October I, 1935, Gordon served as director of physical arrangements for the 1935 National Jamboree, in Washington, DC. He was in charge of the layout, construction, and physical arrangements for 26,000 persons, including plans for cooking, sanitation, handling of all equipment, creation of the trading posts and post office, transportation at camp, communications and camp security. 90% of the construction work was completed when the lamboree was canceled on August 8, 1935, due to outbreaks of polio in the vicinity of Washington, DC. Mr. Gordon was then responsible for breaking down the Jamboree site.

1937 National Jamboree

From November 1936 to July 1937, Gordon led a 46-person staff as director of physical arrangements for the 1937 National Jamboree, in Washington, DC.

Gordon borrowed equipment from the War Department and did whatever was needed – and was one of the persons most responsible for the success of the event.

The 350 acres of Federal park land used were divided into 20 sections

which were surveyed by his staff.

4,000 tents accommodating 33,000 Scouts and officers were set up in the vicinity of the Tidal Basin and the Washington Monument, making a real camp city. Five miles of water lines and ten miles of telephone lines were laid, connected to 100 telephones.

At the peak of construction there were 105 carpenters, 30 plumbers and helpers, 150 from the C.C.C., 50 supervising engineers, accountants and checkers and a maintenance crew of 48 men in charge of canvas.

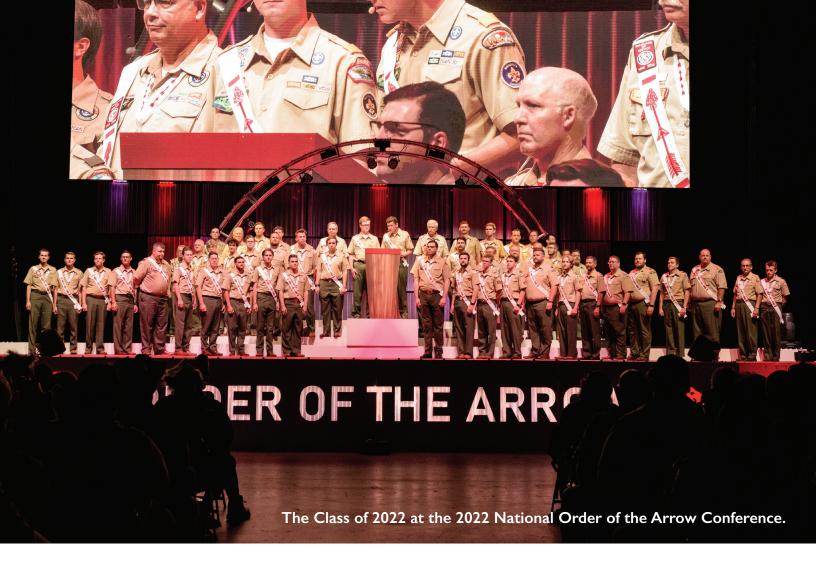
Twenty central kitchens were constructed, one per section. An estimated 250 tons of food and I million gallons of water were used daily.

At the time, the 1937 National Jamboree was the high point in the history of Scouting in the U.S., with 27,232 Scouts and Scouters attending.

Death

Harvey Gordon died in New York City on December 15, 1938 after a long illness. His body was brought back to Indiana for his funeral. Arthur Schuck, national director of operations for the Boy Scouts of America, an associate of Harvey, read his eulogy.

He is buried next to his parents in Raleigh, Indiana, about 11 miles from where he was born.



Meet the 2022 recipients of the Order's Distinguished Service Award and Red Arrow Award

By MAC MCLEAN ASSOCIATE EDITOR,

CLASS OF 1988

At the 2022 National Order of the Arrow Conference, 53 Arrowmen were presented the Order's Distinguished Service Award and 2 recipients were presented with the Order's Red Arrow Award.

Richard T. "Dick" Amelse

Dick is from Mosinee, WI and Tom Kita Chara Lodge. Dick served on staff at the last six NOACs, as well at NEXT 2016, in either the ARC or Guest and Staff Services. He served on ArrowCorps5 logistics staff in 2008 at a site and traveled with the Central Region ArrowTour team in 2015. Dick also served on NLS and DYLC and 2017 National Jamboree staffs and provided leadership as a section adviser to Section C-1B.

Brian T. Bennett

Brian is from Richardson, TX and Mikanakawa Lodge. Brian has served five years as SR-2 section adviser until 2018 and is currently lodge adviser. Brian has supported numerous NLS and DYLC events from 2018 to present. Brian has staffed many national OA events and national jamborees over the years from 1988 to present and, as a youth, served as 1989 section chief of SC-2.

Matthew E. Bernotas

Matt is from Columbus, OH and Erielhonan Lodge. Matt served on NOAC staff each year since 2015, provides key leadership to the ARC group, and served on the NEXT 2016 Staff. An excellent trainer, Matt has trained at numerous NLS, NLATS, and DYLC courses over the past ten years. Matt served as Section C-4A vice chief in 2013 and as section associate adviser.

Matthew W. Bobzien

Matthew is from Holly Springs, NC and Occoneechee Lodge. Matthew has served in a number of leadership roles with the national communications team and the national training subcommittee, providing high quality training content and publications for the Order. Matthew has served the Southern Region as social media lead and as a member of the region OA committee. Matthew served as section secretary for SR-7B in 2021.

$Robert\ E.\ Bolton,\ Jr.$

Robert is from Martinez, GA and Bob White Lodge. Robert served on 2018 NOAC staff as a facilitator for the PILOT Leadership Academy, and has served as chair for the NOAC GEO Museum for the planned NOAC 2020 and NOAC 2022. Robert served on the national and Southern Region communications

teams, serving as youth editor of the Southern Region OA newsletter. Robert served on the training committee for the 2021 National Council of Chiefs (NCOC) event at Philmont Scout Ranch. Robert serves on the national alumni committee for the BSA and served as section secretary, vice chief, and section chief of Section SR-5.

Kyle P. Brendel

Kyle is from Manassas, VA and Amangamek-Wipit Lodge. Kyle is currently the national OA digital archivist and has served on NOAC GEO staff since serving as a docent in 2012. Kyle has been a key volunteer for the recognition, awards, history & preservation subcommittee, serving as youth chair of the Centennial Lodge History Book project. He also staffed the national Scouting historian summit at Philmont Scout Ranch in



Richard T. "Dick" Amelse



Brian T. Bennett



Matthew E. Bernotas



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Robert E. Bolton, Jr.



Kyle P. Brendel



Robert M. "Bobby" Brock



Greg Brown



Chris Bryant



Michael A. Cavalero



Gavin J. Cho



Austin Clark

2019. Kyle has twice staffed DYLC and served as NE-6A section secretary in 2014 and vice chief in 2015.

Robert M. "Bobby" Brock

Bobby is from El Centro, CA and Tiwahe Lodge. Bobby served in several key staff roles at NOACs since 2000, including service on staff of the 2007 National Conservation and Leadership Summit event and the 2001 National Jamboree OA Service Corps. Bobby staffed a site at ArrowCorps5 in 2008 and served on five NLS Staffs. As a youth, Bobby served two terms as Section W-4B chief in 2001 and 2002, and served as section secretary.

Greg Brown

Greg is from San Jose, CA and Saklan Lodge. Greg served as the 2021 national vice chief and was the CVC for training for the cancelled 2020 NOAC. While a national officer, Greg provided leadership to Momentum Discover and the 2021 NCOC at Philmont. Greg has also served on the staff of several NLS

events and served two terms as Section W-3S chief and two terms as section vice chief.

Chris Bryant

Chris is from Goode, VA and Tutelo Lodge. Chris has served on American Indian Activities (AIA) staff for national events beginning with the 1997 National Jamboree OA Indian Village as a youth, and continued to serve at each NOAC thereafter and at countless other AIA events. Chris has served on the staff of National Camping School and has served many years on summer camp staffs, including service as camp director. As a youth Chris served as lodge chief and served in key conclave leadership roles.

Michael A. Cavalero

Mike is from Monrovia, CA and Tuku'ut Lodge. Mike has served on staffs of many national events beginning with NOAC 2000, including ArrowCorps5 in 2008 and the 2011 SummitCorps event. Most recently he served as lead adviser for NOAC

ARC competitions and served on the Western Region OA Thrive Connect team. Mike has also served as a section associate adviser and served on the OA Service Corps (and other roles) at national jamborees.

Gavin J. Cho

Gavin is from Burbank, CA and Spe-Le-Yai Lodge. Gavin served as the 2020 Western Region chief and served on the 2020 Momentum Launch staff and the 2021 Momentum Spark staff. He has served as youth lead to the Admonition Committee and served as W-4N section chief and section secretary.

Austin Clark

Austin is from McDonough, GA and Ini-To Lodge. Austin served on eight NLS Staffs and a DYLC Staff, and served as Southern Region national events promotions chair. Austin served on the training staff at the 2018 NOAC and has served on the Admonition Team. Austin served as the SR-9 section chief in 2019 and section vice chief in 2018.



Henry C. "Tripp" Clark III

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Tripp is from Lugoff, SC and Muscogee Lodge. Tripp has served as a key volunteer for the national subcommittee on recognition, awards, history and preservation for six years and served on the training staff at six NOACs. Tripp served on four NLS staffs and two NLATS staffs while providing thirty years of service to Section SR-5 as associate adviser. Tripp is also the National Service Territory (NST) 15 program lead. As a youth, Tripp served as Section SE-5



Garrett Donais



Kelsey Files



Michael Fingar



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Derek R. Hartley

vice chief/conclave coordinator, as a two

term lodge chief, and a long-time staffer of Camp Barstow.

Garrett Donais

Garrett is from Manchester, NH and Passaconaway Lodge. Garrett served as the 2021 Northeast Region chief and staffed the NCOC at Philmont Scout Ranch in 2021. Garrett also staffed Momentum Launch and Spark in 2020 and Momentum Discover in 2021. Garrett served on the national communications team and served as NE-I section chief and vice chief.

Kelsey Files

Kelsey is from Tempe, AZ and Wipala Wiki Lodge. Kelsey served as the 2014 section chief of W-6W, served as a 2014 Arrow Tour vice chief. and became a key volunteer with the national OA communications team. Kelsey has worked extensively with training and served on NLS staffs and DYLC staffs, as well as on the 2015 NOAC GEO museum staff. Kelsey also served as a NEXT 2016 crew guide and served as a Project 2013 trek guide at the national jamboree.

Michael Fingar

Mike is from Medway, MA and Tantamous Lodge. Mike served as the National OA Thrive Connect engagement lead in 2020-2021 and served on the staff of the national train the trainer courses in 2018 and 2020. Mike has staffed NLS events and served as Northeast Region Journey to Excellence committee chair including helping with all Northeast Region events for the past four years. Mike served as section vice chief of NE-1 in 2017.

Robert E. Fistick

Bob is from Charlotte Hall, MD and Amangamek-Wipit Lodge. Bob has served as the lead adviser of the Scouting Memories Project since 2018, which is a project involving the OA and the National Scouting Museum and the BSA Alumni Association. Bob served as a key volunteer with the recognition, awards, history and preservation subcommittee from 2015-2021 and served as OA history timeline coordinator from 2015-2021. Bob has also served on the National





Terry L. Hendriex





Michael R. Johnson



Davis N. Kellogg



Kenneth A. Knaebel



Brian C. Lux, II



Charlie Mauro



James W. McClelland

Scouting Museum committee since 2014 and served on NOAC GEO museum staffs. As a youth, Bob was a member of Kamargo Lodge, where he served as lodge chief and as Area II-G chief in 1961.

Brandon A. Gawel

Brandon is from Overland Park, KS and Tamegonit Lodge. Brandon served as Section C-5 staff adviser since 2019 and has served as a professional Scouter since 2015. Brandon served as the jamboree vice chief of recreation for the 2013 National Jamboree and served as NE-6A section chief in 2012 and 2013 and section vice chief in 2011, while a member of Nentego Lodge as a youth. Brandon also attended ArrowCorps5 in 2008 and Summit Corps in 2011.

Thomas E. Gregory

Tommy is from Greenwood, IN and Jaccos Towne Lodge. Tommy served as housing lead at the 2015 NOAC and served on contingent and staff services as subsequent NOACs. Tommy also provided leadership to Thrive Connect in 2021-2022 and served on DYLC Staffs since 2019 and on number NLS Staffs. As a youth, Tommy served as section vice chief of C-2C in 2008.

Seth M. Greiling

Seth is from Chesapeake, VA and Blue Heron Lodge. Seth served as the 2020 Southern Region chief, and as such was a leader of Momentum Launch in 2020. Seth also served on

NLS staffs from 2018-2020, NEXT Staff in 2016, and OA exhibit staff at the 2017 National Jamboree. Seth served as section vice chief of SR-7A before completing a term as Section chief in 2018, and was re-elected as section chief twice before becoming region chief.

Derek R. Hartley

Derek is from San Diego, CA and Tiwahe Lodge. Derek has served on the Inductions and Ceremonial Events staff at each NOAC beginning in 2006 and helped lead three overseas NLS events over the years. Derek provided service as a professional Scouter from 2002-2020, including over eight years of service in the Far East Council and Achpateuny Lodge. Derek served as Section W-6P staff adviser for several years.

Terry L. Hendriex

Terry is from Clinton, IL and Wenasa Quenhotan Lodge. Terry served as the 2021 Central Region chief and provided leadership to the 2021 NCOC at Philmont Scout Ranch as well as to Thrive Connection and the Magellan Project. Terry served as section chief of C-3A for two terms and served as section vice chief.

Andrew S. Jensen

Andrew is from Chicago, IL and Takhone Lodge. Andrew served at the past several NOACs in the Contingent and Staff Services key leadership team and served on the Momentum team in 2020. Andrew

served as Central Region DYLC coordinator for several years. Andrew served Section C-7 in several adult roles after having served two terms as section secretary in 2012 and 2013.

Michael R. Johnson

Mike is from Corvallis, OR and Tsisqan Lodge. Mike served as W-IS section adviser from 2000-2008 and served as Western Region OA vice chair from 2008-2015. Mike subsequently served as Western Region OA High Adventure adviser. Mike has served on numerous NLS, NLATS, and DYLC staffs over an extended period of time. Mike also assisted with ArrowTour activities in the Western Region in 2014-2015.

Davis N. Kellogg

Davis is from Alexandria, VA and Amangamek-Wipit Lodge. Davis served as director of OA Ocean Adventure in 2019 and served solely as a foreman for it in 2017 and served as a foreman for OA Wilderness Voyage in 2016 and 2018. In addition to his active promotion of OA High Adventure, Davis served on the OA Service Corps at the 2013 National Jamboree and served on NOAC staffs from 2015 to present. Davis also served on two NLS Staffs and one DYLC Staff.

Kenneth A. Knaebel

Ken is from St. Petersburg, FL and Uh-To-Yeh-Hut-Tee Lodge. Ken has served on the Administrative Services staff at virtually all national events since 2009; prior to that he served on

the AIA Staff at three NOACs. Ken also served on ArrowCorps5 staff in 2008 and served as Section S-4 associate adviser for several years. As a youth, Ken served as SE-1 section secretary and served on NLS Staff in 1984.

Brian C. Lux, II

Brian is from Oklahoma City, OK and Ma-Nu Lodge. Brian served as section adviser and associate adviser of SR-8. Brian has served on NOAC Staffs since 2015 and served on the 2011 SummitCorps Staff. Brian has provided leadership and staff for several DYLC courses and served as Southern Region OA Trading Post adviser. Brian served as a youth in Sipp-O Lodge and at that time served as a foreman for OA Wilderness Voyage.

Charlie Mauro

Charlie is from Levittown, NY and Buckskin Lodge. Charlie served as the 2020 NOAC CVC for Engagement and served on six NLS Staffs and served or participated with numerous other training events in the Northeast Region over the past several years. Charlie served as NE-2B section chief in 2019 and 2020.

James W. McClelland

James is from San Antonio, TX and Aina Topa Hutsi Lodge. James has worked with Momentum Discover in 2021 and Momentum Spark in 2020, and served on NOAC Staffs from 2009 to present. James served on



Roger A. "Mac" McFarland



Noah McGovern



Todd R. McGregor



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Nicholas D. Morey



Dakota Morosi



Preston R. Podolske

the OA Service Corps at the 2010 National lamboree and served on DYLC Staff and six NLS Staffs. As a youth, James served as the SR-2/3S section chief in 2009 and 2010.

Roger A. "Mac" McFarland

Mac is from Colorado Springs, CO and Ha-Kin-Skay-A-Ki Lodge. Mac has served on NOAC staffs since the 1980s in the arenas of logistics and administrative services, and has also similarly served at the national jamborees from 2005 to present. Mac served two stints as section adviser, from 2004-2007 in W-5S and from 2015-2019 in W-2S, and currently serves as section associate Adviser.

Noah McGovern

Noah is from Shickshinny, PA and Wyona Lodge. Noah served as the CVC for Inductions and Cereminonial Events at the 2018 NOAC and served on five NLS staffs. Noah served on the Activation subcommittee of Thrive in 2020 and served the Northeast Region in several other roles. Noah served as the NE-4A section chief in 2018 and 2019.

Todd R. McGregor

Todd is from Seven Fields, PA and Allohak Menewi Lodge. Todd served as the director of the Summit Bechtel Reserve from 2017-2021 and is now

council Scout executive of the Laurel Highlands Council. Todd's previous service as a professional Scouter was forged in six prior councils and Todd also served as the area director of Area 5 in the Northeast Region.

Patrick J. McInerney

Patrick is from Mundelein, IL and Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Lodge. Patrick served as the 2020 Central Region chief and Continued on page 13





Derek J. Porter



Zachary A. Schonfeld

as such worked on the Momentum endeavors and served as the Thrive Connect Engagement Lead, as well as on the Project Magellan task force. Patrick served on NLS staffs over several years and served terms as section chief and section secretary in C-7.

Ashton J. Mills

Ashton is from Portland, OR and Saklan Lodge. Ashton has worked for over five years on the national communications team, providing voluminous content and design work, as well as serving stints as brand management lead and visual media lead and brand & identity lead. Ashton also served a term as the 2016 section secretary in W-1S.

Nicholas D. Morey

Nick is from Edmond, OK and Ma-Nu Lodge. Nick served as the 2021 Southern Region chief and as such worked on Project Magellan and staffed the 2021 NCOC at Philmont Scout Ranch. Nick served on several NLS staffs from 2019 to 2021 and served as the section chief of SR-8.

Dakota Morosi

Dakota is from Bozeman, MT and Apoxky Aio Lodge. Dakota served as the 2021 Western Region chief and as such worked on the Momentum endeavors, serving as co-host of the virtual Momentum Discover, and served on the staff of the 2021 NCOC at Philmont Scout Ranch. Dakota served as section chief and vice chief of W-2N.



Conor J. Power



Aaron M. Seier

Preston R. Podolske

Preston is from Bloomington, MN and Kon Wapos Lodge. Preston served as CVC of Program for the 2016 NEXT event and served as a key leader for training at the 2017 Wachipi (AIA seminar) event. Preston served on NOAC staff in 2018 and 2022 as deputy adviser for the Festival. thereafter, working with the Festival. Preston has served on several NLS staffs, served as Central Region OA newsletter editor in 2016, and served as section chief of C-IB in 2016.

Derek J. Porter

Derek is from Waretown, NJ and Woapalanne Lodge. Derek served as the 2021 national chief and as such led the 2021 NCOC at Philmont Scout Ranch. Derek also served on five NLS staffs and served as a content lead for Momentum Launch and Spark and served on the as a social media lead for the communications team in 2018-2020. Derek also served as section chief of NE-5.

Conor J. Power

Conor is from Hingham, MA and Tantamous Lodge. Conor served as the 2020 Northeast Region chief and as such provided leadership to Momentum Launch and Spark and, in addition, served on the national communications team and served as the NOAC E-news lead in 2018. Conor has served on several NLS staffs and served as section chief and section secretary of NE-1.



Joseph D. Quick



Kirk Sheren

Joseph D. Quick

Joey is from Irving, TX and Wewikit Lodge. loey served as the associate director of the Order of the Arrow since 2019 and has served as a professional Scouter since 2000. Prior to his service as associate director, Joey served as a program development specialist from 2016 to 2019 with key duties related to the 2019 World Jamboree, and he has served as a professional Scouter in three previous councils. Joey has previously served as section staff adviser and as region staff adviser. As a youth in Ashwanchi Kinta Lodge, Joey was a lodge officer and ceremonialist.

Anthony J. Roman

Tony is from Joppa, MD and Nentico Lodge. Tony served as a key volunteer with the region and section operations national subcommittee from 2019-2021 and served on NOAC staff in 2015 and 2018. Tony served as the Northeast Region DYLC coordinator from 2018-2021 and served as section adviser of NE-6A from 2013-2019.

Zachary A. Schonfeld

Zach is from Reston, VA and Amangamek-Wipit Lodge. Zach served as the 2020 national chief and as such led the Order's Momentum events conducted during the year and during the pandemic. Zach also served on several NLS Staffs in 2018 and 2019 in the Northeast Region and served as section chief and vice chief of NE-6A.



Anthony J. Roman



Ryan C. Showman

Aaron M. Seier

Aaron is from Dubuque, IA and Timmeu Lodge. Aaron has helped with the Thrive Connect endeavors during the past few years and served on several NOAC ARC staffs, as well as four NLS Staffs and a NLATS staff. As a youth and young adult, Aaron served as the assistant director for OA Wilderness Voyage in its founding year, 1999, and he helped create the Central Region OA website and served on the 1998 NOAC web team.

Kirk Sheren

Kirk is from Lansing, MI and Michigami Lodge. Kirk has served on each NOAC staff from 2006 to present, usually in logistics or service corps, and has also served on national jamboree staff in 2013 and 2017 as a chapter adviser, as well as on the Instructor Corps for ArrowCorps5 in 2008. Kirk has served on two NLS staffs and a DYLC staff and has served as a section associate adviser in C-2.

Ryan C. Showman

Ryan is from Boone, NC and Wahissa Lodge. Ryan served as a NOAC ICE trainer at every NOAC and Indian Summer from 2004 to present. Ryan also aided with updates to the Guide to Inductions and later with updates to the Brotherhood and Ordeal ceremonies, and served as a key volunteer for the unit, chapter and lodge subcommittee. Ryan has helped with ICE training at many levels for years, beginning with his



Kyle Silligman



Ethan A. Syster

youth involvement while a member of Tipisa Lodge.

Kyle Silligman

Kyle is from Vernalis, CA and Toloma Lodge. Kyle served on the staff of the NCOC at Philmont Scout Ranch in 2021, as well as at the 2018 NOAC, at the 2019 World Jamboree, and on the Operation Arrow staff at the 2017 National Jamboree. Kyle served on many NLS staffs from 2017 to 2021, as well as on the staff of many Western Region OA events during the same time. Kyle served two terms as section vice chief of W-3S before serving two terms as section chief in 2018 and 2019.

Noah J. Smith

Noah is from Jonesboro, AR and



Noah J. Smith



Michael C. Tangen

Quapaw Lodge. Noah served as the 2020 national vice chief and as such was a leader of the Momentum: Launch and Momentum: Spark endeavors in 2020. Noah also served as Conclave 2.0 committee chair in 2019, on NOAC staff in 2018, and on numerous NLS staffs. Noah served as section chief of SR-8 for two terms.

Andrew H. Spicknall

Andy is from Norfolk, VA and Nawakwa Lodge. Andy has served on Shows staff at NOACs from 2009 to present, serving as principal director and head of scripting at recent conferences. Andy also served on the staff of the 2010 National Jamboree, working with the OA Mysterium Compass show. Andy has served Section SR-7A as a shows adviser.



Andrew H. Spicknall



Nathan A. Vick

Jason W. Stribling

lason is from Demorest, GA and Mowogo Lodge. Jason served on each NOAC staff since 2004 in a variety of roles and served on a NLATS staff. |ason served on the SummitCorps staff in 2011, was the Southern Region lead adviser for PRISM 2016, and served on Logistics staff at the 2019 World lamboree and the several national jamborees.

Ethan A. Syster

Ethan is from Wilmington, NC and Klahican Lodge. Ethan served as CVC for Communications for the scheduled 2020 NOAC and served on the national communications team for several years. Ethan provided extensive service to the Momentum events in 2020 and 2021 and served



Jason W. Stribling



Tyler C. Victory

as an OA Trek Guide at the 2017 national jamboree. Ethan served on two NLS staffs and served as section vice chief in 2019 and as section chief in 2020 and 2021 of SR-7B.

Michael C. Tangen

Mike is from Lake Zurich, IL and Takhone Lodge. Mike is on the national OA committee and has served at NOACs from 2012 in the Trading Post and in Contingent and Staff Services. Mike served on NLS and NLATS staffs in the Central Region since 2012 and served as section adviser of C-7 from 2016 to

Nathan A. Vick

Nathan is from Versailles, KY and Kawida Lodge. Nathan has served in numerous roles related to the national OA website since 2016. Nathan served on the web team staff at NOAC from 2012 to present, leading the group since 2018. Nathan staffed the Momentum events of 2020 and 2021 and served the Southern Region OA committee in several roles. Nathan served SR-6 as section secretary in 2015 and in other key roles.

Tyler C. Victory

Tyler is from Wauwatosa, WI and Kanwa tho Lodge. Tyler has served as a key volunteer for the national OA subcommittee for financial services since 2017 and served as trading post technology manager at NOACs and at the 2021 NCOC at Philmont Scout Ranch. Tyler also served Section C-7 in many roles.



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SCOUTING AND THEIR COMMUNITY

By KYLE BRENDEL
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

ERIC BUSH DSA '15 graduated from California University of Pennsylvania with a Master of Arts in Teaching. JASON WOLZ DSA '12 completed his Master of Business Administration at Xavier University. ALEX LEACH DSA '18 graduated from Georgia State University with a Master of Science in Biology. MATTHEW WATSON DSA '18 graduated from the College of Dental Medicine at Medical University of South Carolina.

DAN DICK DSA '12 became the executive director of Highland Community College Foundation. DAVE NGUYEN DSA '09 was named the Dean of University College at Ohio University. Dave also co-edited A Handbook for Supporting Today's Graduate Students, which was published in 2022. TED WEILAND DSA '18 was bestowed the Honorary Student Award by the students of Kirkwood Community College. The surgical residents of USC/LAC and USC Medical Center selected GLENN AULT DSA '88 for the C.J. Berne Award for Excellence in Teaching.

LARRY WARLICK DSA '88 was elected to a seat on the Archdale, North Carolina city council. The Piqua Community Foundation named KEN GRIMES DSA '83 as the 2021 Scott J. Hinsch Community Service Award recipient. The Connecticut EMS Regional Council of Presidents selected BILL CHIN DSA '12 for their 2021 EMS Supporter of the Year Award. The Royal Historical Society elected NELSON BLOCK DSA '94 as a Fellow.

TIM BEATY DSA '18, DEVANG DESAI DSA '98, and JEFFREY GOLDSMITH DSA '92 were selected for the 2022 class of the Silver Buffalo Award, which is Scouting's most prestigious recognition for service to youth on a

Philip Vanderwerker and his family returned from spending a year in Panama working to alleviate water poverty.

national scale. MIKE BLISS DSA '09 and WILLIAM "MIKE" PERKINS DSA '00 were selected for the 2023 Silver Buffalo Award class.

The following were recognized in 2022 with the Silver Antelope Award: MICHAEL JOHNSON DSA '22 of NST I, BILL TOPKIS DSA '12 of NST 2, MICHAEL TANGEN '22 of NST 6, TIM BROWN DSA '15 of NST 14, and DAVID SURRETT DSA '86 of NST 15. The 2023 class of Silver Antelope Award recipients included: WILLIAM LENKER DSA '04 of NST 4, STEVE TAYLOR DSA '71 of NST 7, JASON STRIBLING DSA '22 of NST 14, and TRIPP CLARK DSA '22 of NST 15.

MICHAEL THOMPSON DSA '06 and DAVID BRISCOE DSA '92 were members of 2021 class of recipients of the National Eagle Scout Association Distinguished Service Award (NESA DSA). IAN ROMAINE DSA '09 was named the 2023 National Alumnus of the Year. TIM BROWN DSA '15 was selected by NST 14 as their Alumnus of the Year. BRADLEY TAYLOR DSA '20 was presented the Territory Alumnus of the Year Award at the 2023 National Scout Jamboree. The Philmont Staff Association recognized DOUG O'CONNELL DSA '86 as the 2022 recipient of the Distinguished Staff Alumni Award and KEN DAVIS DSA '77 as their 2023 recipient.

BRADLEY TAYLOR DSA '20 received the Silver Beaver Award from the Old Hickory Council, JAMES TARBOX DSA '12 received the Silver Beaver Award from the Alabama-Florida Council, and CHRIS BRYANT DSA '22 received the Silver Beaver Award from Blue Ridge Mountains Council.

SCOTT BEST DSA '15, STEVE BRADLEY DSA '02, RAY CZECH DSA '12, RAYMOND LEONARD DSA '86, TONY ROMAN DSA '22, and BILL TOPKIS DSA '12 were recognized with the NESA Outstanding Eagle Scout Award by the Minsi Trails, Orange County, Las Vegas Area, Redwood Empire, Baltimore Area and Crossroads of the West Councils respectively. The National Capital Area Council recognized KEN DAVIS DSA '77 as their 2022 Council Alumnus of the Year BRETT WARNER DSA '15 completed his tenure as SR-7B section adviser, GREG MOORE DSA '15 his term as E6 section adviser, MAC MCLEAN DSA '88 his term as E7 section adviser, and BRIAN SEETON DSA '04 his term as E13 section adviser. KEVIN HULA DSA '86 was appointed section adviser for E10. NATHAN VICK DSA '22 was recognized in the 2023 class of National Venturing Leadership Award recipients.

National Capital Area Council presented KEN DAVIS DSA '77 with their 2022 T. Andrew Grafton Outstanding Trainer Award. MARK CHILUTTI DSA '90 was elected to serve as Council President of the Cradle of Liberty Council. SAM GIACALONE DSA '15 was selected to serve as council Scout executive of the Great Alaska Council. The 2021 Class of Eagle Scouts in the Blue Ridge Council was named in honor of MAC MCLEAN DSA '88. In 2022 the Sam Houston Area Council dedicated Nelson's Point at Camp Strake in honor of NELSON BLOCK DSA '94. STEVEN PALM DSA '88 published the book Memories of Camp Mitigwa.







GONE TO MEET THEIR MAKER

GENE V. CLEMENS

Class of 1990 Silver Beaver June 14, 2022

RAYMOND R. CZECH

Class of 2012 Eagle Scout, Silver Antelope July 13, 2023

FRANK S. DINGWERTH

Class of 1994
Eagle Scout, Silver Antelope
July 5, 2023

DENNIS G. DOWNING

Class of 1983 Silver Antelope October 6, 2021

RICHARD M. FORE

Class of 2012 Eagle Scout, Silver Beaver October 16, 2022

CARROLL E. "NED" FRANCE, JR.

Class of 1977 Eagle Scout, Professional Scouter April 27, 2021

DABNEY KENNEDY

Class of 1969 Eagle Scout, Silver Buffalo June 5, 2022

JOHN P. LARNEY, JR.

Class of 1994 Silver Antelope December 12, 2022

CLYDE M. MAYER

Class of 1998 Eagle Scout, Professional Scouter May 16, 2022

RICHARD L. MILLS

Class of 1998 Eagle Scout, Silver Antelope January 20, 2022

RONALD E. MORANVILLE

Class of 1998 Professional Scouter November 21, 2022

DANNY R. MUSICK

Class of 1981 Eagle Scout, Silver Beaver April 26, 2022

JOSEPH L. SCALISE

Class of 1988 Silver Beaver August 15, 2023

RAYMOND SIEGRIST

Class of 2004 Eagle Scout, Silver Beaver August 5, 2022

TIMOTHY M. SNELLENBERGER

Class of 1988 Eagle Scout September 29, 2021

GEORGE S. SPARKS

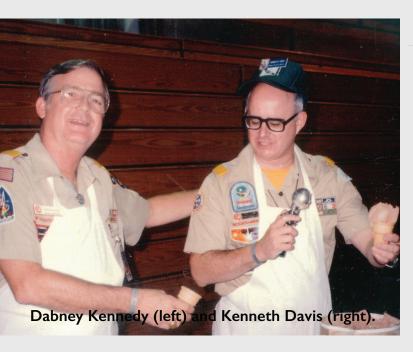
Class of 2004 Professional Scouter January 18, 2023

ROBERT J. THORNTON

Class of 1981 Eagle Scout, Silver Beaver January 29, 2023

FRANK H. WADSWORTH

Class of 1965 Eagle Scout, Silver Antelope January 5, 2022





DABNEY KENNEDY

Houston, Texas

Outstanding Eagle Scout, Scouting Historian, Community Leader

Dabney Kennedy has served 15 years as a member of both the National Cub Scout and National Exploring committees, and 50 as a member of the National Order of the Arrow Committee.

Dabney has been recognized with the Vigil Honor, OA Distinguished Service, OA Lifetime Achievement, and the Centurion awards. He served 14 years as the Order of the Arrow Chair of Program and National Events.

Dabney is the visionary behind the modern National Scout Jamboree Youth Services and Service Corps programs. He served as planning committee chair, planning committee thair, planning committee member, and staff director for six National Jamboree Youth Services Staffs and Service Corps programs.

Dabney is an organizing member of the Goodman Society and a Legacy Fellow tasked with the preservation of the history of the Order of the Arrow. His vision began with the recruitment of youth leaders and staff to create Scouting museums. He was one of the first volunteers to organize a display of large collections of Scouting history at Scouting events, starting with his own extensive collection of historic materials. He trained youth to record interviews with important Scouters for preservation. His efforts were a precursor to the

2019 National Scouting Historian Summit at Philmont Scout Ranch.

Dabney has dedicated much of his time working to reduce the threat of flooding in and around his home eity of Houston. He has served as an officer for the Willow Waterhole Greenspace Conservancy for over 20 years and helped lead a partnership with the Harris County Flood Control District that led to the development of a 290-acre park that provides flood control and contributes to soil and wetlands conservation. The City of Houston has recognized his efforts with the naming of the area as the Kennedy Sout Pavilion.

Dabney Kennedy is retired from his position as regional manager at Dow Chemical. He and his wife, Peggy, have two Eagle Scout sons and five grandchildren.