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# NLS Scholarship Endowment Fund created to honor Randy Cline

By **MARK CHILUTTI**  
CLASS OF 1990

A year has gone by since the sudden passing of **RANDY CLINE DSA '73**, and we're pleased to share that a new NLS Scholarship Endowment Fund has been created to honor his memory. As many of you know, Randy played an integral part in the development of the National Leadership Seminar that many of us participated in and staffed over the decades. It seemed only fitting that we honor his legacy by providing scholarships for youth to attend this premier training course.

With the blessing of the Cline Family, **KEN GRIMES DSA '83** and I kicked off the fundraising campaign in June with a goal to raise \$25,000 to create an endowment fund that would be held by the Green Bar Bill Hillcourt Foundation. Personal outreach was done, and the response was so good that the goal kept being raised, since we realized that the more we raised the more we could do to help our youth.

As I send this article to print, I am pleased to share that we have raised over \$51,000. I'm grateful to everyone who already answered the call. The plan is to use the earnings each year, which should be approximately \$2,500, to enable the national OA committee to award meaningful scholarships to youth to help them attend an NLS.



President Reagan, Randy Cline, Mrs. Reagan, 1988

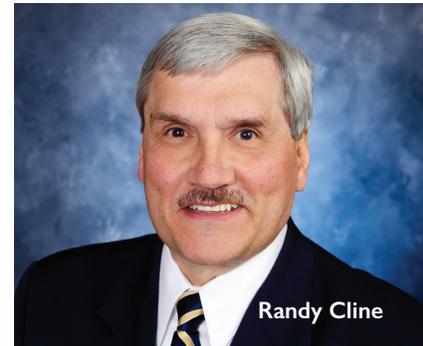
I hope that others will join this effort by making a gift to this fund so we can help even more Scouts. Gifts may be made online at <https://www.hillcourt.org/copy-of-contact>. Please indicate that your gift is for the Randy Cline NLS Fund. If you would like to give by check, please contact me at [chilutti2000@aol.com](mailto:chilutti2000@aol.com).

Randy taught so many of us to "plant a tree we may never get to sit under;" and it has been our pleasure to follow his lead to keep his lifetime of service to Scouting and the Order of the Arrow alive in this way.

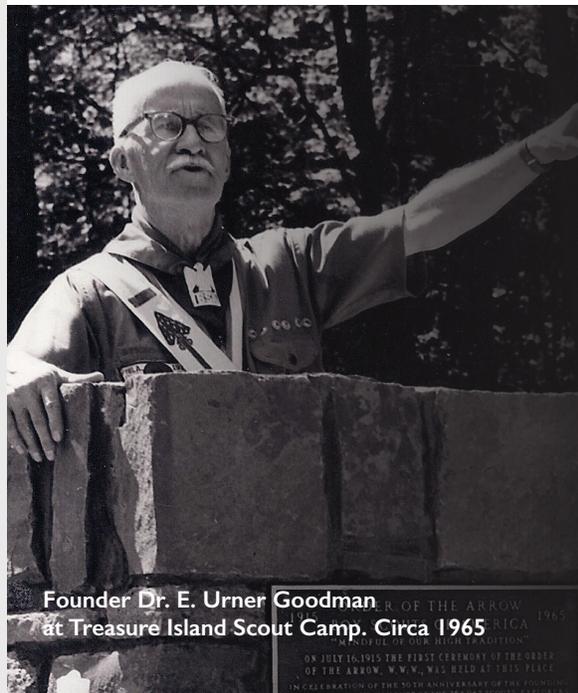
Prior to receiving the Silver Buffalo Award, the BSA's highest award for adult volunteers, in 2009, Randy was profiled in *The Silver Arrowhead* in the Spring 2009 edition. To view past editions, visit <https://oa-scouting.org/resources/publications/silver-arrowhead>.



Randy Cline, 1964



Randy Cline



Founder **Dr. E. Urner Goodman**  
at Treasure Island Scout Camp, Circa 1965



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## The 1915 Society

Created in 2024, the 1915 Society builds upon the strong foundation set forth by the OA Endowment to allow all Arrowmen to support the Endowment and its aims through sustained, regular contributions. In reference to the founding year of the Order of the Arrow, 1915, donors contribute \$19.15 monthly, \$57.45 quarterly, or \$229.80 annually.

To learn more about The 1915 Society and how to join, visit <https://oa-scouting.org/endowment/ways-to-give/1915-society>.

# Message from the **NATIONAL CHAIR**

My Brothers,

As we turn the page to another exciting year in the Order of the Arrow, I am filled with immense pride and gratitude for the accomplishments we have achieved together in 2025. Our collective passion for cheerful service and brotherhood continues to strengthen Scouting nationwide. This year, we celebrate not only our traditions but also bold steps forward that will shape our future.

Every year brings a sense of renewal with the national officer elections. It is an opportunity to see a new set of young men and women begin the year with a passion to make Scouting and the OA better. I want to extend heartfelt appreciation to last year's officers for their exemplary leadership, steadfast service, and inspiring example. Their efforts have paved the way for our newly elected officers, who are ready to lead us into a new era of the Order of the Arrow.

One of our most remarkable achievements this year is surpassing the \$11 million mark in our endowment. Under the leadership of **MIKE HOFFMAN DSA '86**, this incredible milestone ensures that the OA will continue to provide life-changing opportunities for generations of Scouts to come. Your dedication and generosity have made this possible, and I thank each of you for your unwavering commitment to our shared mission.

In 2026, we are launching a new induction experience, featuring updated ceremonies and induction weekend that reflect our revised mission, vision, and purpose—unanimously approved by the National OA committee. These ceremonies honor our cherished traditions of Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service while introducing language and activities that are relatable and meaningful for today's youth. The result is an experience that blends the best of our heritage with a fresh approach, reinforcing why the OA is “the reason Scouts want to stay in Scouting.”

I encourage each of you to attend your lodge's induction experience this year. Witness firsthand how the OA continues to grow and adapt, offering an environment where every Scout feels welcomed, inspired, and called to serve. Your participation is vital to keeping our brotherhood strong and vibrant.

Looking ahead, we are poised for an extraordinary presence at the upcoming National Jamboree. Our goal is to have 500 Arrowmen serve on the Operation Arrow staff, with youth officers taking the lead, guided by **CLINT TAKESHITA DSA '92**. I want to recognize **GLENN AULT DSA '88** for chairing the Jamboree, alongside a talented team that includes many DSA recipients serving in key staff roles. Their dedication will ensure a memorable and impactful experience for all participants.

Plans are well underway for the 2027 National OA Conference to be held at the University of Illinois – Urbana-Champaign July 26-31, 2027. The conference will be planned by the 2027 National OA Officers under the guidance of **DON HOUGH DSA '09**, who will



be serving as the conference chair. Please be on the lookout for opportunities to serve as staff members at the conference.

I am also thrilled to announce ArrowCorps28, our next national service project, approved for 2028. This ambitious initiative will offer opportunities for individual Arrowmen, lodges, sections, and our entire national organization to participate in meaningful service. ArrowCorps28 will be led by **PRESTON MARQUIS DSA '15** with Deputy Chief **JEFF JONASEN DSA '06**, both bringing a wealth of experience and enthusiasm to this project.

Under the direction of **MICHAEL THOMPSON DSA '06**, a team of OA historians have begun to write the second century history of the Order of the Arrow. They are in the process of updating the OA timeline as well as bringing a fresh perspective as to how the Order has evolved as an organization.

As we reflect on a remarkable year and look ahead with optimism, I want to thank each Arrowman, leader, and friend of the OA for your dedication and service. Together, we are shaping a legacy of brotherhood, cheerfulness, and service that will inspire Scouts for years to come. Let's continue to support one another and make 2026 another extraordinary year in the story of the Order of the Arrow.

Yours in Service,

*Christopher A. Grove, MO*

Dr. Chris Grove  
National Chair  
Class of 2006

# Andy Chapman: Chair of the World Scout Committee

By **NELSON BLOCK**  
CLASS OF 1994

**MAC MCLEAN**  
CLASS OF 1988

World Scouting has over 60 million Scouts active around the world. Each of its 176 member national Scout organizations (NSOs) conducts its own program under its national or territorial leadership, but adhering to certain standards set and maintained by their joint body, the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM). WOSM is led by the World Scout Committee (WSC), the executive body or “board” of WOSM, with the professional assistance of its executive group, the World Scout Bureau. From 2021 to 2024, the volunteer chairperson of the World Scout Committee has been Arrowman **EDWARD ANDREW “ANDY” CHAPMAN DSA ‘04**.

How did Andy prepare for the most globally impactful volunteer position in all of Scouting? – by a lifetime of being the youngest person to tackle a big job.

Andy earned the Eagle Scout Award in 1998 in Troop 33, Calcasieu Area Council, Sulphur, Louisiana. Elected by his fellow Scouts to Quelqueshoe Lodge, at age 18 Andy was elected lodge chief and received

the Vigil Honor, joined his council executive board at age 19, became a District Roundtable Commissioner at 20, the nation’s youngest Wood Badge course director at 29, lodge adviser of the then approximately 3,600-member Colonneh Lodge, Sam Houston Area Council, at 30, and chairman of the OA Southern Region at 33.

His deep experience in various Scout programs provided the critical management experience for the role as WSC chair. His nine years as a camp staffer, including service as program director, taught him adherence to group standards. Five staff positions at national OA conferences, including conference vice chief for Special Events at the 2002 NOAC and three conferences as deputy conference chairman for scheduling, facilities, and university relations, schooled him managing large events and translating “Scouting” to non-Scout stakeholders. His service on six Wood Badge staffs, one year as regional OA chair and three years as regional coordinator for the Southern Region National Leadership Seminars, including staffing over ten NLS’s, developed his talents in delivering non-formal education.

So, it was when several key national BSA leaders cornered Andy at a national annual meeting in 2016 to suggest he run for a spot on the World Scout Committee:

he fit the desired profile – a young adult, with a finance or accounting background, in a professional position that allowed for extensive travel. Andy’s extensive service record was a key consideration. In addition to traditional Scouting service, Andy helped plan and execute the first International Leadership Training (ILT) based on methods used in Wood Badge and NLS, served as the BSA head of contingent to the Eurasia Region Jamboree in the Republic of Georgia, and served as the BSA head of contingent to the World Scout Moot in Iceland in 2017.

Andy was selected to the WSC in August of 2017 at the 41st World Scout Conference in Baku, Azerbaijan. Each board seat is normally a three-year term; with COVID, a fourth year was added and Andy served for two terms, a total of seven years, from 2017 to 2024. While on the WSC, Andy was elected vice chairperson for the 2017-2021 term and chairperson for 2021-2024 term.

Andy will say there is no job description for chairperson of the World Scout Committee – the WOSM constitution defines the functions of the World Scout Committee, the Secretary General (the employed CEO), and the World Scout Bureau (the administrative office) – but each chairperson defines his or her own role. He explains the role involves risk mitigation and championing implementation of “Safe from Harm,” WOSM’s youth protection program. Andy provided leadership for major events and addressing challenges at all levels. He also maintained the standards necessary for a NSO to become and maintain membership status in WOSM. Though many nations have several Scout organizations, sometimes representing different faiths or regions, their interests are represented at WOSM by one NSO.

In his role with WOSM, Andy traveled to more than sixty countries, many several times, including visits to Gilwell Park in England and Kanderstag International Scout Center in Switzerland. He visited the Prime Minister of Lebanon twice in one year and spoke with him about Scouting’s response to the 2020 Beirut bomb blast, when the Scouts of Lebanon emerged as the first responders providing first aid, searching for the missing, offering shelter and food, transporting the



Andy Chapman

wounded, and assisting with cleanup and debris removal. Andy also had more challenging trips to Palestine, Burundi, Ukraine, and Moldova, where travel can be less simple.

Major events that took place during Andy’s tenure as chairperson were the global emergence from a pandemic, the 25th World Scout Jamboree in Saemangeum, South Korea in 2023, and WOSM meetings, including the 43rd World Scout Conference in Cairo, Egypt in 2024. During the World Jamboree, he gave direction to the largest evacuation in Scouting’s history in response to a severe weather emergency – over 50,000 people moved to 150 different locations on the Korean peninsula, complicated by the fact that very few of the groups spoke the same language. Andy also had the opportunity to meet with the King of Sweden twice a year, for seven years, to discuss how WOSM spent the money raised by the World Scout Foundation which endows, develops, and strengthens World Scouting. Andy also expanded and promoted the use of the ILT course globally.

Andy is most proud of his role in unifying the global Scout movement during times of crisis and uncertainty, such as the pandemic and the WSJ evacuation (and the subsequent evolution of world event standards). He led WOSM partnering with UNICEF to support Ukrainian

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Andy Chapman

# Arrowmen serving SCOUTING AND THEIR COMMUNITY

By **KYLE BRENDAL**  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

**MICHAEL CREAGH DSA '90** was promoted to Director of Service Delivery for Scouting America. **CHRIS CROWLEY DSA '04** was named Scout Executive of Central North Carolina Council. **STEVE BURINSKY DSA '94** served as Technical Director, National Security Agency, GA, culminated a 45-year career as a U.S. Department of Defense senior executive.

**BOB SHOEMAKER DSA '83** was named Volunteer of the Year by the Hot Springs Village Community Foundation. **TODD METCALF DSA '94** was the 2025 Philanthropist of the Year for the University of Tennessee College of Arts and Sciences. **MATT MADDERRA DSA '12** was elected to chair the Clark Society at Texas Christian University (TCU), whose aims are to recognize and inspire the generosity of the TCU community.

The World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM) presented its highest honor, the Bronze Wolf Award, to **ANDY CHAPMAN DSA '04**. The following were bestowed the Silver Buffalo Award, which is Scouting America's most prestigious recognition for service to youth on a national scale: **GARY CHRISTIANSEN DSA '81**, **ANDY CHAPMAN DSA '04**, **BILL TOPKIS DSA '12**, and **TIM MALANEY DSA '15**.

The following were recognized with the Silver Antelope Award for their service to youth on the territory level: **TERREL MILLER DSA '98** of CST 1, **CLINT TAKESHITA DSA '92** of CST 3, **LOREN MEINKE DSA '94** of CST 4, and **J.J. ARNOLD DSA '98** of CST 6.

Scouting Alumni selected **MICHAEL THOMPSON DSA '06** as its 2025 National Alumnus of the Year. **STEVE SILBIGER DSA '88** and **MAC MCLEAN DSA '88** were named Territory Alumnus of the Year, representing CST's 8 and 15 respectively.

The Philmont Training Center (PTC) celebrated its 75th anniversary in 2025. As part of that celebration, numerous significant contributors to the success of PTC were selected for the inaugural class of PTC Trailblazers. Among the list were: **ARTHUR SCHUCK DSA '42**, **ED PEASE DSA '71**, **MARK ANDERSON DSA '83**, **DON FIFIELD DSA '83**, **BOB SIRHAL DSA '00**, **BILL SPICE DSA '00**, **ROY WILLIAMS DSA '00**, and **ANDREA WATSON DSA '24**.

**MARK CHILUTTI DSA '90**, **ANDY CHAPMAN DSA '04**, and **NIK NEWMAN DSA '24** were elected to the Board of Directors of the "Green Bar Bill" Hillcourt Foundation. The Hillcourt Foundation also selected **RUSSELL SMART DSA '15** and **BOB FISTICK DSA '22** as 2025 recipients of the Silver Hillcourt Medal for service to Scouting history on a national level.

**DAN CHURAY DSA '86** and **AARON SHEPHERD DSA '15** received the Silver Beaver Award from the Sam Houston Area and Blue Grass Councils

respectively. **KEN DAVIS DSA '77** was recognized with the NESA Outstanding Eagle Scout Award. **IAN ROMAINE DSA '09** was a 2025 recipient of the Latimer Society Award, which is presented by the Middle Tennessee Council. **ARNOLD HECK DSA '83** received the Venturing Leadership Award from CST 12. **CRAIG DONAIS DSA '92** was elected the President of Scouting America New Hampshire.



Aaron Shepherd (center)



Ian Romaine (second from right)



Steve Burinsky



Bob Schemaker



Todd Metcalf (left)

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refugees with essential supplies, shelter, and psychological support, as well as publishing education materials such as "How to Talk with Children about War." He was also proud of obtaining 100% NSO approval of a

new ten-year Strategy for Scouting and a new Vision Statement for WOSM.

He wished that he had time to finish advancing the "Safe from Harm" standards into every NSO. He noted WOSM has some unique challenges

in helping NSOs address geopolitical challenges, the radicalization of young people, and keeping Scouting relevant for young people. When asked "what next?" Andy's short-term plans include time with family and friends he missed during his seven years of world travel

with WOSM.

The OA salutes Andy Chapman for his extraordinary volunteer commitment and takes pride in having been a part of his preparation for the role, a global example of leadership in service.

# GONE TO MEET THEIR MAKER



**FRANK R. BERGER**  
Class of 1983  
Eagle Scout, Silver Beaver  
September 27, 2025

**EDUARDO X. DE TORRES**  
Class of 1988  
Eagle Scout, Silver Beaver  
October 23, 2025

**BOBBY RAY RAINWATER**  
Class of 1990  
Silver Beaver  
May 17, 2024

**ROGER D. BILICA**  
Class of 1975  
Eagle Scout, Silver Beaver  
November 16, 2025

**REES A. FALKNER**  
Class of 1998  
Professional  
September 16, 2024

**DEANNA CASTREY WESTMYER**  
Class of 2012  
Silver Fawn  
January 31, 2025

**JAMES B. ARRIOLA**  
Class of 1994  
Eagle Scout, Silver Antelope  
January 2, 2026

**MARCEL L. CINQUINA**  
Class of 1969  
Eagle Scout, Professional  
November 10, 2025

**DOUGLAS C. FULLMAN**  
Class of 1994  
Eagle Scout, Silver Antelope, Professional  
April 16, 2025

**JAMES T. WIDMAIER**  
Class of 1973  
Eagle Scout  
April 3, 2025



Roger Billica, 1981 (center)



Dr. Billica performing cardiopulmonary/advanced cardiac life support in zero-gravity (weightlessness) aboard a NASA KC-135 aircraft. NASA photo, courtesy of Dr. Billica.

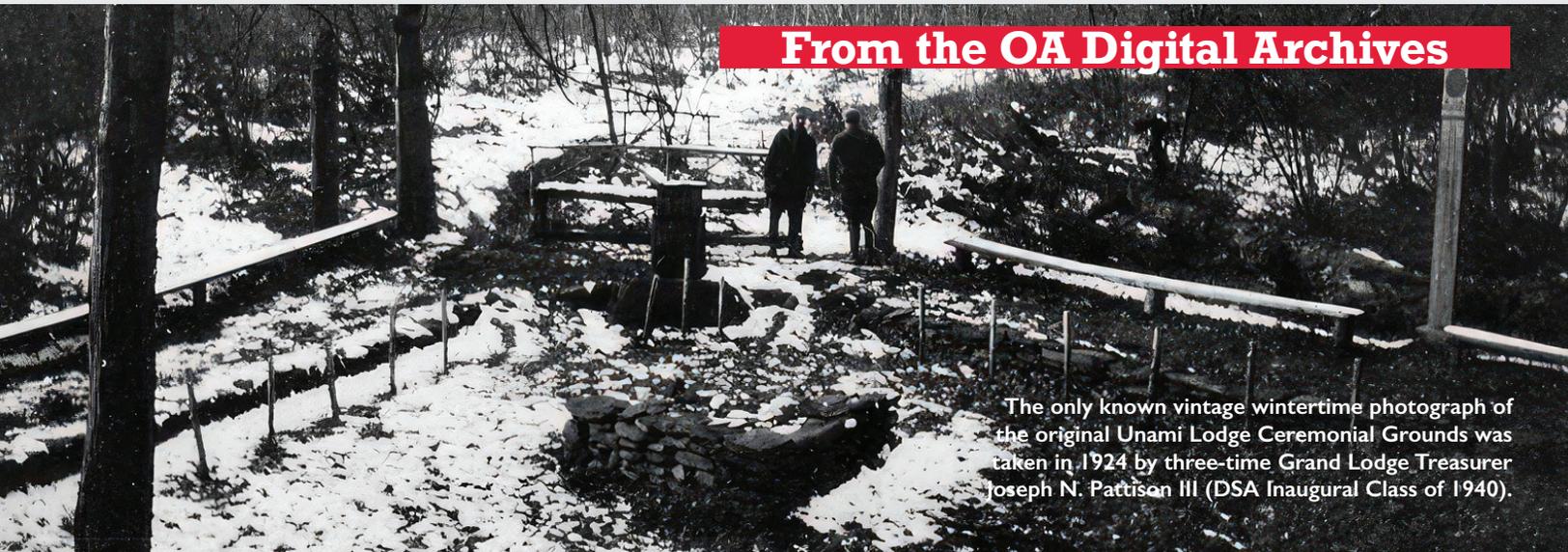
Roger D. Billica DSA '75 was an Eagle Scout from Troop 205 in Greenville, NC. A member of Croatan Lodge, he served as area chief of Area 6-A in 1972. He served on the Southeast Region OA Committee and received the OA Distinguished Service Award in 1975. As an adult he continued in service to Scouting, serving in OA roles, including service on the Council Executive Board and on the National OA Committee, and received the Silver Beaver Award.

Roger Billica had a remarkable life. He was a Morehead Scholar at the University of North Carolina, where he earned his undergraduate degree in chemistry and graduated from the medical school. He completed a family medicine residency in Phoenix from 1980-83, where he served as Chief Resident in his third year. After a post-residency stint as clinic

director and emergency physician at Grand Canyon National Park, he joined the US Air Force and took specialty training in aerospace medicine. He served as an F-15/F-16 flight surgeon and as chief of aeromedical services at Luke Air Force Base, outside Phoenix, Arizona.

He left the US Air Force to work at NASA from 1991 and 2001, where he rose to become the Chief of Medical Operations at NASA's Johnson Space Center. He eventually left NASA and opened a medical clinic in Fort Collins, Colorado, called Tri-Life Health, which focused on cutting edge disease clinical operations. He was presented the Distinguished Eagle Scout Award in 1999. He was inducted into the Space Technology Hall of Fame for his work in developing the SpiraFlex Interim Resistive Exercise Device.

## From the OA Digital Archives



The only known vintage wintertime photograph of the original Unami Lodge Ceremonial Grounds was taken in 1924 by three-time Grand Lodge Treasurer Joseph N. Pattison III (DSA Inaugural Class of 1940).