

**Brian Anderson Earns Rank Of Eagle Scout**



Eagle Scout Brian Anderson, center, reads to members of Troop 514 from Nature Guide prepared by Phil Kress. The guide is to be used in conjunction with the trail laid out and marked by Brian.

**Troop 514**

Boy Scout 514 held their Court of Awards Sunday, April 12 at St. John's Lutheran Church.

A large number of merit badges were presented. Advancing in rank were: Jeff DeKolver and Mike Dreher to Second Class, Scott Johnson to First Class and Carl Gitcheh to Life. Gary and Jerry Northcutt received Den Chief cords recognizing their work with Cub Scouts.

Eric Severson was recognized for his outstanding effort in aiding his family when they were involved in a serious automobile accident.



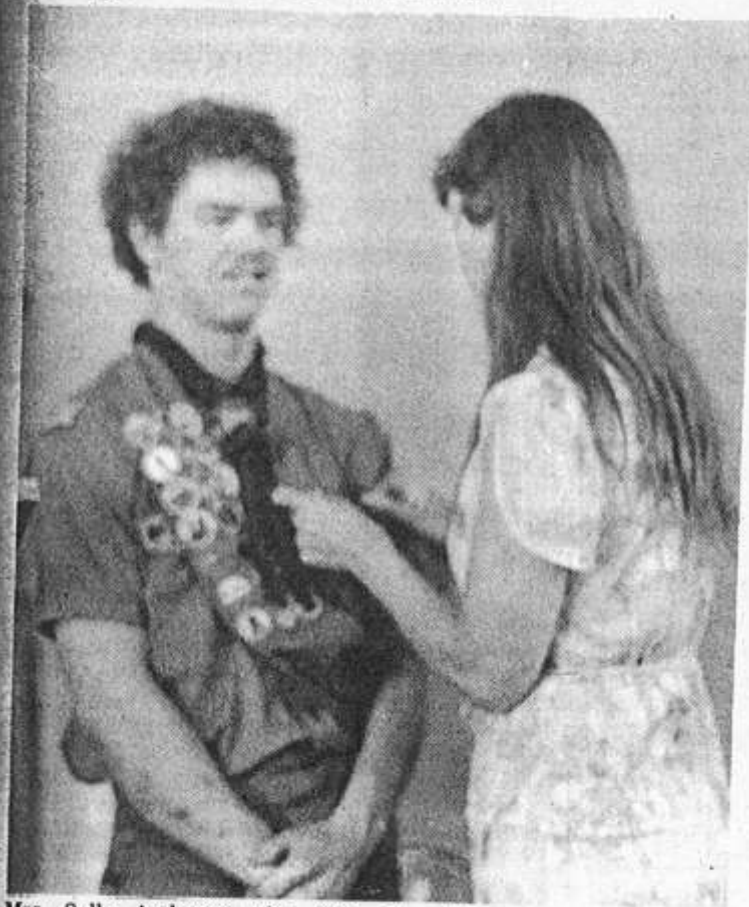
Eric Severson receives a special award from Jay Gitcheh, for the effort he put forth some time ago, when his family was involved in an auto accident. Eric was instrumental in getting help for seriously injured members of his family.



Front Row: L-R: Jeff DeKolver, Scott Johnston, David DeKolver, Gary Northcutt, Carl Gitcheh, Jerry Northcutt, Mike Dreher. Back Row: Scoutmaster Jay Gitcheh, Rick Severson, Steve Edwards, Greg Peckhan, Eric Severson, Kendall Wethal.

**Boy Scouts Camp At Danabas Dunes**

## Brian Anderson Earns Eagle Scout Rank



Mrs. Sally Anderson pins the coveted Eagle Scout pin on her son, Brian Anderson, at the special ceremony held on Sunday, June 7 at St. Paul's Catholic

Church in Evansville.

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June 18, 1981, Evansville Review

# Scouts Will Attend Jamboree

Five scouts from Evansville, Peter Steinhoff, Rick U'Ren, Marty Kerkenbush, Steve Edwards and Wayne Steinhoff, will be attending the National Boy Scout Jamboree to be held July 29 to August 5 at Fort A. P. Hill, Virginia. They will be among 24,000 scouts from all over the country.

Also attending from Evansville will be adult leaders, Bill Hartje and Rudy Steinhoff, who were selected as the first and third scoutmasters of the jamboree troop.

The group, consisting of 36 boys from the Sinnissippi Council, will leave Janesville on July 22. Stops will be made at historic

Fredericksburg, the Naval Academy at Annapolis, and the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Ohio.

The Evansville troop has raised funds in many projects and several community groups and individuals have given financial assistance to aid the scouts in their trip.



These scouts who will attend the National Boy Scout Jamboree include (left to right) front row: Wayne Steinhoff, Marty Kerkenbush, and Steve Edwards. Back row: Scoutmaster Bill Hartje, Pete Steinhoff, Rick U'Ren, and Rudy Steinhoff.

July 22, 1981, Evansville Review, p. 1, col. 3-5, Evansville, Wisconsin

# Scouts Earn Awards

At a potluck dinner held Sunday, Feb. 21 at the United Methodist Church, Rick U'Ren became an Eagle Scout at the age of 15. He has been a Scout for just five years, and in that time he has earned 33 merit badges. Just 21 badges are required to become an Eagle Scout.

Part of the program to become an Eagle requires that a community project be done, enlisting the aid of the other troop members. Rick designed Wood Duck houses for the park, and 21 were made by the scouts under Rick's direction. They were placed around the lake to encourage the Wood Duck to return and nest.

Another project requires a Citizenship of the Nation and Citizenship of the World merit badge. In this project, Rick had to write to his congressman and do a good deal of studying.

Camping and attending the Jamboree last summer, near Washington, D. C., were also part of his many varied activities.

He was awarded the Order of the Arrow, an award to a scout chosen by his own troop. Rick feels he owes a great deal to the finer leadership of Scout Leader Bill Hartje.



Koshkonong District Executive, Tim McLaughlin, of Janesville shares some thoughts with the pack families.



Jason Jones received his Bear Badge from Cubmaster Bob Miller. Also shown are his parents, Jeanette and Jim Jones.



Cubmaster Bob Miller is shown here with (L to R) Kurt Johnston, Paul Rogalla, Jason Jones, Chris Martingilio, winners in the Pinewood Derby.



Rick U'Ren is presenting his parents with their Eagle Pin and Eagle Tie Tack following the presentation of his Eagle Award.



Webelos Scouts, Alex Strassburg and Jeff Gitchell receive their Webelos Badge. Shown with them in the back row (L to R) are: Dick Strassburg, Cubmaster Bob Miller, Judy Gitchel and Webelos leader, Burt Wheeler.



Bill Hartje presenting Rick U'Ren with his Eagle Award.

Webelos Scouts, Alex Strassburg and Jeff Litchner receive their Webelos badge. Shown with them in the back row (L to R) are: Dick Strassburg, Cubmaster Bob Miller, Judy Gitchel and Webelos leader, Burt Wheeler.



Blair Wheeler and Mike Peacock received their Bear Badges. Shown with them in the back row are: Den leader, Ann Courtier, Blair's parents, Mike's parents, and Den leader Phyllis Jones.



Jason Jones and Brian Zhe received their ribbons from Bob Miller for winning the Raingutter Regatta.

March 17, 1982, Evansville Review, p. 8, Evansville, Wisconsin

## Troop 514 Wins Trophy

Steve Edwards, Rick Severson and Carl Gitchel returned to Evansville with the winner's trophy from a Scout Chess Tournament Saturday, March 13.

The tournament held in Janesville was sponsored by Janesville Troop 401 and the Janesville Chess Association for the purpose of crowning the Koshkonong District troop champion for 1982.

Each individual played a minimum of five games. Steve won five games and lost none. Rick's record was 4-1 and Carl's was 3 and 2. Steve Edwards was the high player and was also given a membership in the United States Chess Assn.

A Rubik's Cube competition was held the same day and Steve Edwards won first place and Carl Gitchel won second.

March 24, 1982, Evansville Review, p. 19, col. 2, Evansville, Wisconsin

## Steinhoff Wins Big Horn Scout Award



Rudy Steinhoff, second from right, received the Bronze Big Horn Award for "Distinguished Service to Exploring" at the annual Sinnissippi Council Exploring Recognition Banquet in Beloit Thursday, Nov. 18. Also attending the banquet from Evansville were (left to right) Rev. Mark Pirazzini, representing the Congregational UCC sponsors of Evansville Post 514 who received an appreciation certificate for Chartering Explorer Post 514 from the Sinnissippi Council, Betty Steinhoff, Rudy's mother, Rudy Steinhoff, who also received an "Exploring Appreciation Certificate" for faithful support in Explorer President's Assn. and Bill Hartje, Post Advisor.

December 2, 1982, Evansville Review,

Evansville, Wisconsin

## Boy Scouts Selling Trees



Members of Boy Scout Troop 514 are now selling Christmas trees, at the parking lot of the Service Store on Hwy. 14, at the north edge of the city. They have a good

selection of Balsam, White Pine, Norway Pine and Scotch Pine. Here are Jamie Sperry (left) and Paul Rogalla (right) holding one of the trees, and Scouts Chris

Thorland (left) and Richard Rogalla (kneeling right). Scouts report sales are good, but urge customers to make their selections now.

Evansville Review, p. 7, col. 3-5, Evansville, Wisconsin

December 10, 1986,

## Webelo Scouts Build Picnic Table



In order to fulfill the requirements for their Citizenship and Craftsman Badges, Webelos Scouts Matt Reese (center) and Joe Benson (right) elected to

build a picnic table for the Evansville Manor. A major portion of their fund raising for materials was achieved by collecting aluminum cans. Overse-

ing the project was den leader, Dr. Ken Reese, shown with the boys, unloading the special project.

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## Casey Earns Eagle Scout Ranking



Ryan Casey has achieved Boy Scouting's highest rank, that of Eagle Scout. His parents, Leslie and Will are shown in this picture as Ryan received his award. Fellow Troop 514 Scouts participated in a meaningful ceremony that was led by both members and leaders.

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## ***EVANSVILLE SEES ANOTHER EAGLE SCOUT HONORED***



Local Scout Ethan Pierick recently received his Eagle Scout designation. The ceremony was held Saturday Jan. 10th. Pictured are Ethan and Scout Leaders (left to right) - Phil Kress, Michael Pierick, Joe VanRooy, Steve Verkuilen, and Randy Peters. See inside for complete coverage.

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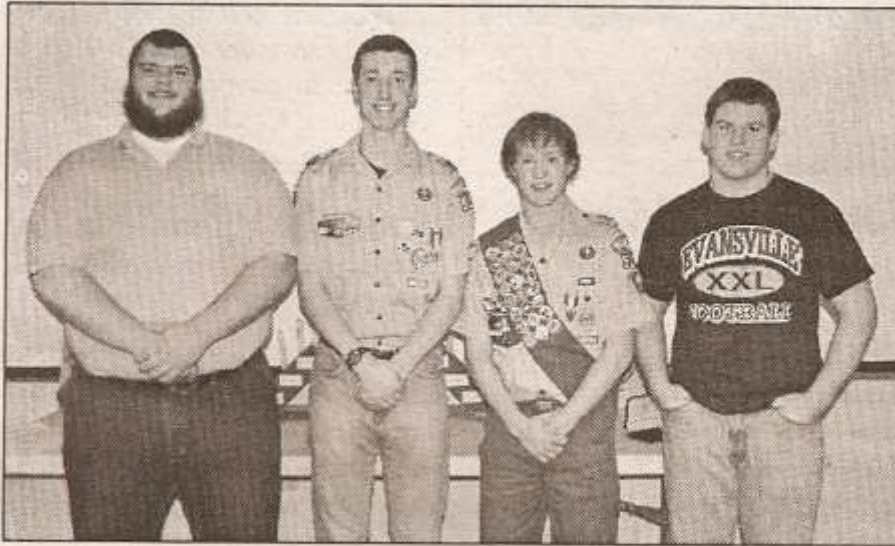


## Pierick Honored In Scout Ceremony



Ethan and his parents Jeanne Williams, Ethan Pierick and Michael Pierick.

*Photos by Jenean Hamilton*



These four scouts all received their Eagle Award in 2008 - (left to right) Ryan Casey, Ryan Ammerman, Ethan Pierick and Peter Gernetzke. Peter's ceremony is scheduled for sometime in February.

January 21, 2009, Evansville Review, p. 8, Evansville, Wisconsin

## Court Of Honor Held For Eagle Scout

Ethan Pierick was honored at a Court of Honor on Saturday, January 10, for the Eagle Scout rank that he has awarded on July 30, 2008. The ceremony, held at Evansville High School, included the formal presentation of Ethan's Eagle Scout medal and certificate, and was conducted by five of Ethan's adult Boy Scout leaders from local Troop 514: Phil Kress, Randy Peters, Steve Verkuilen, Joe Van Rooy, and Michael Pierick who is Ethan's father.

Only two percent of all Boy Scouts achieve Eagle Scout rank, though Evansville's Troop 514 has been producing a higher percentage. The Eagle Scout Court of Honor ceremony is rich with almost 100 years of Scout tradition, and includes the lighting of candles that represent the three parts of the Scout oath, and the 12 parts of the Scout law. Along with Eagle Scout rank and the Boy Scout motto -- "Be Prepared" -- the Scout law is a well known representation of Scouting. It is a code of ethics by which an Eagle Scout is committed to live, being trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent.

In addition to achieving Eagle Scout rank, Ethan Pierick served for a year as Patrol Leader for the Cobra Patrol, and another year as Senior Patrol Leader, taking charge of the Troop 514 Scouts on campouts and during weekly troop activities. He was cited as the Outstanding Arrowman of 2004 in the Chemokemon Lodge, Order of the Arrow, which is a Scouting service and honor lodge, not an archery group. Ethan earned 24 merit badges as a Scout before doing his Eagle project, everything from Astronomy and Camping, to Reading and Weather.

Ethan's Eagle Scout project was planning, coordinating, and conducting improvements in Wind Prairie Park, located at the intersection of South First and Second Streets and Old Highway 92. He

received approval from the Evansville Park Board, solicited donations of materials from businesses, and then planned and conducted trail improvements, trail benches, a picnic table, new park and parking signage, and prairie birdhouses. The project was assisted by the participation of some 20 Scouts in Troop 514, as well as other youth and community members. Ethan offered special thanks at the ceremony to Paul Warren of Dave's Evansville Ace Hardware for material donations, to the Evansville Park Board for their support of the project, and to Evansville Park Supervisor Ray Anderson for his generous help.

Prior to presenting Ethan with his Eagle Scout medal, former Scoutmaster Joe Van Rooy charged Ethan "to undertake your citizenship with solemn dedication. Be a leader, but lead only toward the best." Eagle Scout Advisor Randy Peters exhorted Ethan as a new adult Eagle Scout to "Carry On" as a leader of young people, and as a leader of adults.

Participating in the ceremony were Life Scout Connor Williams (Ethan's brother), Star Scout Micah Topel, First Class Scout Keith Hartje, and Second Class Scout Montana Leggett. Present at the ceremony were two of Ethan's high school (class of 2008) peers who also achieved Eagle Scout rank in 2008, Ryan Ammerman and Ryan Casey.

## YOUTH BOWLING

### **Friday Afternoon Strikers**

Hunter Brown-629, Nik Hazlett-545, Dylan Jones-352, Nick Armstrong-247.

### **Saturday Morning Strikers**

Ryker Brown-394, Dale Crawford-348, Jamey McKee-347, Kadan Phillips-320, Paul Cole-320, Dale Crawford-320, Paul Cole-310, Charlie Heinzelman-279, Eli Johnson-230, Dodge Levin-219, Steven Hall-211, Aidan Connolly-191, Jason Heinzelman-178, Ben Kolasch-176, Hunter Castonguay-174, Iris Pyper-98.

## LOCAL SCOUT TROOP HONORS ANOTHER EAGLE SCOUT



Peter Gernetzke and his Boy Scout troop leaders from left to right are Steve VerKuilen, Joe VanRooy, Peter, Randy Peters and Michael Pierick. Pictures were taken when Peter was honored in an Eagle Scout Achievement Ceremony. PHOTOS BY JENEAN HAMILTON

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Peter Gernetzke with his parents, Dr. John and Mary Ann Gernetzke.

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# Eagle Scouts flock together at Evansville's Troop 514

By TED SULLIVAN

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Ted Sullivan

Eagle Scouts from Troop 514 in Evansville pose for a group photo at the city's high school. The troop held a reunion for its 61 scouts who reached the Eagle rank since its inception in 1919.

EVANSVILLE — David Fellows was a teenager in 1948 when he pushed for his Eagle Scout rank.

But he wasn't a good swimmer.

The next year, he attended camp and spent two weeks practicing in the Rock River.

"I got through it and received my Eagle in 1949," the 77-year-old said.

Fellows was one of 11 men from Evansville's Troop 514 who attended an Eagle Scout reunion at Evansville High School on Saturday.

The troop has had 61 Eagle Scouts since its inception in 1919.

Bill Hartje, assistant scoutmaster for the troop, said the Evansville Lions Club chartered the group. The troop had its first Eagle Scouts in the 1930s. Most of the 61 Eagle Scouts are still alive.

"There are very few troops across the country that have a legacy like Troop 514," Hartje said. "There are very few troops with that much time."

About 100 people attended the reunion. Local Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts received awards at the event. People viewed displays of the troop's history against the wall.

Rudy Steinhoff, an Eagle Scout living in Illinois, returned for the reunion.

He said Boy Scouts taught him values such as honesty and loyalty that he still uses today.

He enjoyed being among other Eagle Scouts, and he recalled fondly the days of canoe trips and camping. He became an Eagle Scout in 1980.

“I think Scouting is a very good program in Evansville,” Steinhoff said.

After Fellows achieved Eagle, he entered the Navy.

He had to learn how to escape from a crashed airplane in water. He had to swim long distances under water and swim laps in a pool. His time learning how to swim in Scouts paid off.

“I lived up to the Boy Scouts’ motto, and what is that: ‘Be prepared,’” he said. “I got through it all, but I had my moments of doubt.”

Fellows urged the Cubs and Scouts to become Eagles.

“The future of Scouting in your lives is very, very bright,” he said. “Make the most of it. Grab it by the horns.”

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