

SYCAMORE DISTRICT



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DISTRICT
AWARD
OF
MERIT



Frank Colomer

This Scouter began his service to Sycamore District with his Unit in McHenry, IL.

He served as a Den Leader and Cubmaster. Additional duties included many, one that he enjoyed the most, was being the MC of his Unit's Pinewood Derby. He has been fully trained for all of his Scouting positions and has earned his Wood Badge beads from course C-24-05. As his son moved to Boy Scouts so did this Scouter, serving as an assistant scoutmaster for Troop 455. He has worked with the unit and participated in many campouts, unit activities and even the unit's pork roast.

This person's service did not stop at the Unit level, but continued with his involvement in our District and the Council. He has served on Roundtable staff, the District's Membership Committee and has assisted in numerous Cub Scout and Boy Scout trainings. He has staffed Cub Scout Leader Specific, Baloo & Webelos Leader Outdoor Training, New Leader Essentials, and has served on the District's Camporee staff. This past year he served the Council by being on Pow Wow, and Wood Badge Staff.

As a member of the Membership committee he has worked extra hard in the recruitment of new Cub Scouts, and the starting-up of new Units.

This person always adds life to the event or training. He has been seen as a Calypso guy, Lion and many other characters to add interest and fun.

It is my pleasure to present, Sycamore District 2007 Award of Merit Recipient, Frank Colomer.

Steve R. James

This recipient began Scouting as a Cub Scout in 1954. His career as a Scouting youth was spent all over the world, in places like Turkey, Spain, Germany and the United States.

As an adult, he was involved as a non-registered volunteer while his son was a scout, both in Northwest Suburban Council and Blackhawk Area Council.

He is currently a member of the Sycamore District Committee and has served on the Training committee and Finance committee.

He has served on staff for Sycamore District Klondike Derby, Camporee staff, and has been on staff for the Religious Retreat, for at least 16 years.

He attended Youth Protection Training, Troop Committee Training and Outdoor Leader Skills. He went to Wood Badge in 2003 on Course C-26-03 as a member of the Bear patrol, receiving his beads in 2004.

He has been a merit badge counselor for First Aid and Hiking.

He has also served on staff for Pow-Wow 2003, 2004 and 2007.

He remains a Friends of Scouting presenter and co-chairman of the Marengo-Union Community Campaign.

He also served on staff for AirCamp 2005 at the Amateur Radio Station.

He is a James E. West Fellowship contributor.

At present he serves on the Council Risk Management Committee and attended the Risk Management Conference at Philmont Training Center. Also he is part of the Central Region Camp Visitation Staff.

He has done Jamboree on the Air for 30 years, is a member of the Lutheran Association of Scouters, is a member of the McHenry County Emergency Services Disaster Agency, the McHenry County Emergency Agency Ground Search and Rescue, the McHenry County E.M.A. Telecommunications Manager, and a member of the Northern Illinois Fire Museum, among many other memberships.

He received the District Action award in 2004.

It is my pleasure to introduce to you our newest "Award of Merit" recipient Stephen R. James.

Patrick Rozhon

This Scouter started his Scouting Leadership as a Cubmaster for Pack 343 in Crystal Lake, serving from 1997 to 2002. He crossed over, with his son, into Boy Scout Troop 158, in 2002. Where he has been registered as an Assistant Scoutmaster for the past 5 years.

He is a Merit Badge Counselor for his troop and for Sycamore District.

In 2006 he became the Crew Advisor for Crew 158.

Serving the District he has been the Co-Popcorn Kernel for the past 3 years, Commissioner for two Packs and two Troops in Crystal Lake, 164 and 168.

He has been on staff for POW Wow, Woods of Webelos, Klondike for several years, and has served on staff for the Webelos Leader Outdoor Training and Baloo.

This Scouter has helped the Finance Committee by giving Friends of Scouting presentations. As a matter of fact, this person will help out whenever asked to do something for Scouting.

He served on Staff for AirCamp, working in the Program Area with Cub Scouts. His activity was Fire Safety / Emergency Simulation. Where the Cubs had to put on real Fire Fighter boots and coats. He also, presented a Fire Safety / Emergency Simulation for McHenry County.

This award recipient can not be here tonight,. He is taking a week long course for the Crystal Lake Fire Department during the day, and tonight he is the lead instructor for an EMT class at McHenry County College.

On behalf of Sycamore District, it is with great pleasure that we present the District Award of Merit to Patrick Rozhon.

Rick Delaney

This Scouter started his Scouting path back in 1987 when his youngest of 3 boys asked to join Scouting as a Tiger Cub. During those first years he loved to help out the Pack at the special events like Pinewood Derby. And Soon the Pack leaders found out that he loved to get involved. In a very short time this Scouter became the Cubmaster of his sons Pack. The years went by and he was pulled deeper into the program. Soon his Tiger Cub was now crossing over into Boy Scouts. He then found himself in a troop that needed a Scoutmaster. So he became the Scoutmaster for the Troop but also stayed on as the Cubmaster for Pack 156. This Scouter has always been there for his boys but also for all of the boys in the Scouting program. Two of his boys have earned Eagle and currently his third son is soon to be an Eagle as well. Last year he hiked Philmont, with the Scouts from his Troop. This Scouter serves the District as the Advancement Committee Chair, has given many Eagle Boards of Review, has staffed numerous Klondikes, and Camporees. He is not only determined in life but determined to give the youth of McHenry County and Blackhawk Area Council the best program possible. He was on staff at AirCamp. If you were there you saw the Blackhawk Helicopter. Rick made up that activity just for AirCamp. Pictures of his helicopter, were even seen in Scouter's Magazine.

On behalf of Sycamore District, it is with great pleasure that we present the District Award of Merit to Rick Delaney.

Robert (Bob) Bagby

He was introduced to Scouting as a Cub Scout and a Boy Scout.

As an adult he began his Scouting service as an Advancement Chairman and Committee Member for Troop 78 in Elmhurst, Illinois, for three years before moving into the Blackhawk Area Council.

As the Scoutmaster of Troop 349, in Richmond, Illinois, he was the motivating force in keeping this Troop alive in some difficult times when this District was known as Kishwaukee District. He insured that his youth attended District and Council events as well as adhering to their own unit program of advancement, camping, year around community activities and service. He attended summer camp with his Troop, almost every year. He is a member of the Order of the Arrow. He has earned the Scouter's Training Award and has been an advocate in having adult leaders participate, and complete their adult leader training.

As a District Scouter this individual has been involved with many aspects of Sycamore District's Committees including Finance, Popcorn, Fund Raising, and Commissioner Service for which he has served for over thirty years and is currently serving in that position.

He, along with a few others, established the District's financial fund raising strategy, developing the then Kishwaukee District as the leader in the Council's efforts towards their financial goals for which he has served for over 25 years. Janice James fondly remembers this Scouter, "as a mentor to all who joined the finance committee. He is dedicated to Scouting, and he understands that the youth would not have a program without the financial backing from the Friends of Scouting. He has been a role model to all who have served on the Finance Committee."

For over 10 years, he led and conducted the annual popcorn fund raising event before the position was known as the "Popcorn Colonel." Tim Cox explained, "Do to his continuing leadership and involvement, our District increased sales every year." Mike McCleary describes this person as, "diligent and reliable. He led the way in our District's Phone Call Campaign, and Follow-up Campaigns for Friends of Scouting."

As a Scouter, this volunteer has given over 45 years of service to the Boy Scouts of America.

It is my privilege and honor, to introduce to you tonight . . . our next District Award of Merit recipient . . . let's give a warm reception to Robert (Bob) Bagby.