



The Trails and Travels of Troop 31



of Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania

1948-1998

BY
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To the memory of my grandfather, Charles Clyde, who started our family on the Scouting Trail,

To my father, Robert Charles, who picked up the Scouting Trail and led me to it,

To the memory of my Den Mother, Joan Leight, who guided and supported me as I began the Scouting Trail,

To the memory of the Scouts and Scouters of Troop 31 who are now travelling a heavenly trail,

And to my son, Timothy Alexander, who has picked up the Scouting Trail behind me,

I dedicate this book.

Special thanks to those whose assistance in researching our troop's history was invaluable, and to Cindi Coe for the final preparation of this book.



EARLY HISTORY

Troop 31 of Chadds Ford, as we know it, began fifty years ago this year. During my investigation and research of our troop's history, I found it interesting that several other units in Chester County Council bore the number "31" before us. The first of these units was Troop #3 of Coatesville. They met at the First Baptist Church of Coatesville from 1924 to 1929. Council records indicate that in 1929 the troop number was changed to "31". The second unit was Seascout Ship #31 of Paoli, which met at various locations from 1932 to 1940. The last unit was a Troop 31 of Chester Springs that met in the Saint Matthews church basement from 1944 to 1945. During their brief existence, some of their time was spent helping the war effort by selling war bonds, collecting tin cans and waste paper, and by doing various other war projects.

Our present Troop 31, originally known as "Troop 31 of Hamorton", started on May 31st, 1948, when the troop committee met for the first time in the living room of Mr. Allen E. Lawrence. The Chadds Ford P.T.O. served as our chartering organization from 1948 to 1969, at which time the Brandywine Lions Club became our new chartering organization and the Chadds Ford P.T.O. began sponsoring Cub Scout Pack 31.

For the first six years the troop met at the home of committee member Judge Harold K. Wood during the winter, and at the home of committee member Donald Tulloch Jr. during the summer (now the home of former Scoutmaster Bob Sauders). In 1954, having grown in size, the troop began meeting at the Brandywine Baptist Church and has moved several times since then.

As a fledgling unit, our troop's program included neighborhood hikes, local campouts, and various B.S.A.-run events such as first aid meets, scouting expositions, district and council camporees and National Jamborees.

The original Troop 31 roster in 1948 consisted of the following adults and youth:

<u>Adults:</u>	Chartered Organization	
	Representative:	J. Carl Empie
	Committee Chairman:	Gordon K. Danielson
	Scoutmaster:	Wilmer L. Mitchell
	Committee Members:	Harold I. Woodward, Harold K. Wood J. Marshall Aaron, Allen E. Lawrence Donald Tulloch, Jr., Paul G. Miller Reverend John A. Molletti

Youths: John Aaron, Clarence Clanton, William Damico, Bruce L. Danielson, Warren Eachus, Russell Hands, Walter E. Messersmith, Harry Pawlowski, Jr., Fritz Petroll, Jr., John R. Russo, James Talley, Jr., Paul Talley, Thomas Talley, William Talley, Donald Tulloch, 3rd, William Tulloch, Joseph Vaikasas

CANOEING



Troop 31 first began taking to water by way of canoe somewhere around the mid-1960's and we have been going downstream ever since. Under the guidance of the late George Bagnall, former Scoutmaster, and with the help of Bob Saunders, Dick Voytilla and the rest of Troop 31, money was raised for the purchase of canoes and the other equipment necessary to have a canoeing program.

The Brandywine River has been a mainstay in our canoeing program and has been well travelled by us over the years. Father and son trips, overnights, and more recently, our new spring scout canoeing/camping trips, ever remind us of the "Brandywine Heritage" we claim and this wonderful resource at our doorsteps. Those who have done the Brandywine will most likely remember portages at the Wyeths and at old Lenape Park, the chute at the Brandywine River Museum and an occasional capsizing here or there.

A canoeing highlight in the past has been a seven day canoe trip on the upper reaches of the Delaware River. This trip began with a lengthy drive to near Hancock, New York, where we would put in. During those seven days we would enjoy wildlife and beautiful rock formations and shooting rapids of up to class 3, 4 and 5. We would often have fishing contests with points awarded for certain fish. We have landed bass, walleye, pike and shad. The winning scout would be recognized at the fall court of honor. Along the way we would pass the towns of Hankins, Callicoon, Narrowsburg and Pond Eddy. From time to time we would stop at one of these riverside towns, giving everyone a little break from canoeing and affording them the opportunity to restock such necessities as sodas, chips, and candy. Those who have been on this trip will no doubt fondly recall "the Shelf", "Skinners Falls", and games of "Harbor Patrol". Finally on day seven, as we round that last bend at Port Jervis, there is a twinge of sadness as we pull out, load up, and head for home.

In more recent years we have experienced other waterways. We have had high adventure canoe trips down the Susquehanna, Gaspe, La Verendrye and the Couloungue rivers, the last three taking us to Canada. We have travelled the waterways at Icedale, Assateague, the New Jersey Pine Barrens and the Tinicum Marsh. We have also done some whitewater rafting on the Lehigh Run and Youghigheny/Cheat Rivers and sailing on the Chesapeake Bay.

To provide a canoeing program such as ours is by far not an easy task. The necessary planning and securing of permission from land owners itself takes a great deal of effort and energy. We currently have a fleet of 20 canoes and a trailer plus paddles and P.F.D.'s (personal flotation devices) that require maintenance, replacement and repair periodically. We support ourselves additionally by renting our canoes out to other scout groups or canoeing enthusiasts.

Training is also an important part of our canoeing program. In order to have a safe and enjoyable time, the scouts and fathers need to be adequately prepared. We have basic canoe training for local trips down the Brandywine and for the high adventure type trips we have an age requirement and require certain merit badges such as canoeing, first aid, and swimming for participation. In the past this instruction has been given at Oscar Burns' pond off of Route 1 and elsewhere with instructors such as George Bagnall and Rick Norwood.

SUMMER CAMP AT HORSESHOE SCOUT RESERVATION



Right from the very start, our troop has enjoyed summer camp at Horseshoe Scout Reservation near Rising Sun, Maryland. Formerly a farm, the camp was founded in 1927. It was so named because it rests within a horseshoe-shaped bend in the Octoraro River. The camp itself is split by the Mason-Dixon Line, which separates Pennsylvania and Maryland. An original three mile marker is located up a short path in the woods to the right of the archery range and is protected from vandalism by being enclosed in an iron cage.

During our early years, it was not uncommon for us to spend two weeks at camp. Over the years we have stayed at various campsites such as Davey Crockett, Boonesboro and Kit Carson, but eventually settled into Sherwood Forest. Sherwood Forest has become our traditional campsite at Horseshoe and is occupied by us the first week in August each year.

The boys that attend camp are afforded the opportunity to participate in such activities as swimming, canoeing, archery, and rifle shooting. There are also numerous inter-troop competitions during the week. Some examples of these are the Paul Bunyan field day, Water Carnival, and Turtle Derbies (now a Toad Hop for environmental reasons). As a unit we have had only a fair amount of success in these competitions, but have had a great time none the less. Of all the competitions at camp there is one that stands above the rest, the marching competition. Each evening at retreat, the troops march on and off of the parade and are judged on their marching skills and appearance. After the evening meal the winning unit is named and given the opportunity to place their

unit number and hash mark on that year's trophy in a decorative manner. For a number of years we have been less than successful in this area. There is reference in the troop committee minutes to our unit winning three times during our week at camp in 1963; other than that there are no other records of our winning until 1991 when we won once, and 1992 when we won twice. Since then we have one at least once each summer and in 1994 Troop 31 won the trophy twice. Now you can actually see the retreat ceremony as it happens by looking on the Octoraro 22 webpage (www.octoraro.org). Virtual Marching!

Aside from just having a good time, the scouts are able to complete a variety of merit badges at camp which are valuable for rank advancement. The boys, provided with the materials, information and time to start and complete a number of merit badges, get a good deal of work done toward their next rank during the week. There are numerous awards available for individuals, patrols and troops. For individuals there are Order of the Arrow elections, Silver Buckle award, the Mile Swim award, Special Interest Programs, along with Yellow, Red, and Blue Trail and Polar Bear segments. For patrols, there is the 100% Patrol and Standard Patrol awards and for troops there is the Clean Camp award and Standard Troop award. With all these great opportunities, is it any wonder that Camp Horseshoe has become such an important part of our yearly program?

It takes a dedicated staff of scouts and scouters to provide such a splendid summer camping program and to Troop 31's credit we have had several troop members such as Barry Strohl, David Franz, Andrew Coe, and Alex McCausland on camp staff over the years.

THE FIRST SWITZERLAND TRIP



A major highlight in our troop's history was our 1980 Switzerland trip. Sixteen scouts, eight adults, and three Swiss citizens experienced an international event few could soon forget. A major force in making this event a reality was former Troop 31 leader Mario Gehring. Mario, a Swiss citizen and employee of the Hercules Corporation, moved to the United States with his family and lived in this area for several years. Mario and his son Matt, a Troop 31 Eagle Scout, were very active in our unit and added a great deal to our troop. Among his other fine attributes, many a scout and adult will remember Mario for his sparkling personality, gourmet cooking, inventive and exciting games, and distinctive Autobahn driving style.

A great deal of time and energy were necessary to put this trip together. Former Assistant Scoutmaster Paul Travers coordinated the trip from the United States side while arrangements were made in Switzerland by Mario Gehring. Aside from all the preparations made by these two gentlemen, there was a great deal of work to be done by

the participants. They received instructions on Swiss culture, native language, money, glacier hiking and mountain first aid, and were required to pass the "Swiss test". Arrangements were made to have a notary public and photographer at our troop meeting for passport preparations. The Scouts also had to have physicals for the trip. The boys also had to be First Class, earn Hiking, First Aid, Citizenship in the Nation and World merit badges, meet participation standards for troop meetings and outings, earn a portion of the cost personally and live up to the Scout Oath and Law.

As one can imagine, a trip such as this would be rather expensive. The cost per individual was just under \$1,000. In order to raise the necessary funds, our troop engaged in a rather different fund raiser, selling fertilizer. Arrangements were made with Agway of West Chester to acquire the fertilizer which we then sold. Various types of fertilizers were available at a fair price. The money a scout earned from his sales went towards his trip costs. In addition to all the money raised by the scouts, the Gehring family made several donations to be used for scouts needing extra assistance. We also applied for and were granted a National tour permit. It was approved by Ben Love, the former chief scout executive, who at that time was the regional director. Finally they were ready to go.

On June 26 they boarded a bus in Chadds Ford which took them to John F. Kennedy airport. There they boarded a Swissair flight to Geneva, landing on June 27th. During the next 21 days the participants engaged in many fun and interesting activities. They visited a chocolate factory, alpine cheesery and locomotive repair shop. They also enjoyed fishing, overnight glacier hiking, railway sightseeing tours and participating in conservation projects at Kandersteg Internationale Scout Centre. They took some time and visited the Gehrings cabin in Grengols and at one point even had a "snowball fight" on the Fourth of July.

During their visit, the participants stayed at several places such as Kandersteg Internationale Scout Centre, the Youth Hostel Lucerne and the Youth Hostel Zurich. Their travels through Switzerland brought them to such towns and cities as Thun, Goppenstein, Spiez, Lausanne, Bern, Zurich, Geneva and Lucerne. At Kandersteg, Troop 31 scouts had the opportunity to meet and interact with Boy Scouts from the 74th Belfast Scout Group of Northern Ireland and Matthew Gehring's own Troop 130 of Switzerland.

An important highlight of this trip was Matthew Gehring's Eagle Scout Court of Honor at Kandersteg. Matt completed his requirements for Eagle before returning to Switzerland. This is the only Troop 31 Eagle Scout Court of Honor held outside the United States. This and all the other experiences in Switzerland made the trip a huge success. The overall opinion of those participating was that no one wanted to come home and everyone wanted to go back.

Along with the Gehring family, those who participated on this trip were:

ADULTS

Raymond Carden
Frank Edwards
Mel Johnson

SCOUTS

Ray Carden
Kyle Cornwell
Tom Crosley

John Priest
Peter Schiller
Corey Stricklin

John Priest	Mark Giuliucci	Barry Strohl
Ed Swain	Drew Johnson	Ed Swain
Peter Witt	David Nice	Paul Travers
Mary Giuliucci	Mike Nikolich	Greg Travers
Barbara Giuliucci	Todd Pollert	Paul Witt

THE SECOND SWITZERLAND TRIP



The trip to Switzerland in July of 1995 was the highlight of scouting experiences for many of those that attended. Those involved were able to hike from hutte to hutte enjoying the landscape and mountains that makes Switzerland famous. Scouts in attendance included: James Mathews, Jeff Drobish, Sam Littlefield, Zack Littlefield, Mark Holveck, Eric Swayze, Jason Smith, and David Lorah. Parents responsible for the functioning of the trip included: Mr. Mathews, Mrs. Mathews, Mrs. Littlefield, Mrs. Lorah, and Mr. Lorah.

The trip started with a flight from Philadelphia to London, then continuing onto Zurich. We then boarded a train bound for Grindelwald where we spent a night in a youth hostel. Grindelwald is conveniently located nearby the Eiger, the Monch, and the Jungfrau. From Grindelwald we traveled to Murren where the hiking portion of the trip began with a rigorous day over the challenging Sefinfurke Pass for a night of relaxation in Griesalp. Unfortunately a few members of the trip were so taken by the scenery they failed to pace themselves the first day and found themselves arriving well after dark. This meant they missed hiking the next day which offered the most spectacular views from the hutte at Blumlisalp. After a spectacular sunset and stay at the Blumlisalp hutte the hikers continued down to stay at the Kandersteg International Scout Camp for three days. Activities at Kandersteg included mountain biking and a day hike on a nearby glacier. From Kandersteg we took a train to Zermatt where we spent the night and prepared for the next few days of hiking.

In the Zermatt region we spent three nights, one in Zermatt, one near the Matterhorn, and one at the hotel from which the climbers of the Matterhorn leave. We left the splendor of Zermatt to tour the area around Lake Thun and prepare for our train ride to Bern, the capital, then on to Amsterdam.

Once in Amsterdam the scouts were given free reign to tour as long as certain regulations and curfews were met. Group activities included a tour of the Maritime Museum and a visit to the Anne Frank House. The trip ended leaving for Heathrow Airport to connect to Philadelphia.

CAMPING



As in most units, camping has played an important role in our program. In the early years we camped at the home of Howard Smith on Brintons Bridge Road, having several outings there from 1954 to 1957. We also spent weekends camping at the Wyeths and our senior scouts enjoyed a weekend at committee member Roy Burnett's hunting cabin near Huntington.

As our unit grew, the desire to expand and improve our camping program has found us exploring new and exciting places. Over the years we have camped at numerous places such as Icedale, Lums Pond, Assateague, Hibernia Park, Bull Run in Virginia, Gettysburg Park, French Creek, Nottingham Park, Lake Placid in New York, the C&O Canal, and the New Jersey Pine Barrens. These are but a few of the trips we have taken.

WINTER CAMPING



Our camping experiences over the years have also included winter outings to many scout camps. We have braved the cold and snow at Camps Horseshoe, Rodney, Resica Falls and Hawk Mountain and Seven Mountains Scout Reservations. The programs on these outings generally stressed cold weather camping and survival in winter. For instance, we have had inter-patrol survival shelter building contests at Rodney and programs on fire building and animal trapping at Horseshoe. I recall one outing at Horseshoe where the old camp road was snowed in and we resorted to sleds to get into camp. Many times it is the small unexpected glitches in the activity that provide the most memorable and educational experiences.

TRAIL HIKING & BACKPACKING



Many years before we had planes, trains and automobiles, a person would only get to where they were going on foot or by the use of a horse or ox; in Troop 31 we feel that it is still important for a youth to be able to travel by foot successfully using map, compass and written directions.

In the beginning, Troop 31 scouts tested their mettle with local patrol and troop hikes and an occasional night hike. Since then we have also combined camping and hiking while backpacking along the Horseshoe, Appalachian, Mid State, Black Forest and Susquehannock trails.

Education, fun and recognition are all part of the historic trails found across the nation. We as a unit have participated in the Valley Forge, Mannassas, Gettysburg and Brandywine trails, learning the local history of each and being recognized with medals or patches.

In 1967 a local historic trail was dedicated, the Brandywine trail. It holds special meaning to our unit since we established it!! The first part of this trail was a trip by auto from Kennett Square to Chadds Ford with stops at the site of the old Kennett Friends Meeting House and the site of the first skirmishes of the Battle of the Brandywine, Welch's Tavern. There were stops in the Kennett area near the Kennett School where the British army camped the night prior to the battle and at the sites of the Shippen House and Unicorn Tavern where the British generals were headquartered. The last point by motorcade was the hill behind Chadds Ford Elementary School where British artillery bombarded the American position.

The second part of the trail was a foot trail from "Camp Sanderson" following the course of the American advance to Birmingham Friends Meeting House.

Camp Sanderson, where those participating in the hike would camp overnight, was developed by our unit with the help of retired Rear Admiral Delmar S. Fahrney. It was located on the banks of Brinton Run, where "Roundelay" the admiral's estate is located. Troop 24 of Kennett Square assisted us in preparing the camp. The camp was named in memory of Christian Carmac Sanderson, a friend of Troop 31 and well known local historian, who had passed away the previous year. Chris had travelled the trails and roads of the battlefield many times, either alone or as a guide to interested tourists.

At a dedication ceremony held at the Birmingham Friends Meeting House, one of the battlefield shrines, the first Brandywine Trail medals were presented. The first recipients were Troop 31 members Chip Aquadro, Robin Mickel, Mark Ralston, George Saunders, Joseph Voytilla and Kurt Wolter. The medals were presented by retired Rear Admiral Fahrney and witnessed by Ray Schlaantine, past president of Chester County

Council, B.S.A. The medals, which were struck by the Chester County Council, were also presented in other ceremonies to members of Troop 24 of Kennett Square and Troop 22 of Unionville, two of the first units to take the hike.

Troop 31 served as the host troop for the trail, occasionally hiking the trail, performing maintenance of the trail and camp and providing information and assistance to units taking the trail. At some point prior to the mid-1970's, Camp Sanderson's use was discontinued and in the early 1980's the trail itself was discontinued because of residential growth and disruption of the trail.

MILITARY INSTALLATIONS



A taste of the military has been experienced by our youth through our visits and tours of military bases in the area. We have been to Annapolis and West Point Military Academies, Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Willow Grove Naval Air Station, Dover Air Force Base and the Philadelphia Naval Yard. Over the years some of our alumni have made good use of their scouting experiences while in service to their country. Who knows, maybe their interest was sparked by one of our outings.

SPORTS



Sports have always competed with scouting for the attention of the boys. Our unit has addressed this by including in our program trips to watch professional sports teams such as the 76'ers and Phillies. We've even gone to an occasional indoor lacrosse game. We have had troop hockey and basketball games and have participated in District bowling tournaments. Our program also includes skiing excursions to places such as Jack Frost and Elk Mountains.

OTHER ACTIVITIES



Education and broadening our youths minds has been an aim of the troop and has been pursued through our visits to museums, nature centers and other places of interest. We have wandered the halls of the Smithsonian Institute in Washington and the Franklin Institute in Philadelphia. We have also visited the Franklin Mint, the Hagley Museum and the Delaware Museum of Natural History.

Our knowledge of nature has been greatly enhanced by our trips to the Ashland Nature Center, the Tyler Arboretum and to the Delaware Nature Center at the Brandywine Creek State Park. We have also communed with nature in the Cyprus Swamp in Delaware and Eastern Shore Maryland.

We have learned about nuclear power at the Limerick Atomic Power Plant, aviation at the Boeing-Vertol plant, the automotive industry at the General Motors assembly plant and the "Final Frontier" at Spitz Space Systems. We have been to the Pennsylvania Railroad Museum, Strasburg Railroad, New York City, and Hopewell Furnace. Our boys have had orienteering, archery and rifle shooting courses. The boys have seen the inside of Mother Earth while spelunking or caving. But in the end, all that is needed sometimes to have a great time is just a simple family picnic or a trip to the circus, as we have done in the past.

FUNDRAISERS



In order to financially support ourselves over the years, we have engaged in numerous fundraisers. In the early years we built and sold birdhouses at the Chadds Ford School Mayfair. Later we moved on to other items such as birdseed, light bulbs, cakes, candy, fertilizer and firewood. We also receive some income from renting out our canoes.

We have been additionally supported by our chartering organizations, the Chadds Ford P.T.O. and later our current sponsor, the Brandywine Lions Club. Over the years the Chadds Ford Historical Society and the Brandywine Conservancy have also supported

us. Help in the form of money, facilities, time and equipment has been given consistently to the troop over the years by leaders, scouts and friends of Troop 31. In fact, there has even been a building (without land) and an international ambulance donated to us, which we later sold.

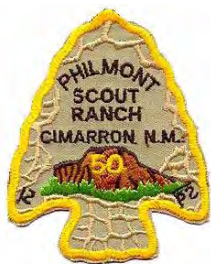
SERVICE PROJECTS

As much as our troop has been supported by others over the years, we have in turn served the community through various service projects. Two of our more traditional service projects have been serving cocoa for the Brandywine Lions Club “Christmas in the Meadow” and parking cars at “Chadds Ford Days”.

In the past, we have been very involved with the Chadds Ford School Mayfair and have served by parking cars, manning first aid booths, selling tickets, helping with clean-up and having a bridge building demonstration. In 1964, the troop planted 60 evergreen trees at Chadds Ford School. Other past service projects have been car parking for the St. Cornelius fair and at Andrew Wyeth day, cleaning up Route 1 and the Brandywine River, Christmas carolling and helping with the Goodwill Industries “Goodturn” clothing collection.

More recently we have been involved with such things as car parking for the Pumpkin Carving Contest and the Hillendale Talent Show, manning a first aid table at the Hillendale Bar-B-Que, having a display about Troop 31 at Mendenhall Day and participating in the Boy Scouts of America’s annual “Scouting for Food” program.

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES



Aside from the program provided by the unit, a great number of other activities are provided by the B.S.A. on a council and national level. On a district or council level, scouts can participate in Camporees, First Aid Meets, Klondike and Polar Derbies and Scout Fairs or Expo’s. At the national level, there are High Adventure bases such as Philmont Scout Ranch, Sommers Canoe Base, Northern Tier High Adventure Base and the Florida Sea Base. There are also National and World Jamborees that occur at

alternating four year intervals. At these, scouts are able to meet with other scouts from across the country and world during a program-filled extended camp experience. Troop 31 scouts have participated in many of these activities over the years and have had enriching experiences.

Another special opportunity is the religious emblems program. There are numerous programs designed for the different faiths. Upon acquiring the study packets, the boy engages in a personal study with his pastor or counselor which will help strengthen him in his faith. Each program has its own emblems of recognition which are usually presented in a church ceremony upon completion of the program. Although this is not a Boy Scouts of America program, the B.S.A. does provide an emblem, a silver square knot on a purple background, which is worn directly above the left pocket of the uniform shirt. A miniature device (pin) is worn in the center of the knot indicating at what level of scouting it was earned, Cub Scout, Webelos or Boy Scouts.

TROOP 31 MEMORABILIA



ORDER OF THE ARROW



The Order of the Arrow is a service organization whose purpose is to recognize scouts who best live up to the Scout Oath and Law and who, by their example, cause others to do likewise. Lodge members serve the lodge and their unit and together work to promote scout camping.

The Order of the Arrow was founded in 1915 by E. Urner Goodman at the Treasure Island Scout Camp of the Philadelphia Council. This became the first lodge, the Unami Lodge. The O.A. is a unique organization because candidates are elected the troop members who are not in O.A. The Order of the Arrow is not so much a recognition of

what you have done, but of what you are expected to do.

O.A. elections are held either in the unit or at summer camp. There is a quota of how many candidates may be elected depending on how many registered boys are in the unit. Candidates must meet age, rank and camping requirements to be eligible. Ballots are cast in secret by the non-member scout peers. The results of the election are not known until the candidate is “called out” in an impressive ceremony.

At this point the scout is only a candidate and not yet a member of the lodge. He must now return to the lodge on one of the scheduled weekends and undergo an “Ordeal”. At the conclusion, the successful candidate is inducted into the lodge as an Ordeal member in an impressive ceremony. The next level is Brotherhood member. After this, if a member continues to serve the Order and his unit unselfishly and distinguishes himself by his dedication to the principles of the order, he may be called out to become a Vigil member of the lodge. This is the highest honor a lodge can bestow on a member.

An adult leader may become a lodge member by being nominated by his unit and then being called out and undergoing the same ordeal as youth members. In our history we have had many distinguished individuals, both youth and adult, inducted into the Order of the Arrow. Some of these people have gone on to seal their Brotherhood in the lodge, but only one member has ever received the Vigil Honor. Mr. Robert C. Hinderliter, Scoutmaster of Troop 31 from 1976-1978, was bestowed this award in 1997. Andrew R. Coe just became a Vigil Honor Candidate in 1998.

DISTINGUISHED **ALUMNI AND FRIENDS OF TROOP 31**

Several former troop members who have distinguished themselves are: the Honorable Judge Lawrence Wood, troop member 1949-50, who is the President Judge of the Chester County Courthouse; George Asimos, troop member 1975-77 and now an Assistant Scoutmaster, a Pennsbury Township Supervisor; and John Aaron, troop member 1948-50, who accompanied Admiral Byrd on his Antarctica trip. A distinguished friend of Troop 31 was Christian Sanderson, who visited us at the 1957 Jamboree and attended an overnight trip to Gettysburg with us.

AN EAGLE SCOUT

As a fledgling you joined our troop,
Young, Eager and Full of Wonder.
Your parents, leaders and fellow scouts
took you under their wings.

With their help you began to grow,
to learn, and to expand your world.

As the years have flown by you have experienced many things as your feathers have grown in.

Now, after much testing of your young wings, with your parents, leaders and fellow scouts as witness, you spread your wings as your Eagle Badge is presented, and take to the heavens, soaring high and free.

- Robert S. Hinderliter, 1992 -

TROOP 31 EAGLE SCOUTS



John K. Gottschall	1963
Frederick J. Wolter, Jr.	1964
Robert A. Mickel	1967
Mark R. Ralston	1968
David F. Johns	1971
John L. Hall	1971
William E. Johns	1973
Drew Allinson	1973
John T. Barrington	1976
Corey S. Stricklin	1978
Mark Giuliucci	1978
Matthew M. Gehring	1979
Barry A. Strohl	1980
David M. Witcher	1981
Gregory Travers	1983
Drew B. Johnson	1984
Douglas M. Linneman	1984
Bruce R. Overman	1984
Scott A. McKelvey	1984
John N. Becker	1985
James "Hunter" Ware	1986
David James Lund	1987
J. Scott Carlson	1987

Richard H. Norwood	1988
Laird McCausland	1988
Scott M. Normansell	1988
James E. Shipley, Jr.	1989
Paul St. John Stephen	1989
Vincent J. Cacciatore	1989
Andrew V. Samuelson	1990
David G. Franz	1990
Colin M. Meaney	1990
Steven D. Williams	1990
Craig A. McKelvey	1991
Warren E. Sponsler, Jr.	1991
Matthew Brawner	1992
Erik S. Johnston	1992
Mark D. Johnston	1992
Eric G. Amhaus	1993
John E. Bassett	1994
Jason R. Smith	1994
Eric A. Swayze	1995
Michael Todd	1995
Andrew R. Coe	1996
Andrew Batchelet	1996
Christopher Lee	1997
James Matthews	1997
Alexander McCausland	1997
Robert Seiberlich	1997
Brian Majors	1998
David Lorah	1998

LIFE, STAR AND FIRST CLASS SCOUTS

There is no doubt that attaining the rank of Eagle Scout is a prestigious and extremely noteworthy accomplishment. It is the highest honor a scout can receive and is evidence of his hard work and dedication.

Along the way, a scout must first earn First Class, Star and Life, which also involve a great deal of work and dedication. This is evident by the fact that of the 636 scouts Troop 31 has served, only one third advanced to First Class or above. I therefore feel it appropriate to list those who have attained the ranks of Life, Star and First Class.

These rosters only name former members who have achieved these ranks. Current Troop 31 scouts are listed on the "Current Troop 31 Roster", with their present ranks indicated.

LIFE SCOUTS

William Gordon	54-58
Larry Amery	54-56
Larry Burnett	58-61
*Robert Butler	61-65
Craig Bosner	61-61
Chris Bagnall	62-67
George Saunders	63-68
Charles Aquadro	65-71
Curt Bagnall	66-71
Edward Neel	69-74
David Aquadro	69-77
Robert King	69-74
Philip Aquadro	71-78
Jim Mantell	71-78
Keith Reynolds	72-75
John Shalvey	75-80
George Asimos	75-77
John Kurowski	75-79
Paul Travers	76-80
Robert S. Hinderliter	76-80
Kyle Cornwell	77-82
Edward Ashby	77-84
Mike Nikolich	78-83
Thomas Crosley	79-84
Robert Ashby	79-84
Raymond Carden	78-84
Robert Collins 4 th	81-84
Joseph Devries	81-87
Sean Hoover	81-87
Chris Volcheck	81-86
Timothy Tobin	83-85
Bruce Bell	85-86
Will Williams	85-87
Sean Normansell	85-92
David K. Ware	85-92
Brian Barber	85-92
Neel Master	90-97
Christopher Desirey	90-97
Christopher Mobley	91-96

* deceased

STAR SCOUTS

Robert Lawrence	49-54
Stanley Wardle	54-58
George Steele	56-59
Robert Voigtsberger	56-60
Walter Lenk	58-62
Rodney Arment	59-62
*Brett Darrel	62-67
Curt Wolter	64-69
Richard Hinterleiter	65-71
Robert Saunders	66-70
David Ralston	66-71
Reid Nurenberg	68-70
David Clark	68-74
Shipleigh Allinson	69-74
Alan Piper	69-70
David Swanson	70-73
Robert Dando	71-77
Edward VanHoorebeke	74-77
Peter Schiller	77-82
Edward Swain	78-82
Paul Swarbrick	80-81
William Crosley	81-85
Robbie Gardner	82-87
Perry Mahaffy	83-86
Brad Nield	83-86
David Devilbiss	84-88
Paul McCluskey	85-86
Robert Morson 2 nd	85-85
Benjamin Schneider	86-91
Brendan Kirk	88-88
Steven Miltenberger	88-88
Eric Soash	88-88
Morgan Stewart	88-88
Kristopher Wall	88-88
Charles Metz	88-91
Jeffrey Miller	90-94
Bayen Miller	91-96
Jason Desirey	93-97

FIRST CLASS SCOUTS

Fritz Petroll	48-50	Arthur Swanson	64-66
John Aaron	48-50	Mark R. Reynolds	66-68
William Tulloch	48-50	John Mickel	66-71
John Empie	49-50	Thomas Less	67-72
Harold Wood	50-51	Arthur Voter	68-68
Buddy Janney	50-52	Andrew Yorke	69-
Lane Garrett	51-54	70	
Donald Blow	51-54	Joseph Boyle	69-75
William Wood	51-54	Craig Pikaard	70-71
David Jones	53-56	Tom Stack	70-74
Robert Misetic	53-56	Steven Kipp	72-77
Alfred Webber	53-56	Paul Turek	74-78
Clifford Wardle	53-56	Kevin Fluharty	75-77
James Deese	55-59	David Asimos	75-77
William Misetic	55-58	Bill Erickson	75-78
John Morrell	56-58	Ken Dawson	76-80
Clifford Hinman	56-58	Todd Pollert	78-82
Fred Heess	59-61	John Priest	78-81
Richard Goebel	59-63	J. K. Sanderson	80-82
William Lattomus	59-62	David Petke	81-83
Harold Morris	59-61	R. Scott Daily	82-82
Mark Reynolds	60-61	Peter Butkiewicz	82-85
Charles Armstrong	60-62	Andrew Froy	83-85
Mark Mackey	60-62	James Burnett	84-86
Vaughn Green	60-62	James Hoover	84-86
Donald Denenno	60-63	Karl Fischer	85-87
Blair McClune	60-62	John Taylor	85-85
Roy Green	61-65	Kevin Baggett	85-85
Michael Gomez	61-65	Gregory Schuck	85-88
Ronald Gomez	61-62	Chip Naylor	85-88
John Armitage	62-65	J. Matthew Wick	85-89
Gary Fowler	62-64	Edward Yurkovich 3 rd	85-88
Chris Enos	62-63	James Arthur	87-92
Jay Seiler	62-65	Scott Wardell	88-92
Peter Ralston	62-65	Andrew Walsh	88-92
John Marshall	63-67	Thomas Lerou	88-93
Eugene Borrer	63-65	Eric Naylor	89-92
Herb Brown	63-66	John Poole	89-92
Charles Folks	63-64	Thomas McDowell	90-94
Joseph Voytilla	64-67	Mark Holveck	90-93
Peter Truitt	64-67	Jonathan Boor	91-93

Note: The information contained in these lists of Life, Star and First Class Scouts was derived from troop charter rosters and is correct to the best of my knowledge.

THE MELVERN P. DANDO MEMORIAL AWARD

The “Dando Award”, as it is commonly called, was established in 1977 in remembrance of a father who showed the parental support so necessary in creating a meaningful scouting program.

Mel worked with his son Robert, supporting, assisting, and encouraging his advancement. Mel also enjoyed troop outings, supporting and encouraging all the scouts and assisting them with their scouting skills. Additionally, he provided transportation to activities whenever possible, placing his van with trailer hitch at the troop’s disposal.

Mel was also involved with his daughter Kande’s Girl Scout program, taking them on trips to the archery range and serving as a badge instructor. Both the Boy Scout and Girl Scout programs fit in well with the Dando family, who immensely enjoyed family canoeing and camping trips.

Mel was born in 1922 and was “taken home” in 1976. He is survived by his wife, Betty, sons Vern and Robert and his daughter Kande.

This award is given annually to the first year scout who best exemplifies the characteristics that mark a true Scout: Participation, Advancement and Character.

“DANDO AWARD” RECIPIENTS

Robert S. Hinderliter	1977
Matthew M. Gehring	1978
Drew B. Johnson	1979
Thomas A. Crosley	1980
William Crosley	1981
Perry Mahaffy	1983
James C. Hoover	1984
David G. Franz	1984
Jeremy D. Masseth	1985
Matthew Brawner	1986
Bradley K. Aldrich	1988
Scott E. Wardell	1988
Andrew J. Walsh	1989
Jason R. Smith	1989
John E. Bassett	1989
Nicholas E. Berg	1990
Andrew R. Coe	1991
Michael Mobley	1992

George Murphy	1993
Brian Majors	1994
Steven Wittig	1995
A. J. Dulik	1997

Note: No “Dando Awards” were presented in 1982 and 1987.

THE GEORGE F. BAGNALL MEMORIAL AWARD

The “Bagnall Award” was established in 1984 in remembrance of a Scoutmaster who displayed character and leadership; he has had a lasting influence on the lives of many young men.

George was affectionately known as “Bim”, a nickname which came with him from Michigan where he once lived. The meaning behind the nickname is not known, but may have been a family nickname.

George was associated with Troop 31 from 1963 until 1982. He served over the years as Committee member, Committee Chairman, Assistant Scoutmaster and Scoutmaster. He was also a Brotherhood member of Octoraro Lodge 22, Order of the Arrow.

Among his other duties, George helped arrange and conduct troop fundraisers at local horse shows, car parking for the first “Chadd Ford Days” and the maintenance and upkeep of Camp Sanderson and the Brandywine trail.

George was instrumental in transforming our troop from being “Landlubbers” to “Rivermen”. He, along with Bob Saunders and Dick Voytilla, worked together to bring this about. Under his guidance, the troop acquired canoes and began regular water outings which were highlighted by an annual week-long whitewater trip down the upper reaches of the Delaware River. Along with his various other talents, George was said to be a fantastic cook. One person stated that on the Delaware River trip, that “Every meal was a Banquet!!” To help prepare for the Delaware trip, George also served as the canoeing merit badge instructor for the troop.

Born in 1926, George was called home in 1983, joining his wife Patricia, who had passed away in 1980. George and Patricia are survived by their two sons, Chris and Curt, and their daughter Beth.

This award is given annually to a scout who by words and deeds best exemplifies the spirit of the Scout Oath and Scout Law through his leadership in everyday life and service to others.

BAGNALL AWARD RECIPIENTS

Drew B. Johnson	1984
James “Hunter” Ware	1985
Scott A. McKelvey	1986
David James Lund	1988

David G. Franz	1989
James E. Shipley, Jr.	1989
Scott M. Normansell	1989
Craig A. McKelvey	1990
David K. Ware	1991
Erik S. Johnston	1992
Andrew R. Coe	1993
Eric A. Swayze	1994
George Murphy	1995
Scott Kempf	1996
Michael Mobley	1996
Brian Majors	1997

Note: No award was given in 1987.

CAMP HORSESHOE'S SILVER BUCKLE AWARD

In the early 1950's, Louis Lester, then the Council Scout Executive and Camp Director, and Sid Bell, the Program Director at Horseshoe, established the "Camp Horseshoe Silver Buckle Award". This award was established to honor a scout in each camp unit that best lives up to the Scout Oath and Law and who by words and deeds distinguishes himself as an exceptional scout while at camp. Each scout casts a ballot for the troop member they feel best qualifies. The recipient is not known until the Saturday night campfire when the Silver Buckle Awards are presented. Not all recipients of this award are known since Council and Camp Horseshoe do not keep records of this.

Known recipients are:

Chris Bagnall	----	Vince Cacciatore	1987
Curt Bagnall	----	Steven Williams	1988
Mark Giuliucci	----	David Ware	1990
Rob King	----	Matthew Brawner	1991
Chip Aquadro	----	Mark Johnston	1992
Rick Hinterleiter	----	Michael Todd	1993
Robert S. Hinderliter	1979	Andrew Batchelet	1994
Drew Johnson	----	Robert Seiberlich	1995
James "Hunter" Ware	1984	Michael Mobley	1996
Will Williams	1985	Steven Wittig	1997
Scott McKelvery	1986		

DISTRICT AWARD OF MERIT

This award is given for outstanding contributions to the local district-Lenni Lenape. Past recipients are: 1999 A. Raymond Coe 2006 James Bratcher

AND SILVER BEAVER AWARD

These awards are the highest honors that may be bestowed to an individual on the district and council levels. These awards are in recognition of outstanding service to youth on a district and/or council level. Only two individuals in the fifty year history of Troop 31 have been recognized with either of these awards- Mr. Allen E. Lawrence and Dr. Drew McCausland.

Allen's association with Troop 31 began on May 31st, 1948, at the troop's first Committee meeting and continued through to 1963. During his time with our troop, he served as Committee member, Committee Chairman, Chartering Organization Representative and Scoutmaster.

His service to his troop, the Lenni Lenape District and the Chester County Council was recognized in 1956 when he was presented the District Award of Merit and in 1962 when he was presented the Silver Beaver Award.

In 1979, Allen celebrated our unit's 30th anniversary with us. He presented a narrated slide show of the troop's first 15 years which is now part of the troop archives. Allen's years of service are demonstrative of his firm commitment and belief in the Scouting program.

Dr. McCausland was a Scoutmaster for two years with Troop 31 (91-92) and became a member of the Council Executive Board in 1990. He served as Vice President of Program for 5 years. Dr. McCausland was presented with the Silver Beaver Award in 1996.

He has served on the medical staff at National Jamborees, has been a Philmont Trek Leader, served on Wood Badge staffs, and has been the council's camp physician for the past ten years where he has donated both time and medical supplies for the camp. Because of this, the health lodge facilities have been rated as excellent by regional camp inspectors.

EXTRAORDINARY SERVICE AWARD

In 1983, the Chester County Council established the "Extraordinary Service

Award”, enabling units to pay tribute to their most deserving leaders. This award is given for service over and above the call of duty and can be presented to any adult leader. Since the award’s inception, Troop 31 has honored six leaders who have given “Extraordinary Service” to our unit. These individuals are:

David S. Schiller	1984
Richard Norwood	1986
George W. Franz	1988
James H. Ware	1989
Vaughn Samuelson	1993
Paul Kempf	1996

DISTINGUISHED LEADER CERTIFICATES

In February 1992, the Lenni-Lenape District held their first annual “Distinguished Leader” reception. This reception was designed to give units a means to publicly recognize leaders whom they feel have rendered “Distinguished Service” to the Pack, Troop or Explorer Post. The honorees are presented with a certificate from the district. District Awards of Merit and Training Awards are also presented. Those recognized by Troop 31 in 1992 were:

A. Raymond Coe	Asst. Scoutmaster
William Wardell	Asst. Scoutmaster

SCOUTMASTER AWARD OF MERIT

Award Requirements:

Tenure:

- Serve as Scoutmaster for at least 18 months

Training:

- Complete Boy Scout Leader Fast Start
- Complete Scoutmastership Fundamentals

Performance:

- Be a currently registered Scoutmaster
- Achieve the Quality Unit Award at least once during period of service
- Have a record of proper use of the Boy Scout advancement program, resulting in a majority of troop Boy Scouts attaining the First Class rank
- Have a record of:
 - Development of boy leadership through the patrol method
 - Positive relations with the troop's chartered organization
 - An extensive outdoor program including strong summer camp attendance
 - A positive image of Scouting in the community
 - A troop operation that attracts and retains Boy Scouts

This award was earned by: 1995 Michael Mobley

WOODBADGE TRAINING

“Woodbadge” is an advanced Boy Scout leader training course designed for Scoutmasters and leaders working directly with the Boy Scout troop program. The first portion of this two part course can be taken over three weekends or during a full week session, and is an outdoor program based on the “Patrol Method” and skill development. The second part, the “Ticket”, is a written plan of how the individual will apply the skills and knowledge gained in part one of the course. The goals must be first approved by an advisor. Once the goals of the “Ticket” have been achieved, the Scouter is presented with his/her Beads, Woggle (neckerchief slide) and Tartan (neckerchief). Those Troop 31 leaders who have completed this course are:

David S. Schiller
Drew McCausland
George W. Franz
Richard Norwood
A. Raymond Coe
Michael J. Mobley
Robert S. Hinderliter

TROOP 31 MEETING PLACES

Home of Donald H. Tulloch (summer)	1948-1954
Home of Harold K. Wood (winter)	1948-1954
Brandywine Baptist Church	1954-1957
Birmingham Township Building	1957-1960
Chadds Ford Elementary School	1960-1989
Hillendale Elementary School	1989-

THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED OUR YOUTH

SCOUTMASTERS

Wilmer L. Mitchell	1948-1949
Kenneth A. Blow	1949-1954
Allen E. Lawrence	1954-1957
Charles E. Voigtsberger	1957-1960
Harold F. Green	1960-1964
Robert H. Saunders	1964-1971
*George F. Bagnall	1971-1976
Robert C. Hinderliter	1976-1978
Melvin H. Johnson	1978-1982
Mario J. Gehring	1978-1982
James R. Hoover	1982-1985
Clive Gardner	1985-1986
Charles Schneider	1986-1987
Kenneth N. McKelvey	1987-1989
Edward J. Bassett	1989-1991
Drew McCausland	1991-1992
Michael J. Mobley	1992-1999
A. Raymond Coe	1999-

ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTERS

Walter Craig, Jr.	49-56	Robin Mickel	69-73
Robert A. Lawrence	55-57	Mark Ralston	69-
Philip A. Webber	55-57	75	
Harold F. Green	59-60	John W. Williams	69-71
Fred A. Heess	59-62	Henry R. Kacprzycki	71-72
Joseph A. Sykes	60-61	Edward M. Neel	71-75
Robert C. Butler	62-65	Steven Springer	74-75
Robert C. Hinderliter	63-65	Jack Barrington	75-79
*Ray R. Hinterleiter	63-67	David Clark	75-76
Robert H. Saunders	63-64	Thomas H. Less	75-76
Joseph H. Ennis	64-67	Robert W. Shalvey	76-79
Harold F. Green	64-66	Mario J. Gehring	77-82
*George F. Bagnall	66-71	David S. Schiller	77-92
*Ray R. Hinterleiter	69-76	Frank G. Edwards, Sr.	78-79

Robert C. Hinderliter	78-80	John Seiberlich	91-92
Frank Maurer	78-79	William Wardell	91-92
Paul Travers	78-84	Robert S. Hinderliter	92-95
C. E. Ashby, Jr.	80-84	George Murphy	92-01
Melvin H. Johnson	82-85	Drew McCausland	92-93
James R. Hoover	85-88	Jay King	94-02
George W. Franz	86-92	Paul Kempf	94-01
Drew McCausland	86-89	Gerald Johnston	94-02
Kenneth N. McKelvey	86-87	Michael Phelan	94-96
Frank H. Naylor	86-90	George Asimos	94-96
Donald C. Aldrich	88-92	Eric Swayze	95-97
Roger W. Arthur	88-92	Michael Todd	95-96
Edward J. Bassett	88-89	David Franz	95-98
Warren E. Sponsler	88-92	Mark Dulik	96-
A. Raymond Coe	91-99	Andrew Coe	96-
Michael J. Mobley	91-92	William Syska	97-98

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Gordon K. Danielson	1948-1949
J. C. Empie	1949-1950
Maurice L. Ward	1950-1951
Allen E. Lawrence	1951-1953
William M. Heyburn	1953-1954
Harold H. Wurth	1954-1956
William R. Gordon	1956-1958
John C. Thompson	1958-1959
Frederick J. Wolter	1959-1961
Robert C. Butler	1961-1962
Richard R. Gomez	1962-1963
Joseph H. Ennis	1963-1964
*George F. Bagnall	1964-1966
Allen W. Mickel	1966-1967
*Ray R. Hinterleiter	1967-1969
Thomas H. Less	1969-1971
W. Joseph Fluharty	1971-1977
Joseph Giuliucci	1977-1982
Raymond Carden	1982-1983
James H. Ware	1983-1991
Bruce Swayze	1991-1997
Roger Arthur	1997-

* deceased

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

John Marshall Aaron	48-53	Richard R. Gomez	63-64
Allen E. Lawrence	48-51	Allen W. Mickel	64-66
Paul G. Miller	48-49	Robert C. Butler	65-66
Rev. John A. Molletti	48-49	*Stillman Darrel	66-84
Donald Tulloch, Jr.	48-51	Joseph H. Ennis	67-68
Harold K. Wood	48-50	J. Lawrence Hallett, Jr.	67-68
Harold I. Woodward	48-49	Thomas H. Less	67-69
Robert Baldwin	50-51	Allen W. Mickel	67-76
John D. Burnham	50-53	Richard J. Voytilla	67-73
J. Carl Empie	50-51	W. Joseph Fluharty	69-70
William M. Heyburn	52-53	Edward R. Ralston	69-74
George Galloway	53-54	Thomas H. Less	71-75
Harold F. Jones	53-54	Robert H. Saunders	71-76
Raymond E. Regg	53-54	Lawrence Aquadro	75-82
Ernest M. Stellwagon	53-54	George Asimos	75-77
Philip A. Webber	53-55	Joseph Giuliucci	75-77
Herbert L. Aman, 3rd	54-56	Walter Lemunyon	75-76
L. S. Conley	54-56	*George F. Bagnall	76-82
William B. Hubbard	54-56	Thomas H. Less	76-82
M. C. Radloff	54-56	David S. Schiller	76-77
John M. Fisher	56-57	E. L. VanHoorebeke	76-79
Charles E. Voigtsberger	56-57	Melvin H. Johnson	77-78
Robert F. Deese	57-59	C. E. Ashby, Jr.	79-80
Allen E. Lawrence	57-63	Raymond C. Carden	79-82
John C. Thompson	57-58	Frank G. Edwards, Sr.	79-82
William B. Hubbard	58-59	Edwin E. Swain	79-80
Harry I. Arment	59-64	Peter R. Witt	79-80
John W. Atkins	59-60	John R. Priest	80-82
H. Leroy Burnett	59-60	Mark Giuliucci	81-83
John C. Thompson	59-65	R. A. Becker	82-85
John L. Morgan, Jr.	60-61	John M. Carlson	82-85
Richard R. Gomez	61-62	Drew McCausland	82-86
Carl G. Lenk	61-64	Richard Norwood	82-90
Blair P. McClune	61-63	Raymond C. Carden	83-85
Joseph A. Sykes	61-62	Robert Linneman	83-85
Frederick J. Wolter	61-70	George W. Franz	84-86
Alvin G. Sharp	62-63	Kenneth N. McKelvey	84-86
John R. Armitage	63-65	Jay T. Barber	85-88
*George F. Bagnall	63-64	Hugh L. Fischer	85-87

Eugene F. Goldsmith	85-87	William Wardell	87-91
Robert S. Hinderliter	85-87	George W. Franz	88-
Karl L. Johnston	85-96	Michael Berg	89-
Frank H. Naylor	85-86	90	
H. Vaughn Samuelson	85-96	William Boaz	89-90
William K. Williams	85-86	Jerry Gray	89-90
Roger W. Arthur	86-88	Kenneth N. McKelvey	89-92
Joseph P. Cacciatore	86-87	Richard D. Smith	89-93
Frank A. Tambone	86-88	Gregory H. Matthews	90-96
Clive R. Gardner	86-87	Robert Drobish	91-
Carlo V. Milito	86-87	Edward J. Bassett	91-96
William S. Mullin, Sr.	86-88	Haren Master	91-92
Richard T. Normansell	86-92	Glenn Miller	91-93
Vince Pappacio	86-87	Michael Lorah	92-
James R. Pemberton	86-88	Frank H. Naylor	92-92
Jens P. L. Sorenson	86-87	John Seiberlich	92-97
Warren E. Sponsler	86-88	Paul Kempf	93-94
James A. Wick	86-89	Stephen Desirey	93-96
Donald C. Aldrich	87-88	Gerald Johnston	93-94
Edward J. Bassett	87-88	Bud Moniz	94-
Hector Camberos	87-88	Robert Bigelow	94-96
Leonard Eaton	87-88	Hans Mueller	94-
John S. Lindell	87-88	Gary Kemeny	96-
Charles Metz	87-90	Ronald Majors	96-
Steve Miltenberger	87-88	Eugene Michelini	96-
Marty C. Schaeffer	87-88	George Asimos	97-
James Shipley	87-92	Gerald Lee	97-
Merwin A. Soash	87-88	Mark Hanrahan	97-
Alan D. Stewart	87-88	Don Weiss	97-
W. C. Stricklin	87-89	Micheal Phelan	97-
Edward VanHoorebeke	87-89	Rick Neff	97-
Robert J. Vollkommer	87-89		

CHARTERED ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVES

J. C. Empie	1948-1949
Jackson B. Campbell	1949-1950
Maurice C. Ward	1950-1951
Frank A. Gluckert	1951-1952
Ernest M. Stellwagon	1952-1953
Allen E. Lawrence	1953-1954
Harold F. Jones	1954-1955

William R. Gordon	1955-1956
William B. Hubbard	1956-1958
Harold F. Green	1958-1959
Carl G. Lenk	1959-1961
John F. Vernon	1961-1962
Joseph H. Ennis	1962-1964
Edward R. Ralston	1964-1969
Philip Potts	1969-1970
W. Joseph Fluharty	1970-1972
David S. Schiller	1972-1973
W. Joseph Fluharty	1973-1985
William B. Huffaker	1985-

“WHO” GOES AROUND, COMES AROUND!

Troop 31 has seen many Scouts join, participate, advance and move on. In a few cases however, several former Boy Scouts have remained or have come back and served as adult leaders, giving a little bit of what they received from Troop 31 and the Boy Scouts of America back. These individuals are:

Robert A. Lawrence, a youth member from 1949 to 1955, achieving the rank of Star. He continued serving the troop after his eighteenth birthday as an Assistant Scoutmaster from 1955 to 1957.

Mark Ralston, a youth member from 1963 to 1969, achieving the rank of Eagle. Mark continued to serve as an Assistant Scoutmaster from 1969 to 1975.

Robin Mickel, a youth member from 1963 to 1970, achieving the rank of Eagle. He continued to serve after his eighteenth birthday as an Assistant Scoutmaster from 1970 to 1973.

Mark Giuliucci, a youth member from 1975 to 1981, achieving the rank of Eagle. Mark served the troop as a Committee member after his eighteenth birthday from 1981 to 1983.

Robert S. Hinderliter, a youth member from 1976 to 1980, achieving the rank of Life. Bob returned and served on the Committee from 1985 to 1987, and later returned in

1992 and is serving currently as an Assistant Scoutmaster.

TROOP 31 SCOUTS - 1948 TO 1998

A			
Aaron, John	48-50	Bachman, Jonathan	90-91
Abrahamovich, Jay	67-68	Bachman, Leonard	86-86
Adams, Eric	72-73	Baggett, Kevin	85-85
Adams, John	55-57	Bagnall, Andrew	96-
Aldrich, Brad	88-91	Bagnall, Chris	62-67
Alivernini, Michael	86-87	Bagnall, Curt	66-71
Allinson, Drew	69-74	Baierlein, Richard	84-84
Allinson, Shipley	69-74	Baker, Allen	67-68
Almansa, Arturo	88-88	Balchan, Jay	77-78
Aman, Richard	54-56	Baldwin, John	55-58
Amery, Alan	55-58	Baldwin, Robert	61-61
Amery, Larry	54-56	Barakat, Michael	92-92
Amhaus, Eric	86-93	Barbee, Kerry	64-
Ancone, Brandon	97-	65	
Appleton, William	55-57	Barber, Brian	85-92
Aquadro, Charles	65-71	Barrington, John	74-77
Aquadro, David	69-77	Bartell, Daniel	92-92
Aquadro, Philip	71-78	Basset, John	88-94
Arigoni, Charles	77-77	Batchelet, Andrew	90-96
Arment, Rodney	59-62	Batchelet, Douglas	90-92
Armitage, Daniel	66-66	Bates, Malcolm	67-68
Armitage, John	62-65	Bauer, Richard	72-72
Armitage, Lawrence	66-66	Beard, Ryan	95-
Armstrong, Charles	60-62	Beaver, Bruce	63-
Armstrong, David	63-63	63	
Armstrong, Joseph	62-63	Beck, Lonnie	49-50
Armstrong, Michael	62-63	Beck, Marvin	52-54
Arthur, Andrew	97-	Becker, John	82-86
Arthur, James	87-92	Beidleman, Robert	58-61
Arthur, Thomas	87-88	Bell, Bruce	85-86
Ashby, Edward	77-84	Benshoof, Michael	93-
Ashby, Robert	79-84	Berg, Nicholas	89-91
Asimos, David	75-77	Berman, Aaron	83-83
Asimos, George	75-77	Berrier, Chris	78-79
Asimos, George	93-	Bigelow, William	94-97
Atkins, Victor	58-60	Blazewicz, Steven	87-87
Axarlis, Chris	86-86	Blow, Donald	51-54
		Boaz, Zachary	89-91
		Boor, Jonathan	91-93
		Boor, Christopher	97-
		Borrer, Eugene	63-65
		Borrer, Glen	66-67

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*Darrel, Brett	62-67	Esterly, Jacob	96-
Davis, Edward	59-60	Eufrazio, Richard	62-63
Dawson, Ken	76-79		
Deese, James	55-59	F	
Defino, Dominic	90-92		
Deibert, Leslie	59-60	Field, Arthur	60-61
Delnogare, Anthony	66-67	Finn, Mark	66-67
Denenno, Donald	60-63	Fischer, Gary	64-67
Dennis, Angus	78-79	Fischer, Karl	85-87
Desirey, Christopher	90-97	Fischer, Robert	88-89
Desirey, Jason	93-97	Fisher, Alan	56-58
Devilbiss, David	84-88	Fisher, Kevin	96-96
Devries, Joseph	81-87	Fluharty, Kevin	75-77
Dibble, Jay	63-63	Fluharty, Michael	70-72
Diffey, Matthew	97-	Fluharty, William	69-72
D'iorio, L. J.	74-75	Folks, Charles	63-64
Dobzelecki, Jonathan	97-	Forsyth, Kevin	74-76
Dodson, John	63-65	Fowler, Gary	62-64
Donato, David	86-87	Frangiosa, Christopher	89-92
Donato, Matthew	88-89	Franz, David	84-90
Doran, Donald	73-74	Froy, Andrew	83-85
Doty, Riley	59-60		
Douthat, Errol	62-63	G	
Drobish, Jeffrey	91-		
Drumheller, Gary	68-68	Gallemore, Alexander	90-91
Drumheller, Martin	70-71	Galloway, Glenn	54-54
Drumheller, Richard	74-76	Galloway, Vaughn	54-54
Drumheller, Robert	70-71	Gamble, J. Craig	86-86
Dulik, A.J.	96-	Gardner, Robbie	82-87
Dunnington, Glen	62-63	Garrett, Lane	51-54
		Gee, Michael	65-65
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