



Colonie Lodge #2192 conducted the Lodge's Teenager of the Year Awards. The Lodge held this in compliance with the Grand Lodge's guideline that May is set aside to honor youth on a national level. The Teenager program is designed to recognize and honor outstanding young men and women for their achievements in school and community life. Our criteria for winning is based on students who excel in scholarship, citizenship, performing arts, fine arts, hobbies, athletics, club and community service. The winner from South Colonie was Rachele Prawdzik. Academically, Rachele was on the High Honor Roll every semester at high school and received numerous academic awards. She participated in numerous school clubs such as the French Club and volunteered for community service as with Equinox. Rachele was a member of the school orchestra which is her real passion and will pursue a Bachelor in Music Education at Ithaca College. The winner from North Colonie was James Burr. Academically, James was a member of the Honor Society and maintained a 92% average for three years in high school. James played freshman and varsity golf and was captain of the team his senior year and led the team to the Suburban Council championship. James was active in Student Government, the Best Buddies Club and the Colonie Youth Court. James will attend Georgetown University this fall. A ceremony was held at the Town of Colonie Supervisor's Office with Paula Mahan, Supervisor, senator Neil Breslin. Assemblyman Bob Reilly, Loyal Knight Bill Sponable, representing Exalted Ruler Mike Cronin) Ron Galinski, Colonie Youth Chair as well as the winners' parents and relatives. Proclamations from the Senate and Assembly that were read and passed on the floors of the Senate and Assembly were presented to the winners. Paula Mahan resented a proclamation on behalf if the Town to each winner. The Colonie Elks Lodge presented each winner with a \$100.00 dollar savings bond.

Hudson Lodge #787, NY Boy Scout troop 102 awarded two of its scouts the coveted rank of Eagle Scout in a court of honor held at the American Legion post in Hudson. The two scouts Andrew Drumm and Bernard "Bernie" Keeler met the rigorous tasks required of them including the completion of their Eagle Scout community project. Andrews project was the re-appliancing of the kitchen at Camp Sundown, a camp for children who cannot be exposed to direct sunlight. The estimated project cost was \$25,000 without labor. Thanks to monetary donations and the donation of appliances, the project was able to be completed for much less. Bernies project was the improvement of the connector trail between the Greenport town park and the Greenport Conservation area by removing tree stumps and roots and filling holes and dips in the trail surface. The trail is used by the Hudson city school district cross county

track team for both training and meets. It is also used regularly by the general public for walking, running and jogging.

Oswego Lodge #271 honored 2 Gold Scouts. Each of the Scouts was chosen for the Girl Scout Gold Award. This is the highest honor a Girl Scout may receive. The Oswego Elks honored the 2 Gold Scouts at their annual Teen Recognition Dinner on May 21, 2010. Each of the Gold Scout received a \$ 100.00

Brooklyn-Queens Borough #878 Approved was a donation of \$1,500 towards the hall rental to the Girl Scouts of America's Mother/Daughter Dinner Dance for 150 people of Daisy Troop No. 4415, Brownie Troop 4415 and Junior Troop 4734 scheduled for Friday, June 18th. Troop leaders and parents were thrilled to hear that their daughters' Moving-Up Ceremony would be celebrated in a beautiful catering hall provided by Brooklyn-Queens Borough Elks Lodge 878. Exalted Ruler Paul Egan stated "serving the community is what the Girl Scouts of America is all about and Brooklyn-Queens Borough Elks is proud to have a hall that can serve the celebration the accomplishments of these young people. That is what makes being a member of B.P.O. Elks proud to say we belong to this great fraternal Order."

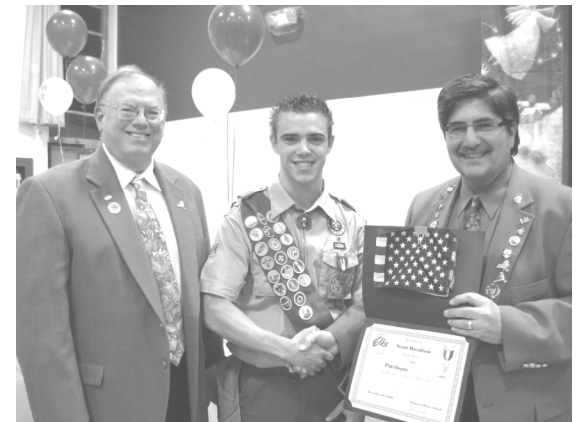


Brooklyn-Queensborough Lodge #878 is proud to recognize the following Boy Scouts that have achieved the prestigious level of Eagle Scout. These Outstanding American Citizens have been presented at a public ceremony a Certificate of Achievement, an American Flag and a \$100 check from Lodge 878. Congratulations! (Pictured – Exalted Ruler Paul Egan presents gifts to Stephan Eric Singleman during public ceremony.)

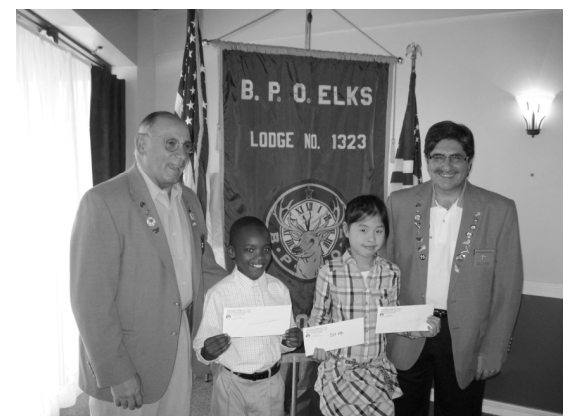


Saratoga-Wilton Lodge #161 – Exalted Ruler Robert Lounsbury presented to David Goderie and Mathew Phillips of Troop 55, framed National Elks Eagle Scout

Certificates with American Flags during their Eagle Scout Ceremony.



Patchogue Lodge # 1323 had the privilege of attending an Eagle Scout Court of Honor held by Boy Scout Troop 184 for Scott Davidson. The ceremony was on December 10th, 2010 at Price of Peace School at Saint Lawrence Church, Sayville, Long Island. Pictured left to right are Patchogue PER Edward Rosavitch, Eagle Scout Scott Davidson and making the Elks presentation is Leading Knight Scott Salimando.



Patchogue Lodge #1323 presents awards to Patchogue-Medford students who entered Posters in the Elks on Drug Awareness contest "Why I Want to be Drug Free". Pictured left to right are Exalted Ruler Joseph P. Gannone, Emmanuel Jackson, Ivy Ma and Leading Knight Scott Salimando. Each won the Elks \$100 East District prize and Ivy Ma's poster won \$300 in bonds on the State Level. This coming year the Elks have an All New Theme, "Not Now – Not Ever"



Area 1 Soccer Champions – Three of our NYSEA State Champions took top honors at the Area 1 Soccer Shoot Championship in New Hampshire. They are Devon Nicholson (Fulton Lodge #830) in the U8 Girls division, Samantha Shapiro (Saratoga-Wilton Lodge #161) in the U 10 Girls division and Kaylee Olmstead (Lowville #1605) in the U 12 Girls division. Devon Nicholson also received the FRANCIS JOYCE award for achieving the competitions high score. Our champions are pictured proudly displaying their championship awards with State Championship Coordinator Mike Coad, State Soccer Chair Michael Neaton, State Vice President Jennifer Neaton and Past State President Tim Kelley.