

Press Release

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EVAN ANWAY ACHIEVES EAGLE SCOUT RANK

OLD LYME, CT, MARCH 23, 2009: At a ceremony that capped more than six years of effort, Evan C. Anway was awarded the Eagle Scout badge on Sunday, March 22, 2009 at Christ the King Church in Old Lyme. Evan is the son of Randall and Susan Anway of Old Lyme. Present were his grandmother, Margaret Dunne, his uncle Thomas Dunne, also an Eagle Scout, other family members, local and state dignitaries, members of his Troop and officials from the Boy Scouts of America.

Only 4 out of every 100 Boy Scouts achieve Eagle Scout, the highest advancement rank in Scouting. Evan completed 28 merit badges, 7 more than the required number. He also spent nearly a year planning, organizing and then supervising a crew of twenty scouts and adults on a project to build a new hiking trail on Old Lyme Conservation Trust property.

Evan joined Cub Scout Pack 27 at age seven and five years later earned their highest award, the Arrow of Light. A member of Troop 26 since 2003, he regularly attended summer camp at Camp Yawgoog in Rhode Island and participated with the Troop in many outdoor and civic activities. He held leadership positions including Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader and then Senior Patrol Leader. He will now become the Troop's Junior Assistant Scoutmaster.

A Senior and High Honors student at Lyme-Old Lyme High School, Evan is also the Co-Captain of the cross country, indoor track and outdoor track teams, as well as the head of public relations for the Lyme-Old Lyme FIRST Robotics team.

Our youth must make mature decisions about many things that their limited experience with life has not prepared them for. Many of these decisions will have long-term consequences. Boy Scouting offers young men a unique opportunity to practice and learn teamwork, leadership and citizenship. It is the mission of the Boy Scouts of America and Troop 26 to prepare young men to make ethical choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law. For more information, visit our website at www.troop26lymeoldlyme.org.

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