

# Jonathan Lincoln

## EAGLE SCOUT BANQUET

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Tonight, Jonathan Lincoln will officially become Troop 4's 16<sup>th</sup> Eagle Scout. Jonathan began his scouting career in 2001 with Milford's Pack 32. His Webelos Den, led by Mr. Tony Fasulo, was sponsored by the Maspenock Rod and Gun Club, where his family has been long time members. Jonathan's favorite Cub Scout memory was working with his Webelos Patrol on the various Webelos activity pins.

Jonathan's favorite part of Boy Scouts has been the outdoor activities, especially the backpacking trips and the Troop's annual attendance at Camp Resolute. Jonathan loved the long camping trips and summer camp best. His most memorable camping trip was this year's February trip to the Lanciano New Hampshire cabin. He found it amusing when he and two fellow scouts all managed to get their sleds stuck in the deep snow at the same time.

Jonathan's Eagle Scout Leadership Project involved constructing and installing wood duck boxes in Upton's Pratt Pond. This project was sponsored by the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife. Jonathan's project will help encourage the threatened wood duck to return to its historical habitat. Jonathan was successful in encouraging many friends and scouts to participate in his service project and helped to teach them about the importance of protecting this beautiful species. During the project, Jonathan overcame scheduling challenges to recover with a flurry of work parties that wrapped up the project before the winter weather set in. He also learned how to manage an enthusiastic but very young group of scouts. He exercised patience and a cheerful management style to keep his crew happily involved in the project right up to the end.

While maintaining his studies at Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School, Jonathan prepared for his summer work at the Council's Camp Resolute. Over several summers, Jonathan held a series of assistant councilor and councilor positions where he learned valuable skills in youth instruction. Jonathan's good nature and expert outdoorsman skills in shooting, fishing and archery, made him a popular fixture at summer camp with both staff and scouts.

Jonathan's advice to younger scouts: "Listen and do what you're told, because there's a good reason behind all the scout activities. You might not like it at first but you will later on. Do everything you can in scouting even if you think you might not like it."

