



# Thommy Thomas

## EAGLE SCOUT BANQUET

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Thommy joined Scouting as a Milford Pack 4 Cub Scout in 2004. He was a member of Den 2, later known as the Cyclone Patrol. His den was led by Phil Bedard. Thommy's best Cub Scout memories are the Pinewood Derby's and the USS Massachusetts Battleship sleepover. He earned Cub Scout's highest award; the Arrow of Light, after which he joined Troop 4 with 8 others from his patrol.

In Troop 4, Thommy formed a Boy Scout patrol with his patrol mates from Cub Scouts. After two years, they aptly renamed their patrol the Adventure Patrol. Thommy's favorite Boy Scout activities were the camping trips. He participated in the 2010 Penobscot River Expedition in northern Maine where he paddled for 50 wilderness miles through the heart of moose and bear country.

Thommy comes from a strong Scouting and reverent family. His parents Sunny and Thara are active supporters of the town's Scouting programs and St. Mary's church. Thommy's brother Joe is a Star Scout with Troop 4. His sister Brigit is a senior Girl Scout with Milford Troop 30581 and has earned the GS Silver award. His sister Theresa is a Junior Girl Scout with Milford Troop 11275. Thommy enjoys guiding his siblings down the Scouting Path as they pursue the same achievements we celebrate tonight.

Thommy's Eagle Scout Service Project involved restoring the worn out kneelers at our Troop's sponsor, St. Mary's Church. He trained and led his team to remove the old fabric from dozens of kneelers, and apply new durable fabric. The successful project created an attractive and comfortable place of worship, and saved the church thousands of dollars in restoration expenses. The project aligns well with the Scout Law to be Reverent. Thommy's project taught him valuable project management skills, including how to manage cost, schedule and labor challenges.

Thommy is very active outside of Scouts. He is a graduating senior year at Milford High School, where he is a member of the Varsity Baseball Team and Interact Club. He has held part time jobs at Best Buy and Gene's Variety, and has assisted our Troop sponsor, St. Mary's, as an altar server for many years. Thommy performs volunteer work at the Milford Hospital, and baseball and vacation bible camps. He has accepted an offer to enroll this fall at Ohio University where he plans to pursue a degree in Health Administration, followed by a plan to enroll in an MBA graduate program.

Thommy's advice to his brother and other younger Scouts: "Stick with the program. The memories, friendships and opportunities you get with Scouting are well worth the effort."

