

Christopher P. Watson

Eagle Scout – Troop 4 Milford



Chris joined Scouting as a Pack 4 Tiger Cub in 2005. Chris' favorite Cub Scout memories are of the numerous overnight trips to West Hill Dam and building Pinewood Derby cars with his Dad. He proudly remembers his father being Cubmaster and his mother serving as Committee Chair during his time with Pack 4. Chris earned The Arrow of Light, Cub Scout's highest award, in 2010 after which he joined Troop 4.

Chris was a part of the Raven Patrol when he joined Troop 4. Some of his favorite activities with Troop 4 were the weeks at Camp Resolute, the trips to the Lanciano cabin (particularly the high-speed sledding), and kitchen duty for the Troop's annual Pancake Breakfast. As Chris points out, "I was the King of Pancakes back in my heyday." He fondly recalls the many high adventure trips with Troop 4 such as the hikes, particularly the Appalachian Range trip and the fifty-mile canoe trip in New York. His favorite experience with Troop 4 was being recognized as Scout of the Week at Camp Resolute, an award presented to the scout who stands out as a leader during the Troop's week at camp.

For his Eagle Scout Service Project, Chris constructed benches for the deck at the Milford High School pool. As a member of the swim team, Chris recognized that there was a lack of seating for swimmers and other visitors to the pool. Chris obtained the plans for the existing benches, and after fundraising and purchasing the materials, led a team of scouts to accurately construct the new benches. During the process, Chris "learned about the extent and limits of (his) own leadership capabilities, as well as what kind of communication and delegation it requires to run a smooth and safe operation".

Chris graduated from Milford High School in June of 2017 as a member of both the National Honor Society and the Tri-M Music Honor Society. During his high school career, Chris was very active in many extracurricular activities. Chris was a Section Leader in both the Wind Ensemble and Jazz Band, as well as the Senior Drum Major to the Marching Band. In addition to his musical involvement, Chris played for the MHS Baseball team, and was a member of the varsity swim team for four years. During his senior year, Chris served as team captain, and won first place in the 100-yard breaststroke at the League Championship. He was also a dedicated swimmer for the Milford Stingrays Recreational Swim Team. Chris was the starting catcher for the Medway Youth Baseball Senior Babe Ruth Team, and won the World Series in a one-loss season his senior year.

Chris is currently a first-year Sophomore at Worcester Polytechnic Institute, where he has committed to a 4-year Master's Degree track, working towards both a Bachelor's and Master's Degree in Chemical Engineering.

As Chris reflects on his scouting career, he offers very sound advice to the younger scouts. "Get involved in every event you possibly can. Wake up prepared and go to bed tired every single day. And most of all, enjoy the friendships you make through Scouting, for they have the incredible tendency to last far beyond your Scouting experience."





Congratulations Chris!