



Above: Chairman Mike Zdrojowy (left) and Scoutmaster Tim Fagan (right)

“Welcome Scouts and parents. Our main goal is to give opportunities for our boys to learn leadership and responsibility to run the troop. This way they will take on new challenges and experience the everyday life that they will soon be thrust into. Scouting is a game with a purpose.”

-Tim Fagan, Scoutmaster of Troop 61



This brochure was created February 17 2004 by Patrick Flanigan for his Communications merit badge



Troop 61 East Hartford Connecticut



Meetings are every Tuesday during the school year at 7:00 at Pitkin Elementary School on Hill Street in East Hartford

What We Do



We in Troop 61 exemplify the very essence of Scouting but we don't stop there. When many people think of Boy Scouts they think of camping, hiking, and generally the outdoors. Although we do focus on things in that area our views extend far beyond the great outdoors. We do rock climbing, sled building, cooking competitions, and even sleeping in a submarine. Our leaders are always open to new ideas for troop activities.

Advancing in Rank

Even though we like to have fun and make the scouting experience better, we still focus on the important things like rank advancements. Upon entering our Troop you first set after the rank of Scout. Once you are a Scout you are seen as a full member of our Troop.

After earning Scout you start on the trail to Tenderfoot. Once earned, Tenderfoot is the first big step you make toward Eagle. After Tenderfoot comes Second Class, then First Class. First Class is a big leap towards Eagle because it signifies your entrance into becoming a Senior. After becoming First Class you strive towards Eagle by becoming a Star, then Life Scout. Once Life is attained, there is only one more step to reaching the highly sought rank of Eagle.

The path to Eagle is a tough route to take that not many



manage to complete. However, those who make it are the ones who best show the Scouting Spirit. To help you along the path up the mountain of Scouting will be our adult leaders and the Senior scouts. If you truly strive toward the summit of Scouting known as Eagle and put all your heart into reaching your goal, then you can not fail. Although some of the trip to Eagle may be tough, the members of Troop 61 will be there to help you along until you can say with pride, "I am a Troop 61 Eagle Scout." Just remember this description is but a shadow of the rigors of the journey but the joys are also shadows of the brighter, greater beauty in a life of cheerful service.

