

Rank of Eagle Scout earned by Dallas senior

Troop honors scout's dedication

Dylan James Pilger, a member of Boy Scout Troop 281 of Dallas, attained the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank in Scouting, on Oct. 19, 2011.

An Eagle Scout Court of Honor was held on Sunday, Aug. 19 at the Trinity Presbyterian Church in Dallas and a dinner at Apple-tree Terrace, Newberry Estates, Dallas, to honor Pilger for his achievement. Dylan has become the 138th Eagle Scout of Troop 281.

For his Eagle Scout Leadership Service Project, Pilger refurbished the playground at the Trinity Presbyterian Church and Learning Center. He had to organize, plan and oversee the full project.

He also did a fundraiser selling first-aid kits to help with the cost of materials for his project. The playground was completely removed and rebuilt by adding new gravel ground cover, PVC piping for the framed area, 10 additional



Dylan James Pilger.

feet to give the children more playing area and rubber mulch for the final covering.

Pilger started Scouting in Pack 281 in Dallas as a Tiger Cub in 2001. As a Cub Scout, he earned his Protestant Award God and Me and God and Family. He has also earned his Boy Scout Protestant Award. In 2006, he bridged over into Boy Scout Troop 281 in Dallas, earning his Arrow of Light Award, the highest award in Cub Scouts.

As a Boy Scout, Pilger has held

leadership positions in the troop as Den Chief with Pack 281, Patrol Leader, Assistant Patrol Leader and Senior Patrol Leader. He has also been the Troop Representative of the Order of the Arrow for four years.

He is a member of the Order of the Arrow, Lowwapaneu Lodge 191. He was also the Brotherhood Chairman for the Lodge and acquired numerous hours of community service, earning 65 merit badges.

Pilger has attended many summer camps at Camp Trexler, Resica Falls, Goose Pond, Bashore and Acahela. He has participated in the Memorial Day Parade, placement of flags at Chapel Lawn, fall and spring camporees, Vision, ringing the bell for Salvation Army, visits at the Meadow Nursing Home during the holidays and participated in Veteran's Day recognition at Misericordia University.

He has also enjoyed high adventures with Troop 281 which included hiking the Appalachian Trail, Loyalsock Trail, Hawk Mountain, backpacking Mt. Washington in New Hampshire, Mt. Katadin in Maine, whitewater rafting on the Kennebec River in Maine and the Penobscot River and the Rio Grande in Arizona.

He has also skied on Mt. Snow in Vermont, hiked and camped Gettysburg, taken canoe trips, camped along the Susquehanna River and cave in Pennsylvania. His most recent trip was to Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico where he camped and backpacked and did a 50-mile hike to earn a special patch to wear with his uniform.

A senior at Dallas High School, Pilger plays baseball for the Dallas High School team and for the Back Mountain American Legion and plays ice hockey with the Back Mountain Blackhawks. He is a member of the Trinity Presbyterian Church in Dallas.

Pilger is the son of Robert and

Charla Pilger, of Dallas. He is the grandson of Betty Carney of Washington; Rita Bulford, of Harveys Lake; and the late Robert and Lin-

da Pilger, of Dallas. He has a brother, Robert (BJ), of Georgia; a sister, Ashlee, of Florida; and a niece, Isabel, of Georgia.

CIVIC BRIEFS

Legion auxiliary holds apparel sale

The Dallas American Legion Post 672 Ladies Auxiliary is holding a spirit wear sale. Samples are displayed in the club.

Apparel being offered includes navy blue hoodies with white lettering, navy, grey or white long sleeve, short of v-neck tees in small, medium large, 2X or 3X. To place orders, call 239-4896.

Spaghetti dinner benefits WVCA

The Rotary Club of Wilkes-Barre will hold a spaghetti dinner from noon to 3 p.m. today, Nov. 11 at Genetti's in Wilkes-Barre to benefit the Wyoming Valley Children's Association.

Tickets are \$8 adults and \$4 for children 12 years of age and under. Take outs are welcome. Tickets can be purchased at the door or advance from any Rotary Club member. Call 262-2973 to reserve tickets.

SLIC at DHS plans Vet's Day program

The Student Leadership in Civics Club at Dallas High School will host a Veteran's Day ceremony in honor of local veterans at 1 p.m. today, Nov. 11 at the Dallas High School. Students will moderate a question-answer format discussion with a panel of veterans.

Coast Guard vets to meet

The NEPA Coast Guard Veterans Association will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 13 at the Dallas American Legion Post on the Dallas Highway. Guest speaker will be Karen Hazleton, CPA. For more information, call Neil Morrison at 288-6817.

Eastern Star plans holiday gift sale

The 20th Annual Eastern Star Craft and Holiday Gift Sale will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 17 at the Eastern Star hall, foster Street and Woodlawn Avenue, Dallas. Vendors are wanted. Cost is \$15 per table with an 8-foot table provided.

Eastern Star members will serve lunch featuring homemade soups, whimpies, hog dogs, haluski and dessert. Welsh cookies will be for sale. Chicken noodle and vegetable beef soup can be pre-ordered for \$6 a quart by Monday, Nov. 12. For more information, call Diane Corby at 675-4893.

Players plan holiday show

The Music Box Players will perform the holiday classic, "It's A Wonderful Life the Live Radio Play" Thursdays through Sundays from Nov. 24 through Dec. 16 at the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swyersville. For reservations, call 283-2195.

Music Box sets auditions for 'Annie'

The Music Box Players will hold auditions for "Annie" from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 26 for girls ages 6 to 13,

from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. for adults (ages 13 and over) and from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 27 for adults at the Music Box Dinner Playhouse, 196 Hughes St., Swyersville. All roles are open. All who audition should prepare a brief song. An accompanist will be provided. Performance dates are Fridays through Sundays, Feb. 1-24, 2013. There is no fee to participate in this production

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