

**Boy Scout Troop 577
North Bellmore, New York 11710**



The Honorable Nikki R. Haley
Governor of South Carolina
1205 Pendleton Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Governor Haley,

Boy Scout Troop 577, chartered by the American Legion Post 1749, is proud to announce the advancement of John Patrick Kulins to the rank of Eagle Scout. We would like to recognize this young man for his exceptional accomplishment and invite you to extend your congratulations and good wishes.

John's Eagle Court of Honor will be held on Friday July 15, 2016 at the American Legion Post 1749, located at 1298 Newbridge Rd. North Bellmore, NY 11710. The Ceremony commences promptly at 6:30 p.m.

To achieve this rank, John chose to help the veterans of American Legion Post 1749, his troop's charter organization, a certified 501(c)(19) nonprofit organization. The American Legion was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization devoted. It is the nation's largest wartime veteran's service organization that is also committed to mentoring youth and sponsorship of wholesome programs in our communities, along with advocating patriotism and honor, promoting strong national security, and continued devotion to service members and veterans.

John's project focused on the refurbishment of the Post's meeting space and consisted cleaning, painting, and repairing of the main hall, the kitchen and the lower level meeting room. This project was completed over several days thanks to many volunteers and donors. 57 volunteers worked over 500 hours to complete the project and is a testament to the Scouting community's purpose for "Giving service to others."

John's dedication to Scouting and Troop 577 has been continuously displayed by his dedication to his community and fellow scouts with their Eagle projects. He has logged over 200 hours of community service and has grown to become a skilled leader. He has held several leadership positions in scouting including librarian, bugler, and scribe and currently holds the position of OA representative.

He will be a senior at W. C. Mephram High School located in Bellmore, New York, was inducted into the National Science Honor Society in 2015 and has received academic honors in each year. John is also a member of the Cross Country and Track teams. He also volunteers in his church parish by teaching young children in the Liturgy of the Word program. In his spare time he loves to run and draw. John is just starting to visit colleges and plans on a career in computer science.

Please join Troop 577 and John's parents, Cathy and Charlie Kulins, in celebrating his advancement to Eagle. Your response is kindly requested before July 11, 2016.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Yours in Scouting,

Mrs. Jill Massoni
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