Highlights of 2001

MEMBERS	HIP	
	16	Consecutive years as a Quality Council
	21	Consecutive years of membership growth
	159,032	Youth served in 2001
	32,000	Volunteer adult leaders
	2,554	Cub Scout Packs, Boy Scout Troops, Venture Crews and LFL
	Groups 20	Quality Districts/Divisions
	1,443	Quality Units (Packs, Troops, and Crews)
	35,170	Teenage boys and girls in Exploring (more than 50% are
	young	women)
	41,000	"At-Risk" youth served by Scouting, including 12,697 inner
	city	youth at year end
	19,000	Hispanic Scouts served
a	7,217	Youth in Special Needs Scouting
CAMPING		Total nights sommed by Coouts at any Council Compo
	201,372 11,579	Total nights camped by Scouts at six Council Camps Boys and leaders attended Cub Day Camp
	86,352	Nights camped by Scouts at Camp Strake, the world's most
	used	Scout facility
	\$175,076	In Scholarships provided a camping experience for 4,350
	youth	
	7,436	Acres maintained and operated by the Council available for
		youth camping
PROGRAN	2 1 2 2 2	T. 111
	90,000	Attended the nation's largest Scout Fair
	10,000	Adults and youth were trained in Youth Protection Good Turns. Include Scouting for Food and thousands of youth
		doing good turns for chartered organizations and their
		communities
	11,239	Adult leaders trained
	4,501	Colonneh Lodge Members (the largest Order of the Arrow
		lodge in the country).
	23,920	Total advancements earned
	40,303	Merit badges earned
FINIANICE	22	Vigil Honor recipients
FINANCE	\$4,301,000	Friends of Scouting dollars pledged (increase of 11.4%)
	\$1,501,000	Raised in Family and District Enrollment Friends of Scouting
\$18,609,000		Reported in the Beyond 2000 Capital/Endowment Cam-
	paign	,
\$1,752,000		Received from all contributing United Ways
16		New Heritage Society Members for a total of 123
31		New James E. West Fellows for a total of 316
	12	New 1910 Society Members for a total of 59
DECOGNIE	TION 2	New Founders Circle member for a total of 3
RECOGNITION 772 Eagle Scouts		
	36	Silver Beaver recipients
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Sam Houston Area Council

Boy Scouts of America

2002 Annual Recognition Dinner

J.W. Marriott Hotel Tuesday, May 7, 2002



CHAIRMAN J. Downey Bridgwater

J. Downey Bridgwater is the President and Director of Sterling Bancshares and Sterling Bank-Houston, Texas. Downey is an Eagle Scout and was awarded the Silver Beaver award in 2001.

He assumed his current position in January of 1998. Previously he served as CEO of Sterling Bank-Memorial. Under

his leadership, this became one of Sterling's most successful offices.

A graduate of the University of Houston, Downey was on both the President and Dean's lists and a member of Kappa Kappa Psi Fraternity. He currently serves as the President of the University's Alumni Association.

Downey is President-Elect of the Board of Governors of the Houston Forum, and is a director of the Harris County Housing Finance Corporation, the Consumer Credit Counseling Service of the Gulf Coast and Kid-Care, Inc.



Marty Ambrose

Marty's love for the outdoors goes back to his childhood, when his Norwegian-born mother became den mother of the local Cub Scout pack and threatened to feed Marty lutefisk every week unless he joined. Well, he did, and the rest is history. He won the archery competition for his team at Boy Scout camp (mainly because he was the only contestant, and developed a "groove" while shooting six quivers of arrows).

As an Explorer Scout, he helped build a canoe, only to see it sink at launching.

He still loves the outdoors, and skis, plays golf, and goes fishing whenever possible. This summer he'll be taking wife Mary to Norway where she will at last discover his roots-and finally come to understand why he is so adventurous.

Marty has been doing traffic reports in Houston for 28 years, and these days you can hear him mornings on KSEV AM700, and KRTS 92.1FM.



Steve W. Allen

Eagle Scout Steve Allen has been an outstanding volunteer in the Mustang District for more than 13 years. He has served as Cubmaster of Pack 567, Assistant Scoutmaster and Scoutmaster of Troop 567, Boy Scout Leader Training Chairman, Assistant District commissioner and District Commissioner.

Steve's Scouting honors include Den Leader Award, Webelos Den Leader Award, Wood Badge, Scouter's Key and Scoutmaster Award of Merit. He also served on Wood Badge Staff of SR-356 as Coach Counselor.

Steve has been a longtime member of the United Methodist Church and is currently serving on the Building

Committee of St. Peters United Methodist Church. Through Steve's efforts the development and completion of Boy Scout Troop 567's Scout House became a reality and now houses meeting facilities for various functions in the Mustang District.



Troxel Ballou

Troxel Ballou began his adult Scouting service in 1973 as a Webelos Den Leader in the former Southwest District of the Sam Houston Area Council. He has served as Assistant Scoutmaster, on the Boy Scout and Venturing Roundtable staff, Boy Scout and Venturing Training team and as the Golden Arrow District Friends of Scouting Chairman. Troxel currently serves as advisor to Venturing Crew 50 and is a Troop 50 Committee Member. Troxel has served as Philmont Crew Advisor three times and has also served numerous times on the staff of Train the Trainer Conference, University of Scouting and Commissioner's Conference, including being part of the Key Staff.

Troxel has completed Scoutmastership Fundamentals, Venturing Advisor Specific and Wood Badge Training. His honors include Scouter's Training Award, Commissioner Key, Arrowhead Honor, Distinguished Commissioner Service Award, District Committee Key and District Award of Merit.

Troxel worships with the Alief Church of Christ and is a Bible class teacher.



Brenda Bohn

Brenda Bohn has been an active Scouter in Tatanka District for the past 10 years. She has served as District Training Chairman, Cub Leader Training Chairman, Day Camp Program Director, and several years as a Den Leader. Brenda is currently on the Tatanka District Committee, Troop 1113 Committee, and Pack 1105 Committee. She has served on staff for Cub Scout Trainer Wood Badge, Train the Trainer, Cub Scout Pow Wow, Cub Roundtable and numerous other district training events.

Brenda has earned her Cub Scout Trainer Wood Badge beads. She has also received the District Award of Merit, Tatanka Family of the Year Award, Scouter's Training

Award, Den Leader Award and District Committee Key.

Brenda and her family are long-time members of St. Philip's Lutheran Church, where she has been a volunteer for Vacation Bible School. Brenda has also been an active volunteer with her son's school activities.



Ginny Boucher

Ginny Boucher has served Scouting at the Unit, District and Council levels for eight years. At the unit level, Ginny has served as Tiger Coach, Assistant Den Leader, Cubmaster, Pack Committee Member and Troop Treasurer. She is currently the Cub Roundtable Commissioner for Raven District, and also has served as Tiger Day Chairman, Webelos Do Your Best Chairman, and School Night for Scouting Chairman. Ginny has served the Sam Houston Area Council as a member of the key staff for Commissioner's Conference and University of Scouting. Throughout her Scouting efforts, Ginny inspires people

to "Do Your Best".

Ginny has received the District Award of Merit, Arrowhead Award, Cubmaster Award, Webelos Den Leader Award and Den Leader Coach Award. Ginny and her family have been honored with the Family of the Year Award in Raven District. Ginny attended Wood Badge Course SR 356.

Ginny is a member of St. Paul's United Methodist Church where she is a member of the choir and works with the youth group. She has served as president of the band booster organization and is a Red Cross First Aid Instructor.



Lenese Cantrill

Lenese Cantrill has faithfully served the George Strake District for 14 years. She has been Den Leader of Cub Pack 131 and Troop Committee Member of Boy Scout Troop 143. She served on University of Scouting Staff in 1994 and Cub Pow Wow Staff from 1992 to 1999.

Lenese has received the Den Leader Award, Den Leader Coach Award, Scouting Family of the Year, District Award of Merit and Distinguished Commissioner Award. She has also completed Wood Badge.

As a dedicated youth leader in the First United

Methodist Church, Conroe, Lenese has spent countless hours working with the youth groups and promoting the ideals she has learned through her years of Scouting experience.



Jimmy Castillo, Jr.

Jimmy has been involved in Scouting for 31 years. He has served as Assistant Scoutmaster, Scoutmaster and Committee Member for the Eagle Trail and Thunderbird Districts of Sam Houston Area Council, and Mustang District of the Bay Area Council. He has served the Sam Houston Area Council as Cub Scout Roundtable Commissioner and Trainer of the Hispanic Scouting Division.

Jimmy has attended Train the Trainer and completed Wood Badge. He has received the Scouter's Training Award, Scouter's Award, and Siempre Listo

Award.

Jimmy is a member of the Hi Priest Quorum of the LDS Church, serving as a group leader overseeing family history. He has also served as Counselor. His other Church duties range from overseeing the nursery and serving as a teacher development coordinator to a clerk and ward in the Stake capacities overseeing memberships and finances.



Thomas Cope

Thom Cope has served as an adult Scouter in the Sam Houston Area Council since 1995. Before that he was in the National Capitol Area Council. During that time, Thom has served youth as a Tiger Cub Partner, Assistant Webelos Den Leader, Den Leader Coach, Cubmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster and Troop Committee Chairman. He has also served as a Unit Commissioner, Assistant District Commissioner, Associate Chapter Advisor, District Activities Chairman and District Camping Chairman. Thom has served on Cub Scout Pow Wow staff and University of Scouting staff. He is also involved with the Urban Scouting Camping Skills

and Training Program.

Thom has completed Boy Scout Leader Wood Badge, is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow and has received the District Award of Merit.

Thom is active with the Parent Booster Clubs at Elkins High School and works with the Association For Retarded Citizens.



Henry A. Divin

Henry Divin has been a dedicated Scouter for more than 25 years. He served as Assistant Scoutmaster, Scoutmaster and Committee Chairman of Troop 785, which he helped re-organize. He has also served as Tiger Cub leader, Committee Chairman and Cubmaster of Pack 3785. Henry has worked tirelessly in the Brahman District serving as District Advancement Chairman and District Training Chairman. He has actively recruited adult leaders to attend various training and roundtables. Henry is a Brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow and has received the Scoutmaster Award of Merit and District Award

of Merit. Henry has served the Sam Houston Area Council as a member of the University of Scouting Staff and on three Wood Badge Staffs.

Henry has been a member of the Lions Club since 1978, and in addition to offices including President of his local club, has been a Zone Chairman and a director of the Lions Crippled Children's Camp. He has been active in 4H, the Youth Fair Fund Board and a Little League Coach. He is an active member of the Knights of Columbus, KJT Catholic Men's Fraternity and the East Bernard High School Project Graduation Chairman.

He is a long-time active member of Holy Cross Church, serving as a minister of the Eucharist, usher and religious instructor.



John Folks

John Folks has been a member of the Sam Houston Area Council's Board of Directors since 1999. He has served as the School Night for Scouting Chairman.

John is currently the Spring Independent School District Superintendent. Before moving to Houston, John served as the Dean of Education at Southwestern Oklahoma State University and Oklahoma State Superintendent of Public Instruction. He completed his Doctorate, Master's and Bachelor's degrees at the University of Oklahoma. His teaching certificate is in both Mathematics and Science.

John is an avid bicycle rider and rides a minimum of 16 miles per day. He and his wife Wyvonna are the parents of two sons and three grandchildren.



Daniel Goetzmann

Dan has been involved as an adult leader in Scouting for over 11 years, promoting camping and scouting activities within the David Crockett District. He has served as Tiger leader, Assistant Cubmaster, Cubmaster, Webelos leader and Committee Chairman of Pack 195 and Troop 902. Dan was instrumental in organizing and running a Webelos Woods Program in the David Crockett District and has also served the District as Cub Roundtable Commissioner, a member of the Boy Scout Roundtable Staff, Webelos Woods Director, District Camp-o-ree Chairman and currently, District Camping Chairman.

Dan has received the Webelos Leader Training

Award, Cubmaster Key, District Award of Merit, and Dan and his family have been named Scout Family of the year of the David Crockett District. In addition to his basic training, Dan has completed Flatwater Canoe Training, Webelos Leader Training, National Day Camp Director Training, Roundtable Chairman Training, and has received his Wood Badge Beads.

Dan has been active in his Church and his community volunteering with the Animal Shelter and the Lions Club.



Dennis Hayes

Dennis Hayes has been an active adult Scouter for 24 years. He has served the youth in Wisconsin and Wyoming before coming to the Sam Houston Area Council in 1988, where he has worked in the Rising Star District and Urban Division. Dennis has served as Troop Committee Member, Assistant Scoutmaster, Scoutmaster, District Activities Chairman and District Camping Chairman. Dennis has been invaluable in his service to the Urban Division of the Sam Houston Area Council. He is the Training Chairman, Roundtable Commissioner and Vice Chairman of Programming. In 2000, Dennis formed a Troop and Crew in the Urban Parks District and serves as Scoutmaster and Crew

Advisor to each.

Dennis has completed Boy Scout Leader Wood Badge and has received the Scouter's Key, Scouter's Training Award, and the District Award of Merit.

Dennis is a volunteer Red Cross Disaster Action Team member and is a Disaster Relief Shelter Manager. Last year, the Red Cross recognized Dennis as a "Hero of the Storm" for his efforts during Tropical Storm Allison. After the September 11 tragedy, Dennis helped manage a shelter for stranded travelers. He holds third and fourth degrees in the Knights of Columbus and is a Counselor to the Squires Circle. Dennis sings in his church choir, is a lector and a Eucharistic minister. He volunteers in the prison ministry by teaching Sunday school and taking communion to inmates at three different prisons. Dennis is also a member of the Houston Geological Society.



Jimmie Lou Homburg

Jimmie Homburg has loyally served Scouting for over 20 years. She is currently the National Commodore of Sea Scouting, serving Sea Scouts across the nation since 1998. Jimmie has been a member of the National Sea Scouting Committee since 1994 and is Advisor to the U.S. Navy Memorial's Sea Scout Top Gun program. Jimmie has served on Sea Badge Staffs in the Western Region, Central Region and for the Southern Region in the Sam Houston Area Council. She has also served as Commodore and Vice-Commodore for the Southern Region. She has been Skipper for Ship 428 in Bryan, and Committee Chairman for Pack 409 in the Arrowmoon District.

Commodore Homburg's recognitions include the National Venturing Leadership Award, the District Award of Merit, the Skipper's Key, Sea Badge Trident and the SEAL Trainer pin.

Jimmie is a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Bryan, where she has served as Deacon and Chairman of the Building and Property Committee. She has also served as President of the LaSalle County Chamber of Commerce. She currently serves as a mentor to Texas A&M University students and is a member of the U.S. Sailing Training Committee.



Gwendolyn Diane Hunt

Gwen has been a valuable volunteer in the Polaris and Skyline Districts for 13 years. She has served as Assistant Tiger Cub Leader, Assistant Cub Den Leader, Den Leader, and on the Pack Committee of Packs 1412 and 604. She currently serves as Vice-Chairman of Programs for Skyline District, Committee member of the District Nominating Committee and Assistant District Commissioner. She has received training at the National Day Camp School and has served on the National Camp School Staff. She has been very active in Venturing, including service as

Crew Committee Chairperson for Crew 604.

She has received the Cub Scouter Award, Den Leader Coach Award, District Award of Merit, Cross and Flame Award from the United Methodist Church, and her family has been named Scouting Family of the Year in the Skyline District. Gwen was recognized as one of the five outstanding female volunteers at the First Annual Woman of the Year Award Dinner for the Skyline District in 1999.

Gwen is an active member of Sheppard Park Plaza Civic Club and her Cul-de-sac has won first place in the Sheppard Park Plaza Lighting Contest for many years. Gwen and her family are members at St. Stephens United Methodist Church where she has served as Youth Counselor, Youth Coordinator, Scout Religious Awards Coordinator and Instructor and is a member of the Parsonage and Fund Raising Committees.



Holly Jackson

Holly Jackson, a Scouter for 14 years, has served the George Strake District Cub Pack 143 as Den Leader and Coach. In Boy Scout Troop 240 she has been Assistant Scoutmaster, Webelos Woods Staff and Committee Member.

Holly has the Scouters Training Award, Scouter's Key, Family of the Year and District Award of Merit. She has also served on the University of Scouting Staff since 1993.

Holly is a member of Timber Ridge Presbyterian Church. She has helped with tutorials at the Wood-

lands Interfaith Community and has been active in various food drives for the Montgomery County food pantries. In addition, she is Uniform Coordinator for the Conroe High School Band and is an officer in the Band Boosters Club.



Nancy K. Johnson

Nancy Johnson has been an active Scouter for 10 years. She has served as Vice Chairman for the Golden Arrow District, Webelos Den Leader, Pack Committee Chairman, Troop Committee Chairman and currently serves as Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 11. Nancy has been a major force in organizing the biannual Golden Arrow Merit Badge Fair. She is a Brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow. Nancy has served as expedition leader on high adventure canoe trips to Minnesota and Colorado and backpacking treks to New Mexico and Yosemite National Park.

Nancy has completed Cub Scout Basic Training, Scoutmastership Fundamentals and Wood Badge training.

Her honors include the Cub Scouter Award, Scouter's Training Award and District Award of Merit.

Nancy is extremely active in the affairs of the First Presbyterian Church, serving on numerous committees and is a classroom volunteer at Briarwood School.

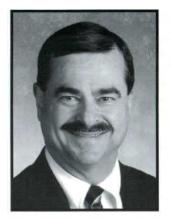


Paul L. King

Eagle Scout Paul King has actively supported Scouting for over 22 years. Paul has served at the Unit Level as Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster, District Committee Member, Troop Committee Chair, Den Leader, Webelos Den Leader, Den Leader Coach, and Assistant Cubmaster. Paul has served on numerous district activities, setting the example for leadership throughout the Mustang District. He has served as Cub Field Day Chairman, and has been a member of the Webelos Woods Staff and Merit Badge Fair Staff. Paul currently serves as Boy Scout Roundtable Commissioner, providing a fun and enriching program for all the participants. Paul has also served on staff at Council training events including Cub Scout Pow Wow.

Paul has received the Webelos Den Leader Award, Den Leader Award and the District Award of Merit. He has also received his Wood Badge Beads, the Scoutmaster Award of Merit, the Scouter's Key, and the Scouter's Training Award. He is a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow.

Paul is active in the Bear Creek United Methodist Church, where he is a member of the choir. Paul has served his community by coaching baseball and basketball leagues and he is also an umpire for the Bear Creek Little League.



Jeffrey Mark LaRochelle

Jeff LaRochelle began his adult Scouting career in 1986 as a pack Committee Member in Flaming Arrow District. Over the past 15 years, he has served as a Webelos Den Leader, Assistant Cubmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster and Assistant Post Advisor. Jeff has served as the District's School Night for Scouting Coordinator, New Unit Chairman, Friends of Scouting Presenter, Advancement Chairman, Assistant OA Chapter Advisor and Assistant District Commissioner. At the council level, Jeff has served as an instructor at Colonneh College, OA Lodge Committee Advisor.

Jeff has received the Distinguished Commissioner

Award, District Award of Merit, Scouter's Key, Scouter's Training Award, Arrowhead Honor Award, Commissioner's Key and the Webelos Den Leader Award. Jeff is a Vigi Honor Member of the Order of the Arrow.

Jeff has served as an advisor to the Junior Achievement program and as Campus Relations Representative for his employer.



Dorothy Livesay

Dottie Livesay has served the youth and adults of the Eagle Trail District for over 20 years. During her tenure, Dottie has served as Den Leader, Unit Commissioner, Round Table Staff, Cuboree and Camporee Staff. She has also served as Troop Advancement Chairman, Cub Day Camp Program Director, University of Scouting Staff, District Explore Chairman, Winter Camp Scoutmaster and Assistan Scoutmaster.

Dottie has been awarded the Distinguished Com missioner Service Award, Eagle Trail District Family of the Year Award, Scouter's Training Award, Arrow

head Honor, Wood Badge Beads and the St. George Religious Award.

Dottie's service to the community includes being active at St. Peter's Episcopal Church where she has served on numerous Episcopal Scout retreats. She also works with the Pasadena Citizen Police Academy Alumni Search & Rescue.



Denise Magnuson

Denise Magnuson began her service to Scouting in 1980 as a Den Leader in the Northeast Iowa Council in Dubuque, Iowa. From 1981 to the present she has held many leadership positions including Tiger Group Organizer, Tiger Cub Leader, Den Leader, and Committee Chairperson of Pack 602, and Committee Chairperson and Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 102 in the Arrowmoon District of the Sam Houston Area Council. She has served the District as Membership Chairman, Tiger Group Organizer, Assistant District Commissioner and Merit Badge Counselor.

Denise has attended University of Scouting, Cub Scout Pow Wow, Commissioner Basic Training, Tiger Cub Training at Philmont Training Center, and has earned her Wood Badge Beads. She has also been a Merit Badge Counselor for the Council Winter Camp. Denise has received the Scouter's Training Award, Den Leader Award and District Award of Merit.

Denise is a member of the Community Services Committee of the Kiwanis Club. She received God and Service Recognition from A & M Presbyterian Church. Denise is an Elder, Chairperson of the Day School Board and the Christian Education Committee, fifth and sixth grade Sunday School Teacher, and received Sunday School Teacher of the Year Award in 1990. She has also been a Youth Soccer Coach and a High School Science Fair Judge.



Jerry McNeil

Jerry McNeil has been a compassionate, active Scouter for over 19 years. Jerry has served as Assistant Scoutmaster to two separate troops in the Bayshore District. He is currently serving as Cubmaster of two Cub Scout Packs. Jerry has helped plan and staff Camporees and Cuborees and is very active as an Order of the Arrow Brotherhood member. He is also the Charter Organization Representative at St. James Presbyterian Church in the La Porte area.

Jerry has been awarded the District Award of Merit, Scoutmaster's Award of Merit, Scouter's Key

and Scouter's Training Award. He has also earned his Boy Scout Wood Badge Beads.

Jerry has been a youth soccer coach and is currently a Girl Scout Leader. He sings in the St. James Presbyterian Church choir and is in charge of the church's ground and maintenance team.



Fred G. Yost, Jr.

Fred Yost began his adult Scouting career in 1989 as a Pack 1614 committee member in Rising Star District. He has served as Webelos Leader, Assistant Scoutmaster, Vice Chairman for Administration, and Friends of Scouting Chairman. Fred is currently a Unit Commissioner, District Committee member and Assistant Scoutmaster. He has served on staff for Cub Day Camp, Camporee and several district training events.

Fred attended 21st Century Wood Badge in Fall 2001 and Southern Region Powder Horn in Spring 2001. He has received the District Award of Merit, Distinguished Commissioner Award, Cub Scouter Award and Scouter's Key.

Fred is a member of Foundry United Methodist Church, where he is active in the United Methodist Men's group. He is also a volunteer at Cy-Falls High School, where he is one of the Thespian parents.



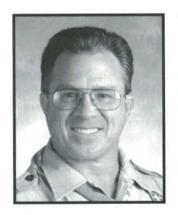
Kathy M. Wallace

The Polaris District has had a valuable volunteer in Kathy Wallace for the past 12 years. She has served Scouting as an Assistant District Commissioner, Pack and Troop Committee Chairman, Assistant Cubmaster and several years in den leader positions with her three sons. Kathy is currently the Polaris District Commissioner, Venturing Crew 469 Advisor and a staff member for 21st Century Wood Badge. Kathy has served on staff for Cub Scout Pow Wow, Camporee, Cuboree, Cub Day Camp and numerous district training events.

Kathy earned her Boy Scout Leader Wood

Badge beads in Fall 2000 and has also received the District Award of Merit, Scouter's Key, Commissioner's Key, and Cub Scouter Award. She is an Ordeal member of the Order of the Arrow and has received the Distinguished Commissioner Service Award.

In addition to Scouting, Kathy is a very active volunteer in her community. She is a certified baseball umpire and Youth Referee Coordinator/Trainer for the Tomball Sports Association. She has been the Volunteer Coordinator for Tomball High School Band Booster Club and for Lakewood Elementary PTO. Kathy and her family are long-time members of Prince of Peace Catholic Church.



William H. Wallace

Bill Wallace has served in the Golden Arrow District for 12 years. During that time he has been a Den Leader, Webelos Den Leader, Assistant Cubmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster and Scoutmaster. He served on the World Jamboree staff in Santiago, Chile and has lead high adventure expeditions to Seabase and the Boundary Waters canoe area and Philmont. Bill also has served as a Key Staff member for University of Scouting.

In 1999 he represented the Sam Houston Area Council at the 100 year celebration of Scouting at Mafeking, South Africa and he is currently serving

as Assistant Scoutmaster for the 20th World Jamboree, Sattahip, Thailand.

Bill has completed Cub Scout Basic Training, Scoutmastership Fundamentals and Wood Badge training. His honors include the Cub Scouter Award, Den Leader Award, Webelos Den Leader Award, Scouter's Training Award, Scouter's Key, Scoutmaster Award of Merit and District Award of Merit.

Bill has been active in the community through leadership positions in the Houston Central Lion's Club. He is a member of St. Anne's Catholic Church where he has served as an usher since 1974.



Rodger Dean Meredith

Rodger Meredith has been actively involved in Scouting for over 11 years. Rodger has served as the Cubmaster and Den Leader of Pack 1105 in the Tatanka District, and then later as Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 1113. He has served the Tatanka District as Unit Commissioner, Cub Scout Roundtable Commissioner. He has been a member of the Day Camp Staff for over five years, and is now serving as Day Camp Director. He has also served as Vice Chairman of Programs for Tatanka District.

Rodger has completed both the Cub Scout and Boy Scout Wood Badge training programs. He has

earned his beads from both training events. Rodger has received the Cubmaster Award, Cub Scouter Award, Scouter's Training Award, and the Scouter's Key. He has been awarded the District Award of Merit and the Distinguished Commissioner Service Award. Rodger and his family have been honored with the Tatanka District Family of the Year Award. Rodger is a Brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow.

Rodger is active in his church and has served as a CCE instructor for the youth. Rodger has actively supported the Stevens and Pruett Ranch for Children and Animals and has been honored with the ring of service that is noteworthy of this service.



Michael J. Morrow

Eagle Scout Michael Morrow began his adult Scouting service in 1977 as Assistant Scoutmaster. He currently serves as Assistant District Commissioner in the George Strake District. He has also served as Scoutmaster, Unit Commissioner, Den Leader and as Troop Committee Member.

Michael has completed Wood Badge and his Scouting honors include Scouter Training Award, Eagle Scout with 4 Palms, Commissioner's Key, Webelos Den Leader Award, Den Leader Award, Cub Scouter Award and District Award of Merit.

Michael is an active member of St. Simon & Jude

Church and has served on the Stewardship Committee and Ministry of Hospitality since 1995.



David Moyer

Eagle Scout David Moyer has been an active adult Scouter for 10 years. He has served youth in the Bayshore District as Den Leader, Webelos Den Leader, Assistant Cubmaster, Cubmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster and Scoutmaster. He has also served as Unit Commissioner, District Commissioner, Pow Wow Key Staff, Cuboree and Camporee Staff and 21st Century Wood Badge Staff.

David has received the Cub Scouter Award, Cubmaster and Outstanding Cubmaster Awards, District Award of Merit and Scoutmaster Award of Merit.

He has received the Commissioner's Key and is a Brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow.

David is a member of St. Bernadette Catholic Church, in Clear Lake, where he has taught religious education formation classes and has been Lay Director for Christ Renews.



Stephen D. Newton

Stephen Newton has been a member of the Sam Houston Area Council's Board of Directors since 1997. He served as the Skyline District Chairman from 1997 to 2000. He is presently the Division I Chairman.

Steve began his Scouting career with Troop 112 in Paris, France of the Transatlantic Council in 1968. He earned his Eagle badge with Bronze Palm with Troop 255 in Chevy Chase, Maryland in 1971. He was active with the Order of the Arrow as District Chief. Steve served on Camp Staff of the Atlanta Area Council for two summers.

Steve is a Managing Director with Russell Reynolds Associates which he joined in New York in 1986. He has lived in Houston since 1995. In addition to SHAC, he currently serves on the Houston Zoological Society Board, the Texas Children's Hospital Development Board and Young Audiences of Houston Board. He is a graduate of Georgetown University School of Foreign Service. Steve and his wife, Betty, are the parents of two daughters.



Royce Thompson

Royce Thompson has been an active Scouter for 14 years. Royce enjoys working as the Bayshore District's Advancement Chairman. He has guided more than 60 boys to Eagle Rank in his tenure. Royce also serves as the Charter Organization Representative for Cokesbury United Methodist Church. He has served as Assistant Den Leader, Pack Committee Chairman, Adult Trek Leader at Philmont Scout Ranch and Assistant Scoutmaster at two National Scout Jamborees. He has also served as Troop Committee Chairman and Scoutmaster in the Bayshore District.

Royce has received the Den Leader Award, Out-

standing Pack Committee Chairman Award, Cub Scouter Award, Boy Scout Wood Badge Beads, Scouter's Training Award, Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow, District Scouter of the Year Award and District Award of Merit.

Royce is an active member at Cokesbury United Methodist Church, where he has served as Chairman of the Administrative Board, Finance Chairman, and Disciple Bible Study Leader. Royce is also a member of the South Belt-Ellington Chamber of Commerce where he serves his neighbors and his community as a whole.



Laurie Jean Tipley

Laurie Tipley has been an active Scouter in Rising Star district for 11 years. She has served as District Activities Chairman, Philmont Trek Advisor for Troop 626, Pack Committee Awards Chairman, and several years as a Den Leader. Laurie is currently a District Committee member and Troop Committee member. She has served on staff for Boy Scout Leader and 21st Century Wood Badge, Junior Leader Training Conference, Pow Wow and numerous district training events.

Laurie earned her Boy Scout Leader Wood Badge beads and has received the District Award of Merit, Rising Star Family of the Year, Scouter's Training Award, Cub Scouter Award, Den Leader Award and

Adult Religious Award.

Laurie and her family are members of Prince of Peace Catholic Community. As well as serving Boy Scouting, Laurie has also been a long-time Girl Scout leader and received a 2001 Outstanding Leader Award from the San Jacinto Girl Scout Council in recognition of her service. She has also been a very dedicated volunteer for numerous school programs in CyFair ISD.



Greg Schneider

The Tatanka District has had a valuable volunteer in Eagle Scout Greg Schneider for 12 years. He has served as Den Leader, Webelos Den Leader, Assistant Scoutmaster, Associate Venturing Advisor, District Vice Chairman and is currently Tatanka District Chairman. Greg has served on the staff for Cub Scout Pow Wow, Den Chief Conference University of Scouting, Train the Trainer and as Assistant Scoutmaster for the Council Junior Leader training Conference.

Greg has completed Cub Scout Basic Training, Scoutmastership Fundamentals, and Wood

Badge training. His honors include the Cub Scouter Award, Scouter's Training Award and District Award of Merit.

Greg is an active member of St. Justin Martyr Catholic Community where he serves on the Finance Council, is a teacher for CCE and is a member of the Knights of Columbus. Additionally, Greg has served youth as a YMCA and Little League baseball and basketball coach.



Kathaline Strickler

Kathaline Strickler has brought leadership to Scouting for over 10 years. Kathaline has served Rising Star Pack 771 as Committee Chairman, Den Leader and Webelos Den Leader. She also served as Advancement Chairman for Troop 771. Kathaline has served Rising Star District in numerous leadership responsibilities, including Unit Commissioner, Assistant District Commissioner, Day Camp Director and Membership Chairman. She now serves as District Vice Chairman of Administration. Kathaline has also been a member of the National Day Camp Training Team and

has served on several Cub Scout Pow Wow staffs.

Kathaline has attended Wood Badge and she has earned the District Award of Merit, Distinguished Commissioner Service Award, Arrowhead Honor, Scouter's Training Award, Scouter's Key, Webelos Den Leader Award, and Den Leader Award. Her family has been honored with the Rising Star Family of the Year Award.

Kathaline is active in her community and serves as a CCE Instructor. She is a VIP with her son's school.



S. Gifford Nielsen

Gifford Nielsen has been a member of the Sam Houston Area Council's Board of Directors for more than 16 years. He has also used his marketing and media expertise in various capacities for the Council's Marketing Committee.

Giff attended Brigham Young University on a football and basketball scholarship. During his college football career, the Football Writers of America named Giff an All-American by and the National Collegiate Athletic Association chose him as one of the top five scholar athletes. He graduated from BYU with a Bachelor's Degree

in Communications. Giff played professional football for the Houston Oilers where he played quarterback. After six years, he retired to join the Channel 11 News anchor team as KHOU's Sports Director.

Giff hosts an annual golf tournament in Houston that benefits the United Way Kid's Way. Giff and his wife Wendy have six children.



Anthony Pagnotta

Eagle Scout Tony Pagnotta has been an active adult Scouter in Flaming Arrow District for 10 years. He has served as Den Leader, Cubmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster, Scoutmaster, Crew Advisor, Webelos to Scout Transition Chairman, Boy Scout Training Chairman and District Training Chairman. Tony has served on staff for Cub Scout Pow Wow, University of Scouting and Winter Camp. He is a member of the Council Conservation Committee, Hornaday Award Program Coordinator and he wrote the curriculum for Cub Scout Astronomy and Bird Study at

Bovay Scout Ranch.

Tony has completed Boy Scout Leader Wood Badge and has received the District Award of Merit, Scouter's Key, Scouter's Training Award, Cubmaster Award, Cub Scouter Award, Webelos Den Leader Award, Den Leader Award, Religious Award (youth), and the Arrow of Light Award.

Tony has supported numerous community projects including Kingwood Home-coming Parade, community 4th of July parade and barbeque, several conservation projects and grounds maintenance projects for community churches. He actively supports the Youth Program at First Presbyterian Church of Kingwood.



Jerry M. Peery

Jerry Peery began serving Scouting 14 years ago in the W.L. Davis District. Jerry has served as Public Relations Chairman, Friends of Scouting Chairman, Vice Chairman of Administration, District Chairman, and currently is the Vice Chairman of Finance. During the 1990's, Jerry was instrumental in re-organizing the District Committee and led the District to Quality District Status.

Jerry has received the District Award of Merit and is a member of the Order of the Arrow.

He is a member of St. John's United Methodist

Church and is active in the United Way as a Campaign Coordinator. Jerry is a Mentor and Career Day Counselor at Love Elementary and is a Past-President of Toastmasters.



Michael D. Pickerd

Michael Pickerd has been a member of the Sam Houston Area Council's Board of Directors since 1999. He is currently the Chairman of the JPMorgan Chase Friends of Scouting Committee. On a unit level, he has served as a Merit Badge Counselor for Troop 1047 since 1987.

Mike has been involved in many aspects of the Council's activities. He attended Philmont Leadership Training in June of 1998 and helped organize the Katy Texas Little Philmont Training in 1998 through 2001. He assisted in the coordination of the LDS Scout Week at El Rancho Cima, the Friends of Scout-

ing drive in the Council and many Scout Fair activities.

Mike and his wife are the proud parents of two Eagle Scouts and a Life Scout. He is Senior Vice President of JP Morgan Chase Bank.



James E. Radcliffe

Jim Radcliffe has served as an adult Scouter in Polaris District for 12 years. He has served as District Training Chairman, Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster and Cubmaster. Currently, Jim is the Scoutmaster of Troop 900, District Public Relations Chairman and a Unit Commissioner. Jim has served on staff for National Jamboree, University of Scouting, Cub Scout Pow Wow and numerous district training events.

Jim is a Vigil Honor member of the Order of the Arrow and an Eagle Scout. He earned his Boy Scout Leader Wood Badge beads in Spring 2000

and has been awarded the District Award of Merit, Scoutmaster Award of Merit, Scoutmaster's Key and the Scouter's Training Award.

Jim and his family attend Spring Woods United Methodist Church. Jim is also a member of the American Legion.



John W. Richard

John Richard began his adult Scouting career in California in the El Dorado District of the Golden Eagle Council as a Den Leader of Pack 550. He has held numerous positions including Assistant Scoutmaster, Unit Commissioner, Boy Scout Roundtable Commissioner, Boy Scout Leader Training Chairman and Wood Badge Coach Counselor.

John's Scouting honors include Wood Badge Beads, Cub Scouter Award and the District Award of Merit.

John has served in several areas of Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church where he is a member. He is also an active member of the Conroe High School

Academy of Science Advisory Board.