## **KEEPING THE FIRE BURNING**



## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA® HEART OF NEW ENGLAND COUNCIL

## **2022 ANNUAL REPORT**

# THANK YOU, FROM THE HEART

Christopher Baker Council President



Council Commissioner



Mark Barbernitz Scout Executive / CEO

Anyone who has camped in bad weather knows that keeping a fire going under adverse conditions can be challenging. Scouting has been experiencing unfavorable circumstances lately. Competition from other programs compounded by COVID-19 led to declining membership. The national BSA bankruptcy and rising inflation has made Scouting more expensive and strained financial resources. At times Scouting's fire has dimmed. In a society that needs the values of Scouting more than ever before it is imperative that we keep that fire burning; that we continue to provide a program of citizenship, character building, physical, emotional, and mental fitness, to the youth of our communities so they can become responsible adults and take their place as tomorrow's leaders. The individual sparks contributed by the thousands of dedicated volunteers, parents, alumni, donors and staff not only keep that fire going in the Heart of New England Council. They build it higher and brighter!

2022 saw growth in Scouting membership for the first time since the 1990s. 881 new youth joined our council this year. We continued to restore packs and troops lost during the pandemic. 138 Scouts earned the coveted rank of Eagle Scout. Over 5,000 merit badges were earned, introducing youth to dozens of hobbies and career possibilities. More than 17,000 hours of volunteer service were invested in our local communities. Camp Wanocksett and Treasure Valley Scout Reservation together provided summer camp programs for more than 2,400 youth, with hundreds more utilizing the facilities throughout the year. We accomplished this while making a substantial contribution to the BSA's bankruptcy settlement and keeping our council on a solid financial foundation.

We are grateful to all our donors and benefactors who invest in the Scouting movement in Central Massachusetts. We are thankful for the more than 1,800 registered adult volunteers who work with more than 4,000 Scouts in the Heart of New England Council. These leaders are amazing role models, and mentors for our young people.

The fire of Scouting is burning brightly in the Heart of New England, and with continued passion, unwavering support, and belief of our dedicated volunteers we will keep that fire burning.

Thank you for being an important part of the Scouting movement!

The mission of Heart of New England Council, Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

# **2022 YEAR IN REVIEW** 4,046 YOUTH SERVED

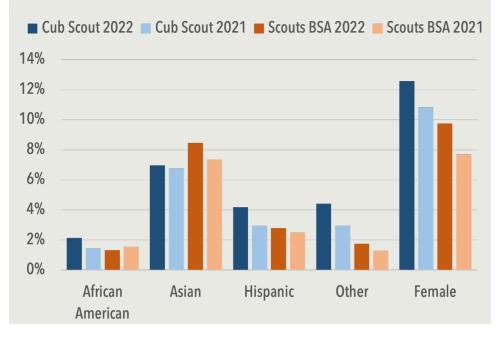
### 1,837 Registered adult volunteers



## **881 NEW YOUTH JOINED**

## **SCOUTING FOR EVERYONE**

Our team is working to build a more diverse and inclusive Scouting community that makes opportunities available to all Scouting aged youth. (% of members)



**3.39%** of Scouting aged youth in central Massachusetts belong to Scouting

**1.05%** membership growth in 2022

**80.9%** of members renewed their membership in 2022

Scouts earned Eagle Scout

5,396 merit badges earned

727 Cub Scout awards earned

279 Scouts BSA ranks earned

**17,148** hours of community service reported for Eagle Scout service projects alone

### THE SCOUT OATH

On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

THE SCOUT LAW A Scout is: **Trustworthy** Loyal, Helpful, Friendly, Courteous, Kind, Obedient, Cheerful, Thrifty, Brave, Clean, and Reverent

Scouting's success depends on the unwavering dedication of parents, alumni, and members of the community to provide leadership to our units, support for our programs, and professional expertise to help oversee our operations. We are grateful for all of our volunteers, and proud to recognize the exemplary service of these individuals.

## Silver Beaver Award

The Silver Beaver Award was introduced in 1931 to recognize registered Scouters of exceptional character who have provided distinguished service to youth within a council. Heart of New Council proudly recognized these dedicated volunteers with the Silver Beaver Award in 2022.



**Brian Beck** 

**Peter Gravelle** 



**Alan Malkasian** 



Lori Renzoni



### The Venturing Leadership Award recognizes Venturers and Venturing Advisors who have made exceptional contributions to Venturing and who exemplify the Scout Oath and Law, at the council, territory, or national level. Heart of New England Council proudly recognized these dedicated Venturers and Advisers in 2022.

Venturing Leadership Award



**Catherine Fleming** 







**Ainsley Marr** 

### NATIONALLY ACCREDITED BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA PROGRAMS

Our nationally accredited camps are the outdoor laboratory in which the leadership, skills, teamwork, self-reliance, and values of Scouting are tested and refined. Treasure Valley Scout Reservation and Camp Wanocksett are recognized leaders in providing safe, exciting summer camp adventures for Scouts.

The young adults who comprise the bulk of our summer camp staff are the product of our programs. With a focus on customer service, and attention to detail, and a commitment to our Mission, these young men and women return year-after-year to help provide firstclass opportunities to the next generation of Scouting youth.

The dedicated volunteers of our properties committees, with support from our growing base of camp alumni, assist our camp rangers with routine maintenance and upkeep, support the physical plant needs of our summer camp programs, and help guide camp improvement projects throughout the year.

48 Scouts gained valuable leadership skills to help strengthen their troop by participating in National Youth Leadership Training in 2022. More youth further honed their skills by serving as instructors.

# FANNING THE FLAME

"The fire is the main comfort of the camp, whether in summer or winter. It is as well or cheerfulness as for warmth and dryness." ~Henry David Thoreau

## 522 CUB SCOUTS participated .

in Cub Scout Adventure Camp at Treasure Valley , Webelos Resident Camp at Treasure Valley and Camp Wanocksett, and Webelos Woods family camp at Camp Wanocksett.

**1,409 SCOUTS** from 125 troops

and crews chose Camp Wanocksett, in Dublin, NH, at the base of Mt. Monadnock, as their Scouting home in 2022.

**721 SCOUTS** from 52 troops enjoyed a variety of new adventures, including horseback riding, at Treasure Valley Scout Reservation last summer

# FUELING THE MISSION

"A Scout is thrifty—work to pay your own way. Try not to be wasteful. Use time, food, supplies, and natural resources wisely."  $^{\sim}$  The Scout Oath

## **2022 OPERATING FUND\***

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\*Unaudited. Our financial reports and processes are audited annually. Audited financial statements are available upon request once the annual audit is completed.



In 2022 Heart of New England Council once again held its Sporting Clays event with a gross revenue of more than \$18,600. Our annual golf tournament raised just over \$50,000 and we recognized John Zarrella, President of Research Results, with our Distinguished Citizen Award at a wonderful event in June.

These events along with our annual popcorn sale, Friends of Scouting campaign, and United Way contributions enabled Heart of New England Council to offer more than \$38,000 in financial assistance for registration and summer camp fees to Scouting families across central Massachusetts.



## **JAMES E. WEST FELLOWSHIPS**

Four individuals were recognized with the James E. West Fellowship for a contribution of \$1,000 or more to the council endowment. The investment income from the contributions will continue to provide financial support to Scouting long into the future.

Aaron Langlois	.\$1,000
Jeffrey Swindling	.\$1,500
Alexander Olson (recognized by Catamount Lodge)	.\$1,000
Catherine Fleming (recognized by Catamount Lodge)	.\$1,000

# THANKS FOR YOUR SPARK

"Changing the world doesn't happen all at once. It isn't a big bang. It's an evolution, the sum of a billion tiny sparks. And some of those sparks will have to come from you." ~ Katie Couric

Heart of New England Council extends our gratitude to the individuals and corporate sponsors whose support of our special events, and contributions throughout the year help us create positive experiences that give young people the tools they need to succeed now and throughout their lives. It is through the generous contributions of our community partners that Heart of New England Council is well positioned to continue serving local youth and families for generations to come.

#### \$50,000 or more

McQuaid Family Foundation George Magee Trust United Way of North Central MA

#### \$10,000 or more

Albert Stone Fund Christine L. Beck Fund Irvin And Marion Erb Trust Ruth B. Whittemore Trust

#### \$1,000 or more

Aaron Langlois Alan V. Malkasian Alkon and Levine PC Aubuchon Foundation Avidia Bank Barre Savings Charitable Foundation Branden C. Morris Brian J. Anders **Burnham Foundation** C J. Moore Cabela's Cafe Services Inc Calvin E. Moore Catamount Lodge, Order of the Arrow Charles E. Thompson Christopher H. Baker **Coghlin Companies Coghlin Electric Services Contemporary Design & Construction** Cornerstone Bank Creedon and Co., Inc. Dan J. Lvons David A. Bosselait David J. Miles David Stone Enterprise Bank & Trust Fitchburg State University Gerald Bieler Fund **Geronimo Properties** 

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**Jeremy Ahern** 

VP Administration

**Terry Bass** 

**VP** Development

Brian Anders Commissioner

Andrew Bauer VP Properties

John O'Malley VP Membership

Alan Malkasian VP Finance Paul O'Riordan VP Legal Affairs

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Jon Allen David Bosselait Matthew Ciampaglia Rajiv Dayal Jim Ganley Michael Gerry Tracy Gagnon Nick Hunter

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William Dunbar District Director

Matt Ghirarda Program Director

Patrick Hanrahan Development Director Kevin Kearney Ken Kronlund, MD Aaron Langlois Ana Martinez-Reynolds Calvin Moore CJ Moore Branden Morris Daniel Newman

### **Council Staff**

Jeff Mayes District Executive

**John Mayo** Camp Wanocksett Ranger

Matthew McLaughlin Treasure Valley Ranger

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