

## **Allan M. Laube** **Trail to Eagle**

On February 28, 2007, Allan Laube became the 111<sup>th</sup> Eagle Scout in Troop 677. For Allan's Eagle Project, he led scouts to construct a Retired American Flag Receptacle to be placed at VFW Post 6274 located adjacent to the Ballwin Post Office.

Allan began his scouting career as a Tiger Cub in Pack 604. He earned his Arrow of Light in March 2001 and crossed over to Troop 677. Allan is the only one to have achieved the Eagle rank from his Webelos den.

In Troop 677, Allan went to Den Chief training in November 2002 and then served as a Den Chief for Pack 604. He also served as a Den Chief for the Castlewood Day Camp for four consecutive years. Allan has attended five summer camps, four with Troop 677 and one with the Venturing Crew. He also attended the Shooting Sports summer camp in 2004. He has earned 27 merit badges and completed the mile swim.

Allan served as summer camp staff in 2006 and is scheduled to serve again in 2007. He is one of only a handful of scouts from Troop 677 to serve as staff at Summer Camp. On staff he became BSA Lifeguard Certified.

Allan was a Troop Guide and completed Junior Leader Training Camp (JLTC) at S-F in 2003. That same year he went on the Northern Tier High Adventure and enjoyed the challenges of nature. From this trip he earned the 50 Miler Badge. He was elected to the Order of the Arrow in 2005 and achieved Brotherhood in 2006. He has also served as Camporee Staff several times, helped with Red Card training, and a few crossovers.

The most memorable time in Allan's scouting career was attending National Jamboree from July 21 to August 4, 2005. Visiting Arlington Cemetery, Williamsburg, Busch Gardens, and Thomas Jefferson's home in Monticello were fascinating. Those sites were the added bonuses to the stay at Fort A.P. Hill for the Jamboree. Even though the heat was intense, the experience was unbelievable and will never be forgotten.

Throughout Allan's four years with Troop 677 and two plus years with Venture Crew 677, he estimates that he has camped 172 nights (including 55 nights as Summer Camp Staff) plus 42 other overnights for a total of 214 nights.

Allan is a junior at Eureka High School involved in Honors and AP courses. He is active in ROOTS (Reaching Out to Others Through Service) and is exploring the possible colleges that he would like to attend.

His favorite extracurricular activities are snowboarding, the trampoline and XBOX.

Allan has a younger sister, Marissa, who is crossing over to Cadettes in Girl Scouts and attends LaSalle Middle School. His parents are Joyce and Allan J. Laube. Joyce works at Cooper Bussmann and Allan works as a repairman for AmerenUE.

Now Allan can join all Eagles and soar to new heights.