

Chris Peterson
On the Trail to Eagle
Eagle Scout – January 22, 2003

On January 22, 2003 at 8:53 p.m., Chris Peterson became an Eagle Scout. Chris has been involved in Scouting for twelve years, and becoming an Eagle marks his climb to the top of the mountain. As he looks back down the trail, he views his accomplishments with pride.

Chris began as a Tiger Cub and earned his Arrow of Light before joining Troop 677. While in the Troop, he has served as a Patrol Leader (three times), Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Cheermaster, and Librarian. Chris is a member of the Brotherhood Order of the Arrow.

Chris has been to Philmont twice, the first time in 2000 with his father, and again in 2002. In 2001, he went to the Northern Tier. He has attended numerous summer camps at the S-F Ranch.

Chris attended Junior Leader Training Camp (JLTC) and served on the staff of JLTC as a Troop Guide in 1999.

Chris says "Scouting has given me a base for my life free of worry about the world, a safe place to grow, to learn new skills for life such as teamwork, dealing with people, leadership, and problem solving."

Chris is a Senior at Marquette High School where he has been active in cross country running the 5K fun for three years, track, on the crew of various musical and theatre productions, the Latin Club, the Odyssey of the Mind for three years where his team made the State competition two years in a row, and the orchestra where he plays the violin. Chris has been playing the violin for nine years, and enjoys classical music, particularly Tchaikovsky, Vivaldi, and Bartok. Chris is working with Eagle Scout Derrick Goltz to form a band. Chris plays the bass guitar.

In the National Merit Scholarship exams, Chris placed in the top 50,000 in the United States out of 1.7 million. He has scored a 30 on the college entrance exams making him eligible for Missouri's Bright Flight Scholar program. Chris is considering Truman State at Kirksville for his college education. A number of Scouts from Troop 677 currently attend Truman.

Chris works part-time for the St. Louis Bread Company in Chesterfield Valley.

Chris's father, Gregg Peterson, has served as the Troop's Scoutmaster for over three years. His mother, Lynn, was involved in Cub Scouts as a Den Leader. Chris's brother, Matt, is currently Assistant Senior Patrol Leader.

After twelve years of climbing the trail to the top of the mountain, Chris can now fly with the rest of the Eagles.