

Supervisor Lesko and Town Board Honor Gold Award Recipients and Eagle Scouts

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Farmingville, NY - On Monday, March 8, Supervisor Mark Lesko, along with Deputy Supervisor Kathleen Walsh and Brookhaven Town Board, honored all 106 Gold Award Recipients and Eagle Scouts from the Town of Brookhaven.

"You are the leaders of tomorrow," Supervisor Lesko said to the young adults in attendance, "You must remember that leadership is earned, and you have all demonstrated both your willingness and your ability to earn that leadership. I congratulate all of Brookhaven's 2009 Gold Award Recipients and Eagle Scouts."

Achieving Eagle Scout rank or earning a Girl Scout Gold Award is the culmination of the substantial work and commitment each scout puts into their individual scouting projects. It is something that a scout can be passionate about - in thought, deed, and action. These projects are things that fulfill a need within the individual scout's community, create positive change, and inspire their fellow scouts to achieve comparable efforts.

Also in attendance were the CEO of the Suffolk County Girl Scouts, Yvonne Grant, and former Council President of the Boy Scouts, Brian McAuliff. Eagle Scout Greg Koridis (Rocky Point) described his journey to achieve the highest award in scouting. Gold Award Recipients Brianna Asselta (Farmingville), Christa Guirerra (Farmingville), and Kristen DGiovanna (Farmingville) explained their joint project coordinating a 9/11 memorial in the Holtsville area. In recognition of their achievement and dedication to their community, each Scout received a certificate.

"Since their inception nearly a century ago, these two groups have grown and changed, influenced by the world around them. Today, there are millions of boys and girls involved in Boy and Girl Scout programs helping to develop young people of courage, confidence and character who make our world a better place," declared Councilwoman Jane Bonner.

Councilwoman Connie Kepert added, "The integrity of a person and of the society in which they live, often come down to the basic tenets found in the Scout Law. Every society depends on trust and loyalty, on courtesy and kindness, on bravery and reverence. These are the values imparted by Scouting."

"In today's complex society, Scouting is one of the few organizations that has retained the basic values of its origins, and that is our best hope for future leadership of America," noted Councilman Steve Fiore-Rosenfeld.

Councilman Tim Mazzei pointed out, "Both Scouting organizations do an excellent job in teaching our boys and girls life skills. These scouting endeavors are more than just good service projects - they impart organizational, leadership, and networking skills, talents that will serve these scouts well throughout their lives."

"It was an honor to have our girls recognized for earning the Gold Award by the Town of Brookhaven," says Yvonne Grant, President and CEO of Girl Scouts of Suffolk County. "Their achievement is one that benefits not only themselves in terms of leadership and life skills, but it also touches many lives in the community."

"The young ladies and men recognized tonight represent the future. I congratulate them and their parents on their outstanding commitment to community service," concluded Deputy Supervisor Kathleen Walsh.

Gold Award Recipients:

Brianna Asselta
Stephanie Anos
Amanda Beck
Ashleigh Chapman
Brittany Cheever
Emily Chiominto
Colleen Conklin
Jamie Cottone
Christine Covati
Kaitlyn Crowley
Danielle Denny
Kristin DiGiovanna
Kaitlin Ehl
Shannon Epsky
Melissa Erickson
Kimberly Essig

Desiree Farrell
Maryrose Favia
Dannielle Forys
Patricia Grippo
Christa Gurriera
Stephanie Hannan
Angela Hernandez
Lauren Kelly
Karen Kenney
Kayla Lazar
Korinne Lazar
Victoria Le Deoux
Alyssa Liguori
Lisa Luchsinger
Ashley Ludewig
Caitlin Mallin

Marissa Manfredi
Kimberly McCoy
Lauren McCre
Devon McGhee
Bethany McHugh
Krystyn Moutinho
Lauren Moutinho
Stephanie Osmanski
Kelly O'Sullivan
Courtney Pepino
Caitlyn Pratt
Amanda Schwartz
Rebekah Sides
Alexandra Tyler
Melanie Wilson
Erin Volpe

Eagle Scout Recipients:

Adam Aigen
Stephen Badala
Ryan Ballester
John Bilardello
Sterling Calvin
Anthony Camarda
Jeffrey Camarda
George Conseva III
Anthony Cordiate
Matthew Corso
Michael Coward
Austin Delaney
Kevin Ehl
Christopher Favuzza
Ryan Freund
Stephen Fusco
Matthew Greco
Michael Green
Michael Hannan
Matthew Haughn
Jonathan Haughn
Ellis Holmes IV
Brian Jecklin

Anthony Jones
Taylor Jones
Max Klein
Alexander Konsker
Gregory Koridis
John Kruse
John Laadt
Anthony Laratondo
Erik Lindgren
Stephen Maier
Alexander Mantoura
Jeremy McCarron
Corey McGuines
James McLoughlin Jr.
Sean McMurray
Christopher McNewil
Anthony Minelli
Brendan Minogue
James Monette
Alexander Mulhall
Thomas Napoli
Benjamin Papaleo
William Parks

Robert Pavacic
Stephen Piniella
Matthew Power
Zachary Prost
Joseph Quattrone
Jonathan Raheb
George Rigby
Christian Robinson
Thomas Santangelo
Christopher Santoro
Andrew Santos
Patrick Scherer
William Schoepflin
Steven Scotti
Patrick Slutter
Clark Smith
Derek Somerville
Andru Stich
Nicholas Vernola Jr.
Miguel Villafane, Jr.
Glen Vogeli
Aaron Wade
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