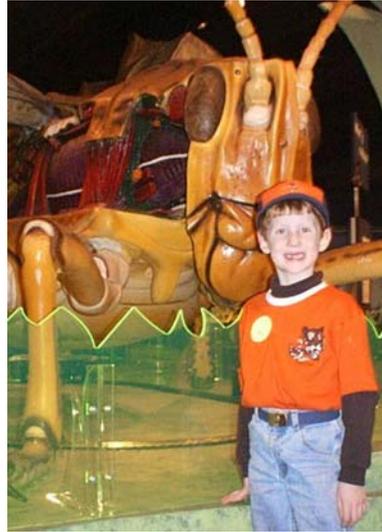


Henry S. Tourtillotte



Eagle Scout Henry Tourtillotte, currently a seventh grader at Henry James Middle School, was born in 1997 in Pennsylvania. Shortly thereafter, the Tourtillotte family moved to Simsbury, Connecticut. Henry resides in Simsbury with his mother Susan, father Jim, and his brother William, a Simsbury High School junior.

Henry entered Scouting as a Tiger Cub with Cub Scout Pack 175 at St. Mary's Church. He immediately took to scouting and enjoyed all aspects of the program: overnight trips, hikes and group activities. Henry also loved the uniform. He always enjoyed, and still does, looking sharp and being in full uniform. Henry proceeded through Cub Scouts and Webelos and was proudly awarded the Arrow of Light.

He visited all three Boy Scout Troops in Simsbury and then chose to cross over to Troop 174. After his first meeting, Henry was hooked. He immediately decided he wanted to fully engage Scouting and set goals to achieve several different goals – some big and some small. He started with rank advancement but also realized that he could give to other Scouts as well. After one year in the Troop, Henry became a Den Chief with a den in Troop 175 and has continued in the role to this day. He enjoys working with the younger boys and sharing his values and Scouting knowledge with them. Henry was also honored this year when Troop 174's new Scouts crossed over as he was awarded the role of Patrol Leader. He has enjoyed going to Summer camp, Trail to Eagle Camp, Block Island, the Appalachian Trail hikes, and many other troop activities. Henry truly believes that the values and lessons taught in Boys Scouts will assist him in achieving any goal he sets in life, Eagle Scout being the first of them.

Henry also stays very active outside of Scouting and participates in many varied activities. He will finish his seventh grade year with High Honors. He is involved in several activities at school with his most enjoyable being Jazz Band and Wind Ensemble where he plays the alto saxophone. He was also elected to the seventh grade Leadership Committee by his teachers. One of Henry's biggest joys is the outdoors. He loves hiking and camping and has ascended several peaks in the Northeast and has also enjoyed trips and hiking in the Grand Canyon, Sequoia National Forest, and Costa Rica. His two favorite hikes were the Cathedral Trail to the summit of Mt. Katahdin in Maine and hiking to the Hanakapi'ai Falls nestled deep inside Hanakapi'ai Valley on Kauai's Na Pali coast. Henry is also very passionate about shooting especially five stand, a discipline that replicates shooting game in the outdoors. Henry works at the Hartford Gun Club as a Trap Shooting Score Keeper for many state level competitions.

Rank Advancement

Scout	03/12/08	Star	04/17/09
Tenderfoot	05/28/08	Life	10/21/09
Second Class	09/24/08	Eagle	05/26/10
First Class	12/17/08		

Merit Badges Earned

Art Fingerprinting	
Basketry First	Aid*
Camping* Fishing	
Citizenship in the Community*	Leatherwork
Citizenship in the Nation*	Lifesaving*
Citizenship in the World*	Personal Fitness*
Communications* Personal	Management*
Composite Materials	Snow Sports
Dentistry Swim	ming*
Environmental Science*	Weather
Family Life*	

*Eagle Requirement

Eagle Project

Henry's Eagle Scout project benefited our local Civitan Club. Civitan supports our community and also sponsors Troop 174. Henry looked at this as a real opportunity to give back two fold. Henry's project was to design and construct twelve a-frame signs that Civitan could use to advertise charitable events they sponsor throughout the year.

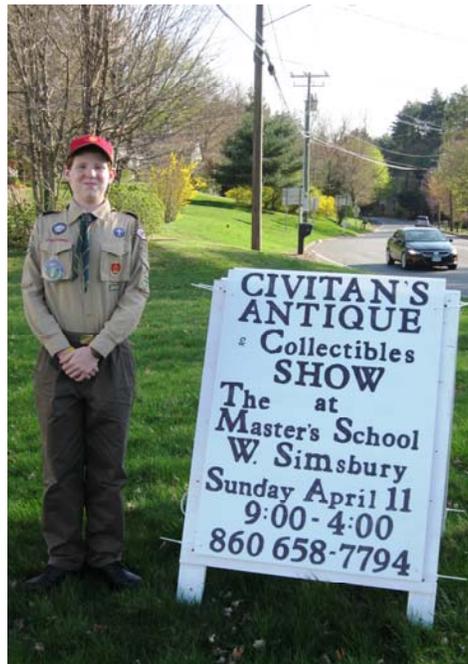
Mr. Collins was a wealth of knowledge regarding design of these signs. He also received a lot of advice from his brother William who happens to be an engineering student at SHS.





Once he had the game plan in place, Henry set out to do what he does best which is sell the idea to local businesses for donations. Henry, in full uniform and with his eagle plan in hand, went into a dozen local businesses and received over \$750 of material donations. With materials ready to go, Henry and his fellow scouts set out to work.

Henry was overwhelmed by the support and enthusiasm that his troop mates offered. They were able to construct and deliver the twelve a-frame signs in time for Civitan's annual antique show. It was a thrill to be driving to the store and see the fruits of Henry's labor all around town.



Henry with his completed Eagle Project

Henry would like to thank all his fellow scouts and leaders for their support. He would also like to thank all the generous businesses who donated to his project: Avon Hardware, Welden Hardware, Montana's Hardware, Modern Craft Engravers, Maher's Paint and Wallpaper LLC, Larsen Ace Hardware, and Home Depot.