



2020 District Award of Merit Recipient
February 9, 2021
Adam Contrades

Adam Bradley Contrades began his Scouting career as a Tiger Cub in 1st grade when he joined Pack #299 at Copper Creek Elementary School. He earned his Arrow of Light on May 5, 2007. He joined Troop #209 two weeks later and that is when the real fun began!

He was a continually active member of Troop #209 as a youth and held many leadership positions. He received the Youth Leadership Award in 2013. He is currently a Committee Member as well as a Merit Badge Counselor with the Troop. He has worked with scouts both in and out of the troop.

While as a youth, Adam attended numerous summer camps, 3 National Jamborees (2010, 2013 and 2017) and all four High Adventure Camps (some of them twice!). He earned the Triple Crown, the Historic Trail Patch & the Ad Altari Dei religious award. He had over 200 nights of camping, over 175 miles of hiking and 230 service hours. He earned the 50 miler for Canoeing, Horseback riding and Backpacking. He earned the rank of Eagle Scout in August 2013 earning 54 merit badges and multiple palms as well.

As a youth, he participated in NYLT in the summer of 2010 and in 2011 he was asked to be on staff as a Troop Guide. That same summer he went to Philmont Scout Ranch for the first time to attend NAYLE. In 2012 & 2013 he went back to Philmont as part of the NAYLE staff.

The Order of the Arrow was also part of his scouting life. He was elected to the Order of the Arrow and did his Ordeal in April of 2008. He made Brotherhood in December of 2009 and received the Vigil honor in November of 2012. He has served multiple terms as the Orabi Chapter Chief. He attended N.O.A.C. in 2012 and staffed N.O.A.C. in 2016. He was inducted into the National Youth Leadership Society in 2014.

Adam has been incredibly involved with Camp Lawton: first as a youth attending camp and then as a CIT. From there he was the Asst. Outdoor Skills Director for 1 year, the Outdoor Skills Director for 2 years and the Program Director for 2 years and he has not done yet. He has been to 2 National Camp Schools with certifications in both First Year Camper and Outdoor Skills. This has proven to be of great service to the District and the Council.





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He was a continually active member of the Scoutreach team for 5 years for the District/Council going into multiple schools in the Amphi and Flowing Wells School Districts. His job was to bring the scouting program to youth who might not otherwise have an opportunity to experience scouting.

Adam has also helped the District/Council/Chapter and Lodge on various projects as needed over the years.

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