

## **BILL BOUDOURIS**

### **2018 SILVER BEAVER HONOREE**

Bill Boudouris grew up in Scouting; he participated in Cub Scouts and joined Troop 159 in Sylvania, OH with four of his cousins. Bill achieved Eagle Scout in December of 1973.

Bill returned to Scouting in 2000 when his oldest son joined Cub Scouts. Since then, Bill has been active volunteer participating in Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Venturing along with his four sons. Two of his sons earned Eagle Scout and a third is on track to achieve Eagle Scout in 2018.

Bill has contributed to the Scouting movement through a variety of positions at the unit, district, and council level.

He served once as Tiger Den Leader and twice as Wolf, Bear, and Webelos Den Leaders. He also served as Cubmaster and Pack Committee Chair.

In Boy Scouts he served as Merit Badge Counselor, Committee Member, Assistant Scout Master, Troop Committee Chair, Sea Base Crew Advisor (twice).

Bill served his district as Unit Commissioner for Pack, Troop, and Crew 824. Bill is currently serving as council Vice President of Membership and member of the Executive Board.

Bill believes every youth and every family can benefit from Scouting. This belief has focused him on growing membership. While a member of Pack 901 he used the materials and approach he developed as part of his Wood Badge Ticket to bring more than 75 families into Scouting in a 3-year period. This belief has also been a factor in his decision to serve as Unit Commissioner and VP of Membership.

Another of Bill's beliefs is being an adult leader is as challenging as any profession and requires in depth understanding of Scouting, leadership, and youth development. He has pursued his own development by attending in multiple University of Scouting events. He completed Wood Badge in 2005 as well as Safety Afloat, Safe Swim Defense, Trek on Safely, Climb on Safely, and certifications such as Wilderness First Aid.

To assist other adult leaders in their development Bill served on seven Wood Badge staffs including Course Director for course S7-596-16. He has also been an instructor for Cub Scout position specific training, Boy Scout position specific training, University of Scouting, and trainer development courses.

Bill is an Order of the Arrow member. He received the 2009 Three Rivers District Award of Merit in recognition for his service to Pack 901 and the Three Rivers Commissioner of the Year in 2011.