

Arthur L. Anderson Campership Endowment

Assistant Scoutmaster and Eagle Scout Art Anderson was a lifelong scout and scouter, earning his Eagle in 1949, the Silver Beaver in the mid-1990s, and the Shofar Award just days before he was tragically murdered while leading two scouts and another leader on a five mile nature hike.

Art was a BSA member for over 60 years, and a member of Kokomo Troop 506 for over 40 years. In his role with Troop 506, Art handled new scout advancement, allowing him to touch the lives and influence every scout that has passed through the troop since the early 1970s. In addition, he has mentored every Scoutmaster in the troop during that time, helping them keep the focus on the scouts and to learn and practice the patrol method. Art also led the troop's annual Junior Leader Training weekends, was an advisor on multiple Philmont treks, participated in a Boundary Waters trek in 2006 (at the age of 71), and camped frequently with the troop.

Art's passion, however, was summer camp. In forty years, Art missed only 1 or 2 summer camps, whether in Indiana, Ohio, Illinois or Michigan. More than just attending the camps, Art was instrumental in making them successful. He exhorted every scout in the troop to attend every year, coordinated each scout's camp merit badge plans, conducted swim certifications in his back yard pool, and personally funded the week for scouts that didn't have the financial means to participate. Countless scouts attended summer camp because of Art Anderson.

That is why we have established the Art Anderson Summer Campership Endowment in Art's memory, so that scouts from Sagamore Council will always go to camp because of Art. Years ago, upon returning from Philmont, Art once told a parent that the troop had left their boy behind in New Mexico. After a pause, he went on to inform them that, however, the troop had returned to them a fine young man. This, 1000 times over, is Art's legacy.

If you would like to help us keep Art's scouting legacy alive, please consider donating to the Arthur L. Anderson Campership Endowment via the attached donation slip.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Yes, I would like to contribute to keeping Art's legacy alive. Enclosed please find my contribution of \$ _____. Checks should be made payable to Sagamore Council, BSA, with the memo note "Anderson Campership". For tax purposes, please send my receipt to:

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