



Eagle Scout Cole Gilles, son of Gary and Elizabeth Gilles, joined Troop 72 in March 2020, and has participated in dozens of troop camp-outs. He has held many troop leadership positions including Patrol Leader, Bugler, Quartermaster, and Senior Patrol Leader, the highest position in the troop.

In addition to regular weekend camp-outs, Cole was the main instigator behind the troop's self-contained bicycle trips, where

everyone carries his own camping gear on the bike. Cole has biked with the troop (and all his gear) on a 352-mile bike trip from Chippewa Falls to La Crosse and Madison in 2023, and a 438-mile trip from Chippewa Falls to Green Bay and Milwaukee in 2024, and plans to do another long trip in June 2025.

For his Eagle project, Cole led a team of Scouts and Scouters in building a footbridge on the new Glen Loch Trail in Irvine Park, to allow hikers to cross a wet and muddy area below the Rumbly Bridge. (You can see a video of the project at "www.tinyurl.com/cole-bridge").

Cole is a member of the Class of 2027 at "Chi Hi" (Chippewa Falls High School), where he is active in jazz band, cross country, swimming, track, math club, and chemistry club, earning three varsity letters as a freshman, not an easy feat at a Division-1 school in Wisconsin.

Outside of school, Cole started his own lawn care business and gets a workout mowing many lawns in the area.

Troop Leadership (Patrol Leaders' Council):

Senior Patrol Leader.....Micah Uttecht (Life)
Assistant Senior Patrol Leader.....Zach Anderson (Tenderfoot)
Assistant Senior Patrol Leader.....Cole Gilles (Eagle)

Other Scouts in Troop 72 (12 total):

Second Class: Brennan Lisowski. **Tenderfoot:** Ayden Anderson, Paxton Uttecht, Conner Kolb, Lucas Swope, Lucius Kemmet, Lucas Swope. **Scout:** Elijah Swope, Zach Swope.



Eagle Scout Court of Honor for Cole Gilles

**Saturday, April 26, 2025, 2:00 pm
Chippewa Valley Bible Church
Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin**

Flag Ceremony.....Micah Uttecht, SPL

Bugler: Micah Uttecht

Opening Prayer.....Mr. Patrick Lisowski, Ass't SM

Scout Oath and Law.....Troop 72 Scouts

Welcome.....Tom Arneberg,

Scoutmaster and Co-founder of Troop 72

Cole's Eagle Project.....John Jimenez,

Chippewa Falls Parks & Rec Director

Teacher's Notes.....Becca Bestul

Educator, Chi Hi Biology Department

Coach's Feedback.....Matt Blake, *Chi-Hi Swim Coach,*

Industrial Arts teacher, and Troop 72 Eagle Scout

Father's Perspective.....Gary Gilles, *Assistant Scoutmaster*

Slide Show Video: Cole Journey to Eagle

Eagle Charge.....Jaden Uttecht, *2023 Eagle Scout*

Closing Flag.....Micah Uttecht, SPL

Please join us for snacks after the ceremony.

Troop 72 is a ministry of Chippewa Valley Bible Church.

Adult Leaders of Troop 72:

Tom Arneberg.....Scoutmaster
Steve Seiberling.....Senior Assistant Scoutmaster
Gary Gilles.....Advancement Chairman
Ron Swope.....Assistant Scoutmaster
Kim Hoffman.....Troop Treasurer
Mike Blake.....Asst. Scoutmaster, Personal Mgmt.
Alan Dunham.....Charter Organization Representative
Steve Hein.....Asst. Scoutmaster, Personal Fitness
Patrick Lisowski.....Assistant Scoutmaster
Jordan Kolb.....Assistant Scoutmaster

***“The only problem with Boy Scouts...
is that there aren’t enough of them.”***

– Will Rogers

“I think the character that you learn in Scouting—working together, being honest with each other, being close-knit, and depending on one another on our camping trips and while doing things—all this builds character in a young man that he takes with him into adulthood and makes him a much better citizen. And that’s why I’ve always wanted to help Scouting -- I think it’s one of the best youth organizations that we have in this country.”



– James A. Lovell Jr., Apollo 13 Astronaut

Troop 72 Eagle Scout Hall of Fame (34):

2006: Ben Arneberg	2013: Mitchel Hoffman	2017: Simon Arneberg
2007: Jordan Berg	2013: David Arneberg	2017: Dominic Marticorena
2007: Nate Sandomierski	2013: Brennan Schrader	2017: Isaac Hein
2008: Zach Hoffman	2013: Collin Schrader	2018: Jackson Sedivy
2008: Matt Hoffman	2014: Sam Hoffman	2018: Josh Gienapp
2009: Jasper Arneberg	2015: Will Blake	2022: Jacob Harvey
2010: Jim Schaller	2015: Sam Reams	2022: Kyle Seiberling
2010: Will Schaller	2016: Matt Blake	2022: Jaden Uttecht
2012: Mike Schaller	2016: Ben Blake	2023: William Zwickel
2012: Mackinzie Nutzmann	2016: Mark Cassellius	2024: Jackson Blake
2012: Spencer LaGesse	2016: Samuel Zwickel	2025: Cole Gilles
2012: Nick Wells		

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