

**TROOP 22 BRAINTREE**  
**BSA**  
**MAYFLOWER COUNCIL**



**History**

Organized as Troop 2 on March 4, 1921  
Re-designated as Troop 22 in 1941

**Sponsored by**

First Congregational Church  
For all One Hundred years

**Pastor Michael**

Pastor and Institutional Representative

**Al Giordani**

Charter Organizational Representative

Dan McDonald  
Scoutmaster

Bill Jones  
Committee Chair

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## About the BSA

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The BSA is one of the nation's largest and most prominent values-based youth development organizations. The BSA provides a program for young people that build character, trains them in the responsibilities of participating citizenship, and develops personal fitness.

For over a century, the BSA has helped build the future leaders of this country by combining educational activities and lifelong values with fun. The BSA believes — and, through over a century of experience, knows — that helping youth is a key to building a more conscientious, responsible, and productive society.

## Eagle Scouts: Merit Beyond the Badge

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One hundred years after Arthur Eldred of New York earned this nation's first Eagle Scout Award, new, independent research demonstrates the significant, positive impact Eagle Scouts have on society every day. Since it was first awarded in 1912, more than 2 million scouts have achieved the BSA's highest rank. The study conducted by Baylor University, Merit Beyond the Badges, found that Eagle Scouts are more likely than those who have never been in Scouting to:

- Have higher levels of planning and preparation skills, be goal-oriented, and network with others
- Be in a leadership position at their place of employment or local community
- Report having closer relationships with family and friends
- Volunteer for religious and nonreligious organizations
- Donate money to charitable groups
- Work with others to improve their neighborhoods

## **Troop 22 Information**

**Troop Meetings are held at the Lower Parish Hall at the First Congregational Church at 12 Elm Street, Braintree.**

**Troop Meeting times are Monday, 7:00pm – 8:30pm, from the first Monday after Labor Day through the second Monday in June.** The Troop does not meet on Mondays when there is no school. That would be Holidays, School Vacations and School cancellations due to weather, etc.

The Troop schedules **10 weekend outings** each season with one long term camp scheduled during the summer.

Our Weekend outings include **6 tent outings, 3 to 4 Cabin outings and a Ski Trip** during the winter season.

Our Troop attends the Mayflower Council **Summer Camp at Camp Squanto** as it gives the scouts an opportunity to meet and interact with many other Scouts from numerous Troops.

We have scheduled a **high adventure trip every 5 years** with one currently being planned for the summer of 2022 to visit Glacier National Park in Montana.

**The Troop is also very Service oriented.** We have numerous Service Projects scheduled throughout the year. Our Service Projects support our Sponsor, the Town and our extended Community. Attached is a list of Service Projects we support.

The Troop 22 follows BSA policies where the Troop is considered a **Boy-run organization**. It is noted that, for some folks, meetings can look to be a little disorganized at time, but that is part of the learning process on which BSA is built.

Also, while the Troop believes progression through the Ranks is important for the Scouts, the true benefit is the learning, that they will carry with them through the rest of their life.

The Troop is very proud of their Eagle Scouts and their Projects. A list of some of these projects is attached.

## Troop 22

### **Troop 22 Service Projects**

( \* indicates an annual event)

Braintree Instructions Memorial (not annual) Elks  
Veterans Cookout Church Fall Cleanup\* Church Fair  
Service\* Veteran's Day Service at the Elks\* Leaf Raking  
at Veteran's Home\* Veteran's Dinner at Elks\* (Tues.  
before ThxGvg) Scouting for Food\* (Nov. and March)  
Snow Shoveling\* Church Spring Cleanup\* (Before Easter  
Sunday) Spring Church Yard Sale\* (1<sup>st</sup> Sat. in May)

Braintree Hazardous Waste Collection (last Sat. in April)

Town-wide Cleanup Herring Run Cleanup\* District Pinewood Derby\*  
Braintree Day of Prayer\* Post Flags at Blue Hills Cemetery \*  
Memorial Day Ceremony – Elks\* Time Capsule Inspection\* (7/4)

### **Other Considerations**

Pack 22 Crossover Pack 1496 Crossover Pack 196 Crossover Eagle  
Projects Historical Society Opportunities

#### **Troop 22 Eagle Projects**

(Partial list)

#### **Town of Braintree:**

- Built ~180-foot-long walking bridge at Pond Meadow Park's Ranger trail
- Refurbished the flag pole's rock wall and landscape at the Pond Meadow Park entrance
- Refurbished the 1793 cannon at the Braintree Thayer House
- Refurbished veteran's Monument site and added benches at partridge lane
- Built handicap entrance to kiosk at Pond Meadow Park
- Revised the walking/biking path lines and signage at Pond Meadow Park
- Refurbished the exterior of the Council on Aging building
- Refurbished the Museum in the basement of the Thayer House

- Created an outside area with benches, flagpole, landscaping and a Bus stop at the Council on Aging
- Built a Fishing Dock at Pond Meadow Park
- Cleared brush and repainted the fence surrounding French's Common
- Cleared brush and repainted the fence surrounding the Leon Harris Park on Elmlawn Road
- Cleared brush, repainted the Tennis Court fence at French's Common; installed two benches
- Built computer stations at the Council on Aging
- Refurbished the area and installed six benches and two receptacles at Deering Park on West Street
- Provided basic data and plan for the Town Civil Defense Emergency Evacuation plan
- Beautification plan for the Braintree National Little League park –painting the fence, snack bar, stands and dugouts
- Re-established Blue and Red trails at the Town Forest
- Deer enclosures supporting an environmental study in Cranberry Pond Reserve
- Create a Memorial area at Temple B'Nai Shalom
- Created and installed Information signs along the trails in the Town Forest
- Created and outdoor classroom within the Town Forest
- Create a Veterans Memorial Site at South Junior High
- Refurbished the Horse-drawn wagon for Pond Meadow Park

#### **Extended Community:**

- Fixed the fire escape and cleaned up the grounds for a Quincy Church
- Organized the creation of over 300 personal care kits for the homeless
- Built a Recycling shed at St. Thomas More for collections for St. Vincent du Paul
- Cleared a wooded area and created a Walking Path at a home for families
- Created a new Picnic Area and Volleyball Court at Houghton's Pond
- Repainted the Entrance Hall at St. Thomas More Church
- Re-landscaped Gen. Sylvanus Thayer birth place, cleared the old and replaced with new planting.

#### **Sponsor:**

- Repainted Two Classrooms at the First Congregational Church
- Rebuilt the Choir Room
- Rebuilt the Library/Media room
- Refurbished the Kitchen
- Repainted Two Additional Class Rooms
- Renovated the outside property of the Church
- Cleared and Re-painted the Stage area in the upper Church Hall