

Outstanding Assistant Scoutmaster -- Jeff King

After a distinguished career as a Cub Scout Den leader in his grandson's Pack, this Scouter was quick to volunteer to "help out" when the young man entered the Boy Scout Troop. That offer was quickly formalized when he accepted the position of Assistant Scoutmaster.

He has many interests though he doesn't dabble, but instead strives for excellence and shares his resulting expertise with the Scouts. An avid photographer, he counsels the Photography merit badge; an enthusiastic marksman and trained range officer, he uses his certification to give the Scouts extra range time. An avid cyclist, he leads the Troop's annual bike camp out, making it an enjoyable time for the Scouts. He's been the lead adult for summer camp, and this year is promoting a boy planned adventure to the Black Hills.

He's particularly adept at working with Scouts new to the Troop, drawing them into activities, making them so fun they don't realize they're mastering content as well. When Scouts make mistakes -- and we all know they do -- he converts their errors into teaching moments so they can learn from it and move forward successfully. His contributions to the Troop can't be overstated.

The Lake Minnetonka District is pleased to recognize Jeff King of Chanhassen Troop 330 is truly an Outstanding Assistant Scoutmaster.