2019 Lake Minnetonka Volunteer Recognition

Outstanding Troop Committee Member -- Jeff Otolski

This intrepid Scouter holds a deep passion for Scouting, a desire for thoughtful planning, and high expectations for the Scouts and his Troop. As an Eagle, the Scouts know he leaves no stone unturned.

In his role as a Merit Badge Counselor, he's coached many badges including Canoeing, where he demonstrates proper paddling; Citizenship in the Nation, when he leads a walking tour of Saint Paul history; and for Hiking, where he helps Scouts choose boots for an upcoming Philmont trek. If he puts this much effort and planning into a pair of boots, we wonder what happens when he buys a car.

He is a mentor to the adults as well as the Scouts in the Troop, and a strong contributor at Troop Committee meetings. It also isn't unusual to see him monitoring Patrol Leaders' Council meetings, and offers his unique perspective if asked. Last year when the Troop sought a new Scoutmaster, he led an intense quest until one was found.

Now an Assistant Scoutmaster, he has assisted on at least one Eagle Scout project, provides his support at Troop service projects, provides two-deep leadership for campouts and regularly participates in Courts of Honor.

For his incredible dedication and commitment to Victoria Troop 337, Lake Minnetonka District is proud to name Jeff Otolski an Outstanding Troop Committee Member.

