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**EAGLE SCOUTS CONGRATULATED BY KENNEDY**



(Legislator Leslie Kennedy, Comptroller John Kennedy, Assemblyman Michael Fitzpatrick, and others with Nicholas Froehlich)

April 9, 2016 – In two separate ceremonies, Legislator Leslie Kennedy (R – Nesconset) congratulated two future leaders of America, presenting them with the Eagle Scout Award. Nicholas D. Froehlich, of Troop 214 of Smithtown, and William J. Urdahl, of Troop 333 of Hauppauge, were each presented with the award marking their promotion into the Eagle Scouts, the highest and most prestigious rank attainable within the Boy Scouts of America.

The ascension to Eagle Scout is a long process which takes years of teaching, training and public service. The final step, the Eagle Scout Service Project, requires the potential scout to lead a purely nonprofit project for the benefit of the local community, and both recipients are no exception. Mr. Froehlich, honored at the First Presbyterian Church in Smithtown, volunteered at the local Sweetbriar Nature Center, a private institution promoting local wildlife conservation, by remodeling and improving upon a cage used to house Kestrels. Mr. Urdahl, whose promotion was celebrated at the Ronkonkoma Fire Department, helped clear part of the Hauppauge Calvary Lutheran Church's grounds and constructed four benches to facilitate the development of an outdoors worship area.

Eagle Scouts represent the highest echelon of Boy Scout achievement and leadership, counting individuals such as director Steven Spielberg, President Gerald Ford and former New York mayor Michael Bloomberg among its ranks. "Presidents, Secretaries of Defense and Astronauts have all started their adult lives as Eagle Scouts," Legislator Kennedy remarked. "In joining their ranks, I believe that these two young men have demonstrated both the leadership ability and drive to match or surpass them. I look forwards to their future exploits and contributions."

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