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Boy Scouts of America to Honor Local Eagle Scout**

*Cody Donahue to Receive National Scouting Honor for Conservation Efforts  
at Luncheon Recognizing Impact of Eagle Scouts*

- WHAT:** Boy Scouts of America Chief Scout Executive Robert J. Mazzuca will present the bronze William D. Hornaday Award for Conservation Efforts to Eagle Scout Cody Donahue of Carmel. The presentation will occur at a special luncheon with local community leaders to discuss a new landmark study on the impact of being an Eagle Scout.
- WHY:** The independent research by Baylor University found that Eagle Scouts are more likely than men who have never been in Scouting to: have higher levels of planning and preparation skills, be in a leadership position, report closer relationships with family and friends, volunteer, donate to charities and work with others to improve their neighborhoods.
- WHO:** Chief Scout Mazzuca and Byron Johnson, Ph.D., of Baylor University will present the study results in conjunction with the Indianapolis-based Sagamore Institute which is sponsoring the event. Mazucca will also present the Hornaday Award to Donahue.
- WHEN:** Monday, May 14 from noon – 1:30 p.m.
- WHERE:** The Levey Mansion, 2902 North Meridian Street, Indianapolis 46208.

Donahue is an Eagle Scout with Troop 112 in Carmel, chartered to the Carmel Lions Club. He is featured in this month's *Boy's Life*, the national Scouting magazine for his heroic efforts and risking his own life in an attempt to save another. In December, he was presented with the Honor Medal with Crossed Palms, a national honor first awarded in 1938. It is given in exceptional cases to a Scout or adult leader who has demonstrated unusual heroism and extraordinary skill or resourcefulness in saving or attempting to save a life at extreme risk to his or herself. He recently graduated from Carmel High School and will attend the Air Force Academy.

The Hornaday awards program was created to recognize those that have made significant contributions to conservation. It was begun in 1914 by Dr. William T. Hornaday, director of the New York Zoological Park and founder of the National Zoo in Washington, D.C. Dr. Hornaday was from Plainfield, Indiana.

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Boy Scouts of America is a youth development organization that's designed to prepare young people to make ethical and moral decisions throughout their lifetimes. The goals of Scouting consist of citizenship training, character development and personal fitness. Throughout the Boy Scout program, young people are encouraged to advance through ranks by fulfilling requirements in the areas of leadership, service and outdoor skills. To get more information on Scouting, call (317) 813-7125 or 877-925-1900 (toll free) or visit [www.becomeascout.org](http://www.becomeascout.org).

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