

2016 BSA Outdoor Ethics National Conference



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Some things you should know about me:

I was born in Arizona and grew up in Farmington, Utah with the mountains at my front door. I worked 12 years as an Engineering & Design draftsman for a Civil Engineering and Landscape Architecture firm in Salt Lake. I graduated from Utah State University later in my life with a Bachelor of Landscape Architecture degree. I spent my summers during school as an Engineering technician working with a landscape architect designing campgrounds and recreation facilities on the Wasatch-Cache National Forest. After graduation I worked in Colorado Springs as a landscape architect and after a year landed a full time job with the Forest Service working on the Forest Landscape Architect for the Uinta National Forest. Later I moved back to the Wasatch-Cache National Forest which has merged under one Forest Supervisor. I have been working for the Forest Service for the past 26 years. Currently I am the Forest Landscape Architect and Recreation Specialist for Scenery, Wilderness and Trails for the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forests. I am also the Forest Boy Scouts of America (BSA) liaison for the three BSA Councils in the State of Utah.

Vital Statistics: I live Layton, Utah; I am married and have one son (Eagle Scout) and a daughter. My son is married and lives in Iowa. He has a Masters in HR and works a Mid-Level manager for Target and has a girl and boy with a girl on the way. My daughter works for MYRAID Genetics an account manager and has a 5 year old son, so I am a proud Grandpa.

History with BSA and Leave No Trace (insert pictures/selfies as necessary): I have been involved with Leave No Trace through the Forest Service, I am a LNT trainer and developed the LNT & Experience the Wilderness Initiative where people are recognized for following LNT when hiking in the wilderness areas managed by the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest. As part of the initiative I also developed the Plan Ahead and Prepare bandana program. I affected 1000's scouters through these programs.

Involvement with BSA: I was Cub Scout, Scout, Varsity and Explore Scout. I became a Scoutmaster at 21 and have been a Varsity Coach, Explore leader, Committee Chair, Cub Master, and Committee member at the Unit level. At the District level I have been the Cub, Scout, Varsity Trainer, Training Chairman, Unit Commissioner, and District Commissioner. At the Council level I have been a Camp Chairman for Camp Hunt, Assistant Council Commissioner over Roundtable and Assistant Council Commissioner. I am a Leave No Trace Trainer and trained William T. Hornaday Award Adviser. It looks like I have been involved with Scouting for over 50 years now. Holy Cow!

Other Outdoor Activities and Interests:

I love to hike and enjoy the outdoors.