

Schallock recognized as Troop 50's 17th Eagle Scout

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Troop 50 bestowed the Boy Scouts of America's highest rank during a ceremony honoring new Eagle Scout William "Liam" Henry Schallock III. He is the son of William and Sasha Schallock of Auburn and the brother of Emily Love Schallock.

Schallock joined Troop 50 in 2014 after earning Cub Scouting's Arrow of Light. As a member of the troop, he has served in leadership positions that have included troop guide, lead instructor, assistant patrol leader, assistant quartermaster and his current role as junior assistant scoutmaster.

Through his Scouting participation, he has earned 31 merit badges to date, qualifying him for a gold Eagle palm at the time of his ceremony. He also has accrued 55 nights of camping, 83 hours of community service and 39 hiking and backpacking miles. In addition to various troop-related outings and campouts, he attended the National Boy Scouts of America Jamboree in July 2017, held at The Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia.

For his Eagle Scout leadership service project, Schallock provided electrical service connections for a pavilion at Chewacla State Park in Auburn. The project entailed burying more than 400 feet of electrical cable to connect the pavilion to the power supply. Schallock supervised a group of more than 15 Scouts and adults who contributed more than 200 volunteer hours.

After completing the Eagle Scout rank requirements, which included planning and executing his service project, Schallock appeared



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Pictured is Eagle Scout William "Liam" Henry Schallock III.

before the Saughatchee District's Eagle Scout board on Feb. 20.

Since the first Eagle Scout was awarded in 1912, nearly 2.5 million Boy Scouts have completed the Eagle Scout's performance-based rank requirements, which currently include serving in progressive leadership positions, demonstrating outdoor and

Scouting skill competencies, earning at least 21 merit badges and planning and executing a seminal Eagle Scout leadership service project. During 2017 alone, 55,494 Boy Scouts earned Scouting's highest rank.

Currently, Schallock is a rising 10th-grader at Auburn High School, where he is a member of the junior honor

society. He also holds a first-degree black belt in Tae Kwon Do and plays defense for the Auburn Youth Lacrosse Club junior varsity team.

Troop 50 is chartered by the Auburn Rotary Club and meets Monday evenings at First Presbyterian Church in Auburn. For more information about the troop, visit boyscout50.org.