



NORTHERN LIGHTS DISTRICT

**SSgt. Andrew P. Nelson Campership
to attend Summer Camp at Camp Wilderness**

Camperships are camp scholarships for Northern Lights Council Scouts (with preference to Scouts in the Moorhead-Fargo area) who would otherwise be financially unable to attend camp, especially those with need based on medical issues. Applicant must have attended a full week of summer camp in the past. A limited number of camperships are available. Camperships may be used only to attend Northern Lights Council Summer Camp. Sufficient financial need must be demonstrated.

Applicant agrees to send three letters to the Nelson family.

- One to identify summer camp goals.
- One while at camp to report on the weeks activities and progress towards goals.
- Final letter stating what the Scout got out of attending camp.

Scouts that follow campership guidelines may be eligible for renewal of campership for summer camp.

Applications must be completed and sent to the Council office by MAY 1st of the camping year.

The final decision on who will be awarded the Staff Sgt. P. Nelson Camp Wilderness Campership will be made by the Nelson Family.



Staff Sgt. Andrew P. Nelson Camp Wilderness Scholarship

The Staff Sgt. Andrew P. Nelson Camp Scholarship Fund has been established in memory of Staff Sgt. Andrew P. Nelson, who lost his life in August, 2007 while serving in the United States Army 82nd Airborne Division during his 3rd tour of duty in Iraq and after completing a tour in Afghanistan.

Andrew, an Eagle Scout from Troop 644 in Moorhead, attended Camp Wilderness as a boy and worked on the Camp Staff at the Fishing Area. Andrew's goal was to come back to Camp Wilderness as an adult leader and teach Scout skills that he learned and loved growing up. Andrew lived up to the Charge of the Eagle by giving back to the Scouting program that helped him along his trail to Eagle. Andrew received his Eagle Scout Award in 2002.

Throughout his years in Scouting, Andrew developed many friendships with youth and adults. He was a role model and hero to younger Scouts. To Andrew, no job was too small and no task too difficult to overcome. He met each challenge before him with an ever-present grin.

Andrew was very passionate about being able to attend Camp Wilderness. His family has established this scholarship fund to send two deserving Scouts from the Northern Lights Council (with preference to Scouts from the Moorhead/Fargo Area) to summer camp at Camp Wilderness in Andrew's name. Scouts are asked to fill out the application and have a Scout leader fill out a recommendation as well. Andrew Nelson will be missed by all, but his legacy will live on forever.