Isaac Caron Awarded $2,000 Scholarship

Isaac Caron of Faribault, MN, has been awarded a $2,000 scholarship by the National Catholic Committee on Scouting® (NCCS) through the Emmett J. Doerr Memorial Scout Scholarship Fund. He is a member of Divine Mercy Catholic Church in the Diocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis. This year eight service scholarships totaling $22,000 were awarded nationwide to recognize scouts for outstanding service and leadership in four areas: Church, Community, School and Scouting.

When asked why he volunteers, Isaac responded, “Volunteering is important to me because it establishes a sense of purpose and belonging in my community. I enjoy volunteering for events, tasks, and other things because it gives me joy to see the person who asked or is running it [the event] to find other people who were willing to help. It brings me a sense of happiness… it establishes a connection.” At his church, Isaac has been active as an altar server, Eucharistic minister, usher and lector. He is a leader in his Youth Group and mission trip participant. Isaac earned the Pillars of Faith, receiving all four NCCS Catholic Scouting Religious Emblems: Light of Christ, Parvuli Dei, Ad Altare Dei and the Pope Pius XII Awards.

In his community, Isaac volunteers in many areas. He works at the local St. Vincent de Paul Society and Jesus Food center, assists with Veteran’s organization dinners, visits nursing homes to serve the elderly and volunteers at the local animal shelter. Isaac also referees in his community’s soccer program.

Throughout his high school years, Isaac has been involved in Student Government serving as class president all four years. Isaac is a member of National Honor Society, Key Club, Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) and the Service Club. He participates in peer tutoring, chorus and is a member of Future Farmers (FFA) and Future Business Leaders. Isaac is a varsity athlete in soccer, football, track and trap shooting.

In Scouting, Isaac has held numerous leadership positions, including Chaplain, Quartermaster, Den Chief, Patrol Leader and Assistant Senior Patrol Leader. He is also a member of the Order of the Arrow, BSA’s honor society. His Eagle Scout Project consisted of organizing three groups to complete different tasks at a camp damaged by a tornado. One group repaired and improved the back trail system, another revitalized the camping area and the third group added a Gaga Ball pit recreational feature. Isaac plans to attend Vermilion Community College.

To be eligible to apply for the Emmett J. Doerr Memorial Scout Scholarship, the Scout must be Catholic, earned the Ad Altare Dei and/ or Pope Pius XII Award, and received either the Eagle Scout, Summit or Quartermaster Award. A complete list of award recipients, eligibility requirements and applications can be found online at http://nccs-bsa.org/index.php/college-scholarship. Emmett J. Doerr Memorial Scholarship recipients have been chosen because they are committed to making a difference for good in the world through service and leadership. These young people, like Isaac Caron, are certain to enrich our future.