

Cal Edwards, Troop 160 Scoutmaster 1924 - 1941



Cal was the legendary first Scoutmaster of Burholme Troop 160. His architectural and engineering background prepared him with an unending source of creative ideas for his Scouts.

He founded Troop 160 in April, 1924 and brought his troop to Treasure Island every summer. Cal designed and constructed the Kiwanis Lodge on the Island, where it still stands today and was the handicraft location for summer campers until the camp closed in 2008.

Truly a visionary, he planned and carried out events that are still being done 100+ years later. Cal's woods' wisdom and indomitable spirit, all in the ways of Baden Powell and Dan Beard, put many a boy on the path to future success!

Bill Graefe, Troop 160 Scoutmaster 1945 - 1979; 1987 - 1991



Troop 160's longest serving Scoutmaster, Bill Graefe became a role model for literally hundreds of boys. It was during Bill's time as Scoutmaster that the troop numbers swelled to over 110 Scouts.

To quote Bill: **"We don't go by the book, We wrote the book!"** Whether it was climbing the Dunfield Glen Trail to Sunfish Pond or the Canal Towpath from Point Pleasant to TI - it was always Bill in the lead, with his backpack full, his Cavalry Campaign hat on his head and his trusty fishing pole in hand.

It was Bill who led 160's Bugle and Drum Corps on TI's Parade Ground or at numerous Memorial or Veteran's Day parades. Bill Graefe was gifted with the natural ability to lead boys - guiding them to the Eagle's nest as well as passing his knowledge along to his Scouts to later lead their own troops.

Bill King, Senior Patrol/Explorer Post Leader, 1950's - 1990's



Bill was the revered and beloved leader of Burholme Troop 160's Senior Patrol/Explorer Post for close to three decades. Bill started his Scouting years in the Overbrook neighborhood of Philadelphia, visiting Treasure Island every summer for camp. Later, he attended Penn State University's Forestry School, giving him the expertise to take boys to the woods.

Bill's band of Senior Scouts were known as "The Kingsmen" and quickly became the teaching arm of 160. Along with troop camping, the Kingsmen became avid deer hunters in the Black Moshannon State Forest, fished the Chesapeake while camping at Chincoteague and skied the Poconos every winter. Bill's gang even took a 10+ day canoe trip on the Delaware River from Hancock, NY to Treasure Island and beyond, to Philly's Tacony Palmyra Bridge. Many of their canoe treks on the Delaware were commemorated with paddles that were proudly set on display in Kiwanis Lodge.

Bill's firm but warm spirit guided many a Scout through their turbulent teen years into manhood, and his can-do attitude and sense of humor provided the model for many future 160 leaders.