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Illinois Eagle Scout first to earn all 135 merit badges

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(St. Charles, Illinois) August , 2013 – Since 1911, there have been over 2.2 million advertisement young men that have achieved Scouting's highest rank of Eagle Scout. Andrew Posadzy, a 17 year old senior from Montini Catholic High School, West Chicago resident, and member of Troop 1 in St. Charles not only rose to the challenge of becoming an Eagle Scout, he's also completed all 135 merit badges.

His achievement is highly unusual. The number earning all of the BSA merit badges is roughly 200 scouts nationwide according to meritbadgeknot.com, which registers scouts who earned all badges available to them, and is a site that celebrates this specific accomplishment by boy scouts.

Andrew has earned some of his merit badges by traveling to events in Alpharetta, Georgia, Greencastle, Indiana, and West Virginia where he earned his white water rafting merit badge. He also enjoys academics and high adventure and has flown a plane, canoed the boundary waters near Canada, plays sports and the piano, is on both the chess and math team, and he's a certified Scuba Diver.

"Merit badges enable a Scout to try something new and find things they have a real interest in," said Andrew. "I strive to do my best at everything."

Andrew has taken a lot of direction and guidance from Harry Stout, the former Scoutmaster of Troop 1 in St. Charles, and his uncle and father who are also Eagle Scouts.

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