

Three from South Miami troop receive honors as Eagle Scouts

Three Boy Scouts from Troop 362, sponsored by the First United Methodist Church of South Miami, have earned the rank of Eagle Scout and were honored at an Eagle Court at the church Nov. 24.

All three young men have been in Scouting since the first grade.

Nathaniel (Nate) Miller joined the troop in the spring of 1991 and has served as historian, patrol leader and senior patrol leader. His service project was done in collaboration with Gary Milano of the Dade County Department of Environmental Resources and involved organizing the planting of 3,000 mangrove seedlings in recovered wetlands on Cape Florida.

Miller, the son of Maureen and Jeff Miller, graduated from South Miami High School and is now a freshman at Florida International University.

John Gawley joined the troop in the spring of 1992 and has served as an instructor, librarian and patrol leader. His service project involved the restoration of the playground at the First United Methodist Church of South Miami. His group of volunteers removed several tons of dirt from around the play gyms, replaced it with 14 tons of silica sand and installed three cement benches,



Nathaniel



Soren



John

landscaping timbers and sand under a shade tree. He is the son of Lorraine and Bob Gawley and is a senior at MAST Academy.

Soren Pato joined the troop in the spring of 1992 and has served the troop as patrol leader, assistant senior patrol leader and librarian. His service project benefited the education division of the First United Methodist Church of South Miami. He organized the renovation of a large room that had previously been used for storage. His volunteers cleared the room, removed years-old temporary walls and cabinets, repaired the remaining walls and painted the room.

He is the son of Bonnie and Manny Pato and a senior at Coral Gables High School.