

TROOP 200's FIRST EAGLE SCOUT

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Lafayette Scout and Venturer Gordon Spahr will receive the rank of Eagle Scout at a National Court of Honor on Saturday, June 14, 2008.

Gordon will graduate from Acalanes High School in June, and has been appointed to the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs as the principal nominee of Congresswoman Ellen Tauscher. He's an honor student and varsity member of New Crew, and received numerous athletic and scholastic recognitions, played four different sports, and also played four years in the orchestra.

Among his many accomplishments, Spahr is founder and President of Venturing Crew 200, and serves Troop 200 as an Instructor. He holds the Vigil Honor in the Order of the Arrow, Scouting's Honor Society, and was a leadership instructor in several BSA courses, most recently at the National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (www.nayle.org) at Philmont Scout Ranch, NM.

For his community service leadership project, Gordon helped the City of Lafayette comply with National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) requirements. He obtained permissions and led others in placing nearly 500 warning placards at storm drains on nineteen separate private properties around the city. He also conducted public education efforts by addressing the Lafayette Chamber of Commerce, Lafayette City Council, and Lamorinda Sunrise Rotary, and manned an informational booth during a recent Earth Day Festival at Stanley Middle School.

The Mission Outreach Board of Our Savior's Lutheran Church charts Troop 200, Venturing Crew



Gordon Spahr Troop 200

200, and Cub Scout Pack 200. It is somehow fitting that Gordon, a confirmed OSLC member and a graduate of Pack 200, become the first Eagle Scout in the 2-1/2 year history of Troop 200. OSLC is very proud of him and his accomplishments and wishes him the best in all his future endeavors.