The Heart of America Council is pleased to present the Paul D Arend Distinguish Scoutmaster of the Year Award to a Scoutmaster that exemplifies and strives toward the same high ideals of service to youth as Paul Arend did. As Scoutmaster for 52 years of Troop 221 in Independence, Vigil Honor member of the Order of the Arrow, the 52nd Presiding Chieftain of the Tribe of Mic-O-Say, Chieftain Piercing Arrow, mentored more than 1,000 Scouts, of which 231 earned the Rank of Eagle Scout. The Scoutmaster chosen to receive the 2015 Paul D. Arend Distinguished Scoutmaster award without question exemplifies in his daily life the ideals of the Scout Oath and Law and strives toward the same high ideals of service to young people. Nominated by his district and selected by the Council Advancement Committee, David McCaughey has served as a Scout Leader for more than 13 years, and Scoutmaster for Boy Scout Troop 1195 at the Grace United Methodist Church in Lee’s Summit for the past eight years. Using his unique communication skills, David uses the Scoutmaster Conferences, Scoutmaster Minutes, as well as social media to constantly provide the members of his Troop examples of good character by other and demonstrates how one can live up to their own expectation of character in their own life. A former Marine, David has exhibited a lifelong commitment of living and demonstrating the Scout Oath and Law. No matter if it during Marine Corps Boot Camp helping a fellow Marine or to the youngest Scout in his troop, his commitment is never ending and is proven by the successful young men who he mentored who are now ministers, dentists, doctors, engineers and teachers.