

## **Troop 2 CIU – Steve Masterson**

A retired Non-Commissioned Officer, Steve proudly served his country in the United States Air Force. Prior to launching Waste Masters, Steve held senior leadership positions at Loomis Fargo & Co., and USA Waste. He attended Texas A&M University and majored in business and psychology. Married to his wife Cathy for over 25 years, they have four kids living in Delaware. An avid outdoorsman, Steve enjoys hunting and fishing whenever possible. Steve sits on several charitable boards including Big Brothers and Sisters, Brandywine Ducks Unlimited and USO of Delaware. A native of Texas, Steve has become part of the Delaware family as an Entrepreneur & Philanthropist.

While Waste Masters is generously involved in a number of national and community charities, there are a few that have truly made an impact. Waste Masters hopes to inspire other businesses and community members to see the importance in giving during the holiday season and throughout the year. Masterson, a retired non-commissioned Air Force officer, has led the company in championing many veteran-based causes as a way to thank our nation's bravest. The company participates in Wreaths Across America, an organization whose mission is to honor and teach about the sacrifices made by veterans and their families to preserve our freedoms. The company also proudly supports the Victory Village Project, a resource center for Delaware veterans. On Veterans Day in 2015, Waste Masters

Solutions proudly announced a five-year commitment to the USO of Delaware Team. National Wreaths Across America Day will be celebrated on Dec. 16, 2017.

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Delaware, the Delaware State Police Mounted Patrol, Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Delaware, Meals on Wheels, Ducks Unlimited and the SPCA are just a few of the community charities supported by Waste Masters. The company has participated in Big Brothers, Big Sisters' annual golf tournament, the largest fundraising event for the nonprofit.

Last month, Waste Masters presented its Hometown Hero Award for 2017 to the Delaware State Police Mounted Patrol. Established in 2012, the Delaware State Police Mounted Patrol began with only three members and has served as a key outreach unit to communities and provided security at some of the most popular events in Delaware.

Waste Masters employees also deliver meals once a week for Meals on Wheels. They have been delivering hot meals to hungry seniors for eight years. Waste Masters has also been involved with the Food Bank of Delaware for seven years but recently got involved in the Delaware National Guard's/Food Bank of Delaware's War on Hunger, a statewide food drive that has grown exponentially since its inception over 10 years ago. Waste Masters' goal last year was to collect 1,000 pounds of food, but ended up doubling its goal, collecting 2,000 pounds (one ton). This year, Waste Masters wants to collect a lofty 4,000 pounds. It plans on doing so

by engaging all of its employees and clients to bring a canned good to the facility.