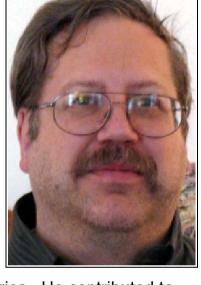**Alan R. Ekblaw**, age 59, of Glenville, NY passed away October 30, 2019 after a battle with stomach and intestinal cancer.

He was born in Champaign, Illinois on November 13,1959 and was a 1977 graduate of Scotia-Glenville High School in New York. He was intiated into the Phi Kappa Chapter of Alpha Chi Rho in 1978 at the University of Illinois and went on to earn his Bachelor's degree in 1981.

He was an Eagle Scout and a Vigil Honor member of the Order of the Arrow, the service arm of the Boy Scouts of America. He contributed to Scouting by serving as a Council Executive for a council in Bettingdorf, IA from 1981 to 1983.

He then ran Funnybook Factory, a comic shop on the campus of the University of Illinois, before returning to the Capital District of New York to open and run Excelsior Comics in Burnt Hills, NY from 1989 to 1995.

Mr. Ekblaw served as a District Officer for Stewarts, for whom he worked for nearly 20 years, and a Customer Representative for Speedway, as well as working at Electric City Comics in Schenectady.