

Grand Teton Council

Boy Scouts of America



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Stake and Ward Friends of Scouting Campaign Resource Kit 2017

Job Descriptions, Resources and Helps





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Stake Friends of Scouting Chairman

Job Description

- Assume the responsibility for the Stake Friends of Scouting Campaign.
- Commit to raising the Stake's Friends of Scouting target amount by giving every household within the Stake boundaries, member as well as non-members, a meaningful opportunity to contribute. Please read and become familiar with all job descriptions.
- Working with the Stake President, attend the district sponsored training for Stake /Zone Chairman (Contact Stake President for date, time and location).
- Enroll yourself at an upper level FOS membership division; suggested minimum is \$130.00 level.
- Make a decision with the stake presidency whether your stake will do one stake sponsored event, or individual ward events. Set a date for all events, whether ward or stake.
- NEW this year. It is suggested that you use the MLS system to identify the LDS families within each ward's boundaries. Produce a map of the each of the wards with family's names. Mark each household including other than LDS in developing the campaign. (This will enable you to report to your priesthood leader with confidence that all households in the ward have been contacted and given a meaningful opportunity to contribute.)
- Working through the Bishops, recruit, commit and train the very best ward Friends of Scouting Chairman for each ward by one month before the Stake scheduled kick-off date. Give extra help and support to the new ward Friends of Scouting chairman.
- Submit a Manpower Roster to your District Executive listing ward Friends of Scouting Chairmen by December 14th.
- Conduct Friends of Scouting training for the Ward FOS Chairman in January, 2017.
- If your stake president elected to do a ward based FOS campaign, then support each ward in conducting their campaign with a clean-up campaign the week following. If your stake president elected to do a single stake event, then plan it and make it happen.
- Make weekly reports to the District Friends of Scouting Chairman.
- Work to achieve 100% of the Stake campaign target prior to March 12, 2017 by giving every household in your Stake boundaries, member and non-member, a meaningful opportunity to give.

Ward Friends of Scouting Chairman Job Description

- Assume the responsibility for reaching the ward Friends of Scouting Campaign objective.
- Recruit and train enough enrollers to work all the cards. Keep the ratio of cards per worker to 5:1. (One of these five cards should be the worker's own card).
- Attend training for Ward FOS Chairman. Become familiar with campaign organization, timetable, and materials. Establish with the Stake President the Friends of Scouting target amount for your ward.
- Enroll yourself at an appropriate membership level. Give according to your relative financial ability. Many ward Chairmen support a Scout for a year at \$130 and often sponsor multiple LDS Scouts. Do your best!
- NEW this year. It is suggested that you use the MLS system to identify the LDS families within each ward's boundaries. Produce a map of the ward with each family's names. Mark each household including other than LDS in developing the campaign. (This will enable you to report to your priesthood leader with confidence that all households in the ward have been contacted and given a meaningful opportunity to contribute.)
- Working with the Bishop, ward clerk and utilizing the MLS system, print labels for each household in the ward. Be sure to identify non-LDS households.
- Have your bishop either write himself, or customize one of the Sample Bishop Letters which will be distributed to ward members.
- Working with the bishop and stake leadership, set a date for your ward's FOS Kick-off.
- After the bishop's letter is prepared, either mail or hand-deliver it to every household in the ward **two weeks** before the scheduled kick-off date. (The content of the letter should announce the date of the ward Friends of Scouting kick-off, and when a worker will be coming by to pick up contributions. Please include the President Monson brochure or a non-LDS brochure as appropriate for each household.)
- Also, two weeks prior to Kick-off, with the bishop's permission, place posters of President Monson on the bishop's office door and on the ward bulletin board.
- On the Sundays two weeks and one week before the Kick-off, place an announcement in the ward bulletin (see Sample Bulletin). Also request that the bishop support the value of Scouting and encourage ward members to support the upcoming FOS campaign.
- Conduct a ward FOS Kick-off, with a one-week clean-up campaign if necessary. Every household should receive a meaningful opportunity to contribute including a face-to-face visit.
- Audit all money, cards and pledges collected during the campaign. Turn in all money and all worked cards into the Stake Friends of Scouting Chairman or the District Executive. Utilizing the MLS system, compare and update the cards you receive from the BSA Council to your MLS lists by adding new households to new cards and updating old information. The goal is to identify and give all households with in the ward boundary a meaningful opportunity to give. **Please answer the boxes on the back of each card.**
- Make a weekly status report to the Stake Friends of Scouting Chairman.
- Work to achieve 100% of the ward target prior to March 12, 2017 by giving every household in your ward boundaries, member and non-member, a meaningful opportunity to give.
- Turn in all contributions as soon as possible for timely donor recognition and tax purposes.

Checklist for Ward FOS Chairman

Updating and organizing household information using Friends of Scouting BSA donation cards

Use the following steps as a checklist to update the information on your ward's donation cards:

[] Under the direction of the Bishop, utilizing the ward MLS system, the ward clerk prints two mailing labels for every household in the ward (including non-member households) that do not have a preprinted card in this materials packet obtained from the Council. These labels will be used to mail or hand deliver the Friends of Scouting personal invitation letter along with the President Monson information brochure (see sample in packet) from the bishop asking for a contribution to the campaign. (Use one letter and brochure for LDS households, and another for non-LDS households as appropriate)

[] The second label will be used to compare and clean up the pre-printed Friends of Scouting cards produced by the BSA Council. If the household information on the pre-printed card is incorrect, the ward Friends of Scouting Chairman is to cross out the incorrect information and hand correct the card with the updated information. If the person on the card has moved or deceased, please indicate this on the back of the card and return the card to the BSA Council so the record can be updated.

[] For households that have no pre-printed card, the second label is to be attached to a blank Friends of Scouting card provided by the BSA Council. These labels should include the ward, name, address and phone number of every household. (The phone number is used so we can detect duplicates. All information is strictly confidential. See example card included in this packet). When this is completed, every household in the ward boundaries should have an updated Friends of Scouting card that was either produced by the BSA Council, or generated by attaching a label printed from the MLS and non-LDS household lists to a blank card.

[] Check twice to make sure every household is represented with a card.

Checklist for Ward FOS Chairman

Prospect evaluation and campaign preparations

Use the following steps as a checklist to evaluate each household in your ward.

- [] Under the direction of the Bishop create a committee of 3-4 knowledgeable people to evaluate the giving ability of each household in the ward.
- [] Review the giving history of each person. The history is located on the right hand side of the prospect file or it is indicated on the card. The first number after the campaign year is the amount pledged and the second number is the amount actually paid. Use your labels to produce a card for households with no previous contribution history.
- [] Assign to each person (card) an amount that should be asked for when the person is approached to give to the Friends of Scouting campaign this year. Remember that it costs \$130 per year to provide Scouting to each youth involved in the program.
- [] Add up the total amount that you have assigned to each person. Your total should exceed your target amount by 50-75%. This way you will be sure to reach the target amount or fair share that you have been given. Regardless of the amount collected continue to give every household a meaningful opportunity to give.
- [] Separate out your major givers, i.e. those who have the ability to give \$100 or more. Assign one or two individuals who are capable of asking for that level of donation.
- [] Recruit your enrollers. These are people who will be going out to every household to make the approach. Each person should be assigned no more than five people to contact including themselves. It helps if they have a relationship with the people they will be visiting.
- [] Assign each person to an enroller who will ask them for their gift.
- [] Set your Kick-off date, and, notify all your workers to be there.
- [] Prepare and organize all your materials for rapid distribution at the Kick-off.
- [] Follow the guidelines that you will receive from your stake FOS leadership on conducting your campaign.

Worker Job Description and Suggested Door Approach

Friends of Scouting

This information has been designed to help each worker become better prepared as he visits the potential donors he has been assigned. In his or her own words say....

“Hello _____. I am here today representing the Boy Scouts on our Friends of Scouting drive. “

- Give them a Key Information Sheet about Friends of Scouting, and answer any questions they may have.
 - All Friends of Scouting funds remain entirely in our council, and currently comprise 50% of the support needed to run the local program for our boys.
 - Last year the council served 22,483 Scouts at an annual cost per boy of \$133.57.
 - Each donation of \$130 provides the support needed for one boy in the program for one year.
- Explain that starting in 2016 each adult Scouter in the Grand Teton Council will be required to sign the “Scouter Code of Conduct”, and give them a copy of the Code.
- Ask, “Would you be able to join me in supporting one or more boys for one year? Payments can be spread out over the year if that is helpful.”
 - If the family feels they cannot support one boy, let them know that any amount is appreciated and is helpful to the success of Scouting.
 - Please invite them if they feel they are able, to increase their level of giving over what they gave the previous year.
- **If YES** – accept the cash, check, credit card or pledged amount. Fill out **both sides** of the pledge card and leave the receipt stub with them. Checks can be made out to BSA or Grand Teton Council.
 - For those who choose to give \$130 or greater, please explain the recognition gifts which are available if they desire.
 - Be sure to give them the appropriate brochure and Information Flyer.
- **If NO** – politely thank them for their time and support of Scouting and leave an Information Flyer with them.
- **If they want to think about it**, please do not leave the pledge card with them. Rather, leave the brochure Information Flyer and tell them that someone will be in contact with them later in the week.

After the Visit:

- Turn in all money, pledges and cards to the Friends of Scouting Chairman that night at the prearranged time.
- Follow-up within one week with anyone not initially visited.

If No One is Home:

- Please do not leave the card. Call back on prospects if no is home. Try 3 times before you give up and return the uncontacted household card to the Council who will mail them an invitation to contribute.

<<Please make a copy of this Door Approach and give one to each worker making visits>>

The Overall Plan for the Campaign

Ward Based One Day – One Week Campaign

The intent and proven results of the “One Day – One Week Campaign” is to make the fundraising process for Friends of Scouting simple and effective. When the schedule and format are implemented, the Wards and Stakes will raise their Friends of Scouting goals! Every household needs to be contacted! This plan does work!

Every households needs to be asked these three questions.

1. Is there any service our local Scout unit can provide for your family?
2. Are there any Scout aged youth that we can invite to participate with our local unit?
3. Our third reason for stopping by is to collect Friends of Scouting monies to help support the nearly 23000 registered youth. All Friends of Scouting funds remain entirely in our council, and currently comprise 50% of the support needed to run the local program for our boys. Last year the council served 22,483 Scouts at an annual cost per boy of \$133.57. Each donation of \$130 provides the support needed for one boy in the program for one year. Would you be willing to support a boy in Scouting for a year?

Here is the plan:

- 1. The stake leadership decides on what day and week the campaign will be done. We recommend the kick-off day be during “Scout Week” in February**
 - a. Date should be included in the stake calendar.
 - b. As much as possible, this date should be clear of any other scheduled activities.
- 2. Ward leadership is trained by the stake leadership with help of the district before January 30.**
 - a. A ward training and kick-off is scheduled for the first week of February.
 - b. **The Kick-off meeting is the most important part!** Please see the suggested format for this meeting below. This is when the training is completed and all the visits are made, all in one evening! It really works!!
- 3. All wards should follow the same plan and schedule.**
 - a. A letter signed by the bishop explaining Friends of Scouting accompanying the appropriate brochure door hanger should be sent or hand-delivered to each household **two weeks before the kickoff date.**
 - b. Two weeks prior to the scheduled campaign, the bishop gives support during meetings regarding the values and benefits of Scouting, and encourages all to support the Friends of Scouting drive on the designated date.
 - c. Success of the “One Day – One Week Campaign” is directly related to the ratio of workers versus homes. The “I-C-5” (“I See 5 Families”) plan works the best.
 - d. **Visit every home.** Elder Batt has asked that every household be given a meaningful opportunity to support Scouting.
 - i. **Please visit every household in the ward, whether members of the Church or not. We ask that each person be extended an invitation and given the opportunity to make a donation.**

- ii. If you do not have enough cards, use or make copies of the blank cards in your packet. (If you update and turn-in your Unit Prospect List each year, by August the number of blank cards you need next year will be minimal.)
 - iii. The materials to be handed out during the visit and the suggested discussion with each potential donor are described below under “Kick-off”.
- e. All collected donations should be turned in to the Scout Office or designated district representative within 24 hours of being collected. Donors expect their donations to be deposited quickly and the Grand Teton Council wants to thank donors in a timely manner.
- f. Please thank everyone for their support, whether or not they choose to donate.

Kick-off Meeting Agenda

Ward Based One Day – One Week Campaign

- 5 min. Welcome and Remarks by Bishop (Stake President if Stake Based)
He might use statements by Church leaders giving support of Scouting and a positive Scouting experience.
- 10 min. Explain the importance of visiting every household with an invitation to make a donation. Explain all the forms and materials to be handed out to the households visited.

Hand out information cards and individual pledge cards to workers. Train group on how to fill out the pledge card. Checks can be made out to B.S.A. or Grand Teton Council, credit cards can be used, pledges of \$20 or greater can be made and broken down into monthly payments. Answer any other questions or concerns.

Have each worker then fill out his or her own pledge card.
- 10 min. Give a sample door approach. Give a copy of the Suggested Door Approach to each worker.

Then have workers pair off and give their sample door approach to each other. This should be fun and relieve some anxiety from the workers. If workers want to pair up when they go out, that is fine.
- 10 min. Hand out FOS route cards, envelopes, and information flyers, etc. Remember the “IC5” method; you should have enough workers so each worker has no more than 5 cards to contact.

Instruct them to **return in 2 hours** with their cards and enjoy some light refreshments.
- 1 hr. Workers contact each household and leave the information flyer, and brochure, and return with pledge cards and donations. Workers enjoy some refreshments while an audit on each envelope is conducted. All filled out pledge cards and money is turned in to the appropriate person or place within 24 hours. Do not hold onto the cards and money until all cards are turned in. Cards and money are easily misplaced if not immediately turned in. Prompt return is essential in order to get proper recognition to donors and to get the checks and credit card payments deposited.

If contact has not been made for all cards, the ward FOS Chairman can have the worker try to make contact with the household during the week or give them to a team of dedicated workers who will make the contact during the week. **Please give everyone the opportunity to donate.** Turn in the newly filled-out pledge cards and money to the appropriate person or place within 24 hours.

Your Friends of Scouting campaign WILL be complete in one week or less by following this method!

Information Flyer

Friends of Scouting

Grand Teton Council—2017

- The Friends of Scouting campaign is the life blood of the Council. Without it we would not be able to accomplish the work of supporting our nearly 23,000 registered youth and 13,000 adult leaders.
- **All Friends of Scouting funds are used entirely to support the program in our local council. None go to support National BSA operations.**
- The Friends of Scouting campaign is accomplished by dedicated volunteers who strive to give every household in the area an opportunity to contribute.
- Donations from Friends of Scouting currently comprise 50% of the support needed to run the local program for our boys.
- Last year the council served 22,483 Scouts at an annual cost per boy of \$133.57.
- **Each donation of \$130 provides the resources needed to support one boy in the program for one year.**

Scouting in action in our communities

- Last year Scouting for Food collected over 400,000 food items to feed needy Eastern Idaho families.
- Eagle projects, rank advancements, and service projects returned a benefit valued at over \$750,000 to our communities in resources and manpower.
- The Council budget is approved and expenditures controlled by local business, religious and community leaders.
- Friends of Scouting helps support and maintain the five camp properties currently in use by Grand Teton Council. These are Island Park Scout Camp, Krupp Scout Hollow, Treasure Mountain Scout Camp, Little Lemhi Scout Camp, and Salmon River High Adventure Base.

Sample Bishop Letter 1

A letter and brochure should be delivered to every household two weeks before a worker will arrive at each home. This has proven to be a major help in having a successful campaign.

(Ward Letterhead)

Dear Ward Member:

In 1913, The Church formed an inspired partnership with the Boy Scouts of America. Today, Scouting is in wards nationwide, with nearly half a million youth being blessed with greater character, citizenship, and fitness. As bishop, I ask that you join with me in supporting this year's annual Friends of Scouting campaign – an effort made in wards nationwide under the direction of the First Presidency (Handbook 2, Section 13.6.8).

The Scouting program plays an important role in the Church. Scouting teaches young men to do their duty to God, be prepared for missionary service, and become the leaders of the next generation. Please review the accompanying materials, which speak of “Why Scouting Matters.”

It costs only \$130 per Scout each year for the Scouting program to take place in our community. Please consider how you can help this great cause with a donation. Our means differ. Some can give much. Some can give less. All donations are appreciated and helpful. Please be generous, if your means allow – for the need is great to help strengthen the young men of the Church. Please return the enclosed donation card to me or another member of our bishopric by February 1st – which will eliminate the need for someone to personally come to your home to invite your participation in this effort.

Thank you for all you do for the leaders of the next generation. We are involved in a great work!

Faithfully yours,

[signature]

[NAME], Bishop

Encl: “LDS Brochure”

Sample Bishop Letter 2

A letter and brochure should be delivered to every household two weeks before a worker will arrive at each home. This has proven to be a major help in having a successful campaign.

Ward Letter head

Dear:

The First Presidency of the Church in 1913 officially accepted the Boy Scouts of America as the activity arm of the Aaronic Priesthood. Since that time they have continued to reaffirm the relationship with the BSA. They recognized that the ideals of Scouting reinforce the principles of truth taught to our young men in the Aaronic Priesthood program.

We as a Bishopric fully support the decisions of the First Presidency. We are blessed with good leaders who devote much time and personal expense to see that this program is carried out in a manner that blesses the lives of our young men. We are grateful for their support.

The month of February has been designated for the annual Grand Teton Council Friends of Scouting drive in which we as a ward unit are asked to raise our fair share to support the local council programs. These funds are used to provide a wide range of services. This includes training and recognition awards for the boys, summer camp facilities, training materials for adult leaders, a professionally trained staff that works full time for the council on our behalf, and many other support services.

In reviewing our ward fair share amount, we are asking you to contribute the sum of \$130.00 to support a boy for a year. If another amount would meet your circumstances more appropriately, we appreciate whatever you feel you can give. Your contribution is entirely voluntary. Your check should be made out to the Grand Teton Council, Boy Scouts of America. Designated ward members will be calling on you the afternoon or evening of _____ to receive your contribution.

As a Bishopric, we are grateful for your support, not only in Scouting, but in all other areas of our ward activity. May God bless you in all your righteous endeavors.

Sincerely,

Your Ward Bishopric or Stake Presidency

Sample Bishop Letter 3

A letter and brochure should be delivered to every household two weeks before a worker will arrive at each home. This has proven to be a major help in having a successful campaign.

(Ward Letterhead)

Dear Friend of Scouting;

Scouting takes a lot of dedicated volunteers, staff, time and resources to make a well-planned values-based program happen for the youth in our community. In the LDS church Scouting has been the official activity arm of the Aaronic Priesthood for 100 years. With your help Scouting will continue to deliver a great character-building program to our youth today and in the future.

The week of _____ we will be visiting our neighborhood asking for your financial support of this wonderful program. Our major push will be on _____ between _____ p.m. It takes over \$130 per year to provide the Scouting program for one boy. If you could contribute this amount, that would be outstanding; however, donation of all amounts are valuable and your generosity is appreciated.

When the Friends of Scouting volunteer comes to your door, he should have a pledge card with your name on it. Please fill out the amount that you want to pledge, and either pay the pledge amount at that time or circle one of the convenient billing options. Checks should be made out to **BSA** or the **Grand Teton Council**. The volunteer will be able to give you a receipt for your tax-deductible donation.

As a Bishopric, we are grateful for your support, not only in Scouting, but in all other areas of our ward activity. May Heavenly Father continue to bless you in all of your righteous endeavors.

Sincerely,

Ward Bishopric

Sample Ward Bulletin Announcement

The values of Scouting have been taught in Scout meetings and campouts in the LDS Church for 100 years. Values such as doing a good turn daily, doing your duty to God and country, being trustworthy, loyal, helpful.... Scouting values are about families working together with Scout leaders building skills, character and self-esteem.

President Thomas S. Monson said, "I have pondered the thought, 'How many boys have had their lives blessed – even saved – by the Scout movement begun by Baden-Powell?' Scouting teaches boys how to live, not merely how to make a living."

Aaronic Priesthood – Scouting Broadcast, May 12, 2007

Our ward will be conducting our Friends of Scouting drive on _____ between _____ p.m. A representative will come to your door asking for your support and donation. It costs just over \$130 dollars to support one boy for one year. Please be as generous as you can, depending on your situation. When we change one youth's life for the better, it helps us all.

Instructions for Introducing the Scouter Code of Conduct

To be used in conjunction with Friends of Scouting Campaign

Grand Teton Council, January 2016

The Scouter Code of Conduct is a document made available by national BSA in 2015 as a tool to define standards of acceptable behavior by Scout leaders while on Scouting activities.

The Grand Teton Council Executive Board, the Council's governing body, is of the opinion that adoption of this Code by every Scouter will be a benefit to the youth served by our Council.

After consideration, the Executive Board has instructed the Council to require that all Scouters in the Council have read and signed the Scouter Code of Conduct, and that this be reaffirmed each year at Re-chartering and prior to each Council or District sponsored event where youth will be participating. This requirement shall take effect February 1, 2016.

During Friends of Scouting fundraising visits, please give a copy of the Scouter Code of Conduct and a copy of this sheet to each household as a point of information about ongoing Council efforts to insure a safe Scouting experience for each youth.

Those adults who are currently registered with Grand Teton Council are asked to read and sign the Code and keep the copy for their records. Please see the instructions printed on the back of each copy of the Scouter Code of Conduct.

If questions arise, please contact your local District leadership or call the Scout Service Center at 522-5155.

Thank you for your willingness to support Scouting.

The Scouter Code of Conduct in the Grand Teton Council

1. The Council Executive Board has requested that each adult Scout leader in Grand Teton Council (GTC) have read and signed the Scouter Code of Conduct as a condition of their participation in the Scouting program in GTC.
2. After signing the Code, the signed copy is to be kept by the Scouter for their personal records. GTC shall not attempt to keep track of each signing of this Code. Rather each Scouter is requested to honor the first point of the Scout Law in seeing that this document has been read, signed and thereafter honored.
3. In addition to the above, from time to time each Scouter shall be asked to sign a paper affirming that they at some point have signed the Code, and that they shall continue to abide by its terms.
4. Those signatures shall be collected by the District or Council at the following times.
 - a. Each year at Re-chartering
 - b. For each District or Council sponsored event where youth will be participating, such as Scout Camp, Day Camp, District Camporees, Cedarbadge, etc. (This does not include Roundtable, adult Scouter training, or Unit or Zone activities.)

Scouter Code of Conduct

Grand Teton Council, BSA

On my honor I promise to do my best to comply with this Boy Scouts of America Scouter Code of Conduct while serving in my capacity as an adult leader:

1. I have or will complete my registration with the Boy Scouts of America, answering all questions truthfully and honestly.
2. I will do my best to live up to the Scout Oath and Scout Law, obey all laws, and hold others in Scouting accountable to those standards. I will exercise sound judgment and demonstrate good leadership and use the Scouting program for its intended purpose consistent with the mission of the Boy Scouts of America.
3. I will make the protection of youth a personal priority. I will complete and remain current with youth protection training requirements. I will be familiar with and follow:
 - a. BSA youth protection policies and guidelines, including mandatory reporting:
<http://www.scouting.org/YouthProtection.aspx>
 - b. The Guide to Safe Scouting: <http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/HealthandSafety/GSS.aspx>
 - c. The Sweet Sixteen of BSA Safety:
<http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/HealthandSafety/Resources/sweet16.aspx>
4. When transporting Scouts I will obey all laws, comply with youth protection guidelines, and follow safe driving practices.
5. I will respect and abide by the Rules and Regulations of the Boy Scouts of America, BSA policies, and BSA-provided training, including but not limited to, those relating to:
 - a. Unauthorized fundraising activities
 - b. Advocacy on social and political issues, including prohibited use of the BSA uniform and brand
 - c. Bullying, hazing, harassment, and unlawful discrimination of any kind
6. I will not discuss or engage in any form of sexual conduct while engaged in Scouting activities. I will refer Scouts with questions regarding these topics to talk to their parents or spiritual advisor.
7. I confirm that I have fully disclosed and will disclose in the future any of the following:
 - a. Any criminal suspicion, charges or convictions of a crime or offense involving abuse, violence, sexual misconduct, or any misconduct involving minors or juveniles
 - b. Any investigation or court order involving domestic violence, child abuse, or similar matter
 - c. Any criminal charges or convictions for offenses involving controlled substances, driving while intoxicated, firearms or dangerous weapons.
8. I will not possess, distribute, transport, consume, or use any of the following items prohibited by law or in violation of any Scouting rules, regulations and policies:
 - a. Alcoholic beverages or controlled substances, including marijuana.
 - b. Concealed or unconcealed firearms, fireworks, or explosives.
 - c. Pornography or materials containing words or images inconsistent with Scouting values.
9. If I am taking prescription medications with the potential of impairing my functioning or judgment, I will not engage in activities which would put Scouts at risk, including driving or operating equipment.
10. I will take steps to prevent or report any violation of this code of conduct by others in connection with Scouting activities.

Signed _____ Printed Name _____ Date _____

Statements by President Monson about Scouting



“A Century of Honor” October 2013

In addition to his other service to youth, President Thomas S. Monson has been a lifelong friend of the Boy Scouts of America, which has for nearly a century served as an activity arm of the Aaronic Priesthood in the United States, the United Kingdom, Canada, South Africa, and other countries such as the Philippines and Taiwan.
LDS.org web-site December 3, 2015

It is impossible to measure the great good that has come from Scouting during the last century, President Monson says. “Skills have been learned, values have been established, good deeds have been done, and lives have been enriched. Scouting skills have also saved lives.”

Noting that he has served on the National Executive Board of the Boy Scouts of America for more than 40 years, President Monson says, “I believe in the power of Scouting to bless and enrich lives for good.”
President Thomas S Monson, A Century of Honor – October 2013

“If ever there were a time when the principles of Scouting were vitally needed—that time is now,”
President Thomas S Monson November 1991 Ensign.

“I pondered the thought, ‘How many boys have had their lives blessed – even saved – by the Scout movement begun by Baden-Powell?’ Unlike others memorialized within the walls of Westminster Abbey, Baden-Powell had neither sailed the stormy seas of glory nor founded empires of worldly wealth. Rather, he was a builder of boys – one who taught them well how to run and win the race of life. Every boy blessed by Scouting adopts the motto “Be Prepared.” He subscribes to the slogan “Do a Good Turn Daily.” Scouting provides proficiency badges to encourage skills and personal endeavor. Scouting teaches boys how to live, not merely how to make a living.”

President Thomas S Monson, Aaronic Priesthood – Scouting Broadcast, May 12, 2007

“Impossible to measure is the great good which has come from this organization during the past century....I believe in Scouting. I believe in the goals of the organization. I believe in the power of Scouting to bless and enrich lives for good.”

President Thomas S Monson Ensign June 2012

Statements by Elder Jeffrey R. Holland about Scouting

On May 20, 2015 Elder Jeffrey R. Holland was elected as a member of the Boy Scouts of America National Executive Board during the BSA's National Annual Meeting.



Photo courtesy of Nettie Francis.

Elder Holland attended the meetings during the week and also spoke at a closing reception.

“A Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent,” recited Elder Holland. “The Scout Law is a pretty impressive description of what a religious life ought to be. Somewhere, someone—a Scoutmaster or a parent or a Primary teacher or a bishop or someone—came through for that young man. ...

“I’m eternally optimistic. For me the glass isn’t just half full, it’s flowing over the top. A Scout is cheerful. These are sobering moments, but we’ll work our way through whatever difficulties come. Good will prevail; truth will triumph and bless the lives of young men in generations to come.”

Elder Holland concluded the reception by thanking the Scouting leaders in attendance.

“This whole conference represents among the very best people who give civic service in the nation. There’s something very special about the Latter-day Saints who serve in the Boy Scouts of America. I say ‘thank you’ and I mean it. You’re not taken for granted. Your service is recognized and appreciated. Take that message of gratitude back to the councils and wards and stakes and troops and units where you serve.”

“We have a lot of work ahead of us,” Elder Holland said. “We need to pray. We are at a difficult moment in the nation’s history where wonderful institutions like the BSA, and supporting organizations like the Church, will need to be brave, clean, and reverent. We’re going to need God’s help, but we’ll have it. The BSA will need God’s help, but they’re entitled to it. Church leaders need God’s help, and we’ll have it.

THE CHURCH OF
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IDAHO AREA

November 9, 2014

Dear Brethren:

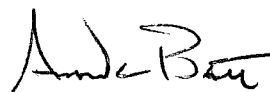
Friends of Scouting, 2015

As we embark on the Friends of Scouting campaign for 2015 it is important for all of us to have the vision of our responsibilities as expected by the Lord in this important element of advancing the purposes of the Aaronic Priesthood. Our partnership with Scouting is divinely appointed as evidenced by more than a century of commitment by the Church and its leaders. This effort is anticipated under Handbook 2,13.6.8 which states: "The Friends of Scouting fund drive in the United States will continue as a separate, voluntary solicitation." It must be understood that the "voluntary" element spoken of is that of the donor voluntarily making a contribution and not that the conducting of the drive for funds is voluntary. It is expected that priesthood leaders will organize and conduct a thorough Friends of Scouting campaign in each ward. The expectation of a thorough campaign is that every home within the bounds of a ward will be contacted and invited to contribute, member households as well as households of other faiths. We are confident that when a complete canvass of each home is accomplished, the expected funds will be collected.

To fulfill our commitment to the needs of the local Scout Council we have determined to increase the expected levels of funds to be gathered by this campaign by 10% over the target amounts of the past two years. We ask that priesthood leaders give positive prompt attention to the carrying out of this effort in the timelines that are included in the accompanying materials. It is anticipated that each ward will report their stewardship in this effort to the stake president or his designee and that each stake will then in turn report to the stake president who serves as the LDS/BSA sub-committee chairman for his area. These stake presidencies will then report to DarVel Andersen who will then report regularly to Elder Batt, Elder Webb, and Elder Sexton. Each unit should receive and follow the instruction and training provided by BSA District personnel.

Our aim is to bless our young men's lives by providing the financial resources needed to operate the local Boy Scout Council as they provide the scouting pathway. Please work as one to get this task accomplished. Thank you for your dedication, and that of those with whom you serve.

Sincerely,



Alan C. Batt



Alan J. Webb

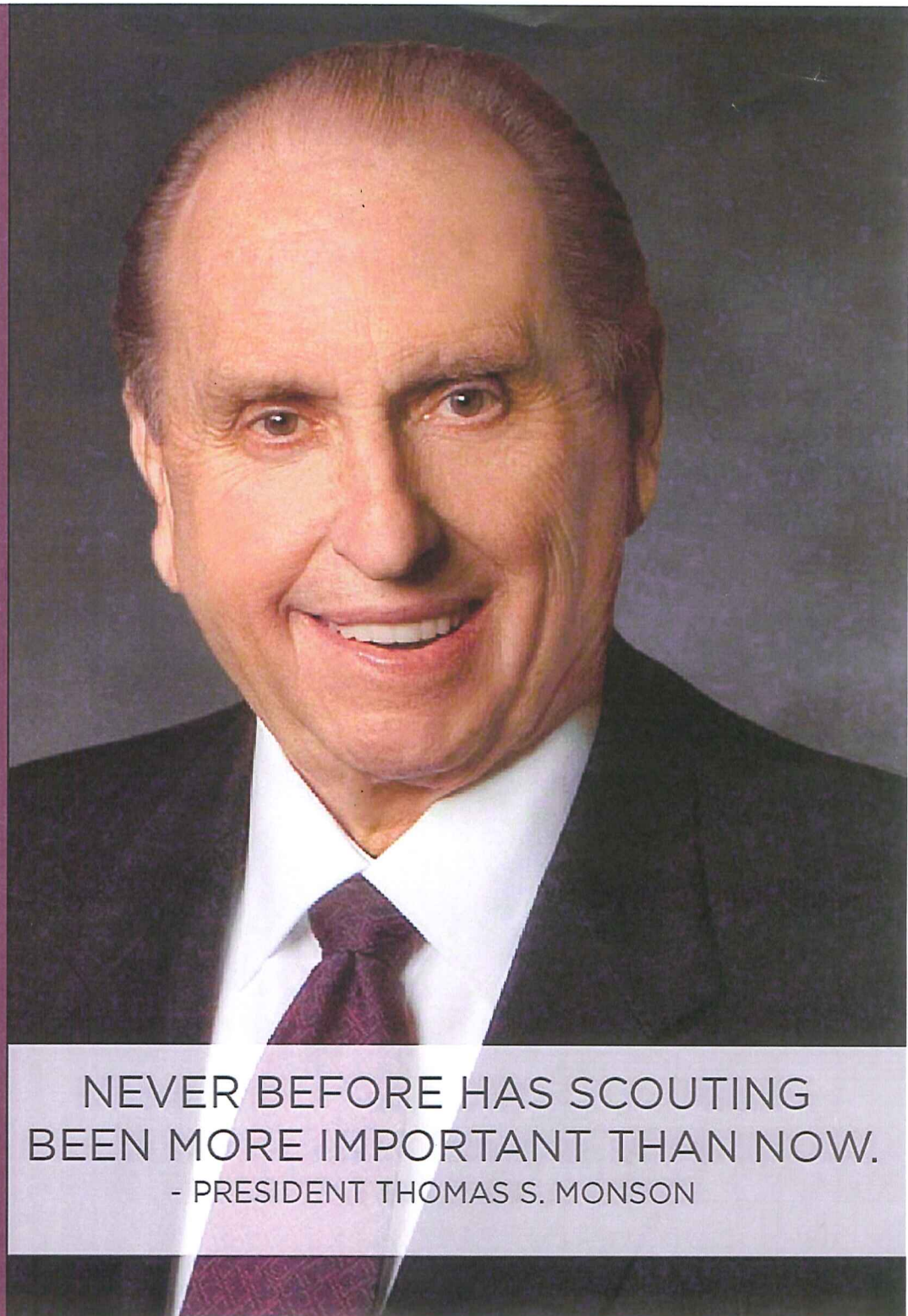


Edwin A. Sexton



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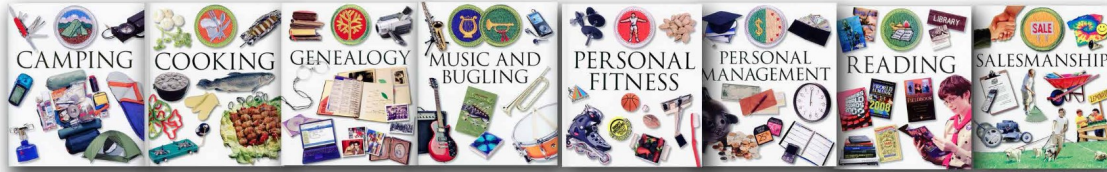


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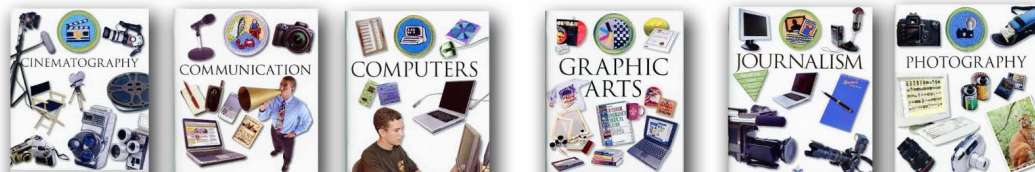
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FRIENDS OF SCOUTING



“Brethren, if ever there were a time when the principles of Scouting were vitally needed, that time is now. If ever there were a generation who would benefit by keeping physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight, that generation is the present generation.”

—President Thomas S. Monson

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In 1913, the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America issued a charter to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Over the past 100 years, the Church has continued to follow the programs of the Boy Scouts of America to help achieve its objectives. Wards and branches across the country charter thousands of Scout units, including Cub Scout Packs, Boy Scout Troops, Varsity Teams, and Venturing Crews. These units serve hundreds of thousands of young people.



How Does Scouting Support the Purposes of the Atonic Priesthood?

- Helps young men to magnify their Priesthood callings
- Gives young men opportunities to experience providing meaningful service
- Prepares them to become worthy husbands and fathers
- Enables them to commit to, prepare for, and serve an honorable full-time mission



President Thomas S. Monson

“In this world where some misguided men and women strive to tear down and destroy great movements such as Scouting, I am pleased to stand firm for an organization that teaches duty to God and country, that embraces the Scout Law. Yes, an organization whose motto is ‘Be Prepared’ and whose slogan is ‘Do a good turn daily.’ Much has been said in the media of late regarding Scouting. Let me affirm that The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has not diminished in any way its support of the Scouting movement.”

HOW SCOUT FUNDING SERVES THE YOUTH IN YOUR WARD

1. Provides training to leaders at all levels. These are offered throughout the Council, district, and the stake. Training on a ward level is also available.
2. Newsletters, calendars, program helps, and other supporting materials.
3. Camping facilities and activities that support your ward’s Young Men and Primary programs:
 - Day Camp for Cub Scouts
 - Resident Camp for Boy Scouts
 - Overnight camping with training and planning conferences
4. District and council programs like Camporees, Scout Fairs, Scouting for Food, Wood Badge, etc.

PROGRAMS AND SUMMER CAMPS

The Grand Teton Council, BSA spends approximately \$125 per boy each year to deliver Scouting in our local communities. Please consider supporting one or more boys in Scouting this year!

HOW WE ARE LOCALLY FUNDED

48% Camping & Activities
36% Friends of Scouting
16% Other



HOW WE INVEST IN LOCAL YOUTH

87% Camping & Activities
8% Fundraising
5% Other



THE GRAND TETON COUNCIL SERVES...

- More than 600 Eagles Ranks awarded last year
- More than 22,000 Youth Members
- More than 12,000 Adult Volunteers
- More than 1,900 Chartered Units
- 17 Districts with Trained Volunteers
- Four Scout Service Centers and Shops
- Three Full-Service Boy Scout Camps
- One High Adventure Base
- Two Summer High Adventure Programs

FRIENDS OF SCOUTING

District _____
Unit _____

- \$125 Support 1 youth year
- \$250 Support 2 youth year
- \$375 Support 3 youth year
- \$500 Support 4 youth year
- \$1000 Support 8 youth year
- Other \$ _____

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ Zip _____

CONTRIBUTOR SIGNATURE _____ PHONE _____

PLEDGE PAYMENT PLAN – SELECT ONE

PLEASE BILL ME
 ONCE IN _____
 QUARTERLY
 MONTHLY

PLEASE CHARGE MY BANK CARD



EXPIRATION DATE _____ / _____

TOTAL GIFT \$ _____
PAID NOW \$ _____
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 CASH CHECK

My matching gift employer is _____

THANK YOU



GRAND TETON COUNCIL BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

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Idaho Falls - 3910 S. Yellowstone Hwy. 83402
Pocatello - 2306 Pocatello Creek Rd. 83201
Rexburg - 59 East Main, 83440
Blackfoot - 205 S Meridian, 83221

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Thank you!

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Please mark all the boxes that apply.

Do you want recognition for your Friends of Scouting contribution?

- YES NO

Important Information

- This person has moved
- This person has elected not to contribute this year.
- This person is deceased
- We were unable to contact this person

Please ask at each home:

- Are there any service projects we can do for you?
- Are there any Scout-aged youth that could be part of our unit?

Please mark all the boxes that apply.

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