

On My Honor

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100th Anniversary Celebration Continues with "A Year of Service - A Good Turn for New Orleans"



2009 A Year of Service— Good Turn for New Orleans Scouting in the Bayou
March 19—22, 2009

This year's theme for the Patriots' Path Council 100th Anniversary Celebration is: "2009—A Year of Service". With that in mind, the Patriots' Path Council has partnered with the Southeast Louisiana Council to provide an extraordinary service opportunity, called "A Good Turn for New Orleans – Scouting in the Bayou".

When Hurricane Katrina devastated New Orleans and other U.S. gulf cities in 2005, the Southeast Louisiana Council lost not only its staff, but almost half of its membership due to the loss of homes, relocations, and other tragedies.

Patriots' Path Council needs volunteers on March 19—22, 2009, to help bring two of their camp buildings back to working order, along with having folks out in the community helping wherever a project has been identified.

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A National Quality Council
5 Consecutive Years

Our Vision

Our hard work on behalf of young people is **recognized** as outstanding.

We are **known** for our values which are defined by the Scout Oath and Law.

Community organizations join in partnership with Scouting because we are **known** as major Contributors to the development of future citizens of good character.

Our youth members have become the leaders in their community and now join with the Scouting Alumni who continue to make a difference.

But most of all, kids, and their families, come to us for a great time, and for adventures that will be remembered for a lifetime.

Serving over 20,000 youth in Morris, Somerset, Sussex, Union and Middlesex County, New Jersey.

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The Good Turn for New Orleans projects will be guided through other volunteer organizations such as the Red Cross and Volunteers of America, and can be anything from sorting food at the food bank, to making health kits for those in shelters.

Our volunteers will stay in New Orleans at the beautiful Hotel Provincial, located in a quiet section of the French Quarter, yet within walking distance to many well known sights, such as Jackson Square.

Those who are unable to travel to New Orleans can still help in so many other ways and participate in this extraordinary service event. We're asking for cash donations and sponsorships to support the following expenses:

- Collecting and assembling items for disaster kits. These include washcloths, soap, toothpaste, flashlights, batteries, and bottled water.
- offsetting the cost of transportation, meals, etc. for our volunteers, who will be paying their way to work on service projects.

We are working with other non-profits to provide needed materials, but if you can provide contacts through which these items can be obtained, it would greatly appreciated. More hands working together to do a "Good Turn" will result in a better outcome for New Orleans! *See back page for "Good Turn for New Orleans" donation form.

For more information on "A Good Turn for New Orleans—Scouting in the Bayou", contact Linda Morris 973-765-9322 ext 246, lmorris@bsaemail.org

2009 Silver Beaver Recipients

Established in 1931, the Silver Beaver Award is presented for distinguished service to young people within a BSA local council. Congratulations to this year's recipients.

- Christopher Corveleyn
- Thomas Cunniff
- Thomas Ely
- Thomas Howard
- Russell Jones
- Peter Mullaney Sr.
- Leo Redmond III
- Dean Roth
- Linda Telschow
- David Walsh
- Joseph Wickham
- John Winters Jr.
- Paul Zuzik



100th Anniversary Collector's Patches Available

Patches commemorating the BSA 100th Anniversary make great collector's items. There will be one for each year's celebration theme, but they are only available for purchase at Council 100th Anniversary events. The patches will not be sold at the scout Shops. Visit the Council website www.ppbsa.org for details on 100th Anniversary events.



2007—"The Early Years"
\$4.00



2008—"The Patrol Method"
\$3.00

BSA Centennial Commemorative Coin Coming in 2010



Last year, former President Bush signed into law the Boy Scouts of America Centennial Commemorative Coin Act (H.R. 5872) which authorizes the minting of 350,000 silver dollar coins in recognition of BSA's 100th Anniversary in 2010. Only two commemorative coins are selected for U.S. Mint production each year, and minting of the coins for 2010 will occur between February 8, 2010 and January 1, 2011. For each coin sold, there is a \$10 surcharge – representing a \$3,500,000 donation – that will be made available to local councils in the form of grants for the extension of Scouting in hard to serve areas.

The act received strong bipartisan support from both the House and the Senate. Introduced earlier this year to Congress by Congressman Pete Sessions (R-TX), an Eagle Scout with four generations of Boy Scouts in his family, the act received overwhelming approval with 403 Members of Congress voting for it. "Boy Scouts are a significant part of American culture, shaping the values, citizenship, and skills of millions of young men," Congressman Pete Sessions stated. "From conservation to character building, the Boy Scouts 100th Anniversary celebrates the highest Scouting ideals of helping others and making communities stronger."

Senator Jeff Sessions (R-AL), who also is an Eagle Scout, was the Senate sponsor of this legislation, which passed by unanimous consent. "Scouting has been a positive influence on millions of young men across the country," said Senator Sessions.

"It is a great honor for the Scouts to be recognized with this Centennial Commemorative coin. We thank the President, the House and the Senate, especially Congressman Sessions and Senator Sessions for their support," said Bob Mazzuca, Chief Scout Executive, Boy Scouts of America. This is a treasured moment in the history of our organization and we are grateful for the millions of Scouts and volunteers who have served as the foundation of our success for nearly 100 years."

Source: www.scouting.org "Boy Scouts of America's Centennial Commemorative Coin Receives Presidential Approval"

A Tribute to Iowa Little Sioux Ranch Scouts



At the White House, President George W. Bush honors 115 survivors of the deadly tornado that hit Iowa's Little Sioux Scout Ranch last June.

On June 11, 2008, a deadly EF3 tornado hit the Little Sioux Scout ranch in Iowa.

During the crisis, the Scouts displayed courage, skill, and preparedness as they provided first aid to their injured Scouters, while awaiting emergency responders to arrive at the scene. Unfortunately, despite their heroic efforts to save them, four Scouters died.

The tragedy received widespread media attention. President Bush received 115 survivors at the White House and honored them for the bravery they exhibited. The Scouters were nominated for Beliefnet's "Most Inspiring Person of the Year Award".

During the Thanksgiving holiday, the families of the four deceased Scouts ran full page newspaper ads in the Omaha area newspapers to say "Thank You" for the community support they received.

Visit the Little Sioux tribute site at <http://www.mac-bsa.org/littlesioustrIBUTE> for more information.

Photos: <http://www.scoutingmagazine.org>



Aaron Eilerts

Ben Petrzilka

Josh Fennen

Sam Thomsen

Four Scouts perished during the Little Sioux Scout Ranch Tragedy

Upcoming Events

March 19—22, 2009

“Good Turn For New Orleans”
Southeast Louisiana Council
New Orleans, LA

April 16, 2009

Distinguished Citizen Award
Reception 6:30 pm
Bernards Inn
Bernardsville, NJ.

April 17, 2009

Hospitality & Food Good Scout Award
Reception 11:00 am; lunch 11:45
The Palace at Somerset Park
Somerset, NJ.

April 24—26, 2009

Cub Scout Family Circus
Sussex County Fairgrounds
Augusta, NJ.

May 14, 2009

Invitational Golf Classic—Distinguished Eagle Scout Award
Registration 11:00 am
Architects Golf Club
Phillipsburg, NJ.

May 15—17, 2009

Order of Arrow Spring Ordeal
Mt. Allamuchy Scout Reservation
Byram Township, NJ.

For more information on these events, contact the Council office 973-765-9322 ext. 232



Good Turn for New Orleans Donations

Name: _____
Daytime Phone: (____)____-____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____
Email: _____

Enclosed Please Find:

Gift Card worth \$ _____
Check for \$ _____

I (We) have a contact for:

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Check Contact Name _____
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Products _____
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