



Friends of Scouting Newsletter

Calapooia District

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"The Aaronic Priesthood prepares boys for manhood and the weightier duties of the Melchizedek Priesthood. Scouting helps our boys to walk uprightly the priesthood path to exaltation. . . ."

Thomas S. Monson -
President
LDS Church

Units at Goal

Troop 7322 \$1,700

Troop 99 \$1,600

Who will be next?

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Why Contribute to Friends of Scouting?

Why contribute to Friends of Scouting? What a great question! Friends of Scouting (FOS) is the annual giving campaign of the Cascade Pacific Council and provides the necessary funds to ensure a quality Scouting program for youth. More specifically, by supporting FOS, you help keep:

- The cost of Council camps affordable (non-BSA facilities cost twice as much)
- The Council Service Centers and camp facilities in top condition
- A District Field Office
- The promise of a quality Scouting experience to your son or daughter and others in Scouting.
- District Programs
- District Training
- Free or low cost camping opportunities
- Full time staff to support our volunteer leaders
- Much more....



It costs the Cascade Pacific Council approximately \$175 to provide a quality Scouting experience for one registered Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, or Venturer per year. Parents of Scouts and other neighborhood and community members play an invaluable role in the annual FOS campaign contributing money that reflects their respect for what the program can achieve and their ability to give.

Help keep Scouting strong by participating as a Friend of Scouting. Thank you for your generous support!

Why Should I Given Time and Money?

I often hear Scouters say, "I volunteer my time; I shouldn't have to pay money, too."

My response is, "If Scouting were not here, who would you pay to give your child the experiences he has in this type of organization?"

Volunteers need to set the FOS giving standard. Make a big deal in your presentation about unit leaders, committee members, and others associated with the troop who commit to FOS. Their example will often guide the rest of the families toward contributing.

Scouting means the world to me and my 15-year-old Eagle Scout. I can't think of a place other than church where I would rather he be involved. I hate to think of where he would go without Scouts and where Scouting would go without FOS. —C.B. Hamilton, Va.



Calapooia District

“We must change boys from a ‘what can I get’ to a what can I give’ attitude.”

Lord Baden Powell

FOS Turn-in Dates

**February 28th @5pm
Albany Scout Office**

**March 14th @7pm
Lebanon LDS Chapel**

**March 28th @5pm
Albany Scout Office**

What is It All For?

Friends of Scouting

pays for the much needed services for our program. Training, Roundtables, district support, office support, staff, and year-around maintenance of our camping facilities...to name a few. The money from FOS is important to the ongoing support of Scouting. Get involved!

The Focus



A Friend of Scouting provides a vital portion of the financial support we need to teach Scouting principles that will result in a positive influence on character, citizenship, and personal fitness. The youth of today are America's future leaders. You can help shape that future by investing in Scouting today.

Scouting exists because of

the volunteer and financial support provided by the community. This is true as much today as 100 years ago. It is easy to share how their money is spent. Every FOS Brochure has a pie chart showing income and expenses. This year I encourage you to speak from the heart. Share why Scouting is important to you and how Scouting has affected your son's life. Your honesty will help you share the message of Scouting.

The contributions you col-

lect today will help Scouting long into the future. How? New packs and troops will be started and many more boys will benefit from Scouting. The council's summer camp's will receive the care they need. District programs will continue to reach new leaders and families new to Scouting. New leaders will receive the training and support they need. The council will also provide a staff ready and willing to help units succeed as they travel the Scouting journey.

Keys to Success

1. Conduct an FOS Presentation at a pack meeting or troop court of honor.
2. Follow-up with every family. It is the goal to ask each family to participate.
3. Ask for help. Your District Director, Eric Hearn 541-928-6694 or ehearn@cpcbsa.org can help with materials and the presentation.

The Legacy of Scouting

Many of our current leaders were Scouts in their youth. Even then, adults supported these youth with Friends of Scouting gifts to ensure a legacy for future Scouts.

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We should not let the social issues of the day effect our work in Scouting. Boys in Scouting will continue to proudly wear the uniform, moving forward on advancement, and attend camping trips and summer camp. These things are important to our Scout families. Leaders need to look beyond the world shaping our movement and seek to provide these boys with good adult mentors, youth leadership opportunities, and the fun and adventure of Scouting.

Our focus in Scouting is to provide the tools and the means to support Scouting now and in the future.

