

FRIENDS OF

# Scouting

Give to inspire another generation



# Building Leaders Through Adventure

Imagine the crackle of a campfire, as the flames dance under the glow of a night sky. Sense the aroma of marshmallows and a Dutch oven as they continue to cook. Can you imagine how this feels for a young boy, as he camps overnight with his troop for the first time? Experiences like these are life changing and transformative; they leave a lasting impression on a boy's life. Scouting teaches much more than campfires, it aims at giving boys the confidence to grow and excel when they need it most and builds lasting memories for a lifetime.

#### The Scout Law, A Scout is:

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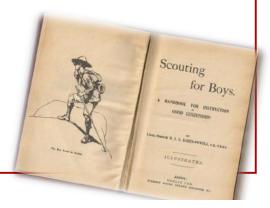
Loyal Kind Brave

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Friendly Cheerful Reverent

#### Baden Powell's Promise

No wonder Scouting has touched so many lives since its inception in 1910. Inspired by authors like Rudyard Kipling, Former General, Sir Robert Baden Powell, believed that instilling in a boy certain values was the best way to improve and develop our youth. And to that end, the spirit of adventure and curiosity has continued to inspire young men to improve their communities, build character and become better citizens. Santa Barbara alone has had an active program since 1914, with one of the oldest Boy Scout troops west of the Mississippi, Troop 1. Understanding duty, service and leadership, have inspired many leading figures in every sector of our community and throughout the world. Scouting is not what we do, but also who we are.





#### Venturing

Relatively more new, Venturing is a coed program, for boy and girls, ages 14 and up. This program focuses on high adventure based activities and Sea Scouting, a maritime based Scouting program. Come learn more about us.

#### **Exploring**

Exploring is a work-based program for men and women ages 14-20. Providing career experience and helping young people mature and develop. Santa Barbara currently has an Exploring program with the Santa Barbara Sherriff and Police Department.

#### Scout Oath

"On My honor I will do my best, to do my duty, to god and my country; To obey the scout law and help other people at all times; To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight."

#### **Cub Scouts**

Cub Scouting is a program for boys ages 6-10, or first through fifth grade. Inspired by the *Jungle Book*, the boys meet in dens and packs and earn rank advancement for taking part in certain required activities relating to their community and family. The boys advance from Bobcat, to Tiger, Wolf, Bear and Webelo. They also have the opportunity to earn their Arrow of Light Award. Currently we have 13 packs in our community made up of dedicated parents and boys.

#### **Boy Scouts**

Boy Scouts is a program for boys ages 10-18. Scouting develops young men into leaders in their community, through: character development, physical fitness and citizenship training. The boys lead themselves with the help of a parent mentor or Scoutmaster and advance up to the rank of Eagle. This year our boys have raised 13,000 pounds of food through our Scouting for Food program, which delivers much needed canned goods and non-perishables to our local food bank.

#### Our Story and the Clark Estate

Just as Santa Barbara carries with it a rich history, so too does the Lost Padres Council. Originally, the Santa Barbara Council, records show starting in 1914, it later became the Mission Council in 1929 and finally settled as the Los Padres Council in the mid 90s.

In that time, we were fortunate to have some wonderful families that were dedicated to growing the Scouting movement. Our Scout Camp Rancho Alegre, its direct translation, "Ranch of Pleasure," consists of two parcels of land from two homesteads, originally homesteaded by William Step, from the western portion of the Ranch in 1879 and from the llenstein family, who had settled the eastern portion in 1888. Thomas M. Storke then purchased these parcels of land in 1936 and sold them to Mrs. William A. Clark in 1943, which was then inherited by Huguette M. Clark in 1964. The Clark family, well known for their charitable support of the Santa Barbara community, presented this property to the Mission Council of the Boy Scouts of America, as a gift in October 8,1964. Rancho Alegre and Camp Drake are adjoining properties in Tequepis Canyon.

The Clark family's support, mark one of the many families who have helped make Scouting possible. Rancho Alegre, still visible from the 154 Freeway, with its iconic fleur-de-lis embossed sign, continues to host a variety of Scouting activities; including: Camporee, for our Boy Scouts and Webelos Woods, for Cub Scouts. It also includes: rifle and archery ranges, a new rock wall and ropes course, night observatory and much more. All aimed at helping ignite the curiosity and imagination of our young people.



#### **Diversity Project**

We believe that Scouting should be diverse, so we can learn how to better serve all our communities. We believe each young man should have the opportunity to become a Scout and that each Scout and parent, carries with them certain traditions and heritage that should be valued. For the year 2016, we look to continue that mission and expand Scouting to our local Hispanic and ethnic communities.



#### Santa Barbara Zoo Scout Project

How fun would it be to camp overnight at the Zoo as a Cub Scout? Or to work on your animal and insect study merit badges with a diverse range of species? Well, now you can! Starting this fall and spring, Boy Scouts Los Padres Council, will be partnering with the Santa Barbara Zoo; to create a world class Scout program, that gives boys a chance to experience adventure on a whole new level. Who knew? That Santa Barbara could be one step away from adventure.



#### Flag Retirement

We can all find ways to purchase an American flag, but you might not know where to take your flag once it is worn beyond repair. Did you know that there are only four organizations in the United States that sponsor flag retirement? Boy Scouts of America being one of them. Once a flag is submitted to our Council office for retirement, it is then scheduled for a dignified flag burning ceremony, which is conducted by one of our local Boy Scout troops. We believe doing so, promotes good citizenship in our boys and honors the sacrifice of those who have pledged their sacred honor to our country.





### Give to Support Our Youth

Each gift you make goes to grow the Scouting program so it can continue in years to come. Your gift helps subsidize the cost of our Scouting programs, so every boy has the opportunity to grow and thrive.

In addition, it helps pay for maintenance and supplies at our Trading Post and Camp Rancho Alegre. It also goes to cover the cost of accident insurance provided to each boy and parent, scholarships, Eagle Scout recognition awards and much more.

## How should I donate and at what level?

We ask you give a minimum of \$150, the cost it is to sponsor a Scout, but there is no maximum if you would like to give more. There are five major levels of donation listed below, every gift counts. To donate, please fill out the pledge card with the amount you intend to give or visit us online by Googling: South Coast District Los Padres Council.

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## Is Boy Scouts Los Padres Council a 501(c)(3)?

Yes, it is. Meaning that any gift you provide can be redeemed for a tax exemption. The Tax ID Number, FEIN, is listed on the bottom of the pledge card.





#### How is the Council funded?

Like any 501(c)(3), Boy Scouts Los Padres Council, is funded through individual donations and corporate donations from community sponsors.

#### How to fill out my card?

To benefit the Goleta, Santa Barbara and Carpinteria areas, please select the "district" checkbox, and make your contribution out to South Coast District, which can be marked anywhere on the pledge card.





#### **Inspire Another Generation**

#### For More Information Contact:

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### The Legacy of Scouting



Letter Transcribed from Jack Kennedy in Youth

My recent allowance is 40¢. This I used for areoplanes and other playthings of childhood but now I am a scout and I put away my childish things. Before I would spend 20¢ of my ¢.40 allowance and in five minutes I would have empty pockets and nothing to gain and 20¢ to lose. When I a a scout I have to buy canteens, haversacks, blankets, searchlidgs, poncho things that will last for years and I can always use it while I can't use a cholcalote marshmellow sunday with vanilla ice cream and so I put in my plea for a raise of thirty cents for me to buy scout things and pay my own way more around.

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John Fitzgerald Francis Kennedy

Notable Eagle Scouts: Astronaut, Neil Armstrong, Entrepreneur, Bill Gates, Musician, Dan Reynolds, Supreme Court Justice, Stephen Breyer and Navy Seal Commander, Pete Oswald, to name a few.

