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Working Together for the 100th Anniversary, BSA



BSA Centennial Scouting Stamp

In 2010, the BSA turns 100. It is an exciting time for the organization. But rather than focus on an incredibly rich heritage, the BSA has sights set on the **next** century of service. Chief Scout Executive Bob Mazzuca will talk about the exciting future of the organization at the Rotary International Conference this June in Montreal.

We'd like to explore with you possible other ways Rotarians can get involved in this year-long celebration:

1) Rotarians who are Scouting alumni (including friends and supporters) are eligible to do something they haven't done since they were Scouts ... earn a merit award. Through *A Year of Celebration, A Century of Making a Difference*, individuals can earn up to five award

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English Scouts Respond

The flooding in Cumbria (Northern England) in November 2009 left many families without homes and possessions. Rotary Clubs throughout District 1190 moved into action with practical help and fund raising. Two members of IFSR – Don Cooper (RC of Wigton) and Tim Keegan (RC of Kendal), both active Assistant District Commissioners - decided to try to provide support for young people who had lost their toys and books.

So in Scout Districts Kentdale and Solway/Derwent, members of the Movement were asked to bring wrapped presents. In Kentdale Beavers and Cubs brought them to their annual Carol Service. With contributions also from Northallerton District in North Yorkshire, well over 350 toys were collected. They were delivered to a community centre in Cockermouth, the worst affected town. Prior to Christmas the presents were distributed to bring a little cheer to children. *Many thanks and Kind Regards - Tim Keegan*

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ribbons that hang from our centennial patch.

- 2) Help us reconnect with Scouting alumni. Through BSA Alumni Connection, we are inviting Scouting alumni to register, enabling them to learn how to become active and involved with Scouting programs once again.
 - a) Profile a Scouting alumnus still actively involved in the program as an adult volunteer and also an active Rotarian. This would be a great way to show the value of volunteering, the strong link between Rotary and Scouting, and the value of a lifelong commitment to the BSA.
 - b) Send an e-mail asking people to reconnect and to advertise the program in their local clubs. Sample e-mails, posters, and more are available at www.scouting.org/100years
- 3) Publish an article in "The Scouting Rotarian" or send an e-mail to members.
 - a) Interview BSA executives and volunteer leadership about the organization's century-long commitment to instilling the importance of community service in America's youth. This could also include profiles of Scouting alumni.
 - b) An article could focus on some of Scouting's innovative service partnerships, like the BSA's partnership with the U. N. Foundation's Nothing But Nets Campaign around our centennial awards program.
 - c) Promote getting involved in the 100th Anniversary, perhaps showcasing the *Year of Celebration* program.

13th World Scout Moot, Kenya 2010 - Operation Safari

The World Scout Bureau is pleased to tell you about Operation Safari, the solidarity fund for the 13th World Scout Moot. Operation Safari has been set up in order to help Scouts who have economic difficulties to participate at the Moot. As you may know, "safari" is the Swahili word for "a journey". We want to ensure that as many young people from around the world as possible have the chance to experience the safari of a lifetime in Kenya at the 13th World Scout Moot. For more information visit the following website:

http://scout.org/en/circulars2009/circular_n_31_November_2009

Nominating Committee

Dear Fellow Scouting Rotarians, As the nominating committee continues work for '10-'11 we are in need of additional candidates for a number of open International and Regional positions. Many of you have already responded and are in place but I need further nominations. If you are aware of potential good candidates please let me know as there are never enough. Thanks, in advance, for your assistance. Yours in Rotarian/Scouting Fellowship, PDG Harold Friend hfriender2@gmail.com

Scouting in Los Angeles, California, USA

The Rotary Club of Los Angeles is seeking a Rotary Club in any country outside of the United States of America to share a project with. Specifically, they are looking for clubs working on Scouting projects. The club's support for their Scouting project could be as much as US\$5,000. Please contact Tim Gilmore TOGBulldog@aol.com for more information.

All Members of IFSR—Current email address needed

For budget and communication reasons, it is important that we have your latest email address. Some of our communications lately have bounced back due to incorrect or outdated email addresses. Please send us your latest contact information—especially if you have not received information from us lately. You may email your information to us at ifsr@sbcglobal.net



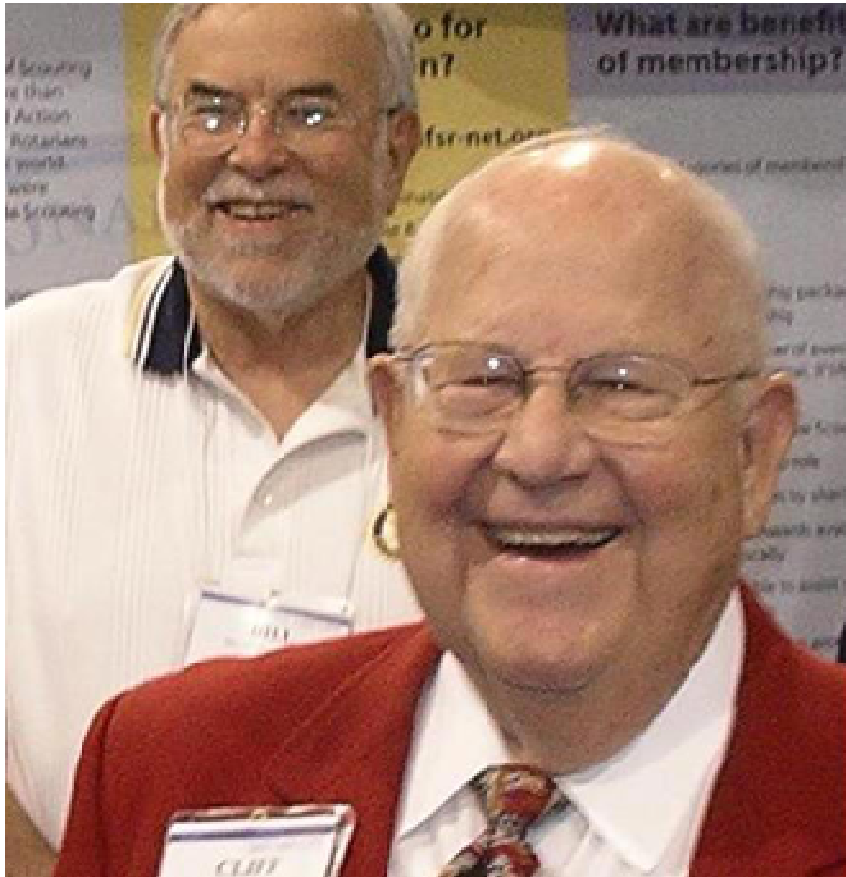
The Cliff Dochterman Award

A special award for Rotarians serving Scouting is available through the IFSR, Executive Secretary. The Award honors former RI President Cliff Dochterman, a devoted scouter from Moraga, California, USA.

The Cliff Dochterman Award, a bronze medallion hung from a gold and blue ribbon, may be awarded by a local Rotary Club or District Governor to an active Rotarian who has rendered exemplary service to scouting.

Information and a nomination form are available on our website at www.ifsr-net.org or from the IFSR-IAR Secretary at P.O. Box 19982, San Diego, CA 92159-0982, USA.

The Boy Scouts of America Relationships Committee has approved the wearing of the BSA Community Service Knot by Dochterman Award recipients who are members of the BSA.



2010 BSA National Jamboree

"Calling all USA Scouting Rotarians!" Would you like to attend the 2010 Centennial Jamboree at Ft. A.P. Hill, Virginia, USA, as a staffer in the IFSR booth? Let Howard Dutra, hdutra@roadrunner.com, know if you are interested. To attend the Jamboree, Scouters must be registered with a Boy Scout Council, be a member in good standing of a Rotary Club and be a member of IFSR. Scouters should first register for the Jamboree by visiting myscouting.org, and filling out the adult staff application form. Next, interested Scouting Rotarians should email Howard or call him at (714) 525-1175. We should have room for 5 to 8 Scouters. Don't delay! This is going to be a Jamboree no one will want to miss!



A Call to Share

To all IFSR members, A CALL TO SHARE. We are always looking for stories describing how Rotary and Scouting work together to positively impact the lives of youth. Please continue to send us your examples. We may have a special opportunity for a powerful presentation of such work at the 2010 RI Convention in Montreal. Please share your stories by sending them to our IFSR Newsletter editor, Steve Kesler, at keslergroup@gmail.com.

Operation One World

The 22nd World Scout Jamboree is a great peace exercise where young people from around the world get to meet across geographical, religious and cultural borders. This is an experience of a lifetime where participants get extensive leadership training and tools for contributing to a better society in their local communities. In order to help those Scouts who would otherwise have not been able to participate in the Jamboree, the World Jamboree Committee has initiated the Jamboree solidarity fund, Operation One World. Operation One World will assist Scouts with the costs for transportation, participation fee, entry visas and camp equipment as well as preparation costs and costs for the stay in Sweden before and after the World Scout Jamboree. The World Jamboree Committee will work together with WOSM's six Regional Offices to select young people who would not be able to participate without the help of the solidarity program and whose participation will have a deep impact on them and their surrounding environment. The participants commit to share their experiences and knowledge with peer Scouts and young people in their native societies thereby multiplying the investment in the development of young people. The World Scout Jamboree Organization needs to raise approximately \$2,500 USD for a Scout to be able to participate in the World Scout Jamboree 2011 through the solidarity fund. Please join Operation One World and help make a difference for young Scouts and their local communities. For more information contact Cecilia Elving - Fundraiser World Scout Jamboree 2011 cecilia.elving@scout.se





Will Manier, Scouter and Rotarian

Will Manier was known internationally as the President of Rotary International. But in Middle Tennessee, he was better known for being a scouter. Like many Rotary Clubs across the country, when the need arose to organize and finance a Boy Scout Council, the Nashville Rotary Club put together a committee to develop a council organization. Will R Manier, Jr, a respected Nashville attorney and charter member of the club, was named to the small Scouting committee.

Following a speedy and very successful fund raising campaign, the Nashville Council of the Boy Scouts of America was officially formed on March 1, 1920. A number of Rotarians including Manier agreed to serve on the board. The Nashville Rotary Club accomplished another of its goals of establishing a Scout summer camp just as Will Manier was beginning his term as Club President in 1921.

Will Manier accepted the position of Scout Commissioner for the Nashville Council in 1936. But he also accepted the position of Rotary International President for 1936-37. Following his Presidency, Manier threw himself into Scouting. In 1938, he extended the District Commissioner system throughout the council including Commissioners for Cubbing and Black Scouting.

In 1940, he called on the Mayor of Nashville to use the fire and police departments to offer Scouting to what he called, "Less Chance" boys; meaning underprivileged and disadvantaged youth. He named a Fire Scout Commissioner and a Police Scout Commissioner to help establish new troops sponsored through the city.

Will Manier passed away in January of 1953 after serving as Scout Commissioner and Board Member for over 30 years. He was recognized by everyone not only as a great Rotary leader, but a great Scout leader as well.

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The following article was published in "the Rotarian" in 1920

Do a Good Turn Daily

By Walter M. Kiplinger, Deputy National Field Scout Commissioner Boy Scouts of America

IN THIS month of February, 1920, two anniversaries are celebrated by two organizations which have several things in common. Rotary celebrates its fifteenth anniversary and the Boy Scout movement in America celebrates its tenth anniversary.

The tenth anniversary celebration of the Boy Scout movement occurs during the week of February 8th to 14th. We are endeavoring to make this anniversary mean a great deal, not only to boys but to the American nation as a whole. We are planning a nation-wide campaign to bring the message of scouting to the entire country, by encouraging for that week the practice of everybody doing a Good Turn Daily. Rotary would be a splendid ally in our efforts to turn the attention of all the people in the direction of service.

The altruism which existed during the war was monumental, but we are gradually slipping into a period of national selfishness. It is our endeavor, by the means of this campaign, to specifically direct the attention of all the people to a realization of the need for service to each other.

It would be a great help in this very worthy work if each Rotarian of the United States would pledge himself to take an active part in this campaign, and if Rotary meetings during this week of February 8th to 14th could be dedicated to the Good Turn Daily idea.

Every Boy Scout is pledged to do a good turn daily. The Good Turn is not the performance of a regular duty or task. It goes without saying that a Scout performs these faithfully and well, just because he is a Scout. But the Good Turn is something more, an extra, voluntary act of helpfulness or kindness which comes his way to do or which he goes out, knightlike, to seek. No Scout may take a tip for service rendered. Good Turn service is its own payment.



Boy Scouts Help to Keep Their Cities Clean

The Good Turn may and does take on civic and national aspects, but we are speaking here of the personal individual Good Turn, pure and simple.

The Good Turn may mean the guiding of a stranger to his destination, binding up an injured dog's foot, stopping a runaway horse, helping an automobilist to mend a punctured tire, feeding and housing winter birds, keeping a neighbor's sidewalk clear of snow, searching for a lost child, reporting fire traps and unsanitary conditions to the proper authorities, being eyes for the blind, feet for the busy, hands for the helpless, cheer for the sad. It may mean the performance of any one of a thousand deeds of helpfulness which may appear in the course of the day's adventures.

It makes no difference what the service is, provided it is a genuine Good Turn, done in the true spirit of scout friendliness to all the world. "The readiness is all."

The Scout is bound by his oath to be "helpful to all people at all times." Little by little, the Good Turn habit becomes ingrained in his daily



Boy Scouts Are Kind to Dumb Animals

conduct and attitude of mind. Helpfulness to others becomes not a sporadic, occasionally gratified impulse, but an essential element of his character.

There are 364,226 Boy Scouts in the United States, all more or less consciously acquiring the Good Turn habit of acting and thinking and feeling. Can any one deny that the Good Turn multiplied by thousands and multiplied again by the three hundred and sixty-five days of the year is going to make an appreciable dent in our social order?

Why should we let Boy Scouts have the monopoly of the Good Turn? Why shouldn't we all have a try at it? What if you, and you, and you should pledge yourself to the daily Good Turn for one week, at least, and see what it would feel like? What if everybody in the town, every man, woman and child, decided to do the same thing and eventually set to work embedding the Good Turn as a regular feature of community life? As a community and as individuals, we would come out healthier, happier, richer in every way for the experiment.



The Boy Scout of America

Boy Scouts are celebrating their tenth anniversary this week and renewing their obligations to the Scout Oath and Law and especially to the Daily Good Turn. Why shouldn't the rest of us get into the game and do ourselves a Good Turn? Let's raise our right hands and say all together:

"I pledge myself for the period of one week to do a Good Turn every day to somebody or something."

Let's have an "era" of good feeling right here and now in our town and thank our Boy Scouts for showing us the way.

Safe Business Rules

- In business hours, attend only to business matters.
- Confine social calls to the social circles.
- State your business in few words, without loss of time.
- Let dealings with a stranger be carefully considered, and let tried friendship be duly appreciated.
- A mean act soon recalls, and a man of honor will be esteemed.
- Treat all with respect, confide in few, wrong no man.
- Never be afraid to say NO, and always be prompt to acknowledge and rectify a wrong.
- Leave nothing for tomorrow that should be done today.
- Because a friend is polite, do not think his time is valueless.
- Have a place for everything, and everything in its place.
- To preserve long friendship keep a short credit.
- The way to get credit is to be punctual.
- To preserve credit, do not use it too much.
- Settle often; have short accounts.
- Trust no man's appearance; appearances are deceptive.
- Be satisfied, before you give credit, that he who receives it is honest as well as responsible.



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Ken Vetovec

William Yeager



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