The importance of saying “Thank You” was impressed on Scouts by B-P as early as 1908 when they were told that they could make replicas of the “swastika” (fylfot) good luck symbol to give as thanks to all who helped them. No permission was required from any adult or headquarters. The design was used as a Thanks Badge until 1935 when the emergence of the Nazi Party made it controversial. Before this time, it was a universally accepted good luck charm. The homemade badge idea did not last long as by 1911, the Imperial Headquarters issued a now rare factory-made badge. “A Good Scout leaves nothing but his thanks.”

Collectors’ Corner: Various World Jamboree Souvenirs

Scouting in Spain: The Scout Movement in Spain consists of about 30 independent associations, most of them active on the regional level. Due to the regionalization of Spain, even the larger nationwide associations are divided into regional sub-associations with individual emblems, uniforms and Scout programs. In 1978, the World Bureau consolidated membership of three organizations (Scouts de España-ASDE, Movimiento Scout Católico-MSC, and Asociació Catalana d'Escoltisme-ACDE) as the Federación de Escultismo en España. Scouting was founded in Spain in 1912, but as a consequence of the Spanish Civil War, Scouting was suspended until 1977. ASDE scouts focus on health issues, children’s rights, coexistence and equal opportunity, environment, and promoting volunteerism. MSC is a catholic organization and ACDE provides Scouting in Catalonia. As of 2011, this Federation had over 60,000 members.
Welcome to Where to Stay in Europe on the Internet!

This search application is on the World Bureau website under the European Section. Here you will find information on over 200 national Scout centers throughout Europe: places which can host you and your group, either in buildings or in tents, and which can also provide you with assistance (and usually material) to help you organize your camp activities.

Crimean Adventures of Scouts

Route: Bakhchisarai - Chufut-Kale - Mangup Kale - Eski-Kermen - Syuyrenskaya fortress – Sevastopol; Walking distance: 68 km; Dates: 22.03.2013 - 30.03.2013; The group: 33 scouts (Ukraine, Russia, Poland) Weather: Cloudy with occasional rain and snow. Temperature: from -1*C to 12*C.

Even as the final results of the anxiously awaited Kenyan elections are determined, Scouts in the country have been extensively advocating peaceful behavior among their citizens. Scouts from Ghana also implemented a nationwide Messengers of Peace project to ensure peaceful elections. The last elections in each country became violent and many were killed. Under the Messengers of Peace program, so far over 10 million service hours have been worked around the world.

Regional and National events of the Eurasia Region can be found on the World Bureau website. Members include:

HASK – National Scout Movement Of Armenia;
ASA – Association of Scouts of Azerbaijan;
BRSA – Belarusian Republic Scout Association;
GOSM – Georgian Organization of Scout Movement;
OSMK - Organization of Scout Movement of Kazakhstan;
NSAM – National Scout Association of Moldova;
RASN – Russian Association of Scouts/Navigators;
SAT – Scout Association of Tajikistan;
NOSU – National Organization of Scouts of Ukraine.

Scouting does not exist in isolation – our Movement exists in a living, constantly changing world where only 1 in 184 people are involved in Scouting. The Congress will offer you an in-depth look at global trends, needs and interests of young people and their communities, now and in the future.

Major keynote speakers from across the world will give their view on how the world of young people is evolving, but equally the Congress will showcase good practices from National Scout Organisations that are adapting to an ever changing world and keeping their program relevant for young people. Providing young people with opportunities to learn and develop themselves as happy people and active citizens stands at the core business of the education proposal of Scouting. But the context and realities of education in 2013 are very different than those in 1907. During the conference, participants will explore the potential changes and adaptations our educational proposal needs to consider in order to keep its relevance today and maximize its impact in the future.