



Scouting Around the World

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National Capital Area Council International Committee

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The International Committee meets the third Thursday, every other month at the Marriott Scout Service Center, 7:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

Upcoming meeting date: May 21, 2015

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B-P Bits:



Scout Handshake: When Captain Baden-Powell entered the capital city of the Asanti people in South Africa in 1896, he was met by one of the chiefs who came to him holding out his left hand. B-P held out his right hand in return but the chief said: "No, in my country the bravest of the brave shake with the left hand." So began the "left hand-shake" of the worldwide brotherhood of Scouts.

Standing orders to his men at Mafeking: "Do not always wait for an order, if you see the situation demands action. Don't be afraid to act for fear of making a mistake – a man who never made a mistake never made anything. If you find you have made a mistake, carry it through nevertheless with energy. Pluck and dash have often changed a mistake into a success."

Collectors' Corner: Historic Trails – BSA has hundreds of trail medals and patches



BSA Transatlantic Council has many trails in Europe

Valley Forge

Ben Franklin

Pokagon



Boston

National BSA Award

Plattsburgh

Chief Pontiac

The World Scout Bureau comprises of approximately 120 staff, based in 8 locations around the world:

[WSB Kuala Lumpur Office](#) - Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia;

[WSB Geneva Office](#) - Geneva, Switzerland;

[WSB Africa Region Office](#) - Nairobi, Kenya;

[WSB Arab Region Office](#) - Cairo, Egypt

[WSB Asia Pacific Region Office](#) - Makati City, Philippines;

[WSB Eurasia Region Office](#) - Kiev, Ukraine

[WSB European Region Office](#) - Geneva, Switzerland and Brussels, Belgium

[WSB Interamerican Region Office](#) - Panama City, Republic of Panama

Scouting in Ethiopia:



The Membership Badge features the Lion of Judah from the earlier flag of Ethiopia.

The Scout movement was first introduced in Ethiopia around 1919, by Emperor Haile Selassie. However, the association was forced to end its activities due to the Second Italo-Abyssinian War of 1935-1936. Scouting was revived in Ethiopia in 1948, when Scout activities gained a foothold in the schools of Ethiopia. The Ethiopia Scout Association experienced its second demise in the early 1970s, when the Marxist Derg regime dissolved the association and confiscated its properties and funds. After twenty years of effort, with the emergence of the democratic system, the Ethiopia Scout Association was re-established in 1995. The Ethiopia Scout Association was readmitted to the WOSM at the World Scout Conference in Greece in July, 2002, the result of ten years effort by Father Renzo Mancini, the Chief Scout of Ethiopia. There are currently over 80,000 member Scouts. Program:

Tadagi Scouts (Cub Scouts) age 7 to 11/12
Medebegha Scouts (Junior Scouts) age 11/12 to 15/17
Wotat Scouts (Venture Scouts) age 15/17 to 18/19
Awaki Scouts (Rover Scouts) age 18/19 to 25



Scouts Trash the Trash Day is a Messengers of Peace project for Scouts around the world, where each Scout is challenged to bring a friend or family member along and pick up at least one kilo (2.2 pounds) of trash each on the Saturday before the last Monday in May (the 23rd). The idea for Scouts Trash the Trash Day came from the scouts of Troop 1206 in Helena, Montana after realizing that there are several days throughout the year that Scouts get together and do the same thing on the same day. Days like Jamboree on the Air and Internet, Jamboree on the Trail, Trees for the World, World Neckerchief Day, but there was not a day for Scouts to all get together and clean up their communities. Thus, Scouts Trash the Trash Day was started. Scouts are asked to bring a non-Scout with them on this day of service in order to double the impact of their trash cleaning effort. Scouts Trash the Trash Day is about more than just cleaning our planet, it is a day to show the world what Scouting is about, educate individuals about Scouting, and recruit new boys, girls and adults into the Scouting movement.



Let's celebrate our differences, encourage diversity, be more inclusive – and create a world built on RESPECT!