EAGLE SCOUT PROJECTS

Eagle Scout project by Jason Caldwell, Boy Scout Troup 450, Nipomo CA

Jason Caldwell is a local Boy Scout and wanted to fulfill his Eagle Scout project at a park. He contacted the Rotary Club of Santa Maria Breakfast to see if he could complete his project at Rotary Centennial Park, 2625 South College Drive. He planned to create the Cliff Dochterman Award Recipients’ Memorial, which would include a plaque and a designated area in the park that honors ‘Service Through Scouting & Rotary.’

Dr. Dochterman is a Past Rotary International President and his award recognizes “an individual Rotarian or Rotactor who acts as a role model and renders distinguished and dedicated service to Scouting through active service, leadership, or other exemplary contributions.” Dr. Dochterman was in attendance on July 31, 2014 to recognize the completion of Jason’s Eagle Scout project and help dedicate the new area. Joe Haslett, the Committee Chairman of Troop 450 in Nipomo, was also in attendance for the dedication.

Rotary and Boy Scouts share a close and long relationship. Both organizations place a great importance on values of, “Character-building; service to country, to others, and to self; teaching leadership skills; and becoming aware of the world around us.”
Another local Boy Scout, Matthew Hoskins, also completed his Eagle Scout project at a City park. He wanted to install predatory bird perches at Los Flores Ranch Park, 6245 Dominion Road. The perches can help keep the rodent population under control and balance the ecosystem, which will create a safer park experience for everyone. An overpopulation of squirrels and rabbits can result in holes along the trails resulting in injuries to park visitors and horses.

Matthew worked with Recreation and Parks Department Director, Alex Posada, to locate the best location for the perches. They needed to find an area that overlooked the large valley while providing a commanding view and updrafts that would help the birds hover in flight when looking for prey. Matthew belongs to Troop 91 and they helped him complete the project, which took several days.

Eagle Scout projects must be beneficial to the community or a nonprofit organization. The projects also go through an approval process before Scouts can start. Both James and Matthew truly embody what it takes to become an Eagle Scout and their contributions will be enjoyed by the entire community.
Letter From Our President  PDG Harold Friend, MD

Last week a good friend and neighbor, Shelly Weill, passed on to the Great Scoutmaster in the sky. His was a long and distinguished career as a successful businessman, community activist and a great supporter of Scouting throughout his life. He achieved Eagle Scout in 1951 and was president of his Alpha Phi Omega chapter in college. As an adult, he was the recipient of the Silver Beaver, Silver Antelope and Distinguished Eagle Scout Award. After serving as chairman of the National Jewish Committee on Scouting for the BSA National Council he returned to our local council and provided strong leadership including being instrumental in bringing in European and Israeli Scout groups to our council camp and led a dedication ceremony at a local park in the city center for "The Scout," a 6-foot bronze statue he donated to commemorate the Eagle Scout centennial and honor all local Eagle Scouts. Shelly was the arrow that flew above others. This is the spirit that our organization embodies.

As members of our International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians, we appreciate the basic principles of both organizations and, as Rotarians, we also have a commitment to the programs presented by Scouting and Guiding (WOSM and WAGGGS) worldwide that have helped so many millions of youth over the years. Each of us has taken our own, individualized path. Many have been involved directly with individual units and others have held positions of adult leadership in council, regional, national and international Scout organizations. However, no matter what level of participation, we as Rotarians have all given Service above Self.

I encourage each of our members to participate within IFSR, help to make us stronger and assist in making IFSR more known within the Rotary community. It is estimated that 500,000 Rotarians have been involved in the Scouting program, either as youth or as adults, so we have a great number of potential recruits for our organization. We have brochures about IFSR that are available from our Executive Secretary. Order a few, make copies and pass them out in your Rotary club and at District events. This Rotary year, make a commitment to ask at least one Rotarian friend to become a member of IFSR.

PDG Harold Friend, MD
’14-’16 IFSR President.
**Editor’s Note:** This was sent by Steve Henning, our Webmaster. There is no stronger way for Rotary to support Scouting than to charter units. This is true worldwide and for Guiding (WOSM and WAGGGS) as well. I include the note and resources to aid those of you who want to charter a scouting unit.

From Steve Henning: I have created a list of BSA Scout Units that are chartered to a Rotary Club. I intend to put links to it up on the website. It just includes those units that are mentioned on the internet on a BSA or Rotary website. There are many other units and will add them as I hear about them. I did this after someone contacted me about their Rotary Club chartering a unit and they wanted to talk to other Clubs who had already done this. In my searching for other Clubs, I created this list. I am attaching this list to this email. Perhaps you have some other units that I can add and also know of some other uses for this list. Here is a possible story for the Newsletter. Much of it comes from the BSA publication listed at the bottom. We could solicit stories from these Units.

**Nearly 1,300 Rotary Clubs Charter BSA Units**

Civic, faith-based, and educational organizations charter BSA units to deliver the Scouting programs to their community. Since their inception, Rotary International (1905) and the Boy Scouts of America (1910) have been partners in serving young people. The principles and goals of both organizations are closely allied. Character-building; service to country, to others, and to self; teaching leadership skills; and becoming aware of the world around us—these are all incorporated into the programs and activities of each organization.

The values expressed in Rotary International’s Motto and the Four Way Test greatly parallel those articulated in the Scout Oath, Law, motto, and slogan. Rotarians have long served as role models, demonstrating leadership, character, and the value of selfless service to the community. Rotary clubs in the United States charter nearly 1,300 Scouting units (Cub Scout packs, Boy Scout troops, and Venturing crews) serving more than 40,000 youth members.

**Through Collaboration With Scouting, a Rotary Club**

- Provides mentoring opportunities for club members to share personal skills, interests, and experiences with youth participants.
- Builds better youth and future leaders for the community and the nation.
- Shares the purposes of Rotary through Scouting.
- Forms enduring friendships among future leaders of the community.
- Provides service to the community by offering a time tested, high-quality developmental youth program that has continuous identification with your Rotary club.
- Achieves greater public awareness of the ideals of Rotary.

**How to Organize a Scouting Unit**

- Club leadership is informed about Scouting.
- Club board and membership officially adopt Scouting, and a chartered organization representative is selected from the club’s members.
The chartered organization representative appoints an organizing committee of local parents and interested club members.
• The organizing committee identifies and recruits unit leaders and committee members.
• The leaders are trained in program planning (Fast Start training).
• The program is planned for at least the first six months.
• Local youth are recruited.
• Unit meetings begin.
• The unit is installed and the charter is presented at a formal ceremony held at a club meeting.

You can contact a Rotary Club near you that charters a BSA Unit. Some of the Rotary Clubs and the BSA Units they charter are listed at:


These lists were created by searching online. Many other Clubs and Units were missed. They may be added to the list by contacting IFSR webmaster Steve Henning: scouters@earthlink.net. For more information see the BSA Publication http://www=scouting.org/filestore/pdf/03-233.pdf

Cliff Dochterman Award

Rotary Club Honors Mitchell for Service to Boy Scouts

Left to right: Rotarian and Scouter Louis “Buzz” Carmichael, Boy Scout Devon Gonzalez, IFSR Historian Dan Miller, Rotarian Chip Armishaw who serves as Scout Executive of the Blue Grass Council.

International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians surprise Mitchell with prestigious Dochterman Award

LEXINGTON, Ky. – University of Kentucky women’s basketball coach Matthew Mitchell annually speaks to the Lexington Rotarian chapter but this speaking engagement took a different turn when the Rotarians surprised Mitchell on Thursday by awarding him the prestigious Cliff Dochterman Award which is reserved for a select few in recognition of exemplary service to the Rotary Club and scouting.
The Cliff Dochterman Award is named in honor of distinguished Rotarian, former Rotary International President and dedicated Scouter Cliff Dochterman of Moraga, Calif.

His professional career in higher education included 20 years at the University of California in Berkeley and 20 years at the University of the Pacific. Dochterman earned Eagle Scout honors, the highest rank attainable in the Boy Scouting program, when he was 14 years old and later obtained three of scouting’s highest honors -- the Silver Beaver, Silver Antelope and Distinguished Eagle.

Mitchell is one of four sons of John and Carol Mitchell from Louisville, Miss. The Mitchells were very active in the Boy Scouts of America as John and Carol both served as scout leaders and all four boys (David, Mark, Matthew and Stephen) went on to earn Eagle Scout honors.

Mitchell, who was named an honorary Rotarian by the Lexington Club in 2011, frequently supports the Rotary Club’s projects and the Blue Grass Council for scouting despite his busy coaching schedule. He and his wife Jenna are very active in the community as they pledged $1 million over the next 10 years to the University of Kentucky Athletics Department and have recently launched The Mitchell Family Foundation, a non-profit organization set to benefit charities in the Lexington community.

Grandson of Scouting Founder Tours Colchester

The grandson of Scouting Founder, Lord Robert Baden-Powell, stopped off in Colchester to find out how the organization is faring through north Essex. Michael Baden-Powell visited Colchester Town hall and was taken on tour of the historic building by Colchester mayor John Elliott. He also held a meeting with Colchester MP Sir Bob Russell, who is president of Colchester Scouts and a lifelong supporter of the organization.

Mr Baden-Powell said: "We had a fantastic day at the town hall and we were given a lot of history about the town and of course, how it fits into Britain. We talked a lot about Scouting and I have to say, it is looking in very good shape in Essex, which is excellent news."

Mr. Baden-Powell 75, has lived in Melbourne, Australia, for 50 years and is Commissioner for Special Duties for the Victoria Scouting branch, which means he gets to travel and find out about Scouting elsewhere in the world. There are about 40 million members across the world. He added: “There are only six countries in the world that do not have Scouting, so I think we must have been doing something right.”
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. Please share your stories by sending them to our IFSR Newsletter editor, Steve Kesler, at keslergroup@gmail.com.

Scouting in Canada

Doug MacDonald was recently promoted to Council Executive Director for Scouts Canada in Alberta (both the Chinook Region and the Northern Lights Region). That is all of Alberta, the NWT and parts of British Columbia. Doug says he is the sales and service guy. He delegates to operational Scouters throughout the very large territory. In this territory Doug supports 5,000 volunteers who provide Scouting adventures to more than 5,000 children, youth and young adults.

Doug's main home is in Calgary, Alberta with a secondary home in Edmonton, Alberta. Doug is a 36 year professional Scouter and a 21 year Rotarian. Doug and his wife, Ivy, have 2 children and 2 grandchildren. Doug is a member of the Rotary Club of Calgary, past President. He visits the Rotary E-Club of Canada One, an internet club, for make-ups.

Doug's leadership in western Canada will result in the growth of IFSR and Scouting.

A Call to Share
The number of positions is without limit because the stronger we grow, the more positions are available for leadership. I ask that each of you volunteer to take on a position. There are many Rotary districts without a district representative and many Rotary Zones without a representative.

Yours in Rotarian/Scouting Fellowship, PDG Harold C. Friend, MD. President, IFSR

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September 9, 2014

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Dear Harold,

The Boy Scouts of America is thankful to you and the hundreds of thousands of Rotarians who over the years have given of their time and talent. Rotarians have served as role models demonstrating leadership, character, and the value of selfless service to the community.

I, like the last three Chief Scout Executives and many other leaders in Scouting, find it invaluable to work with and serve alongside organizations such as Rotary that are committed to assist in the development of our young people.

Currently Rotary clubs in the United States charter 1,182 Scouting units (Cub Scout packs, Boy Scout troops, Venturing crews, and Sea Scout ships) serving 30,909 Scouts.

We look for the continued support of the International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians to build better communities and promote good citizenship among all the youth of our nation.

Yours in Scouting,

Wayne Brock
Chief Scout Executive
IF YOU WILL BE IN SAO PAULO WE NEED A PORTION OF YOUR TIME TO HELP STAFF OUR BOOTH. Meet Rotarian and Scouters from all around the world. Bring your Scout uniform (or at least a shirt and neckerchief) to let Rotarian Scouters/Guiders from around the world know of our existence and the opportunities for meaningful Rotary service with Scouts/Guides in their local communities.

IF YOU CAN HELP please notify International Comm’r Brian D. Thiessen at (925) 837 3355 or bdtalamo@pacbell.net The Booth is in the House of Friendship and is set up by 6 June and taken down on 9 June. Hours are whatever the House of Friendship sets.
23rd World Scout Jamboree

Day Visitor! We are pleased to announce that 23WSJ will be open for Day Visitors to come and experience the spirit of Scouting on following days: Thursday 30 July, Friday 31 July, Saturday 1 August, Monday 3 August, Tuesday 4 August, Wednesday 5 August, Thursday 6 August.

*Day visitors program will be available only on program days.

Admission fee: JPY 2,000 for adults (14 years old and above). JPY 1,000 for children (7-13 years old) - children under the age of 7 are free of charge. Ticket sales will become available at the Jamboree website from February 2015. Further information will be posted on 23WSJ website.

SCOUTING IN ZAMBIA:

Scouting in the former Rhodesia and Nyasaland started in 1909 when the first Boy Scout troop was registered. It shares history with Zimbabwe and Malawi, with which it was linked for decades. The great popularity of the Boy Scout movement was due to its outdoor program such as hiking, camping, cooking and pioneering, which was unusual in the protectorate. Additionally, the training and progressive badge system was targeted towards helping others, leading to responsible citizenship.

Because of the prevailing circumstances earlier in the 20th century, a separate movement was established for black Africans called "Pathfinders". By the 1950s, the time was considered to merge both movements into one Scout Association.

Scouting is active after the many political disturbances in the area. There is an emphasis on rural Scouting and community service. They have rebuilt their headquarters, campsites and training centers.

The Scout Association runs the Kabwata Trade School. Here, unemployed youth are trained in carpentry and woodworking. There are plans to expand the activities to include metalworking, masonry and tailoring. The program is also to be expanded to include rural areas and include farming.

The highest rank is the Eagle Award. The Scout Motto is *Uwe Tayari, Be Prepared* in Swahili.

The Scout emblem of the Zambia Scouts Association features an eagle, a symbol in use since Zambia was a colonial branch of British Scouting.
IFSR is a group of Rotarians dedicated to promoting Scouting through Rotary for fellowship and service. This fellowship operates in accordance with Rotary International policy but is not an agency of or controlled by Rotary International.

We’re on the web: [WWW.IFSR-NET.ORG](http://WWW.IFSR-NET.ORG)

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