

*We missed you at our last meeting!*

Dear Scout Parent:

At a previous meeting, a volunteer Scout leader asked parents to financially support the Three Fires Council, Boy Scouts of America through the Family Friends of Scouting Program.

Your unit, through the local council, receives many services that help insure the quality Scouting Program your Scout enjoys. Through the Scouting program, your son learns lifetime values while having fun with family and friends. Among the services provided are:

- ❖ Training for all adult leaders.
- ❖ Liability and accident insurance coverage for all Scouts and adult leaders.
- ❖ Camping and program facilities at Camp Big Timber, Camp Freeland Leslie, and the Adventure Camp.
- ❖ Trained professional staff to provide support to unit leaders; and the Norris Service Center and the Deicke Scout Shop to provide “behind the scenes” support for advancement and record keeping.

Enclosed are a Family Friends of Scouting brochure and pledge card that highlight many of the accomplishments of our Three Fires Council. The Scouting program is the nation’s foremost youth program of character development and value-based leadership training.

The cost of delivering the Scouting program to more than 30,000 youth in the Three Fires Council is \$150 per Scout. I hope you can make a contribution of \$50, \$150, \$200, or whatever you can afford to support the Scouting program. Many families at the meeting turned in their pledge card and our unit gets recognition for having 100% of the families respond. Recognition items are also available at different giving levels. Be sure to review the information about matching gifts.

Please complete your pledge card and return it in the enclosed envelope. We will follow up with you in a few weeks if we have not received your card, and to insure that this letter was received. If you have just recently turned in your card, thank you, and please disregard this letter as it has probably crossed in transit. Your support will directly impact the lives of thousands of youth in our communities.

Sincerely,



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**Report to Our Families & Volunteers  
from the Three Fires Council.**

**We are proud to report a few of the Council's achievements since our 2012 Friends of Scouting Campaign. All were accomplished with the help of our families and volunteers.**

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Three Fires Council provided quality Scouting programs to 30,145 youth.



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TFC provided assistance to 4,718 youth through Scoutreach and other Scouting programs.



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56,421 hours of community service were logged by the 342 Scouts who achieved the rank of Eagle Scout.



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Over 7,747 youth members participated in summer camp programs.



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New permanent program shelters will keep Scouts out of inclement weather at Camp Freeland Leslie.



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This summer our Scouts used the newly completed Bathhouse at the Scout Adventure Camp in Rochelle.



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Scouts will be able to earn their Metalwork merit badge with the forge in the New Frontiers area at CFL.



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The boating and swimming areas are now open at Lake Gladys at the Scout Adventure Camp in Rochelle.



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Besides the special-needs youth enrolled in traditional units, Three Fires Council served 2,908 youth with disabilities in specialized units.



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Scout O Rama was held in May at Cantigny attended by 6,500+ Scouts, families, volunteers, and community supporters.



*Besides our wonderful volunteers, something else made our achievements possible last year...*

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