Scouting in Action

Wallwood Boy Scout Reservation Our Outdoor Laboratory



Eagle Scout Recognition Banquet Our finished Product



Cub Scout Pinewood Derby Learning life skills, while having FUN!



Friends of Scouting Campaign 2018

"Prepared for Life"

The Suwannee River Area Council proudly serves the youth of

Seminole, Decatur, Grady, Thomas, Colquitt, Jefferson, Madison, Taylor, Wakulla, Franklin, Leon, Gadsden, and Liberty Counties.

OUR MISSION

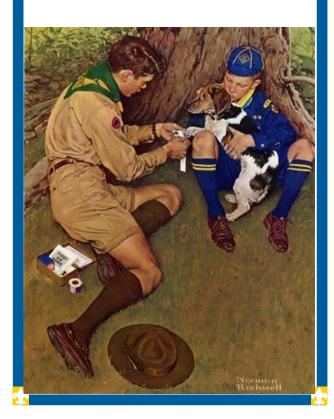
The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

The Scout Oath

On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

The Scout Law

A Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent.



2017 ACHIEVEMENTS

- The Suwannee River Area Council served 1,937 Traditional Scouting youth members (901 Cub Scouts, 739 Boy Scouts, 226 Venturers, and 71 Explorers) during 2017.
- 960 adult volunteers served as role models for our youth members.
- 577 youth participated in camping activities and programs at Wallwood Boy Scout Reservation.
- 141 Cub Scouts attended our local day camp.
- 204 Boy Scouts attended week long Summer Camp sessions at Camp Wallwood.
- 286 Cub Scouts and their family members participated in Cub Family Weekends.
- 69 young men earned the rank of Eagle Scout and completed 8,262 service hours.
- 34.6% of top adult leaders have been completely trained for their position.
- Scouter performed 12,469 hours of community service.
- Every week hundreds of Scouts in the Suwannee River Area Council raise their hands and make a promise: "On my honor..."

SCOUTING FACTS

For Every 100 Boys Who Join Scouting:

- One will use Scouting skills to save the life of another
- Twelve will have their first contact with a church
- Five will become Eagle Scouts
- Two will use their skills to save their own life
- Eight will enter a career learned through a merit badge
- Two will enter the clergy or religious vocation
- **Eighteen** will develop a hobby to last a lifetime
- Twenty-one will become adult Scouting volunteers

HOW DOES YOUR GIFT SUPPORT SCOUTING

REVENUE



EXPENSES

Support Services—17%



Program Services—83%

THE ICEBERG ANALOGY - THE TRUE COST OF SCOUTING

WHAT YOU SEE ABOVE THE WATER IS ON-BOOKS, UNIFORMS, BOY'S LIFE, EQUIPMENT, REGISTRATION FEES, ACTIVITY FEES, MEETING LY ABOUT 20% OF WHAT SCOUTING PRO-VIDES TO OUR MEMBERS. SITE COSTS, ETC. BUT THERE IS A WHOLE LOT MORE BELOW THE WATERLINE Volunteer and Staff Training Support Staff Training for more than 1,000 For registration of new members, registratio volunteer leaders. of events and activities, publications, answering the phone to address program related Insurance coverage questions, and financial accounting services. To protect volunteers, chartered organizations, Camp Promotion staff members, Executive Board, and property. For Cub Scout Day Camps, Boy Scout Summer Camp, Camp Ranger Cub Family Weekend, Tiger Prowl, NYLT, Woodbadge, Winter Camp, Venturing Super Weekend, Training, Year-round maintenance at camp so it is ready to 3rd Saturday Shooting Sports Days and OA Fellowships be use by Scouts and families on weekends Wallwood Boy Scout Reservation Recognition Tents, cabins, Dining Hall and Kitchen, Camp vehicles, For leaders who complete training, volunteers for Building repairs, canoes and other program equipment special projects and help in many Scouting roles. repair and replacement, Tractor for road maintenance, Professional Staff Lawn mowers, Pool maintenance and other supplies. Work with volunteers to organize new units, **Administrative Needs** manage fundraising programs, conduct train-Postage, computers, links to National BSA system, copy ing, assist with new member recruiting, promachines, Risograph, and Audio-Visual equipment vide counsel and direct support for District, Camp and programs development. **Council Service Center** Utilities, Insurance, Mortgage, repairs, Council Website Phone system, Scout Shop, Lawn www.suwanneeriver.net maintenance Reference Publications and Resources Everything from Program Planning and Join Scout Night materials to Scout Shop supplies.

THE MAJORITY OF THE COSTS OF THE SCOUTING PROGRAM ARE HIDDEN BENEATH THE SURFACE, JUST LIKE AN ICEBERG.

THE 80% THAT IS NOT VISIBLE IS WHAT KEEPS THE REST AFLOAT. HELP KEEP SCOUTING AFLOAT!

*	2018 PLEDGE
1	Name:
(Company/Contact
4	Address
	City / Zip
	Phone
	E-Mail
(((☐ I am a Eagle Scout. ☐ My employer makes matching gifts. ☐ I am interested in planned giving. ☐ District Unit #
	Circle One: Pack Troop Crew Ship
١	Levels of Giving: (check one)
	\$200 Scout \$600 Patron (support 3) \$1,000 Golden Eagle Society I wish to contribute \$
ı	Convenient Pledge Option
	Send a billing of# of payment beginning in:
	(circle one) January February March April May June (please know pledge must be completed by December 1)
ı	I prefer to Pay Now: (check one)
	□ Cash \$ □ Check #
	I herby authorize Suwannee River Area Council to charge my:
	☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ Amex ☐ Discover
(Card #
]	Exp. Date
	please know credit card #s are processed for 1 time payments only # is not retained for multiple payments.)

Please make checks payable to:

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Scouting...Investing in Character - One Life at a Time!