

Year of Celebration — Century of Making a Difference

A Year of Celebration. A Century of Making a Difference is a series of awards developed to explore these values as we celebrate a century of living by the Scout Law.

Each Year of Celebration award recognizes scouts and adult leaders who demonstrate dedication to leadership, character, achievement, community service, and the outdoors.

Requirements emphasize engagement and reflection on the lessons scouting teaches. They reward personal development through these five values.

A Year of Celebration will be available to Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Ventures, as well as their respective adult leaders.

Scouting alumni are also encouraged to earn A Year of Celebration awards and will be eligible to receive patches.

Activities occur and patches are earned during the September 2009–August 2010 program



National Hall of Leadership

This is a one-time opportunity during the 100th Anniversary to honor and recognize Scouts, leaders and any living person who has served as a Scouting volunteer for the extraordinary difference they have made in the lives of others through their leadership. Nominations will be in the form of stories submitted online for judging.

To be nominated for the National Hall of Leadership, the nominee must be a living Scout or Scouting volunteer who may/may not be officially registered with the BSA.

They also must have served as an active Scout or Scouting volunteer within Scouting for at least one year. A nominee may be young or old — there is no age limit for nominees.

You will be able to submit nominations within the National Hall of Leadership section of www.Scouting.org/100years

Generations Connection

Nearly every youth who experiences Scouting does so with members of their family.

The degrees of family involvement may vary, but ultimately Scouting provides an opportunity to strengthen ties between family members, create great family memories and develop a shared family foundation of worthwhile virtues and values.

Our Generations Connection celebration will focus around Arbor Day with an opportunity to plant trees as a symbol of Scouting's impact across generations.



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Scouting's 100th Anniversary

Scouting Friend,

In 2010, the Boy Scouts of America will celebrate 100 years of making a difference in the lives of millions of youth and their families.

Scouting helps our youth grow in character, citizenship and duty to God and Country. Through Scouting young people learn the importance of "*Helping other people at all times*" and that doing their best really counts.

Our youth need Scouting more today than ever before. Scouts grow in self esteem, self confidence and leadership skills and the Scout Oath and Law provides a compass to follow on the path to adulthood and beyond.

The 100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America is an opportunity to reintroduce ourselves as the country's leading character development program for youth.

Let's re-engage lost Scouters, promote the great things that Scouting offers, recognize those dedicated volunteers who have made Scouting happen and have the greatest 100th Anniversary party ever!

Sincerely,

Rick Reeve

Rick Reeve
Scout Executive
Concho Valley Council

Celebration Calendar

February 2009

8—National Hall of Leadership nomination submission begins
8—BSA's 99th Anniversary Celebration

April 2009

24--Generations Connections program launches

May 2009

20-22—BSA National Annual Meeting

September 2009

A Year of Celebration patch program kicks off

January 2010

1—Adventure Base 100 tour begins

February 2010

8—100th Anniversary Gala
26—National Hall of Leadership Nominations Close

May 2010

National Hall of Leadership Inductee Announcement

July 26-August 4, 2010

100th Anniversary Jamboree

December 2010

30-Year of Celebration patch program concludes

BSA Alumni Connection



The BSA Alumni Connection is our call to find Scouting alumni and invite them to be involved with the Boy Scouts of America once again. Scouting alumni aren't just former Scouts.

Our alumni include everyone impacted by the Boy Scouts of America—family members of Scouts (both past and present), volunteers, Scouters, community leaders, and the tens of millions of Americans who benefit from Scouting in their communities every day.

The program focuses around the three R's:
Reconnect• alumni with Scouting friends and mentors...and local councils
Rekindle• enthusiasm for Scouting and the values it represents
Re-engage• alumni to become active in Scouting again.



Reconnecting Scouts,
Rekindling Memories

www.BSAalumni.org

We invite you to explore our Web site and participate in new BSA alumni activities. Find friends, share stories, and re-engage in Scouting.