

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: January 16, 2014

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BP Bits:



A thought for Scout Sunday from B-P: "The old knights were very religious. They were always careful to attend religious services, especially before going into battle or undertaking any serious difficulty. They considered it the right thing always to be prepared for death. Besides worshipping God in church, the knights always recognized His work in the things which He made; such as animals, plants, and all scenery.

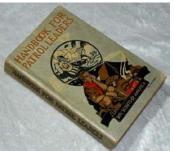
And so it is with peace scouts today. Wherever they go they love the woodlands, the mountains and the prairies, and they like to watch and know about the animals that inhabit them, and the wonders of the flowers and plants."

B-P's sketch

Collectors' Corner: Collectible Patrol Artifacts







BSA/other patrol flags

UK cigarette cards

Handbooks









Patrol leader insignia

Patrol emblems

1st World Scout Education Congress (WSEC) concludes:

25th November Hong Kong – After three days of discussions, meetings, and exchanges from people all over the world, the 1st WSEC ended. The event gathered almost 500 participants from more than 100 countries to discuss the future of education in Scouting. Over 1,000 people also took part online, watching live sessions and posting comments and questions. "The sheer quantity, quality and variety of insights gathered in just three days are incredible. It is clear that the Scout Method provides solutions for many of the issues raised, but its implementation has to be constantly adjusted to the current societal context", says Scott Teare, Secretary-General of WOSM. The World Scout Education Congress was just the beginning of a process of exploration into the education that Scouting offers to young people and of the societal factors that impact upon how Scouting achieves its mission now and in the future. This work will continue during the months ahead.



23RD WORLD SCOUT JAMBOREE Kirara-hama, Yamaguchi, Japan





The BSA Jamboree Travel and Tour brochure is out. Details include the cost for adult leader and youth participant at \$5,750 and \$2,000 for IST (must provide own transportation). The BSA contingent will include a tour before or after the jamboree. Registration will be done on line and currently BSA is only taking names. Keep checking the website for the latest updates.

About the site: Yamaguchi Prefecture is located on Honshu Island in the western part of Japan facing the calm Seto Inland Sea. It exemplifies many aspects of contemporary Japan including modern cities, beautiful natural areas, traditional performing arts, historic buildings and modern industries. The jamboree site, Kirara-hama, is reclaimed land in Yamaguchi City, which is located in the western part of Honshu.

Climate: You can expect sunny weather with occasional showers and clouds and perhaps strong winds. August temperatures in Yamaguchi City average 82 degrees F and rainfall averages 6.2 inches.

FACEBOOK Page: Check out a map of the site and the promotional video on the jamboree's facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/23WSJ2015.

13th Nov 2013, Asia-Pacific Scout Region, From Philippines - Appeal for help to typhoon victims



After super typhoon Haiyan left massive destruction over the Visayas region of the Philippines, Regional Director Mr Jose Rizal C Pangilinan sends an appeal for help from friends and colleagues in the international community of Scouting. Here is the gist of the appeal released through a regional circular:

"Over the weekend, you must have seen from mass media and social media the heartbreaking catastrophe brought by super typhoon Yolanda (international codename: Haiyan) that swept over several towns and cities in the Visayas region of the Philippines. True to its name, Haiyan (ocean swallow) decimated towns and killed thousands of people. Local media reports that over 600,000 people are homeless.

Boy Scouts of the Philippines National Office is now receiving support from the local and international community of Scouting. The challenges are great but in our own Scout way, many Scout councils in different provinces and cities have launched their own campaigns to collect funds and relief goods for immediate assistance. The APR office is extending support to facilitate and receive donations from National Scout Organizations and individuals from other countries. Assessing that it would take many months or several years to rebuild lives and livelihood in the hardest hit areas, your generous donation will be used for medium and long-term projects for rehabilitation and rebuilding." Please send your cash and material donations to:

Account Name: World Scout Bureau/APR Bank Account Number: 10-12000-40188 Bank: Banco De Oro, Herrera Branch

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