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Friends of Scouting Campaign Set to Kick-off

The Friends of Scouting (FOS) campaign is an opportunity for parents and leaders to understand the resources required to run the entire district and council's calendar of events. It is the best time for parents to make a suitable donation as they recognize the vast number of attributes their sons learn in the Scouting program.

In your next unit committee meeting, take the time to select a member of your Scouting family to coordinate the 2008 Friends of Scouting campaign for your unit. Your district has a trained group of volunteers who are willing to come to your unit and help with this presentation.

But for now, complete the Friends of Scouting presentation form below and fax or mail it to the Council Service Center.

It costs \$170 per Scout for the Lincoln Trails Council to provide support to packs, troops, and crews. There are many services and activities provided to our Scouting family by the council at no cost. For example leadership training, newsletters, camping facilities such as Rhodes France Scout Reservation, the council website, and Roundtable helps are examples of council provided activities and materials.

Your help is needed in reaching the council's \$160,000 goal for Friends of Scouting in 2008. Every Scout in Lincoln Trails Council benefits from the donations made by the members of your unit. The Friends of Scouting campaign ensures that we can continue to provide a great Scouting program for all youth in our area.

"Goal Card" Program

3-Tiered Plan to Recognize Successful Units

Support of Friends of Scouting in your UNIT Family Campaign will continue to add benefits in 2008. The Lincoln Trails Council will provide, *free of charge*, all cloth rank advancements* & pocket certificates to units who raise their goal through an FOS presentation.

GOAL CARD AMENITIES: *Free Rank Advancements

- » For Cub Scout Packs - Tiger Cub, Bobcat, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, Arrow of Light cloth patches & pocket certificates.
- » For Boy Scout Troops - Scout, Tenderfoot, 2nd Class, 1st Class, Star, Life, Eagle Kit, and pocket certificates.
- » For Venture Crews - since there are no cloth rank advancements, \$100 will be placed in your unit account.

GOAL CARD Requirement:

Your unit raises its 2008 Friends of Scouting goal through a scheduled presentation.

Goal is based on a simple formula = 60% of One-Scout families* X 1 Scout Support (\$170)

(Past giving history is taken into consideration)

***Number of one Scout families is based on December 31st membership X 80%**

If Your Unit Achieves Goal....AND

- » Your unit presentation is scheduled and held before March 31, 2008.
- » A Unit Coordinator from the Unit Committee or parents conduct your own campaign, OR assists a Presenter in your presentation.
- » Your Unit FOS Coordinator agrees to follow-up with and give all parents the opportunity to contribute, after the presentation. This is accomplished through a telephone call or a letter.
- » Attend training on the council or district training date.

GOAL CARD + SILVER RECOGNITION

- » \$100 will be added to your unit account if: FOS \$ raised = 70% of One-Scout Families X One Scout level (\$170). (Membership based on December 31st enrollment.)



GOAL CARD + GOLD RECOGNITION

- » \$200 will be added to your unit account if: FOS \$ raised = 80% of One-Scout Families X One Scout level (\$170). (Membership based on December 31st enrollment.)



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