



Boy scout week. Nation wide campaign for 1,000,000 associate members. [Circular letter dated New York, June 2, 1919].

THERE ARE OVER 10.000.000 BOYS BETWEEN THE AGES 11 AND 21 IN THE UNITED STATES

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA (CHARTERED BY CONGRESS) FIFTH AVENUE BUILDING NEW YORK CITY,

HOW MANY OF THEM ARE IN YOUR COMMUNITY? WHAT IS BEING DONE TO PREPARE THEM FOR CITIZENSHIP?

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June 2nd, 1919.

Fellow Citizen:

Will you accept appointment from me as a special aide to help carry out the program for Boy Scout Week pursuant to Proclamation of the President of the United States herewith? The reason why I have consented to help strengthen and extend the influence of the Boy Scouts of America are clearly set forth in my appeal to the Mothers and Fathers of American boys, also enclosed.

You have been suggested to me as one who would be willing in this nation-wide effort to interest men and women, as a patriotic service to the country, in registering their definite approval of the program of the Boy Scouts of America for character building, citizenship training, and Americanization.

As a special aide in promoting this campaign I also beg you to do as many of the following things as possible:

1. Personally enroll as an Associate Member of the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America.
2. Induce at least one of your friends or acquaintances to do likewise, making returns to the chairman of the local citizens' committee, or in case there is no local citizens' committee direct to me in New York. A certificate of membership will be mailed by the National Council upon receipt of the application and membership dues of a dollar or more a year.

3. Get in touch with the local citizens' committee and volunteer your services as a working member of the committee to carry out the program as adopted for your own community.

What greater asset has the nation today than its youth? The Boy Scout movement stands with the wonderfully inspiring humanitarian organizations of the war which have had the generous support of the American people.

May I rely upon you to take a definite part in this nation-wide effort to strengthen the citizenship of our country by better training its boys?

Yours for the boyhood of the nation, WGMcAdoo

Chairman, Citizens' National Committee.

PURSUANT TO PROCLAMATION BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, MAY 1 ST .