



## FEBRUARY IS SCOUT MONTH

### Scouting for Food

Tons of food have already been collected and delivered to local food banks. Thanks to all Legionnaires who helped the Scouts achieve their goals. Example, Troop and Pack 1776, sponsored by Post 145 of Peoria, collected and delivered 2078.1 pounds of food to the St. Mary's Food Bank of Surprise the first week of February. WELL DONE SCOUTS!



## **LET'S HELP THE LOCAL COUNCILS WITH FUNDS TO ENHANCE THEIR PROGRAMS!**

**At the FALL CONFERENCE**, Commander Headen asked each Area Vice Chairman to lead a fundraising effort on a selected Pillar. Area B chose SCOUTING! When funds are all collected, Department will match dollar for dollar raised up to \$4000.

**MANY HANDS MAKE SMALL WORK.** Each Post, even in Areas A and C, is asked to encourage each member to donate a minimum of \$5. The funds received will be split between the Scout Councils in Arizona for support of youth programs and activities, to include summer camps.

**STRENGTH AND UNITY WHEN GIVING A LITTLE PROVIDES SO MUCH:** Area B has approximately 12,000 members. Donating a mere \$5 each results in a total of roughly \$60,000...hardly a burden when everyone works together. With the remaining Areas, A and C, and their approximate 18,000 members, that would add another \$90,000. Think of the opportunities we could provide for our youth, our leaders for tomorrow.

**HOW:** Example, one post intends to set up a donations jar at the meetings sign-in table to collect the \$5 or more donations. For members who cannot attend, they have a ZELLE system set up where members can donate directly to the Post account for Scouting. They will then send funds via check or even through the "DONATE button" on the Department website. You **MUST** annotate in the "notes" or "memo" section "FBO Scouts" to ensure Department places the funds in the Scouting Fundraiser account. Please follow-up by sending a confirmation email to [garyvaughan@gmail.com](mailto:garyvaughan@gmail.com) (Department Scouting Chair) so we can positively track all donations sent.

**FUNDS WILL BE AWARDED TO SCOUT COUNCILS ALONG WITH THE EAGLE SCOUT OF THE YEAR AT THE ANNUAL CONVENTION.**

**THANKS FOR ALL YOU DO FOR AMERICANISM PROGRAMS.** Summer camp is just around the corner and your donations will help ensure our youth have greater opportunities for leadership development as we show our support for Scouts BSA.

**SPONSOR A SCOUT UNIT. IT'S EASY. CONTACT GARY FOR DETAILS**



***ARIZONA THEME: PUT A PACK IN EVERY POST***

**QUESTIONS?** Contact Gary Vaughan at 623-696-1013, OR the email address previously listed.