



## Good Turn

By “doing good” I mean making yourself useful and doing small kindnesses to other people – whether they be friends or strangers. It is not a difficult matter, and the best way to set about it is to make up your mind to do at least one “good turn” to somebody every day, and you will soon get into the habit of doing good turns always. It does not matter how small the “good turn” may be – even if it is only to help an old woman across the street, or say a good word for somebody who is being badly spoken of. The great thing is to do something.

Robert Baden-Powell

*From a letter written  
from Transvaal to a  
London Boys' Club,  
July 1910*

## Rechartering – Key Points for Units

By now we should all be aware that we have a new timeline for charter renewal processing with turn in to Council due by December 15<sup>th</sup>. The following timeline has been developed to help you achieve on time rechartering for your unit.

**September** – Charter packets were distributed at Program Launch. If your unit has not received their packet, contact your Unit Commissioner, Assistant District or District Commissioner or your District Executive.

Schedule a meeting with your Institutional Head in order to get the Annual Charter Agreement signed.

Select an adult to run the Membership Inventory.

Select an adult to be the unit processor for the Internet Rechartering System.

**October** – Conduct Annual Membership Inventory.

Schedule a review meeting for early November.

Conduct a uniform inspection.

Adult selected as unit processor, if new to job, should review tutorial available on Council web site.

**November** – On 11/1 Internet Rechartering System becomes available to download initial unit roster and unit processor can begin to update unit data.

Hold a charter review meeting between 11/1 and 11/20 to review results of membership inventory and finalize charter package and obtain signatures.

On 11/21 turn in completed and signed charter package at District Charter Turn In Day.

If errors or missing items are noted at turn in day, you still have 3 weeks to make corrections and turn in on time.

The following are a few key points to help you with the process.

1. In your packet, you will find the Registrar's letter which contains your unit code for entering the Internet Rechartering System. A new code is assigned each year. You can not use last year's code.
2. With Internet Rechartering, your unit has the option to download its current roster from the Council or work with Pack Master, Troop Master or similar unit software and then upload completed work into the Internet Rechartering System.
3. Youth Inventory – Each unit should conduct a youth inventory. This will determine which youth members will be dropped from the roster. Before a youth is dropped from the roster, an adult should be assigned to follow up and find out the reason why and possibly bring the youth back into the unit.
4. \$5 Insurance Cost – The fee per individual must be calculated separately and added to the total generated by the system.
5. The Annual Charter Agreement Form – In the past, District Executives visited all chartered organizations and signed the goldenrod colored form as part of the rechartering process. This is no longer possible with all rechartering done at one time. District Executives may want to visit certain select organizations. For all others, the District Commissioner must

determine if there is Commissioner resource available to handle the visit. Check with your unit, Assistant District or District Commissioner to see if they will be handling this process. If not, your unit is on its own to arrange for the signature from the head of your chartered organization. The back of the form provides a suggested agenda for the meeting. As a suggestion, all units belonging to the same chartered organization should arrange for one combined visit. Only one form needs to be signed. Copies can be put with each unit’s rechartering package.

6. 100% Boy’s Life - Your unit should consider funding Boy’s Life cost for each family through your unit budget.
7. Quality Unit Award – This is no longer part of the rechartering process although it takes place in the same time frame. Units must work separately with their Unit Commissioner or other District representative to complete the application in the November/December time frame.
8. Printing Recharter Roster – When your unit is ready to submit the recharter roster electronically, print two copies, one for your records and a signature copy. The signature copy must be signed by the head of the Chartered Organization and Council representative, UC, ADC. DC, or DE; and the unit leader.
9. The signed copy of the roster along with forms (Annual Charter Agreement, Unit Fund Account and Unit Contact Sheet), applications (with appropriate signatures) for all new members and a check for all fees must be sent to the Council Office within two weeks of sending the electronic roster. The rechartering process is not complete until these hard copies are submitted.

### Triple Crown

Is your pack on its way to winning the triple Crown?

How your Pack can earn “The Triple Crown.

1. Hold a Family Friends of Scouting presentation with your Pack families prior to June 30, 2009.
2. Have Pack participation in the Fall 2009 Popcorn Sale.
3. Increase your Pack’s December 31, 2008 registered

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### Training Dates

#### **Climbing Instructor Tng**

Date 9/19 or 26/09 indoor  
10/16-1809

Place Camp Wheeler

#### **OWL/BALOO/ OUTDOOR**

#### **LEADER SKILLS**

Date 10/9-11/09

Place KMSR

#### **Cub Leader Specific Tng**

Date 10/15 & 29/09

Place TBA

#### **Unit Commissioner Tng**

Date 11/7/09

Place TBA

#### **NYLT**

Date 11/6-8 & 13-15/09

Place YCSR

### Council Events

#### **Popcorn Show Orders Due**

Date 9/18/09

#### **Diocese of Metuchen**

#### **Annual Retreat**

Date 9/18-20/09

Place KMSR

#### **Diocese of Trenton**

#### **Catholic Committee on**

#### **Scouting Annual Retreat**

Date 9/25-27/09

Place Citta Scout Reservation

#### **Cub Extravaganza**

Date 10/3-4/09

Place KMSR

#### **Popcorn Sale Begins**

Date 10/3/09

#### **Beaver Day**

Date 10/10/09

Place Yards Creek

#### **OA Fall Fellowship**

Date 10/16-18/09

Place KMSR

#### **Popcorn Sale Ends**

Date 11/1/09

membership by 5 Scouts by October 31, 2009. (Unit registration figures are based on the BSA ScoutNET system which are available through your district executives.)

If your Pack meets all three of these qualifiers, the Central New Jersey Council will provide each registered Scout in the Pack with a Pinewood Derby car.

## CENTENNIAL PATCH DESIGN CONTEST

Would you like to be the designer of Central New Jersey Council’s BSA Centennial Anniversary Council Strip Patch (CSP)? It’s easy.

All submissions must contain the following items:

- Central New Jersey Council, BSA
- The BSA Logo or Fleur-de-lis
- The phrase “Celebrating the BSA Centennial”

Just add the colors and art you think will best portray the Central New Jersey Council as Scouting continues its journey into the next century.

All submissions are due NO LATER THAN October 15, 2009. They will be judged, and the winner will receive a framed copy of the patch and a gift from the Scout Shop.

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