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Midway Mens Club Members

On the behalf of Boy Scout Troop 13, thank you so much for your generous donation of \$2000. Coming out of Covid and not being able to proceed with our annual Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser the troop's funds were low. This has been a great boost to getting back on track. During Covid, many troops and packs struggled and unfortunately many closed. We tried a number of things such as in person but socially distanced activities, online Troop meetings, monthly outdoor socially distanced hikes instead of campouts, etc. This mix of activities really helped our scouts stay engaged, excel, and keep a strong mental health. During Covid we purposely became ultra conservative with what funds we had to ensure we could proceed in what we considered the unknown future of in person activities in scouting.

This coming year is our Troop's Centennial Birthday. I foresee some of these funds will help celebrate this milestone, with new Class B centennial uniforms, patches to celebrate our founding, along with a number of potential events the committee and scouts have been discussing. I also foresee some of the funds to help create storage shelves in our, new to us, Scout Trailer, which was donated to us from Troop 66 (St Bernard's) when the troop unfortunately closed due to lack of participants coming out of Covid. I hope to also send one or two scouts to Grey Wolf which is an advanced Youth Leadership Training. Which teaches strong leadership techniques that help provide a strong Scout run program, but also teaches life skills that help in their adult life leading to great community leaders.

Due to strong families, community support with organizations like the Midway Men's Club we have been able to stay strong and provide a great program for the youth of our community. In the past year we have had two scouts earn their Eagle Scout Award. One scout just finished his requirements and will be turning in his paperwork in the next few weeks. I also foresee another scout earning his Eagle this coming spring.

Thank you again for your support in keeping scouting affordable for our scouting families.

Best In Scouting

Jason Given
Scoutmaster Troop 13