

December 2018 Newsletter

International Scouting Promotes Global Friendships

In the words of Venturer Katie Kearney:

“Similar to most teenagers, when I wake up in the morning one of the first things I do is check my phone. However, when I check my phone I’m looking for messages from my friends from all around the world, not just the ones I see everyday at school. It’s the friends I have made through International Scouting. Last summer I attended National Jamboree at The Summit Bechtel in West Virginia. As a Venture Scout at Jamboree, I had the opportunity to camp with Scouts from around the world. At my particular campsite, I was surrounded by Scouts from Barbados. While I was there, I learned about their culture and about their lives back home. They shared many stories about life as a teenager on an island. To this day, I still keep in contact with almost every single one of those scouts from Barbados. Through International Scouting I have made friendships and connections that will last a lifetime.”

Learn more about International Scouting at our University of Scouting class, *Tips for Navigating the International Spirit Award* on Saturday, January 27, 2018. BE PREPARED for the World Scout Jamboree in 2019 as you learn how to combine activities of the International Spirit Award to host gatherings with an international flare! For example you can pair Cooking Merit Badge skills with the international cuisine requirement for a tasty lesson on food in other cultures.

Take away materials with helpful tips for your journey through the world of International Scouting.

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