

# Boy Scouts gathering at City Hall

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If people want to see the Boy Scouts in action all they will have to do is look at Civic Center Park in front of City Hall starting at 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 9.

In the last 100 years, more than 500,000 boys have joined the Boy Scouts and made a promise to do their best for God and country, said Alan Franks, Pony Express Council director. Scouting is a program that keeps on working, Franks said.

The Pony Express Council of the Boy Scouts of America is capping off its 100th year celebration in Northwest Missouri with a council jamboree designed to focus on another 100 years of service and character development. Several hundred Boy Scouts and Venturing crews from 18 counties will be attending in uniform and tenting for two nights and three days through Sunday, Sept. 11.

Each district in the Pony Express Council will be highlighting a special activity, such as scout crafts, games, cooking skills and first aid. Also working with the Scouts will be the Kansas City Woodcarvers, Missouri Department of Conservation, the St. Joseph Fire Department, the Missouri State Highway Patrol, and the Buchanan County Sheriff's Department, which will each host special activities and/or exhibits.

Cub Scouts are encouraged to wear their uniforms and visit the jamboree Saturday, Sept. 10.

The Boy Scouts will be hosting a food-drive project and collecting cans to form a pyramid in the center of the park. **All cans will be donated to the Second Harvest Community Food Bank.**

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