

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Incorporated by Act of Congress June 15, 1916

"Be
Prepared"

SUNNY LAND COUNCIL

"Do a Good Turn
Daily"

5 Manatee Arcade Bldg.
MANATEE, FLA.



Telephone 29-311
Box 1105

TRUMAN A. HORTON, Scout Executive

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA.

Application for Renewal of Local Council Charter

For 1928.

COUNCIL
CODE No. 72.4

NATIONAL COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA,

200 Fifth Avenue, New York City, N.Y.

1. The Sunny Land Council, boy scouts of America, with headquarters at five Manatee Arcade Bldg., Manatee, Florida and having jurisdiction over Counties of Manatee and Sarasota hereby applies for renewal of its charter for the calendar year 1928, in justification of which the accompanying report is presented as evidence of satisfactory effort to meet our responsibilities as a local council, as required by the By-Laws of the Boy Scouts of America, Article XI, Section 2, Clause 4.
2. The total amount of our budget as adopted for 1928 is \$6,500.00. Of this, \$6,450.00. is for operating expense and \$50.00. for capital expenditures.
3. This Council has accepted its quota of \$150.00. for the year 1928 and agrees to pay it to the Treasurer of the National Council as Follows: in six equal payments of \$25.00, each during the months of January, March, May, July, September and November. \$25.00 is enclosed on account of the quota and \$50.00 for the charter fee.
4. The accounts of this Council are audited annually by Mr. D. B. Collier.
5. The accompanying detailed financial report for 1927 shows total receipts of \$6,397.36, and total expenditures of \$6,161.27, with outstanding indebtedness December 31, 1927, of nothing.
6. This Council requests that for the year 1928 credit be extended by the Supply Department for an amount not to exceed \$100.00 at any one time.
7. This Council operates under: (state whether a or b) A- The Standard.
 - (a) The Standard Constitution and By-Laws recommended by the National Council.
 - (b) A Constitution and By-Laws approved by the National Council and and on file at National Office.

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8. All troops under this Council are represented in the Council membership, (a) directly, or (b) through representation on district committees
A. Representation of troops for 1928 is 100%.

9. This Council organized 2 new troops and lost 2 troops in 1927; enrolled 159 new scouts and lost 174 scouts in 1927, resulting in a net loss for the year of 0 troops and 15 scouts and giving us a total on December 31, 1927, of 14 troops. We aim to have 16 troops and 300 scouts on December 31, 1928. For further details see attached "Membership Analysis" which has been presented to our Executive Board.

10. This Council conducted a camp during the summer of 1927 which was attended by 37 different boys or 12% of our total enrollment.

11. We will conduct 1 certified training course for leaders in 1928.

12. This Council during 1927 has not actively promoted good reading.

13. Four Executive Board meetings and twenty Court of Honor meetings were held in 1927. Other council committees were organized and active in 1927, Finance, Troop organization, Camping & Publicity. Sea scouting committee started.

14. Troops under this Council were visited by council representatives an average of 4 times in 1927.

15. Separate statements are attached showing
(a) Objectives adopted by this Council for 1928.
(b) Report of council community service activities during 1927.
(c) Report of the Scout Executive to the Council.

16. The foregoing application and statements were reviewed and approved by the Council or Executive Board at a duly called meeting on Jan. 12, 1928, at which meeting a quorum was present and the Council specifically accepted its obligation to loyally cooperate with the National Council and its representatives in promoting the program of the Boy Scouts of America in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws, policies and regulations of the Boy Scouts of America.

(Signed) Truman A. Horton
Scout Executive

C. E. Hitchings
President

Stephen H. Fifield
Treasurer

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(No.3) Application for Renewal of Local Council Charter.

OFFICERS For 1928.

President... C. E. Hitchings, Sarasota, Florida.
Vice Pres... Judge W. T. Hanison, Palmetto, Florida.
Vice Pres... George E. White, Bradenton, Florida
Vice Pres... D. L. Thorpe, Manatee, Florida.
Treasurer... S. H. Fifield, Bradenton, Florida.
Secretary... T. A. Horton, Manatee, Florida.

Delègate to National Council - C. E. Hitchings

EMPLOYEE.

Scout Executive - Truman A. Horton. 1928 Salary \$3600.

VOLUNTEER.

Scout Commissioner - H. C. Groff, Palmetto, Florida.

TRANSMITTAL

\$75.00 is enclosed to cover the following items:

(1) National Council Quota \$25.00
(2) Local Council Charter Fee..... 50.00

Supplementary reports attached:

1. Council Members
2. Finance ✓
3. Membership Analysis ✓
4. Training ✓
5. 1928 Objectives ✓
6. Community Service Report ✓
7. Scout executive & Commissioners
report.
8. Auditor's Report
9. *Camping Committee report*

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MEMBERSHIP ANALYSIS SUNNY LAND COUNCIL STATE OF FLORIDA

PROGRESS:

Troops-Scouts - S.-Asst-Comm- Council-All -Total
M. S.M. all members - other boys
ranks men men

1. December 31/'26	14	295	14	11	1	64	83	468
2. Rereg. of these (not including dropped) previous to 1927	12	162	12	11	1	/	/	186
3. Rereg. dropped previous to 1927	/	3	/	/	/	/	/	3
4. Added new 1927	2	159	11	8	1	37	30	246
5. Gained by transfer	/	1	/	/	/	/	/	1
6. Lost by transfer	/	9	/	/	/	/	/	9
7. Dropped 1927	2	174	11	7	1	14	71	278
*8. Total enrollment December 31, 1927	14	275	14	12	1	87	42	431
9. Of these were lapsed 30 to 60 days	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	0
10. There were also suspended over 60 days	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	0
*11. Leaving in good standing unexpired membership	14	275	14	12	1	87	42	431
*12. The % of gain or Loss of 1927 over 1926/		-6.7	/	49.09	/	35.9	-49.3	

13. Of persons dropped in line 7, 3 scouts were promoted to A.S.M.; 3 A.S.M. to S.M.; 1 S.M. to D.S.C.; and 0 to other official positions.

*Note: Line 8 = 1+3+4+5-6-7. Line 11 = 8-9-10. Line 12 = (8-1-5+6) ÷ 1x100.

OCCUPYING OUR FIELD	Total	Cities over 10,000	Town 2,500	Villages open
1. In our territory are	29,350	3	3	12
2. Total Population	29,350	10,200	12,000	5,500
3. The no. troops is	14	4	7	3
4. Of which no. lapsed is	0			
5. No. troops per 10,000 is	4.1			
6. The No. scouts is	275			
7. The No. scouts per 10,000 is	91.66			

Of the troops on the roll Dec. 31, 1926, plus those gained by transfer during the year there were dropped 2 or 14.3% by action of the troop organization committee and were not reregistered.

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MEMBERSHIP ANALYSIS CONT'D

14.3 % of these dropped during 1927 were because of institutional and troop committee irresponsibility.

We have no troops of negroes and 14 troops of white scouts with 275 membership.

We have no lone scouts; no seascouts.

.42 % of our troops are veterans 5 yr.

The rank of our scouts Dec. 31 1927 compared with national average:
NATIONAL, 53.9 Tenderfoot, 24.6 2nd Class, 21.5 1st Class or higher
OUR RECORD 58.9 " , 21.8 " , 19.3 " "

Compared with national record for 1926 the ages new scouts started:
NATIONAL, 46.7 -12yr., 25.7-13yr., 14.8-14yr., 7.5-15yr., 3.4-16yr., 1.3-17yr.
OUR RECORD 44.78 - " , 25.8- " , 11.0- " , 4.2- " , 2.5- " , .72- "

The rank of our scouts dropped 1927 compared with national average:
NATIONAL, 1st up , 2nd , Tenderfoot ,
13.9 , 26.9 , 59.2
OUR RECORD 21.1 24.3 54.6

1 scout promoted to Jr, Asst S.M., 3 to A.S.M.,

2 S.M. were recruited for two new troops during 1927 neither of these have been scouts.

9 new S.M. were recruited for 9 old troops none of these have been scouts.

Active December 31, 1927 8 S.M. less than 1 yr., 3-1yr., 3-2 yr., total S.M. 14. 7 A.S.M. less than 1 yr., 5 - 1 yr., total A.S.M. 12.6 A.S.M. have been scouts.

Dropped during 1927. 5 S.M. less than 1 yr., 2 - 1yr., 3-2 yr., 1-4yr. total S.M. 11. 5 A.S.M. less than 1 yr. 2-1 yr., total A.S.M. 7.

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TRAINING REPORT.

This council held no certified training courses during 1927

Regular training courses not very feasible here due to so few leaders who react favorably to the idea.

Informal Scoutmaster round table discussions were more satisfactory.

Patrol Leader training done through Headquarters troop idea. Satisfactory results obtained.

Monthly overnight Pow-Wow plan is good outdoor and practical training for both boy and ~~man~~ adult leaders

1928 OBJECTIVE

I - TROOPS

1. Two new troops
2. All troops re-registered on time
3. No lapsed troops Dec. 1928

II - SCOUTS

1. 175 new scouts
2. No lapsed scouts Dec 1928

III - OFFICERS

1. All officers to study requirements for their particular job.
2. To secure at least two good Deputy Commissioners

IV - TRAINING COURSES

1. Scoutmasters training course.
2. To secure Columbia correspondence for every Scoutmaster in addition

V - PROMOTION

1. 10 per cent increase in all ranks.
2. Regular Court of Honor action for promotions above tenderfoot.

VI - REPRESENTATION AT ALL CONFERENCES

VII- EXTENSION

1. Formation of two distinct units, one for each county, for the purpose of better promotion of Scouting and to better reach the rural communities.

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COMMUNITY SERVICE REPORT

1 - SCOUT SERVICE AT MANATEE AND SARASOTA COUNTY FAIRS

Type - Watching booth displays
Answering telephone
Serching for lost children
Automobile parking
First aid tent maintained
Helping free act shows
Fence guard
Miscellaneous errands
Time - Over 2500 hours collectively

2.- SCOUT SERVICE AT STATE CONVENTION OF BAPTISTS, AT BRADENTON

Type - Guides, from railroad station to convention headquarters
Guides to homes to which delegates had been assigned.
In evidence daily for information as to places, streets etc.
Automobile parking

3. - DISTRIBUTION OF CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS AND BASKETS

Type - Aides in finding homes needing baskets
Guiding and aiding distribution automobiles.
Helping to fill baskets and stockings.
Aiding to secure toys etc.

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BRIEF OF CAMPING COMMITTEE REPORT

CAMP FLYING EAGLE - ON BRADEN RIVER APPROX. 2½ MI. SE of ONECC.

Period of 35 days - July 12th to Aug. 22, 1927

Camp Director Truman A Horton, Quartermaster A.C.Knisley, Cook Mrs.A.C.Knisley, Bugler, Jack Finney, Assistant to C.D. Russell B Woodfin, Life Guard R.C. Colling Stage.

Salaries to cook and quartermaster 35.00 per week period of 8 weeks.

13 troops sent 1 or more scouts for a total of 37 different scouts attending one or more weeks representing 12.1 % of total enrollment at that time which was 304 scouts in council.

Number of scout week units being 62.

4 camp leaders, volunteers 18 to 21 years of age and 3 employed leaders 21 years or over were used. At least 4 leaders being at camp entire time day or night.

Lincoln Marine owner of property camped upon. 380 acres with fair present valuation of \$ 7000.00 (estimated and named by Scout Executive) Camp reached by auto or boat. Distance from headquarters 10.5 miles. Hazards - snakes and swamp. Swamp guarded with oiled sawdust. Very safe.

Source of drinking water - well. Analyzed by State Board of Health 7/12/'27. Fuel used - wood. Source of supply - fallen timber. No neighbors. Swimming in river. No developments planned this year. Main disadvantages - hard to reach. No permanent buildings.

2 rowboats - 4 person capacity inspected and marked. Safety devised: Buoys, restricted area, 2 life boats, 2 life guards, buddy system, swimmers check board. No grapples, no rings, no water telescope.

Hospital first aid kit, Anti-venomous snake serum hypo outfit.

Campers did construction work - tent floors, kitchen and dining layout, council ring, diving board and pontoon.

Overnight hikes optional. Sunday programs- sacred songs and sunday school by denominations. Instruction by groups. Examinations once per week. Court of Honor meetings 2 at camp. Badges awarded were 6 2nd class, 12 1st class, 26 merit badges.

Food purchased in part at wholesale approx. 10% reduction. Served family style by boys. Refrigeration in box built in ground. About 600 lbs ice per week.

All campers given medical examination by registered physician before camp. No illness reported in/ or following camp. No cuts, fractures. One burn (visitor). Pit Latrines. Pit garbage disposal. Regulations on store 10 cents per day. Tobacco adults only.

Camp visited by Council president, Scout Commissioner, Camp and Court of Honor chairmen.

September 26, 1927

CCPY REPORT OF CAMP COMMITTEE ON CAMP FLYING EAGLE 1927.

TO SUNNY LAND COUNCIL.

Mr. President and Members of the Council:

Gentlemen:

Your Camping Committee submits the following report of activities and results of this years camp.

Owing to lack of proper supplies and material the camp opened one week later than date scheduled and closed one week later than planned.

The daily program as outlined on Camp announcement folder hereto attached was strictly adhered to. Splendid discipline was maintained from the first hour of camp until the last happy boy departed at the end of camp.

The camp was visited and rigidly inspected by both County and State Board of Health Representatives, as well as National Camp Committee Representatives. A clear bill of health and sanitation was given each time and the camp complimented upon its clean and sanitary condition. The State Board of Health Representative, grading scout camps for the National Council, gave Camp Flying Eagle a 'C' grade which is a very high grade. The camp would have rated 'B' grade but for the fact that the owners permission to use his land was not in writing and a physician was not making a trip to the camp two times per week. The drinking water was analyzed by the State Board of Health and reported safe for drinking and cooking purposes.

Many parents, civic clubs, and members of the Council made frequent visits and were apparently well pleased with conditions. Members of the camping committee inspected the camp at least once each week and in many instances two times per week. The Council President made eight visitations during the first four weeks of camp.

The Court of Honor of both counties held two awarding Courts and presented 26 Merit Badges, 12 First Class Badges, 6 Second Class Badges, 18 scouts receiving advancement in rank.

Camp emblems were awarded only to boys who met requirements as per 'Camp Emblem Requirement Sheet' hereto attached. There were twenty camp emblems awarded.

C. E. HITCHINGS, Pres.
National Council Representative
Pres.

JUDGE W. T. HARRISON
First Vice-President

S. H. FINELD
Treasurer

I. C. GROFF
Commissioner

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FINANCIAL REPORT - 1927

SUNNY LAND COUNCIL

STATE OF FLORIDA

SEE AUDITED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
HERE TO ATTACHED.

BUDGET - 1928

Operating expense:

1. Executive salaries
2. Office salaries
3. Rent, light, heat, insurance, telephone
4. Office supplies
5. Postage
6. Publicity
7. Transportation
8. Camps and Hikes
9. Seascouting
10. Leadership training and conferences
11. Rallies and Field days
12. District expenses
13. National Quota
14. Charter Fee
15. Miscellaneous

\$ 3,600.00
1,000.00
425.00
160.00
75.00
150.00

100.00
100.00
350.00
100.00

150.00
50.00
190.00

Total operating

\$6,450.00

Capital expense

none

Revolving accounts

none

Grand Total Budget

\$
\$6,450.00

Balance 1/1/'27 \$26.49; Receipts 1927 \$6,297.36; Expended 1927 \$6161.27;

Balance 12/31/'27, True bk bal. 159.10, cash on hand 3.48 \$162.58. Funds for 1928 budget outlined above have not been raised.

Plans for securing funds here by City and County Commissioners from the publicity or chamber of commerce funds.

ASSETS 12/31/'27

Cash on hand and in bank \$ 162.58
Supplies for resale 79.84

AUDITED STATEMENT RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF
SUNNY LAND COUNCIL B.S.A.
JANUARY 1st 1927 to DECEMBER 31st 1927

RECEIPTS

DISBURSEMENTS

Bank Deposits

Manatee County

February \$1,250.00

April 750.00

May 250.00

July 500.00

September 250.00

Total Manatee County \$3,000.00

Sarasota County

January 200.00

May 1,000.00

July 1,500.00

October 300.00

Total Sarasota County \$3,000.00

Miscellaneous sources 20.00

Total Bank Deposits \$6,020.00

Scout supply sales and
registrations rec'd (not)
(banked) 277.36

Total Receipts \$6,297.36

True Bank Balance Forward
January 1st 1927 26.49

\$6,323.85 ----- Balance ----- \$6,323.85

Disbursements amounting to \$ 6,161.27 is represented by: Vouchers numbers 138 to 227 inclusive and petty cash expenditures, fully receipted, to the amount of \$273.88.

The bank balance was verified and found to be correct. All items were carefully checked and found to be as represented above.

(signed) D.B. Collier

Auditor

Respectfully submitted,

(signed) Stephen H Fifield

Sunny Land Council, B.S.A. Treasurer

SUNNY LAND COUNCIL -- BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES DECEMBER 31, 1927

ASSETS			
SCOUT SUPPLIES	Quantity	Price	Total Value
Boy Scout Handbooks	10	.50	5.00
Scoutmaster handbooks	3	1.00	3.00
Merit badge pamphlets	129	.20	12.00
Merit badges	60	.15	19.35
Tenderfoot hat badge	19	.05	.95
2nd Class hat badge	7	.10	.70
1st Class hat badge	3	.15	.45
Star Scout Badge	1	.50	.50
Life Scout badge	3	.50	1.50
Asst Scoutmaster hat badge	1	.20	.20
Scoutmaster hat badge	1	.20	.20
Senior P.L. hat badge	2	.30	.60
D. Commissioner min. badge	2	.50	1.00
D. Commissioner hat badge	2	.50	1.00
1st Class sleeve badge	32	.20	6.40
1st class bugler badge	1	.30	.30
Scout scribe badge	4	.10	.40
Asst Patrol Leader stripes	8	.08	.64
Patrol medallions	2 sets	.50	1.00
Senior patrol leader stripes	2	.08	.16
Asst Scoutmaster sleeve badge	1	.40	.40
Scoutmaster sleeve badge	2	.40	.80
Depty Commissioner slv badge	2	.60	1.20
Five year veteren badge	2	.15	.30
Ribbon bar pins	23	.12	2.76
B.S.A. Monograms	4	.15	.60
100 % Duty pins	12	.25	3.00
1 year service star	12	.07	.84
5 year service star	7	.07	.49
Extra shirt and coat buttons	3 sets	.30	.90
Hik - Stik	1	1.25	1.25
Guard rope	1	.50	.50
Signal flag kit	1	.75	.75
Stop watch	1	11.00	11.00

Total value scout supplies for sale \$ 79.84

OFFICE EQUIPMENT			
Flat top desk	1		55.00
Secretary desk	1		76.00
Large work table	1		18.00
Desk chair (swivel)	1		18.00
Stenographer chair	1		14.00
Straight back chaire	6	7.00	42.00
Costumer	1		7.00
Rotary Neostyle	1		65.00
Letter file (4 drawer)	1		38.00
Sectional card file (2 drawer) 2 sections	8.50		17.00
Book case (4 section, 1 top, 1 base)			42.00
Underwood typewriter No. 3	1 with cover		65.50
Secretary brief case	1		13.50
Council flag and equipment complete			16.75

Total office equipment ----- \$ 487.75

Total Scout supplies ----- 79.84

Cash on and in Banks ----- 162.58

Total Assets ----- \$ 730.17

LIABILITIES ----- NONE

(signed) D.B. Collier
Auditor

(signed) Truman A Horton

(signed) Mr. S.H. Fifield

Scout Executive

Treasurer

Sunny Land Council, Boy Scouts of America