

Regearing Pahuk Pride - Little Sioux Scout Ranch 2008

My name is Tobin Brown. I was in the Green Hawk patrol at the Pahuk Pride Leadership course at Little Sioux Scout Ranch. I am e-mailing you about a fund that I have established to help the Pahuk Pride participants and staff offset some of the expense of replacing the gear that was lost due to the tornado on June 11, 2008. This fund has been established because I have had many people ask if something like this was being done. I was very fortunate; I recovered almost all of my \$1500 worth of gear. <http://www.ketv.com/news/16622760/detail.html> Another scout from my troop, only has the clothes he was wearing. Nothing has been recovered. This is the case for many of the 120 Pahuk participants.

As of today, the scouts that were at LSSR have received two very generous donations. Cabela's gave each scout: a tent, sleeping bag, sleeping pad, multi tool and a clip light. The Boy Scouts of America National Office gave each scout a new uniform shirt with all the patches. I would like to thank both organizations for these helpful donations.

Pahuk was a week-long leadership camp; therefore scouts and staff packed clothing and supplies for a week. Using the boy scout motto, "Be Prepared," most brought extra clothing. Since it was a leadership camp, we were required to be in uniform at all times - a uniform shirt or scout related tee-shirt, scout socks, and green uniform shorts. In addition, we brought other clothing for sleeping and traveling to and from the shower house.

The scouts at Pahuk are campers. Most attend summer camp and have already replaced as much gear as they could afford. With your help, I would like to provide financial assistance to those who lost their gear.

We all have seen the news stories and heard of the amazing acts of bravery. I am proud of how the Pahuk scouts jumped into action in such a tragic situation. On the visor of my Pahuk Pride cap I wrote, "We are a family - LSSR June 11, 2008." I will never forget that day at LSSR or the four scouts that were lost: Aaron, Ben, Josh, and Sam. I will never forget how the four of them helped me play "Taps" flawlessly the next day at the Scout vigil. I am asking for your help in "Regearing Pahuk" Pride 2008.

How do I contribute?

Deposits are being taken at any Mutual of Omaha Bank location for "Regearing Pahuk."

Or

Mail a check payable to "Regearing Pahuk"

Regearing Pahuk

PO BOX 34742

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Questions?

Email: regearingpahuk2008@cox.net

Thanks for your consideration, please forward this information to anyone that might be interested in helping. This is a grass roots effort, only you can spread the word.

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Frequently asked questions:**How will scouts be notified?**

Each Pahuk participant will be contacted. They will be given the opportunity to complete an application form listing the items that were lost.

How will the fund be administered?

We are putting together a group of 5-7 community members (comprised of scouts, scouters and non-scouters) to review and distribute the money.

How will funds be paid out?

The group will review all applications and verify the total value of items lost seems reasonable. Each scout that files an application will be paid out an equal percent. Example: If the claims total \$60,000 and we raise \$20,000, each scout will receive 33% of the claimed value lost.

What happens if more money is raised than is needed to pay out?

In this case, we will establish a scholarship fund to assist scouts in attending Pahuk Pride Leadership Training. The cost of the course this year was \$200.