

May 4, 2012

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Dear Jon;

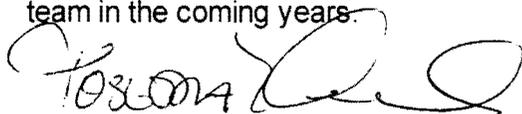
On behalf of Boy Scout Troop 109 I am writing to thank you and your team for your generous support of our Boy Scout troop.

Troop 109 has been fortunate to work with you and your team during your Winter Range competition for many years now. This past year we had over 55 boys and 20 adults work 11 shifts to gather empty casings, sort and tag them, sell them back to your attendees, and clean all ranges each evening. The boys love it, the parents are glad to help, and it seems your members really appreciate being able to not only buy back their empty casings at a very reduced price but also to help the Boy Scouts. It is our only fundraiser for the year and pretty much funds our troop.

The money we receive from both the casing sales and your generous donations go almost exclusively to the boys. Each boy who works a shift gets credit he can apply to one of two summer camps - Geronimo in June or our annual High Adventure camp in July. Many boys earn half their fees during their work at Winter Range. Some of the money then goes to camperships, or troop support of boys whose family cannot otherwise send them to camp. The rest, a fairly small percentage, is applied back to the troop to be used for patches and neckers and some of the miscellaneous items of running a Boy Scout Troop.

As much as the money is important to the troop, it also extremely gratifying to see the interaction the boys have with your members. As you know, groups like the Boy Scouts are under fire these days from people who think the mission is too hard on boys, non inclusive or one group or another, or basically just an idea whose time has passed. Your membership clearly sees things differently, and really supports the boys when they see them. I am so proud to watch and hear conversations between your members and our boys about what they are doing, how hard they are working, and how proud your members are of the boys and their participation in scouts. Our boys always come back excited about the encouragement they have received; of course, the large-caliber pistols are pretty exciting too!

So, thanks again for your generous support, and we look forward to working with you and your team in the coming years.



Joe Cusack  
Troop 109 Committee Chairman