

2008 Gold Star Unit FOS Recognition

Every Pack, Troop, Team, or Crew that achieves their Friends of Scouting (FOS) goal will qualify as a Gold Star unit until February 28, 2009. (*The goal must be met in cash, check, or credit card.*) All contributions must come from parents, grandparents or registered leadership within the unit. In accordance with Boy Scouts of America policies, units cannot solicit businesses. Unit presentation must be completed prior to March 15th.

Why Gold Star units? FOS is an essential part of the finances needed for the Buffalo Trail Council to support your unit. The Gold Star unit recognition gives special benefits to those units who understand and communicate this need, and are willing to participate in their *fair share* contribution amount.

How is the FOS Gold Star *fair share* goal determined?

Take the "official" June 1, 2007 registered youth membership of the unit, divide _ of your membership and multiply by the \$75 family "sustaining member" level.

Example: A troop/pack has 20 registered youth members on June 1st:

$20 \times _ = 10$; $10 \times \$75 = \750 ; \$750 is your goal

As a recognition/thank you for your unit's participation, the Buffalo Trail Council will provide the following to any unit who successfully meets or exceeds their FOS "fair share" goal.

- Free advancements (cloth patch for Bobcat – Arrow of Light ranks or cloth patch for Scout – Life ranks)
- Free Gold and Silver Arrow Points and Webelos Activity pins
- Free Merit Badges
- Free Venturing Bronze, Silver & Gold Awards and Ranger Award

Our FOS Chairman is:

(Return this form with your charter by mail or fax to 432-570-7611 prior to December 15th)

District: _____ Unit Type/Number: _____

Name: _____ Phone (H/W): _____

Address: _____ E-mail: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Presentation Date (prior to March 15th): _____

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