



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®
DAN BEARD COUNCIL

Event: **Annual Scout Shabbat**
Date & Time: Friday, February 28, 2020 at 6:30pm
Location: Temple Sholom, 10828 Kenwood Road, Blue Ash, OH 45242
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**DAN BEARD COUNCIL'S JEWISH COMMITTEE ON SCOUTING BRINGS
TOGETHER JEWISH SCOUTS BY HOSTING THE ANNUAL SCOUT SHABBAT**

BLUE ASH, OH (FEBRUARY 2020) – The Dan Beard Council, Boy Scouts of America's Jewish Committee on Scouting (JCOS) engages Jewish families in Scouting in the Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky area. They would like to extend an invitation to its annual Scout Shabbat on Friday, February 28, 2020 at 6:30pm held at the Temple Sholom in Blue Ash, Ohio, which provides an opportunity for Jewish Scouts to connect.

"It's important that Jewish Scouts have a chance to connect with other scouts who share similar beliefs," said Cliff Bailey, District Director and Staff Advisor to the JCOS. According to Bailey, "Scouting and what we practice as Jews go hand-in-hand. What we do as Scouts to help our community, to live righteously, and be true to ourselves are the cues taken straight out of the Torah. Whenever I go into any meeting, before I speak, I always ask myself: is it courteous? Is it kind? Is it friendly? In that way, the Scout Law reinforces what we are taught by our parents and in the shul. They go hand-in-hand."

Now in its fourth year, the JCOS Scout Shabbat service visits a different synagogue every February. In past years, the service has been held at Temple Beth Israel (2019), Wise Temple (2018) and Beth Adam (2017). In addition to the annual Scout Shabbat, the JCOS also coordinates Shabbat services during Peterloo, a massive camping event hosted every two years by the Dan Beard Council, Boy Scouts of America. Also, this past December, the Committee hosted a Hanukah celebration at the Dan Beard Council's Scout Achievement Center in Cincinnati, Ohio. In addition, there have been discussions about starting a Venturing Crew chartered by the Jewish Community Center.

"This service acknowledges the Boy Scouts of America's Scout Oath and Law, in particular, the twelfth part of the Scout Law, 'A Scout is Reverent'" said Alan Brown, Chairman of JCOS. "The committee also hosts other events throughout the year. I'd encourage Jewish Scouts who want to learn more about our programming to contact us."

There is no need to register for this event. To volunteer, please contact Allan Pinhas at pinhasa@ucmail.uc.edu. To learn more about the Dan Beard Council's Jewish Committee on Scouting's programming, please contact Alan Brown, Chairman of JCOS, at abrown@photonics-inc.com.

ABOUT THE DAN BEARD COUNCIL

The Dan Beard Council covers five Ohio counties (Butler, Warren, Hamilton, Clermont and Brown) and seven Kentucky counties (Boone, Kenton, Campbell, Gallatin, Owen, Grant and Pendleton). Serving more than 20,000 families and led by over 6,000 volunteers, the Dan Beard Council provides a program of character development, citizenship training and personal fitness to youth from ages 5 through 21.