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DENVER AREA COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA, WELCOMES FUTURE SCOUTS TO ATTEND SCOUTS BSA LAUNCH EVENT 2/23/19

Lakewood, Colo—The Denver Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, will hold a FREE Scouts BSA Launch Party on Saturday, February 23, 2019, to welcome females into its older youth program, Scouts BSA. Future Scouts are welcome to attend, and they may sign up to join Scouts BSA at the event. Activities available will include: archery, shooting sports, rock climbing, and the opportunity for girls to earn their first merit badge. Currently, 75 girls are registered to attend.

What: Scouts BSA Launch Event

Who: Denver Area Council, Boy Scouts of America

When: Saturday, February 24, 2019, 12 – 4 p.m.

Where: 10455 W. 6th Ave., Suite 150, Denver, CO 80215 (West side of the building)

Scouts BSA, the older youth program (ages 11 – 17) previously known as Boy Scouts, became Scouts BSA on February 1, 2019, at which time girls began join. The Denver Area Council now has 140 girls registered in Scouts BSA, including 21 Troops. Scouts BSA is not co-ed and all Troops will continue to be all-boy or all-girl environments. With this change, girls will be able to earn the highly esteemed rank of Eagle Scout. The program will continue to offer fun and challenging activities that promote character development and physical fitness while encouraging youth to be leaders in their homes, schools, and communities.

In August of 2018, the Denver Area Council began welcoming girls into its Cub Scouts program (ages 5 – 10). A total of 756 girls joined the Denver Area Council's Cub Scout program in 2018. Cub Scout dens continue to be all-boy or all-girl environments as well.

Visit BeAScout.Scouting.org to find a Troop to join in your area!

About the Denver Area Council

The Denver Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America serves the youth of the Denver metro area with programs and activities to build character and leadership. We are supported by more than 7,000 volunteers to provide educational programs to approximately 32,000 youth members. The Denver Area Council serves youth and families within seven geographic areas in the 10 metro counties of Denver: Adams,

Arapahoe, Broomfield, Clear Creek, Denver, Douglas, Elbert, Gilpin, Jefferson, and Park. For more information about the Denver Area Council, please visit DenverBoyScouts.org.

About Boy Scouts of America

The Boy Scouts of America provides the nation’s foremost youth program of character development and values-based leadership training, which helps young people be “Prepared. For Life®. The Scouting organization is comprised of nearly 2.3 million youth members between the ages of 5 and 21, and approximately 960,000 volunteers in local councils throughout the United States and its territories. For more information about the Boy Scouts of America, please visit Scouting.org.

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