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## 2011 Military Donation E-Mails



Subject: Thank you so much!

Hi,

My name is Hannah Pierringer and I'm in the United States Air Force. I'm 19 and have been in the military for a little over a year. I just wanted to write to this e-mail and tell you how much I truly appreciated the packages! They were awesome and so thoughtful. Being so far away from home this made my holiday season much better! I can't really explain to you what even just little care packages do to brighten people's day. I am very grateful for all the Boy Scouts and their efforts to send these to troops. It really does mean a lot and hope everyone back home had a wonderful holiday season!

A1C Hannah J. Pierringer  
Medical Technician, Family Practice  
USAF, ROK

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Dear Scouts:

Thank you for the generous gift of popcorn and for your support of all service members. Your gift certainly added to the morale of this unit.

On behalf of the men and women assigned to Coast Guard Sector Lake Michigan, I thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Sincerely,

M. W. SIBLEY  
Captain, U. S. Coast Guard  
Sector Lake Michigan

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Subject: Care package

Dear Boy Scouts,

I was delighted to get a care package from you this week, it was extra special when I saw it was from the Boy Scouts. I was a scout way back when and have fond memories of belonging to a special organization such as the scouts, working on projects with my dad like the pinewood derby car and some of the excursions we took with our scoutmaster.

I have served in the Air Force for 28 years and have had the good fortune of having scouts come out to our base for tours, when I welcome them and give them our unit mission brief I always reflect with them how my membership in scouting was my foundation for a very successful military career.

The values that scouting instilled in me also has lit the path for success my personal life, like the strong family bonds with my wife and kids, actively involved in making my community a better place to live, and acting as a role model as a leader in our local 4H club.

I am proud to be an American, and even prouder yet to be afforded the opportunity to serve in our nation's military, defending what this great nation stands for.

So, when I am overseas and a fellow American sends well wishes it is received with great appreciation.

I leave you with this from my memory:

"I John Capra promise to do my best, to do my duty, to god and my country, to help other people, and obey the law of the pack"

Thank you for supporting me and my brothers (and sisters)-in-arms.

God Bless America,

Captain John Capra  
Public Affairs Officer



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Subject: Thank you

Scouts,

On behalf the deep sea community out here in the desert, I would like to extend my gratitude for keeping us in your thoughts and sending the delicious popcorn to us. We are enjoying it during our long working hours.

Thank you.

United States Navy  
Deep Sea Divers

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Subject: Thank You

I want to say Thank You for all the popcorn we received. We appreciate all your support while we are on mission. We are a unit whom was stationed in IRAQ and withdrew back to Kuwait. We remained on mission just in a different location. Your support, allows us to focus on our mission and still have some of the comforts of home on mission with us.

1SG Combs  
HHC 29th CAB  
First Sergeant  
Camp Buehring  
APO AE 09330  
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Subject: Popcorn Care Package

Hello,

I just wanted to thank you guys for the package of popcorn I received here in Kosovo. The cheese popcorn was a big hit with the German Soldiers that I was working with at the time. I think that bag lasted about 5 minutes!

I am a Wisconsin National Guard Soldier deployed to Kosovo as part of Kosovo Force (KFOR) 15. It is a NATO peacekeeping mission in the Balkans region of southeast Europe. We are here to enforce United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 and to ensure a safe and secure environment for the people here in the wake of the Balkan Wars of the late 1990's. There are about 700 National Guardsmen and women from 11 states, as well as hundreds of soldiers from other NATO countries and soldiers from a few non-NATO allies with interests in stability for the region.

I was in the Boy Scouts for at least 10 years, working my way up from the Cub Scouts all the way up to Life Scout, then as an Explorer Scout with my local Police Department. While in the Boy Scouts I was also in the Order of the Arrow. The skills I learned and the experiences I had in the Scouts prepared me to be a better Soldier, better father, and better citizen as a whole. The experience Scouts have is unique and highly beneficial in the long-run, and I encourage you guys to continue your service. My only regret is that I didn't go all the way to Eagle Scout.

Thanks again for the popcorn, it was well received. Sometimes, something seemingly as insignificant as a bag of fresh-popped popcorn is enough to brighten a Soldier's day and make them feel at home, if only for the few minutes it lasts.

Very Respectfully,

Phil Koth  
1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant, Field Artillery  
157<sup>th</sup> Maneuver Enhancement Brigade  
Wisconsin Army National Guard  
KFOR 15



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Subject: Thank you from Afghanistan

Scouts,

I wanted to send a big THANK YOU for the popcorn you sent!! I received a care package via "Support The Troops" and it was an wonderful surprise. Most of us do not receive packages very often so this box was great and it came at the right time because we were starving!!!! The box contained all kinds of great stuff including the popcorn which people grabbed up right away. Who would have thought such a small thing such as popcorn would turn everyone's mood around but it did. It was all cooked up the same day we received it and now we're all on a search for more!!!

I wanted to give a special shout-out to the Great Sauk Trail Council from Ann Arbor Michigan. I'm from right around the corner in Northville Michigan and seeing them listed made me proud to know they were thinking of the troops far away!!!

Thank you all for your support and have a Great Scouting Day!

SSG London Quicci  
TF Med-East / A4  
APO, AE. 09354