Scouting programs have formed a solid example for boys and girls growing up in this country for well over a century. There are other programs teaching solid values and good citizenship programs; Honor Societies, Key Club, Rainbow Girls, and many others. We support the endeavors of these organizations and assist them by sending volunteers to their events, hosting programs for them at our location, and providing a safe and healthy environment for work projects, earning badges, hiking and camping.

 Our Youth Director worked with Scout leaders at their location and ours to help children earn their merit badges.



We hosted 2 Girl Scout

badge events at Montpelier and

one Boy Scout and one Girl Scout badge event in Stafford at Heartwood Days. We offered on site badge earning programs for Brownies and Junior Girl Scouts.

• Jake Reiff earned his Eagle Badge building a new horse barn with the help of family and friends.

 Girl Scout troops ran free programs for underprivileged children in the spring and fall working towards their community

service hours.

- A number of both Boy Scout, Girl Scout, Key Club, Rainbow Girls and other organizations had full day programs at our sanctuary.
- One Boy Scout troop spends a long weekend in November camping out and working on a number of badges, including; safe fire making, compass navigation, safety



in the wood, and some years the Polar Badge for sleeping outside in sub freezing weather.

• Every age group of private and public schools, day cares, boy and girl scouts, church and synagogue groups, and various children's clubs and organizations thrive at our facilities and with our

educational and training opportunities.

My wife and I are part of Big Brothers Big Sisters and have taken our Little Brothers to Rikki's. While a bit stand-offish with some animals, it has been a way to help overcome their fear of animals. Rikki's is a wonderful refuge that gives animals an extended, safe life. It's a great place (that, of course, needs more funding)!!

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