



Rotary International District 6440



**Northeast Illinois Council Boy Scouts of America
Kasperson Center for Scouting**

Proposal for District 6440 Sponsorship of Front Desk Endowment.

Named in recognition of the vision of the late Richard Kasperson and his wife, Northbrook Rotarian Lucinda Kasperson, the Kasperson Center for Scouting will serve as the cornerstone for Scouting in Northeast Illinois. The Center is situated on a 2-acre wooded lot at 850 Forest Edge Drive in Vernon Hills. The 12,500 square foot facility will house a Scout Shop, expansive conference and meeting space, offices and updated infrastructure three times the size of the current facility in Highland Park. Renovation has begun and June occupancy is planned. With five times the working space, the approximate 15,000 youth and adult volunteers in Northeast Illinois Scouting will benefit from more effective program offerings for Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Venturers and Explorers as well as more hands-on training for our adult Scouters to improve delivery of the Scouting program.

We are pleased to announce the opportunity for District 6440 to be represented as the endowed sponsor of the front desk entry area, which will include a self-help workstation area. As an endowment, our sponsorship will exist in perpetuity along with other gracious contributors that are supporting a maintenance fund for the long term upkeep of this vital facility. Many of our local Clubs work with and even sponsor Scouting programs, and this sponsorship aligns well with our district wide efforts in community engagement.

Our fundraising objective is nominal at \$2500.00, and we are asking each of our local Rotary Clubs to contribute a minimum \$50.00 for the program. Any funds raised in excess of our initial sponsorship will be contributed to the Kasperson Center and support other areas as selected by their development team.

Our District 6440 investment in Scouting will be commemorated on a plaque in the main entryway, and visible to all who enter and exit the facility, as well as spend time at the self-help center. Program questions may be directed to Kevin Stevens at 262-705-8363 or kevsteve@gmail.com.

Please consider this opportunity for your club and forward contribution with the form below.

Kasperson Center for Scouting Sponsorship

Name of Rotary Club: _____

Amount contributed (\$50.00 minimum requested): _____

Make check payable and mail to:

**The Rotary Club of North Chicago
P.O. Box 315
North Chicago, Illinois 60064**