



WORLDINFO

News for Key Leaders in **Scouting**

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1. ANNUAL REPORT 2009 – Census and Contact & Address List forms

As per Chapter III, Article V, paragraph 3 (h) of the WOSM Constitution, membership of a NSO in the World Organization of the Scout Movement requires, amongst other obligations/duties, the "submission of an annual report to the World Scout Bureau". You will therefore find in this months Scoutpak the Census form as at 31 December 2009 and Address List 2010 forms. These are to be returned no later than 31 March 2010.

For more information please read circular N°4/2010 available online at:

http://scout.org/en/circulars2010/circular_n_4_March_2010_1

2. 11th World Scout Youth Forum, Blumenau, Sanata Catarina, Bresil

The 11th World Scout Youth Forum will take place in Blumenau, from Monday 3 January to – Thursday 6 January 2011, just prior to the 39th World Scout Conference. União dos Escoteiros do Brasil (UEB), the National Scout Organization of Brazil, will host the World Scout Youth Forum. A Host Committee has been set up and its members are working with enthusiasm to ensure all the facilities are in place for this event. The theme for the World Scout Youth Forum is: "Paddle your own canoe" The topics that will be included in the agenda are in the two key

areas 'Empowering young adults' and 'Scouting as a world-wide Movement'. The outline programme for the Forum will be presented to the World Scout Committee in March and a more detailed programme will be provided in a further Circular.

For more information please read circular N°5/2010 available online at:

http://scout.org/en/circulars2010/circular_n_5_March_2010

3. New Regional Director for the World Scout Bureau, Interamerican Regional Office

Following an open process carried out in collaboration and agreement with the Interamerica Regional Scout Committee, Luc Panissod, Secretary General of World Scouting appointed Mr Raul Sanchez Vaca, from Mexico as the new Regional Director of the World Scout Bureau, Interamerican Regional Office.

Mr. Raul Sanchez is 41 years old, married and father of one. He is of Spanish mother tongue and has a strong command of English. He also has an accomplished educational background, holding a Chemical Engineering degree from the Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico and a masters in Business Administration from the Instituto Panamericano de Alta Direccion de Empresas. He also holds many certificates for voluntary service such as the Social Service Award "Gustavo Baz Prada".

Thanks to his Scout and non-scouting assignments, Raul is familiar with all the facets of management, including strategic planning, budgeting, monitoring and assessment. Throughout his career Raul has developed a strong ability to lead teams focusing on achieving objectives. He is recognized for his competence in communicating with young people, and for his coaching and mentoring ability.

Mr Raul Sanchez will take office on April 1, 2010.

For more information please read circular N°6/2010 available online at:

http://scout.org/en/circulars2010/circular_n_6_March_2010

4. World Scout Foundation, Annual Report 2009

Please also find included in this months Scoutpak the World Scout Foundation, Annual Report 2009

5. Earth Hour - One simple act. One huge message.

On March 27th at 8.30pm millions of people, 1000s of cities, globally famous monuments...and many Scouts... will all switch off their lights for just 1 hour in a symbolic show of support for our one and only planet.

All Scouts have an opportunity to be part of this global initiative by turning off their lights and taking part in activities which demonstrate their concern for global warming. You can be involved as an individual, with your family and friends, as a Scout Group or as part of your local community.

Ideas on how to recruit people to 'turn off their lights' and educational activities to help people understand why this is important are available in the World Scout Environment kit <http://www.scout.org/environment> and on the WWF web-site <http://www.panda.org>

Do spread the word, take part and let us know what you do.

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