



NJSA

NATIONAL JEWISH SCOUT ASSOCIATION

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“

Building Jewish community through Scouting, service, and lifelong fellowship.

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MEET ROBBY COHEN

A lifetime of service to Scouting and the Jewish community.



SCOUT SHABBAT SPOTLIGHT

Debra Martinez makes Scout Shabbat shine.



SCOUTING STRONG

Building character, community, and confident leaders.



NJSA • BUILDING JEWISH COMMUNITY THROUGH SCOUTING



WELCOME FROM THE PRESIDENT



Bruce Chudacoff
President, NJSA

Our mission is two-fold:

1. We are a supporting organization of the National Jewish Committee on Scouting, providing financial support for its programs.
2. We are a home for Scouts, Scouters, alumni and supporters to interact and get to know each other.

You can help develop and enhance Scouting for Jewish Youth throughout the country and internationally by joining us and participating in our activities. We will send you an NJSA kippah and an NJSA pin when you join so you can let others know you support Jewish Scout activities.

Meet Bruce Chudacoff.



MEMBERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

If you are not yet a member, join us now.

Membership fees are:

- ★ \$15 a year for Scouts
- ★ \$50 a year for Scouters, alumni and supporters
- ★ \$500 for a lifetime membership

You can pay directly at the National Jewish Committee on Scouting website: JewishScouting.org. Make sure that you add in the notes that your contribution is for the NJSA.



The National Jewish Scout Association is a not-for-profit corporation recognized by the IRS as a Section 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization. All contributions to the NJSA are tax-deductible and will be used for the support of Scouting for Jewish Youth.





DEBRA MARTINEZ MAKES SCOUT SHABBAT SHINE



“ *Scouting builds community and helps us develop leaders and a life-long commitment for serving others.* ”

That sums up Debra Martinez. Debra is the mother of three Eagle Scouts. She helped them along with their Scouting journey, going to Pinewood Derbies, camping with the Scouts and serving as a troop committee chair for over five years, while she maintained a career as an elementary school teacher and an interventionist in reading and math for young students.



SCOUTING LEADERSHIP SPOTLIGHT



Robby Cohen has dedicated 5 decades to Scouting service, mentoring youth and adult leaders throughout the Baltimore Area Council. His commitment to advancement, commissioner service, and Troop 97 has impacted generations of Scouts and Scouters.

Robby continues to inspire both youth and adult leaders in the Baltimore Area Council and on the council advancement committee and in commissioner service and in Troop 97 in advancement and merit badge counseling.

*Thank you, Robby, for your unwavering dedication
and for helping build a brighter future through Scouting!*





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GET INVOLVED!

Together, we can build a strong future for Jewish youth through Scouting.



VOLUNTEER

Share your skills and time to make a difference in the life of a Scout.



DONATE

Your financial support helps us fund programs, camps, and scholarships.



SPREAD THE WORD

Tell your friends and family about NJSA and help us grow our community.



STAY CONNECTED

Follow us on social media and visit our website to stay up to date on news and events.

VISIT US ONLINE



www.jewishscouting.org



Find resources, event information, leadership opportunities, and more. Together, we can continue *Building Jewish Community Through Scouting.*

