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FACT SHEET

NATIONAL EXPLORER CONFERENCE

University of South Carolina at Columbia
July 20-24, 1992

WHAT IS EXPLORING?

Exploring is the young adult division of the Boy Scouts of America for men and women ages 14 through 20. Explorer posts are organized to give youth an opportunity to learn more about their own special interests or career choices.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

The biennial conference is designed to provide idea-sharing program help and hands-on experience for all Explorers attending. Exploring's clusters such as aviation, business, health careers, outdoor, Sea Exploring, science and engineering, sports, fire and emergency service, law and government, and other groupings are planning workshops, tours, demonstrations, and competitions.

PARTICIPATION

More than fifteen hundred Explorers, adult leaders, and staff from across the United States are expected to attend this biennial event.

PURPOSES OF THE CONFERENCE

- To provide an opportunity to enrich the program of each post through the six experience areas.
- To provide exciting, challenging, and educational activities for Explorers and leaders.
- To assist councils in organizing and supporting special-interest Exploring.
- To promote a gathering by post specialty to allow for the sharing of ideas and program exchange.
- To raise the level of Advisor performance within existing posts.
- To strengthen relationships with major national organizations.

ADULT TRAINING

Adults will have an opportunity to participate in advanced leader training courses conducted by members of the national training committee. An adult resources center will be open each day in conjunction with an early-bird breakfast.

EXPLOREXPO

Explorer posts will have an opportunity to exhibit their outstanding post programs on Thursday afternoon and win one of three prizes.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information about the conference is available from the Exploring Division, Boy Scouts of America, 1325 West Walnut Hill Lane, P.O. Box 152079, Irving, TX 75015-2079.



National Explorer Conference
July 20-24, 1992
University of South Carolina at Columbia

YOUR POST IS INVITED!

The National Explorer Conference, open to all Explorers and leaders, will be held July 20-24, 1992, at the University of South Carolina Campus. The conference is designed to provide a week of top-level activities, career workshops by national associations, personal skill development, demonstrations, leadership training, tours, exciting ceremonies, entertainment night, ExplorExpo, Rec-Fest, a talent show, and fun.

The University of South Carolina is the site for both the 1992 National Explorer Conference and National Law Enforcement Explorer Conference. The conferences will be held the same week,

thereby allowing the university to pass along savings to the Boy Scouts of America. In addition, councils now may send one contingent to both conferences.

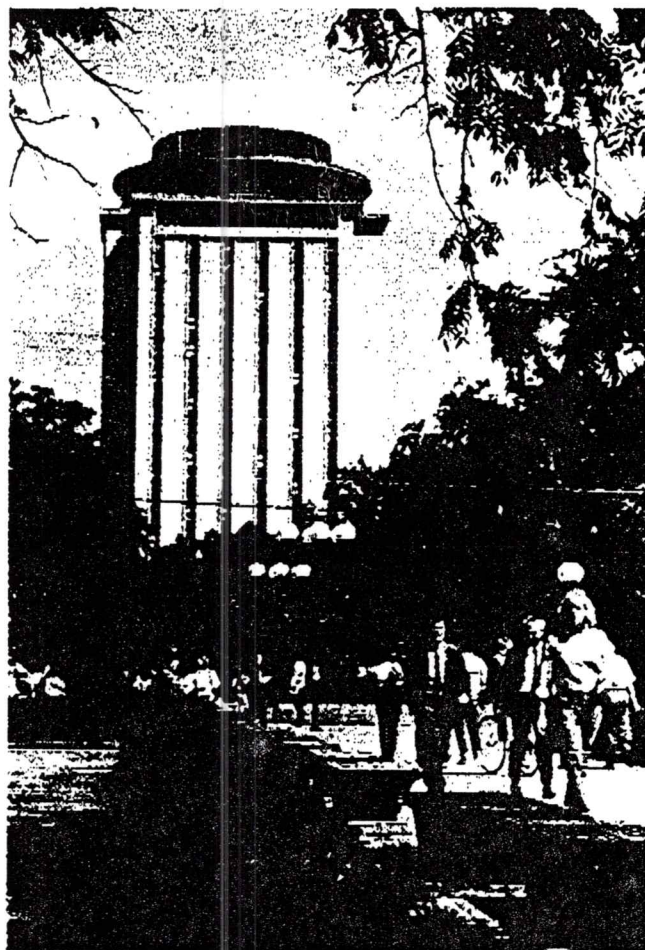
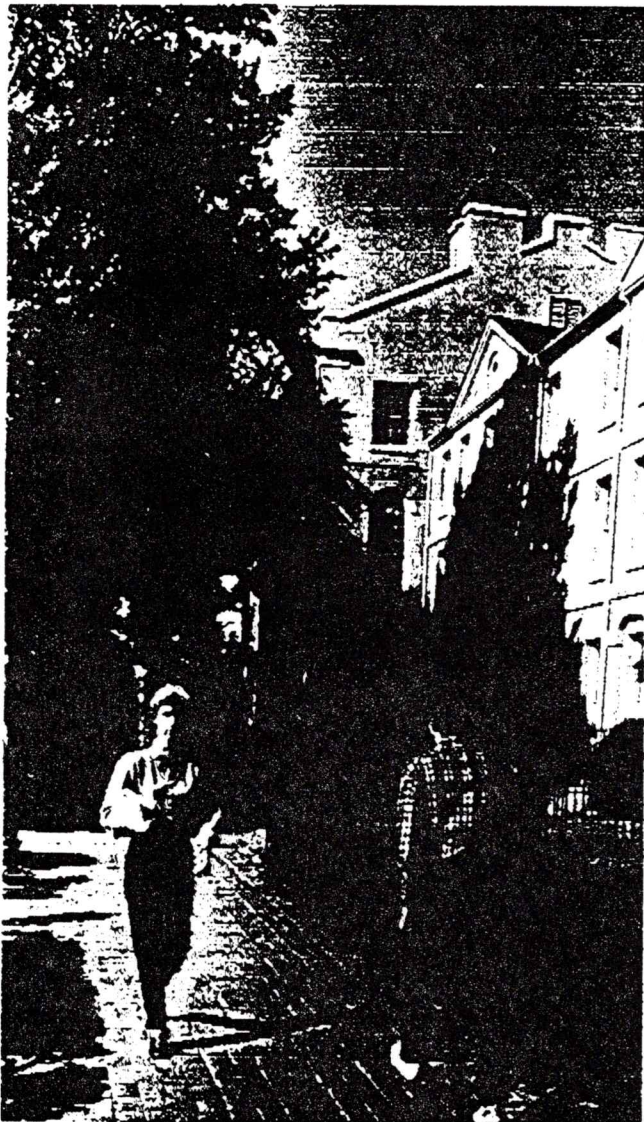
Each conference will be housed separately; therefore, adequate adult leadership—male and female—must be provided for each conference.

The University of South Carolina is leading a new era of educational opportunity and economic growth for South Carolinians. The USC system projects its excellence in teaching, research, and service through nine campuses, specialized

research, and teaching sites, and other outreach programs. Thus the university creates ever-broadening exposure to educational opportunity for virtually all South Carolinians.

Enrollment systemwide totals approximately 40,000 with the student body on the Columbia campus (the main campus) reaching nearly 26,000. Through a dynamic outreach, the USC system offers 76 programs of study leading to the bachelor's degree. The master's degree is awarded in 131 areas and the doctorate in 61 fields.

The Columbia campus lies at the heart of the state capital, Columbia, just steps away from the capitol building. Many cultural attractions are located within driving distance of Columbia. For families and visitors, there is something for everyone.



Purpose of the National Explorer Conference

- ★ To promote the purposes of Exploring by providing worthwhile activities leading to character development, citizenship training, and personal fitness.
- ★ To provide exciting, challenging, and educational activities for Explorers and leaders.
- ★ To strengthen relationships with major national organizations.
- ★ To enhance the image of Exploring as a major national youth movement.
- ★ To assist councils in organizing and supporting specialty posts.
- ★ To provide a forum by post specialty that encourages idea sharing, program exchange, and fun.



1992 National Explorer Conference Schedule

Monday, July 20

- 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Arrival, registration
Explorer Advisors' orientation
Sports and recreation activities
- 5 p.m. Opening picnic
- 7:30 p.m. Opening program
- 9 p.m. Recreation, film festival, dance
- 9:30 p.m. Advisors' final orientation

Tuesday, July 21

- 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Personal skills workshops
Career workshops by national
professional organizations
- Noon-1 p.m. Lunch
- 5-7 p.m. Dinner
- 7:30 p.m. Evening program
- 9 p.m. Film festival, recreation, dance

Wednesday, July 22

- 9 a.m.-noon Career workshops by national
professional organizations
Personal skills workshops

- Noon-1 p.m. Lunch
- 1:30-4:30 p.m. Outdoor adventure, sports, recreation activities
- 5-7 p.m. Dinner
- 7:30 p.m. Evening program
- 9 p.m. Dance, recreation, film festival

Thursday, July 23

- 9 a.m.-Noon Sports, recreation, outdoor
adventure activities
- Noon-1 p.m. Lunch
- 1:30-4:30 p.m. ExplorExpo and Rec-Fest
- 5-7 p.m. Dinner
- 7:30 p.m. Closing program
- 9 p.m. Recreation, dance, film festival

Friday, July 24

- 7-8 a.m. Breakfast
Departure

**National Explorer
Conference
July 20-24, 1992
University of South Carolina
at Columbia**

Registration for the conference is \$275 each for youth and adults. The fee includes meals, starting with dinner Monday, July 20, through breakfast Friday, July 24; dormitory housing, two per room Monday through Thursday; all program fees; insurance coverage; and conference fees.

For further information and registration materials, please contact your Boy Scouts of America local council service center, or write to:

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1993 NATIONAL SCOUT JAMBOREE VISITOR INFORMATION

NATIONAL EVENT

The 1993 National Scout Jamboree will be open to visitors from Wednesday, August 4, through Tuesday, August 10, 1993. The site for this gathering is Fort A.P. Hill, in Caroline County, near Fredericksburg, Va. Some 34,000 participants will live, work, and play together in an atmosphere that will bring about a clearer understanding and deeper commitment to the ideals of Scouting.

THEME

The theme "A Bridge to the Future," will focus on the great challenge and untold opportunities our country offers the youth of today.

PURPOSE

A national jamboree offers the opportunity for participants to exchange ideas with Scouts and Scouters from all parts of the United States, U.S. Territories and many foreign countries. The purpose is to provide a vivid demonstration of Scouting's ability to instill values in young people, and in other ways prepare them to make ethical choices over their lifetime in achieving their full potential.

HISTORIC AREA

Within a radius of 100 miles of the jamboree site is a part of our country that overflows with historic and educational values. This area includes Washington, D.C.; the revolutionary war battlefield at Yorktown; Jamestown, Va.; civil war battlefields and parks at Manassas, Fredericksburg, Richmond, Petersburg, and Appomattox, Va.; Williamsburg, Va., the largest colonial restoration in the United States; Charlottesville, Va., the location of Monticello, home of President Thomas Jefferson; Ash Lawn, home of President James Monroe; Oak Grove, Va., the birthplace of President George Washington, and Mount Vernon, Va., home of George Washington.

VISITATION DAYS AND FACILITIES

The jamboree is open to visitors every day beginning August 4 through August 10. Visiting hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. The evening schedule on the days of the arena shows will be announced at a later date for each arena show.

TRAVEL PLANS & TOUR PERMITS

All Scout units or group visiting the jamboree must have proper insurance and must apply for a national tour permit from their local council before April 30, 1993.

National tour permits are required for all official local council chartered units or groups of registered members of the program of the Boy Scouts of

America. An approved tour permit will be required for all registered chartered units and/or other groups of youth and adults traveling to the national jamboree. An approved tour permit must be shown to Military Police or jamboree security staff at each entrance or gateway to Fort A.P. Hill.

The tour permit will be stamped at that time indicating the date of the visit. Visiting units will then proceed to main parking lot or other area as directed.

VISITING UNITS & GROUPS

The jamboree committee is anxious that all visitors have an enjoyable experience. Visiting units must limit their stay to one day at the jamboree site. The purpose of a visit should be to enable Cubs, Scouts, Explorers, Scouters, and other visitors to catch the spirit of our national and international brotherhood.

Visiting youth and adults who are registered members of the Boy Scouts of America programs including Tiger Cubs, Cub Scouts, Webelos, Boy Scouts, Varsity Scouts, Explorers or Career Awareness Explorers visiting the jamboree may not participate in any program features or activities or in any way inhibit the paid participants or jamboree staff from participating in or carrying out the program or activities of the jamboree.

Visiting chartered units and other groups of youth members visiting the jamboree must have adult leadership accompanying the youth at all times during their visit to the jamboree. At no time should individual youth members or two members or small groups be permitted to roam freely about the jamboree grounds without adult supervision.

JAMBOREE PROGRAM

Visitors may observe program features at the 1993 National Scout Jamboree to be planned for both a subcamp and a campwide level. They reflect the activities of Scouting, physical fitness, conservation, teamwork, adventure, and fun.

ACCOMMODATIONS AND TOURING

Information on accommodations, facilities, and travel in the vicinity of the jamboree site may be obtained from the following:
Caroline County, Virginia. For a brochure, write or call Caroline County Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 384, Bowling Green, Va. 22427; telephone 804-633-6903.

Washington, D.C. Contact Ms. Marie Levin Tibor, Director of Tourism, Convention and Visitors Association, 1212 New York Ave., NW, 6th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005; 202-789-7048.

Fredericksburg, Va. Contact Ms. Lura Gordon, Tour Coordinator, Department of Tourism, 706 Caroline Street, Fredericksburg, VA 22401; telephone 703-373-1776.

Charlottesville, Va. Charlottesville is approximately 75 miles west of the jamboree site. For more information, write or call the Charlottesville Visitors Center, P.O. Box 161, Charlottesville, VA 22902; telephone 804-293-6789.

Tours and Expeditions, No. 33734, is a good reference available from your local council service center.

LIVING
QUARTERS NEAR
THE JAMBOREE

A long standing policy has been established that there shall be no visiting chartered units or groups of Scouts or Explorer members organized for the purpose of visiting the national jamboree in living quarters or lodgings adjacent to the jamboree area. This means hotels, motels, military facilities, city or county parks or facilities, local council camps, public camping places within fifty (50) miles of the jamboree site will not be available for living purposes for chartered units and other organized youth groups from local councils. This does not apply to families. Local councils are asked to monitor all local tour permits and national tour permits to help insure compliance with the policy.

VISITOR'S
NOTE

Because the August weather in Virginia is very hot and humid, and because long walks are required between jamboree locations, visitors to the jamboree should be in very good physical condition. Also there are very few shaded areas, consequently, use of sun screen, headgear and a canteen type container for water are strongly recommended. Good walking shoes are necessary.

VISITOR'S MEDICAL
SUPPORT

Visitors to the jamboree can receive first aid at any number of medical centers. A special medical center near the jamboree reception area will be the primary source for visitor's medical care.

VISITORS &
GUESTS

Once you're in Fort A.P. Hill, follow the signs to the visitors' parking area. On entering the jamboree site, visitors and guests will be directed to the public reception location. Here they will receive visitors guidelines, directions, maps and other services.

VISITORS AT
TRADING POSTS

On entering the jamboree site a convenient public reception area will provide a Visitors Trading Post where souvenirs and refreshments may be purchased. In addition three large trading post tents are strategically located on the jamboree grounds. Each of these trading posts will feature a **visitors only** section as a service to visitors and eliminate visitors competition with participants for trading post services.

PATCH AND
SOUVENIR
TRADING

Adult leaders should have the good judgment to avoid trading souvenirs or patches with a child or youth member in Scouting. Youth members may trade with youth members. Therefore; all adults (18 years or older) including visitors and participants (staff included) will not be permitted to conduct any selling, trading, or buying of Scouting patches, memorabilia, souvenirs, or clothing involving youth members of the Boy Scouts of America before, during or after the jamboree. Adult leaders must trade only with other adults. This rule will apply to the jamboree grounds or within the boundaries of Fort A. P. Hill, before, during and after the jamboree.

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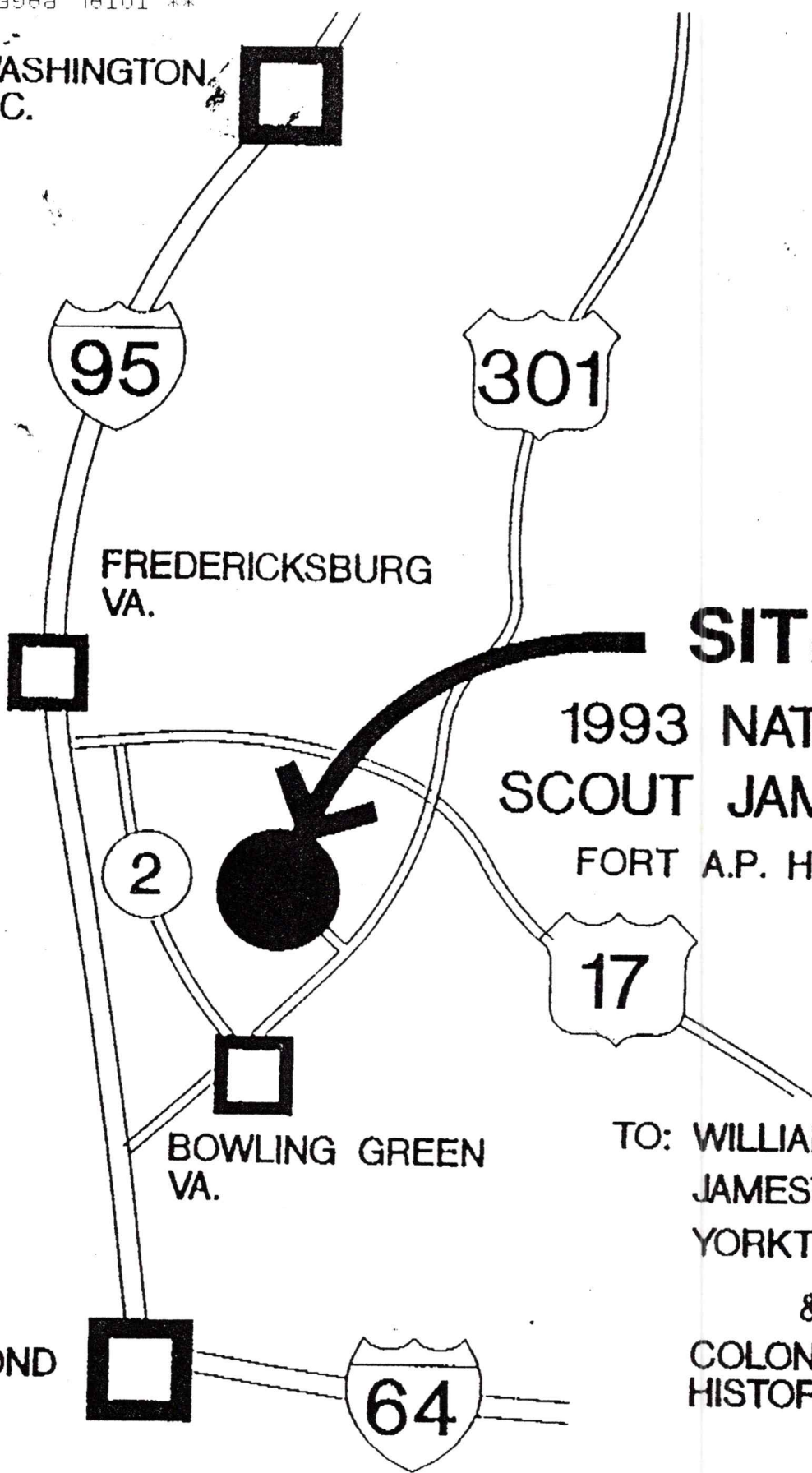
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Boy Scouts Under Fire

By CLIFF KINCAID

When militant homosexuals began complaining about the anti-gay policy of the Boy Scouts of America (BSA), most conservatives didn't think they'd be able to take their campaign very far. Surely, the homosexuals wouldn't be so bold as to mount a frontal assault on the largest youth organization in the country.

Moreover, considering parental fears about homosexuals as child molesters, it was assumed that the homosexuals wouldn't make an overt grab for Scoutmaster positions in which they could exercise authority over Cub Scouts as young as 8 years of age in remote locations on camping trips.

In just a few short months, however, the militant homosexuals have come a long way in their campaign.

True, they have not forced the BSA to change its 82-year-old policies in favor of God, country and family values, and the Scouts are retaining their ban on homosexual Scoutmasters and members.

But through the exploitation of anti-discrimination laws in states and localities, and by citing similar clauses in funding guidelines for major corporations and foundations, the militants are succeeding in draining resources from the BSA through costly court battles and putting pressure on traditional Scout funding sources.

They have even asked homosexual Rep. Barney Frank (D.-Mass.) to check into revoking the BSA's congressional charter on the ground that the BSA engages in "homophobia" and hasn't filed certain financial reports with Congress. Frank has responded that he doesn't have the time—for now. First, he has to repeal the Pentagon's anti-gay policy. The Scouts come next.

Accuracy in Media reports the major media are assisting the campaign against the Scouts by portraying it as a civil rights issue for those denied membership. AIM says CBS News reporter John Blackstone, in a report on the controversy, ignored the significance of a homosexual-organized, anti-Scout protest that featured a poster showing a man with his arm draped around the body of a young boy.

At another protest, AIM reports, homosexuals held up a sign that said, "We b--- Webelos," a reference to committing a sexual act on 10- or 11-years-old Cub scouts.

Many believe the Scout leadership, new to the battle over "political correctness," has been somewhat slow in responding to the mounting threat. Part of their hesitation could stem from doubts about whether the Scouts could obtain backing from some of their influential alumni in Congress, including Democratic Senators Bill Bradley (N.J.), Sam Nunn (Ga.) and Lloyd Bentsen (Tex.).

Like these men, third party presidential aspirant H. Ross Perot also attained the highest rank in Scouting and perhaps he will soon come out in support of the embattled organization.

But the Bush-Quayle Administration has also been silent about the threat to the Scouts, despite its promotion of "family values."

Nonetheless, despite the lack of support from high-profile politicians, BSA officials seem to be standing firm against the threat of economic blackmail. As BSA Western regional director Buford Hill said at a June 4 press conference in San Francisco, "We have gone on record as saying Scouting's values are not for sale, and we need to emphasize that they won't be sold for any price."

The cost could be substantial. So far, the organization has lost nearly \$1 million in financial support because of decisions made by the United Way of the Bay Area, and three San Francisco-based corporations: Levi Strauss, Bank America and Wells Fargo Bank.

The fund totals involved are United Way (\$849,000), Levi Strauss (\$80,000), Bank America (\$18,000) and Wells Fargo (\$27,500).

Local United Way chapters provide the bulk of funding for local Boy Scout councils, and some fear the San Francisco decision could be copied by other United Way affiliates.

The national United Way office, the United Way of America in the Washington, D.C., area, has refused to disavow the actions of its San Francisco affiliate. Indeed, its officials have met with several avowed enemies of the Scouts from militant gay rights groups. Moreover, the United Way of America has its own internal anti-discrimination policy based on "sexual orientation" and employs open homosexuals.

The anti-Scout campaign was spawned in San Francisco, where homosexuals exercise considerable political clout, and it is growing.

The First Interstate Bank of Los Angeles, for example, has issued a statement saying that while it has not directly funded the Scouts in the past, it could not do so in the future because the group's ban on homosexuals would not be in keeping with bank policy prohibiting discrimination based on "sexual orientation."

In addition, the Committee on Educational Ministry of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) voted to prohibit the BSA from using church facilities if the group continued its ban on homosexual Scoutmasters and members. The recommendation, however, subsequently was voted down by the Presbyterian Church's General Assembly by a 2-to-1 margin.

School districts in San Francisco and Berkeley have already voted to bar the Scouts from the schools during certain hours unless its anti-homosexual policy is changed.

The Capital Research Center, a group that monitors trends in corporate philanthropy, has identified the pressure on the Boy Scouts as coming primarily from ACT-UP, Queer Nation, Gay and Lesbian Advocates and Defenders (GLAD), National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, Human Rights Campaign Fund and the American Civil Liberties Union.

The ACLU filed suit on behalf of an adult homosexual, Tim Curran, who sought to become a Scoutmaster. A California judge ruled that the Scouts cannot be forced to admit Curran, but the ACLU has appealed.

Members of "Queer Scouts," a branch of Queer Nation, have protested Scout policies by embracing and kissing each other in public. They are said to have played the key role in forcing the United Way of San Francisco to cut off Scout funding.

The BSA, incorporated in 1910 and chartered by Congress in 1916, is a group whose members are famous for their good deeds, patriotism and community service. Scouts declare an oath that says, "On my honor, I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout law; to help other people at all times, to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight."

The reference to God is offensive to atheists and agnostics who don't want their children to be required to pledge allegiance to a Supreme Being. And the phrase "morally straight" is, of course, directly contrary to the homosexual lifestyle.

The Scout law says that a Scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent.

Every year, four million young boys and men take part in the organization, earning "merit badges" and undergoing training in order to be physically fit, self-reliant and good citizens.

Americans from all walks of life have been Scouts, including baseball star Hank Aaron, for-

mer Reagan press secretary James Brady, former President Gerald Ford, and actor James Stewart.

A very high percentage of astronauts and FBI officials were involved in Scouting.

As if the pressure from the homosexuals wasn't bad enough, the assault on the Boy Scout by atheists, agnostics and radical feminists is also costly.

On May 7, a California Superior Court judge ruled that the Scouts had to admit two children who refused to pledge devotion to God in the Scout oath. The BSA has appealed.

Another bizarre attack comes from Minnesota, where the staff of Atty. Gen. Hubert Humphrey III has taken up the case of a 13-year-old girl who for obvious reasons was refused admittance to the Boy Scouts. The girl's mother found an attorney who filed a complaint with the State Department of Human Rights, which ruled that anti-discrimination laws prohibit the Scouts from excluding girls.

The attorney for the girl said on CNN's "Larry King Live" that she personally believes that it would be "great" if there were no Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts and the organizations were combined into one.

This comment suggests the real purpose behind the attacks on the Scouts. If one combines the goals of the radical feminists, homosexuals and atheists, the critics seem to envision a Godless Scout organization in which boys and girls go on camping trips together, often under the supervision

of homosexual males and lesbians.

Needless to say, most Americans believe the Scouts have operated quite well as they are, and that this institution is worth preserving. Most don't care if the critics form their own organization of religious non-believers, feminists and homosexuals; they just want the Scouts, a private organization staffed mostly by volunteers, to be left alone.

Several conservative groups have rallied around the Scouts. Oliver North's Freedom Alliance is launching a petition campaign against United Way; the American Family Association has called for a boycott of Levi Straus products, and Concerned Women for America and the Family Research Council are mobilizing behind the BSA.

John Stewart, a Christian talk show host and activist in Anaheim, Calif., organized about 250 flag-waving demonstrators to appear outside branches of Bank America and Wells Fargo to protest the Scout funding cut-off. The protesters urged people to close their accounts at the banks.

For its own part, BSA director Hill says, "We're encouraging everyone who believes in the BSA's membership standards and values to actively share their concerns with Bank America, Levi Straus and Company and Wells Fargo Bank."

However, the worst days for the Scouts may lie ahead. The Scouts seem braced for more adverse court rulings and the issue could go all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court.