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News from Your Advancement Co-Chairs:

A new 12th edition of the **Boy Scout Handbook** (34622) was issued in the summer of 2009. That book contains new requirements for each rank listed below, which do not officially take effect until January 1, 2010. Scouts working toward ranks in 2009 may use the new requirements, or may continue to use the old requirements, at their option. If a Scout has started work toward a rank before January 1, 2010, using requirements that were current before January 1, 2010, he may complete that rank only using the old requirements. Any progress toward a rank that is begun after January 1, 2010, must use the requirements as they are presented in the **Boy Scout Handbook** (34622) or in **Boy Scout Requirements** book (33216).

Tenderfoot

- A Scout must teach another person how to tie a square knot using the EDGE model (explain, demonstrate, guide, and enable). He must also be able to discuss four specific examples of how he lived the points of the Scout Law in his daily life.

Second Class

- A Scout must discuss the principles of Leave No Trace and explain the factors to consider when choosing a patrol site and where to pitch a tent.
- He must explain what respect is due the flag of the United States.
- He must again discuss four examples of how he lived four different points of the Scout Law in his daily life.
- He must earn an amount of money agreed upon by the Scout and his parents and save at least 50 percent of it.

First Class

- An additional requirement to the 10 separate troop/patrol activities states he must demonstrate the principles of Leave No Trace on these outings.
- He must discuss four more examples of how he lived the remaining four points of the Scout Law in his daily life.

Life

- A Scout must use the EDGE model to teach a younger Scout a specified skill.

Star, Life, and Eagle

- Troop Webmaster and Leave No Trace trainer are two new leadership positions. 2010 Rank Requirement Changes

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