

CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET
REGISTRATION, SUBSCRIPTION, and STATISTICAL SERVICE
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Date June 14, 1985

Full name HARVEY A. COX
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address [REDACTED]

City Babson Park State Florida Zip Code 33827

Date of birth February 1943 (This is important and should be exact.)

Approximate age _____ (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

Religion Protestant (Community Church) Nationality American

Occupation Custodian

Education _____

Weight 220# Height 5'9" Race Caucasian

Color of hair brown & gray Color of eyes _____

Outstanding characteristics or interests glasses

Married or single married Children _____
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

Wife's name [REDACTED]

Scouting connections:

<u>Unit No.</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Date registered</u>	<u>Date resigned</u>
T-500	Babson Park	FL	SM	January 1981	May 1985

Special recognition _____

Suspended or denied registration for following reasons:

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF REGISTRATION, AND LIST ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (STATE ONLY KNOWN FACTS. NOT RUMOR, CONJECTURE, OR SPECULATION):

NOTED

MAY 29 '86

JOSEPH L. ANGLIM

F. STARON

JUN 18 1985

Signed [Signature]
SCOUT EXECUTIVE
Council 541F DISTRICT #82

June 2, 1986

Mr. Thomas R. Deimler
Scout Executive
Gulf Ridge Council, No. 86

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Harvey A. Cox

Dear Tom:

Thank you for the detailed information concerning the above Scouter. We have reviewed this case with our Attorney and have now placed this man on the Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service

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cc: Southeast Region

READY FOR FF
JUN 3 1986
SHIRLEY MEYER

CONF024658



May 5, 1986

Mr. Paul Ernst
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service
Boy Scouts of America
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
Irving, Texas 75062-1296

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Harvey A. Cox

Dear Paul:

This is in reference to your recent letter on Harvey A. Cox.

The enclosed letter will answer your question on the outcome of legal action that has taken place. Sentencing is also noted in the letter from Gary L. Allen, Assistant State Attorney, State of Florida.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Thomas R. Deimler
Scout Executive

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Enclosure

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Highlands County Courthouse
Sebring, FL 33870
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Reply To:

April 22, 1986

Mr. Kevin Immiter
[REDACTED]

Winter Haven, Florida 33880

RE: Harvey Cox
Lewd & Lascivious Act on Child
Assault on Child

Dear Sir:

This letter is to inform you of the sentence imposed in the above-styled case. The sentence is detailed below. If you have any questions concerning the sentence, please contact me at the Bartow address listed above.

Sentence: Adjudicated guilty; Count 1 - ten years probation
Adjudicated guilty; Count 2 - thirty months state prison

Sincerely

Gary L. Allen
Assistant State Attorney
Director, Intake Division

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CONF024660

March 21, 1986

Mr. Thomas R. Deimler
Scout Executive
Gulf Ridge Council, No. 86

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Harvey A. Cox

Dear Tom:

Last Fall we had communication with you office concerning the above named individual. At that time he was suspended from Scouting because of some sexual molestation of youth members.

We would like to know the outcome of any legal action which has taken place.

Please let us know any sentencing so that we may add this to our files and close this case.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service

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cc: Southeast Region

READY FOR FILE

MAR 21 1986

SHIRLEY MEYER

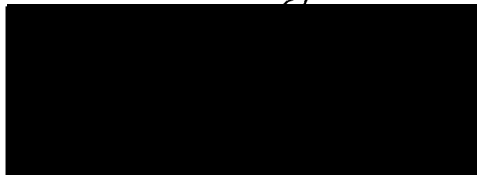
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Dear Boy Scouts of America:

I am enclosing the mailing label from my son's subscription to Boys' Life and request that you cancel this subscription immediately.

Since my son (and several other scouts) was sexually molested by his troop leader, Harvey Cox, I am sure you can understand that anything connected to the Boy Scouts is a constant reminder of this hideous incident.

Regretfully,



Handwritten notes:
- 2000 12/13/85
- See Cox's letter 1/13/86
- 12/85 to 1/86

November 1, 1985

[REDACTED]
Babson Park, FL 33827

Dear [REDACTED]:

We have cancelled the Boys' Life subscription for your son [REDACTED] as requested in your letter, which was received October 28, 1985.

A \$2.25 credit is being sent to the Gulf Ridge Council for the five issues (December 1985 through April 1986) of Boys' Life magazine which [REDACTED] will not receive.

Sincerely,

May Pteer, Associate Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service

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cc: Council 86

CONF024663

June 21, 1985

Mr. Richard B. Marion
Scout Executive
Gulf Ridge Council, No. 86

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Dick:

Thank you for the information which you sent us concerning Harvey A. Cox. This material will be most helpful to us as we refuse any further registration attempts.

Please keep us informed of the outcome of the legal action which is pending against Mr. Cox. The final outcome and any sentencing will be most helpful in strengthening our file.

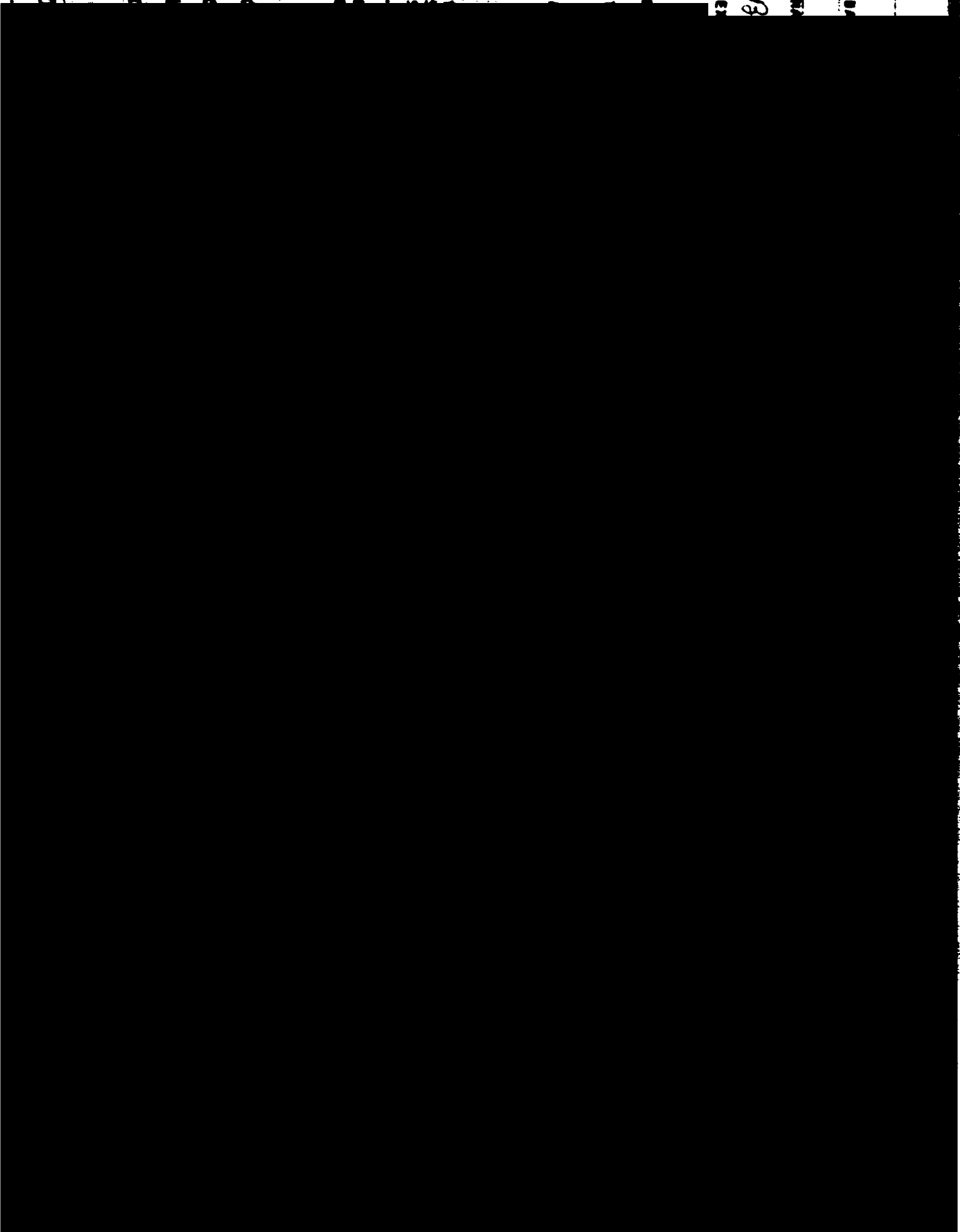
Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration, Subscription &
Statistical Service

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cc: Southeast Region

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By please see to it that this goes into the file on Harvey Cox

On May 20th I met with Rev. Keith Johnson pastor of the Community Church of Babson Park to discuss the status of their Boy Scout Troop 500. The President of the Board of Trustees, Ginger Lathrop, was also in attendance. I explained to them that the Boy Scouts of America would pull Mr. Cox's registration and take precautions to prevent him from being involved in scouting in the future. After discussing how to handle the troop and the youth involved we agreed on the best approach. The prevailing attitude was to deal with the removal of Mr. Cox as a simple loss of a scoutmaster. Since the church had already agreed to be the chartered partner there was no reason to involve the entire governing bodies of the church. The troop committee was appointed by the Scouting Coordinator and will take the responsibility for the troop. Tommy Richardson, the S.C. , was called and he agreed to pull the committee together. They will run the troop until an adequate scoutmaster is recruited.

Kevin Irmiter -
Lake Region District Executive

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: File

FROM: Richard B. Marion *RB Marion*

RE: HARVEY COX

DATE: May 15, 1985

I was contacted today, Wednesday, May 15, 1985, 10:00 a.m. by Detective Russell, Polk County Sheriff's Department, regarding Mr. Harvey Cox. Mr. Cox is currently registered as Scoutmaster of Troop 500, sponsored by Babson Park Community Church.

Detective Russell revealed to me that Mr. Cox has been arrested on child sexual abuse charges and asked me for assistance in providing names of adults registered in the Scouting unit, as well as other members. I gave Detective Russell the catalog information he requested. He informed me that Mr. Cox had turned in his resignation as Scoutmaster.

Detective Russell will be back in touch with me if there is any further information.

School Board addresses incidents involving custodians

By CAROL PARKER
Chronic, Mue.

BARTOW — A part-time custodian at Babson Park Elementary will remain suspended without pay pending the outcome of child molestation charges against him.

Harvey Cox-42, was charged with committing lewd, lascivious and indecent behavior upon a minor May 14 after the Scout leader allegedly drove a 14-year-old boy home from a troop meeting and engaged in a sexual act with him.

"The incident has nothing to do with the school," Marlene Waterfield, chief negotiator, emphasized.

Cox was suspended from his job May 15 after the school administration learned of the alleged incident.

The School Board unanimously approved the continuation of that suspension Tuesday night until the charges are resolved.

In another decision also involving a custo-

dian, the board voted 5-0 to keep Billy J. Sanks, a custodian at Auburndale Junior High, on suspension without pay pending the outcome of his drug-related charges.

The board also agreed to grant two other custodians hearings scheduled for Monday.

Evelyn Mathis, a custodian at Mulberry Elementary, was suspended without pay for reportedly coming to work under the influence of a mood-modifying substance.

A Winter Haven High custodian, Vernon Robinson, was suspended without pay for not reporting to work and "taking lunch hours twice as long as he was supposed to," according to Waterfield.

A third custodian who was terminated by the board during the May 14 meeting was granted a hearing by the School Board.

Charles Guthrie Jr., of Seth McKeel Junior High, did not request a hearing at the time of his termination.

"I guess he changed his mind and decided

he would like a hearing," said Waterfield.

His hearing is also scheduled for Monday. Guthrie was terminated for allegedly using profanity in front of students and making threatening remarks to the assistant principal, said Waterfield.

According to the collective bargaining agreement by the union representing custodians and warehousemen, certain actions such as using profanity can result in their termination, Waterfield explained.

In other action, the School Board:

- Approved the 1985-86 "Code of Conduct for Students" subject to a public hearing June 25 at 8 p.m.

- Approved reimbursing the architect \$446,200 per week to cover the cost of the clerk of the works at the construction site of Winter Haven High's new gym.

- According to Superintendent John Stewart, the project is "moving at the fastest speed I've seen any construction project move."

- Approved the building of a masonry and screen wall on the property line along the WHHS baseball field to retain baseballs and limit the light spill onto neighboring homes at a cost of \$11,000.

- Approved construction of a new electrical panel room and new main electrical service for Auburndale Senior High at an estimated cost of \$76,175, and awarded a separate contract to Leslie G. Pickett and Associates to perform the design work at a fee of 7 percent of the construction cost.

The facilities and operations division had requested 9 percent. However, board member Ted Aggells questioned that figure.

"I really don't see how there would be that much remodeling," he said. "I'd feel more comfortable if we go to 7 percent."

- Awarded a low bid of \$5,506 to Concrete Systems, Inc. of Lakeland, for lighting and ceiling at Suively Elementary.

