

DATE: Aug 7<sup>th</sup> 1989

FULL NAME Harry Russell Vernon  
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

S.S. NO. [REDACTED]

ADDRESS [REDACTED]

CITY Albany STATE Ind ZIP CODE 47320

DATE OF BIRTH Jan 1, 49 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE 40 (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION Presbyterian NATIONALITY (Citizen of) USA

OCCUPATION Edenfield Productions

EDUCATION \_\_\_\_\_

WEIGHT 140-160 HEIGHT 5' 8" RACE Cauc

COLOR OF HAIR \_\_\_\_\_ COLOR OF EYES \_\_\_\_\_

ANY DISTINGUISHING PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS \_\_\_\_\_

HOBBIES OR SPECIAL INTERESTS \_\_\_\_\_

MARRIED  SINGLE  NAME OF SPOUSE NA

CHILDREN \_\_\_\_\_ (Name, number, ages, if possible) NA

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS: \_\_\_\_\_

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	POSITION	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
<u>51622</u>	<u>Muncie</u>	<u>Ind</u>	<u>SM</u>	<u>4/30/89</u>	<u>7/30/89 - 2102503</u>

Chartered Organization St. Andrew United Presbyterian

SPECIAL RECOGNITION Eagle Scout

INCIDENT: TYPE 1 DATE OF INCIDENT \_\_\_\_\_ RESOLUTION 2-4-5  
Type Resolution

- 1=Scout Related
  - 2=Non-scout related
  - 3=homosexual (not specifically with youth)
1. Internal (only Scouts Know)
  2. Criminal action
  3. Court action
  4. Probationary status
  5. Reported to state agency

Check off list of attached documentation

**NOTED**

1. Description of incident
2. Victim(s) statement
3. media reports
4. Legal proceedings
5. Offender's statement
- 6 Official notification of termination
7. Found guilty/innocent by court

SEP 27 1989

CONFIDENTIAL

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F. STARON

Council 505 South St Muncie Signed Joseph L. Anglim  
Joseph L. Anglim  
Scout Executive

READY FOR FILE

SEP 23 1989

September 29, 1989

JULIE EATON

READY

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JULIE EATON

Mr. A. John Bosio  
Scout Executive  
Crossroads of America Council, No. 160

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: HARRY RUSSELL VERNON

Dear Gus:

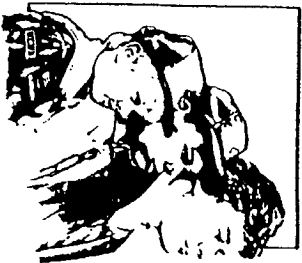
Thank you for the detailed information sent concerning the above Scout. This case has been reviewed with our attorney and is now on our permanent Confidential file.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

JF

cc: East Central Region



**SCOUTING**  
*Indiana's Leader-Builders*

September 6, 1989

Mr. Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Services  
Boy Scouts of America  
National Office  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
P. O. Box 152079  
Irving, Texas 75015-2079

Dear Paul,

Thank you for your letter concerning Mr. Harry Russell Vernon.  
Hopefully this will help with your questions.

Race: Caucasian  
Height: Approximately 5'8"  
Weight: 140 - 160 lbs  
Signature: None at this time

Copies of youth statements: enclosed

Father's investigation: Suspects that what [REDACTED] says  
is true - not wanting to continue  
the emotional strain. No charges  
filed at this time.

My best,

Michael D. Sulgrove  
Director of Support Services

MDS/sr

cc: A. John Bosio  
File

CROSSROADS OF AMERICA COUNCIL • BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

[REDACTED] • Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 • [REDACTED]

Anderson • Hagerstown • Indianapolis • Muncie

I am not used to writing about situation like this but this is what I saw Russ Vernon do to [REDACTED] during this week,

Russ Vernon would get like he was going punch [REDACTED] pick [REDACTED] up and grab [REDACTED] between the legs,

Russ would put his arm around [REDACTED] and would pinch [REDACTED] even though Russ was a total stranger,

Russ would put his hands on [REDACTED] <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hips and butt for no reason

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Russ has grabbed "

[REDACTED]

He will put me up with his head near  
my ~~ear~~ ~~ear~~ ear.

He will pinch my waist many times  
he will rub my back.

He will put me up with one hand a few  
will have another open ~~hand~~ hand which

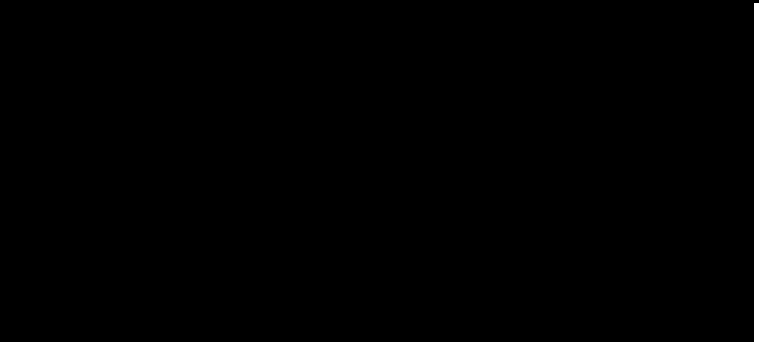
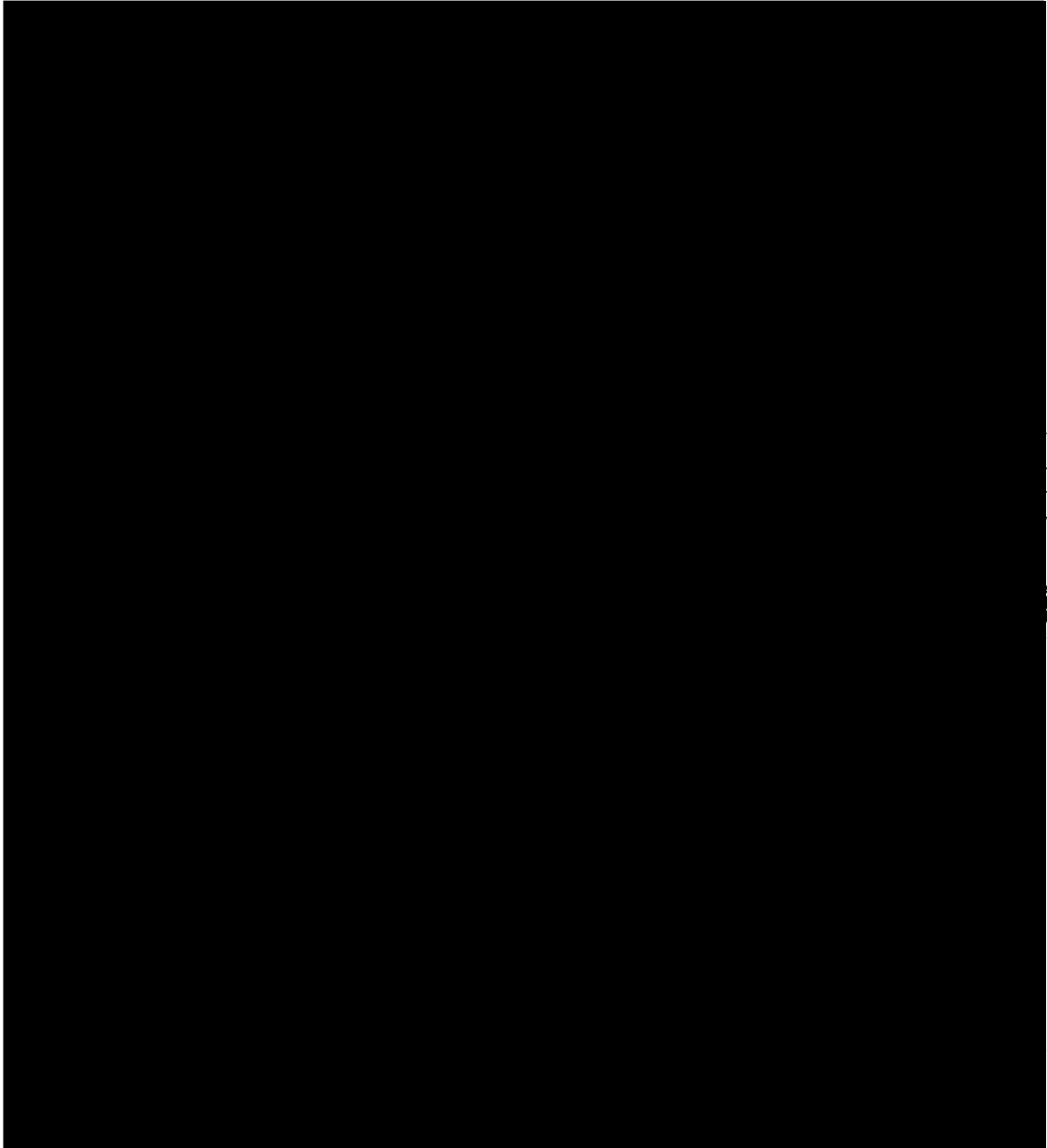
he will grab my neck.

He will pinch my neck.

He just really helps around me a lot.

[REDACTED]

CONFIDENTIAL



I'm not too thrilled about what happened this week, but I would really like to see something done about it. I was very touched, and somewhat hurt to see something like this happen in a scout community like Rausburg. I am writing this letter to see to it that something is done about it.

Four days ago, a deep and personal friend of mine was confronted with a situation that he couldn't handle by himself. I am a witness to all the things that happened to him.

On a nature hike for my Environmental Science class, a man performed some unusual gestures that I don't think are suitable performance for a scoutmaster. I am not too used to talking, or writing, about this topic. The topic is possible child-molestation.

My friend was confronted by the man many times a day, and every day this week. In my opinion, this man was taking advantage of a 67lb. 4'6" young scout. The man that confronted him continually reached for [REDACTED] (the young scout's) pelvic area. At first I thought that the man was extremely nice, but later to find out that it was something more serious. The man, Russ Vernon, did this to only [REDACTED] in his class. I did, although, see him do this same conduct to another scout outside of this class. The man fake "punched" [REDACTED] in the pelvic area with an open fist, not a clenched one.

I hope that you find this letter informative and useful. I thank you for taking the time to read this letter and I hope that something most certainly is done about this touchy topic.

Thank you,  
[REDACTED]

August 21, 1989

Mr. A. John Bosio  
Scout Executive  
Crossroads of America Council, No. 160

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: HARRY RUSSELL VERNON

Dear Gus:

I received the material which you recently sent us on Mr. Vernon. This is most helpful as we start a file, and will lead to refusal of registration in the future, if all charges are substantiated.

We note on the confidential record sheet that you did not indicate race, and this would be very helpful to us for later identification. His height and weight would also be of value. If you have a copy of a paper with Mr. Vernon's signature, we would also like this for our file, as this aids in the identification process.

We would like copies of the statements which you collected, so that we have these in our permanent file. Please send us copies of the statements which were gathered from the individuals involved. We would also like to have the outcome of [REDACTED] investigation with [REDACTED]. Are charges to be filed by [REDACTED].

If any legal action is to take place, we would like to have the final disposition.

Thanks for your help in completing this file.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

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cc: East Central Region

REMOVED FILE

AUG 21 1989

ERIN O'RILEY



JULY 24, 1989

Russell Vernon

Albany, IN 47320

Dear Mr. Vernon,

After careful review, we have decided that your registration with the Boy Scouts of America should be suspended. We are therefore compelled to request that you sever any relations that you may have with the Boy Scouts of America.

You should understand that BSA membership registration is a privilege and is not automatically granted to everyone who applies. We reserve the right to suspend registration whenever there is a concern that an individual may not meet the high standards of membership which the BSA seeks to provide for American youth.

If you wish to have this decision reviewed by a council review committee, please write to me within 60 days of the date of this letter, explaining your version of the facts supporting your claim that your registration as a BSA member should be reinstated. The procedures for a review of this decision are attached.

Sincerely,

Russell B. Johnson  
Council President

RBJ/slw

*Added to file  
Reviewed by KRM  
8/11/89*

Date: 07-Aug-89

Monroe County Sheriff Department

Time: 02:58 PM

General Incident Report Summary

Incident Number: 89-003713

Classification: 03699 SEX OFFENSES - OTHER

Reporting Officers: 018 BIZZARI L      Reported-On: 1600 07/14/89  
000

Occurred-Between: 0000 07/10/89      Occurred-On: 0000 07/14/89      Day: FRI

Address: 0      RANSBERG BOY SCOUT      Apt:      RANSBERG      Dist: B2

In-Progress: N      Attempt: Y      Det.-Called: Y      Str-Visible:      Daylight:

Premises: PUBLIC BUILDING      Weapon:      Tool:

Larceny:      Value-Prop-Damaged: \$ 0      Domestic-Aslt: N

ARSON:(Type-Structure: 00 Abandoned-Structure:      Mobile-Property: )

Closure: 00 OPEN CASE      Closure-Date: 07/18/89

Officer-Assigned: 000      Assigned-Date: 00/00/00

----- Name Records For Incident: 89-003713 -----

01. WILLETT, RON      W/M      Dob: 00/00/00      Age: 00

Inv: COMPLAINANT      Vor:      Injury:

Addr: 0000000      /      Zip: 000000

Apt:      Employer: CAMP DIRECTOR      Hours: 0000-0000      Res-Tx: (000)000-0000

02. [REDACTED]      W/M      Dob: 00/00/77      Age: 12

Inv: VICTIM      Vor:      Injury:

Addr: 0000000      INDIANAPOLIS/IN

Apt:      Zip: 46204

Employer:      Hours: 0000-0000      Res-Tx: (317)000-0000

Bus-Tx: (000)000-0000

APPROXIMATELY 4:00 P.M., JULY 14, 1989, MCGSD DISPATCH RECEIVED COMPLAINT OF POSSIBLE CHILD MOLESTING FROM RON WILLETT, CAMP DIRECTOR AT THE RANSVURG BOY SCOUT CAMP, LOCATED ON [REDACTED] ROAD [REDACTED] WHO REQUESTED TO SPEAK WITH A DETECTIVE.

AT 5:00 P.M. 7-14-89, BIZZARI INTERVIEWED RON WILLETT AT THE SCOUT CAMP IN THE PRESENCE OF DAVE TOUMEY OF THE MONROE COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE. MR. WILLETT ADVISED THAT THREE ADULT SCOUT LEADERS HAD SPOKEN TO HIM ON 7-14-89 CONCERNING THE ACTIONS OF ANOTHER LEADER RUSS VERNON, TOWARD A SCOUT, [REDACTED], AGE 12.

THEY HAD RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM [REDACTED] AND THREE OTHER SCOUTS. APPARENTLY THE SITUATION BEGAN ON MONDAY, JULY 10, 1989 WITH RUSS VERNON JUST PATTING [REDACTED] ON THE BACK AND OTHER FRIENDLY GESTURES, WHICH INDICATED MR. VERNON WAS PAYING SPECIAL ATTENTION TO [REDACTED].

TUESDAY, JULY 11, 1989, MR. VERNON BEGAN PATTING [REDACTED] ON THE BUTTOCKS AND WHEN [REDACTED] WOULD BEND OVER TO VIEW NATURE ITEMS ON THE GROUND, MR. VERNON WOULD GRAB HIM BY THE HIPS. WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 1989, MR. VERNON GRABBED [REDACTED], AND LIFTED HIM UP, WHILE REACHING BETWEEN HIS LEGS, BUT DID NOT TOUCH ANY PRIVATE AREAS. THURSDAY, JULY 13, 1989, MR. VERNON AGAIN LIFTED [REDACTED] FROM BEHIND AND REACHED AROUND TO GRAB [REDACTED] PENIS. MR. VERNON SAID "ARE YOU EMBARRASSED ABOUT THIS?" [REDACTED] RESPONDED "I DON'T KNOW" AND WALKED AWAY. REPORTING OFFICER ADVISED MR. WILLETT WE WOULD SPEAK WITH MR. VERNON RIGHT AWAY SINCE HE WAS WANTING TO LEAVE THE CAMP TO RETURN TO ALBANY, INDIANA.

AT 5:21 P.M., HARRY RUSSELL VERNON III, [REDACTED] ALBANY, INDIANA, DOB 01/01/49, SS # [REDACTED], WHO WORKS FOR JIM DAVIS OF [REDACTED], WAS ADVISED OF HIS RIGHTS, INDICATED UNDERSTANDING AND AGREED TO SPEAK WITH REPORTING OFFICER. MR. VERNON DENIED THE ALLEGATION OF TOUCHING SCOUT, [REDACTED], ON HIS PENIS. MR. VERNON CONTINUED DENIAL OR EVEN KNOWING WHAT SCOUT WE COULD BE TALKING ABOUT. REPORTING OFFICER ADVISED HIM AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE INTERVIEW TO CONTACT HIM SHOULD (HE) VERNON REMEMBER ANYTHING.

REPORTING OFFICER AGAIN SPOKE TO MR. WILLETT TO ADVISE HIM TO GET WRITTEN STATEMENTS FROM ALL THREE SCOUT LEADERS AND THE FOUR SCOUTS, INCLUDING [REDACTED]. FURTHER, THAT WE WOULD RETURN AFTER THE FINAL CAMPFIRE OF THE EVENING TO INTERVIEW ALL CONCERNED. HOWEVER, ENROUTE TO THE SCOUT CAMP, WE HAD APPREHENDED TWO POSSIBLE BURGLARS WHO WERE TAKEN TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR INTERVIEW AND WE HAD TO INTERVIEW THEM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SINCE ONCE OF THE SUBJECTS WAS A JUVENILE. MR. WILLETT INDICATED HE WOULD COMPLY WITH OUR REQUEST AND OBTAIN THE WRITTEN STATEMENTS.

AFTER COMPLETION OF THE BURGLARY INTERVIEWS, REPORTING OFFICER RETURNED TO THE SCOUT CAMP AND SPOKE TO TWO OF THE ADULT LEADERS INVOLVED. THEY EXPLAINED THAT [REDACTED] WAS A MEMBER OF THEIR TROOP

AND HAD RETURNED HOME TO INDIANAPOLIS FOR A BASEBALL GAME. THE LEAVING HAD BEEN ARRANGED PRIOR TO REPORTING THE INCIDENT AND THEREFORE NOT RELATED TO THE INCIDENT. HOWEVER, THE TWO LEADERS KNOWING [REDACTED] FATHER, HAD CALLED HIM AND EXPLAINED THE SITUATION TO HIM. [REDACTED] PRESIDENT OF THE [REDACTED] STORES, REQUESTED THAT NO FURTHER ACTION BE TAKEN AT THIS TIME UNTIL HE TALKED WITH HIS SON. RON WILLETT ARRIVED AND INFORMED REPORTING OFFICER THAT HE HAD ALL THE WRITTEN STATEMENTS AS REQUESTED.

COMPLYING WITH THE FATHER'S REQUEST, WHO IS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE BOY SCOUTS EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, REPORTING OFFICER REQUESTED MR. WILLETT TO KEEP THE ORIGINAL COPIES OF THE STATEMENTS IN THE EVENT THE FATHER WOULD WANT TO CONTINUE THE INVESTIGATION. REPORTING OFFICER ADVISED ALL PERSONS HOW TO CONTACT HIM AT MCSD AND TO ADVISE THE FATHER THAT WE WOULD CONTINUE THE INVESTIGATION ONLY AT HIS REQUEST.

REPORTING OFFICER RETURNED TO BLOOMINGTON AND WENT 10-42.

RUN DATE: 06/07/88  
 RUN TIME: 23:18:42

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TROOP 5-1622

R O S T E R

MUNCIE

IN

DISTRICT NAME & NUMBER  
 GOLDEN EAGLE 19

COUNTY  
 DELAWARE

LOCAL UNIT NO.  
 TROOP 22

STATUS  
 R

TERM (MONTHS)  
 12

RENEWAL DATE  
 4/30/89

CHARTERED ORGANIZATION NAME & ADDRESS

CODE  
 007

EXECUTIVE OFFICER NAME, PHONE, ADDRESS  
 WILLIAM SEXTON

100% BOYS LIFE YES  
 TOP LEADER TRAINED YES  
 QUALITY UNIT YES  
 454 MONTHS COMPLETED TENURE

IN

IN 47304

MEETING PLACE AND

DAY  
 MON

HANDICAPPED  
 CODE:

BOYS LIFE TERM BEGIN END  
 12 07/88 06/89

ADULT MEMBER LISTING

LDR NO	POS	BL	ST	NAME	ADDRESS	CITY & STATE	ZIP	DATE OF BIRTH	SEX	PHONE
103511	MC P			GLORIA ADAMS	[REDACTED]	SFEMA	IN 47383		F	[REDACTED]
028073	SA R			R E BRAKE	[REDACTED]	MUNCIE	IN 47304	8/39	M	[REDACTED]
084081	MC R			NANCY BRAKE	[REDACTED]	MUNCIE	IN 47304	4/42		[REDACTED]
028082	MC R			CAROL S CAMERON	[REDACTED]	MUNCIE	IN 47304	6/44	F	[REDACTED]
103527	SC M			DOUGLAS CAMERON	[REDACTED]	MUNCIE	IN 47304	12/41	M	[REDACTED]
085725	CC R			DOUGLAS CAMERON	[REDACTED]	MUNCIE	IN 47304	12/41	M	[REDACTED]
103509	SA M			RON CHANDLER	[REDACTED]	MUNCIE	IN 47303		M	[REDACTED]
103510	MC M			MARY CHANDLER	[REDACTED]	MUNCIE	IN 47303		F	[REDACTED]
103522	SA N			JOHN ELIADES	[REDACTED]	MUNCIE	IN 47304	11/46		[REDACTED]
028108	MC R			MRIDULA R JARIAL	[REDACTED]	MUNCIE	IN 47302	11/42	F	[REDACTED]
082051	MC R			RAVINDER JARIAL	[REDACTED]	MUNCIE	IN 47302		M	[REDACTED]
028114	MC M			STEPHEN W NEASE	[REDACTED]	MUNCIE	IN 47303	4/45	M	[REDACTED]
082052	SA R			DAVID SNYDER	[REDACTED]	MUNCIE	IN 47304		M	[REDACTED]
103508	Y SM R			RUSSELL VERNON	[REDACTED]	ALBANY	IN 47320	1/49	M	[REDACTED]
084082	SA R			DALE L WAIT	[REDACTED]	MUNCIE	IN 47303	7/49	M	[REDACTED]





BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

CUUNBIL

No. 165 Date 8-10-77

Chase

REFER TO YOUR TRANSMITTAL REPORT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

CREDIT NOTICE  DEBIT NOTICE

REGISTRATION SERVICE

REGISTRATION Unit No. S 1622 Term \_\_\_\_\_ months

Unit  additional enrollment

Unit charter fee of \$20. Received \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Required \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Leaders } multiple @ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each. Received \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Required \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
                  } transfer

Members } multiple @ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each. Received \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Required \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
                  } transfer

Members \_\_\_\_\_ Leaders listed on transmittal form \_\_\_\_\_ on application

Transfers must pay \$1 each. Renewal date given \_\_\_\_\_ We have \_\_\_\_\_

Not on transmittal report  Duplicate entry  No application received copy only

Correction made per your letter/telephone call \_\_\_\_\_

No answer to our defective registration; telephone inquiry \_\_\_\_\_ copy

Returning \_\_\_\_\_  Under age  Incomplete address  Name missing

**BOYS' LIFE** Term 3 months

Paid for \_\_\_\_\_ subscriptions: listed \_\_\_\_\_ subscriptions. Received \$ 1.65 Required \$ 1.65

Incorrect fees: \_\_\_\_\_ subscriptions.  Back issues are not available.

Please check attached copy. Pay credit or return with copy of the roster showing corrections needed.

*Printed in the presence of the Scoutmaster's wife  
Met Minutes*

Please add or subtract: (the amount(s) indicated on your next transmittal in the proper column(s) and return the original.

Unit Charter Fee	\$ _____	Explorer	\$ _____
Tiger Cub	\$ _____	Career Awareness Explorer	\$ _____
Cub Scout	\$ _____	Leader	\$ _____
Boy Scout	\$ _____	Boys' Life	\$ _____
Varsity Scout	\$ _____	Total	\$ _____

Unit Charter Fee	\$ _____	Explorer	\$ _____
Tiger Cub	\$ _____	Career Awareness Explorer	\$ _____
Cub Scout	\$ _____	Leader	\$ _____
Boy Scout	\$ _____	Boys' Life	\$ <u>4.95</u>
Varsity Scout	\$ _____	Total	\$ <u>4.45</u>

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