## WORLD SCOUTING MONTHLY MINUTE- February

The purpose of the World Scouting Monthly Minute is to introduce and update Units, Scouters & Scouts to the new area of International Scouting being promoted in the Daniel Webster Council. The DWC has a special International Committee, chaired by Craig Donais (603) 624-7100 / <u>Craig.Donais@NHScouter.com</u>, to better educate, inform and to also conduct a variety of world scouting programs throughout New Hampshire. For any questions/comments or interest, please contact DWC International Representative R. Brian Snow for more information at *PMLSNOW @hotmail.com*, (603) 882-4000.

This month's highlights include: The International Spirit Award

As is commonly seen, all Scouts and Scouters wear the *World Crest emblem*, which is the purple circle containing a *Fleur-de-lis* which symbolizing membership in the world Scouting movement. This patch begins the introduction of Scouts & Scouters to the International Scouting program. The World Scouting Jamboree is being held this summer at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in July 2019, so the time is appropriate to work to achieve the International Spirit Award. This special award broadens knowledge about International Scouting and increases appreciation and awareness of the many different cultures and countries that has embraced Scouting around our planet. The **International Spirit Award** emblem is worn on the right pocket of the Scout or Scouter to recognize participation in unit, council, and world scouting international activities. It is NOT worn in place of or alongside the World Crest emblem.

The **International Spirit Award** can be earned at all levels of Scouting including adult leaders, but the award requirements vary with each group. At each level, a Scout or Scouter must complete several core requirements, as well as several specific provisions from the 10 experience requirements. The core requirements generally focus on knowledge and the experience requirements generally focus on an activity. While Cub Scouts must learn 10 words in a foreign language and play two games from another culture, Boy Scouts and Varsity Scouts must earn the Citizenship in the World merit badge and the World Conservation Award. Adult leaders must learn about the *World Organization of the Scout Movement* and read the most recent *International Department* newsletter. At each level, an applicant must organize a World Friendship Fund collection at a unit meeting or district roundtable and also participate in a *Jamboree-on-the-Air* or *Jamboree-on-the-Internet* which occur annually in October. A unit leader approves the application for Scouts. For adult leaders, DWC's International Representative R. Brian Snow signs off for earning the award. Completed applications should then be mailed, with a \$4 payment, to the <u>International Department, S340, Boy Scouts of America, P.O. Box 152079, Irving, TX 75015.</u>

## Upcoming International Scouting events in 2019 include:

~The very special and commemorative Normandy Camporee is to be held on April 12-14, 2019 in Normandy, France;

~24th International Jamboree! This event is to be held at the Summit Bechtel Reserve, Mt. Hope, West Virginia, from Monday, 22 July 2019 through Friday, 2 August 2019. Contact: WSJ Chairman Tom Duffy tjmduffy@aol.com or R. Brian Snow (603)-882-4000 PMLSNOW@aol.com.