

# Virginia Elks Association News

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## Martinsville 1752 Uses ENF Grant to Give \$2000 to Boy Scouts



Martinsville 1752 used a \$2,000.00 Elks National Foundation grant to benefit the Boy Scouts of America, Blue Ridge Mountains Council, Patrick Henry District. The grant will provide program materials, supplies, uniforms, books, and camperships for children at risk in the Martinsville/Henry County area. Scouting's Comprehensive Youth Development Programs and its Multicultural Initiative (Scout Reach) is designed to contribute to the healthy development of today's youth by leveling the playing field and providing them with the environment, resources and relationships needed to develop into independent thinkers inside and outside the classroom, ultimately becoming contributing members of our community. Currently, the Blue Ridge Mountains Council serves 1000 scouts in ages ranging from 6 to 18 years of age. Currently 45% of these scouts are registered in the Scout Reach programs for "at risk" or underprivileged youth. Martinsville 1752 is very pleased that our grant proposal for this most worthwhile case was approved by the Elks National Foundation. The check was presented on June 18, 2013, by ER Neal McCubbins (gentleman in blue dress shirt) to Lew Hege (gentleman to right of Neal McCubbins) and District Executive, Johnny Walker, Scout Reach program coordinator (gentleman with dark goatee on left of Mr. McCubbins). Also pictured is Mike Scaffidi, Martinsville Elk member (gentleman in green striped shirt).

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