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A Spooktacular Success: $30,000 Raised for Scouting

Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative (WREC) is proud to announce the success of its annual Halloween-themed Scouting Breakfast Fundraiser, held at the Sand Hill Scout Reservation in Brooksville. Thanks to the generosity of WREC employees, Members, community leaders, and business partners, the event once again raised $30,000 to support local Scouting programs and scholarships throughout the region.

The festive morning brought together supporters for a fun and meaningful event dedicated to investing in the next generation of leaders. Funds raised will help provide youth with opportunities to participate in Scouting programs, leadership development activities, outdoor adventures, educational experiences, and scholarships for those who may otherwise be unable to participate.

A highlight of the breakfast was hearing directly from local Scouts who shared their personal experiences and the impact Scouting has had on their lives. Speakers included William, Eagle Scout with Troop 71, Owen, Healthcare Explorer with HCA Florida Oak Hill Hospital Post 1980, Wyatt, Adventuring Scout with Crew 67, and Lillan, Cub Scout with Pack 8681.

Their stories showcased the diversity of Scouting programs available to youth today, from adventure camps and outdoor leadership experiences to career-focused Explorer programs that introduce participants to future professions. Their remarks highlighted how Scouting helps young people build confidence, develop leadership skills, serve their communities, and explore new opportunities.

"Scouting provides young people with experiences that help shape their character, leadership abilities, and future success," said David Lambert, General Manager of WREC. "Hearing these Scouts share their personal journeys was truly inspiring. The $30,000 raised through this event will help ensure that more youth can participate in programs that build confidence, teach responsibility, encourage service, and create opportunities that last a lifetime. WREC is proud to support an organization that is making such a meaningful impact on our communities."

The event concluded with remarks from Scouting leadership, who expressed gratitude for WREC's continued partnership and commitment to helping make Scouting accessible for local youth.

Through events like the Scouting Breakfast, WREC continues its commitment to strengthening the communities it serves by investing in programs that develop future leaders and provide life-changing opportunities for young people across the region.

About Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative, Inc. (WREC):

Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative, Inc. is a not-for-profit electric cooperative established in 1947. WREC proudly serves more than 281,000 homes and businesses across Pasco, Hernando, Citrus, Polk, and Sumter counties. WREC is dedicated to providing safe, reliable, and affordable energy and services while actively supporting the communities it serves.

About Scouting America:

Scouting America is one of the nation's largest and most prominent values-based youth development organizations, providing programs for young people that build character, train them in the responsibilities of participating citizenship and develop personal fitness. Scouting believes that helping youth is a key to building a more conscientious, responsible and productive society. The Withlacoochee District of the Greater Tampa Bay Area Council proudly serves Citrus, Hernando and Sumter counties combined. We are dedicated to our scouts and families.

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Pictured below are the Scouts who spoke at the fundraiser







