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Peace Light from Bethlehem to Arrive at Columbia Scout Headquarters

Columbia, MO – On **Wednesday, December 14, 2011** at 3:15 pm, the Peace Light from Bethlehem will be brought to the Great Rivers Council Service Center, 1203 Fay Street, Columbia Missouri 65201. The light will be shared with Scouts and other organizations through December 25, 2011.

For over a thousand years, lamps have been continuously lit in the Grotto of the Nativity in Bethlehem Israel. Since 1989, Scouts from Austria have initiated the distribution of the Christmas "Peace Light." The light is distributed across Europe and North America.

All are welcome to come to the Great Rivers Council Service Center and receive the light. Candles or lanterns are good tools to take home the light but are not provided so please bring them with you.

For more information contact John Fabsits or Mike Dimond at (573) 449-5761 or visit <u>www.peacelight.org</u>.

The Great Rivers Council, Boy Scouts of America serves 33 counties in central and north east Missouri and serves over 10,000 young people through nearly 300 Cub Scout packs, Boy Scout troops, Venturing crews, and Explorer posts. If you would like more information Scouting in central Missouri please call (573) 449-2561 or visit www.bsa-grc.org.

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