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**2011 Chippewa Valley Council, Boy Scouts of America
6th Annual Leadership Luncheon**



Honoring keynote speaker Foster Friess with the Good Scout Award

May 3, 2011 * 12:00 noon * Turtleback Conference Center

Cost: \$150 per person



Born in Rice Lake, Wisconsin in 1940, he is a first-generation college graduate. His mother dropped out of school in the eighth grade to pick cotton in order to save the family farm in Texas. His father dealt cattle and horses.

At Rice Lake High School, Foster says, “I was valedictorian, class president, student council president, and captain of the basketball, track, golf and baseball teams—all the things that are possible when only 16 kids are in your class!” he says with a wry smile before admitting that there were, in fact, 160.

At the University of Wisconsin, Foster earned a degree in Business Administration, served as president of his fraternity, was named one of the “ten most outstanding senior men,” and won the heart of “Badger Beauty” and Chi Omega president Lynnette Estes, whom he married in 1962. Two sons, two daughters, and ten grandchildren followed.

Lacking enthusiasm about the prospects of being drafted as a Private First Class foot soldier, Foster enrolled in the Reserves Officer Training Corp at the University of Wisconsin. He trained as an Infantry Platoon Leader and served as an Intelligence Officer for the First Guided Missile Brigade in El Paso, TX.

In 1974, Foster and Lynn launched Friess Associates. The firm’s flagship, the Brandywine Fund, averaged 20 percent annual gains in the 1990’s, causing Forbes Magazine to name it one of the decade’s top mutual funds. Business Week heralded him as the “longest surviving successful growth stock picker” and CNBC’s Ron Insana dubbed him one of the “century’s great investors.”

Amidst this professional success, Foster says that his personal life struggled. Behind the scenes, he had “a marriage flirting with divorce and emotionally distant children.” Facing these challenges and bored with his success, he was receptive to Blaise Pascal’s notion: “Within each person is a God-shaped vacuum that only God can fill.”

In October of 1978, Foster says, “I did one of those ‘born again’ things and invited Jesus to become the “Chairman of the Board” of my life,” a decision to which he credits all subsequent successes, including those which saw the firm grow to a \$15 billion portfolio and his personal relationships restored.

The “Champ” himself awarded Foster the Muhammad Ali Humanitarian Award and in 1999, and in 2000, at the National Charity Awards Dinner in Washington, D.C., he was named the “Humanitarian of the Year,” following in the footsteps of Coretta Scott King, Bob Hope, President George H.W. Bush, and Lady Bird Johnson. In 2009 Foster received the “Benefactor of the Year” Paul Weyrich Award, and in 2010 the “Spirit of the Children Award” awarded annually to Childhelp supporters who have generously given their time and good fortune to children’s causes.

Lynn and Foster gain their philanthropic inspiration from Galatians 6:2: “When we carry one another’s burdens we fulfill the law of Christ,” and Matthew 25:35-40, “When you do it for the least of my brethren, you do it for Me.”

The Chippewa Valley Council serves 1,600 youth participants and 450 adult volunteers in the Blue Hills District (Barron, Rusk, Sawyer, and Washburn counties). All donations are tax-deductible, and are used to serve the youth of the area. The Blue Hills District has a goal to raise \$250,000 in 2011.

For information on attending please contact Jason DeRousseau at RE/MAX Advantage, (715) 736-7000 or Davey Warner (715) 475-1054. Space is limited and the seats are expected to go fast, so reserve your seat early!

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