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### Woulda, Coulda, Shoulda

This experience is a “one who did.” This experience was back in 2013. I was at Messiah College for some swim training thing I did back then. After we were done for the day and went back to the locker room, one of my friends asked me if I wanted to go to some Scout banquet thing at one of the nearby parks. I was sort of aware of what Scouts were at the time, only because I had watched Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days. In the movie, there was a portion in which they featured Scouts. I main thing I liked was how cool the uniforms looked. Anyway, back to the story. I was able to convince my parents to let me go to the banquet. My dad said we would go there to check out what Scouts was, and he didn’t guarantee me I would join, I think that’s what he said. So, him and I went there. By the end of the banquet, my dad was signing the registration papers for me to become a Cub Scout.

This is an experience I am glad I had, because if I didn’t go to that banquet, I would not have become a Scout. Boy Scouts has been an amazing experience for me. It has taught me many things, and I have had fun on the many campouts, trips, and many other things I have done in Scouts. My next goal now is to become an Eagle Scout. I am currently a Star Scout, about to become a Life Scout. Life rank is the last one before Eagle. I have a few Merit Badges left, which most of them I am doing virtual classes for right now. Then some leadership time, and the good ol’ Eagle Service Project. After that, I am all done. Scouts is an experience I will

cherish throughout my entire life, and it all ties back to convincing my parents to let me go to that banquet at the park.