



BE PREPARED! WHY HAVE A WILL?

Be Prepared ... it's more than Scouting's motto, it's the way most of us live our lives as Scouts and Scouters. So why is it that some Scouters don't have a will? In some cases it may be that they just haven't thought about it or maybe it's that they are too busy doing for others that they sometimes forget doing for themselves.

Well, whether you're married, single, widowed, or divorced, you need a will. In many cases, it has nothing to do with how large or small your estate may be. Without a will, your estate will not be distributed to those family members and organizations that you cared most about all your life. The State will decide who gets what assets, and will probably keep a good portion of it for itself. Without a will, the State can also decide who takes care of young children when you are gone.

Without a will, your family and friends may suffer, but so may your church, your schools, and Scouting. Your bequest gift can make a real difference to the financial future of local Scouting in Minsi Trails Council (and to those other organizations that may be important to you and your family). You spend a lifetime building an estate and caring for those things that are most important to you. So **Be Prepared** and call Minsi Trails Council today and ask for your free copy of the Personal Record & Wills Guide. The guide will help you get started. You may also want to ask for the Endowment & Planned Giving Guide to learn how to help make a difference for local Scouting in Minsi Trails.

For more information on the importance of a will and what it can mean to you, contact Don Sachs, Director of Development at 610.465.8572 or donald.sachs@scouting.org. Thanks and **Be Prepared!**

