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Finalizing Your Popcorn Sale

The 2004 Trail's End Popcorn Sale ends on Sunday, November 7th for all districts except Pelathe. The Pelathe district sale will end on Wednesday, December 1st. Finalizing your unit's popcorn sale can be a bit overwhelming at times. Here are some points to remember while finalizing your 2004 Trail's End Popcorn Sale.

PAPERWORK: Attend the Paperwork Workshop – If you are uncomfortable with the paperwork process and wish to work with Lori Gooding in person on finalizing your popcorn order, or you simply wish to turn your paperwork in early, attend the following Paperwork Workshop.

- All Districts Except Pelathe
Friday, November 5th, 2004, Council Service Center: 10210 Holmes Road, Kansas City, MO 64131 — 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Please RSVP to Lori Gooding by Thursday, November 4th.
- Pelathe District Only
Monday, November 29th, 2004, Holcom Park Recreation Center, Multipurpose Room, 27th & Lawrence Ave. — 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Please RSVP to Lori Gooding by Friday, November 26th.

Required Paperwork : Unit Order & Settlement Form; Prize Order Form; Unit Master Record; Trail's End \$1,000 Seller Form (if applicable); and Trail's End Scholarship Form (if applicable). All forms can be downloaded from www.hoac-bsa.org by clicking on Finance, then popcorn.

Paperwork Turn-In: There are three ways you can turn in your paperwork.

- **Fax It** – keep in mind there will be numerous orders being faxed in, so it may take more than one attempt before your fax goes through. The fax number is (816) 942-8086. Place to the attention of Lori Gooding.
- **Walk It In** – there will be baskets to drop your paperwork in at both reception desks.
- **Email It** – You can email your paperwork to Lori Gooding at lgooding@bsamail.org

NOTE: If you are ordering your popcorn online and you are going to be returning Show N Sell/Show N Deliver popcorn, you must still fill out the Unit Order & Settlement Form.

- Order Your Popcorn by Container
- Attach Photo Copies of all the Scout's Popcorn Orders to the Trail's End Scholarship Form
- All Prize Orders Turned in by Monday, November 8th, have a guaranteed delivery by Christmas

How Does a Scout Choose His Prizes? A Scout can choose one prize from the level he qualifies for, or he may choose a combination of prizes from the lower levels as long as they do not exceed the dollar level he qualified for.

All Trail's End \$1,000 Seller Forms & Scholarship Forms Must be Signed by
Lori Gooding, Council Representative

Important Dates to Remember

All Districts Except Pelathe

- Popcorn Sale Ends – Sunday, November 7th, 2004
- Final Orders Due to Council – Monday, November 8th, 2004 – Orders must include: a copy of your Unit Master Record, Unit Order and Settlement Form, Prize Order Form, \$1,000 Prize Program Form, and Scholarship Program Form. If you order popcorn and prizes on line, please fax your Unit Roster, \$1,000 Prize Form, and Scholarship Form to the council service center. The fax number is (816) 942-8086.
- Popcorn Payment Due – Monday, January 3rd, 2005

Pelathe District

- Popcorn Sale Starts – Monday, November 1st, 2004
- Popcorn Sale Ends – Wednesday, December 1st, 2004
- Final Orders Due – Monday, December 6th, 2004
- Popcorn Distribution – Saturday, December 18th, 2004
- Popcorn Payment Due – Friday, January 7th, 2005

Popcorn Returns

All popcorn returns from the Show N Sell/Show N Deliver sale must be returned to your final distribution site on November 19th or 20th for all districts except Pelathe, and December 18th for the Pelathe District.

Your District Executive or District Popcorn Kernel will be contacting you to schedule an appointment for your returns/pick-up. There are no exceptions to this policy. If you know you will not be available to return the popcorn yourself, please make arrangements for another leader or parent to return the popcorn. The reason we must handle returns this way is to allow us to apply your popcorn returns to another order.

Popcorn Distribution – See Page 2



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2004 Popcorn Distribution Sites

BIG MUDDY

Sprint Warehouse
1102 S. 24th Street
Lexington, MO 64067
Contact: *Vic Geiger*
(816) 651-5745 or (660) 259-4708

Distribution Date: Friday,
November 19th, 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.
By Appointment

DIRECTIONS

I-70 to 13 Hwy North. Take
13 Hwy North to 24 Hwy
East. Take 24 Hwy East to
24th Street. Go North on
24th Street 2 blocks.

LONE BEAR

B & H Freightlines
(Glasscock Industries)
407 Washington
Clinton, MO
Contact: *Tim Glasscock*
(660) 885-2951

Distribution Date: Friday, November 19th, 3:00 to 7:00 p.m.
By Appointment

DIRECTIONS

Hwy 18 & Washington in
Clinton, MO. Look for
Signs.

PELATHE

Sauer-Danfoss
3840 Greenway Dr.
Lawrence, KS 66046
Contact: *Jerry Ohleimer*
(785) 830-1488

Distribution Date: Saturday,
December 18th, 8:00 to 11:00 a.m.
By Appointment

DIRECTIONS

23rd Street/K-10 East out
of Lawrence to the East
Hills Business Park. Turn
North onto East Hills Drive.
At Stop Sign, turn right
onto Greenway Drive.
Sauer-Danfoss is at the
Bottom of the Hill on the
left. Use the Southeast
Loading dock. Look for
Signs.

TWIN RIVERS

TL Enterprises, Inc.
901 S. Oak
Garnett, KS
Contact: *Twyla Beinhorn*
(785) 242-1264

Distribution Date: Friday,
November 19th, 2:00 to 6:00 p.m.
By Appointment

DIRECTIONS

Using I-35
I-35 South to Hwy 59
South. Hwy 59 South into
Garnett. Follow through
town to 6th Ave. and Turn
Left. At Oak Street Turn
Right and Follow Oak to
901 S. Oak.

Using Hwy 169
Hwy 169 South to Hwy 31.
Hwy 31 West to Intersec-
tion of Hwy 31 & Hwy 59
(stoplight at this intersec-
tion). Turn Left onto Hwy
59. Follow through town to
6th Ave. and Turn Left. At
Oak Street, turn Right and
Follow Oak to 901 S. Oak.

BLUE ELK — NORTH STAR — PIONEER TRAILS

Commercial Distribution Center
16500 E. Truman Road
Independence, MO
Contact: *Steve Harvey*
(816) 836-1500 ext: 270

Distribution Date: Friday,
November 19th, Noon to 4:30
p.m. & Saturday, November 20th, 8:00 to 11:00 a.m.
By Appointment

DIRECTIONS

I-70 to N 291 Hwy to Tru-
man Road; go West to NW
Corner of HWY 291 and
Truman Road.

KAW — NORTHERN TIER

**Harte Hanks Distribution
Warehouse**
7801 Nieman Road
Shawnee, KS
Contact: *Mike Clock*
(913) 312-8348

Distribution Date: Friday,
November 19th, Noon to 4:30
p.m. & Saturday, November 20th,
8:00 a.m. to Noon
By Appointment

DIRECTIONS

I-35 to 75th Street Exit. Go
West on 75th to Nieman
Road. Go South on Nie-
man Road to 78th Street
(between Carquest & Harte
Hanks office). Go straight
through cul-de-sac to back
of warehouse on left. Harte
Hanks Distribution Ware-
house is behind Carquest.
The building number is
10802.

RED-TAILED HAWK — TRAILHEAD — TRAILS WEST

Seaton Van Lines, Inc.
15765 S. Keeler
Olathe, KS
Contact: *Andre*
(913) 782-2270

Distribution Date: Friday,
November 19th, 5:00 to 6:30
p.m. & Saturday, November 20th,
8:00 a.m. to Noon
By Appointment

DIRECTIONS

I-35 South to the US-169
S/KS-7 S/KS-7 N Exit,
Number 215. Take Exit 215
toward Paola. Turn Left
onto East 151st Street.
Turn Right onto South
Mahaffie Street. Turn Right
onto 151st Terrace. Turn
Left onto South Keeler
Street. Seaton Van Lines is
at the Far End of Keeler
Street.

THUNDERBIRD

Quick & Tasty
822 Quick Trip Way
Belton, MO
Contact: *Ron McNeelis*
(816) 331-5508

Distribution Date: Saturday,
November 20th, 9:00 a.m. to
3:00 p.m.
By Appointment

DIRECTIONS

US-71 South to the MO Y
exit Toward Belton. Turn
Right onto MO Y. Turn
Right onto Quick Trip Way.





Eagles

DISTRICT	UNIT	NAME
Big Muddy	1318	Marcus Alan Helm
Blue Elk	1312	Michael Brandon Bang
Blue Elk	1282	Stephen Scot Kelley
Blue Elk	1216	Benjamin Lee McLean
Blue Elk	1228	Brandon Paul Robinson
Blue Elk	1603	Nicholas John Ropchock
Blue Elk	1082	Donald David Sherman
Blue Elk	1382	Thomas Floyd Watkins
Blue Elk	1058	Anthony Roland Woolsey
Blue Elk	1221	Samuel Robert Wynn
Kaw	173	Ryan Philip Gregoire
Kaw	169	Joshua Brian Ross
Kaw	211	Brandon Lawrence Sisk
Kaw	366	Ian Patrick Tracy
Lone Bear	1238	Alex James Greife
Lone Bear	1238	Chandler William Olive
North Star	1360	Benjamin Joseph Augur
North Star	1357	Bradley O Bailey
North Star	418	Devin Ryan Blanch
North Star	376	William Alexander Carpenter
North Star	1397	Jeffrey William Haynes
North Star	1270	Brandon Charles Laughridge
North Star	1260	Kurtis Ray Morrison
North Star	1360	Andrew Gene Palmer
North Star	1249	Joseph Thomas Trewett
North Star	1397	Derek Eugene William
Northern Tier	189	Paul Franklin Akers

DISTRICT	UNIT	NAME
Northern Tier	93	James Patrick Baldwin II
Northern Tier	358	Brian Carl Doel
Northern Tier	98	Timothy Patrick Johnson
Northern Tier	439	Blake Richard Orleman
Northern Tier	185	David Alan Snodgrass
Northern Tier	93	Andrew Tristan Trupka
Northern Tier	91	John Curtis Webber
Pelathe	52	William Morton Berkowitz
Pelathe	59	Benjamin Albert Chapin
Pelathe	59	James Dominic Garito
Pelathe	53	Hamilton Hewson Lewis
Pelathe	61	Malcolm Ooyle Miller
Pelathe	158	Don Victor Roberston
Pioneer Trails	16	Justin Brett Baker
Pioneer Trails	1059	Charles William Bock
Pioneer Trails	1061	Robert Garon
Pioneer Trails	1046	Sean Patrick Hennessey
Pioneer Trails	16	Charles Andrew Johnson
Pioneer Trails	1006	Brain David Massey
Pioneer Trails	1087	Kevin Michiel Moore
Pioneer Trails	30	Samuel Edward Waters
Pioneer Trails	30	Daniel Ryan Wikiera
Redtail Hawk	785	Stephen Andrew Bluhm
Redtail Hawk	784	Samuel Richmond Clark
Redtail Hawk	324	Matthew Lee Cofer
Redtail Hawk	324	Brandon James Dekosky
Redtail Hawk	222	Jeremy Michael Hall
Redtail Hawk	182	Derek Michael Joseph
Redtail Hawk	182	Damon Scott Kelley
Redtail Hawk	222	Jeffrey Phillip Schober
Redtail Hawk	315	Kyle Daniel Stephens

DISTRICT	UNIT	NAME
Thunderbird	1601	Matthew James Decapo
Thunderbird	1341	Jonathan Joseph Gillespie
Thunderbird	1570	Clayton Trevor Henderson
Thunderbird	274	Lorin Scott Howard II
Thunderbird	1003	Karter Montgomery Mills
Thunderbird	1510	Robert Nachel
Thunderbird	1032	Christopher Ross Tait
Thunderbird	1032	Robert Michael Tait Jr.
Thunderbird	1195	Cameron Mitchell Wiley
Trails West	401	John Steven Bowman
Trails West	108	Brian Christopher Posey
Trails West	108	Jeff Aaron Posey
Trailshead	257	Michael Joseph Batrick
Trailshead	37	Matthew Joseph Becker
Trailshead	287	Patrick Austin Fagan
Trailshead	257	William Joseph Fagan III
Trailshead	396	Connor Patrick Keenan
Trailshead	257	David Benjamin Miles
Trailshead	257	Kyle Edward Monsees
Trailshead	37	Jared Robert Nafziger
Trailshead	284	Ryan James Nicholas
Trailshead	395	David Lee Poppe
Trailshead	282	William Ellis Poulson
Trailshead	256	John Daniel Rowe
Trailshead	257	Patrick Makoto Rumbach
Trailshead	282	Andrew Benson Satterlee
Trailshead	396	Mark Joseph Stephan
Trailshead	92	Sean James Wilke
Trailshead	257	Justin Martin Zack
Twin Rivers	101	Paul Joseph Manger
Twin Rivers	74	Eric John Rhodes

Council Calendar

November

- 3 CS Day Camp Stf Mtg, 7:00, Adult Activity, Meeting/Conference
- 6 Cub Ldr Pow Wow, 8:00, Adult Activity, Education/Training
- 10 Camp Cmt Mtg, 7:00, Adult Activity, Meeting/Conference
- 10 Pow Wow Staff, 7:00, Adult Activity, Meeting/Conference
- 11 Veterans Day, 8:00
- 17 Annual Dinner, 6:30, Adult Activity, Ceremonies/Award, Meeting/Conference
- 18 OA LEC Mtg, 7:00, Adult Activity, Meeting/Conference
- 20 Bartle Closed
- 22 Naish Closed
- 23 Rotary Cmp Stf Mtg, 6:30, Adult Activity, Meeting/Conference
- 24 Advance Cmt Mtg, 7:00, Adult Activity, Meeting/Conference
- 25 Scout Shop & Service Center Closed
- 25 Thanksgiving
- 26 Service Center Closed
- 30 CL Membership Committee Meeting, 7:00, Adult Activity, Meeting/Conference

December

- 1 CS Day Camp Staff Meeting, 7:00, Adult Activity, Meeting/Conference
- 3 OA SOS-Central, 8:00
- 4 Woodcarving Workshop, 8:00, Adult Activity, Education/Training, Youth Activity
- 4 OA Lodge LDC, 8:00, Adult Activity, Education/Training, Meeting/Conference, Youth Activity

- 9 Hanukkah Begins
- 14 Executive Committee Meeting, 12:00, Adult Activity, Meeting/Conference
- 15 Council Training Meeting, 7:00, Adult Activity, Education/Training
- 16 OA LEC Meeting, 7:00, Adult Activity, Meeting/Conference
- 18 Bartle Closed — Naish Closed
- 22 Hanukkah
- 24 Scout Shop Closed
- 24 Service Center Closed
- 25 Christmas
- 26 Camp Staff Reunion, 6:00, Adult Activity, Ceremonies/Award, Youth Activity
- 28 Rotary Camp Staff Meeting, 6:30, Adult Activity, Meeting/Conference

January

- 3 Service Center Closed-New Year's, 8:30
- 8 OA Winter Banquet, 5:00, Adult Activity, Ceremonies/Award, Youth Activity
- 15 OA Election Training, 9:00, Education/Training, Youth Activity
- 17 OA LEC Meeting, 7:00, Adult Activity, Meeting/Conference
- 17 Service Center Closed-MLK Jr Day
- 19 Naish Maint Dinner, 7:00, Adult Activity
- 20 OA LEC Meeting, 7:00, Adult Activity, Meeting/Conference
- 25 Rotary Camp Staff Meeting, 6:30, Adult Activity, Meeting/Conference
- 29 OA Election Training, 9:00, Education/Training, Youth Activity

2005 National Jamboree

The 2005 National Jamboree will again be held at Fort A.P.Hill in Virginia, from July 25 to August 3, 2005. If you are interested in participating in the 2005 National Jamboree, either as a Scout, Jamboree Staff, or if you would like more information on the National Jamboree, visit the National website at www.scouting.org/jamboree.

If you are a Heart of America Council Boy Scout and are interested in being selected as one of the 144 Scouts who will be representing our council at the Jamboree, fill out the youth application found on the National Website and send it along with a \$125.00 non-refundable deposit to:

HOAC Jamboree Committee
Heart of America Council
Boy Scouts of America
10210 Holmes Road
Kansas City, Mo. 64131

The Jamboree fee of \$1,600.00 includes a two day tour of Washington D.C. and ten days at the National Jamboree site at Fort A.P. Hill in Virginia.

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Don't Save It For the Eulogy

A eulogy is defined as "a commendation for someone deceased."

The truth is that too often the commendations our heart wishes to bestow on those who have influenced our lives go unspoken...until the eulogy.

Why do we save our best for the eulogy? How much would it change the dynamics of relationships...how much would it inspire and nurture those who have made the significant contributions to our lives if we were able to find a way to articulate appropriate commendations while they are with us?

Think for a moment about the power of a "living eulogy."

Certainly, there is enormous value in the words spoken in memory of a beloved family member or friend; but how much more value there might be in taking actions today that recognize the living.

Whatever the specific action taken, think about the effect of a eulogy for the living.

Most of us have thought of someone to whom we owe much...without those influence we would not be who we are today; a spouse, a parent, a trusted friend. And we have felt the regret that accompanies the sense that adequate communication of our gratitude and love is impossible. Most of us have resolved more than once that our appre-

ciation must not go unnoticed.

In many cases, our friends choose to honor an individual or family through a gift that results in touching many others - today and in the future. And because the way you choose to honor someone is intensely personal, the staff in our Office of Planned Giving are prepared to help you design a living tribute perfectly suited to the one you wish to honor.

So, if there is someone you would like to honor now with a "living eulogy," you can do it while there is still time. To the living, your actions and words will bear great meaning and bring incredible joy to the recipient. At the same time, you'll be broadening the scope of their influence to all those touched by our on-going work. You may wish to honor them with a living gift or through your will or trust later.

Resolve today that you will not wait for the eulogy. For complete assistance in designing an appropriate living acknowledgement, we invite you to contact Mike Johnson, Director of Finance Services at 816-569-4979 or mijohnso@bsaemail.org. All communication is treated in complete confidence, and our goal is to assist in any way possible to help you achieve your objectives.

2005 Friends of Scouting Campaign Leadership Announced

Friends of Scouting, the annual giving campaign of the Heart of America Council will kick off on January 26 at 7:00 p.m. at the Overland Park Sheraton. During the course of the campaign more than 450 volunteers will ask families, businesses, foundations and corporations to support the Council's programs that positively impact more than 56,100 young men and women in 19 counties.

To assist the Districts in their efforts to meet their Friends of

Scouting goal, the following Scouters have agreed to take on leadership roles in the 2005 Friends of Scouting campaign.

Bill Cheek, Assistant Vice-President of Sprint Corporation, and David Disney, Senior Vice-President of Dunn Construction, will serve as Co-Chairmen of this year's District Friends of Scouting Campaign.

Bill and David are no strangers to the Friends of Scouting campaign. Bill served as Co-Chairman

of last year's District campaign and David served as Council Family Chairman last year. Bill has also served as Red-Tailed Hawk and Santa Fe Trail District Chairman. David has served as Pioneer Trails District Chairman and currently serves on the properties committee and as the Council's National Jamboree Committee Chairman.

Joining Bill Cheek and David Disney this year, will be Keith Sickendick. Keith will be serving

as the Council's Family Friends of Scouting Chairman. Keith is a United States Administrative Law Judge. Before being appointed an Administrative Law Judge in 1995, he was a civil trial attorney with the Department of Justice in Washington, D.C.

Keith also serves as Red-Tailed Hawk District Vice-Chairman and has served Scouting more than 10 years in various leadership capacities.

Recycle Your Old Athletic Shoes

To celebrate America Recycles Day 2004, the Kansas City Community Recycling Centers are kicking off the Nike Reuse-A-Shoe program, an athletic shoe recycling and reuse program.

Starting November 13, residents will be able to drop off their old athletic shoes at the Metro North, UMKC, and Bannister recycling centers for free. Your old athletic shoes will either be recycled or reused. Recycled shoes will go to Nike's Reuse-A-Shoe program where they are ground up and used to make tracks, courts and play-

ground surfaces. Reusable shoes will be sent to developing countries. For more information on this national program, visit www.nikereuseashoe.com.

Please follow these requirements:

- Athletic shoes only, no other types of shoes will be accepted
- Any brand of athletic shoe is acceptable
- Shoes with metal parts (cleats, spikes, eyelets, blades, zippers, etc.) will not be accepted

- Shoes must be dry and mud free
- Pairs must be tied together

Metro North recycling center is located in the parking lot of Metro North Mall, behind Dillard's. The UMKC center is located one block east of 48th and Troost on Forrest St. The Bannister center is located in the K Mart parking lot on the southwest corner of Bannister Rd. and Hillcrest, across from Bannister Mall. The recycling centers are open Wed.-Fri., 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturdays, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

If you would like to host a shoe drive, please contact **Kevin Chafin**, Community Recycling Center Coordinator, by email at kevin@bridgingthegap.org. He can help with arrangements to drop off your shoes. You will be responsible for shoe collection (including containers) and transportation. Please be sure to follow the above requirements to avoid contamination.

For more information, call the Recycling Information Line at (816) 474-TEAM (8326) or visit www.marc.org/shoes.

The Young American Award

First presented in 1968, the council-level award is given to young adults between the ages of 15 and 25 to highlight publicly the importance of their excellent achievements and service to their community, state and nation. The council-level Young American Award consists of a plaque to be awarded at an appropriate council ceremony. The council office typically extends the application process in September to appropriate council units and community youth-serving organizations, who then submit nominations on behalf of their young adult constituents. Recipients are not required to be a member or a participant of a local council unit or program.

Qualifications

- Student – Any student age 15 to 25 as of June 1.
- Achievements – Have achieved exceptional excellence in one or more fields such as art, athletics, business, community service, education, government, humanities, literature, music, religion, and science.
- Service – Have been involved in service in their community, state, or country that adds to the quality of life.
- Scholar – Have maintained an above-average scholastic grade point average. Provide a copy of both your

high school and college transcript with application (college transcript only if graduate student).

- Recommendations--Must provide with the application a minimum of three letters of recommendation from your troop, post, crew, or group, and schools, teachers, counselors, employers, ministers, business, civic, or other community leaders.



Council Office Deadline

Turn in application to local council office with letters of recommendation and current school transcript no later than December 1.

Application — Young American Award

(Please Print and Provide Complete Information)

Nomination of (full name) _____

Age Next June 1 Date of Birth _____

Home Address P.O. Box _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home Telephone () Home E-mail _____

College Address P.O. Box _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

College Telephone () College E-mail _____

Father's name Day Telephone (_____) _____

Mother's name Day Telephone (_____) _____

Nominee's Personal Record (attach additional sheets as needed.)

Organizations. List all organizations that the nominee was a member of during high school and college and involved in service that adds to the quality of life. Indicate those organizations in which the nominee is now active with an asterisk (*).

Leadership. List all leadership positions that the nominee has ever held during high school and college. Indicate those positions now held with an asterisk (*).

Recognitions. List important awards and recognitions received by the nominee, the organizations that presented them, and the year they were received.

<u>Name of Recognition</u>	<u>Presenting Organization</u>	<u>Year Received</u>

High School Record Completed

___ Freshman ___ Sophomore ___ Junior ___ Senior

School Name _____ City _____ State _____

Graduating Class Year ___ Current Grade Point Average ___ Current Class Rank ___

College Record Completed

___ Freshman ___ Sophomore ___ Junior ___ Senior ___ Graduate School

School Name _____ City _____ State _____

Graduating Class Year ___ Current Grade Point Average ___ Current Class Rank ___

Present Career Plans — Present career plans for the nominee are:

Statement of Accomplishments (attach additional sheets as needed):

Describe the nominee's outstanding accomplishments in the fields of art, athletics, business, community service, education, government, humanities, literature, music, religion, and science.

Nominating Organization's Name _____

By (name) Title _____

Address P.O. Box _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Day Telephone (_____) _____ Day E-mail _____

Evening Telephone (_____) _____ Evening E-mail _____

For Office Use

Submitted to Local Council Office No. _____ Council Headquarters City _____

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Name _____ Title _____

Silver Beaver Award Recipients



Robert Bloom



David Chinnery



Kelsie Clark



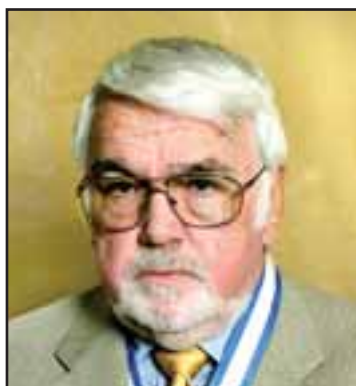
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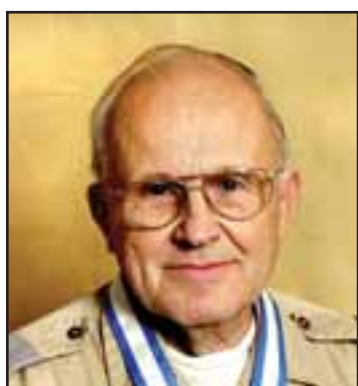
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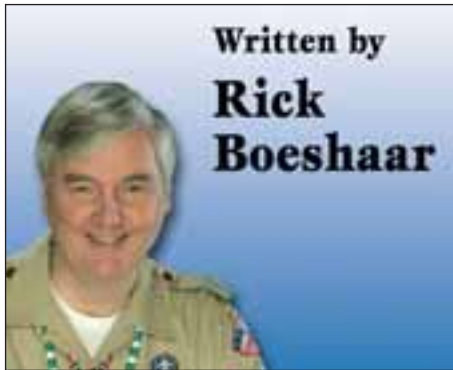
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TO ALL OF THIS
YEAR'S SILVER
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RECIPIENTS**

Commissioner's Corner

Hail and Farewell

In my Navy days, the Hail and Farewell parties were lots of fun. Typically a sailor or officer was transferring onto a ship as a replacement for someone moving on to a new duty assignment. Often shipmates would gather at an appropriate location and celebrate both the departure and the arrival. That same ritual is occurring now within our Scout Council as nominating committees are busy filling district and council leadership slots for 2005. With so many great volunteer Scouters dedicated to keeping our council and districts on top, the selections and the parties will be terrific!

If all goes according to plan at the annual business meeting and council recognition dinner this month, Del Wilkinson, will be commissioned as our new Council Commissioner. I know you all will welcome Del with your typical, warm enthusiasm to this position, and I know you will work with him with as much determination and dedication as you did with me. It has been a great honor and a real pleasure for me to work with such a dedicated commissioner team. It is hard for me to express my gratitude for all that you have accomplished. I came into this position four years ago knowing only what the training manuals told me about commissioner service and you helped me quickly learn the rest. Fortunately Del has several years of commissioner service under his belt already and he is looking forward to this opportunity to work as a part of the Key 3 of this great Scout council. I know we will continue to advance and prosper under his leadership.



Written by
**Rick
Boeshaar**

In the past four years we have seen a few changes and trends developing in commissioner service. Even with all the new communication vehicles (web sites, email, electronic newsletters, etc.) the need for reliable, face-to-face relationships with our unit leaders has not diminished at all. In our busy world, it has become much too difficult for a commissioner to support more than two or three units, and therefore it has become very clear that recruiting new unit commissioners is a critical, never ending, priority for all of us. You cannot get the job done without the people to do it!

And with all that goes on in our council, from terrific programs, to great training, new merit badges, growing financial aid for our youth, greater recognition possibilities, and improved administrative processes such as rechartering, our unit leaders NEED that monthly contact – that encouragement to try new things, that direction about where to find information, those reminders about training, roundtables, due dates, etc. – which helps them provide great program to our youth. So the need for that monthly contact with each unit has never been greater.

The knowledge and skills we need to be good commissioners have also changed in the last four years. That requires us to be constantly retraining ourselves. We absolutely cannot rely on training we took years ago to know how to best serve our units. Our training programs have all been revised, our Commissioner College improves its course offerings each year, and the com-

munication methods we use within our district and council have been designed to have this new information more available to us. None of that helps, however, if each of us is not willing to spend the time it takes to re-train and to learn all the new information out there.

Finally our busy world, busy parents, and the multiple opportunities afforded our youth for recreation and development makes it critical that all commissioners become salesmen for membership. From convincing unit leaders about the importance of constantly recruiting new members, to arming ourselves, our unit leaders, and the parents of Scouts and recruits, with the advantages the Scouting program provides to our youth, the commissioner's role in the membership process is much greater today than at any time in our past.

We have seen what the program can do for our youth. We have witnessed the transformation from young boys to mature, responsible young men. We have heard the stories of strong character, brave leadership, numerous service contributions, and moral determination that our Scouting program and our terrific parents develop in our young people. Who then is more qualified to carry the banner and promote our advantages to new families than our commissioners? This will be our challenge and our opportunity for many years to come. The great commissioner team I have come to know over the past few years gives me confidence that we will continue to change, continue to learn, and continue to do more for our unit leaders. So as I bid farewell to my commissioner role, and hail the new one presented, I know we will be successful, and I am proud and grateful to have worked with all of you.

All Leaders Should Make Plans To Attend The 14th Annual Heart of America Commissioners College

Forrest Bolles, Dean of the Heart of America College of Commissioner Service has announced that the 14th annual college will be held March 11th and 12th, 2005 on the grounds of historic Ft. Leavenworth, KS. Degrees offered include Associates degrees for Camp Commissioners and other unit leaders, Bachelors for Roundtable Commissioners and Bachelors, Masters and Doctorate programs for Unit Commissioners.

All registered Cub, Scout and Venture leaders will find courses to improve their leadership skills and scouting knowledge. Courses open to all registered Scouters, whether they are planning to enter Commissioner Service in the future, currently a Commissioner or would like to know more about being a Commissioner. To be placed on this year's mailing list, contact Ross Pfannensteil at the council office. Catalogs will be sent in late November. See you there.

New in 2005 – Online Rechartering

Electronic rechartering is here! Internet Rechartering is a Web-based method for units to renew their charters from any online location—at home or at the office. Units will love this new method; it's easy, convenient, and accurate because you enter the information yourself!

Here's how it works.

The Heart of America Council has an Internet Rechartering page on our Web site (www.hoac-bsa.org) with instructions and a link to the software. The unit receives its charter renewal packet as usual, only now

the packet includes information for Internet Rechartering, including an access code especially for the unit.

The unit selects an adult to complete the online process. This renewal processor uses the access code to log onto the Internet Rechartering Web site, selecting to start the process with current ScoutNET data or data from unit-management software (Troopmaster, Packmaster, etc.). At any time, the renewal processor can suspend the electronic rechartering process and return later to the last completed screen.

The system lets you enter new members, renew current members, and update information for any registrant. When completed, the new unit roster is submitted to ScoutNET and a Unit Charter Renewal Report Package is printed. This package includes the unit charter application. Acquire the signatures for the application and send it, the rest of the package, any new youth and adult applications, and all fees to the council service center or the district turn-in meeting.

There's a link to the Internet Rechartering tutorial and help on the

Heart of America Council's Web site. Check it out—we think you'll like the design. All BSA policies are enforced throughout the system, so what you enter is sure to meet all requirements.

If you have any questions or comments, contact the Registration department at 816-569-4934 or 1-800-776-1110 ext. 4934 Monday through Friday 8:30 am until 5:00 pm and we'll be glad to help you out.

Come to your district's roundtables to hear more on Internet Rechartering.

Guide to Safe Scouting

A Unit Leader's Guide For Current Policies and Procedures To Safe Activities

The purpose of the Guide to Safe Scouting is to prepare adult leaders to conduct Scouting activities in a safe and prudent manner. The policies and guidelines have been established because of the real need to protect members from known hazards that have been identified through eighty-plus years of experience. Limitations on certain activities should not be viewed as stumbling blocks; rather, policies and guidelines are best described as stepping-stones toward safe and enjoyable adventures.

Unit leaders should be aware of state or local government regulations that supersede Boy Scouts of America policies and guidelines.

When considering activities not specifically addressed in Scouting literature, activity planners should evaluate the benefit to the Scouting program versus the risk of injury. The benefit side includes the question: "Does this activity further the aims and methods of Scouting?"

Scouting Safety Begins with Leadership

Because the majority of Scout injuries and accidents occur during unit events, Health and Safety has developed a video and training course intended to heighten troop, pack, and crew leaders' awareness of safety and risk management issues. Contact your local council service center or your district or council training chairman to get the date, time, and place of the next Scouting Safety Begins With Leadership course.

Donald Smith, a risk management committee member in the Patriot's Path Council, created a PowerPoint slide presentation, SafeScout, that can be used with the video or as a shorter stand-alone presentation for roundtable discussions. Get a copy of the slide show by calling or e-mailing Risk Management at 972-580-2228; vsavoy@netbsa.org. Let us know if you prefer disk or e-mail as the mode of delivery.

BSA Rules and Policies

Bold type throughout the *Guide to Safety Scouting* denotes BSA rules and policies

Viewing the online Guide

The Guide to Safe Scouting is available here in two formats:

- One for reading on-line – this version is divided into chapters and includes a search engine.
- Another for reading off-line – the entire publication is presented in a single interface to facilitate print-out.

A bound hard-copy version (BSA Supply # 34416D) is also available. To obtain a copy, contact your District Executive. Refer to the Who's Who of HOAC listing for a direct line number for your District.

The Sweet 16 of Scouting

All Scouting activities should take into account 16 safety points, which embody good judgment and common sense. These are known as the Sweet 16 of BSA Safety.

- 1. Qualified Supervision.** Every BSA activity should be supervised by a conscientious adult who understands and knowingly accepts responsibility for the well-being and safety of the youth in his or her care. The supervisor should be sufficiently trained, experienced, and skilled in the activity to be confident of his or her ability to lead and teach the necessary skills and respond effectively in the event of an emergency.
- 2. Physical Fitness.** For each youth participant in any potentially strenuous activity, the supervisor receives a complete health history from a healthcare professional, parent, or guardian. The supervisor should adjust all supervision, discipline, and protection to anticipate potential risks associated with individual health conditions.
- 3. Buddy System.** The long history of the "buddy system" in Scouting has shown that it is always best to have at least one other person with you and aware at all times of your circumstances.
- 4. Safe Area or Course.** A key part of the supervisor's responsibility is to know the area or course for the activity and to determine that it is well-suited and free of hazards.
- 5. Equipment Selection and Maintenance.** The equipment used in any activity should be selected to suit the participants and the activity and to include appropriate safety and program features. The supervisor should check equipment to determine that it is in good condition for the activity and to make sure it is properly maintained while in use.
- 6. Personal Safety Equipment.** A supervisor must assure that every participant has and uses the appropriate personal safety equipment.
- 7. Safety Procedures and Policies.** Common sense procedures and standards can greatly reduce any risk. These should be known and appreciated by all participants, and the supervisor must assure compliance.
- 8. Skill Level Limits.** Every activity has a minimum skill level, and the supervisor must identify and recognize this level and be sure participants are not put at risk by attempting any activity beyond their abilities.
- 9. Weather Check.** The risks of many outdoor activities vary substantially with weather conditions. Potential weather hazards and appropriate responses should be understood and anticipated.
- 10. Planning.** Safe activities follow a plan that has been conscientiously developed by the experienced supervisor or other competent source.
- 11. Communications.** The supervisor needs to be able to communicate effectively with participants as needed during the activity.
- 12. Permits and Notices.** BSA tour permits, council office registration, government or landowner authorization and similar formalities are the supervisor's responsibility when such are required.
- 13. First Aid Resources.** The supervisor should determine what first aid supplies to include among the activity equipment. The level of first aid training and skill appropriate for the activity should also be considered.
- 14. Applicable Laws.** BSA safety policies generally parallel or go beyond legal mandates, but the supervisor should confirm and assure compliance with all applicable regulations or statutes.
- 15. CPR Resource.** BSA strongly recommends that a person (preferably an adult) trained in CPR be part of the leadership for any BSA program.
- 16. Discipline.** No supervisor is effective if he or she cannot control the activity and individual participants. Youth must respect their leaders and follow their directions.

For more detailed information on the Sweet 16 of BSA Safety, consult your copy of the Guide to Safe Scouting.

2005 Summer Camp Fee Schedule

BOY SCOUT CAMP

Payment Schedule:

\$40.00 deposit is due with each reservation for Scouts and Full Time Leaders at the camp draw. 1/2 of Balance due by Wednesday, February 23, 2005

Final Payment due by Wednesday, April 27, 2005 with names of all campers

In-Council Camp Fee Schedule				
BOY SCOUT CAMP FEES	BARTLE ON OR BEFORE 04-27-05	BARTLE 04-28-05 OR AFTER	NAISH ON OR BEFORE 04-27-05	NAISH 04-28-05 OR AFTER
Boy Scouts*	\$230.00	\$250.00	\$165.00	\$185.00
1st Two Leaders	\$135.00	\$155.00	\$100.00	\$120.00
Additional FT Leaders	\$230.00	\$250.00	\$165.00	\$185.00
Part Time Leaders**	\$30.00 per day	\$35.00 per day	\$30.00 per day	\$35.00 per day

Out of Council Camp Fee Schedule				
BOY SCOUT CAMP FEES	BARTLE ON OR BEFORE 04-27-05	BARTLE 04-28-05 OR AFTER	NAISH ON OR BEFORE 04-27-05	NAISH 04-28-05 OR AFTER
Boy Scouts*	\$255.00	\$275.00	\$165.00	\$185.00
1st Two Leaders	\$160.00	\$180.00	\$100.00	\$120.00
Additional FT Leaders	\$255.00	\$275.00	\$165.00	\$185.00
Part Time Leaders**	\$35.00 per day	\$40.00 per day	\$30.00 per day	\$35.00 per day

*There are no part-time Scouts at camp.

**Part Time Leaders CANNOT combine to share a full time slot.

\$10 of each Part Time Leader day fee is non refundable
\$40 of each Scout and Full Time Leader fee is non refundable

WEBELOS RESIDENT CAMP — Payment Schedule:

\$30.00 deposit is due with each reservation for Webelos and Full Time Leaders at the camp draw

Payment Schedule: Final Payment due by Wednesday, May 4, 2005

WEBELOS CAMP FEES	ON OR BEFORE 05-04-05	05-05-05 OR AFTER
Webelos*	\$90.00	\$105.00
Full Time Leaders	\$90.00	\$105.00
Part Time Leaders**	\$30.00 per day	\$35.00 per day

*There are no part-time Webelos at camp.

**Part Time Leaders CANNOT combine to share a full time slot.

\$30.00 of each reservation for Webelos and Full Time Leaders is non refundable
\$10 of each Part Time Leader day will be non refundable

BEAR RESIDENT CAMP

This camp is a one-on-one camping experience. There must be a adult/guardian for every Scout attending.

Payment due at the camp draw on Wednesday, April 20, 2005

BEAR CAMP FEES	ON OR BEFORE 05-11-05	05-12-05 OR AFTER
Bears*	\$45.00	\$60.00
Leaders	\$45.00	\$60.00

*There are no part-time Bears or leaders at this camp.

\$20.00 of each reservation for Bears and adults/guardians will be non refundable

CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP FEES

Payment due by Wednesday, May 11, 2005

DAY CAMP FEES	ON OR BEFORE 05-11-05	05-12-05 OR AFTER
Cub Scout*	\$45.00	\$60.00

*There are no part-time Cub Scouts at this camp.

\$20.00 of each reservation for Scouts will be non refundable

ROTARY SCOUT CAMP

Payment due by Wednesday, May 18, 2005

ROTARY FEES	ON OR BEFORE 05-18-05	05-19-05 OR AFTER
Boy Scouts*	\$130.00	\$155.00

*There are no part-time Scouts at this camp.

\$30.00 of each reservation for Scouts will be non refundable

VENTURE BLAST

Payment due by Wednesday, May 4, 2005

VENTURE BLAST FEES	ON OR BEFORE 07-20-05	07-21-05 OR AFTER
Scout*	\$85.00	\$100.00
Leader	\$50.00	\$65.00

*There are no part-time Scouts at this camp.

\$40.00 of each reservation for Scouts will be non refundable

2005 Camp Sessions

Session	Dates	Session	Dates
THEODORE NAISH SCOUT RESERVATION BOY SCOUT CAMP		H ROE BARTLE SCOUT RESERVATION BOY SCOUT CAMP	
Staff Week	June 5 – 10, 2005	Staff Week	June 4 – 10, 2005
1	June 12 – 18, 2005	MOS Tribal Gathering	June 11, 2005
2	June 19 – 25, 2005	1	June 13 – 22, 2005
3	June 26 – July 2, 2005	2	June 23 – July 2, 2005
THEODORE NAISH SCOUT RESERVATION WEBELOS CAMP		3	July 3 – 12, 2005
1	July 3 – 5, 2005	4	July 13 – 22, 2005
2	July 7 – 9, 2005	5	July 23 – August 1, 2005
3	July 10 – 12, 2005	6	August 2 – 11, 2005
4	July 14 – 16, 2005	THEODORE NAISH CUB WORLD BEAR RESIDENT CAMP	
5	July 17 – 19, 2005	1	July 9 – 10, 2005
6	July 21 – 23, 2005	2	July 11 – 12, 2005
7	July 24 – 26, 2005	3	July 16 – 17, 2005
8	July 28 – 30, 2005	4	July 18 – 19, 2005
9	July 31 – August 2, 2005	5	July 23 – 24, 2005
10	August 4 – 6, 2005	6	July 25 – 26, 2005
11	August 7 – 9, 2005	7	July 30 – 31, 2005
12	August 11 – 13, 2005	8	August 1 – 2, 2005
		9	August 6 – 7, 2005
		10	August 8 – 9, 2005

CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP SESSIONS

Big Muddy: (To Be Announced)

Blue Elk: (To Be Announced)

Kaw: (To Be Announced)

Lone Bear: (To Be Announced)

North Star: June 6 – 9, 2005

Northern Tier: JUNE 13 – 17, 2005

Pelathe: (To Be Announced)

Pioneer Trails: June 13 – 16, 2005

Red-Tailed Hawk: June 13 – 17, 2005

Thunderbird: June 20 – 24, 2005

Trailhead: June 20 – 23, 2005

Trails West: (To Be Announced)

Twin Rivers: June 6 – 9, 2005

LOCATIONS FOR DAY CAMPS WILL BE ANNOUNCED LATER

BOY SCOUT ROTARY CAMP

June 27 – July 1, 2005 at Rotary Youth Camp in Lee's Summit

VENTURE CAMP

May 31 – June 3, 2005 at H Roe Bartle Scout Reservation



North Star District

Congratulations!

The HOAC Annual Business Meeting and Recognition Dinner will also be the stage for the presentation of the Silver Beaver award to several very deserving volunteers throughout the council, including Tom Lanio and Dr. Norman Smith, Jr. from the Internationally Famous North Star District. The Silver Beaver Award is the highest honor a council can bestow upon a volunteer. This award is given by the National Court of Honor for distinguished service to youth within a council's service area.

The following Scouters were awarded the Scouter of the Month for outstanding service to the District:

Jeff Tyler of Troop 395 (August)

John Dickerson of Troop 247 (September)

Congratulations and thank you for all you do for the Scouts of your units, your North Star District, and your Council!!

Upcoming Training

Monthly Training Opportunities at each month's Roundtable include Youth Protection, New Leader Essentials and Merit Badge Counselor Training. Don't forget the Youth Protection and Fast Start training that can be done on-line. **Cub Scout Leader Training is scheduled as follows:**

- Cub Leader Pow Wow; HOAC – wide training. Choose your own courses. Truman High School, Independence.
- Jan. 22, Complete Training - Youth Protection, Fast Start, New Leader Essentials and Leader Specific Training. 8:00 a.m., Park Hill Christian Church, 6601 NW 72nd. Contact **Fred Hack** at 452-3036 for more information.

Fall Camporee

This year's Fall Camporee was held at the Kelsey Short Youth Camp at Smithville

Lake on October 15th, 16th, and 17th and was a huge success. Webelos and Boy Scouts had a variety of events this year. Thanks to Jeff Goertz for heading up this important event.

Scouting for Food

You will be finding out soon how your unit can help the year-round project called Scouting for Food. Units will be encouraged to gather food, other items as well as monetary donations from the public throughout the year for local pantries, which serve the needy throughout the year.

Remember, people who need help are hungry all year.

Please contact **John Burwell** at 891-6499 for more information or to help with this year's campaign at the District level.

District Awards

It was recently announced that there would be some additional awards that will recognize outstanding units and individuals in the Internationally Famous North Star District this coming year. Awards for the Outstanding Pack, Outstanding Troop and the Outstanding Crew of the Year will be presented at the District Dinner in January 2005. Also, the H. Virgil Bower Scoutmaster Award will be expanded and called the H. Virgil Bower Unit Leader Award. These

are in addition to the District Award of Merit individual awards.

Nomination Forms for all of the Awards will be available soon and will be due to the Council Service Center by December 1, 2004, for the presentations at the District Dinner, which is slated for January 29.

Friends of Scouting

Your units will be contacted soon to schedule your Friends of Scouting (FOS) presentations in the near future. Let's welcome Dr. Robert Morrison as head of the Family FOS campaign and please help to make this coming FOS season a success. One of the goals is to have all unit presentations scheduled by December 31st. The dollars you contribute help deliver the program to as many Scouts as possible.

Cub Scout Day Camp

Plans are being made now for the "Diamonds in the Rough" Cub Scout Day Camp in June. New Tigers (going into 1st Grade), Wolves (2nd), Bears (3rd) and Webelos (4th & 5th) are all welcome to participate in field sports (BB gun shooting, archery and more), scouting skills (such as cooking, compass work and more), crafts and games. This will include a celebra-

tion of the 75th Anniversary of Cub Scouting and will give the Cubs an opportunity to earn advancement and some special awards while they are having FUN!

Your Day Camp Director is Jeff Tyler (816-505-2015; jstyler@kc.rr.com); Program Director is Jill Cook (816-468-9232; jillc@kc.rr.com) and your Staff Advisor is District Executive **Jon Geiger** (816-569-4932; jgeiger@bsaemail.org). Please contact any of them if you have questions or if you would like to serve on staff.

Membership and Recruiting

We should be wrapping up a great fall recruiting season – but there is always room for more new Scouts to enjoy the program. The great Unit Leaders and superb Commissioner Staff in the Internationally Famous North Star District are meeting the challenges of having the largest goals for new Cubs, Boys Scouts and Venturers in the Heart of America Council. Let's 'do our best' to meet our goals and make the program available to as many boys as possible.

If you have any questions, please contact your unit commissioner, your professional staff or Membership Chair, **Brian Blake** (evenings at 746-6797).

North Star Events

November

- 4 District Roundtable, 7:30 p.m., Hillside Christian Church, 900 NE Vivion Youth Protection / Merit Badge Counselor / New Leader, Essentials Training. OA Chapter Meeting
- 6 Cub Leader POW WOW
- 9 District Committee Meeting, 7:30 p.m., North Cross United Methodist, Church, 1321 NE Vivion
- 11 Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7:30 p.m., St. Luke Presbyterian Church, 4301 NE Vivion
- 13 District Den Chief Training, 8:30 a.m., Park Hill Christian Church, 6601 NW 72nd St.
- 20 Merit Badge College

December

- 2 District Roundtable, 7:30 p.m., Hillside Christian Church, 900 NE Vivion Youth Protection / Merit Badge Counselor / New Leader, Essentials Training. OA Chapter Meeting
- 9 Re-Charter Kick-off/Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7:30 p.m., St. Luke Presbyterian Church, 4301 NE Vivion
- 14 District Committee Meeting, 7:30 p.m., North Cross United Methodist Church, 1321 NE Vivion

2004 North Star District Committee

District Chairman	Tom Lenz	816-426-2408
District Commissioner	Russ Downing	816-587-2025
Activities	John Burwell	816-891-6499
Advancement	John McBurney	816-781-6923
Camping	Hale Lentz	816-628-6961
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District Executive	Jonathan Geiger	816-569-4932
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Kaw District

 **2003 Quality District**

Personnel News

The Kaw district would like to thank Marvin Clay for his years of service to Scouting and wish him and his family well as he moves on to other opportunities outside of Scouting.

If you need help and were working with Marvin please contact Charles or Dusty and they would be happy to assist you. 816-942-9333

Attention Cubmasters!

If you have not turned in or paid for the new boys who have signed up, they are not Cub Scouts. Please

process the new Boys when they sign up. They came to you to join Cub Scouts and until you turn in the applications and money they are not Scouts.

Commissioner

The Kaw District held a Commissioner recruitment event and enrolled 10 new Commissioners. We will be training and assigning them their units soon. If you missed the commissioner event and are interested in learning about the fast growing committee in Kaw District Please contact **Susan Rodgers** 913-682-1000 or **Dusty Boatright** 816-569-4967 and

they will be happy to talk to you about our Commissioners and the great work they do for Scouting.

2005 Friends of Scouting Presentations 100% Participation



100 % unit participation is the goal for the Kaw District Family Friends of Scouting campaign. This would be the first time that a district had 100% participation in the Family FOS in the council history. The presentation is fun and fast and it gives our families of scouts an opportunity to help support Scouting in a special way.

Please reserve about 10 minutes at your Blue and Gold or Court of Honor to watch the presentation. After you have seen it you will be glad you did. Finally, I think we can raise more money and have more units participated than any other district, what do you think? Can we do it? **YES we can.** Call Rick Lockwood 913-6842980 or **Dusty Boatright** 816-569-4967 to reserve your spot.

District Dinner

Reserve this Date Satur-

day, January 22nd for the Kaw District Dinner. We are going to recognize the outstanding accomplishments of our districts adult leaders and have some fun along the way. Look in your unit mailboxes at Round Table for your Dinner flyer. We have Great things planed any we want you to be a part of it. Contact **Sharon Thebo** 913-287-2278 for more info.

Webelos Lock-IN

November 20th, 2004 at the Turner Recreation Center 813 S 55th St. Kansas City, KS. The Webelos will work on Citizen, Showman, Readyman, Scientist and may other activity pins as well as movies, food and games. There is limited space, so sign up early to secure your spot. For more info please contact **Ray Thebo** at 913-287-2278.

Kaw Events

November

- 4 Roundtable/OA Chapter Meeting 7:00 p.m. Clark Middle School, 302 N. Bluegrass, Bonner Springs, KS
- 16 District Committee/Commissioner Meeting 7:00 p.m. BPU Human Resources, 300 N. 65th St., Kansas City, KS
- 19-20 Popcorn Distribution Harte Hanks Warehouse in Shawnee KS

December

- 2 Roundtable/OA Chapter Meeting 7:00 p.m. Clark Middle School, 302 N. Bluegrass, Bonner Springs, KS
- 9 District Committee/Commissioner Meeting 7:00 p.m. BPU Human Resources, 300 N. 65th St., Kansas City, KS

January

- 6 Roundtable/OA Chapter Meeting 7:00 p.m. Clark Middle School, 302 N. Bluegrass, Bonner Springs, KS
- 13 District Committee/Commissioner Meeting 7:00 p.m. BPU Human Resources, 300 N. 65th St., Kansas City, KS
- 22 Annual Recognition Dinner

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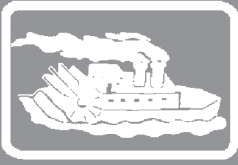
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District Commissioner	Susan Rodgers	913-351-1470
Cub Scout Round Table	Sharon Thebo	913-287-2278
Boy Scout Round Table	Shawn Mullen	913 651-4550
District Training Chair	Greg Carpenter	816-769-7975
Boy Scout Training Chair	Rick Lockwood	913-785-3555
Youth Protection Training	Nancy Henre	913-369-3736
Membership Chair	Dan Hammond	913-651-4885
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Camping Chair	Mike Henre	913-369.3736
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District Director	Charles Vonderheid	816-569-4949
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Sr. District Executive	Dusty Boatright	816-569-4967
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Big Muddy District

Unique Eagle Project!

Marcus Helm of troop 318 in Lexington recently completed a unique Eagle Scout service project that will truly help those less fortunate for years to come. Marcus constructed and donated 10 "activity boards" to Rodgers Health Adult Day Care Center in Kansas City. The activity boards that Marcus constructed will help stroke survivors and patients with Alzheimer Disease improve their motor skills. Similar activity boards would have cost the Rogers center \$125.00 each but the construction of 10 boards under the leadership of Marcus only cost \$51.02. Markus worked over 30 hours to complete his project.

Big Muddy District Annual Business Meeting

This year's annual business meeting / elections will be held in place of the regular scheduled November district committee meeting on November 4, 2004. Nomina-

tions will be accepted from September 9th thru October 7th 2004. Nominations must be submitted in writing to Thomas Hodson, Big Muddy District Nominating Chair. Nominations may be hand delivered or mailed to Tom Hodson, P.O. box 375 Wellington, MO 64097. Tom can be reached Monday thru Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at 816-240-8472. Attention COR'S!!! Don't forget that you have a vote on of the district committee, make sure to attend the election on November 4th!

Big Muddy Fall "Pioneer" Camporee '04

Troop 611 of the Lexington Moose Lodge has prepared an exciting fall camporee for the district this year! The camporee will be held on October 8, 9, &10 at Odessa Hills Campground located about one mile north of Odessa on route 131 (same location as last years Cub Scout Day Camp). Camping will be available on Friday and Saturday night both, the program will conclude on Saturday. The

camporee will have a theme of pioneers traveling west. Among the events scheduled, there will be a "land rush wagon race," black powder gun shooting, and a host of other pioneer activities. Fees for the camporee are tentatively set at \$2 per night to pay for use of the facilities. Webelos are welcome and encouraged to attend and participate in the fun. There will be activities that your troop will have to prepare for so if you missed the September roundtable make sure to attend in October for more information or contact **Donita Cochran** at 660-259-2492 or **Bob Brooks** at 660-259-6278.

Big Muddy Events

November

- 2 District Roundtable; First United Methodist Church, Lexington 7:30 p.m.
- 4 District Committee Meeting; Sprint Warehouse, Richmond 7:30 p.m.
- 10 District Commissioner's Meeting; Martens' Home, Richmond 7:30 p.m.

December

- 2 District Committee Meeting
- 7 Roundtable
- 14 District Commissioner's Meeting

Fall Recruitment

Don't forget that all new boy applications are due at this month's roundtable in order to receive you free Kansas City Chiefs t-shirts!

Make sure not to miss out on this program; get them in as soon as possible. If you have questions about the registration issues or the t-shirt program, contact **Grant Dealy** at 816-569-4956

Big Muddy 2004 District Committee

District Chair	Victor Geiger	660-259-4708
District Vice Chair	Louis Mautino	660-259-2736
District Commissioner	Larry Maxwell	816-776-6003
Training	Mary Martens	816-470-1939
Boy Scout Training	Bob Brooks	660-259-6278
Membership	Mac Rogers	816-470-3030
Nominations	Tom Hodson	816-470-8453
Relationships	Keith Dorsch	816-217-7951
Activities	Kyle Kolkmeier	816-838-2466
Webelos Transition	Donita Cochran	660-259-2492
Friends of Scouting	Jim Wunningham	660-259-4725
Camping	Ed Gooseman	816-682-2008
Advancement	John Dickson	816-470-2337
District Executive	Grant Dealy	816-569-4956

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Thunderbird District



2003 Quality District

Training

Many new leaders have been trained this fall so that units can have successful programs. Thank you to all of the leaders who had taken time out of their day so that they could learn how to have a quality program for the youth in their unit.

Training dates and locations for the spring are currently being set up. Be sure to look for registration forms at roundtable as well as on the council website for the upcoming trainings at www.hoac-bsa.org.

If you have questions, contact David Riker at the council service center at 816-569-4974.

Internet Rechartering

The days of having that ten-page print out in triplicate form and lining things out and scribbling all over the papers are gone. There will be training on Internet rechartering at the December roundtable. It would be a very good idea if your committee chairman or whoever is taking care of your rechartering this year were at this training.

Fall Recruitment

Just because it is November does not mean that there aren't boys out there waiting to be asked to join scouting. It is never too late or too early to recruit scouts for your unit. The Thunderbird District is

striving for Quality District recognition in 2004 and will need as much help as it can receive from the units in the district. If we all pull together and recruit as many cub scouts, boy scouts, and ventures as well as identify targets for new units to start, the better the chance of us making Quality District becomes. Another thing that happens is that units will hold onto applications until rechartering time. **DO NOT DO THIS!!** This leaves boys as well as adult leaders unregistered and causes more work for everyone. Get those applications in as soon as possible. Your district executives will be calling to see if your unit has any applications to turn in. They will gladly meet you somewhere if need be to help get those applications into the scout service center.

Fall Camporee

This year's fall camporee was held out at Richards Gebaur Memorial Airport. The weekend was full of fun things to do and to look at. Congratulations to Scott Dulle (camporee chairman) and his camporee committee for putting together a great camporee. Thank you to all that came out and helped to make this camporee a success. If you are interested in being on the committee for the camporee in 2005 contact David Riker at 816-569-4974. Meetings will start soon.

Thunderbird Klondike Derby

The Klondike Derby will once again be held at Longview Lake Group Organized campground. Jim Salisbury is the chairman again and will make sure that there is fun and adventure for everyone. Look for registration packets at roundtable as well as on the website. Contact David Riker for more information at 816-569-4974.

Friends of Scouting

It is time to start thinking about setting your date for your Friends of Scouting Presentation. There already has been a unit or two have their presentation and are well on their way to achieving their free rank. The sooner you can have your presentation and reach your goals, the longer your unit will have the opportunity to receive free rank. The basic level will be going up from \$65 to \$70 and the family level will be going up from \$130 to \$140. As we all know, the price of scouting raises every so often and now is one of those times. Leo Berroteran will be the family chairman again for this year. Make sure to visit with him at roundtable or contact your district executive if you have questions. Let's send Leo out with a bang this year as he completes his last year as Family FOS Chairman.

Thunderbird Annual District Recognition Dinner

The Thunderbird District Dinner will be held on January 22, 2005 at the Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Lee's Summit, MO. Make sure to nominate someone whom you

feel is deserving of being recognized within the district. Nomination forms will be available at Roundtable as well as on the council website at www.hoac-bsa.org under the Thunderbird Activities page. All nominations should be sent to the council office by the December roundtable at:

Heart of America Council
Thunderbird District Awards Committee
10210 Holmes Rd
Kansas City, MO 64131
Make sure to come and enjoy the fellowship as we recognize our outstanding volunteers in the Thunderbird District. Contact David Riker at 816-569-4974 for more information.



Thunderbird Events

November

- 2 District Roundtable 7:30 pm Hickman Mills High School 9010 Old Santa Fe Rd. Kansas City, MO.
- 2 Youth Protection Training- 7pm, Merit Badge Counselor Orientation & O.A. Chpt. 5 Mtg. 7:30pm.
- 9 District Commissioner Meeting. Council Service Center - 7pm
- 11 District Committee Meeting. Council Service Center - 7pm.

December

- 7 District Roundtable 7:30 pm Hickman Mills High School 9010 Old Santa Fe Rd. Kansas City, MO.
- 7 Youth Protection Training- 7pm, Merit Badge Counselor Orientation & O.A. Chpt. 5 Mtg. 7:30pm.
- 7 Internet Recharter Training 7 pm.
- 9 District Committee Meeting. Council Service Center - 7pm.
- 14 District Commissioner Meeting. Council Service Center - 7pm

January

- 4 District Roundtable 7:30 pm Hickman Mills High School 9010 Old Santa Fe Rd. Kansas City, MO.
- 9 Youth Protection Training- 7pm, Merit Badge Counselor Orientation & O.A. Chpt. 5 Mtg. 7:30pm.
- 11 District Commissioner Meeting. Council Service Center - 7pm
- 13 District Commissioner Meeting. Council Service Center - 7pm
- 15 Klondike Derby- Longview Lake Group Organized Campground
- 22 Thunderbird District Dinner- 6pm Aldersgate United Methodist Church, Lee's Summit, MO

2004 Thunderbird District Committee Chairs

Chairman	David Frantze	816-691-3181
Commissioner	Roger Mantony	816-537-4761
Vice-Chairman Program	Myrna Frost	816-936-5268
Vice-Chairman Support	Lester Ham	816-777-5006
Activities	Barbara Lalk	816-356-6963
Advancement	Mark Grant	816-358-0612
Camping	Larry Overfield	816-358-1022
Membership	Cindy Cone	816-318-0325
Special Needs	Barbara Shaffer	816-763-3226
Training	Kelsie Clark	816-430-5654
Relationships	Cindy Cone	816-318-0325
District Director	Roger Hoyt	rbhoyt@bsamail.org 816-569-4946
Sr. District Executive	David Riker	driker@bsamail.org 816-569-4974



2003 Quality District

2005 Friends of Scouting Campaign



Please help continue to make scouting affordable and available to everyone. It is time to make sure that your unit is signed up for a Friends of Scouting presentation. If you have not already signed up your unit for this year, now is the time. Friends of Scouting presentations only take 5 minutes and should be scheduled for either your Troop Court of Honor or Pack Blue and Gold. You can either sign up at Roundtable or contact **Rob Gilkerson** at 816-569-4978, rgilkers@bsamail.org.

2004 District Awards Recognition Dinner

Get ready to attend the 2004 Trailhead District Awards Dinner on Saturday, January 29, 2005 at Christ Episcopal Church (91st & Nall). Make sure you have marked your calendars. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend this very important salute to our District's out-

standing volunteers and programs.

This is also your reminder to submit all of the District Adult Outstanding Award Nominations and District Award of Merit Nominations by December 2nd. Do not assume that some one is already nominated; some of the best leaders never get nominated. Forms can be found on the Trailhead District Website at www.hoac-bsa.org/Trailhead.cfm.

Recharter

In order to help prepare for recharter and to clean up the fall recruitment process we are asking that every Pack, Troop, and Crew submit a unit roster for checks. In order to make sure that everyone is properly registered the Membership Committee is asking that all units submit their roster to the Council Service Center. This is an important process that we do every fall. Thank you for your cooperation. You may use any of the following methods:

Fax: 816-942-8086

**Email: rgilkers@bsamail.org
Mail: Attn: Rob Gilkerson, 10210 Holmes Rd., Kansas City, MO 64131**

Or just stop by and drop off at the Service Center or Roundtable.

One-Plus Club

Several units that have already achieved their goal, in order to join the One-Plus Club. Remember to achieve the honor a unit must end the year with one more youth registered than ended last year. Units that achieve this goal will be recognized and receive the award at the District Awards Recognition Dinner in January. Don't be discouraged there is still plenty of time to achieve your goal. Congratulations to the following One-Plus Club Members: **3333, 3383, 3472, 10, 251, 257, 284, 396, 449, 483, 1117, 2387, 2500.**

Cub Scout Roundtable

All Cub Scout leaders are invited to attend the monthly Roundtable Meetings at The United Methodist Church of the Resurrection, 137th & Roe, Leawood, KS. The Roundtable takes place the first Thursday of every month. Every month we give you great ideas and cover topics that will get you ready for the next month's meetings. We are sure you will learn a few things while having a great time.

Boy Scout Roundtable

All Boy Scout Leaders are invited to attend the monthly Roundtable Meetings at The United Methodist Church of the Resurrection, 137th & Roe, Leawood, KS on Thursday November 4th and Thursday December 2nd. November's Program Feature is "Cooking -

Dutch Oven Style" and the Training Feature is "The Role of Adult Leaders in a Troop". December's Program Feature will be "Wilderness Survival - Survival Campout" and the Training Feature will be "How

to Conduct Junior Leader Training". Come one, come all to see what Larry, Bart and Dan have in store for you. We are sure you will learn a few things while having a great time.

Trailhead Events

November

- 4 Roundtable; 7:00 p.m. @ Church of the Resurrection (137th & Roe)
- 4 Eagle Scout Project Review, Order of the Arrow Chapter, Merit Badge Counselor Training; 7:00 p.m. @ Church of the Resurrection (137th & Roe)
- 4 New Leader Essentials; 6:30 p.m. @ Church of the Resurrection (137th & Roe)
- 11 District Committee Meeting; 6:30 @ Valley View United Methodist
- 11 Commissioner Meeting; 7:30 p.m. @ Valley View United Methodist
- 13 Cub Scout Job Specific Training, 8:30 a.m.
- 17 Council Annual Recognition Dinner
- 18 Eagle Board of Review; 7:00 p.m. @ Latter-Day Saints Church (13025 Wornall)
- 19-20 Popcorn Distribution
- 25-26 Service Center Closed

December

- 2 Roundtable; 7:00 p.m. @ Church of the Resurrection (137th & Roe)
- 2 Eagle Scout Project Review, Order of the Arrow Chapter, Merit Badge Counselor Training; 7:00 p.m. @ Church of the Resurrection (137th & Roe)
- 2 Blue and Gold Workshop; 7:00 p.m. @ Church of the Resurrection (137th & Roe)
- 9 District Committee Meeting; 6:30 @ Valley View United Methodist
- 9 Commissioner Meeting; 7:30 p.m. @ Valley View United Methodist
- 16 Eagle Board of Review; 7:00 p.m. @ Latter-Day Saints Church (13025 Wornall)
- 24-27 Service Center Closed

January

- 3 Service Center Closed
- 6 Roundtable / 6th Recharter Training; 7:00 p.m. @ Church of the Resurrection (137th & Roe)
- 6 Eagle Scout Project Review, Order of the Arrow Chapter, Merit Badge Counselor Training; 7:00 p.m. @ Church of the Resurrection (137th & Roe)
- 6 New Leader Essentials; 6:30 p.m. @ Church of the Resurrection (137th & Roe)
- 8 Order of the Arrow Winter Banquet
- 13 District Committee Meeting; 6:30 @ Valley View United Methodist
- 13 Commissioner Meeting; 7:30 p.m. @ Valley View United Methodist
- 17 Service Center Closed
- 20 Eagle Board of Review; 7:00 p.m. @ Latter-Day Saints Church (13025 Wornall)
- 29 Trailhead District Awards Dinner; 6:30 p.m. @ Christ Episcopal Church (91st & Nall)

2004 Trailhead District Committee Chairs

District Chair	Gus Meyer(913) 642-3209
District Commissioner	Marc Elkins(913) 897-2857
Activities Chair	Dean Carlson(913) 681-2852
Membership Chair	Randy Monson(913) 491-1390
Advancement Chair	Herb Strain(816) 941-8614
Camping Chair	Russ Lindsay(913) 649-2956
Training Chair	Pat Harvey(913) 642-4671
Eagle Chair	John Heather(913) 558-2023
Boy Scout Roundtable	Gene Bellner(913) 894-2288
Order of the Arrow Advisor	Paul Whatley(913) 383-8368
Cub Scout Roundtable	Lynn Haffner(913) 649-3257
Day Camp Director	Vacant
Day Camp Program Director	Carol Morris(913) 642-8038
District Executive	Rob Gilkerson(816) 569-4978
	rgilkers@bsamail.org
Council Website	www.HOAC-BSA.org
Trailhead Website	www.HOAC-BSA.org/Trailhead.cfm



Twin Rivers District

School Night Success

Our recruitment efforts have gone very well this fall! All our packs have been very successful in bringing more boys into the Scouting program. Thanks goes to each and every leader who has helped promote recruitment and spent the time to put together such an awesome program for boys to be a part of in each of your units. Without your dedication and hard work we your units would not have been nearly as successful.

We are still working hard as the year winds down to meet our growth goals for 2004 and are very close to success. We have had many new Boy Scouts and Venturers join programs in Twin Rivers. We are not going to stop though. We want to make sure every boy and girl who wants a good program has the opportunity to join Scouting. Any help or suggestions you have are appreciated.

As we move ahead in the year, we need to keep up this enthusiasm to keep these new Scouts in our great programs. If you need any help or would

like to do a follow-up School Night, please do not hesitate to contact Wendy Richardson, Membership Chair, at 913.294.6660 or Cortland Bolles at 800.776.1110 x4918 or 816.569.4918.

Popcorn!

Right now, boys from 16 Pack and Troops are out there knocking on doors and asking their teachers to buy popcorn. Maybe they gave their parents some order forms to bring to work to have them sell popcorn to their co-workers! However you do it, we know popcorn is being sold by the case. Keep up the hard work in the last weeks before popcorn distribution to get those last sales you need to help pay for camp or buy that sleeping bag or raise money for the new troop trailer. If you have any questions about popcorn, please contact Twyla Beinhorn, Popcorn Chair, at 785.242.1264 or **Cortland Bolles** at 800.776.1110 x118, 816.569.4918 or cbolles@bsamail.org.

Internet Rechartering Starts Now for Twin Rivers

If you have not already received your units recharter

packet, BEWARE! It's Coming! And you will have the ability to complete your recharter online this year! Information about this smooth, easy process will be available an hour before the November Roundtable! Please do not miss this meeting. We are also planning a time for you to do the online rechartering process with several other unit leaders in the Ottawa area in December or early January. More details will follow. Remember, this is one of the most important processes your unit will engage in each year and understanding this new system is very important. All information in the rechartering process will be due back into the Council Office no later than January 10, 2005! If you have any questions about this vital unit responsibility, please do not hesitate to contact your Unit Commissioner or Cortland Bolles, District Executive.

Friends of Scouting

Thanks again to each and every one of you for your support of the Scouting program. As we gear up for Blue & Golds and Courts of Honors, please keep in mind that we will be looking to build on the success of our 2004 Friends of Scouting campaign. We will begin scheduling Friends of Scouting presentations in our units as early as this month. Please take the time to discuss this with your unit committee

and schedule a time as soon as possible. Dana Crawford has agreed to serve as our 2005 Friend of Scouting Chairman after two very successful years of growth and Tom Randall has stepped up to take over for Shellie Crosson as our Family Chairman. Thanks for your support and please contact Dana Crawford, Tom Randall or Cortland Bolles at 800.776.1110 x4918 to express your interest in helping this year.

District Award of Merit

All district award nominations are being accepted. Forms are available at the Council Service Center, at Roundtables and on the website. This is a great opportunity to recognize those "unnoticed" volunteers for their hard work and effort throughout the year! Please contact Cortland Bolles at 800.776.1110 x4918 with any questions.

A Due Congratulations

On November 17, 2004, the Heart of America Council will hold its Annual Business Meeting and Recognition Dinner at the Kansas City Marriott Downtown, Kansas City, Missouri. We are very excited in Twin Rivers that Arlin Prothe, longtime volunteer with Troop 105 and several district positions, will be one of 24 recipients of the Silver Beaver. The Silver Beaver Award is the highest award that is given on the council level for volunteer service. Established in 1931, the Silver Beaver Award is presented for distinguished service to young people within a BSA local council. More than 50,000 recognitions have been conferred to date. Once again, please join me in congratulating Arlin as she is recognized for her continued and enthusiastic dedication to the Scouting program!

Twin Rivers Events

November

- 4 District Commissioner's Meeting, Paola United Methodist Church; 6:30 PM
- 4 Recharter Training/Packet Pick-up, Paola United Methodist Church; 6:30 PM
- 4 Roundtable, Paola United Methodist Church; 7:30 PM
- 4 OA Chapter 4 Meeting, Paola United Methodist Church; 7:30 PM
- 11 District Committee Meeting, Beethoven's, Paola; 6:30 PM

December

- 2 District Commissioner's Meeting, Paola United Methodist Church; 6:30 PM
- 2 Roundtable, Paola United Methodist Church; 7:30 PM
- 2 OA Chapter 4 Meeting, Paola United Methodist Church; 7:30 PM
- 9 District Committee Meeting, Beethoven's, Paola; 6:30 PM

January

- 6 District Commissioner's Meeting, Paola United Methodist Church; 6:30 PM
- 6 Roundtable, Paola United Methodist Church; 7:30 PM
- 6 OA Chapter 4 Meeting, Paola United Methodist Church; 7:30 PM
- 13 District Committee Meeting, Beethoven's, Paola; 6:30 PM
- 14-16 Klondike Derby, 110 Mile Mark, Pomona Lake

Twin Rivers 2004 District Committee Roster

District Chairman:	Mike Prothe	913.294.2111
District Commissioner:	John Berton	785.242.8294
Activities Chair:	Buddy Burris	785.867.3005
Advancement Chair:	Curtis Gibson	913.898.4955
Camping Chair:	Richard Grant	913.755.3941
Endowment Chair:	Ken Weide	785.448.5560
Finance/Friends of Scouting Chair:	Dana Crawford	913.757.4451
Friends of Scouting Family Chair:	Tom Randall	913.294.9809
Membership Chair:	Wendy Richardson	913.294.6660
Roundtable Commissioner (Boy Scouts):	Dave Miller	913.849.3574
Roundtable Commissioners (Cub Scouts):	Kathy Kierl	913.557.5869
	Pam Thompson	913.294.2344
	Pam Thompson	913.294.2344
Special Needs Coordinator:	Lawrence Dickinson	913.256.6809
Training Co-Chairs:	Pam Thompson	913.294.2344
	Jim Burns	785.255.4388
Website Chair:	Cortland Bolles	800.776.1110 x4918
District Executive:		cbolles@bsamail.org

HOAC and Twin Rivers District Information: www.hoac-bsa.org



Rechartering

Once again re-chartering time is here! The Heart of America Council is happy to announce that re-chartering is now simplified with the help of the Internet! This new method of rechartering will make the whole process much easier and will also ensure that your charter will be correct because you will be completing the charter renewal information. We will be having a detailed training on this new procedure at the November Roundtable. It is very important you designate a Renewal Processor from your unit and that this person is in attendance at this training session. For more information on this re-chartering process, check out the rechartering tutorial at www.hoac-bsa.org. Any questions can be directed to Phillip Brockland at 800-776-1110

School Night to Join Scouting

We have had a great recruiting effort so far this year. Fall is soon becoming winter and the end of the year is right around the corner. There are still a great number of boys out there that still deserve a Scouting experience but are not yet signed up. Thanks to all who have helped to bring so many new Scouts to the program. For

those units who have not had the desired results, it is time for phase II. Other, than School Nights, how can we recruit new boys? How about hosting a special event and inviting all of the youth in your community to attend. Have we contacted our local media and asked them to help? Have we contacted our churches and community centers? There are many ways to reach the youth of our communities. If you need any help or would like to share ideas, contact Phillip Brockland @ 1- 800-775-1110. Remember, every boy deserves the chance to have Scouting in his life.

2005 Friends of Scouting

It is time to sign up your unit for a Friends of Scouting Presentation. We ask that you sign up for a presentation during your Blue and Gold Banquet and Troop Court of Honor which will be right around the corner. Remember, free rank advancement to all units that reach their unit FOS goals. The Friends of Scouting Campaign is a vital part of our program. The money raised goes towards the training of our leaders, the camps that we enjoy and provides assistance to those Scouts that may need help with registration and camp

fees. If you would like to help with the 2005 campaign please contact Phil Brockland @ 1-800-776-1110.

Popcorn

The 2004 Popcorn sale started Saturday, September 18th! There are a great number of Troops and Packs out selling popcorn to earn money for their unit's activities. Final orders are due to the Council office on Monday, November 8th. The final distribution will be on Friday, November 19th. If you have any questions about the popcorn sale contact Dennis Mason @ 1-816-732-4313. A special thanks to everyone who has made this year's sale successful!

Fall Camporee

This years Fall Camporee was a hit! The Camporee was held at the Clinton Conservation area on October 23rd and 24th. Troop 430 did a marvelous job hosting the Cam-

poree and had planed plenty of activity and program for everyone to enjoy at this event. Everyone who attended had a great time and acquired memories that are sure to last a long time. Thanks to all of the units that participated in this years program. A special thanks to troop 430 and Jerry Post for organizing the event.

District Awards

Nominations for the Award of Merit and the Silver Bear are being accepted. This is an opportunity to recognize the outstanding leaders of the Lone Bear District. These awards will be presented at the Lone Bear District Dinner Planned for January 6th 2005 at the Clinton Rotary Building. The food for this event is sure to be great with Alewels of Warrensburg providing the catering. This is an event the leaders and Eagle Scouts of Lone Bear will not want to miss. Every Leader in the Dis-

trict is invited and encouraged to attend. For nomination forms and more information contact Phil Brockland @ 1-880-776-1110.

Training

Trained leaders are the key to any good Scouting program. As we continue with the fall round up it is time to think about getting all of our new leaders to training. The training courses are designed to give our units leadership a good understanding of the Scouting program and how to deliver the best program to the youth of their Pack or Troop. Steve Higgins and his training team have been hard at work providing training opportunities for the Lone Bear leadership. There are still more opportunities to be a part this years training and to become a Trained Leader For more information come to the November Roundtable. And remember, every boy deserves a trained leader!

Lone Bear 2004 District Committee

District Chairman	JC Smith	660-885-2741
District Commissioner	Randy White	660-909-8558
District Executive	Phillip Brockland	800-776-1110
Membership Chair	Erica Collins	660-864-6031
Training Chairman	Steve Higgins	660-429-6911
Advancement Chairman	Mike Morales	660-885-3702
Camping Chairman	John Gaston	816-297-2216
Activities Chairman	Jerry Post	660-747-0600
OA Chapter Advisor	Mike Foster	660-747-2581
Scouts with Disabilities	Bob Straw	660-885-6336

Lone Bear Events

November

2 Roundtable Clinton Scout Center 7:00PM

5-6 Training: Outdoor Leader Skills, Fri 7:30PM to Sat 2:30PM, Bartle Scout Reservation / Pioneer Trails Area

9 Commissioner Meeting 6:30PM Location TBA

16 District Committee Meeting 6:30PM Clinton Scout Center

December

7 Roundtable Clinton Scout Center 7:00 PM

14 Commissioner Meeting 6:30 PM Location TBA

21 District Committee Meeting 6:30 PM Clinton Scout Center

STRATEGIC AIR & SPACE MUSEUM

EARN YOUR MERIT BADGE OVERNIGHT

The Strategic Air & Space Museum is proud to offer this fun and exciting program where Boy Scouts can earn a merit badge literally overnight! With two types of programs, kids have the opportunity to earn an aviation merit badge as well as a space exploration merit badge, depending on which overnight they choose to attend. These programs fill up fast, so plan ahead and reserve your spot today! As an added bonus, the first group to register for any given date will get to sleep in an airplane!

The following dates are available in 2004-2005:

BOY SCOUTS AVIATION	BOY SCOUTS SPACE EXPLORATION	CUB SCOUTS AVIATION	For more information please contact Aimee at 402.827.3100 or download a registration form at our website
November 12	October 22	October 29	
December 10	December 3	November 19	
January 21	January 28	January 14	
February 18	March 4	February 4	
April 8	March 15	February 25	
May 13		March 18	



Red-Tailed Hawk District Honors

During the past couple of months several folks received high honors due to their steadfast dedication to Scouting. At the Order of Arrow Fall Fellowship 4 individuals from our district were called for Vigil. From troop 201 - Colin Smalley, troop 85 - Jason Joyce and Richie Weerts, and unit commissioner Stan Lloyd. Also at the Fall Fellowship Steven Bender from troop 201 was elected the new Chapter Chief.

On November 17th at the Heart of America Council annual business meeting and recognition dinner Jeff Wandtke will be awarded the Silver Beaver. This award is the highest recognition a council can bestow any volun-

teer.

Congratulations to all of these fine scouts and scouters!

2005 Friends of Scouting Campaign



We do not become who we are by chance. Outside influences and life experiences contribute to the values and beliefs we carry with us throughout our lives. In society today, there are so many opportunities for youth to make the wrong choices or follow a leader who will lead them astray. While Scouting can't remove obstacles in life, it teaches young people to face challenges, manage risk and overcome barriers - to grow

up strong, resilient and wise. Today's youth need Scouting and Scouting needs you. Support what counts...Character.

SCHEDULE YOUR 2005 FOS UNIT PRESENTATION NOW! We'd like to present at your Court of Honor or Blue and Gold Banquet. Our presentations are brief and should not delay your agenda more than 7 or 8 minutes. By presenting at these typically well-attended events, we give most unit families a chance to contribute, including those who don't typically give of their time and talents.

Why the FOS campaign is necessary? It keeps Scouting an affordable, effective youth development program. It funds the council's infrastructure, or general operating portion of the budget, and provides a support system for the more than 15,000 volunteers and 725 community organizations that partner with the Heart of America Council.

How your financial support is used? Maintaining and refining current programs while continuing to expand Scouting's reach to the one in four youth in the HOAC area who are not involved in Scouting. Outreach efforts for urban and special needs youth. Delivering camping to our Scouts while maintaining and improving Bartle and Naish. Adult leader training - "Every youth deserves a trained leader." Accident and liability insurance is provided for all Scouts and leaders at no cost to protect them from liability and accidents incurred while on Scouting activities.

Again this year is the opportunity for units to earn free rank advancement from the Scout Shop if they meet

their goal. To schedule a unit FOS presentation please contact **Jason Ballew** at jballew@bsaemail.org or 816 569-4982.

4th Annual Red-Tailed Hawk Merit Badge Forum

The Red-Tailed Hawk District will be conducting its 4th annual Merit Badge Forum January 8, January 22 and February 5 at California Trail Junior High School in Olathe. The forum will be held in three sessions over a four-week period, with a session held each of the dates listed above. Each session will be from approximately 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM each day. The week break between sessions allows for field trips and the completion of requirements that might not otherwise be able to be done in the classroom setting. We are again offering a patch for all scouts whose units sign up by the December Roundtable, December 2. Additional patches will be available for sale after that date. In an attempt to provide some variety to the merit badges offered, the following badges will be offered for the first time: Archeology, Cinematography, Landscape Architecture, Pulp & Paper and Radio. Low interest in a merit badge offered may result in that badge not being offered. The Red-Tailed Hawk Merit Badge Forum is open to all districts in the Heart of America Council.

RTH Award and Recognition Program

October kicks off our annual Award and Recognition program to recognize our

Eagle Scouts from 2004, and to recognize deserving adult volunteers who have consistently contributed to the success of the Scouting program. The adult awards include the District Award of Merit given to those who exemplify the spirit of Scouting and have consistently worked to better the Scouting program at the district level in addition to the recognition of a number of deserving volunteers at various positions within the units. All units are encouraged to nominate those individuals who made major contributions in time and effort to assist or improve their individual unit or the district as a whole. Many deserving adult volunteers are never recognized—this is your opportunity to nominate those worthy individuals. The recognition program culminates with a banquet on February 26, 2005 for all recipients.

Stay in the Loop of Communication

Are you receiving all of the latest and greatest information regarding the Red-Tailed Hawk district and the Heart of America Council? There are many ways to keep informed and acquire current Scouting information. Please share the below communication avenues with the leaders in your unit.

- RTH Email Group: To subscribe email Dave Weerts at bsaeagle75@yahoo.com
- RTH District Website www.eagle-scout.org/RTH
- HOAC Website: www.hoac-bsa.org
- RTH Roundtable: Generally occurs the 1st Thursday of every month at College

Red-Tailed Hawk Events

November

- 2 Cub Leader Training, Session #1, 6:30 PM at Olathe Christian Church
- 4 Roundtable, 7:00 PM at College Church of the Nazarene, Family Life Center
- 9 Cub Leader Training, Session#2, 6:30 PM at Olathe Christian Church
- 11 Commissioners Meeting, 7:30 PM at MNU Library
- 16 District Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM at Advent Lutheran Church
- 18 Eagle Board of Reviews, 6:30 PM at St Thomas Apostolic Church
- 18-20 Popcorn Distribution at Seaton Van Lines in Olathe (must schedule a time)

December

- 2 Roundtable, 7:00 PM at College Church of the Nazarene, Family Life Center.
- 9 Commissioners Meeting, 7:30 PM at MNU Library
- 14 District Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM at Advent Lutheran Church.
- 16 Eagle Board of Reviews, 6:30 PM at St Thomas

January

- 6 Roundtable, 7:00 PM at College Church of the Nazarene, Family Life Center
- 13 Commissioners Meeting, 7:30 PM at MNU Library
- 15 Merit Badge Forum, Session 1, 1:00 PM at California Trail Jr. High
- 18 District Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM at Advent Lutheran Church
- 20 Eagle Board of Reviews, 6:30 PM at St Thomas Apostolic Church
- 29 Merit Badge Forum, Session 2, 1:00 PM at California Trail Jr. High

2004 Red-Tailed Hawk District Committee Chairs

District Chairman	Mike Smid913 685-8838
District Commissioner	Ray Morrison913 764-4107
District Vice-Chair	Keith Sickendick913 685-1870
District Training Chair	Jeff Wandtke913 764-8413
District Camping Chair	John Jones913 897-5567
District Activities Chair	Gene Lamb913 780-3431
District Advancement	Ernie Lunsford913 780-5162
District Membership Chair	Nancy Chapman913 829-0366
Boy Scout Roundtable	Dave Weerts913 829-1321
Cub Scout Roundtable	Susan Lux913 764-8529
Venturing Roundtable	Stan Lloyd913 541-9404
Senior District Executive	Jason Ballew816 569-4982



Friends of Scouting

It is time to start thinking about setting a date for your Friends of Scouting presentation. Please let us know what date you prefer and the appointed coordinator for your unit. It is a time to give to the program we love, the boys we mentor, and those who need financial assistance. What better gift could you give to a child than the gift of scouting? Please call **Bob Stikeleather** at (816) 796-8902 or **Joe Myers** at (816) 569-4983 with your presentation date.

Unit Rechartering Meeting

Recharter turn in will be on Thursday, December 9th beginning at 7:00 pm at Beacon Heights Community of Christ Church located at 19402 E Holke Rd. in Independence. We will be set up to receive all your rechartering materials. If you have any questions or problems contact your unit commissioner or your professional staff at the council office.

Fall Round-Up

The end of the year is coming to a close, but this does not mean we should stop recruiting! If there are still boys and young men and women who were interested in your program at one time, make absolutely certain that you follow-up with them. Statistically it takes at least four interactions with parents, if it is a phone call or inviting them to your meetings, to get them to sign up their child. It is our mission to give every youth the opportunity to join scouting. In order for us to complete this mission we must never cease in spreading the word of scouting. Thank you for all of your recruiting efforts

thus far, but always strive to grow your unit.

Popcorn Sale 2004

As the popcorn sale for this year winds down, do not forget that the sale ends November 7th, with final distribution set for November 19th and 20th. The Blue Elk team will have assigned times available for you to pick form at roundtable. For questions, please contact **Melissa Whited** at (816) 224-6657 or **Ross Pfannenstiel** at (816) 569-4964

Klondike Derby

It is only November, but it is already time to start gearing up for the Blue Elk Klondike Derby. Once again, we will be at George Owens Park in Independence. This great event will start on Friday, January 21st for those units wishing to camp and the actual Derby is on Saturday, January 22nd from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. Troops can camp Saturday night also if they wish. Klondike is open to Boy Scouts and Webelos Scouts participation as a pedro patrol or working with a Scout pedro patrol. Events include:

The cost is \$10.00 per troop for participating in the derby, \$10.00 per night to camp at the park overnight, and \$5.00 per person who participates in the event. After December 30, 2004, the camping and troop fees increase to \$15.00 each. For more info, please contact **Huge R. Simpson** at (816) 650-4241 or e-mail hugh.simpson@trans.ge.com

District Dinner 2005

The 28th Annual Blue Elk District is coming up on 29th of January 2004 at Adams

Pointe Conference Center, 1400 NE Coronado Drive, Blue Springs, MO. This year's Master of Ceremony is Joel Nickols from Channel 9. The cost is \$18.50. The district dinner committee is hard at work planning a night of friendship for all who attend. Do not forget to nominate leaders for the Silent Service, Scouter Spirit, and Award of Merit awards. Forms can be found on the council website under the Blue Elk District page. For more information, call **Scott Howell** at (816) 796-3747.

Advancement Reminders

The Advancement Committee would like to remind all Eagle candidates and Members of the troop committee to be in an official Boy Scouts of America Class A uniform when they come to the boards of review. Remember that Eagle Boards of Review take place at roundtable the 1st Thursday of each Month. The Troop Eagle Coordinator or Advancement Chairman must contact Leonard Jones at (H) 816-254-4690 (W) 816-471-5584 two weeks in advance to schedule an Eagle Board of Review. The Advancement Committee would also like to remind all Life Scouts who are planning an Eagle Project that the

project must be approved by your unit's troop committee before it is brought to the district review committee. If you have questions you can contact **Craig Jones** at (H) 816-254-5775 (W) 816-254-1013.

If you have questions regarding advancement in general, you can contact **Scott Howell**, Blue Elk District Advancement Chairman, at (H) 816-796-3747.

Blue Elk Events

November

- 4 7:30 Roundtable / Eagle Board of Review / Merit Badge Counselor Training / Order of the Arrow / Youth Protection Training — Bingham 7th Grade Center, 1716 S. Speck Rd, Independence, MO
- 11 Commissioner's Meeting - 7:30 pm, Beacon Heights Community of Christ Church, 19402 E. Holke Rd., Independence, MO
- 18 District Committee – 7:30 pm, St. Mark's Catholic Church, 3736 Lee's Summit Rd, Independence, MO

December

- 2 7:30 Roundtable / Eagle Board of Review / Order of the Arrow — Bingham 7th Grade Center, 1716 S. Speck Rd, Independence, MO
- 9 Commissioner's Meeting and Re-Charter turn in – 7:00, Beacon Heights Community of Christ Church, 19402 E. Holke Rd., Independence, MO
- 16 District Committee – 7:30, St. Mark's Catholic Church, 3736 Lee's Summit Rd, Independence, MO

January

- 6 7:30 Roundtable / Eagle Board of Review / Merit Badge Counselor Training / Order of the Arrow / Eagle Guest Chair Orientation — Bingham 7th Grade Center, 1716 S. Speck Rd, Independence, MO
- 13 Commissioner's Meeting - 7:00, Beacon Heights Community of Christ Church, 19402 E. Holke Rd., Independence, MO
- 20 District Committee – 7:30 pm, St. Mark's Catholic Church, 3736 Lee's Summit Rd, Independence, MO

Blue Elk 2004 District Committee

District Chair:	Bill Esry	H816-833-1416
District Commissioner:	Ron Karst	H816-229-6381
Vice Chair of Program:	John Thorton	H816-242-2255
Vice Chair of Operations:	Marv Sands	H816-373-1212
Vice Chair of HR:	Aaron Guest	B816-201-1038
FOS Chair:	Paul Broome	B816-941-0555
Membership:	Lowell Brenton	H816-373-7678
Advancement:	Scott Howell	H816-796-3747
Training:	Tom Newhard	H816-254-6447
Camping:	Jim Todd	H816-228-4081
Activities:	Steve Cox	H816-625-8150
Communications:	Russ Nichal	H816-564-5192
Scouts with Special Needs:	Louise Rissler	H816-228-1254
Relationships:	Carl Grabiell	H816-833-2933
NESA:	Bob Overly	H816-795-7665
District Director	Steve Roberts	B816-569-4951
		sroberts@bsamail.org
Senior District Executive:	Ross Pfannenstiel	B816-569-4964
		rpffannen@bsamail.org
District Executive:	Joe Myers	(816) 569-4983
		jmyers@bsamail.org



Northern Tier District

This Month in the Eagle Scout Spotlight

The Northern Tier District is proud to present our newest Eagles of the Northern Tier; James Baldwin and Tristan Trupka of Troop 93, Tim Johnson of Troop 98, John Webber of Troop 91, Paul Akers of troop 189, and Pedro Miller of Troop 185. Congratulations to you all from your Northern Tier District and the Heart of America Council. We Salute You!

Camporee 2004 & Cuboree 2004

Stay tuned for the January Edition of Adventures in Scouting for our 2004 Camporee and Cuboree articles and photos. It's going to be a great story to tell.

Friends of Scouting 2004/2005 Campaign

It's that time to sign your unit up for Friends of Scouting. Remember, free rank

advancement to all units upon reaching their Friends of Scouting Unit goal and Participation Goal to December 31st, 2005. For more information or questions, please contact **Lisa Hayes** at 816-569-4972 or email lhayes@bsamail.org or call Steve Brady, our 2005 Family Friends of Scouting Chairman at (913) 362-8441. We, as the Northern Tier District have the opportunity to show our support to the Scouting Program. Friends of Scouting is such a vital part of our program in its help to support our leaders in their needed training, preserving both the Naish and Bartle Reservations that we all enjoy year after year, and that needed help for camp, uniforms, or registration fees for those that may

need a little help. Let's gear up for another phenomenal year in our support of scouting through Friends of Scouting.

Popcorn

We are now beginning the process of scheduling your popcorn pick up. Our pick up site will be located at Hart Hanks Distribution Warehouse at 7801 Nieman Road. Pick up will be by appointment only on Friday, November 19 from 12:00-4:30 pm

and Saturday, November 20 from 8:00am-12:00 noon. Please call to schedule your appointment as soon as possible. If you would like to help distribute popcorn, we would love to have you. For questions and more information please contact **Lisa Hayes**, District Executive at 816-569-4972 ext. 172 or **Doug Lenhart**, District Pop Corn Chairman at (913) 383-2724. I look forward to a popping great year for popcorn.

Happy 50th Birthday to Pack 3294 at Highlands Elementary

Congratulations to John Mack, Cubmaster of Pack 3294 and all the great adult volunteers and all those wonderful Cub Scouts that make up the pack. This year they celebrated their 50th Birthday. All at the celebration had fun, friends, and fellowship. Pictures say a thousand words and show why this pack has enjoyed 50 years of scouting. Happy Birthday Pack 3294.



Northern Tier Events

November

- 4 District Roundtable 7:00 pm Village Presbyterian Church 67th & Mission
- 6 Den Chief Conference at POW WOW located at Truman High School
- 11 District Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm Community Covenant Church, 7230 Quivera Rd., & District Commissioner Meeting 7:30 pm
- 13 Super Saturday 8:00 am Located at Shawnee United Methodist Church
- 16 Troop Committee Challenge Training 6:45 PM Located at countryside, Christian Church 61st & Nall
- 18 District Eagle Board of Reviews, 6:30 pm LDS Church, 7845 Allman Rd
- 19-20 Popcorn Pick Up Located at Hart Hanks Distribution Warehouse at 7801 Nieman Road. Pick up will be by appointment only on Friday, November 19 from 12:00-4:30 pm and Saturday, November 20 from 8:00am-12:00 noon.

December

- 2 District Roundtable 7:00 pm Village Presbyterian Church 67th & Mission
- 9 District Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm Community Covenant Church, 7230 Quivera Rd., & District Commissioner Meeting 7:30 pm
- 16 District Eagle Board of Reviews, 6:30 pm LDS Church, 7845 Allman Rd

January

- 6 District Roundtable 7:00 pm Village Presbyterian Church 67th & Mission
- 13 District Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm Community Covenant Church, 7230 Quivera Rd., & District Commissioner Meeting 7:30 pm
- 20 District Eagle Board of Reviews, 6:30 pm LDS Church, 7845 Allman Rd
- 29 District Dinner Doors open at 6 pm Sylvester Powell Jr. Community Center 6200 Martway Mission, KS For questions or more information please contact Steve Springer at 913-631-4215 or visit the hoac-bsa.org website and download the registration form

GO TO THE HOAC WEBSITE hoac-bsa.org and visit the Northern Tier Page to download registration forms, event packets, and learn of important dates and information affecting your unit. It's a great place to receive information fast.

Northern Tier 2004 District Committee

HOAC WEBSITE	hoac-bsa.org
District Chairman	Bill Henderson (913)-383-1950
District Commissioner	Judy Tuckness (913)-268-9996
Activities Chairman	Steve Springer (913)-631-4215
Advancement Chairman	J Jack Clark (913)-441-1608
Camping Chairman	Gene Adams (913)-362-4509
Order of the Arrow Advisor	Gary Akers (913) 262-2047
Membership Chairman	Cathi Maynard (913)-648-7166
Website Liaison	Cathi Maynard (913)-648-7166
School Night Chairman	Missy Musick-Brown (913)-362-3633
Program Chairman	Steve Brady (913) 362-8441
Training Chairman	Judy Yeager (913) 362-2029
Cub Scout Training	Dave Sultz (913)-381-7824
Boy Scout Training	John Forsyth (913)-341-5061
Cub Scout Roundtable	Lorri Kearns (913) 583-1011
Cub Scout Roundtable	Dave Sultz (913) 381-7824
Boy Scout Roundtable	Jamey Hilleary (913) 384-0262
Venturing Roundtable	Bob Kalkofen (913) 362-5576
District Executive	Lisa Hayes (816) 569-4972
	lhayes@bsamail.org



Trails West District

2003 Quality District

District Recognition Dinner 2005

On Saturday January 15th starting at 6pm the Trails West will be holding its annual volunteer recognition dinner. The event will be held at Atonement Lutheran Church at 101 Metcalf in Overland Park. The event will highlight many of the dedicated volunteers that help keep the scouting program strong. The evening will end with the presentation of the District Award of Merit, which is the highest award a district can award to a volunteer. Now is the time to start thinking about who in your unit should be nomi-

nated for the district awards. Look for more information at the district roundtables.

Trails West District 2004 Fall Training Schedule

Every Cub Scout, Boy Scout, and Venturer deserves a trained leader. Untrained leaders, often with the best and most honest of intentions, simply are unable to deliver the program as it is meant to be. As a result the young people those leaders hope to serve are in fact short-changed.

To prevent this occurrence, Trails West District offers a full scope of training for parents, new leaders, as well as leaders accepting new

responsibilities in the program. Training is offered at locations convenient to locations throughout the district and is open to all parents and leaders.

Youth Protection and Leader "Fast Start" training are both available on the Heart of America web site and are encouraged as independent training opportunities. Leaders taking advantage of on-line training are asked to inform the district training chair, **Joe Ogilvie**, of such training at jogilvie@kc.rr.com. Classroom training will begin in September, 2004 with the following schedule.

November 6, – Heart of America POW WOW – Truman High School, Independence – 8:00 AM – 3:30 PM. All Cub Leaders are encouraged to attend - \$15.00 Fee.

November 13th, Center of Grace Church, 520 S. Harrison, Olathe. Den Chief

Training – 9: AM – 3:30 PM - \$3.00 Fee (Youth). Adult Pack and Troop Leaders are asked to participate – No Fee.

December 4, Center of Grace Church, 520 S. Harrison, Olathe. Super (Safety) Saturday – 8:30 AM – 5:30 PM – No Charge.

Youth Protection – Health and Safety – Climb On Safely – Safe Swim Defense- Safety Afloat – Safe Caving – Bicycle Safety – Trek Safely – (Separate Session Registration)

This schedule, along with Registration Forms will be available at all District Round Tables. Registration may be also be made with the District Training Chair, **Joe Ogilvie** at jogilvie@kc.rr.com or 913.492.3880.

Rechartering 2005

All unit in the Trails West district need to make sure

they have the member of the unit that is responsible for their recharter in attendance at the January 6th roundtable. At the roundtable there will be a recharter kickoff that will walk people through the new online recharter process. It is very important that a member of the unit that will be responsible for the recharter is at the meeting to get the new information and the password that will allow the online recharter process to work. For more information call **Alan J Sanders** at 816-569-4958 or asanders@bsaemail.org.

Popcorn 2004

Popcorn 2004 is all but over and it is time to start thinking about how your unit will pick up all that popcorn. We need to get times set for when each unit will be at Seaton in Olathe. For an appointment call **David Colvin** at 913-307-0745.

Trails West Events

November

- 4 Roundtable, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
- 9 District Committee Meeting, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
- 16 District Commissioner Meeting, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
- 21 Eagle Board of Review, Church of Jesus Christ LDS, 7845 Allman, Lenexa, 6:30PM (Please arrive 15 min. early)

December

- 2 Roundtable, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
- 7 District Committee Meeting, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
- 14 District Commissioner Meeting, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
- 16 Eagle Board of Review, Church of Jesus Christ LDS, 7845 Allman, Lenexa, 6:30PM (Please arrive 15 min. early)

January

- 6 Roundtable, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
- 11 District Committee Meeting, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
- 15 District Recognition Dinner, Atonement Lutheran Church, 6PM
- 18 District Commissioner Meeting, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
- 20 Eagle Board of Review, Church of Jesus Christ LDS, 7845 Allman, Lenexa, 6:30PM (Please arrive 15 min. early)

Trails West 2004 District Leadership

District Chairman	Ed Hedges	913-768-1420
District Commissioner	Geoff Mildenhall	913-859-0506
District Membership Chair	Keith Neuman	913 541-8362
District Advancement Chair	Ellen McGurk	913-780-1577
District Eagle Chair	Charles Wunsch	913-492-5878
District Training Chair	Joe Ogilvie	913-492-3880
District Activities Chair	Dave Elsey	913-829-4594
District Camping Chair	Shawn Hudson	913-254-9548
District Family Friends of Scouting	Marlene Bean	913-782-3279
District Popcorn Chair	David Colvin	913 307-0745
Boy Scout Roundtable	Doug Strieby	913-764-0547
District Director	Alan J Sanders	816-942-9333 ex 158

Programs At the Kansas City Zoo

Nocturnal Safari -- Secret of the Ammut
An overnight outdoor camping experience for groups and families!

Thousands of years ago, intrepid Egyptian explorers traveled hundreds of miles down the longest river in the world -- the Nile. Join a team of archeologists and researchers as we study the three animals the Egyptians feared the most -- Hippos, Lions and Crocodiles -- and explore a newly discovered dig site in the Kibale National Forest in Africa. And the best part is, you can join in the adventure without ever leaving Kansas City!

Program includes dinner, S'mores around the campfire, and continental breakfast in the morning.

Cost: Friday Nights: FOTZ Members: \$40, Non-FOTZ: \$45
Saturday Nights: FOTZ: \$50, Non-FOTZ: \$55

For dates, times, and to Register, visit our website at www.kansascityzoo.org or call the Education Hotline at 816-513-5723.

Also, be sure to check out our various summer day camp programs!



Pelathe District

Boy Scout Roundtable Update

NOVEMBER'S THEME is Cooking! Feature: backpack stoves, backpack cooking, recipes, car/camp-Dutch oven. Troop presentations for Webelos cont. Life to Eagle discussion.

DECEMBER'S THEME is Wilderness Survival! Feature: Backpacks, which design, how to pack, what to pack, Youth Protection

JANUARY'S THEME is Communications! Feature: Web Page for troops, Scout memorabilia

100% Boys Life

Does every family in your unit have Boys' Life? If not, the charter renewal period is an excellent time to promote the importance of Boys' Life to the youth and parents within your unit. Boys' Life is not only a program enhancement, but also a source of useful information for youth of all ages. We encourage every unit within the Pelathe District to strive for 100% Boys' Life.

Adventures in Scouting Needs Your Help

Would you like to promote an upcoming event or publicly congratulate a great leader? This could be your forum.

Let's make Pelathe's section of Adventures in Scouting the most informative and interesting part of this paper. Please help make this happen by contacting Curtis Neal Harris, Pelathe District Executive at (816) 569-4961 to help get your article in to Adventures in Scouting.

Unit Rechartering

The November Roundtable will provide an opportunity for Unit Leaders and Commissioners to receive a brief training on the new internet based rechartering process.

For a complete overview of how the process will work go to the HOAC website, www.hoac-bsa.org, and click on the Internet Rechartering Tutorial.

Each Pack, Troop, Crew and Team should designate someone from your unit who will be the contact person for this process. This person should be someone with internet access and MS Internet Explorer as a browser. Your contact person will be issued a confidential ID and Password to access HOAC and the Rechartering program.

Training and assistance in this process will be held at the November Roundtable.

Commissioners: Please take a moment to complete the tutorial and be sure to attend the training session so you can be of assistance to your units

Friends of Scouting



As the end of the year approaches please consider planning to support the Pelathe Districts Friends of Scouting campaign with a financial gift in 2005.

Many families plan their giving for the coming year at this time, and we hope that when a FOS presentation is conducted for your units' families that you will be able to support our financial needs.

Award of Merit

As a reminder, the District Award of merit is the highest recognition that a District can bestow upon one of its volunteers. If you know someone who is deserving of this prestigious award, pick-up a nomination form at any District meeting, or get one on-line at www.hoac-bsa.org. Look for Resources/Forms then Nominations to find a downloadable PDF.

Sign Up for the Pelathe-L

The Pelathe District E-mail List Serve Also known as The Pelathe-L, allows you to send an email message to all who are signed up on the list, and lets you get information out quickly. It also lets you stay in touch and have up to date information.

Sign up by going to <http://pelathe.lawrence.ks.us> and clicking on the Subscribe/Unsubscribe link.

Quality District/Membership Update

Pelathe was last a Quality District by National standards in 2001, and in order to be one again in 2004 we must meet the below membership goals.

	Current	QD Goal	Difference
Cub Scouts	727	899	172
Boy Scouts	376	423	47
Venture's	151	162	11

Pelathe Events

November

- 4 Roundtable, First Baptist Church, 1330 Kasold, 7:00 PM.
- 17 Council Annual Business Meeting, Downtown Marriott, KC, MO.
- 18 District Committee Meeting, Bishop Seabury Academy, 4120 Clinton Parkway, 7:00 PM. District Committee Chairpersons.
- 25 Thanksgiving

December

- 2 Roundtable, First Baptist Church, 1330 Kasold, 7:00 PM.
- 4 Bromelsick Christmas Party
- 16 District Committee Meeting, Bishop Seabury Academy, 4120 Clinton Parkway, 7:00 PM. All District Committee Members.
- 16 District Commissioners Meeting, Bishop Seabury Academy, 4120 Clinton Parkway, 7:00 PM. All Commissioners

January

- 6 Roundtable, First Baptist Church, 1330 Kasold, 7:00 PM.
- 15 District Dinner, location to be announced, look for information at November Roundtable.
- 20 District Committee Meeting, Bishop Seabury Academy, 4120 Clinton Parkway, 7:00 PM. District Committee Chairpersons.

2004 Pelathe District Committee Chairs

District Chairman	John Scarffe	(785) 843-5175
Vice Chairman	Tom Sheely	(785) 842-9662
District Commissioner	Jim Peterson	(785) 841-2044
Advancement	Keith Wood	(785) 841-7208
Activities	Mike McCurdy	(785) 542-3050
Training	Pat Donahue	(785) 842-5589
Training	Glen Sharp	(785) 594-3006
Membership/Relationships	Frank Wright	(785) 842-3553
Communications	Dave Berkowitz	(785) 841-7247
NESA	Allen Wiechert	(785) 842-5467
Boy Scout Roundtable	Annelee Marsh	(785) 843-5521
Cub Scout Roundtable	Clay Kappleman	(785) 841-3603
Venturing	Joe King	(785) 841-6018
Senior District Executive	Curtis Harris	(816) 569-4961



Pinewood Derby Trophies
Name Tags • Plaques
Medals • Gifts
Laser Engraving • Signs
Arrow of Light Awards
Eagle Awards

Basehor Awards & Trophies

913-724-4500

James & Laura Smith

Exploring

November 16th

Exploring rechartering turn in date at the council service center from 5p-8p.

Popcorn

Don't forget about the fundraising opportunity. The sale will end on November 7th. This is a great incentive to businesses that would like to pass out a holiday gift to their employees during the Thanksgiving or Christmas season.

Rechartering

The time for rechartering is coming up for all exploring posts. As we visit this fall during the recruiting process, we will also need the appropriate signatures from the post Advisors in each post so we can renew prior to December. All charter paperwork must be completed by November 16th so your program does not expire and your insurance coverage stays in place. We will be holding a charter turn in meeting at the council office on November 16th from 5pm to 8pm to assist you in the process.

Website

Please send a Post Biography so we can post important information about your organization on our local website.

Fall Recruiting

Remember that we need to schedule your "first nighter" to invite those students interested in your particular exploring post. It's the month of November so let's make sure we give everyone a chance to join your explorer post. A personal contact will be made to get this date scheduled. If you have not been contacted yet, please give us a call. We will be recruiting from the surrounding high schools in your area. Please contact us at the office to let us know when you'd like to have the "first nighter" so we can make arrangements early. Planning is the key to your success so we need to have those dates scheduled to maximize

our chances of a successful fall recruiting. Thank you for your cooperation and we look forward to having an awesome recruiting this fall.

Exploring Awards & Scholarships

Any young adult is eligible for the Young American Award and all youth participating in the high school Learning for Life or Exploring program can apply for an array of the following awards.

ANY YOUNG ADULT Young American Award (5/\$5,000 National Award)

First presented in 1968, the award is given to young adults between the ages of 15 and 25 who have achieved excellence in the fields of art, athletics, business, education, government, humanities, literature, music, religion, science, or service and have been involved in service to their community, state, or country that adds to the quality of life. Each council selects and submits their top nominee for consideration for the five national awards.

Congressional Award

An adult advisor, whom you choose, helps you set challenging but achievable goals in the four program areas. Once you've achieved your goals, you summarize them on a Recommendation Form. You'll receive a letter, which will let you know when your Senator and/or member of Congress will present you with your medal and certificate.

Career Achievement Award Program

The Learning for Life Career Achievement Award program allows young people to be recognized for community service and to acquire and be recognized for career proficiency achievement in either arts & humanities, aviation, business, communications, engineering, fire & emergency service, health, law & government, law enforcement, science, skilled trades, social services, or all 12 career clusters. It gives Explorers and student partic-

ipants distinguished credentials for their resume.

Leadership Award Program

Leadership Award is given to youth and adults who have given exceptional dedication and leadership to the youth participants in either the Learning for Life or Exploring Program.

ADULT LEADERS AND PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS

William H. Spurgeon, III Award

The William H. Spurgeon, III Award was developed in 1971 in honor of the man who is regarded as the major leader in the development of special interest Exploring. Mr. Spurgeon was a business executive at the Irvine Company in Southern California who personally organized many special interest posts in the 1960's. Mr. Spurgeon served for many years as a member of the National Council Executive Board and national Exploring Committee. His pioneering efforts led to the present contemporary Exploring Program. He devoted much of the late 1960's to promoting Exploring and is particularly remembered as a dynamic speaker for Exploring Impact Plan luncheons across America. Mr. Spurgeon passed away in 1970.

Russell C. Hill Award

The Russell C. Hill Award was established in 1999 to honor Hill's outstanding achievement in the character education field. Russell Chilton Hill was a prominent San Antonio, Texas businessman who spent much of his time and fortune in promoting Character Education based on his "Freedom Code" which earned him the Freedom Foundation's Honor Medal. Hill made a pledge to fight for public support in the development of character in the youth of our nation. Learning for Life establishes this award to honor Hill's outstanding achievement in the character education field.

EXPLORING SCHOLARSHIPS

Youth participating in the Exploring program may apply for the following scholarships:

AVIATION EXPLORING

Sporty's Pilot Shop Scholarship (Aviation, 2/\$1,000)

– Sporty's Pilot Shop offers two annual \$1,000 scholarships to encourage Aviation Explorers to enter and complete an aviation curriculum. Sporty's knows that aviation offers a variety of exciting, well-paying careers, and that qualified and motivated Aviation Explorers should be given encouragement and assistance in choosing a career in Aviation.

Spartan School of Aeronautics (Aviation, 4/\$2,000)

– Spartan School of Aeronautics offers four annual scholarships to encourage Aviation Explorers to enter and complete an aviation curriculum that will lead to an exciting, well-paying career in aviation as a professional pilot, aviation maintenance technician, avionics technician, or instrument technician.

FIRE SERVICE EXPLORING

IAFCF Scholarship (Fire Service, \$500)

– The International Association of Fire Chiefs Foundation coordinates a yearly \$500 scholarship program to assist Explorers in pursuing a career in the fire sciences.

LAW ENFORCEMENT EXPLORING

National Youth Representative Scholarship

– Law Enforcement Exploring will provide a scholarship to the outgoing National Youth Representative at the National Law Enforcement Conference.

ATFRA Scholarship (Law Enforcement, \$1,000)

– The retiree's association of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) offers scholarships in the amount of \$1,000. Scholarships are presented every year to Law Enforcement Explorers

Capt. James J. Regan Scholarship (Law Enforcement, \$1,000)

– The National Technical Investigators Association presents two one-time \$500 scholarships annually. Criteria include academic record, leadership, extracurricular activities, and a personal statement.

DEA Drug Abuse Prevention Service Award (Law Enforcement, \$1,000)

– The DEA Drug Abuse Prevention Service Award consists of an engraved plaque and a \$1,000 award, which will be presented in recognition of "an act or actions rep-

resenting a contribution of outstanding service in drug abuse prevention." For more information, see the workbook for this award.

Federal Criminal Investigators' Service Award (Law Enforcement, \$500)

– Federal Criminal Investigators Association recognizes Explorers who render outstanding service to law enforcement agencies with a \$500 U.S. Savings bond and plaque.

Floyd Boring Award (Law Enforcement, 2/\$1,000)

– The director of the U.S. Secret Service presents two \$1,000 scholarships annually to law enforcement Explorers whose achievements reflect the high degree of motivation, commitment, and community concern that epitomizes the law enforcement profession.

Sheryl A. Horak Memorial Scholarship (Law Enforcement, \$1,000)

– This merit-based award involves a \$1,000, one-time scholarship. The award also includes a plaque and pin.

Law Enforcement Exploring Community Crime Prevention Award – The International Society of Crime Prevention Practitioners provides an annual recognition of Explorer posts that exhibit outstanding support of their communities. Includes a plaque and pin, tenure and Explorer of the Year.

SKILLED TRADES EXPLORING

AFL-CIO Skill Trades Scholarship (Skill Trades, 2/\$1,000)

– The AFL-CIO presents two \$1,000 scholarships annually to Explorers to help them support their education toward a career in skilled trades.

Awards and Scholarships

Remember to take advantage of our website and resources that are available to all participating explorers.

Service Center

We are available at the service center for your questions or concerns about about your post. Please contact **Bryan Bolding**, District Director, (816) 569-4973, bbolding@lflmail.org, **Adam Berthot**, Senior Exploring Executive, (816) 569-4970, aberthot@lflmail.org.



Pioneer Trails District

2003 Quality District

Camporee 2004

Congratulations to the Pioneer Trails Camporee Staff for planning and executing another successful Camporee. This year's theme, Traders of the Lost Arts, proved to be the perfect theme due to all the bartering that took place during Saturday's activities. The kids, the weather, and the activities were all memorable. Most of all, it was a blast to watch the Scout's culinary skills take life at the Iron Chef Cook-Off. Remember to sign your scouts up for next year's Camporee, the more the merrier.

The Whitney M. Young Jr. Service Award Dinner

On Sunday November 14, 2004, the Heart of America Council will honor two individuals with the Whitney M. Young Jr. Award. The Pioneer Trails District 2004 recipient is David Smith of the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Kansas City, and the Kaw District 2004 recipient is Leo Long of Long Motor Corporation.

Named for the late Whitney M. Young, Jr., the award is presented to individual volunteers or organizations that have made an outstanding contribution in bringing the Scouting program to rural or low-income urban youth within the council. Young was known throughout his life as a spokesman for civil rights and as executive director of the Urban League from 1961 until his death in 1971. The Boy Scouts of America established the award in 1978.

The dinner will take place Sunday, November 14, 2004 at the Downtown KC Muehlebach Hotel, 200 West 12th, K.C., MO. Table Sponsorships are available for \$1,500 (a table seats 10 people). An individual plate is

\$150. The social hour starts at 6:00 p.m. The dinner and program will begin at 7:00 p.m. For more information, contact **Brian Tobler** at (816) 569-4985.

2005 Friends of Scouting



Congratulations to Tom Holley, our new 2005 FOS Family Chairman. Tom is an Architect at Black & Veitch and a Sachem in the tribe of Mic-O-Say. His enthusiasm, organization, and people skills will prove to be beneficial for this year's campaign.

The calendar year is ending and the 2004 FOS donations are trickling in day by day. To be well prepared for 2005, we need to educate everyone on the importance of Friends of Scouting, so schedule your Troop or Pack for their Friends of Scouting presentation today. Sign up at any upcoming roundtable or call **Tom Holley** at 816-942-1297

Popcorn Sales

The 2004 popcorn sale ends on November 7th. All final Take Order paperwork is due on Monday, November 8th, by 5:00 p.m. Make sure that everyone who purchased popcorn receives their product.

Recruit A Cub This Fall

Don't miss out. Schedule a School Night Round-up now and offer the Scouting program to more boys in your neighborhood! The Kindergartners of last year can now be the Cubs of this coming year. Our goal is to focus on the first through fifth graders. We still have flyers and posters to aide in your recruiting efforts. Don't forget to follow the plan and not only will you have a full unit,

you will get new leaders too! Feel free to call on your district executives for assistance.

Remember, the best time of the year to recruit youth is NOW! For those who conduct their own fall recruitment, please get those applications to us ASAP!

Merit Badge Academy

Here is your chance to acquire those Merit Badges you've been waiting for. On January 22nd, 2005 your scouts will be able to select through the various Merit Badges that are being offered this winter. Sign your scouts up for the Merit Badge Academy today by contacting **Pat Parks** at 816-333-5904 or **Bill Tabolsky** at 816-941-3593. Sign-ups will also be available at roundtable.

Award of Merit Nominations

Do you know of someone who deserves District Recognition for all the "Above and Beyond" things they have done for your unit or district? Fill out a nominations form on that individual. Nominations are due by December roundtable to Bill Tabolsky.

Pioneer Trails District Dinner

Make plans now to attend this years District Dinner, where we recognize the vol-

Pioneer Trails Events

November

- 4 District Commissioners Meeting 6:30 p.m. - Central United Methodist.
- 4 Roundtable 7:30 p.m. - Central United Methodist.
- 14 Whitney M. Young Dinner 6:00 - Muehlebach Hotel
- 16 District Committee Meeting 7:30 p.m. - VFW Headquarters, 3400 Broadway.
- 25-26 Service Center Closed

December

- 2 District Commissioners Meeting 6:30 p.m. - Central United Methodist.
- 2 Roundtable 7:30 p.m. - Central United Methodist.
- 21 District Committee Meeting 7:30 p.m. - VFW Headquarters, 3400 Broadway.
- 24 Service Center Closed
- 27 Service Center Closed

January

- 6 District Commissioners Meeting 6:30 p.m. - Central United Methodist.
- 6 Roundtable 7:30 p.m. - Central United Methodist.
- 14 January Charter Due Date
- 18 District Committee Meeting 7:30 p.m. - VFW Headquarters, 3400 Broadway.
- 22 Merit Badge Academy

unteers who have made a difference in Pioneer Trails in 2004. George Weaver will spearhead this event, which will take place at Colonial Presbyterian Church on Saturday, February 5th of 2005. Make reservations now to

attend this esteemed event. All guests and honored volunteers are from our district, so come out and show your support. You won't want to miss our 2004 Awards of Merit presentation!

2004 Pioneer Trails District Committee

District Chairman:	Dennis Cross 816-444-7989
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Holiday Gift Ideas For Scouts

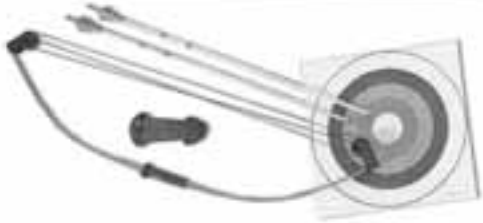
Gifts Less Than \$10

- Pinewood Derby Car Kit
- Cub Scout & Boy Scout Dog Tags
- Cub & Tiger Wallets
- Vitt-L Kit
- CD Rack Kit
- Hiking Staff Medallions
- Cub Scout Glow-in-the-Dark Pillowcase



Gifts Less Than \$25

- Boy Scout Wallet
- Official Scout Harmonica
- Make-Your-Own 35mm Camera Kit
- Boy Scout T-Shirt
- Cub Scout & Boy Scout Memory Books
- Tiger, Bear, or Wolf T-Shirts



Gifts Less Than \$50

- Organizer Backpack
- Boy Scout Expedition Hat
- 9.5-lb. Compound Bow Set
- Self-Inflating Camp Bed



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2004 Silver Beavers Selected

The Silver Beaver Award is the highest award bestowed by a Council as recognition of the National Court of Honor for distinguished service to youth.

The Council's Annual Business Meeting and Recognition Dinner to be held on Wednesday, November 17, 2004 will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Kansas City Marriott Muehlebach, 1213 Wyandotte, Kansas City, MO. The cost is \$40 per person and reservations are required. To make a reservation, go to www.hoac-bsa.org. For additional information, please contact **Christina Crandall** at (816) 569-4922 or (800) 776-1110.



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 Photos of all Silver
 Beaver Recipients

The guest speaker for the evening is Don Belcher, National Commissioner, Boy Scouts of America. Before his recent election as National Commissioner, Don was chairman of the National Cub Scout Committee, and he has served as Central Region President, Bay Lakes Council President, and San Gabriel Valley Council President and Vice President of Operations. He has served in a variety of district volunteer roles and is an Eagle Scout.

Plan now to attend and recognize these outstanding volunteers for their service to the Scouting program.

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