“School Night for Scouting”

Thousands of new Scouts will join the fun this fall.

See Page 6 for new marketing materials and ways to prepare your pack.

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Summer Reflections/Fall Opportunities

I can tell you one thing that I have learned this summer. The Heart of America Council really is one of the leaders when it comes to running great summer programs! Whatever your age, rank or program, we provided outstanding programs for over 24,000 Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Venturers, leaders and parents. Our summer camp and day camp staffs are some of the best I have ever seen. This year our camp staff scholarship program awarded over $95,000 to our staff attending college. This certainly helps us build on the retention of our camp staff each year.

With the end of summer programs comes the beginning of a new school year and the start of our School Night for Scouting fall roundup drive. This fall over 6,000 new boys will join Cub Scouts in our council. Annual membership growth is the lifeblood of any movement. Yes, that’s correct; Scouting is a movement and not just another organization. Our mission has always been to bring the Scouting program to every boy in our communities. Thanks to the leadership of our Council Marketing Committee, we have a consistent fall roundup message that will be promoted throughout our council.

Many of you have heard me talk about the need to “showcase Scouting” in our communities. If we don’t let our communities know the good things that Scouting is doing and the large number of youth we serve, no one else will. One of the next big events I would encourage your unit to participate in is our Scout Day with Sporting Kansas City. We have reserved 3,000 tickets for the game on Friday, September 14 at a great discounted price of only $15.00. The normal ticket prices start at $28.00. With 3,000 Scouts in attendance we will fill roughly 20% of the entire stadium! For many of our Scouts this will be the largest Scouting gathering they will ever see. Bring your Scouts out for an evening of fun and help showcase scouting to the community. I have no doubt that this will be a sellout event, so don’t delay and reserve your tickets today at www.hoac-bsa.org.

Did you know that last year over 250 skilled tradesmen gave of their time and talents to help improve and maintain our Scout Reservations? Mark your calendars to join us for the second annual fall Skilled Trades Work Days at the Bartle Scout Reservation on Saturday, October 6 and at the Naish Scout Reservation on Saturday, October 20. Through the strong support of the Skilled Trades Work Days, we have and will continue to dramatically improve our facilities while keeping the cost to participate in summer programs to a minimum.

As always if you have any questions, comments or ideas let me know.

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Scouts to March in 2012 American Royal Parade

On September 29, Scouts in the Heart of America Council will have the chance to march in the annual American Royal Parade. This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase Scouting to the entire community. There is no cost to participate and the event is open to all Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturers. As an added bonus, the first 500 Scouts who register will receive the commemorative American Royal Parade Scout Patch. Registrations are now being accepted at www.hoac-bsa.org.

University of Scouting 2012

University of Scouting gives you the tools to LEAD and SUCCEED in Scouting and this year’s event will be like nothing you’ve experienced before.

New in 2012

• New Location — Experience a real campus setting at Park University
• New Courses — Enroll in introductory to doctorate level degree courses
• New Students — Courses now open to all Scouting leaders including Boy Scouts and Venturers

Mark your calendars. University of Scouting will be held on Saturday, November 3, 2012 from 8:30 am – 3:30 pm at Park University in Parkville, Missouri. Online registration is now open. Enroll today at www.hoac-bsa.org.

2013 Jamboree Space Limited

Time is running out to reserve your chance to witness history. The 2013 National Jamboree at the brand new Summit Bechtel Reserve is right around the corner and the council has only 10 youth spots remaining. This is your chance to “Go Big and Get Wild” with activities like whitewater rafting, mountain biking, shooting sports and much more.

Go to www.hoac-bsa.org and click on the Jamboree link in the “What’s New” box to register. To learn more contact Alan Sanders at (816) 569-4958 or alan.sanders@scouting.org.

Journey to Excellence Service Hours

2012 marks the second year of the Journey to Excellence (JTE) program. An integral part of this program includes tracking and logging community service hours that members of your unit perform. Recording your hours is easy. Just go to www.hoac-bsa.org and click “Journey to Excellence” in the upper right hand corner. There are several menu options you can choose from to classify your project. Eagle Scout Service Projects, service hours for workdays at camp, Mic-O-Say and Order of the Arrow service hours, and multi-unit service projects all count toward towards your JTE score. All units will need an ID number to enter information. Contact your district executive or Leslie Staack at (816) 942-9333 for your unit ID.
Black & Veatch to be Honored with Corporate Good Scout Award

The Distinguished Citizen Dinner Award Committee is pleased to announce that Black & Veatch will be recognized at this year’s event with the Corporate Good Scout Award. Black & Veatch is a strong community partner hosting one of the largest Exploring Posts in the city with over 300 youth members. Held on October 10, 2012, this year’s event will also recognize Black & Veatch employees who are or have been involved in the Scouting program. If you are interested in attending this year’s special event, please contact Tammy Butterfield at (816) 569-4979. Sponsorships, corporate tables and individual tickets are now available.

In Memory of:

Patsie Irene (Tucker) Boeshaar
Heart of America Council Staff

Jack Lester
John R Haley

Duane L Meier
Sidney L Willens

Dr William D Bradshaw
Call Insurance Agency

James B Miller
Kathleen Mersman

Joan Call
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Captain John Franklin Morris
Barbara Morris

Chris & Linda Doyle
Don & Katherine Dunton

Andy E Samer
James & Alice Algie
Mrs. Stan Ratliff

Betty L Elgin
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Wendy Algie
Richard Ray

James Hammontree
Dean & Vicky Bradshaw

In Memory of:

Glenda L. Jensen

Looking for a great way to provide lunch for your staff all while supporting a great cause? Plan to join us for the 15th Annual Urban Scouting BBQ on Friday, September 21, 2012 from 11:00 am – 1:30 pm at Barney Allis Plaza in downtown Kansas City, MO. Tickets are $8 each, or you can buy a packet of 15 tickets for just $100. Sponsorships and individual tickets are now available. Contact the Council Service Center at (816) 942-9333 to order your tickets today.
Selling popcorn not only helps our Scouts fund their program and activities, it also teaches them a valuable lesson of earning their own way. With the 2012 Popcorn Sale right around the corner, now is the time to make plans to sell. To commit your unit to the 2012 sale, contact your district executive or visit www.hoac-bsa.org.

New in 2012

Exciting new changes are sure to make this year’s sale the best yet. Back by popular demand, the ever-popular collectible tins are returning in 2012 with three options — just in time for the holidays.

What sale would be complete without great incentives? The Amazon.com and Walmart gift cards are back along with new options at every level. And new in 2012, the top selling district and council Scouts will be recognized.

Also returning is the “Fill It Up” program. Scouts who “Fill Up” their order form will receive tickets to…

2012 Popcorn Sale Schedule:

- **Training** — Held by each district in August
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Scout Day at the “K”  
UMKC Basketball  
NAIA Basketball Tournament
New Marketing Materials for 2012

A great marketing campaign combines powerful imagery and a consistent message and in 2012 we are doing just that. Starting this fall, new marketing materials and tactics will be utilized throughout our nineteen counties. From new parent welcome packets to television commercials to online resources for packs, this campaign will help us deliver a consistent message and make sure all youth are extended an invitation to join the Scouting program.

Marketing Resources for Units

It is everyone’s job to tell the “Scouting story.” In an effort to help packs promote their School Night for Scouting, all of the new marketing materials are now available in one location.

Visit www.KCscouting.org and select one of three options.

*Custom fliers, posters and yard signs are available through your district executive

Cub Scout Family Campouts are a great way for boys and their families to kick-off the Cub Scout year with a fun outdoor event. With games and activities designed for the whole family, this is a perfect opportunity to introduce your newly recruited members to the fun of Scouting. Each district will hold a Cub Scout Family Campout this fall. Visit your district’s webpage or www.KCscouting.org for the complete campout schedule.
Council Camps Welcome Thousands

Scouts were asked to “Get Out and Get Camping” this summer and they did just that. From Boy Scout Summer Camp to Venturing Camp to Cub Scout Day and Resident Camps, nearly 15,000 Scouts will have experienced an outdoor adventure by the end of the 2012 camping season.

Thank you to the many volunteers and camp staff members who made this summer unforgettable for thousands of our Scouts.

* Save the Date — 2013 Summer Camp Draw — October 11 & 13, 2012

Camping by the Numbers
- Boy Scout Camp — 6,925
- Cub Scout Camp — 7,635
- Venturing Camp — 87
- Rotary Camp — 57

Scouts with Disabilities Day Camp

The 1st annual Scouts with Disabilities Cub Scout Day Camp will be held on August 18, 2012 at Rotary Camp, 22310 Colbern Rd., Lee’s Summit, MO. This is a separate event only for Cub Scouts with disabilities and special needs. There is no cost to attend camp and the event includes a T-shirt, lunch and snack. Each camper must be accompanied by a guide like a parent, guardian or caregiver. For more information or to register go to http://SWDdaycamp.kintera.org.

International Scouting

This summer, the Heart of America Council hosted three International Camp Staff members. Shir Gilo, Israel, and Tomas Ondriga, Slovakia, served at the Naish Scout Reservation while Tomas Slava, Czech Republic, served at the Bartle Scout Reservation. Through exchanges like this, our Scouts are able to gain more understanding about other cultures and people from around the world. This has been a great program for our camps and we look forward to bringing in International Camp Staff members next year and for many years to come.

Shir Gilo
Israel

Tomas Ondriga
Slovakia

Tomas Slava
Czech Republic

H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation

Various improvement projects were a welcome sight for campers at the H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation.

In addition to 2 new council rings and 3 new chapels, increased internet connectivity allowed easier access to the Merit Badge record system. The final session of Boy Scout Camp comes to a close on August 7.

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Theodore Naish Scout Reservation

Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Webelos and even YMCA participants called the Theodore Naish Scout Reservation home this summer. Over the course of seven weeks, more than 50 YMCA day campers took over South Camp. The final camp session of the summer wraps up on August 4 with Webelos Resident Camp.

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VENTURING

Venturing Officers’ Association

The Venturing Officers’ Association (VOA) has been hard at work this summer planning some exciting events. On August 11, the VOA will run its annual membership event at the Naish Central Camp Pool. A VOA meeting and a Venturing Forum will be held in conjunction with these activities. The event will also feature a dunk tank that we will put some of your favorite advisors into. See you at the pool.

Haunted Trails

Back for another fall by popular demand, get ready for Haunted Trails! All Venturers are invited to haunt the trails of Cub World from October 26-27 for all the Cub Scouts and their families. We will set-up on Friday night and Saturday morning. Cub Scouts and their families will hike the trails through the day and early evening. We will tear down on Sunday morning. Plan to join us for a spooky weekend.

Scouting Religious Awards — “A Scout is Reverant”

By Don Shapley
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In the children’s room of a church I found a poster entitled “How Do We Pray? — For Children.” What crossed my mind, however, was “How Do We Pray for Children?”

I do know this — we need to pray for children — constantly. And I guess that the common denominators to all of our prayers is that they be protected and loved and that they find a faith that can be a central point for the rest of their lives.

One of the simplest ways to develop or build on their faith is to see that the boys earn the Religious Emblem of their faith. If you’re not sure,

start with the faith that seems closest to your family’s beliefs.

“Religion is an important component of Scouting, and it can bring both you and your boys closer to a higher power. But discussing this sensitive subject with your unit’s youth members isn’t always easy, especially in such a diverse society” (1).

The Religious Emblems programs are very well-designed lesson plans, written and overseen by individual faith groups and religious leaders of those faith groups. Each program level is age appropriate and the parents can, if they choose, participate in the program as a “mentor” with a book designed for that use.

Feel free to contact me if I can help in any way or if you would like to have a presentation at your Roundtable, Pack Meeting, Court of Honor, etc.

(1) “Show of Faith” by Bryan Wendell/Scouting Magazine

HONOR CAMPING

Tribe of Mic-O-Say

Mic-O-Say to Welcome 75,000th Member

The Tribe is Mic-O-Say is making plans to make history. Preparations are now underway to welcome the 75,000th member to the tribe. This milestone is slated to take place before the end of the summer.

Order of the Arrow

Fall Induction

Fall Induction will take place at Naish Scout Reservation from August 17-19. This will be the last opportunity in 2012. There is a strict two-week prior deadline for sign-ups. All registrations must be submitted by Friday, August 3, 2012.

Fall Fellowship

On September 14-16, Tamegonit Lodge will hold its annual Fall Fellowship at Naish. The weekend will feature chapter and vendor exhibits, opportunities for Arrowmen to learn more about the OA and the Lodge, elections for Lodge and Chapter leadership for 2013, and the Vigil Call.

Any youth wishing to run for Lodge Office (Lodge Chief, all four Vice-Chief positions, Secretary, or Treasurer) at Fall Fellowship MUST read and obtain all necessary signatures on the Election Candidacy Agreement. The agreement is available as part of the job description of each position and is also available as a separate document. Download the form from the council website at www.hoac-bsa.org/Camping/HonorCamping-Programs/OrderOfTheArrow/LodgeExecutiveCommittee/LodgeOfficers.aspx.

Section Conclave

On September 21-23, Tamegonit Lodge will take a contingent of Arrowmen to Camp Jayhawk for Section Conclave. Other lodges from around the area will convene for a weekend of training and competitions. We have a goal of bringing 120 Arrowmen from our lodge to Section Conclave. Come join us for the weekend. The cost is only $35.

Vigil Banquet

The 2012 Vigil Banquet will be held on October 6, beginning at 6:30 pm at Naish Central Camp Dining Hall. All Vigil Honor members are invited to join us.

Lodge Leadership Development

Lodge Leadership Development (LLD) is an event designed to teach the incoming leaders of the Lodge how to run the Lodge or their Chapter. We will be adding some features this year that will make it a great experience for those that have been leaders in the past, are in leadership roles now or who want to take more active roles in the future. The event will be held on October 13, 2012.
HEART OF AMERICA COUNCIL EAGLE SCOUTS JULY – AUGUST 2012

Big Muddy
Troop 1243
Stephen Graver, SM Andrew Smith
Troop 1611
Jeremy Brooks, SM Blake Sanders

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Troop 1138
Craig Lee, SM Taylor Parrish
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Robert Stockdell, SM Riley Hirst
Joseph Perkins, Jr
Troop 1178
David Teegarden, SM Jonathan Young
Troop 1216
Jason Howard, SM Justin Edson
Jared Gowan, Matthew Small
Troop 1221
James Waldman, SM Preston Conner
Devon Smith
Troop 1228
R Keith Harris, SM Aaron Crozier
Troop 1266
Kurtis Blocher, SM Austin Graham
Taylor Voyles
Troop 1282
Scott Howell, SM Ryan Muller
Troop 1382
Arnold Flippin, SM William Caltrilla
Kody Rainwater
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Troop 1603
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Troop 1692
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Troop 1865
Eric Knipp, SM Andrew Muellemann

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Troop 3
Ryan Rydalch, SM Aaron Laughlin
Troop 4
Lloyd Evesen, SM Logan Bunker
Jared Ontiveros
Troop 5
Steven Dominic, SM Marcus Walters

Lone Bear
Troop 1513
Timothy Mills, SM Mason Barry

North Star
Troop 1009
Jeffery Preece, SM Geoffrey Preece
Garrett Preece, SM Brian Torrence
Troop 1135
Adam Freestone, SM Cody Roberts
Troop 1271
Mark Folsom, SM Chase Folsom
Troop 1288
Randy Meador, SM Anthony Wilke
Troop 1301
Richard Sprague, SM Mark Mejia
Troop 1314
Craig Watson, SM Tyler Wheeler
Troop 1351
Peter Itao, SM Adam Cokrikel
Maximillian Gallegos
Shilo Osborn
Troop 1374
Paul Crooks, SM Austin Van Black
Troop 1376
Jeffrey Hartmann, SM Patrick Cruz
Rubin Roberts
Christopher Seward
Michael Wiensands
Troop 1393
William Quasa, SM Conlan Sherman
Troop 1394
Richard Bayless, SM Jonathan Dunker
Troop 1395
Kenneth Herdman, SM Robert Mattiesen
Logan Smith
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Mark Bessmer, SM Garrett Horned
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Timothy Hotlon, SM Joshua Lee
Samuel Termorshuisen
Troop 1417
Stephen Lehnardt Sr, SM Jason Lehnardt
Troop 1419
Curtis Gile, SM Hunter Nicholson
Troop 1447
Ernest West, SM Conner Verhulst
Troop 1460
Gregory Boggs, SM Justin Gibson

Northern Tier
Troop 123
Troy Johnson, SM Michael Campbell
Eric Maquardt
Troop 185
Christopher Overmann, SM Joseph Manis
Troop 192
Alan Clark, SM Samuel Corkill
Brian Fitzsimmons
Randall Grasmick
Cody Moore
Colin Villanueva
Troop 247
David Wielczka, SM Benjamin Johnson
Troop 283
Dana Stuckey, SM Benjamin Garten
Nicholas White

Pelathe
Troop 53
Mitchell Yulich, SM Patrick Shields
Troop 59
Bob Corkins, SM James Fredrickson
Andrew Roman

Pioneer Trails
Troop 1016
Morgan Olander, SM Scott Boswell
Troop 1025
Donald Scarborough, SM Ian Wilson
Troop 1030
Dennis Cleveland, SM Nolyn Rutherford
Troop 1046
James Nielsen, SM Odell Bynum
Connor Hairhuis
Troop 1056
Andre Sidney, SM Julian Marshall
Troop 1060
F Swanson, SM Anthony Kotzias
Troop 1062
George Weaver, SM Ryan Jones
Troop 1084
Douglas Warrens, SM Austin Stanfield
Troop 1118
Craig Watz, SM Jacob Costanzo
Matthew Stanley
Troop 1588
Paul Hermes, SM Gabriel Hermes

Red-Tailed Hawk
Troop 37
Robert Kline, SM Marcus Blankensee
Troop 85
Jeffrey Wandelke, SM Parker Lathrop
Tyler Preston
Troop 122
Jeffrey Allison, SM Joseph Bush
Seth Carrithers
Garrett Long
Troop 182
Tri Nguyen, SM Alexander Nguyen
Troop 218
John Perkins, SM Jason Cogin
Troop 222
Bradley Fountain, SM Alexander Meiser
Troop 225
Ed Davey, SM Aaron Phillips
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Troop 265
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Troop 1251
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Brian Oswood, SM Daniel Eaton
William Edison
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Troop 92
David Timpe, SM Kyle Sjobolm
Troop 256
Randy Haffey, SM Matthew Baker
Troop 284
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Troop 333
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Troop 381
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Carl Nelson
Troop 396
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Troop 483
Byron Long, SM Syed Shabbir
Troop 1061
Steven Kohn, SM Donald Zimmer III

Trails West
Troop 83
Kevin Bing, SM Brian Lathrum
Troop 86
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Troop 108
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John Esau
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Investment in Character: 103.0%
2012 Boy Scout Camping: 77.4%
2012 Cub Scout Camping: 52.9%

August

1  2  4  6  7  8  9  10  11  12
2 District Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm
Lexington United Methodist Church,
1211 S. 13 Highway, Lexington, MO 64067
4 District Commissioner Meeting, 6:30 pm
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September

4 Roundtable, 7:00 pm
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Day Camp
Thank you to all of the units that contributed to a great week! Highlights from the week were the Lafayette County Fire Department, the newly installed WE-BELOS program, and of course the day at the pool. 105 boys participated and enjoyed the outing in Scouting.

Cub Scout Fall Recruitment
As the fall quickly approaches it can mean only one thing...It’s time for Cub Scout Recruitment!

Be sure to check in with your district executive or the district School Night Chairman, Rob Hemme, in regards to your upcoming school night dates. Several exciting and new changes are coming this year and we want to ensure that everyone has the correct information and materials. Contact Rob Hemme at (660) 229-0277 for your individual school night informational needs.

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Want to help make a difference?
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Cub Scout Fall Recruitment

Campaign Goal Raised Percentage of Goal
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- **Payments Due** — December 7

**Blue Elk Welcomes Chris Rinella as new District Executive**

Please welcome Chris Rinella as the new district executive for Blue Elk. An Independence native, Chris was involved in Cub Scout Pack 4312 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church as a youth. After graduating from Truman High School, Chris attended college at Northwest Missouri State University, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in broadcasting and general business. He worked briefly for a local video production company before joining the Heart of America Council in March 2010 as the district executive for the Red-Tailed Hawk District, which serves youth in eastern Olathe and western Overland Park. Chris has had the opportunity to be inducted in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say as an Honorary Warrior and Order of the Arrow as an Ordeal member and understands the importance of youth leadership opportunities each of these honor camping programs provides. Chris enjoys photography, video editing, traveling, volunteering, and playing golf in his spare time. He currently resides in Lee's Summit.

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**September**

- **6 Roundtable, 7:00 pm**
  Sunny Vale Middle School,
  3930 S RD Mize Rd., Blue Springs, MO 64015

- **13 District Commissioner Meeting, 7:00 pm**
  Beacon Heights Community of Christ,
  19402 Holke Rd., Independence, MO 64057

- **13 District Committee Meeting, 8:30 pm**
  Beacon Heights Community of Christ,
  19402 Holke Rd., Independence, MO 64057

- **28-29 Cub Family Campout**
  American Legion Farm,
  499 Legion Drive, Blue Springs, MO 64014

- **29-30 Camporee**
  American Legion Farm,
  499 Legion Drive, Blue Springs, MO 64014

**School Night for Scouting**

As the summer winds down, it is important for your unit to be making plans for fall recruitment. Now more than ever, packs should be thinking of ways they can maximize their visibility at their school or church. Parents often make decisions on fall activities around enrollment time, so consider having a table setup at the school to begin handing out information. The school’s Meet the Teacher Night or Back to School Night are also great opportunities for pack leadership to promote the pack. The council is happy to print and supply promotional materials for you to hand out to potential Scouts such as fliers, posters and yard signs. Representatives from all packs are encouraged to attend the School Night Kickoff on August 2, 2012 at 7:00 pm at Sunnyvale Middle School in Blue Springs.

**2012 School Night Dates**

- September 11 — Fort Osage, Oak Grove, Grain Valley
- September 12 — Blue Springs
- September 13 — Independence, Raytown

If anyone in your unit would like to serve as the organizer for your pack’s school night, please contact Grant Dealy at Grant.Dealy@scouting.org. All unit organizers will need to attend the School Night Orientation on August 16, 2012 at Bass Pro Shop in Independence at 7:30 pm.

**Popcorn Kernel Orientation**

The popcorn sale is just around the corner! Now is the time to start thinking about sales strategies and how your unit can benefit from this valuable fundraiser. Please make plans for your unit kernel to attend the popcorn train-
Exploring Division District Leadership

Division Chairman  Bill Herdegen  (816) 556-2407  william.herdegen@kcpl.com
Division Director  Lisa Thomas  (816) 569-4972  Lisa.Thomas@scouting.org
Exploring Executive  Kerry Jorn  (816) 569-4937  Kerry.Jorn@scouting.org

Investment in Character:  101.0%

Contact Information
Your post or group is important to us. While we visit with all advisors and Lead Teachers we want to make sure you have every resource to make your program a success.
Please contact Lisa Thomas, Exploring & Learning for Life Director, at (816) 569-4972 or Lisa.Thomas@scouting.org or our new Exploring Executive, Kerry Jorn, at (816) 569-4937 or Kerry.Jorn@scouting.org

Exploring Fee Increase
On July 1, 2012, the Exploring registration fee increased from $10.00 to $15.00. The increase will allow the continued development of new marketing materials such as the Online Career Interest Survey, thirteen new brochures, sales folders and new websites as well as new programs like Explorer Clubs and online training. Many parents surveyed indicated that $15.00 for a full year of practical career education and access to career field experts is still a tremendous value.

Fall Fiesta 2012
Mark your calendars to attend this year’s Fall Fiesta. The event will be held on Thursday, August 2, 2012 at the Heart of America Council Service Center located at 10210 Holmes Rd. Kansas City, MO 64131. Adult Basic Leader Training & Youth Protection training will begin at 6:00 pm and the Fall Fiesta Event will follow directly after at 7:00 pm.

It is imperative that your post is represented. This is a command performance for all Posts.
This “festive” celebration is packed with information on many important items for Exploring units like…
✓ Explorer Post Online Renewal for each post, with discussion on instructions, turn-in deadline date, questions and answers

✓ Scheduling your Post First Nighter (recruitment night) Come prepared with your recruitment date.
✓ Online Youth Protection Training and Adult Leader Training Access
✓ Open discussion on questions and concerns

2012 Law Enforcement Challenge
The Overland Park Police Department Post 2986 hosted the 2012 annual Spring Law Enforcement Challenge on June 9. Both the Olathe Police Post and the Springhill Police Post put many hours into the planning and execution of the event. Real life scenarios were set up for the Explorers including traffic violations, domestic violence education, graffiti by teenagers, how to interview and much more. The Explorers went through each scenario and were graded on their performance. At the end of the day Explorers were awarded certificates, ribbons, and plaques recognizing them for their participation and performance.

Overland Park Explorer Post Day Camp
The Overland Park Explorer Post 2986 hosted an entire week of walking in the shoes of the Overland Park Police Department. They showcased everything from target shooting to how to survey and respond to an accident scene. Congratulations to the leaders for putting on such a great camp and the Explorers for participating.

Hallmark Post Salutes Leader
Hallmark and Post 2918 saluted John Perryman for 39 years of service with a retirement bash on Monday June 18, 2012. His passion, enthusiasm and love for the program inspired everyone in the post. Perryman has not only served as an Associate Post Advisor for 39 years, but also received accolades from Hallmark where he worked for 30 years.
Kaw Officers

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Kaw’s Cub Scout Day Camp a Success

Not even 100-degree temperatures could stop Kaw District Cub Scouts from having fun. The camp, held June 25-29, included over 200 boys participating in activities from shooting BB guns to making ice cream to dying t-shirts.

The Kaw District would like to thank all the scouts, walking leaders and unit leaders for their participation in the Kaw District Day Camp.

We would also like to thank all day camp staff, especially Laura Trotta, Sandey Broman, Jimmy White, Chris Bowling, Treavor Guengerich and Regina Utter for their dedication and hard work the weeks leading up to and the week of Day Camp. Without your help, camp would not have been possible.

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It’s Popcorn Time

The Kaw District is gearing up for another season of popcorn selling. If you haven’t done so, please let us know who is going to be your popcorn kernel for your unit. We are very excited to get the popcorn season started off at the Great Wolf Lodge on August 16, 2012 at 7:00 pm. Please make sure a unit representative will be there. The popcorn sale is a fundraiser that benefits Scouts and their units. See below for important dates:

August 27 .......... Show & Deliver Orders Due by 5:00 pm
September 7 & 8 ... Show & Deliver Pick-Up
September 8 .......... Sale Starts
October 29 .......... Sale Ends
October 29 .......... Orders & Return forms Due by 5:00 pm
November 9 & 10.. Final Popcorn Pick-Up
December 7 .......... Final Payment Due

For popcorn questions, concerns or to let us know who your unit kernel will be, please call Jose Romero at (816) 569-4973 or contact Regina Utter at reginautter@me.com.

Cub Family Campout

Mark your calendars. The first district event of the school year is coming up on September 21, 2012. We will be out at Camp Naish’s Cub World. This event is for the whole family and will include a campfire Friday night and breakfast Saturday morning. For more information, please contact Jose Romero at (816) 569-4973 or Julian Rivette at (816) 569-4947.

Investment in Character

The annual Investment in Character Campaign for the Kaw District is in the homestretch and we are on our way to reaching our $76,000 goal. There is still time to pledge if you have not done so yet. Please call Julian Rivette (816) 569-4947 or Jose Romero (816) 569-4973 to make a contribution. Thank you for investing in the future of our district and council.
2012 Fall Recruitment
Recruitment is vital to the long term success of your unit. Here are some things to keep in mind…

4 things your pack should do to prepare for the fall:
1. Plan a fall calendar
2. Set a budget and establish fees
3. Establish leadership
4. Attend the School Night for Scouting Orientation on August 7

Possible school night dates — Please select one for your unit and contact Ron Reed at (660) 687-0207 or ronal.reed@whiteman.af.mil:
- August 21
- August 23
- August 28
- August 30

2012 Popcorn Sale
Popcorn is an easy and risk free way to earn money for your unit. All units should send a representative to the Lone Bear Popcorn Training on August 7 to learn about changes to the 2012 sale and to earn an additional 1% of sales. Contact Kevin Wilson with questions at (816) 898-3597 or kwilson72668@yahoo.com.

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Fall Camping Opportunities
Fall Camporee — Wilderness Survival
- October 19 – 21
- Cost: $7
- Knob Noster State Park

Cub Scout Family Campout
Open to all Cub Scouts and family members. This is a fun time, especially for new scouts.
- September 29-30
- Cost: $8
- Lowry City Corn Maize — http://www.themaize.com/map/usa/missouri

Day Camp 2012
Thank you to Kathy Cooper, Camp Director, Matt Wray, Program Director, Staff, Walking Leaders and Scouts for a great Day Camp in 2012.

Check out Lone Bear District, BSA on Facebook
**DISTRICT INFORMATION**

9 District Commissioner Meeting, 7:30 pm
St. Luke Presbyterian,
4301 NE Vivion Rd., Kansas City, MO

14 District Committee Meeting, 7:30 pm
North Cross United Methodist,
1321 NE Vivion Rd., Kansas City, MO

18 Scouts with Disabilities Cub Scout Day Camp, 8:00 am
Rotary Youth Camp,
22310 Colbern Rd., Lee's Summit, MO

**September**

6 District Roundtable, 7:00 pm
KCMO Police Training Academy,
6885 NE Pleasant Valley Rd., Kansas City, MO

7-8 Popcorn Show & Sell Distribution

11 District Committee Meeting, 7:30 pm
North Cross United Methodist,
1321 NE Vivion Rd., Kansas City, MO

13 District Commissioner Meeting, 7:00 pm
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4301 NE Vivion Rd., Kansas City, MO

28-29 Cub Scout Family Campout, 5:00 pm
Camp Branch — Loop B, Smithville Lake

**Day Camp 2012 — A Success!**

A wild west THANK YOU to all the volunteers that made Day Camp a success! North Star had 670 Cub Scouts at Platte County Fairgrounds June 11-14. Melinda McCombs, Charlotte Sims and Angie Conway along with the awesome staff, walking leaders and dedicated parents all made this possible!

**School Night for Scouting**

School Night for Scouting is just around the corner. The Cub Scout Recruitment campaign will recruit close to 700 boys into Scouting in the North Star District this fall. The 2012 School Night Kick-Off will be held in conjunction with Roundtable on August 2, 2012 at 7:00 pm at the KCMO Police Training Academy. At least one person from each unit should plan to attend to pick up promotional materials like flyers, posters and yard signs. For additional information, contact our School Night Chair, Melinda McCombs.

**Popcorn Kick-off & Training**

Would you like a way to allow your Scouts to raise all the funds they need for their Scouting experiences, including camp? Selling popcorn can make this happen! In the Boy Scout Handbook, it says, “A Scout is Thrifty. A Scout works to pay his own way and to help others.” Selling popcorn helps the Scout to fund the program that he ultimately benefits from.

Units selling popcorn will need to have their Popcorn Kernel at the District Popcorn Training and Kick-off on August 7, 2012 at 7:00 pm at the Kansas City Police Academy. Here, they will learn all about the popcorn program, changes to the program for this year and how to best help the Scout fund Scouting.

To sign-up to sell popcorn, contact Jenna Murphy at jenna.murphy@scouting.org or (816) 569-4948.

**Fall Camping is Here**

North Star District hosts two great campouts in the fall. Mark your calendars today.

**Cub Scout Family Campout**
(For new Cub Scouts)
September 28-29
Camp Branch at Smithville Lake

**Camporee**
(For Webelos, Boy Scouts and Venturers)
October 19-21
Kelsey Short Youth Camp at Smithville Lake

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Venturing Chair        John Forsyth (913) 341-5061
Wood Badge / NYLT Chair Jamey Hilleary (913) 515-3841
Senior District Executive Kathryn Specht (816) 569-4913

Investment in Character:  100.9%
2012 Boy Scout Camping:  71.1%
2012 Cub Scout Camping:  77.0%

August

2 District Commissioner Meeting, 6:00 pm
Church of Jesus Christ Latter-Day Saints,
7100 Hadley, Overland Park, KS 66204

2 Pack School Night for Scouting Training, 7:00 pm
Church of Jesus Christ Latter-Day Saints,
7100 Hadley, Overland Park, KS 66204

2 Roundtable, 7:00 pm
Church of Jesus Christ Latter-Day Saints,
7100 Hadley, Overland Park, KS 66204

16 Eagle Boards of Review, 6:30 pm
Church of Jesus Christ Latter-Day Saints,
7100 Hadley, Overland Park, KS 66204

21-30 School Nights for Scouting

September

4 District Committee Meeting, 7:00 pm
Grace Christian Fellowship Church,
7230 Quivira Rd., Shawnee, KS 66216

4 District Commissioner Meeting, 6:00 pm
Church of Jesus Christ Latter-Day Saints,
7100 Hadley, Overland Park, KS 66204

4 Roundtable, 7:00 pm
Church of Jesus Christ Latter-Day Saints, 7100 Hadley, Overland Park, KS 66204

20 Eagle Boards of Review, 6:30 pm
Church of Jesus Christ Latter-Day Saints,
7100 Hadley, Overland Park, KS 66204

20 Webelos Meet the Troop Night, 7:00 pm
Church of Jesus Christ Latter-Day Saints,
7100 Hadley, Overland Park, KS 66204

21-22 Cub Family Campout, 5:00 pm-11:00 am
Shawnee Riverfront Park,
5800 Frisbie Rd., Shawnee, KS

Thank you from the District

• Thank you to Dave Sultz and Lorri Kearns and all the adults who helped man stations and Walking Leaders for putting on another successful Day Camp!

• Thank you to all the presenters, workers, and those who made donations to the Northern Tier Investment in Character Campaign.

The 2012 Popcorn Sale is Here!

Here are some highlights for the 2012 campaign.

• For Popcorn Questions please contact Terry Dixon at (913) 362-4178 or by email at terrydixon3127@yahoo.com

• September 7, 2012: Show and Sell Pick Up

• September 8, 2012: Sale Begins

• Commission Breakdown:
  ➢ 30% Base
  ➢ +2% if your unit attends training AND pays their bill on time
  ➢ +2% if your unit grows their sale by 10%

Don’t Miss Our Upcoming Training:

Registration and More Information can be found online at: http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/NorthernTier/Training.aspx

• Venturing Leader Specific Training, 6:30 pm
  September 11, 2012
  Church of Jesus Christ Latter-Day Saints
  Lenexa Building-7845 Allman, Lenexa, KS

• Den Chief Training, 1:00-4:00 pm
  September 22, 2012
  Shawnee Riverfront Park
  5800 Frisbie Road, Shawnee KS
  $10 fee

The Annual Membership Drive is On!

Cub Scout School Night for Scouting Nights will run from August 21, 2012 – August 30, 2012 depending on Elementary School.

➢ Our District Goal this year is 300 new Cub Scouts

➢ Troops are encouraged to send Den Chief/Parents to help with the Recruitment Night

2012 Cub Scout Family Campout

• Friday, September 21 – Saturday, September 22
• Shawnee Riverfront Park: 5800 Frisbie Rd., Shawnee, KS

Cost: $8

• Event Runs 5:00 pm–11:00 am

The Cub Scout Family Campout is an opportunity for all Cub Scouts and their families to start the Scouting year off with a fun outdoor event. This overnight campout will feature games and activities designed for the entire family.

Pre-registration is requested by each pack. Registration information can be found at http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/NorthernTier/Activities.aspx

DID YOU KNOW?

The Northern Tier District is on Facebook-search for us as NT District. Join our page as we begin to utilize this to keep you up to date with upcoming events and discussion. Feel free to share your own Scouting updates and photos.
Save the Date
October 5-7   Weelos Woods, Camp Bromelsick
October 12-14 Fall Camporee, Camp Bromelsick

School Night for Scouting
At the end of August through early September, Jay Morris and his team of coordinators and organizers will be hard at work. Working with the packs and troops in the district, they will be striving to recruit 154 new Scouts as a part of our fall recruitment effort. New features for this year include:

- Pack participation at “Meet the Teacher Nights” at their assigned elementary schools. The commissioner staff has been charged with getting involved to help packs coordinate this event. The goal is to have a table with information including a pack calendar and a list of contacts. You are also encouraged to actually recruit youth and adults. This is a change from our approach in the past.

- Look for new materials and simplified methods this fall. Our goal on School Night is to provide some information about Scouting, but the key is to get Scouts and leaders registered and to send families home with information about Scouting like contact information and the date for the next meeting.

Trails End Popcorn Sale Set for September and October
It is time to set your unit and Scout sales goals, and set the date for your unit kickoff! Also, please plan to attend the district Popcorn Training and Kickoff on August 2, which will be held as a part of the district Roundtable. Learn about this year’s incentive program and the additions to the product line up. Our district goal for 2012 is to sell $150,000 worth of popcorn. This is a step up and it will take everyone’s participation to get us there.

The Trails End Popcorn Sale is a great way for Scouts to earn money needed for Scouting activities and to support the camping facilities of the Heart of America Council. For more information contact Natalie Archer, District Popcorn Chair, at brittandiansmom@yahoo.com.

Investment in Character: 101.9%
2012 Boy Scout Camping: 45.4%
2012 Cub Scout Camping: 78.3%

August
- 2 Roundtable, 7:00 pm
  First Baptist Church,
  1330 Kasold, Lawrence, KS
- 2 Popcorn Kickoff, 7:00 pm
  First Baptist Church,
  1330 Kasold, Lawrence, KS
- 16 District Committee Meeting, 7:00 pm
  Troop 55 Cabin, 1024 Kasold Drive, Lawrence, KS

September
- 6 Roundtable, 7:00 pm
  First Baptist Church, 1330 Kasold, Lawrence, KS
- 20 District Committee Meeting, 7:00 pm
  Troop 55 Cabin, 1024 Kasold Drive, Lawrence, KS
- 21-22 Cub Family Campout, 6:00 pm
  Camp Bromelsick

Welcome to Our New Units
Heritage Baptist Church has chartered Pack 3336 and Troop 336 as new units in the Pelathe District. These units are small to start but have plans to grow. They are primarily drawing members from their church school, but are welcoming everyone who would like to be involved. Thanks to the leadership of Cubmaster Robert Mooney and Scoutmaster Jeffrey Woods, more young men will be involved with Scouting.

Investment in Character
Congratulations to Dr. Dale Denning, Investment in Character Chair, Joe Stellwagon, Family Chair, and everyone who worked so hard this year to put the Pelathe District over our goal. The Pelathe District reported $38,604 which was 101% of a challenging goal for 2012. Also, thank you to everyone who contributed, you can take pride in ensuring that the young people in Douglas County can take part in one of the finest Scouting programs in the nation.

Find us on Facebook
We want you to be a fan! You can find our page by searching Facebook for “Pelathe District, HOAC, BSA.”
Investment in Character: 100.5%
2012 Boy Scout Camping: 39.2%
2012 Cub Scout Camping: 10.4%

August

2 District Commissioner Meeting, 6:30 pm
Central United Methodist Church,
5144 Oak St., Kansas City, MO

2 Roundtable, 7:30 pm
Central United Methodist Church,
5144 Oak St., Kansas City, MO

21 District Committee Meeting, 7:30 pm
VFW Building,
3400 Broadway Ave., Kansas City, MO

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Central United Methodist Church,
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6 Roundtable, 7:30 pm
Central United Methodist Church,
5144 Oak St., Kansas City, MO

18 District Committee Meeting, 7:30 pm
VFW Building,
3400 Broadway Ave., Kansas City, MO

Cub Scout Day Camp

From archery to mounted police to fire trucks, the boys from Pioneer Trails had a blast this year at Day Camp! Thank you to our Day Camp Director, Chris Bowling, and our Program Director, Ursula Copeland, for putting on our program this year. Another thank you goes out to Troop 80, Troop 40 and Troop 27 for providing the junior staff assistance and all of the walking leaders who assisted when needed. We had a great time this summer and look forward to seeing you again next year.

2012 Popcorn Sale

The 2012 popcorn sale is almost here. If you have not signed up yet to sell popcorn now is the time to do so. This is a great way to offset a lot of costs associated with Scouting (books, uniforms, camping, etc.) so that your boy has the ability to enjoy all that Scouting has to offer. If you need to get signed up or have any questions, contact our District Popcorn Chairman, Grant Adams, at (913) 904-2918 or grant_adams@hotmail.com.

Cub Family Campout

Mark your calendars for the weekend of October 12 for the annual Cub Family Campout. This event will be held on Friday, October 12 through Saturday, October 13 at the Centennial Camping Area, adjacent to Camp Naish. The Cub Family Campout is for all Cub Scouts and their families, and those in attendance will look forward to spending an evening under the stars while roasting marshmallows, singing campfire songs and playing games. Breakfast will be served Saturday morning and Cub Scouts are invited to participate in the program areas through the morning. Dinner will also be served on Friday night.

Camporee

Returning to the district this year, the Pioneer Trails District will host the fall Camporee on October 12-14. This event is for all troops in the Pioneer Trails District. We will be camping at the Centennial Campground adjacent to Camp Naish.

Adventures in Scouting Submissions

Want to feature your unit in the next edition of Adventures in Scouting? What about an exceptional Scout in your unit? We would love to publish your story in the next newsletter. Email articles to Michael Farrell at Michael.Farrell@scouting.org.
**September**

1. **Roundtable, 7:00 pm**  
   College Church of the Nazarene,  
   Cunningham Family Life Center,  
   2nd Floor, 2020 E. Sheridan, Olathe, KS

2. **District Committee/Commissioner Meeting, 7:00 pm**  
   Colonial Presbyterian Church,  
   12501 W. 137 St., Overland Park, KS

22-23 **Outdoor Leader Skills for Webelos Leaders**  
   The Farm, 175 and Ridgeview, Olathe, KS

**Cubs Return from the Wild West**

Over 450 Cubs Scouts returned from a hot and dry Wild West Day Camp. Many thanks to the parents and Walking Leaders who took time out of their schedule to make this event happen. A special thanks to Doug Westerhaus and Alicia Jeffcoat and their staff for making this possible. You may not know that planning for this event is a year round job with monthly Day Camp Meetings. To be a Nationally Accredited Day Camp, over 65 requirements have to be met. Everything from letters from hospitals and city water departments to certified range instructors ensure the safety of the youth at this camp. When Doug Westerhaus was asked why he did this every year he simply replied “A kid came up to me today and said, “today was the best day of my entire life!”

Pack 3138, from Green Springs Elementary, Olathe, KS, participated in the Wild West Cubs 2012 Day Camp, June 18–22 at Lake Olathe. The pack had a great time firing bb guns, sling shots, bow and arrows and water rockets. The scouts also mounted a bucking bull, blasted down a water slide, and patiently mined for gold. The pack won an award for building a “A Great Den Home,” and managed to plummet their egg from 10 feet high without a crack using their secret “Stacking Bread” method. If the boys’ enthusiasm at this Wild West Day Camp is any indication, the future truly looks bright for this pack.

**Did you know?**

The Red-Tailed Hawk District is on Facebook! Get people in your unit to “Like” the page, send Randy Warner a group photo of your unit at an event, and you can be the cover photo on the RTH page! [https://www.facebook.com/pages/Red-Tailed-Hawk-District-Boy-Scouts-of-America/223429961039331](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Red-Tailed-Hawk-District-Boy-Scouts-of-America/223429961039331)

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**August**

2 **Roundtable, 7:00 pm**  
   Olathe Christian Church,  
   1115 S. Ridgeview Rd., Olathe, KS

7 **Popcorn Training, 7:00 pm**  
   KU Edwards Center,  
   12600 Quivira Rd., Overland Park, KS

9 **District Committee/Commissioners Picnic, 7:00 pm**  
   Heritage Park, 16050 Pflumm, Olathe, KS

16 **Eagle Boards of Review, 7:00 pm**  
   New City Church,  
   7456 Nieman Road Shawnee, KS 66214

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**Red-Tailed Hawk District Executive**  
Kimberly Causey  
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Kimberly.Causey@scouting.org

**District Director**  
Jonathan Geiger  
Jonathan.Geiger@scouting.org

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**District Information**

**Investment in Character:** 106.5%

**2012 Boy Scout Camping:** 61.8%

**2012 Cub Scout Camping:** 69.6%

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**Cub Scout Packs Prepare to Grow**

Since last fall the Membership Team of the Red Tailed-Hawk District has been hard at work on developing new and tried and true methods of ensuring every youth possible has the opportunity to join Scouting. At the August and September roundtables, come ready to kick-off your pack’s fall recruiting season. Make sure that this is the best recruitment your pack will have with yard signs, fliers and getting to know those new first graders and parents at your school’s Back-to-School Night.
Heart of America Council, Boy Scouts of America

THUNDERBIRD

District Information

Investment in Character: 95.2%
2012 Boy Scout Camping: 77.4%
2012 Cub Scout Camping: 56.6%

August

7 District Commissioner Meeting, 6:30 pm
   Hickman Mills High School (Library),
   9010 Old Santa Fe Rd., Kansas City, MO

7 School Night for Scouting Kick-off &
   Roundtable, 7:30 pm
   Hickman Mills High School,
   9010 Old Santa Fe Rd., Kansas City, MO

14 District Popcorn Kick-off & District Committee
   Meeting, 7:00 pm
   St. Thomas More,
   11822 Holmes Road, Kansas City, MO

September

4 District Commissioner Meeting, 6:30 pm
   Hickman Mills High School (Library),
   9010 Old Santa Fe Rd., Kansas City, MO

4 Roundtable, 7:30 pm
   Hickman Mills High School,
   9010 Old Santa Fe Rd., Kansas City, MO

6 Youth Protection Training, 7:00 pm
   Hickman Mills High School,
   9010 Old Santa Fe Rd., Kansas City, MO

11 District Committee Meeting, 7:00 pm
   St. Thomas More,
   11822 Holmes Road, Kansas City, MO

Camporee: Bike and Hike

This year our Fall Camporee will be held on the third weekend of October (19-21). Tim Collins has stepped up to lead and to provide a 1st class event. This year we will be having a Bike and Hike event, in and around the property at Camp Naish in Bonner Springs, KS. Check out our flier online for specific details. Contact Tim Collins at (816) 718-8611 or tcondor17@sbcglobal.net for more information or if you would like to help staff.
**District Information**

**Trailhead Officers**

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**Investment in Character:** 102.3%  
**2012 Boy Scout Camping:** 73.9%  
**2012 Cub Scout Camping:** 63.6%

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| 7     | District Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm         | Emanuel Baptist Church, 10100 Metcalf Ave., Overland Park, KS |
| 7     | District Commissioner Meeting, 7:30 pm      | Emanuel Baptist Church, 10100 Metcalf Ave., Overland Park, KS |
| 9     | School Night for Scouting Kick-Off, 7:00 pm | Emanuel Baptist Church, 10100 Metcalf Ave., Overland Park, KS |

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**School Night for Scouting Kick-Off**

School Night for Scouting is quickly approaching. This is our fall recruitment event which introduces hundreds of boys to the Cub Scout program. Each pack should have their pack’s School Night Chairman in attendance on Thursday, August 9 at 7:00 pm at Atonement Lutheran Church.

At this very important meeting we will review the School Night program, distribute all of the School Night materials, provide details on organizing new dens and discuss leadership needs. Your pack leadership will play an important role in this year’s School Night Recruitment campaign.

**Day Camp Re-Cap**

Thank you to everyone who made the 2012 Trailhead Day Camp one to remember.

From June 6-10, Shawnee Riverfront Park was the site of “Wild West Cubs 2012.” More than 413 Cub scouts enjoyed activities like BB guns, archery, crafts, human foosball, and even a bubble gum hike. It takes a countless number of leaders and staff to make camp happen and it would not be a success without you.

**Training**

Now is the time to get your leaders trained. All leaders, including committee members, must be fully trained. Fully trained means completing Youth Protection and Job Specific Training for your position. Many trainings can be completed online at [www.myscouting.org](http://www.myscouting.org). For a complete list of training opportunities throughout Johnson County visit [http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/Trailhead/Training.aspx](http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/Trailhead/Training.aspx).

**2012 Cub Scout Family Campout**

- Friday, September 28 – Saturday, September 29
- Shawnee Riverfront Park: 5800 Frisbie Rd., Shawnee, KS
- Cost: $8
- Event Runs 6:30 pm – 11:30 am

The Cub Scout Family Campout is an opportunity for Cub Scouts and their families to start the Scouting year off with a fun outdoor event. This overnight campout will feature games and activities designed for the entire family. Pre-registration is requested by each pack. Registration information can be found at [http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/Trailhead/Activities.aspx](http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/Trailhead/Activities.aspx).

**Fall Camporee**

This summer, the nation will watch as the greatest athletes in the world gather in England, the birthplace of Scouting, to complete in the games of the 30th Olympiad. On October 19, not long after the Olympic torch has been extinguished in England, a new torch will be ignited in Louisburg, Kansas. Let the games begin!

**Trailhead District Fall Camporee**

Lewis-Young Park, Louisburg, Kansas  
October 19-21, 2012

- Individual and team games/challenges for all ages and skill levels
- All Trailhead District Troops and Crews are invited
- Webelos are welcome to attend with their host Troop or Crew
- Registration is now open on the Trailhead website

**Questions? Email thcampo-ree2012@gmail.com**

**Facebook**

The Trailhead District is on Facebook. Join our page as we begin to utilize this to keep you up to date with upcoming events and discussion. Feel free to share your own Scouting updates and photos.
**School Night for Scouting Kick-Off**

Fall is almost here, are you ready to recruit? All Packs should have their School Night Representative in place and ready to go. This person is responsible for coordinating pack recruitment efforts and communicating plans with the District.

All unit leaders and School Night Representatives should attend the Trails West School Night for Scouting Kickoff on Thursday, August 2 at 7:00 pm at the Holy Trinity Quigley Center. At the kick-off we will be finalizing School Night plans as well as distributing pack specific promotional materials.

For more information contact the Trails West School Night Team:
- Dennis Hoff — TW Membership Chairman kellieden@sbcglobal.net
- Christine O’Connor — TW School Night Chairman christineo999@yahoo.com
- Jason Bledsoe — TW Sr. District Executive jason.bledsoe@scouting.org

**Trails West Fall Training Calendar**

- **September 18, 2011** — Cub Scout Leader Training
- **October 16, 2011** — Cub Scout Leader Training
- **October 20, 2011** — Scoutmaster/ASM Training
- **November 14, 2011** — Cub Scout Leader Training

To pre-register for these training courses contact the Trails West Training Chairman, Rob Adams, at rob@adams-r.us.name.

For a complete listing of training courses offered in Johnson County go to: [http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/Trails-West/Training.aspx](http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/Trails-West/Training.aspx).

**Day Camp Re-Cap**

Thank you to everyone who made the 2012 Trails West Day Camp awesome!

Cubs take aim at adventure at Day Camp 2012

From June 11-14, Lake Olathe was transformed into “Wild West Cubs.” More than 211 Cub scouts enjoyed activities like bb guns, archery, bull-riding, sling shots, fishing, field games, and science.

It takes a countless number of leaders and staff to make camp happen and it would not be a success without you.

Plans are already underway to make next year even better. If you would to help plan or serve on staff for Day Camp 2013 contact our Camp Director, Bill O’Connor, at billoconnor7@yahoo.com

**Camporee 2012 “The Amazing Race 2”**

- **Friday, August 24 – Saturday, August 25**
- **Camp Naish**
- **Cost: $10**
- **Check-in begins at 5:30 pm Friday. Event concludes 11:00 am Saturday**

Get ready for “The Amazing Race 2.” This year’s Camporee will be similar to last year’s inaugural “Amazing Race” and will include some new challenges. Scouts will test their Scouting skills in different activities that will challenge the best of the best. And all events will take place under the stars in an outdoor lock-in type setting. Camporee 2012 is open to Boy Scouts, Webelos II’s, and Venturers only. Registrations are due at the August 2 Roundtable.

For more information or to register visit the Trails West Activities Page. [www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/TrailsWest/Activities.aspx](http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/TrailsWest/Activities.aspx)

**2012 Cub Scout Family Campout**

- **Saturday, September 22 – Sunday, September 23**
- **Camp Naish**
- **Cost: $8**
- **Check begins at 1:00 pm Saturday. Event concludes Sunday morning.**

The Cub Scout Family Campout is an opportunity for boys and their families to start the Scouting year off with a fun outdoor event. This overnight campout will feature games and activities designed for the entire family. No pre-registration is necessary and the entire family is welcome to attend. Packs, please RSVP attendance numbers to Kevin Kennedy at knk4@everestkc.net. This helps with food and program planning.

For more information visit the Trails West Activities Page. [www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/TrailsWest/Activities.aspx](http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/TrailsWest/Activities.aspx)
September

4 District Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm
Whistle Stop Café, 901 6th St., Osawatomie, KS

6 District Commissioner Meeting, 6:00 pm
First Presbyterian Church,
110 E. Peoria St., Paola, KS

6 Roundtable, 7:00 pm
First Presbyterian Church,
110 E. Peoria St., Paola, KS

Wild West Cub Scout Day Camp
Over 100 Cub Scouts shot bows and arrows, bb guns, made tie snakes and bug suckers, learned about flag etiquette, found pieces of gold, and much more at our Wild West Cub Scout Day Camp on June 4-7. A big thank you goes out to our Camp Director, Charles Atterbury, Program Director, Kristy Paden, and to all of our staffers. Day Camp was a huge success!

School Night for Scouting
Between August 22 and September 6, more than 200 new Cub Scouts will be enrolled in Scouting across the Twin Rivers District. Each pack needs to have at least one representative at the District School Night Kick-Off & Orientation on August 2 at 7:00 pm at First Presbyterian Church in Paola. At this meeting your pack will receive all the details on the recruitment campaign, including the date of your sign up night, and we will discuss the Pack responsibilities and support you will receive from the district.

Cub Scout Family Campout
The Twin Rivers District Cub Scout Family Campout will be held Friday, October 12 – Saturday, October 13 at Lewis-Young Park in Louisburg, KS. This event is open to all Cub Scouts and their entire families. Families should plan to arrive at 6:30 pm on Friday and the event will conclude at 11:30 am on Saturday. Cost is $8 per person, including family members. Families must register with their Pack and the Pack registration form is due to the Council Service Center by October 5. For more information, please contact Kristy Paden at Kristy_paden@yahoo.com.

Fall Camporee
Calling all Boy Scouts and Venturers! Get ready for the Twin Rivers District Fall Camporee on Friday, October 12 – Saturday, October 13 at Lewis-Young Park in Louisburg, KS. This event is open to all Boy Scouts and Venturers. Cost is $8. Registration forms and the information packet is available on the district web page at http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/TwinRivers/Activities.aspx

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