Scout Day Returns to the “K” April 14
See page 6 for details.
IS YOUR SCOUTING UNIT “COMPLACENT?”

Have you heard the story about Joe and Frank, two longtime Scouting friends who had not seen each other for some time? Joe saw Frank walking down the street one day and asked him how his Boy Scout Troop was going. Frank said, “The troop is great and couldn’t be better.” Hearing this, Joe said, “Well if your troop couldn’t be better, it sounds like your troop is complacent.” Joe knew that for any organization or business to continue to prosper and succeed they need to be looking towards the future and reevaluate how they operate.

It’s no different for the Heart of America Council and our districts, or for your pack, troop or crew. Nothing will ruin a strong, well operating unit quicker than complacency. Whether it is complacency in not recruiting new adult members to your committee or one of my biggest issues… not changing your unit’s annual program schedule. Does your unit pull out last year’s schedule of activities and roll the dates over for the next year? Change is painful, but it can also be good. After all, we know what we liked. If it worked well the last few years, let’s do it again, right? I would challenge every unit to spend some time at a future meeting and ask your youth members what they would like to do for the next program year. I think you will be surprised by their imagination and ideas they come up with. Many of our units plan a “super activity” each year as a focal point for the members to look forward to.

The Scouting program year runs with the school year. May/June is a great time to sit down with your committee and talk about your 2013-2014 program year. As a resource, the 2013-2014 (16 month) Council Calendar will again be distributed in May.

The retention of youth members continues to be a priority of our council. As I have shared many times before, our issue is not about our ability to recruit new youth into Scouting, but rather our ability to retain them. When exit polls are done with youth who leave the program, the number one reason they left was, “the meetings were boring, we never did anything fun.”

I promise you, if your unit takes 2-3 hours to conduct a program development meeting with some brainstorming from your youth members, you will have a better program, with more buy in and ultimately better retention.

As always if you have any questions or ideas feel free to contact me.

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FROM THE SCOUT EXECUTIVE

COUNCIL CALENDAR

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Legacy of Eagle Scouts Help Preserve the Past

It’s one of the oldest cemeteries in the area and the eternal resting place of some of Kansas City’s most well known figures. And for the past nine years, Scouts from the Heart of America Council have helped preserve the past at the historic Elmwood Cemetery.

Since 2004, twenty-six area Scouts have selected Elmwood Cemetery as the site of their Eagle Scout Service project. The latest project took place on December 22, 2012 when Dallas Tierney, a Life Scout from Troop 394 chartered to Shoal Creek Community Church, became the twenty-sixth Scout to complete his project at Elmwood.

Since 2004, local Scouts have reset an estimated 1,545 gravestones, placed 24 new Civil War markers, and given new memorials to 51 individuals who have previously rested in unmarked graves. Scouts not only set the 51 new gravestones, but through their fundraising efforts, were able to purchase and donate them. And these Scouts did not work alone. Helping them were 840 Scout leaders, parents, siblings, other troop members and friends.

History of Elmwood Cemetery Eagle Scout Projects:

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If you know of a Boy Scout who is working toward his Eagle and would like to complete his project at Elmwood Cemetery, contact Bruce Mathews at bmathews2@kc.rr.com.

2012 District Journey to Excellence Results

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Council Adds New District

On January 1, 2013, the Heart of America Council officially added a new district to the 19-county landscape. Unique in contrast to other districts, the Frontier District is not defined by geographical boundaries, rather by the communities it serves.

This new “Scoutreach” district is designed to focus on recruitment efforts and program delivery to the council’s underprivileged and underserved communities; in particular, those units operating with non-volunteer leadership.

The leadership of the Frontier District consists of a traditional district committee, but also includes an “Urban Scouting Advisory Board,” responsible for developing community partnerships within Kansas City’s urban core.

The Frontier District is currently made up of 169 “Scoutreach” units from throughout the Heart of America Council serving 3,368 youth. Turn to page 20 for more on the Frontier District.
“Shark Tank” Star to Highlight Patron Luncheon

Robert Herjavec, star of ABC’s Shark Tank and one of North America’s most recognizable business leaders, will be the featured guest speaker at the Heart of America Council’s 2013 Patron Luncheon on April 18. The annual fundraising luncheon is by invitation only and will be held at the downtown Marriott Muehlebach from 11:30 am – 1:00 pm. The 2013 Patron Luncheon is being chaired by Gary Fish, Founder/CEO, FishNet Security. For more information contact Tammy Butterfield, Heart of America Council Development Director, at (816) 569-4979.

2012 Top District Popcorn Sellers

2012 was a banner year for popcorn in the Heart of America Council with 2.5-million in sales.

Congratulations to our top district sellers.

Blue Elk ......................... Stephen Rainford ............... Pack 4865
Big Muddy ...................... Ethan Berning .................... Pack 4324
Kaw .................................. Myles Avery Jasper ............ Pack 3160
Lone Bear ......................... James Houk ...................... Troop 1225
North Star ....................... Liam and Lance Welch ....... Troop 1367
Northern Tier .................... Caleb Daniels .................... Troop 54
Pelathe .............................. Nathan Herschell ............ Pack 3072
Pioneer Trails .................... Leo Nash ......................... Pack 4024
Red-Tailed Hawk ............... Scot DuBrow .................... Troop 240
Thunderbird ...................... Aidan Long ......................... Troop 4210
Trailhead ......................... Nicholas Kost ....................... Troop 256
Trails West ....................... Jacob Riggs ......................... Pack 3088
Twin Rivers ....................... Noah Wolf ......................... Pack 3100

In addition to their Trails End Rewards, all top district sellers were presented a 2012 ASUS Tablet.

Kost Claims 3rd Top Seller Title

Being named the council’s top popcorn seller is nothing new to Troop 256’s Nicholas Kost. In fact, 2012 marked the 3rd consecutive top seller title for the First Class Scout from the Trailhead District.

After another record sale of $8,725, Nicholas shared his secret to success. “Being successful means going out even if it’s raining and still keep a smile on my face.”

The only question now is, will he make it 4 in a row in 2013?

2012 Top 10 Popcorn Selling Units

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In Memory of:

Rodger Alleman
Lorraine Alleman
Wayne T Allen
Bentley & Cheryl Hogan
Eugene “Gene” Bellner
Kathleen Byrd
Heart of America Council Staff
Mark Boresow
Susan Boresow
Lena Marie Clegg
Joyce Carlson
Mary Camille Davis
David Simmons
Mark & Stacey Tiggard
Ruth E Vanfossen
E F “Rusty” Corwin
Russell & Carolyn Shandrowski
Courtney Drumm
David & Gloria Beeman
Raymond Johnson
Kim MCSweeney
Kevin & Sondra Wilson
Christopher Duboc
Jennifer Michele Duboc

In Honor of:

Andy Fordemwalt
Florence Fordemwalt
Adele Hall
Heart of America Council Staff
James Halpin
Jerry & Joan Gilson
Christopher Duboc
Jennifer Michele Duboc

To remember a loved one or honor a friend, mail your check to Memorials & Tributes, Heart of America Council, Endowment Fund, P.O. Box 414177, Kansas City, MO 64141-4177. For more information, contact Tammy Butterfield at (816) 569-4979.
INVEST IN THEIR FUTURE... INVEST IN CHARACTER

Investment in Character is the council’s annual fundraising campaign that keeps Scouting an affordable and effective youth development program. By Investing in Character, you make Scouting a viable option to every youth who wants to participate.

All units should work to schedule and conduct a Family Investment in Character presentation by March 31, 2013. To schedule a presentation see your district’s page later in this issue and contact your Family Investment in Character Chairman.

In order to ensure the growth of our program, everyone should consider an Investment in Scouting.

Family Recognition Items for 2013
Show your commitment to Scouting with the “LOYAL” limited edition council shoulder patches, the second in the Scout Law Series.

Invest at the Family Level of $154 and receive the “LOYAL” limited edition blue shoulder patch.

Invest at the Leadership Level of $250 and receive the “LOYAL” limited edition black shoulder patch and the Family Level patch.

Invest at the Pacesetter Level of $500 and receive the “LOYAL” limited edition silver shoulder patch plus the Family and Leadership level patches.

All Investors will receive the 2013 “Prepared for Life” recognition magnet when they invest at a unit presentation.

Unit Recognitions for 2013
If your unit participates in the 2013 Family Investment in Character campaign and achieves your unit and participation goal, you will be eligible for free rank advancement through March 31, 2014.

Free rank advancement includes Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos and Arrow of Light patches for Cub Scouts. Boy Scout patches include Scout, Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, Life and Eagle (excluding the Eagle Kit). Awards for Venturers are the Gold, Bronze and Silver.

Contact your District Family Investment in Character Chairman or District Executive with any questions.

2013 Investment in Character Council Leadership

COUNCIL CHAIRMAN
Stephen M. Clifford — Managing Partner, Ernst & Young, LLP

COMMUNITY CHAIRMAN
Thomas S. Terry — EVP & Chief Lending Officer, UMB Bank

PATRON LUNCHEON CHAIRMAN
Gary Fish — President & CEO, FishNet Security

FAMILY CHAIRMAN
Gregg Riess — Dir. Business Development, McGladrey
Make plans to attend the 4th Annual Scout Day at the K featuring the Royal Gathering of Eagles on Sunday, April 14 at Kauffman Stadium. More than just a baseball game, this not to be missed annual event is an opportunity to showcase the fun of Scouting to the entire community.

ROYAL GATHERING OF EAGLES

Join fellow Eagles for pregame food, fellowship and recognize the 2013 Ewing M. Kauffman Distinguished Eagle Class. The Royal Gathering of Eagles is open to all Eagle Scouts and family members and will be held just outside Kauffman stadium in “Lot J.” All Eagle Scouts in attendance at the Royal Gathering will receive the commemorative 2013 Royal Gathering of Eagles Rally Towel.

COST:
• Admission to the Royal Gathering is FREE for all Eagle Scouts (includes lunch)
• Admission to the Royal Gathering is $5 for non Eagle Scouts (includes lunch)
• Game tickets are $7 for Eagle Scouts and family members.

2013 EWING M. KAUFFMAN DISTINGUISHED EAGLE CLASS

Michael J. Brown
Founder/CEO, Euronet Worldwide

David M. Fowler
Managing Partner, KPMG LLP

Carl Gerlach
Mayor, Overland Park, KS

SCOUT DAY AT THE K

Join Scouts from across the Heart of America Council for a day of fun and baseball. Scout Day at the K is open to all Scouts and Scout families and will feature the SCOUTStrong Experience, an interactive pregame activity area for the whole family located in “Lot J.” The SCOUTStrong Experience runs from 10:30 am – 1:00 pm. Register by March 16 to guarantee your commemorative 2013 Scout Day at the K Rally Towel. (*supplies limited)

COST: Game tickets are $7 for all participants

POPCORN “FILL-IT UP” TICKETS

Scouts who "filled up" one or more 2012 popcorn sale forms will receive 2 FREE game tickets. Additional game tickets can be purchased for $7. All “Fill-it-Up” qualifiers must claim their free tickets at www.hoac-bsa.org.

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SCOUT DAY 2013

Be Part of The Largest Gathering of Scouts In Kansas City This Year!
EAGLE RECEPTION

EAGLE SCOUT TRADITION RENEWED IN KANSAS CITY

SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2013
Municipal Music Hall

Eagle Scouts Return To Municipal Hall

Municipal Hall is a special place for thousands of Kansas City area Scouts. From 1937 to 1979, 20,598 Boy Scouts were presented their Eagle Scout badge at Municipal Hall. Now, more than thirty years later, a new tradition is set to begin.

Join the Heart of America Council on March 10 to honor the 2012 Clifford W. Illig Class of Eagle Scouts.

SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2013

Guest Speaker — Eagle Scout and Author Alvin Townley

MUNICIPAL MUSIC HALL 301 W. 13 St., Kansas City, MO 64105

1:00 pm — Eagle Scout Photos
1:30 pm — Reception Begins
2:00 pm — Program Begins

2012 was a record setting year in the Heart of America Council with 850 Scouts earning the coveted Eagle rank. All 2012 Eagle Scouts will be recognized on March 10 with the commemorative “Challenge Coin” and will receive a copy of the official 2012 Eagle Scout class photo. Also featured will be the 1962 Eagle Scout class who will be celebrating their 50th anniversary.

There is no cost to attend and all Eagle Scouts and family members are welcome. But act fast, space is limited and all attendees must pre-register at www.hoac-bsa.org.

Alvin Townley — Guest Speaker
Eagle Scout and author of Legacy of Honor, Spirit of Adventure, and FLY NAVY

Best-selling author and Eagle Scout, Alvin Townley, risked everything on a dream when he embarked on a personal odyssey to discover stories of leadership, service, and adventure. His travels have taken him around the world — from the halls of Congress to African villages; from Rocky Mountain peaks to Australia’s Great Barrier Reef; and from corporate board rooms to five aircraft carriers in three oceans. On these trips, he has met with inspiring leaders from all walks of life who are pursuing adventures with a higher purpose.

Clifford W. Illig — 2012 Eagle Scout Class Honoree
Eagle Scout, Co-founder of Cerner Corporation, Co-owner of Sporting KC

Kansas City business leader and Eagle Scout, Cliff Illig, is the vice chairman and co-founder of Cerner Corporation and co-owner of Kansas City’s Major League Soccer franchise, Sporting KC. Illig currently serves as a member of the Executive Committee of the Heart of America Council.
After a busy off season, the H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation is ready to welcome thousands of Scouts and leaders to camp this summer. Those returning to the reservation will notice a number of changes, mostly notably, the installation of 29 new state-of-the-art storm shelters. Throw in a highly enthusiastic staff, and we’re ready for a great 2013 camping season.

**Camp Construction Update**

**Storm Shelters Near Completion**

The goal was to build a safer summer camp. Now, after years of planning and preparation, the H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation is getting ready to complete its latest project. Construction of 29 new state-of-the-art storm shelters is expected to be completed by April 15. The shelters will be fully operational by the start of the 2013 camping season and are located in all 3 reservation camps.

**Sheet Metal Workers Install New Dining Hall Roof**

Campers in Piercing Arrow will notice a new addition thanks to Missouri Sheet Metal Workers Local Union #2. More than 30 apprentices spent the summer installing a new 15,000-square-foot metal roof on the Piercing Arrow dining hall.

The Heart of America Council and H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation would like to thank the workers for donating their time and expertise to a project that will benefit Scouts for many years to come.

**New Programs In 2013**

- Personal Fitness
- Kayaking
- Geocaching

Additional programs are still being finalized. All unit leaders are encouraged to attend an orientation meeting in March to learn about new program offerings in addition to receiving a copy of the new Leader’s Guide.

**2013 Orientation Meetings**

- March 12 — 7:00 pm — Lee’s Summit Christian Church, 800 NE Tudor Rd., Lee’s Summit, MO
- March 13 — 7:00 pm — North (Location TBA)
- March 14 — 7:00 pm — Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, KS

**2013 Bartle Reservation Leadership**

- Reservation Director: Alan Sanders
- Asst. Director of Administration: Larry Overfield
- Asst. Director of Program: Kyle Anderson
- Asst. Director of Facilities: Barry Slotnick
- Lone Star Camp Director: Bill Singleton
- Piercing Arrow Camp Director: Matt Woolf
- Sawmill Camp Director: Justin Dealy
- Food Service Director: Mic Finn

Text Alerts Back at Bartle

The emergency text alert messaging system will be operational again this summer at the H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation. Subscribers of this free service will receive severe weather or camp emergency updates to their phone.

Sign-up is easy. Go to [http://mobile-text-alerts.com/BoyScouts](http://mobile-text-alerts.com/BoyScouts) and complete the registration information.

**Camp Construction Update**

- Storm Shelters Near Completion
- Sheet Metal Workers Install New Dining Hall Roof

**2013 Tribal Council Nominations**

2013 Mic-O-Say Tribal Council nominations are now being accepted. Go to [www.hoac-bsa.org](http://www.hoac-bsa.org) and 'CAMPING RESOURCES' to download the 2013 nomination form. All nominations must be submitted to the Council Service Center by March 1, 2013.

**2013 Tribal Celebration**

Mark your calendars and plan to attend the 2013 Tribal Celebration May 31-June 2 at the H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation. Tribesmen will enjoy a weekend of fun and fellowship culminating with the Chieftains Ceremony on Saturday night. And don’t miss out on events like Late Night in Lone Bear and the Chief’s Challenge. Go to [www.hoac-bsa.org](http://www.hoac-bsa.org) and 'HON-OR CAMPING PROGRAMS' to register.

**2013 Tribal Calendar**

- May 31 - June 2 — Tribal Celebration
- June 6 — Staff Warrior Ceremony

**FIRST SESSION — June 7-16**

- June 10 — Call Night
- June 12 — Warrior Ceremony
- June 14 — Brave & Hon. Ceremony

**SECOND SESSION — June 17-26**

- June 20 — Call Night
- June 22 — Warrior Ceremony
- June 24 — Brave and Hon. Ceremony

**THIRD SESSION — June 27-July 6**

- June 30 — Call Night
- July 2 — Warrior Ceremony
- July 4 — Brave & Hon. Ceremony

**FOURTH SESSION — July 8-17**

- July 11 — Call Night
- July 13 — Warrior Ceremony
- July 15 — Brave & Hon. Ceremony

**FIFTH SESSION — July 18-27**

- July 21 — Call Night
- July 23 — Warrior Ceremony
- July 25 — Brave & Hon. Ceremony

**SIXTH SESSION — July 28-August 6**

- July 31 — Call Night
- Aug 2 — Warrior Ceremony
- Aug 4 — Brave & Hon. Ceremony

**2013 Bartle Reservation Leadership**

- Reservation Director: Alan Sanders
- Asst. Director of Administration: Larry Overfield
- Asst. Director of Program: Kyle Anderson
- Asst. Director of Facilities: Barry Slotnick
- Lone Star Camp Director: Bill Singleton
- Piercing Arrow Camp Director: Matt Woolf
- Sawmill Camp Director: Justin Dealy
- Food Service Director: Mic Finn
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New Programs In 2013

Be on the lookout for more programs this summer including the Paul Bunyan Challenge and new lunchtime outposts. Back by popular demand, the Polar Bear Swim is returning along with an updated Kaw River Bandits.

Additional programs are still being developed and you’ll have the opportunity to hear about all of them at the 2013 Naish Leader’s Orientation on March 12 at 7:00 pm at the Central Camp Dining Hall. At this meeting you will be briefed on the new programs at camp and the policies and procedures to follow to ensure a safe and fun summer camping experience.

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2013 Naish Reservation Leadership

Mini Camps are Back

Mini Camps return to Camp Naish this March. Program features include shooting sports, COPE and climbing, and Wilderness First Aid. The cost for most programs is only $28 and includes lunch. Scouts may participate on an individual basis or may register as a unit. Units wishing to camp at Naish for the weekend and participate in Mini Camp may do so by submitting a camping reservation form online. Register today at http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Programs/Activities/MiniCampWeekends.aspx.

ORDER OF THE ARROW

OA Elections & Inductions

Each Boy Scout Troop and Varsity Team should have held or scheduled an OA Unit Election by now. It is important that each unit work to hold its unit election before March 31 to have every opportunity to attend an induction event in 2013. Schedule your unit’s OA election through your Chapter Chief or his Chapter Election Team.

2013 Tamegonit Lodge Induction Dates

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Induction packets are now available online. All registrations are due at least 2-weeks prior to any induction, no exceptions.

OA Dues

Lodge dues in 2013 are only $10 per person. Dues help support the administrative costs of running the lodge, including mailings, website, insurance, printing, lodge chartering and committee operations. All membership dues should be paid by February 28, 2013. You can pay your dues online at http://oadues2013.kintera.org/.

Section Conclave

The Section C5B Conclave will be held at Camp Hohn in the Lake of the Ozarks April 19-21. The theme is “Zombie Apocalypse” and you can look forward to ceremonies and dance competitions, Ultimate Frisbee, shooting sports, a movie night and more. Look for information on the OA page of the council website or visit “Tamegonit Lodge” on Facebook.

Vigil Honor

The Vigil Honor is the highest honor that the Order of the Arrow can bestow upon its members for service to the lodge, council, and Scouting. Nominations are now being accepted. Download the nomination form at http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Camping/HonorCampingPrograms/OrderOfTheArrow/VigilHonor.aspx.

Founder’s Award

The Founder’s Award was created to honor and recognize those Arrowmen who have given outstanding service to the lodge. Nomination forms are now available at http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Camping/HonorCampingPrograms/OrderOfTheArrow/Resources.aspx.

Shooting Sports Training Opportunities

There are several opportunities this year to become a qualified NRA Instructor or Range Safety Officer. To register or to view the full NRA training schedule visit http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Programs/Activities/NRATraining.aspx.

On March 23, the Council Shooting Sports Committee will offer USA Archery Instructor Training. This course will provide you with the information needed to become a qualified archery instructor. The cost is $30 and includes lunch. The course will run from 8:00 am – 5:00 pm. Register online at http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Programs/Activities/NRATraining.aspx.

2013 BOY SCOUT SUMMER CAMP — NAISH

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CUB SCOUT CAMPING

DAY CAMP — JUNGLE ADVENTURE

13 Different Locations — 1 Great Program

Open to all Cub Scouts, including Kindergarten graduates, Day Camp is fun with a purpose close to home. Day Camp is held within your district and typically runs 4-5 days from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm daily.

In 2013, Scouts will embark on a “Jungle Adventure” experiencing everything from archery to arts & crafts.

Day Camp is now available at http://daycamp.kintera.org/. Register on or before April 2 to guarantee the early bird fee of $55.

For more details on Day Camp, session dates, fees, frequently asked questions and more, go to www.SCOUTCAMPING.org.

BEAR RESIDENT CAMP

Theodore Naish Scout Reservation — Cub World

Bear Camp is a 2-day outdoor adventure open to all Bears, or Cub Scouts entering the 3rd grade. Bear Camp is your son’s first chance to experience an overnight campout at a Council Scout Reservation with planned program for him to work on advancements, learn new skills and have fun. Your Scout will get to explore the Lost Mines, shoot BB guns, set sail for adventure at the Pirate Ship Water Park and defend a castle. There is no shortage of fun for your Bear this summer at Bear Camp. And since this is a one-on-one experience with your son, there are many opportunities for you as a parent to learn along with him.

Online registration for Bear Camp opens on February 11 at 8:00 am at http://bearcamp2013.kintera.org/.

For more details on Bear Camp, session availability, fees, frequently asked questions and more, go to www.SCOUTCAMPING.org.

WEBELOS RESIDENT CAMP

Theodore Naish Scout Reservation

Webelos Camp is a 3-day outdoor adventure open to all Webelos Scouts entering the 4th or 5th grade. With programs ranging from Scientist to Readyman to Aquanaut and more, your days at Webelos Camp will be action-packed and non-stop. Separate programs are available for Webelos 1 and Webelos 2 Scouts.

In 2013, we will only be accepting online reservations for Webelos Camp. Online registration is available now through March 29 at http://webeloscamp.kintera.org/. After March 29, we will accept deposits for new or additional campers at the council office. Contact Cheri Williams at cheri.williams@scouting.org for more information.

For more details on Webelos Camp, session availability, fees, frequently asked questions and more, go to www.SCOUTCAMPING.org.
Cub Scout camping is an integral part of the Scouting experience. Camping introduces Scouts to an exciting new world of outdoor opportunities. But summer camp is more than just a place to have fun, camping builds character by teaching independence among Scouts all while providing opportunities for leadership and teamwork in an outdoor setting.

The Heart of America Council is proud to recognize the following Cub Scout Packs for their excellence in camping.

The 2012 Cub Scout Camping Honor Roll consists of packs who participated in all 3 council summer camp programs: Day Camp, Bear Resident Camp, and Webelos Resident Camp.

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The Heart of America Council, Boy Scouts of America
Reservations Prep for Camping Season

Each year, hundreds of volunteers donate their time and talents to keep the Theodore Naish and H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservations up and running. And with a busy summer camping season fast approaching, we need your help.

Work Days at both Scout Reservations are open to all registered Scout leaders and Scouting units. For more information, including the 2013 Work Day schedule and project list, visit http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Camping/MaintenanceTeam.aspx.

Get Healthy in 2013...Get SCOUTStrong

For more than 100 years, Scouts have taken an oath “To keep myself physically strong.” Now, a new BSA program is putting those words into action.

Designed to encourage an active lifestyle, The SCOUTStrong Presidential Active Lifestyle Award Challenge is designed to get Scouts and Scouters up and moving.

Participation is easy. Go to http://www.scouting.org/scoutstrongpala.aspx to get started.

And starting this year, the SCOUTStrong program will be part of your unit’s Journey to Excellence objectives.

SCOUTStrong Challenge

Saturday, May 11, 2013

One way to get SCOUTStrong in 2013 is at the Heart of America Council’s inaugural SCOUTStrong Challenge 1/2 Marathon and 5K on May 11, 2013.

The challenge will take you through some of the greatest venues Kansas City has to offer while supporting Scouting.

The course begins at Sporting Park and takes you to the Kansas Speedway, through beautiful Wyandotte County Park, past the Agricultural Hall of Fame, through the Legends entertainment district, and back to Sporting Park.

The 1/2 Marathon is a perfect challenge for those that have been training over the winter and spring.

The 5K is a great distance for any runner, and because of the course, will offer a unique running experience.

The 2013 SCOUTStrong Challenge will offer all the benefits runners expect and promises to become a great addition to the best races Kansas City has to offer.

For more information or to register, visit www.scoutstrongchallenge.org. Stay up to date on everything SCOUTStrong. “Like” our New Facebook page @ScoutStrong Challenge.

Council White Water Adventure

July 19-21, 2013

Experience the thrill of white water rafting, camping and hiking in the Royal Gorge in Canyon City, Colorado. This exciting adventure is open to all Explorers and Venturers ages 14-20. But act fast! Space is limited.

Visit http://Whitewater.kintera.org for more information or to register.

2013 Commissioner College

Commissioner College is an opportunity for commissioners to continue their education through advanced learning experiences in unit service. The 2013 Commissioner College will be held Saturday, March 2 at the Cerner Riverport Campus — 6711 NE Birmingham Rd., Kansas City, MO.

Visit www.hoac-bsa.org for more information, to register, or to view the course catalog.
Host an International Scout in 2013

The Heart of America Council will host five International Camp Staff members this summer. Each of these Scouts will require a host family for their stay in the Kansas City area.

If you are interested in hosting an International Camp Staff member, contact Jeannie Salmon at jrsalmon@kc.rr.com. Jeannie and the Council International Committee will provide you detailed information of expectations and preparations should you agree to host a Scout in 2013.

Council Contingent Heads to Switzerland

Openings are still available to join the council contingent to Kandersteg, Switzerland this summer. The trip will take place June 28 – July 7 and costs approximately $2,000 per person.

Contact Tim Bodendistel at (913) 707-5489 if you are interested in attending.

LDS Centennial Celebration

March 8-9, 2013

All Heart of America Council Scouts are invited to the Theodore Naish Scout Reservation March 8-9 to commemorate 100 years of Scouting in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. From tomahawk throwing to climbing to an interactive Midway, you won’t want to miss this once-in-a-lifetime event.

For more details, to register, or to pre-order centennial merchandise log onto lds100yearsofscouting.com/.

There’s Still Time to Plan Your 2013 High Adventure

Do you want your Scouts to experience the adventure of a lifetime? There’s still time to reserve your spot at a BSA High Adventure Base in 2013, but act fast.

Traditionally, there are a number of unclaimed opportunities at BSA High Adventure Bases during a National Jamboree year. That’s good news for unit leaders looking to book a last minute trip because the National Jamboree will take place later this summer.

At last check, openings were still available at the Philmont Scout Ranch, Northern Tier, Florida Sea Base and Summit Bechtel Reserve. Visit http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/HighAdventure.aspx to investigate high adventure availabilities.

2013 Venturing Leadership Award Nominations

Nominations for the Venturing Leadership Award must be submitted on or before March 8, 2013. Only youth are eligible to receive this award. Nomination forms are available at http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Programs/Activities/VentureActivities.aspx.

2013-14 Venturing Officers’ Association Nominations

Venturers interested in serving as a leader in the Venturing Officers’ Association for 2013-14 (May 1, 2013 - April 30, 2014) must fill out and submit a nomination form on or before March 15, 2013. Self nominations will be accepted. Nominations forms are available at http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Programs/Activities/VentureActivities.aspx.

2013 Spring Banquet

The 2013 Spring Banquet will be held on April 19. We will recognize the 2013 Venturing Leadership Award recipients and install the 2013-14 VOA Officers. Details are being finalized. Be on the lookout for more information soon.

Show Your Eagle Pride

Get your official Heart of America Council Eagle Scout Decal

Available for just $1 at the Council Service Center
Eagle Scout Honored with Heroism Award

A Kansas Eagle Scout is being called a hero after his quick thinking helped save a young boy’s life. Matt Wagner, an Eagle Scout from Troop 494 chartered to the Knights of Columbus Council, jumped into action after witnessing a near tragic accident. Matt saw a young boy deeply lacerate his arm on a fence surrounding a public pool and immediately used the training he learned in Scouting to help. Matt stabilized the victim so that he could be safely transported to the hospital.

Due to his bravery, Matt received the National BSA Heroism Award and was honored at the Olathe City Council meeting by Olathe Mayor Michael Copeland.
Community Service Day Set for April 20

On Saturday, April 20, 2013, thousands of Scouts across the Heart of America Council will participate in a series of service projects to benefit your community. Contact your district representative for details on district specific projects and how you can get involved.

Upon completing any service project, be sure to log your hours online. Go to www.hoac-bsa.org and click the “Journey to Excellence” link in the upper right hand corner.

2013 Torch of Gold Recipients

The Heart of America Council congratulates the 2013 Torch of Gold Award recipients for their service to Scouts with Disabilities.

Jacob Albers ..... Thunderbird
Valerie Bordy ..... Trailhead
William Chase ..... Trailhead
Charles Como ..... Big Muddy
Marty Fahncke ..... Trails West
Lorri Offutt ..... Twin Rivers

“A Scout Is Reverent”

By Don Shapley, Council Religious Emblems Coordinator
donshapley@yahoo.com

Religious Emblems programs are about more than just statistics, awards and accomplishments — they are about people. Good people who are dedicated and willing to share their lives and energies with Scouts.

During 2013 let’s celebrate these folks and tell their stories. Please send me stories of people who have made a difference. Also, if this individual has not been recognized with an adult Religious Emblem, please take the time to recommend them.

For additional information about the Religious Emblems program visit www.praypub.org.
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Troop 1414 Andrew Tully Phillip Smith, SM
Troop 1415 Dylan Schlatter Brian Begemann, SM

Blue Elk
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Troop 167 Elwood Mock Steven Henry, SM
Troop 357 Kevin Jardes Robert Kissinger,SM
Troop 366 Ethan Richardson Gerard Overby, SM

Lone Bear
Troop 1400 Dylan Conner Russell Petree, SM
Troop 1727 Kyle Spencer Michael Abbott, SM

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Troop 1314 Collins Beatty Craig Watson, SM
Troop 1314 Connor Derry Craig Watson, SM
Troop 1314 James Bibens Craig Watson, SM
Troop 1314 Nathan Stahl Craig Watson, SM
Troop 1314 Spencer Granger Craig Watson, SM
Troop 1351 Jacob Hodson Peter Ito, SM
Troop 1351 Nathan Itao Peter Ito, SM
Troop 1357 Bryan Baker Keith Eberth, SM
Troop 1374 Benjamin Mays Paul Crooks, SM
Troop 1374 Brent O’Dell Paul Crooks, SM
Troop 1374 Davis Parry Paul Crooks, SM
Troop 1374 James Hooten Paul Crooks, SM
Troop 1374 Richard Kesler Paul Crooks, SM
Troop 1374 Ritter Krueger Paul Crooks, SM
Troop 1374 Tyler Hernandez Paul Crooks, SM
Troop 1376 Austin Cable Jeffrey Hartmann, SM
Troop 1376 Elliott Kiefer Jeffrey Hartmann, SM
Troop 1376 Ethan Francis Jeffrey Hartmann, SM
Troop 1376 Hunter Benth Jeffrey Hartmann, SM
Troop 1376 Jason Thon Jeffrey Hartmann, SM
Troop 1376 Jordan Donner Jeffrey Hartmann, SM
Troop 1376 Sean Baker Jeffrey Hartmann, SM
Troop 1376 William Ording Jeffrey Hartmann, SM
Troop 1495 Kyle Allen Jeffrey Adams, SM
Troop 1707 Michael Vance John Blanton, SM
Troop 1707 Robert Torres John Blanton, SM

Northern Tier
Troop 91 Daniel Craig Todd Martin, SM
Troop 91 Marion Reno IV Todd Martin, SM
Troop 93 Cameron Rex Myrl Wear, SM
Troop 93 Scan Keller Myrl Wear, SM
Troop 93 Spencer Boaz Myrl Wear, SM
Troop 192 Parker Jennings Alan Clark, SM
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Troop 194 Andrew Nichols Rick Harris, SM
Troop 194 Harley Ludwig Rick Harris, SM
Troop 199 Cory Perkins Allen Perkins, SM
Troop 299 Addison Brown Jeff Philgreen, SM
Troop 351 Brian Benzing Mark Fix, SM
Troop 394 Conner Galbraith Richard Galbraith, SM
Troop 394 Richard McFarlin Richard Galbraith, SM
Troop 584 Eric Hansen Bret Bozick, SM

Pelateh
Troop 55 Tyler Hanson Frederic Heschmeyer, SM

Pioneer Trails
Troop 1021 Austin Curttright Kevin Heschmeyer, SM
Troop 1046 Ashton Harris James Nielsen, SM
Troop 1046 Brendan Beebe James Nielsen, SM
Troop 1046 Nicholas Cianciolo James Nielsen, SM
Troop 1084 Blaise Rebmam Douglas Warrens, SM
Troop 1084 Caleb Aspinwall Douglas Warrens, SM
Troop 1084 Gabriel Aspinwall Douglas Warrens, SM
Troop 1118 Caleb Ellermann Craig Watz, SM
Troop 1150 Lorenzo Gatasia John Cullinan, SM
Troop 1150 Richard Sowders John Cullinan, SM

Red-Tailed Hawk
Troop 85 Steven Bolin Jeffrey Wandtke, SM
Troop 85 William McCreaht Jeffrey Wandtke, SM
Troop 122 Graham Barton Jeffrey Allison, SM
Troop 122 John Shapland Jeffrey Allison, SM
Troop 222 Benjamin Hodges Bradley Fountain, SM
Troop 222 Matthew Schmitz Bradley Fountain, SM
Troop 222 Rey Irwin III Bradley Fountain, SM
Troop 225 Samuel Petering Ed Davey, SM

Thunderbird
Troop 1003 Dakota Saylor Larry Bechtel, SM
Troop 1003 Ian Eddleman Larry Bechtel, SM
Troop 1003 Jarrett Craig Larry Bechtel, SM
Troop 1032 Cole Guider Dan Barnes, SM
Troop 1032 Ian Russell Dan Barnes, SM
Troop 1032 Kyle Guider Dan Barnes, SM
Troop 1042 Dawson Lemmons Jay DeHardt, SM
Troop 1195 Michael Klingsick David McCaughay, SM
Troop 1244 Dennis Hoenshell Joseph White, SM
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Troop 1262 Ryan Green Luke Harmon, SM
Troop 1262 Sawyer Harmon Luke Harmon, SM
Troop 1285 John Allard Bernard Swanner, SM
Troop 1323 Alexander Schnelle Brian Hess, SM
Troop 1323 Matthew Crance Brian Hess, SM
Troop 1391 Michael Dvorak Steve Preston, SM
Troop 1422 Randolph Russell Jr Maureen Russell, SM
Troop 1428 Clinton Giddens David Glosenger, SM
Troop 1601 John Tulipana Michael Foster, SM
Troop 1601 Samuel Daly Michael Foster, SM
Troop 1631 Thomas Gordon Michael Foster, SM
Troop 1631 Michael Loree Christopher Wilber, SM

Trailhead
Troop 10 Austin Hinojosa D Shropshire, SM
Troop 10 Benjamin Imlay D Shropshire, SM
Troop 10 Colburn Hoover D Shropshire, SM
Troop 10 Cooper Potts D Shropshire, SM
Troop 10 Daniel Baker D Shropshire, SM
Troop 10 Paul Kaster D Shropshire, SM
Troop 92 Jonathan Edmondson David Timpe, SM
Troop 251 Brendan Perlenger Michael Swearingen, SM
Troop 282 Frank Benanti Joe Poskin, SM
Troop 333 Alexander Dwyer Terry Ecklund, SM
Troop 333 Evan Kallsen Terry Ecklund, SM
Troop 395 David Kindscher Patrick Mason, SM
Troop 395 Sage Mason Patrick Mason, SM
Troop 396 Cole Hagedorn Patrick Farrington, SM
Troop 483 Samuel Griffin Byron Long, SM
Troop 786 Collin Christensen Brad Halversen, SM
Troop 786 Kellen Hawkins Brad Halversen, SM

Trials West
Troop 86 Brandon Nastav Fredrick Miller II, SM
Troop 88 James Reddy James Martin, SM
Troop 88 Theron Dale James Martin, SM
Troop 136 David Bryant Lowell Teague, SM
Troop 181 Jeffrey Berning Steven Phumm, SM
Troop 494 Alexander Barbosa Kyle Weber, SM
Troop 494 Tyler Norem Kyle Weber, SM
Troop 522 Austin McMullen Enrico Forner, SM
Troop 522 Cole McMullen Enrico Forner, SM

Twin Rivers
Troop 74 Brandon Kinn Roger Turner, SM
Troop 105 Aaron Prothe John Cooper, SM
Troop 106 Tanner Schwalm Joshua Furnish, SM
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District Chair  Mike Persell  (816) 470-2821
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2012 Cub Scout
Camping: 54.5%  Service Hours Per Scout: 1.0

2012 Boy Scout
Camping: 74.1%  Service Hours Per Scout: 7.2

February

5  District Commissioner Meeting, 6:30 pm
Lexington United Methodist Church,
1211 S. 13 Highway, Lexington, MO 64067

5  Roundtable 7:00 pm
Lexington United Methodist Church,
1211 S. 13 Highway, Lexington, MO 64067

7  District Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm
Lexington United Methodist Church,
1211 S. 13 Highway, Lexington, MO 64067

9  District Dinner: Gathering 6:00 pm/
Dinner @ 6:30 pm
Wellington-Napoleon Community Building,
Highway 224, Wellington, MO 64097

March

5  District Commissioner Meeting, 6:30 pm
Lexington United Methodist Church,
1211 S. 13 Highway, Lexington, MO 64067

5  Roundtable, 7:00 pm
Lexington United Methodist Church,
1211 S. 13 Highway, Lexington, MO 64067

7  District Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm
Lexington United Methodist Church,
1211 S. 13 Highway, Lexington, MO 64067

23  District Pinewood Derby, 11:00 am
Richmond Middle School,
715 S. Wellington St., Richmond, MO 64085

Big Muddy Welcomes New Faces to District Committee

The Big Muddy District Nominating Committee helped refine the district committee by adding several new faces and moving some folks into new positions. Please congratulate these folks on their new positions in the district.

Special Needs .......................... Charlie Como
Member at Large .......................... Dr. Damon Kazzire
Member at Large .......................... Rep. Glen Kolkmeyer
Vice Chairman of Program .......... Marc Stigall

Annual District Dinner

Join us on February 9, 2013 for the annual District Dinner. Come out and show your support to all of the hard working volunteers of the Big Muddy District as we present awards to our outstanding leaders.

Congratulations to the following volunteers for their outstanding service to youth as well as the Big Muddy District:

District Award of Merit .......................... Jeff Brenton
District Award of Merit .......................... Fredrick Seitz
Robert M. Levy Outstanding Scoutmaster .......................... Brian Beissenherz
Hershel L. Hay Outstanding Cubmaster .......................... Chris Berry
Outstanding Committee Members .... Crystal Forkner
Outstanding Committee Members .... Mary Koch
Lee Holt Award ................................. Mike McGhee
Ike Skelton Award ............................... Bosh Bruening
Outstanding District Staff Member .... Tom Butler
Outstanding District Staff Member .... Tammy Cockrum
Outstanding District Staff Member .... Mark Stilwell
Outstanding Den Leader .......................... Arby Todd

District Pinewood Derby

The 2013 District Pinewood Derby will be hosted by our friends at Cub Scout Pack 324 at Richmond Middle School on March 23. Check in starts at 11:00 am and the races begin at high noon.

Bring out the best from your pack and race them against the best district wide. Trophies will be awarded for first place in each age category as well as a grand champion and best in show. Rules were distributed at roundtable.

2013 Investment in Character

Does your unit want some help paying for rank advancement? Hit the goal you set with your District Executive and you can have your rank badges paid for throughout 2013.

Our Investment in Character Campaign is in full swing and off to a great start. Thank you to all of the units that have taken the time to schedule a presentation date. Thank you to Kim Edney for heading up the annual Family Campaign, and to Mike McGhee and Bosh Bruening for taking on the task of the Community Campaign.

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District Training

As of this year, all registered adults must be trained in their respective positions. Please ensure that all leaders have completed the appropriate training course and are up to date on their Youth Protection training.

Keep an eye out for the 2013 Roundtable Training Schedule. During 2013 there will be a variety of trainings offered the first Tuesday of the month.

Cub Scout Training
Tammy Cockrum (660) 542-1170 or trcockrum@yahoo.com

Boy Scout Training
Steve Graver (660) 229-4013 or farmersteve@embarqmail.com
**Scout Earns Rare Award**

**Story by: Kelly Evenson, The Examiner**

When Jackson McArthur joined the Boy Scouts, he knew that he wanted to complete his Eagle Award project quickly. 

"Most kids wait until the very last minute to do their Eagle project," said the senior at Blue Springs High School. "I knew that waiting was something I did not want to do. I wanted to enjoy my time in Boy Scouts, so I got it done early."

Early, meant that McArthur received his Eagle Award at 13. The question then was what to do with the remaining time he had left in Scouting. After looking through his merit badge book, he found some information on the William T. Hornaday Silver Award.

The highest award in conservation for a Boy Scout, the national award has been given less than 100 times in 37 years. To receive the award, scouts have to complete four service projects in different areas of conservation — each equivalent to an Eagle service project. After four years of planning and completing the projects, McArthur is only the second scout in Missouri to receive the award and the first in the Heart of America Council.

"It pretty much made me who I am," he said. "The lessons from Scouting have taught me to be more confident and self-motivated. I don't know where I would be without the Boy Scouts."

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**Day Camp 2013**

Join us for a "Jungle Safari" July 8-12, 2013 at the American Legion Farm. Please have your unit’s Day Camp Coordinator visit our Day Camp Web site to sign-up for a Day Camp promotional presentation:


NEW for 2013! The pack with the highest percentage of Scouts registered for camp by April 4, who has a short unit promotional presentation, AND who has a walking leader attend Walking Leader Training at the May Roundtable (5/2) will receive a Pizza Lunch for the pack during Day Camp!

Registration is due by April Roundtable (4/4) for the $55 rate. The rate increases to $70 after April 4, so sign-up early to get the best deal. All newly registered Scouts are $55 regardless of age.

Questions? Contact Jeff Dutzel, Day Camp Director, at (816) 805-7964 or jdutzel@sbcglobal.net.

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**District Award Recipients Honored at Blue Elk District Dinner**

It is our privilege to recognize the 2012 District Award of Merit recipients:
Exploring Officers

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<td>Kurt Neis (913) 888-6066</td>
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<td>Darlin Chance (816) 847-5000</td>
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<td>Activities Chair</td>
<td>Melanie Pierce (913) 895-6300</td>
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<td>Lisa Thomas (816) 569-4972</td>
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<td>Exploring Executive</td>
<td>Kerry Jorn (816) 569-4937</td>
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Exploring/Venturing White Water Rafting Adventure

July 19 - July 21, 2013

All Explorers and Venturers are invited to attend a white water rafting adventure in Canyon City, Colorado. Spend an exciting weekend camping, rafting and hiking in the beautiful Royal Gorge.

Participants will depart from the Heart of America Council Service Center via coach bus on Friday, July 19 at 4:00 pm and arrive Saturday morning in Canyon City, Colorado. We will white water raft on Saturday and hike on Sunday. Participants will depart on Sunday, July 21 at 5:00 pm and arrive back in Kansas City on Monday morning.

The cost to attend is $325.00 which covers transportation, camping, white water activity and food. Pre-registration is required. To register visit http://Whitewater.kintera.org. Space is limited, so act fast!

Parkville Explorer Recognized for Excellence

Congratulations to Connor Blinzler, Parkville Police Department Explorer Post 2701, for being recognized as a Fox 4 Reaching 4 Excellence Young Achiever.

Connors’ leadership and commitment to the community started at a young age and will continue into the future as he plans for his career in the field of Law Enforcement. As a Law Enforcement Explorer, volunteer for Synergy, Director of the Political Club at Park Hill South High School, and a recipient of the Northland Community Foundation’s Virjean Burton Youth Philanthropy Award, Connor has set a precedent for young people to step up and be a part of their community. We are proud to recognize Connor for his amazing contributions to the Exploring program and community.

2013 National Law Enforcement Exploring Leadership Academies

This summer, Law Enforcement Explorers will have the unique experience of participating in the National Law Enforcement Exploring Leadership Academies. The National Law Enforcement Exploring Committee will select thirty Explorers for each Academy. Explorers will list their top five Academy choices and the committee will make the Academy assignments for the selected Explorers.

Each Academy will feature programs on the dynamics of leadership, physical training, and law enforcement practices.

2013 Leadership Academies:

- **THE DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION**
  June 22 — June 29: Washington, DC

- **THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**
  June 29 — July 5: Washington, DC

- **THE U.S. MARSHALS SERVICE**
  July 7 — July 13: Washington, DC

- **THE U.S. ARMY MILITARY POLICE**
  July 13 — July 20: Fort Leonard Wood, MO

- **THE U.S. SECRET SERVICE**
  July 14 — July 20: Washington, DC

Each Explorer must complete an application and submit a statement of “What Law Enforcement Exploring Has Meant to Me.” The applicant must be a current participant of Law Enforcement Exploring for no fewer than 12 months.

The completed nomination form with the appropriate certifications must be RECEIVED, not postmarked, in the national office no later than February 4, 2013. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

Go to www.learningforlife.org/exploring/lawenforcement for more information, including pricing, and to download the application form.

Hallmark Explorers Capture the Magic of the Holiday Season

A local tradition, the Plaza Lights draw thousands of visitors to Country Club Plaza every year. But this official start to the holiday season also attracts a group of local Explorers.

Armed with cameras and imagination, Hallmark Explorer Post 2918 captured the magic of the holiday season during their annual photography trip. This year, Explorers experimented with low resolution photography to capture some amazing images of the Plaza Lights.

The Hallmark Explorer Post holds fieldtrips monthly focusing on a wide range of photography subjects.
Welcome to the New Frontier

The Frontier District is the Heart of America Council’s newest district. While the district serves the entire geographical composition of the council, the majority of Scouting units reside within Wyandotte County, Kansas and Jackson County, Missouri. The vast majority of these units will be led by paid program aides, corporate sponsored volunteers or other volunteers lacking a familial connection to the units.

District leaders are tasked with mobilizing resources to ensure the growth and success of the units in the district. The Frontier District Committee is responsible for carrying out four standard functions: membership, finance, program and unit service. We are pleased to announce the 2013 Frontier District Committee assignments.

Frontier Volunteer Leadership

District Vice Chairman: James Vaca
District Commissioner: Doug Roberts
District Training Chairman: Mark Jansen
Membership/Relationships Co-Chair: Jeremy Rutledge and Rev. Keith Cordier
District Activities and Civic Service Chairman: Chris Cullum

Frontier Professional Staff

District Director: Dusty Boatright
Senior District Executive: Khary Floyd

GM/UAW Local 31 Pinewood Derby

Get ready to race for a good cause. The 14th annual GM/UAW Local 31 Pinewood Derby will be held on Saturday, March 9, 2013 at the GM Fairfax Plant. The event is open to all Scouts in the Frontier, Kaw, Blue Elk and Thunderbird Districts. Weigh-ins start at 8:00 am and the races begin at 9:00 am.

The annual Pinewood Derby has raised over $250,000 and has helped send 835 local Scoutreach youth to camp.

For more information or to register contact Dusty Boatright at (816) 569-4967 or dustin.boatright@scouting.org.
Kaw Officers

District Chair: David Block (913) 200-1731
District Commissioner: Rob Sloop (913) 422-0583
Activities Chair: Steve Henry (913) 240-4249
Advancement Chair: Nancy Henre (913) 626-6826
Boy Scout Roundtable: Nils Erickson Nils.erickson@us.army.mil
Camping Chair: Susan Rodgers (913) 351-1470
Cub Scout Roundtable: Angela Derezinski (913) 727-4578
Eagle Board of Review: Nancy Henre (913) 626-6826
Finance Chair: Bruce Coleman (913) 422-3040
Membership Chair: Greg Carpenter (816) 769-7975
OA Advisor: Mike Kinglele (913) 441-6256
Public Relations Chair: James Lally (617) 308-1016
Risk Management Chair: Sandra Patrzykont (913) 963-4288
Training Chair: Nils Erickson Nils.erickson@us.army.mil
Wood Badge/NYLT Chair: Sam Young (913) 250-0747
Venturing Chair: Allan Lechner (913) 651-5398
District Executive: Jose Romero (816) 569-4973 Jose.Romero@scouting.org

February

7 Roundtable, 7:00 pm
Bonner Springs United Methodist Church,
405 Morse St., Bonner Springs, KS 66012

14 District Commissioner Meeting, 6:30 pm
LDS Church, 8616 Haskell Ave.,
Kansas City, KS 66109

14 District Committee Meeting, 7:30 pm
LDS Church, 8616 Haskell Ave.,
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March

7 Roundtable, 7:00 pm
Bonner Springs United Methodist Church,
405 Morse St., Bonner Springs, KS 66012

Kaw’s New District Chairman

The Kaw District is proud to announce the appointment of David Block as the new District Chairman of the Kaw District. David is an Eagle Scout and currently serves as Scoutmaster for Troop 244 and Committee Chair for Crew 2149. David is the General Manager of the Super 8 Motel in Bonner Springs.

It’s Klondike Time

The Kaw District Klondike Derby is right around the corner...Do you have what it takes to camp in the cold? This year’s event will be held February 15-17 at Kenneth Bernard City Park in Lansing, KS. The event will also include a Webelos and Venturing program. The cost to attend is $10.00 per person. The Webelos program will be held on February 16 only.

For more information contact Nils Erickson at nils.erickson@us.army.mil.

Kaw Congratulates Troop 1’s Chris Smith

The Kaw District would like to congratulate Chris Smith who was recognized with the Black & Veatch Eagle Scout College Scholarship at the Heart of America Council’s Distinguished Citizen Award Dinner in October.

Chris is an Eagle Scout from Troop 1 chartered by Immanuel Baptist Church in Kansas City, KS. He is a Vigil Honor member of the Order of the Arrow and currently serves as the Chairman of the OA dance team. Chris is currently a freshman enrolled in the Honors program at UMKC studying Biology with a minor in Chemistry. When he is done with school he hopes to go into pharmaceutical research. Congratulations Chris!

Kaw Day Camp Dates Announced

Attention all packs...this year’s Kaw Day Camp will be held June 17-21. Day Camp is a great way for your pack to earn advancement and be active in the summer time.

This year’s theme is “Jungle Adventure” and we are in the process of coming up with NEW and AWESOME activities and games. Camp will be held at the Theodore Naish Scout Reservation South Camp, but plans are underway to spend time at Cub World too.

For more information contact Jose Romero at (816) 569-4973 or Regina Utter at reginautter@me.com.

Investment in Character Family Campaign Kicks-off

The Kaw District would like to thank all units who hosted an Investment in Character presentation at either your Blue and Gold Banquet or Court of Honor. This year’s Kaw family goal is $29,250. If your unit has not scheduled your presentation or you would like our presentation team to return, contact Nils Erickson at Nils.erickson@us.army.mil or Jose Romero at (816) 569-4973 or jose.romero@scouting.org.

Save the Date — Upcoming Activities:

GM Fairfax Pinewood Derby — March 9, 2013
Community Service Day — April 20, 2013
Fall Camporee — October 16-18, 2013

Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturers from Bonner Springs United Methodist Church march to support Scouting

Heart of America Council, Boy Scouts of America

February/March 2013
Day Camp

Although it's still cold outside, it's time to start thinking about Cub Scout Day Camp. Camp will be held June 10-14, 2013 at Artesian Park in Clinton, MO. Activities include: Swimming, BB guns, archery, crafts, games, and lots more! You won’t want to miss the “Jungle Adventure.” Sign your pack up by April 4 at $55 per Scout. Registration information can be found at http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Camping/CubScoutCamping/CubScoutDayCamp.aspx.

Investment in Character

We are in the midst of our annual Investment in Character fundraising campaign and want to thank everyone who has been able to make a contribution so far. With your help we will be able to reach 100% of our goal.

District Dinner

Mark your calendars for February 12 and the annual District Dinner at the Clinton Elks Lodge, 115 W. Franklin St. Here we will be recognizing the accomplishments of the Lone Bear District for 2012 and honoring the recipients of the District Award of Merit, Silver Bear Award, and Lonely Bear Award. In addition, we will be recognizing the 2012 Eagle Scout class. Gathering begins at 6:00 pm, with dinner served at 6:30 pm. Reservations must be received at the Council Service Center by February 5.

Recharter 2013

Recharts were due by the end of January. If you have not submitted your packet yet, please make arrangements with your District Executive, Matt Specht, to pick it up from you.
North Star Officers

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Camping Chair | Jeff Tyler | (816) 505-2017
Cub Scout Roundtable | Scott Hidy | cubber320@yahoo.com
Eagle Board of Review | Bill Moberly | (816) 781-6923
Finance Chair | Tom Lenz | (816) 792-0114
Membership Chair | Brent Cable | (816) 918-4800
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Public Relations Chair | Brian Blake | (816) 746-6797
Risk Management Chair | Mark Tones | (816) 454-2576
Training Chair | Greg Plumb | (816) 309-2049
Wood Badge/NYLT Chair | Jeanie Salmon | (816) 222-4878
Venturing Chair | Maggie Jackson | (816) 415-9440
Senior District Director | Brian Tobler | (816) 569-4985
Senior District Executive | Rob Gilkerson | (816) 569-4913
District Executive | Katie Petersen | (816) 569-4949

2013 Pinewood Derby

The 2013 North Star District Pinewood Derby will be held on Saturday, February 9 at Maple Woods Community College. Racing begins at 8:00 am sharp. This is a new venue. It is recommended that participants and spectators show up early to find out where to park and where the racing will be held.

The fastest cars from each pack in the district will compete for top honors, and the winner of each age group will compete for the Grand Champion. Come out and cheer on the participants!

OA Rendezvous

All Scouts, Scouters, family and friends are invited to the North Star District’s 6th Annual Rendezvous. The event is scheduled for April 5-7 at the Kelsey Short Youth Camp at Smithville Lake.

The OA Rendezvous is a weekend of fun and excitement, capped off with a Call Out of those candidates from the North Star District who have been chosen by their peers to begin the Ordeal process in the Order of the Arrow.

Webelos Woods 2013

Attention all Webelos Scouts! The North Star District’s Webelos Woods will be held May 4-5 at Camp Branch. Webelos Woods is a series of fun competitions for all Webelos Scouts where basic Scouting skills will be put to the test. Examples include knot tying, fire building and First Aid.

More information will be sent to all Cub Scout Packs about Webelos Woods, so be on the lookout for handouts at each Cub Scout Roundtable. This is also a great event for Boy Scout Troops. Help out and get to know those Webelos Scouts that will be looking at bridging over into your next troop year.

Webelos Leader Outdoor Experience

Webelos Leader Outdoor Experience (WLOE) is specialized training that teaches the “how to” in planning and conducting a successful Webelos Den overnight event. It will give you all of the information you need for planning and carrying out an event that is fun, safe and meets all of the national policy guidelines for taking Webelos on a camping or outdoor experience.

Any Pack leader who is currently in a Webelos den, or will be moving into a Webelos den in the next 12-15 months, will benefit from this training.

WLOE will be held May 3-4 at the Kelsey Short Youth Camp at Smithville Lake.

Troop 314 Merit Badge Academy & Tenderfoot Trot

Boy Scout Troop 314 is offering a merit badge academy on Saturday, February 9. All classes will be taught by Troop 314 Boy Scouts and are supported by adult merit badge counselors. Lunch and a patch are included.

Scouts can take up to 2 classes — one in the morning and one in the afternoon. No more than one Eagle-required badge can be taken. The first 150 Scouts who register for these 21 merit badges can attend — so sign up early.

Scouts in the Tenderfoot Trot program will work on Tenderfoot requirements. Scouts must bring their Scout Handbook. For more information, including cost and registration procedures, visit http://www.troop314.com/docs/MBALeaderGuide2013.pdf.
Meet our new District Chair and Commissioner

Please welcome Chris Ross, 2013 District Chair, and Lisa Grimsley, 2013 District Commissioner, as the new Key 3 Leadership to the Northern Tier District.

Eagle Scout Chris Ross is a Principal Architect with HNTB. His adult Scouting career includes involvement with the Cub Scout Pack at Westwood View and Troop 91 at the Village Church. He has held the positions of Assistant Scoutmaster, Barble Campmaster, Troop Committee Member as well as Venturing Crew Associate Advisor. He is a Brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow and a Warrior in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say.

Lisa Grimsley has been an involved member of the Northern Tier District Committee and Commissioner staff. She has served as a den leader and committee member with Pack 3751 and is currently working on her Wood Badge ticket. She is a member of the Order of the Arrow and an Honored Woman in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say. Lisa works at U.S. Bank as a Human Resources Generalist.

Klondike Derby

Did you survive the cold? A big thank you goes out to Klondike Chair, Mark Fix, and Troop 351 for a great Klondike Derby on January 26 at Shawnee Riverfront Park. Nearly 100 Scouts were in attendance to test their cold weather camping and sled racing skills.

District Dinner

The 2013 District Dinner will be held February 12 at Old Shawnee Town. This adult recognition evening is a time to thank the many volunteers that help Scouting in Northern Tier.

Outstanding Leader Recipients:

| Cubmaster: | Jason Parker, Pack 3297 |
| Den Leader: | Chad Burke, Pack 3651 |
| Assistant | Carrie Setzkorn, Pack 3184 |

Scoutmaster: Alan Clark, Troop 192
Troy Johnson, Troop 123
Lee Schneider, Troop 358

Committee Chair: Luke Corkill, Troop 192
Amy Gabbert, Pack 3651
Shane St. Clair, Troop 394

Committee:
Member: Connie & Tim Elliott, Troop 54
Kim Lewis, Pack 3851

Champion:
Organization Rep.: Keith Grochoswsky, Troop 393
Ron Hooper, Pack 3054

Commissioners:
Joe Allen, Tom Ashby, Nate Klein

District Scouter: Lorri Kearns, Dave Way
Member at Large: Marshall Hollingsworth

Webelos on Wheels

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NORTHERN TIER
2012 Silver District Journey to Excellence

February March 2013

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- Activities Chair: Natalie Archer (785) 727-0153
- Advancement Chair: Rich Bailey (785) 842-0842
- Boy Scout Roundtable: Sandy Dixon (816) 721-3269
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- Cub Scout Roundtable: Amy Isenberg (913) 461-8477
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- Venturing Chair: Audrey Taylor (785) 749-5722
- Senior District Executive: Randy Kidder (816) 569-4954

February

- **Roundtable, 7:00 pm**
  First Baptist Church, 1330 Kasold, Lawrence, KS

- **Centennial Celebration of LDS Scouting**
  Naish Scout Reservation

- **District Pinewood Derby**
  May 3-5
  Naish Scout Reservation

- **District Community Good Turn Project (Part 2)**
  May 23 or April 6, 2013
  2 District Good Turn Project (Part 1), 8:30 am - Noon
  First Baptist Church, 1330 Kasold, Lawrence, KS

- **Scouting for Food — A Great Community Service**
  Scouting for Food is a long-standing tradition in the Pelathe District. This April will mark the 26th year that Scouts have conducted a one-day, district-wide drive to collect food from our neighbors which is donated to local food banks for distribution to those who are less fortunate. In 2012, more than 9,000 food items were collected by Scouts on a single day.

  Make plans now to participate as a pack, troop, team or crew. If you are in Lawrence, plan to have someone at the March Roundtable to re-confirm the area that you would like to cover. Plan to pick up your fliers and bags at the April Roundtable. Distribute the fliers to let your neighbors know about the project and then return on April 13 to collect food that is left at each house.

  If you have questions about Scouting for Food, contact John Scott at (785) 542-3510 or john3scott@aol.com.

Save the Date

**Mark your calendars for these upcoming events in 2013**

- April 12-13 ILOS/OWL Training
- April 13 Scouting for Food
- April 19-21 Spring Camporee
- April 20 Cub Scout Belt Loop-A-Thon
- April 27 Scoutmaster Specific/BALOO Training
- May 3-5 Webelos Graduation Weekend
- May 9 District Fly Fishing
- May 25 Bromelsick Memorial and Flag Retirement

Day Camp

Amy Isenberg and Christen Coble are planning an exciting program based on a “Jungle Adventure” theme for the 2013 Cub Scout Day Camp. The camp will be held June 3-6 at the Douglas County Fairgrounds. Visit the Pelathe Activities page for more information. Also watch for information at Roundtable. If you are interested in volunteering to staff the Pelathe District Cub Scout Day Camp, contact Amy for more information at amy@sway.org.

Webelos to Scout Transition

You play a crucial role in our Webelos Scouts continuing their Scouting adventure...

The transition from Cub Scouts to Boy Scouts is a time when we as Scout leaders have tremendous opportunity. It is crucial that we work with parents to help them understand the importance and benefits of continuing on to Boy Scouts.

- Follow up to be sure that each Scout and his parents have visited a Scout troop.
- Recognize graduating Webelos Scouts during the pack Blue and Gold Banquet. Include the future Scoutmaster in the recognition ceremony. Consider providing a Boy Scout handbook to each graduating Webelos. Encourage parents to become involved with the troop as a way to continue to be a part of their son’s Scouting adventure.
- If graduating Webelos Scouts have sold popcorn, please consider transferring funds that are credited to this Scout to his new troop. Camping fees for the summer camp can approach $300, so every dollar helps.
- At the Blue and Gold, take both individual and group photos of your graduating Webelos, post them on the Pelathe District Facebook page.
**PIONEER TRAILS**

**DISTRICT INFORMATION**

**March**

2 Commissioner’s College  
Cerner Riverport,  
6711 NE Birmingham Rd., Kansas City, MO

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

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

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

23 Merit Badge Academy  
Penn Valley Community College

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**Merit Badge Academy**

The 2013 Merit Badge Academy will be held on Saturday, March 23 at Metropolitan Community College-Penn Valley. Merit Badge Academy provides Scouts with an opportunity to earn a wide variety of merit badges. Prerequisites are required before taking certain merit badge classes, so be sure to read the requirements thoroughly before attending. The fee for this event is $5 per Scout.

For questions or for more information contact Ross Whitacre at (816) 718-3255 or rwhitacre1@aol.com.

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**District Awards Dinner**

The Annual Pioneer Trails District Awards Dinner is right around the corner. The dinner will be held on Saturday, February 2 at 6:00 pm at Colonial Presbyterian Church. The District Dinner is an evening of fellowship and recognition for all adult volunteers in the Pioneer Trails District. This year, the district is excited to have Mayor Sly James attend. Other awards to be presented at the dinner include “Of the Year,” Pioneer and Mad Drummer Awards. Visit the Pioneer Trails District Website for registration information at www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/PioneerTrails/Activities.aspx.

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**Investment in Character**

The 2013 Investment in Character Campaign is in full swing. Units are encouraged to participate in the Investment in Character Campaign to help support the Heart of America Council.

- Funds raised help to maintain council camps and facilities as well-as provide many underprivileged boys the opportunity to participate in Scouts through financial assistance.
- If your unit has yet to schedule a presentation for 2013, contact Mike Farrell at (816) 569-4950 or michael.farrell@scouting.org to set a day and time.
- Presentations are usually done at unit events, such as Blue and Gold Banquets and Court of Honors. Thank you to those units who have already held presentations this year.

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**2012 Cub Scout**

Camping:  
18.3%  
Service Hours Per Scout:  
9.2%

**2012 Boy Scout**

Camping:  
40.2%  
Service Hours Per Scout:  
5.4%
Red-Tailed Hawk Officers

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Cub Scout Roundtable  Susan Lux  (913) 764-8529
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District Executive  Nick Traxler  (816) 569-4969

2012 Cub Scout
Camping:  68.5%
Service Hours Per Scout:  1.4

2012 Boy Scout
Camping:  79.0%
Service Hours Per Scout:  12.2

February

1  Annual Recognition Banquet, Gathering @ 6:00 pm
Ritz Charles, 9000 W. 137 St.,
Olathe Park, KS 66221

2  Venturing Leader Specific Training, 8:30 am
Olathe Baptist Church,
2024 E. 151 St., Olathe, KS 66062

7  Roundtable, 7:00 pm
College Church of the Nazarene, Cunningham
Family Life Center, 2nd Floor,
2020 E. Sheridan, Olathe, KS 66062
OA Chapter Meeting, Eagle Scout Project Reviews

9  Merit Badge Forum (Session #3), 1:00 pm
California Trail Middle School,
13775 W. 133 St., Olathe, KS 66062

14  District Meeting, 7:00 pm
Colonial Presbyterian,
12501 W. 137 St., Overland Park, KS 66221

21  Eagle Boards of Review, 7:00 pm
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Day Camp 2013

June 17-21 — Lake Olathe — $55

It’s time to start planning your Day Camp “Jungle Adventure.” The first step is to assign a Day Camp Pack Coordinator. The next Pack Coordinator training will be held at the February Roundtable. There are a number of changes this year to make attendance easier for packs, so please make sure that all Day Camp Pack Coordinators attend training.

One thing that hasn’t changed is the price. It is still $55.00 and requires a health form. If you want to begin talking with your pack about the upcoming “Jungle Adventure,” please do so. If you would like to have someone visit your pack to give a quick 5 minute pitch, we would love to do it.

For more information contact Mike Domer, RTH Day Camp Program Director, at mike@kansasrio.com or (816) 853-5610 or visit www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/RedTailedHawk/DayCamp.aspx

Day of Community Service — Save the Date

April 13, 2013 will be a special day of service for all units in the Red-Tailed Hawk District. We will spend the day working on a variety of projects to help the Olathe Parks and Recreation Department on the Indian Creek Trail and Stream as well as area parks.

Possible projects include:
- Paint trail tunnels
- Replace landscape timbers
- Clean trash and debris from Indian Creek and Trail
- And more! We anticipate 30 different projects in total

This will be a fun and meaningful day of service where we give back to the communities where we live. We have asked all units to reserve April 27, 2013 as a rain date. Sign-ups will begin at the February Roundtable, so leaders are encouraged to secure unit participation agreement in advance.

The Ryan Dahl Story

Ryan Dahl

Ryan Dahl, an Eagle Scout from Troop 201 in Overland Park, KS attended the World Scout Jamboree in 2011 in Rinkeby, Sweden. At the WSJ, Ryan was inspired by the story of Ugandan Scouts that wanted to attend the jamboree, but were unable to afford the transportation so they bicycled all the way from Uganda to Sweden. The roughly 4,500 mile trip took them nine months to complete. Ryan was able to meet some of the Ugandan Scouts and was truly inspired by their dedication, perseverance and genuine love of scouting.

In addition to his normal troop duties, Ryan is a youth member of the Heart of America Council’s International Scouting Committee. In 2012, the committee decided to conduct a World Friendship Fund drive with the funds dedicated specifically for the Scouts of Uganda. Ryan spoke to Scouts at the Red-tailed Hawk District Camporee in October and told them about his experience at the jamboree and how inspired he was by the Ugandan Scouts and their journey. Ryan explained how needy the Ugandan Scouts are and how a relatively small amount of money can provide Scout Books, uniforms and other basic Scouting materials. There were a few hundred Scouts and adults in attendance and they were deeply moved by Ryan’s account of the Ugandan Scouts’ adventure. Through conveying this inspiring story, Ryan touched the hearts of the Scouts, Scouters and parents and was able to raise $423.78 for the Scouts of Uganda.
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2012 Thunderbird District Awards

2012 District Award of Merit Recipients

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Day Camp 2013

Mark your calendars for our “Jungle Adventure” Day Camp at Jerry Smith Park June 24-28. Volunteers are needed and Boy Scouts are welcomed to volunteer.

For more information or to volunteer contact:
Camp Director — John Baker: Stl2kc@gmail.com or (816) 808-9010
Program Director — Amanda Davis: Recr84Life@gmail.com or (816) 679-4306
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**2012 District Award of Merit and Outstanding Leader Awards**

Congratulations to Dave Timpe, James Shetler and Bob Baranek for receiving the District Award of Merit at the Trailhead District Adult Recognition Event on January 19. The District Award of Merit is the highest award a volunteer Scouter can receive from a district.

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**Investment in Character 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 an Investment in Character presentation. If you have not already signed up your unit for this year, now is the time. Presentations only take 5 minutes and should be scheduled at either your Troop Court of Honor or Pack Blue and Gold. You can either sign up at Roundtable or contact Kay McCarthy at tkbmac@yahoo.com.

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**2012 Cub Scout**

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**Cub Scout Day Camp: “Jungle Adventure”**

Everyone loves an adventure, and this year, we will “do our best” to take your cubs on a Jungle Adventure!
**March**

2 **Merit Badge Forum (Session 1), 8:00 am**  
Hope Lutheran School  
6308 Quivira Rd., Shawnee, KS 66316

7 **Roundtable, 7:00 pm**  
Holy Trinity Quigley Center,  
9201 Summit, Lenexa, KS

12 **District Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm**  
Price Chopper,  
19601 W. 101 St., Lenexa, KS

20 **District Commissioner Meeting, 7:00 pm**  
Sunflower Elementary,  
8955 Loiret Blvd., Lenexa, KS

30 **Merit Badge Forum (Session 2), 8:00 am**  
Hope Lutheran School  
6308 Quivira Rd., Shawnee, KS 66316

**Klondike Winter Event**

The first ever Trails West Klondike Winter Event will be held February 1-3, 2013 at Camp Naish. The Klondike Derby is a contest requiring teamwork. Boy Scout patrols of roughly 10 youth members will pull a Klondike type sled over a course testing Scouting skills. The team acquiring the most points through the course wins. Check in will be at 6:00 pm Friday, February 1. Chris Cakes will be providing breakfast and the official event opening will take place at 9:00 am on Saturday, February 2. Troops have the option to campout on Saturday night. Pre-registration is required. For more information or to register visit [http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/TrailsWest/Activities.aspx](http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/TrailsWest/Activities.aspx).

**Investment in Character**

The 2013 Investment in Character Campaign is officially underway. Our goal is to have 100% of units in the Trails West District participate in this important program that benefits the Heart of America Council and the programs offered to youth in our community and in the Greater Kansas City area. If you have not scheduled your presentation, please contact Jason Bledsoe (816) 569-4984 or jason.bledsoe@scouting.org with the date that a presentation can be made to your unit. Thank you to all the units that have scheduled or have already had their presentation in 2013.

**Camping Events in 2013**

Now is the time to start thinking about spring and summer Camping opportunities.

Mark your calendars for April 26-27 and the Trails West 2013 Webelo-Ree. This is a great event that will help your Bears and Webelos prepare for their transition into Boy Scouts.

The Trails West District “Jungle Adventure” Day Camp will be held June 10-13. Day Camp is fun with a purpose and is held at the Lake Olathe Golf Course.

And don’t forget about Bear, Webelos and Boy Scout camping this summer. Check out [www.ScoutCampING.org](http://www.ScoutCampING.org) for more information.

**2013 Trails West Merit Badge Forum**

Mark your calendars, the 2013 Trails West Merit Badge Forum will be held on Saturday, March 2 and Saturday, March 30 at Hope Lutheran School in Shawnee. Both sessions will run from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. The cost to attend is $5.00 per Scout.

The theme will be hobby and recreation merit badges taught by counselors who are experts in those fields. Some of the merit badges offered include Astronomy, Aviation, Chess, Communications, Fishing, Geocaching, Golf, Personal Fitness, Radio, Space Exploration, Weather, and more!

Please register with your troop. Questions? Contact Ellen McGurk at edmcgurk@kc.surewest.net.
### Twin Rivers Officers

- **District Chair**: Doug Furnell (913) 897-6903
- **District Commissioner**: Brock Guernsey (913) 829-9286
- **Activities Chair**: Anita Pace (913) 709-6661
- **Advancement Chair**: Arlin Prothe (913) 294-4074
- **Boy Scout Roundtable**: Vacant
- **Camping Chair**: Galen Critchfield (913) 755-4935
- **Cub Scout Roundtable**: Aida Thompson (913) 871-9414
- **Eagle Board of Review**: Arlin Prothe (913) 294-4074
- **Finance Chair**: Doug Furnell (913) 897-6903
- **Membership Chair**: Leslie Staack (816) 569-4963
- **OA Advisor**: Doug Singer (913) 439-1244
- **Voice of the Scout Chair**: Matt Harlow (913) 856-7290
- **Risk Management Chair**: Bob Stegner (913) 782-8959
- **Training Chair**: Charles Atterbury (913) 731-3450
- **Wood Badge/NYLT Chair**: Lori Offutt (913) 731-3001
- **Venturing Chair**: Malinda Botwinik (913) 980-2430
- **Senior District Executive**: John Hobbs (913) 569-4983

### District Information

#### 2012 Cub Scout

- **Camping**: 67.6%
- **Service Hours Per Scout**: 1.4

#### 2012 Boy Scout

- **Camping**: 64.3%
- **Service Hours Per Scout**: 13.2

### February

1. **District Commissioner Meeting, 6:00 pm**
   First Presbyterian Church, 110 E. Peoria St., Paola, KS
2. **Roundtable, 7:00 pm**
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3. **District Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm**
   Whistle Stop Café, 901 6 St., Osawatomie, KS

### March

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### Recharter 2013

Annual unit recharters for 2013 were due no later than January 31, 2013. If your unit has yet to complete the recharter process, please contact Senior District Executive, John Hobbs at john.hobbs@scouting.org.

### District Dinner

The 2013 Twin Rivers District Dinner was held January 26 at Town Square in Paola, KS. It was a big success recognizing the achievements and accomplishments of many dedicated district leaders in 2012. It was a great event with a “Football attire” theme. We were honored to have former Kansas City Chief, Anthony Davis, as a special guest. Thanks to all who attended and special thanks to Anita Pace and Brock Guernsey for organizing the event.

### 2013 Investment in Character

The 2013 Investment in Character campaign is in full swing and we are working diligently toward our goal. This year our Family goal is $15,000, our Community goal is $14,000, and our total goal is $29,000. If you have yet to schedule your 2013 Investment in Character presentation, please email Family Chairman, Curtis Gibson, at cjgibson@midwest-connections.com or John Hobbs at john.hobbs@scouting.org. We look forward to a great and successful 2013 campaign.

### Youth Recruitment in 2013

This year we are focusing our efforts on a year-round youth membership recruitment plan. This plan starts with each of you in the Twin Rivers District. Now is the time to have recruiting drives as a pack, troop or crew. Please work with District Commissioner, Brock Guernsey, and your Unit Commissioner to help plan your events. The commissioner staff is one of your best resources for ideas and plans. If you have any questions, contact Brock at bggalggenealogy@sbcglobal.net. We look forward to 2013 as a great year increasing our youth membership in the Twin Rivers District.

### Day Camp 2013

Mark your calendars for June 3-6 and the Twin Rivers District “Jungle Adventure” Day Camp. Camp will be held at the Miami County Fairgrounds in Paola. Cub Scouts will get the chance to shoot BB guns, bows and arrows, work on crafts, play games, learn about nature, and work towards badges. Online registration is now open. Visit www.SCOUTCAMPING.org for more information.

### District Merit Badge Forum

The Twin Rivers District Merit Badge Forum will be held February 16 and March 2 at Central Heights School. The cost is $3 per Scout and participants will register at the event. The forum runs 8:00 am – 3:30 pm and will feature the following Merit Badges...

- Citizenship in the Nation
- Citizenship in the World
- Welding
- Collections
- Electricity

All participants will need to bring a sack lunch, water bottle, Merit Badge cards and Merit Badge books.

For more information contact Anita Pace at yokmom@yahoo.com or (913) 709-6661.
Eagle Scouts will soon return to a Kansas City landmark to revive a time honored tradition.

Turn to page 7 to find out how you can be part of a special event honoring Heart of America Council Eagle Scouts.