2015 EAGLE SCOUT CLASS

2015 Don Hall, Jr. Eagle Scout Class Honored at Municipal Music Hall

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Lion Cubs?

You may have read recently that the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America announced that a new Lion Cub program for kindergarten age boys would be rolled out as a pilot program this fall. The National Council has opened the opportunity for councils to submit applications to participate in the pilot program.

The option of a pilot Lion Cub program in the Heart of America Council was reviewed by the Council’s Executive Committee. The resulting decision was that the council will not be applying to be a pilot council for the Lion Cub program for the 2016-2017 program year. However, the council will re-evaluate this decision next year as additional information becomes available about the program’s successes and implementation in other councils.

Some of the reasons not to participate in the pilot program is the council’s continued focus to strengthen and support our current Cub Scout program.

While our Cub Scout market share of more than 20% and youth retention rate is one of the best in the nation, we know that we can and need to do better. Another concern was “burn out” by our youth participating in a 6-year Cub Scout program.

A question that I have had is, “Why is our Tiger Cub (1st Grade) membership less than our Wolf (2nd Grade) membership?” The Tiger Cub program was implemented over 25 years ago. As the first opportunity for a boy to join Cub Scouts, one would think our Tiger Cub membership would be greater than our Wolf membership. We will continue to look at ways to specifically strengthen the Tiger Cub program in our council this year.

As a council we have committed to the continual development and improvement of our leader succession planning, training and Cub Scout program offerings. One of the areas that is currently under consideration are “minicamp or one-day adventures” at Naish Scout Reservation for Cub Scouts beginning this fall.

As I talk about retention, I can with absolute certainty tell you that when a Cub Scout participates in our council’s Day Camp, Bear Camp or Webelos Camp, they will stay in Cub Scouts longer and advance quicker than their peers who do not attend one of our many summer programs.

I would welcome your thoughts and ideas on how we can build and strengthen our Cub Scout program in the Heart of America Council.

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ADVENTURES IN SCOUTING

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For the complete
2016 Camp Session Calendar
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Council Welcomes New Deputy Scout Executive

The Heart of America Council is pleased to announce the selection of Matt Hill as the council’s new Deputy Scout Executive. Matt previously served as Scout Executive of the Chippewa Valley Council in Eau Claire, Wisconsin and brings to Kansas City an impressive record in the areas of membership development and fundraising. Please help us welcome Matt and his wife Rachel to Kansas City. We look forward to growing the Scouting program in the Heart of America Council under Matt’s leadership.

Dig Day

May 7 | A Good Turn for Kansas City

Dig in and get dirty! Dig Day is back and we’re teaming up with Kansas City Parks and Recreation to beautify the city for spring. Join us on May 7 and help plant more than 80 of the city’s community flower beds across 35 locations on Mother’s Day weekend.

❖ From 9:00 am to 2:00 pm, all Scouts, volunteers and Parks and Recreation representatives will plant flower beds at their specified locations.
❖ Bring water, sun screen, work gloves, a cheerful attitude and be ready to have fun and get your hands dirty.
❖ Dig Day is a fun way for your unit to earn community service hours and work towards your Journey to Excellence goals.
❖ All participants will receive the official Dig Day patch.

Space is limited. Reserve your dig site today at DigDay2016.kintera.org.

The Outdoors is Calling

Kansas City Scout Shop
10210 Holmes Rd
KC, MO 64131
816-942-7757

Northland Scout Shop
345 NW Barry Rd
KC, MO 64155
816-436-0370
SOARING TO NEW HEIGHTS

2015 Don Hall, Jr. Eagle Scout Class Reception

The 2015 Don Hall, Jr. Eagle Scout Class Reception welcomed more than 1,200 Scouts and families to Municipal Music Hall on Sunday, February 21. In 2015, 907 young men in the Kansas City Metro area earned Scouting’s highest rank and donated more than 122,000 hours of community service through required Eagle Scout projects.

Municipal Music Hall is considered a special place for thousands of Kansas City area Eagle Scouts because of its rich Scouting history. From 1937 to 1979, 20,598 Boy Scouts were presented their coveted Eagle Scout badge at the Kansas City landmark. The annual tradition was renewed in 2012 after a more than thirty-year hiatus.

“Becoming an Eagle Scout is the pinnacle of the Scouting program and a milestone achievement in a young man’s life. Events like our Eagle Scout Reception allows us to honor these young men for their tremendous accomplishments and also gives us a chance to showcase Scouting to the Kansas City community,” said Kendrick J.E. Miller, Heart of America Council Scout Executive.

Don Hall, Jr., president and CEO of Hallmark, served as this year’s Eagle Scout Class Honoree. 56 years earlier Don’s grandfather, Joyce C. Hall, the founder of Hallmark, was named the 1960 Eagle Scout Class honoree.

This year’s reception was emceed by Eagle Scout and Fox 4 News Anchor John Holt and also included the presentation of the Paul D. Arend Distinguished Scoutmaster Award, National Outstanding Eagle Scout Awards, and the Glenn A. and Melinda W. Adams National Eagle Scout Service Project of the Year Award.

The Paul D. Arend Distinguished Scoutmaster Award is presented annually to a Scoutmaster who has demonstrated a lifelong commitment to the values of the Scout Oath and Law and to the mentorship of Eagle Scouts. This year’s award was presented to Myrl Wear, Troop 93, Shawnee United Methodist Church.

The National Outstanding Eagle Scout Award honors Eagle Scouts who have demonstrated outstanding achievement and have made a positive impact in our community. This year’s honorees were David Chinney, president and CEO of Adams Dairy Bank, Jason Grill, Senior Advisor at Parris Communications, and Jackson County Circuit Court Judge Kenneth Garrett.

The Glenn A. and Melinda W. Adams National Eagle Scout Service Project of the Year Award was presented to Zane Schafer from Troop 1332 in Blue Springs, MO. Zane’s Eagle Scout project was completed at Liggett Trail Education Center where he created a specialized playground for students with special needs.

A Grand Tradition: Kansas City’s Legacy of Eagle Scouts

By Andy Dubill, Council Historian

In 2015, 907 young men in the Heart of America Council became Eagle Scouts – the highest rank in Scouting. On Sunday, February 21, many of those young men and their parents gathered at Municipal Music Hall to be honored for their impressive achievement. For many years, it was the tradition of the Kansas City Area Council to bestow the coveted Eagle medal in that majestic facility and the tradition was renewed in 2012 after a more than thirty-year hiatus.

The ceremony started years before when new Eagle Scouts would be honored at annual Round-Ups and other Scouting events where Scouts and other community citizens were present. In the first two decades of Scouting in Kansas City, it was unusual to have more than a handful of Scouts earn the Eagle award every year so a separate ceremony was not necessary.

One of the earliest photos on record from an Eagle Scout class reception is from September, 1929 when that year’s Eagle Scout class gathered at the American Royal. The thirty-two Scouts who earned the award were dressed in their Scouting finest and were addressed by Missouri Governor Henry Caulfield. In the background you can see the tuxedo clad leaders of the Kansas City Area Council watch the governor address the class with pride.

Interestingly enough, Kansas City Scouting claims three “first” Eagle Scouts. The first Eagle Scout was Ralph Frank in 1914. Ralph was a member of Boy Scout Troop 40, sponsored by The Temple Congregation B’Nai Jehudah in Kansas City, Missouri. Amazingly Frank earned all of his merit badges within three months after returning from summer camp at Elk Springs, Missouri in 1914. Frank was a high school dropout who had gone to work full time to support his family. He had a full time job in the drapery department of the Robert Keith Furniture Company and did his Scout work in the evenings or on weekends.

The Kansas City Council is also believed to have produced the first African American Eagle Scout in the council’s 1920 annual report there is a description of three “Outstanding Scouts of 1920” as well as a complete list of the twenty-eight Scouts who attained Life and Star rank that year. One of the Scouts mentioned was Harry Cooper of Troop 92 who attained the rank of Eagle Scout in September, 1920. He was the only African American Eagle Scout in Kansas City, and according to the best information available, the only African American Eagle Scout in the United States. To make Cooper’s feat even more amazing, there were only ten Eagle Scouts in Kansas City, Missouri at the time.

An interesting picture believed to be from the Scout Rally in 1920 shows Chief Scout Executive James West, Kansas City Scout Executive Edward C. Wright, Jr. and a man believed to be Council Treasurer J. Frederick Green along with Cooper and six other Eagle Scouts at an event in Kansas City. (Note: We know very little about Harry Cooper. If you have any knowledge of what happened to him after 1920, please let us know.)

The first Eagle Scout in Kansas City, Kansas was Clarence Abbott. The awarding of Abbott’s Eagle Scout rank was such a big event that it warranted a special Kansas City, Kansas Chamber of Commerce program on December 29, 1920. The local newspaper arranged to have an artist sketch Clarence dressed in his complete Scout uniform prior to the ceremony. Clarence was such a news item that the paper ran two articles the week of the ceremony. More than two-hundred of his friends, relatives, and Scouts attended the special program for the first Eagle Scout in Kansas City, Kansas.

If you have any additional information about early ceremonies or Eagle Scouts, or have other questions about Scouting history that would be good topics for future columns, email Andy Dubill at adubill@aol.com.
Eagle Scouts Soar at State Capitol

More than 700 Eagle Scouts gathered in Jefferson City on February 15 for Missouri Eagle Scout Day. Fellow Eagle Scout and Missouri Governor Jay Nixon delivered the keynote address.

Sporting Kansas City SCOUT NIGHT

Sporting Kansas City Scout Night is back! Cheer on Sporting Kansas City as they take on rival Houston Dynamo on Friday, September 9 at Children’s Mercy Park. Arrive early for games and activities for the entire family including your shot at a post-match penalty kick on the field!

Tickets are only $25. But act fast…only 1,200 Scout Night ticket packages will be sold.

And don’t forget your scarf. Pre-order your official 2016 Scout Night Scarf for an additional $20 while supplies last.

*Only 250 available

Duty to God

Religious Emblems Resources

Check out P.R.A.Y.’s new Duty to God Online Resource Kit. Inside you’ll find everything from a Religious Emblems Chart to a sample presentation script. Get your Duty to God Resource Kit at www.praypub.org/partner_bsa.htm.

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2016 Patron Luncheon Sets Council Fundraising Record

A capacity crowd and inspiring featured guest speaker set the stage for a record setting 2016 Patron Luncheon. The Heart of America Council’s premiere fundraising event welcomed more than 950 business and community leaders to the Marriott Muehlebach on March 3. The annual event not only raises much needed funds for Scouting, but it also showcases the importance of our program to the Kansas City community. In addition to welcoming a new record crowd, this year’s luncheon raised a record setting $554,420 for local Scouting programs.

Featured guest speaker Michael Durant captivated attendees with his personal story of survival and courage. Durant was the pilot of Black Hawk helicopter Super Six Four that was fired upon and subsequently brought down during a combat operation in Mogadishu, Somalia on October 3, 1993. The events of that day were recounted in Mark Bowden’s best-selling book Black Hawk Down and Ridley Scott’s Academy Award-winning movie of the same name.

The 2016 Patron Luncheon was chaired by Stephen Hooley, Chairman, CEO and President of DST Systems, Inc.
FINANCE NEWS

2016 Investment in Character Campaign in Homestretch

Donate Today

Investment in Character is our annual fundraising campaign that gives families, friends, alumni, business and community organizations the chance to support Scouting in the Heart of America Council. It allows the council to provide the resources necessary to make sure all youth can benefit from Scouting’s fun, exciting, adventure-filled activities that foster character, honesty, respect and life-long values.

With more than 30,000 youth served, unparalleled camping facilities spanning 5,300 acres, and endless experience oriented activities, there’s no better place to be a Scout than right here in the Heart of America Council. Invest in our future by making an Investment in Character. Your gift will ensure that today’s Scouts become tomorrow’s leaders. Please consider a gift at your unit’s Investment in Character presentation or donate online today at www.hoac-bsa.org.

JOIN OUR TEAM

Council Internship Program

Think you have what it takes to join our team? The Heart of America Council’s internship program offers full-time college students the opportunity to work in a non-profit corporate setting. Our interns receive a variety of unique experiences with real work assignments as they interact within a team environment. Internship opportunities now available in the areas of field service, finance, and marketing.

An intern works 20-hours per week, with a $200 per-week stipend. The hours are flexible to adjust for class schedules. There is no required field of study. Previous Scouting experience is recommended, but not required.

If you have questions or if you would like to be considered for an upcoming internship position, contact Anthony Escobar at anthony.escobar@scouting.org.

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Ann & Bruce Ebling
Janet Boone Service Club
Joanne Hayes
Merriman Foundation
Mrs. Elaine Atha Merriman
Mr. & Mrs. Tim & Merriman Sotos
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Atha Merriman

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Daniel & Shawn Gotobed

Jack Phillips
Kathleen Higgins

James St. John
Comfortcare Homes of Ottawa LLC

In Honor of:

Robert Nauman
Marcia Cook

Douglas Furnell
Marcia Cook

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 Jeremy Rutledge at (816) 569-4965.
START to SuperNova

It never ceases to amaze me. I sat in the corner of the merit badge forum with a simple robotic arm that used water for hydraulic pressure. I had a Rubik's cube and 4 magnets. Before long, I had a crowd of young Scouts. Eager minds imagining the endless possibilities of $20 bucks worth of stuff. After class started, several unit leaders asked me “How do we get started?” My first reaction was “Simple, just commit to starting!” Let me explain.

Units don’t have to have a staff of engineers on their roster or access to a supercomputer. You just need a few leaders that are excited about discovering the unknown, and willing to share that with the youth. No degrees, no resumes, just enthusiasm. The BSA has all the training already built. They have access to the brightest minds in the nation and can put you in touch with them to support your program. We need unit leaders willing to be counselors, much like merit badge counselors, that can make that first connection. The Nova awards are designed to be delivered by counselors, and amazingly, it’s all about the journey. And when a Scout is ready, we have a group of mentors that can help them reach SuperNova. Just think of it. Access to some of the brightest minds in our area, and all you have to do is want to play.

The STEM Guy
Questions? Email jim.forson@HPE.com

STEM CAMPING

Weebles STEM Weekend

April 30 – May 1 | H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation

Weebles STEM Weekend returns to the H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation April 30 – May 1. STEM Weekend participants will be introduced to a cutting edge program that will explore the areas of science, technology, engineering and math as well as give Scouts a jumpstart on their Nova and SuperNova Awards. STEM Weekend will also include a few camp favorites like shooting sports and climbing as well as a special presentation by the Tribe of Mic-O-Say. Space is limited and only 150 spots are still available. The cost is $30 which covers camping, food, program items and event patch. Register now at www.STEMcamping.org.

Boy Scout STEM Camp

July 27 – August 3 | H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation

Explore a new side of the Reservation at Bartle STEM Camp July 27 – August 3. This seven-day outdoor adventure is open to Boy Scouts and Venturers and will feature everything from robotics to engineering. The Council STEM Committee is currently developing a new can’t miss program for 2016. Learn more or register at www.STEMcamping.org.
STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Anthony Gonnello

Each summer, the council's Camp Staff College Scholarship program helps to attract and retain a quality summer camp staff. In 2015, $150,000 in scholarships were awarded to 112 camp staff members from the H. Roe Bartle and Theodore Naish Scout Reservations and Rotary Camp.

One of those recipients was Anthony Gonnello. Anthony first joined Scouting at the age of seven as a member of Pack 469 in Raytown, Missouri. He later crossed-over to Boy Scout Troop 469 where he remained active until moving to Troop 269. He earned the rank of Eagle Scout in 2011 and was elevated to Sachem in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say in 2014.

Anthony's first summer on the H. Roe Bartle Camp Staff was in 2009 and he has served on staff every summer since. He's been a part of the Piercing Arrow and Lone Star Camp Staff, has worked at the dining hall, Scoutcraft, helped create the Top Shot Paintball outpost — the first of its kind in the country — and was the Lone Star Program Director during the 2015 camping season. Anthony will return this summer as the Program Director in Lone Star.

Anthony is studying psychology and communications at Northwest Missouri State University and will graduate this December. Scouting and his experiences serving on the H. Roe Bartle Camp Staff have had a large impact on his academic success. Anthony has been a recipient of a camp staff scholarship the last four years and admits that he would have been unable to return each summer without the financial assistance these scholarships provide.

With continued support of the Camp Staff College Scholarship program we will be able to provide the best staff for our campers. To make a donation to the 2016 scholarship program, visit www.hoac-bsa.org and click DONATE NOW.

NEW IN 2016

ICE CLIMBING

An icy surprise awaits campers this summer on the Reservation. New in 2016, Scouts will get to try their hand at ice climbing in the middle of summer. The new ice climbing program will be an added feature to Climbing Merit Badge as well as additional outpost programs. The new program will give Scouts the opportunity to use new gear such as ice axes and crampons on our simulated ice wall.

A Double Dose of Summer Camp

Experience the excitement of the H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation twice this summer. Scouts can now return to the Reservation for a second session at a discounted rate. Enjoy an additional 10-days of summer for only $245. Call the council camping department for more information at (816) 942-9333 or visit www.scoutcamping.org.

Provisional Units at Bartle

Each summer, our very busy Scouts have a hard time making the choice between activities. Many times Scout camp takes a backseat to other summer commitments. The council has a provisional camper program that can help with this. If a boy can't attend camp with his home unit for any reason, we will assist in finding a provisional unit that he can camp with. For more information contact Laura Campbell at (816) 569-4928.
THE TOWER

Joe Scouter Visits the H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation

Was I surprised when I returned to my old Scout camp on the Osage River after having been away for some 85 years. Just before I made the turn in my ol’ 1932 Ford coupe onto the road that leads to Camp Sawmill and Lone Star, I saw this big wooden tower that looked a little like the oil derricks I used to work on in Oklahoma in the late 1930’s.

Charles Winfrey — the Climbing Tower Director — explained to me all of the safety requirements that are in place to protect Scouts who climb the tower and they are exhaustive. The staff told me that many Scouts say they are afraid of heights when they arrive at the tower. But once they go through the training and orientation, they decide to try the tower and all of a sudden they lose their fear of heights.

I watched a couple troops who were rappelling up and down the tower. When the Scout gets to the top of the tower he rings a bell to let others know that he made it. There are also natural rock faces on the sides of the tower so Scouts of all ages and sizes can climb safely.

In addition to the climbing tower the staff is responsible for cooking special evening meals for two special outpost programs — Cliff Hanger and Up and Down Cave. We never dreamed of anything like this when I was in Scouts years ago — boy these Scouts really have a great program at Bartle today!

(Editor’s Note: Joe Scouter was a Boy Scout from 1929 to the early 1930’s who reported on activities at Camp Dan Sayre in Noel, Missouri and Camp Osceola (now the H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation). He would routinely send articles back to the Kansas City newspapers which were read by the parents of Scouts who were at camp. It just so happened that Joe Scouter visited the Bartle Scout Reservation this past summer and sent us a few observations on what he observed.)
Plan Your Adventure Camp Weekend at Naish

Can't get enough camp? Then plan an Adventure Camp Weekend! Activities include shooting sports — archery, rifle and shotgun (plus pistol for Venturing Crews) — the all new ATV Rider Course, COPE, Climbing and Rappelling, and Wilderness First Aid. Registrations are first-come, first-serve, so now is the perfect time to reserve your spot. Sign up at www.hoac-bsa.org/mini-camp-weekends.

Spring Dates:
- April 16, 2016
- April 23, 2016
- May 21, 2016

Fall Dates:
- September 24, 2016
- October 8, 2016
- October 22, 2016
- November 5, 2016

Take a Cross-Country ATV Ride

Our new ATV Rider Course is available at Naish to Scouts 14 and older. Those who successfully complete the course will then be able to experience a cross-country ride where they will continue learning how to ride safely and enjoy the fun of ATVs. Class size is limited to six participants. Spring courses will be held April 23 and May 21. Make your reservations now at www.atv.kintera.org.

The ATV Rider Course will also be offered at Naish's 2016 Boy Scout Camp sessions, June 6-11 and June 12-18.
Vigil Honor and Founders Award Nominations

Nominations must be RECEIVED at the Heart of America Council Service Center by July 1, 2016. The nominee must have been a Broth-erhood member of the Order of the Arrow for a minimum of two years before being considered for selection as a Vigil Honor member. Vigil and Founders Award nominations available at www.hoac-bsa.org/vigil-honor.

The first edition of the Torchbearer 2016 is now available online at www.hoac-bsa.org/torchbearer.

2016 National Leadership Seminar

October 14-16 | Parkville, MO

The National Leadership Seminar (NLS) is a weekend conference focused on the skills and attributes of leadership. The program enhances the leadership skills of the Order of the Arrow’s key youth and adult members as they seek to improve their service to the BSA and their communities.

Every Arrowman will benefit from attending NLS. Youth participants should be at least 15 years-old and a Lodge officer.

NLS will be offered October 14 – 16, 2016 at the Heartland Center in Parkville, MO. Register online at http://2016OANLS-NLATS.kintera.org. To learn more about this year’s NLS program visit www.central.oa-bsa.org.

Reservation Upgrades

Getting the Reservation ready for summer. Sheet Metal Workers Union members install a new roof on the Cunningham Pavilion at Cub World.

Spring Inductions

▶ Spring Induction #1: April 29 – May 1
DEADLINE to register is Friday, April 15
www.2016SpringInduction1.kintera.org

▶ Spring Induction #2: May 13-15
DEADLINE to register is Friday, April 29
www.2016SpringInduction2.kintera.org

Cost to attend:
$45 (Ordeal Candidate),
$35 (Brotherhood Candidate),
$25 (Arrowman/Non-Arrowman)

(Reminder: Health Forms and 2 deep trained leadership are required at all Scouting events. Late and walk-in registrants will NOT be admitted.)

OA Unit Elections

Has your unit scheduled an Order of the Arrow election? A successful unit election is the first step to attaining membership in the Order of the Arrow. Learn how to schedule an election at http://bit.ly/1Suxwg

SAVE THE DATE

Upcoming Tamegonit Lodge Events

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Escape to Treasure Island this summer for the ultimate Day Camp adventure. Day Camp is open to all Cub Scouts, including Kindergarten graduates, and will offer an unforgettable outdoor experience with activities ranging from shooting sports to science. Camps run 4-5 days from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm daily and are geographically located throughout the Heart of America Council for the convenience of our Scouting families.

**DAY CAMP FEES**

- **On or Before 4/27/16** - $65 per Scout
- **After 4/27/16** - $75 per Scout
- **At Camp** - $80 per Scout

*Cost for new Scouts, regardless of age, is $65 anytime*

All campers will receive the official 2016 TREASURE ISLAND t-shirt and patch.

**Camperships Available**

The Heart of America Council believes that every Scout should have the opportunity to attend summer camp. Financial aid or CAMPERSHIPS are available to Scouts who qualify. Visit ScoutCamping.org for details.
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Webelos Camp 2016

Celebrate Camp Naish’s 90th anniversary with a summer camping experience that will create memories to last a lifetime! Webelos Camp is a two-night, three-day adventure full of great activities. Campers will shoot BB-guns and bows and arrows, learn first aid through different hands-on scenarios, splash in our Olympic-sized swimming pool, learn about the creatures living in the Nature Lodge, enjoy our campfire skits, and much more!

Our staff is dedicated to one goal: to make sure we provide the best camping experience for you and your Scouts.

Sign-ups are currently underway and openings are still available. The registration deadline is April 27, 2016. Fees for Webelos and full-time Leaders are currently $150.00. Register now at www.webeloscamp.kintera.org or email Christi.boyer@scouting.org for more information.

Interactive Camp Tutorials

Webelos 1 Advancement: bit.ly/1WScg1F
Supplemental Adventures: bit.ly/1QLvFAK

Webelos 2 Advancement: bit.ly/1ntdWlU
Activities: bit.ly/1QDDBnN

Bear Camp 2016

Bring your Bears to the wooded hills of Camp Naish, where Cub World is home to a fantastically fun two days and one night of camping this summer. Your Bear is a Cub Scout entering the third grade this fall. Give him a summer to remember by bringing him to BEAR Camp.

At Bear Camp, your Scout will find a Castle, a Fort, Tipis, a Lost Mine and a Pirate Ship. Bears will have fun with all the activities that are available at camp. And there are over 40 possible advancement activities that are available for a Bear to check off in their handbooks. Some of these activities will be Bears exploring the Lost Mine, making a tool box, learning about knife safety and earning their Whittling Chip. Splashing in the Pirate Ship Water Park and shooting water cannons are favorites. Visiting the ranges to fire BB-guns and bows and arrows will be exciting. Then there is the experience of roasting a marshmallow on an open fire and making a S’more. Playing games of every type will fill the days. And at night, there will be an entertaining campfire, where Bears will perform!

Signups are now occurring, with some openings still available. Bear and parent camp fees are now $65. Den Chiefs can attend for a reduced fee of $30. Register now at www.bearcamp.kintera.org.
High Adventure

2017 National Jamboree

Be part of something amazing. Live Scouting’s adventure and join our council contingent of 125 Scouts to the 2017 National Jamboree at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in the rugged hills of West Virginia. This once in a lifetime event takes place every four years and our council is now taking applications for our three council troops and two council crews to attend.

More than just the Jamboree, our council contingent will enjoy an unbelievable pre-Jamboree bus trip that will include stops at:

- Huntsville, Alabama: U.S. Rocket and Space Center
- Oak Ridge, Tennessee: Oak Ridge National Laboratory
- Norfolk, Virginia: Norfolk Naval Station
- Washington D.C.: Sites throughout our Nation’s Capital
- A day of whitewater rafting before arriving at the Summit on July 19

From July 19 through July 28, Jamboree attendees will Live Scouting’s Adventure. The Jamboree program will be delivered on site at the Summit in the New River Gorge and in communities throughout southern West Virginia as well as the summit of the Summit — Garden Ground Mountain.

Adventure Areas will offer unparalleled activities like:

- Adventure Valley — home to rock climbing, mountain biking, challenge courses and kayaking
- The Canopy — home to the famous canopy tour that zips through the trees 50 to 80 feet high
- Thrasher Mountain — home of the famous skateboarding and BMX courses
- Bows and Barrels — the shooting sports gallery featuring shotguns, rifles, archery and more
- Aquatics — featuring fishing, kayaking, water obstacle course, and scuba

Other activities include exhibits, conservation projects, treks and amazing stage shows. Visit www.summitbsa.org/events/jamboree/overview for more about these amazing Jamboree attractions.

Make your $100 deposit and register online www.hoac-bsa.org/national-jamboree

Our Council Jamboree Committee is so excited about the upcoming 2017 National Jamboree that we want to share our enthusiasm with your troop or crew. Contact Alan Sanders at asanders@scouting.org or (816) 569-4958 to make arrangements to have one of our committee members attend a unit meeting to share the excitement with your Scouts and parents. We want as many of your Scouts as possible to Live Scouting’s Adventure!

Space is limited. Sign up today!
April
22  VOA Meeting, 7:00 pm
   Council Service Center,
   10210 Holmes Rd, Kansas City, MO
23  Venturing Spring Banquet, 6:00 pm
   Woods Chapel Community of Christ,
   500 NE Woods Chapel Rd, Lee’s Summit, MO

May
26  VOA Meeting, 7:00 pm
   Council Service Center,
   10210 Holmes Rd, Kansas City, MO

June
24  VOA Meeting, 7:00 pm
   Council Service Center,
   10210 Holmes Rd, Kansas City, MO

Council Venturing Advisor
Elisa Corry
(816) 569-4966
Elisa.Corry@scouting.org

Friends, Fun, and Flying Dodgeballs
Venturers take over Emerald City

41 Venturers and their leaders gathered at Emerald City Gym in Overland Park on Friday, February 26 for the annual VOA Lock-In. Crews came from 4 councils, including Heart of America, Jayhawk Area, Coronado Area, and Overland Trails, to join in an overnight adventure. The Venturers had a great time on the Monster Mountain Rock Wall, in the giant foam pit, on the giant trampolines, and playing a few fierce games of dodgeball. The advisors seemed most relieved and excited to see sleeping bags rolled out after a long night of excitement. Venturing activities like the VOA Lock-In provide the perfect environment for fun, friendship, and self-confidence. One advisor expressed his appreciation for the event in providing positive experiences in the lives of his Venturers. One excited advisor simply celebrated staying up later than the Council Staff Advisor, Elisa Corry. The HOAC-VOA would like to thank Emerald City Gym for hosting the event and all of the adult leaders who drove the miles, made the phone calls, and gave up the hours of sleep to make this event a success.

VenturingFest

July 31-August 5 | Summit Bechtel Reserve

You’ve been patiently waiting and now we’ve got the details you’ve been clamoring for! VenturingFest 2016 (previously known as AdventureFest) is the first national gathering of Venturers at the Summit Bechtel Reserve and it’s set for July 31–August 5.

This six-day High Adventure excursion invites participants to explore the best that the Summit has to offer. Activities include rock climbing, skateboarding, BMX biking, water sports, shooting sports, zip lines, challenge courses, and so much more.

Don’t miss out! Register today at www.summitbsa.org/venturingfest.
UMKC Dental Explorers Host Day of Discovery

The School’s practice labs were teeming with some enthusiastic visitors February 6 as dozens of would-be dentists explored the dental profession during a day of discovery hosted by the UMKC Dental Research Explorer Post. From 9:00 am to 1:30 pm area high school students interested in dentistry were able to experience the profession up-close and personal through a variety of hands-on activities.

Members of the U.S. Naval Reserves served as mentors, guiding the participants as they practiced IV insertion on mannequins and placed sutures in chicken breasts. Also on hand to assist were UMKC dental student members of the Student National Dental Association/Hispanic Student Dental Association (SNDA/HSDA) who instructed the participants as they practiced drilling and filling teeth and making dental impressions — all with plastic models.

The student participants were invited from a variety of local organizations that included: Children’s Mercy Medical Explorer Post, Latinos of Tomorrow, Avanzando Scholars, the Pre-Employment Transition Services, sponsored by MU, University Academy, UMKC Admission Enhancement Program, Prep Kansas City, US Naval Sea Cadets, University of Missouri-Columbia Pre-Dental Club, and Kuwait Pre-Dentistry Program.

The event was organized by John Cottrell, director of Minority and Special Programs at the School of Dentistry and Derek Williams, DDS, MS, an associate professor of Restorative Dentistry at the School of Dentistry, Megan Roberts, Naval Reserves, Daniel Kirkpatrick, third-year dental student and president of the Student National Dental Association/Hispanic Student Dental Association (SNDA/HSDA). Cottrell has served as adviser to the Dental Research Explorer Post for the past 25 years of the Post’s 34-year history.

For their moral support and helping hands, special thanks are extended to: Richie Bigham, associate dean of Student Programs; Dr. Lance Godley, Department of Restorative Clinical Sciences; Dr. Jack Nelson, Department of Restorative Clinical Sciences; and Kimberly Greene, student service coordinator. Also, a vote of thanks is due to Amanda Diaz, BMC photographer, for his amazing job photographing this special and very unique hands-on experience for prospective dental students.
Monarchs for Peace

A new project started in the Pela-the District is connecting Scouts around the world. Adopted in 2015, the Monarch Watch involves the planting of milkweed, establishing new way stations, cleaning up existing gardens, and planting new pollinator gardens to support the annual migration of monarch butterflies.

During Day Camp, Cub Scouts learned how to create their own monarch way stations. They learned about soil preparation, plant selection, weeding without pesticides, and how to maintain the garden for years to come.

As part of the Monarchs for Peace project, Cubs created symbolic paper butterflies that “migrated” to Canada in late June. In September, Canadian Scouts in Ontario added their names and group numbers to the paper butterflies and then sent them on their way south. The butterflies were then delivered to the Lobo Scouts of Morelia, Mexico, near the end of November. These paper butterflies are expected to return to the Pela-the District and their Cub Scout owners, carrying the names/addresses of Scouts from Canada and Mexico sometime in April 2016.

My Gilwell Park Experience

*By Andrew Knott, Troop 225, Heart of America Council*

*My time at Gilwell Park in England was definitely one of the most influential years of my life. I was able to live with thirty or so other people my age from all over the world. I had roommates and coworkers from Mexico, Ecuador, Australia, Germany, New Zealand, Korea, Ghana, and many other countries. We lived together, worked together, played together, and traveled together. I will never forget the experiences I gained from seeing all the different cultures mesh together. I still keep in touch with friends from Gilwell even four years later.*

The work we did for Gilwell was great as well. It was lots of fun, but it also developed really important skills that I use today. We learned about public speaking, presentation skills, time management, teamwork, customer service, safety enforcement, and first aid. Those skills are very applicable in school and future careers.

Overall, my time spent at Gilwell was excellent and I would highly recommend it to anyone who is able to go. It is truly an incredible opportunity. Free room and board, just a 20 minute train ride from central London, and the chance to travel all over Europe. Not very many people can say they moved to a different country by themselves at the age of 19. It is definitely worth taking a year off to go while you are young and able to. School, work, family, and friends will all be there when you get back.

For more information on how you can experience Gilwell Park, contact Tom Johnson at tjohnsonacme@aol.com.

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To check availability or book your trip call 816.556.3234!
2015 merit badge rankings

Meet the new king — same as the old king. The First Aid merit badge, dethroned by the Cooking merit badge in 2014, reclaimed the crown in 2015. Put another way: More Scouts earned the First Aid merit badge in 2015 than any other merit badge. And it wasn't really close.

The Cooking merit badge, which simmered its way to the top of the charts in 2014, cooled to third place in the 2015 merit badge rankings. The Swimming merit badge dolphin-kicked its way into second, and the Environmental Science and Citizenship in the World merit badges rounded out the top five.

First Aid, first place

Exactly 80,716 Scouts earned the First Aid merit badge in 2015, which put that badge atop the charts. It beat second-place Swimming by nearly 9,000 merit badges earned. First Aid has been the king every year since 2009 (the first year for which detailed statistics were made available) — except for 2014, when Cooking was No. 1.

A revised Cooking merit badge pamphlet and new requirements were released in 2013. During 2014 (and 2014 only), a Scout could use either the old or the new requirements — his choice. Either version counted toward Eagle, and a ton of Scouts decided to go ahead and earn Cooking using the old requirements in 2014.

When I released the 2014 rankings, I predicted that Cooking’s reign at the top would last only a year, and that's exactly what happened. Now that Cooking is required for Eagle, though, we should see it in the top five for good.

Where I got these numbers

All figures come from Local Council Charter Applications. That means they're based on the actual number earned, not on sales of the badges. Some troops purchase extra emblems in anticipation of future badge earnings, so sales numbers can be skewed.

The top 25

It’s no surprise that numbers 1 to 13 are Eagle-required merit badges. Scouts are, of course, required to earn these if they want to become Eagle Scouts, so you'll always find them at the top of the rankings.

It's in that 14 to 25 range where things get interesting. The Fingerprinting, Rifle Shooting, Archery, Leatherwork, Wilderness Survival, Wood Carving, Kayaking, Canoeing, Chess, Fishing and Art merit badges are summer camp staples, so one would expect to see them highly ranked.

Check out where every merit badge ranked in 2015 at http://blog.scoutingmagazine.org.

The Mid-West Boy Scout — the Official Magazine of Kansas City Scouting

By Andy Dubill, Council Historian

The Mid-West Boy Scout, the official magazine for Boy Scouts in Kansas City was launched in July of 1915. In its inaugural issue, The Mid-West Boy Scout reported that the Kansas City Council ranked fourth in the country in the ratio of Scouts to boys of Scouting age in its area. The council was considered a strong Scouting center by all standards.

Albert J. Watson, Scout Commissioner of the Greater Kansas City Council, reminded readers that “Your Scout officials are planning activities for you during the summer, but of course, the great Scout event is the Summer Camp at Elk Springs. During the two weeks in camp you will have an opportunity to learn more of Scouting than you can at any other time, and the chums you will make will last a lifetime. The experience of 500 boys, living together as one big family, enjoying equal rights and knowing what it means to consider the rights of everyone else, is a training which he can secure in no other way.”

He went on to suggest that the “discipline may be irksome, that in itself is worthwhile.” He reminded Scouts reading the new magazine that when they took their place in the working world they would need to take orders without arguing. There were also going to be many pleasures down at Elk Springs in 1915 including the swimming hour, hiking, recreation and the camp fire hour. This would be a summer camp to remember. Parents were reminded to not forget the dates—August 16 to 28, 1915. The cost was only eight dollars for all expenses. The final reminder from Watson was, “Don’t count the cost now, but the benefits and profits later, REGISTER TODAY.”

If you have questions about Scouting history that would be good topics for future columns email Andy Dubill at adubill@aol.com.
## Heart of America Council Eagle Scouts — January - February 2016

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**Polite Pack 4318 Says Thank You**

Pack 4318 from Lexington, MO gathered in late February to enjoy their pizzas provided by the Heart of America Council. Cubmaster Carol Brooks and team helped double the size of their pack through last year’s recruitment efforts. They would like to thank the council for the pizza on behalf of all Scouts in Lexington.

**39th Annual Blue Elk District Dinner**

The 39th Annual Blue Elk District Dinner was held January 23 at Adams Pointe Conference Center and was emceed by Blue Elk District Chairman Bill Essmann. “The Wrath of Grapes” themed event was attended by over 280 people. The highest award the district can bestow, the District Award of Merit, was presented that evening. The 2015 honorees were District Chairman Bill Essmann, David Graham of Troop 266 at Oak Grove Community of Christ, Keith Harris of Troop 228 at Christ United Methodist Church in Independence, Ray Miller of Troop 310 at Faith United Methodist Church, and Unit Commissioner Ed Winfrey.
2016 INVESTMENT IN CHARACTER [106%]

April

13 District Committee Meeting, 6:00 pm
South Patrol Police Station, 9701 Marion Park Dr., Kansas City, MO

21 District Roundtable, 7:00 pm
South Patrol Police Station, 9701 Marion Park Dr., Kansas City, MO

May

11 District Committee Meeting, 6:00 pm
South Patrol Police Station, 9701 Marion Park Dr., Kansas City, MO

Court of Honor for Frontier’s First Eagle

Congratulations to Richard Atkins of Troop 342, Victory Hills Church of the Nazarene, on earning Scouting’s highest honor. Richard’s Eagle Scout Court of Honor took place February 16.

Frontier Swim Party

 Scouts took a break from the chilly weather during Frontier’s swim party February 19 at the Tony Aguirre Community Center. Over 40 youth attended the event from Ingels, Garfield, Whittier and Wheatley Elementary Schools. Special thanks to the Tony Aguirre Community Center and LINC for your collaboration in providing such a great event.

Richard Atkins receives his Eagle Scout medal from Scoutmaster Christopher Gonzales.
### HIGH TRAIL

#### Key Leadership

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### IRON HORSE

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### 2016 INVESTMENT IN CHARACTER

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### Day Camp 2016

Attention all Cub Scouts! Are you ready for a fun filled “Treasure Island” Day Camp? Join us June 20-24 at Heritage Park. We have fun activities planned which include archery, BB-guns, sports and more! Register online by April 27 for only $65 per Scout.

**Stay Informed:**
Visit our new Day Camp website at [www.hoac-bsa.org/iron-horse-day-camp](http://www.hoac-bsa.org/iron-horse-day-camp)

**Camp Director** — Laura Guengerich [Laura@IHDayCamp.xyz](mailto:Laura@IHDayCamp.xyz)
**Program Director** — Sandey Broman [Sandey@IHDayCamp.xyz](mailto:Sandey@IHDayCamp.xyz)

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### Treasure Island Day Camp

Join the swashbuckling fun this summer! Cub Scouts of all ages are sure to enjoy four fun-packed days of fun and festivities as we travel to different ports around Treasure Island. Visit the BB-Gun Shooting Range at Port Royal, the Swab the Deck Human Foosball court at Antigua, make Baking Soda Cannon Balls, and much more! For more information or to volunteer, contact:

Co-Camp Director: Craig Goehringer, arnthor91@yahoo.com
Co-Camp Director: Tim Phelps, tcphelps1974@yahoo.com
Program Director: Lynn Goehringer, graphicgator@yahoo.com
Day Camp Advisor: Janell Neal, janell.neal@scouting.org

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Scouting Brings Warrensburg Family Together

To say Scouting is a major part of the Kaltefleiter family would be an understatement. The family of four joined Scouting together as a way to bring their family closer together and to bring mom’s vision of core values to the forefront of their lives.

“My boys have always wanted to do Cub Scouts. What’s not to love? Hikes, nature, helping others, life skills, fishing, camping, etc. But, what I love about Scouting is that it is another way to drip the message of what is truly important in life: character traits that ensure success, respect for all things, clarity of right and wrong, the importance of doing a job 100%, and an understanding of the bigger picture of the necessity of service to God and service to others.”

Bobbi Kaltefleiter found that Scouting had an immediate effect on the attitude and enthusiasm of her boys without her sons even realizing it was happening.

“When we first started Scouts this year, my boys didn’t see the point of working through the book and the steps, but a couple belt loops later and they ask, “Hey Mom, what can I do in my book today to get another belt loop?” This program is teaching my kids the bigger concepts that I care most about: No one owes you anything in life. If you want something, set the goal, do the work and you’ll see the reward. The best part is, I don't have to say it over and over. They see it, feel it, experience the success and hopefully will make it their life philosophy early on.”

Scouting Around the District

Pack 3009 visits the fire station
Pack 3149 meets the mayor
Pack 30154 visits the fire station
Pack 3075 Pinewood Derby
**2016 INVESTMENT IN CHARACTER**

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**MORMON TRAIL**

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### Independence Merit Badge Roundup

The Independence Missouri Stake held its second annual Merit Badge Roundup on January 9th and 24th. A total of 209 scouts from throughout the council attended the event and started work on 331 merit badges. The merit badge roundup committee is looking for more merit badge counselors to continue to grow this great event for 2017. Interested in helping? Go to: [http://independencembr.wix.com/meritbadge](http://independencembr.wix.com/meritbadge)

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**NORTHERN LIGHTS**

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### 2016 INVESTMENT IN CHARACTER

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### May

- **Roundtable, 7:00 pm**
  - 28 Roving Roundtable, 7:00 pm
    - 850 SE Blue Pkwy, Lee’s Summit, MO
  - 14 Roving Roundtable, 7:00 pm
    - 211 Ash St, Gallatin, MO

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### June

- **Roundtable, 7:00 pm**
  - 7 St. Therese School, 7277 MO-9, Kansas City, MO
  - 9-10 Webelos Woods, 7:30 am
    - Heartland Center, 16965 MO-45, Parkville, MO
  - 14 District Commissioner Meeting, 6:30 pm
    - Platte Woods United Methodist Church, 7310 NW Prairie View Rd, Platte Woods, MO
  - 14 District Committee Meeting, 7:30 pm
    - Platte Woods United Methodist Church, 7310 NW Prairie View Rd, Platte Woods, MO

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### Photo-Finish Victory

The inaugural Northern Lights District Pinewood Derby was a success! 43 racers representing 12 Cub Scout Packs gathered on February 27 to show off their speed and style.

Congratulations to the following Top District Racers!

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### Adventure on the High Seas

#### 2016 Northern Lights Day Camp

June 13-16

Adventure awaits at the 2016 Northern Lights Day Camp! Anchor with us at the Platte County Fairgrounds June 13-16. Learn to defend our ship with your shooting sports skills, aid a fellow wounded pirate, and much more on our Treasure Island Adventure!

For more information, contact Day Camp Program Director, Kim Morgan, at kimmorgan1992@gmail.com or 816-977-6013.
### PElathe

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*2016 Investment in Character* 49.6%

#### April

1. **2-3** IOLS / OWL Training, 8:00 am  
   Camp Bromelsick, 682 N 1400 Rd., Lawrence, KS

2. **7** Roundtable, 7:00 pm  
   First Baptist Church, 1330 Kasold Dr., Lawrence, KS

3. **8-10** District Camporee, 5:00 pm  
   Camp Bromelsick, 682 N 1400 Rd., Lawrence, KS

4. **11-14** Scouting for Food Flyer Distribution

5. **16** Boy Scout Leader Specific Training, 9:00 am  
   Burgess Scout Cabin, 1024 Kasold Dr., Lawrence, KS

6. **21** District Commissioner Meeting, 6:00 pm  
   First Presbyterian Church, 2415 Clinton Parkway, Lawrence, KS

7. **21** District Committee Meeting, 7:00 pm  
   First Presbyterian Church, 2415 Clinton Parkway, Lawrence, KS

8. **30** B.A.L.O.O. Training, 9:00 am  
   Burgess Scout Cabin, 1024 Kasold Dr., Lawrence, KS

**May**

9. **5** Roundtable, 7:00 pm  
   First Baptist Church, 1330 Kasold Dr., Lawrence, KS

10. **16** District Commissioner Meeting, 6:00 pm  
    First Presbyterian Church, 2415 Clinton Parkway, Lawrence, KS

11. **16** District Committee Meeting, 7:00 pm  
    First Presbyterian Church, 2415 Clinton Parkway, Lawrence, KS

**June**

12. **6-7** Welcome to Webelos Weekend, 5:00 pm  
    Camp Bromelsick, 682 N 1400 Rd., Lawrence, KS

13. **19** District Good Turn Project – Monarch Watch, 8:00 am  
    Foley Hall, 2021 Constant St., Lawrence, KS

14. **19** District Commissioner Meeting, 6:00 pm  
    First Presbyterian Church, 2415 Clinton Parkway, Lawrence, KS

15. **19** District Committee Meeting, 7:00 pm  
    First Presbyterian Church, 2415 Clinton Parkway, Lawrence, KS

16. **28** Bromelsick Memorial, 8:30 am  
    Oak Hill Cemetery, 1605 Oak Hill Ave., Lawrence, KS

#### Be a Part of Pelathe’s Global Good Turn Project

In 2016, the Pelathe District will continue supporting our partnership with The Monarch Watch with an opportunity to earn a unique patch! The Pelathe District Good Turn Project provides an opportunity for Scouts to “think globally” and “act locally” to preserve and improve our environment. Learn how you can be a part of this year’s project at www.monarchsforpeace.com.

### Pioneer Trails

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*2016 Investment in Character* 77.2%

#### April

1. **7** Roundtable, 7:30 pm  
   Central United Methodist Church, 5144 Oak St, Kansas City, MO

2. **7** District Commissioner Meeting, 6:30 pm  
   Central United Methodist Church, 5144 Oak St, Kansas City, MO

3. **12** District Commissioner Meeting, 7:30 pm  
   Wornall Road Baptist Church, 400 W Meyer Blvd, Kansas City, MO

4. **16** District OA Call Out  
   Camp Lake of the Woods, Swope Park, Kansas City, MO

5. **20-23** District Day Camp  
   Youthbuild KC, 1940 E 11th St., Kansas City, MO

#### May

6. **5** Roundtable, 7:30 pm  
   Central United Methodist Church, 5144 Oak St, Kansas City, MO

#### June

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

8. **2** District Commissioner Meeting, 6:30 pm  
   Central United Methodist Church, 5144 Oak St, Kansas City, MO

9. **12** District Commissioner Meeting, 7:30 pm  
   Wornall Road Baptist Church, 400 W Meyer Blvd, Kansas City, MO

10. **14** District Committee Meeting, 7:30 pm  
    Wornall Road Baptist Church, 400 W Meyer Blvd, Kansas City, MO

#### Pioneer Trails Day Camp

Come join our crew as we set sail for adventure to Treasure Island! The 2016 Pioneer Trails Day Camp will be held June 20–23 at Youthbuild KC. For more information or to sign up to be part of the crew, contact Captain Ken “Blackbeard” McFeders at (314) 435-3889 or First Mate Ben Bezanson at (603) 491-0058.
### SHAWNEE TRAILS

**Key Leadership**

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- **District Commissioner**: Stan Lloyd  (913) 484-1250  Stan.Lloyd@skw-inc.com
- **District Director**: Jenna Bentrop  (816) 569-4969  Jenna.Bentrop@scouting.org
- **District Executive**: Lauren Crowder  (816) 569-4918  Lauren.Crowder@scouting.org

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- **5 District Roundtable, 7:00 pm**  Shawnee Mission West High School, 8800 W 85th St, Overland Park, KS
- **12 District Commissioner Meeting, 6:30 pm**  Raytown South Middle School, 8401 E 83rd St, Kansas City, MO

#### June

- **2 District Roundtable, 7:00 pm**  Shawnee Mission West High School, 8800 W 85th St, Overland Park, KS
- **9 District Commissioner Meeting, 6:30 pm**  Raytown South Middle School, 8401 E 83rd St, Kansas City, MO
- **6-10 Shawnee Trails Treasure Island Day Camp**  Shawnee Riverfront Park, 5800 Frisbee Rd, Shawnee, KS

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**Shawnee Trails Welcomes New District Director**

Please join the Shawnee Trails District in welcoming Jenna Bentrop as the new District Director. Jenna previously served as the Development and Marketing Executive for Pikes Peak Council in Colorado Springs. Jenna started her career with the Heart of America Council in 2008 as a District Executive in the Trailhead District. She was later promoted to Senior District Executive and served the North Star and Northern Tier Districts.

Jenna received her Bachelor’s Degree from Kansas State University in Public Relations. She interned with the Boy Scouts while in college and has been a Scouting professional for 7 years. In her free time, Jenna enjoys spending time with her husband, cheering on the KSU Wildcats and being active outdoors.

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### SOARING EAGLE

**Key Leadership**

- **District Chairman**: Rob Baker  (913) 484-4710  rcbcca@earthlink.net
- **District Commissioner**: Mary Kilkenney  (913) 645-9625  markkil23@gmail.com
- **District Director**: Lizz Rhodus  (816) 569-4970  Lizz.Rhodus@scouting.org
- **District Executive**: Chrissy Hatcher  (816) 569-4913  Christine.Hatcher@scouting.org

#### 2016 INVESTMENT IN CHARACTER

| 2016 INVESTMENT IN CHARACTER | 75.9% |

#### May

- **5 District Roundtable, 7:00 pm**  Jewish Community Center of Greater Kansas City, 5801 W 115th St, Leawood, KS

#### June

- **2 District Commissioner Meeting, 6:30 pm**  Jewish Community Center of Greater Kansas City, 5801 W 115th St, Leawood, KS

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ARG! Day Camp is almost here!

Don’t forget to register your pack for the Soaring Eagle Treasure Island Day Camp! Activities are endless with programs like Archery, BB-Guns, Treasure Hikes, Field Games, Leatherwork, Water Rockets, Climbing Tower and Buried Treasure! As of June 1, 2016 Kindergarteners who were recruited in the spring can officially sign-up for Cub Scouts and go to Day Camp! We also need staff to help us put on a great Day Camp for our Cub Scouts. To sign-up for Camp Staff visit our district Day Camp Page for links to our Day Camp forms. For more information about Soaring Eagle Day Camp go to www.hoac-bsa.org/soaring-eagle-day-camp
Cub Scout Day Camp Just Around the Corner

The 2016 Twin Rivers District Cub Scout Day Camp is set for June 6-9 at the Miami County Fairgrounds in Paola. Cub Scouts will shoot BB-guns and bows & arrows, work on crafts, play games, learn about nature and work towards badges.

This year’s theme is “Treasure Island.” The cost is $65 per Scout if paid by April 27. Camperships are available for families who cannot afford to attend Day Camp.

If you’re interested in serving on staff for camp, Contact Katie Dalton for more information at Katie.Dalton@scouting.org.

Treasure Island Day Camp

Escape to Treasure Island this summer for the ultimate Day Camp adventure. Day Camp is open to all Cub Scouts, including Kindergarten graduates, and will offer an unforgettable outdoor experience with activities ranging from shooting sports to science. The inaugural Spirit Trail Day Camp will be held June 20-24 at Camp Reeder in Harrisonville, MO. Learn more or sign up online at www.hoac-bsa.org/spirit-trail-day-camp.

2016 Day Camp Fees

On or before 4/27/16 — $65
After 4/27/16 — $75
At Camp — $80