



PELATHE is "THE EAGLE"

Heart of America Council

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From the Editor

Brianna McCarty, *The Eagle* Editor

Reach your scouting community by submitting news to The Eagle. The next submission dates are March 30, 2018 and April 27, 2018.

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More to come!

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Scott Gates, District Commissioner
<http://www.scouting.org/scoutsources/Commissioners.aspx>

More to come!

ADVANCEMENT

District Advancement Chair: POSITION OPEN
Rod Hoffer, WEBELOS Transition Chair

EAGLE SCOUTS

Our Pelathe Eagle Scouts are part of the very few young men that start Boy Scouts who achieve the rank of Eagle Scout.



THOMAS WHITE – Troop 53



Thomas White of Troop 53 completed his Board of Review for the Eagle Rank on Thursday, Feb 22, 2018.

Thomas has served as Quartermaster, Senior Troop Guide and Assistant Senior Patrol leader, attended both Philmont and Sommers Canoe Base, and multiple years at Camp Alexander. He is an Ordeal member of the Order of the Arrow. For his project, Thomas designed and painted a mural on a wall at the County Fair Swim Club in the Kennedy School neighborhood, and provided other cleaning and restoration services too. He had more than 15 volunteers involved in his project.

Thomas, the son of Scott and Stacey White, is a senior at Free State High School where he is active in soccer and music. He is also very involved with church missions through Plymouth Congregational Church. A very good scholar, Thomas has applied to a number of top colleges in the Midwest region with the intent to be involved in education, particularly with students with special challenges.

SUMMIT BOARD OF REVIEW

The Summit Award—Venturing's highest—represents a milestone of accomplishment. Leadership and community service are the cornerstones.



WE LOOK FORWARD TO
CONGRATULATING THE RECIPIENTS
OF FUTURE SUMMIT AWARDS.

**COLLECTING MERIT BADGE
at The National Museum of Toys and Miniatures**

The National Museum of Toys and Miniatures is starting to offer the Collecting Merit Badge for Boy Scouts. Troops that are interested in scheduling a time to work on the Collecting Merit Badge at the museum please contact Katherine Mercier for more information at 816-235-8000.

TRUMAN LIBRARY MERIT BADGE PROGRAM
Saturday, March 17
at Truman Library, 500 West US Highway 24

Online registration opened February 20. Details and registration available at: hoac-bsa.org/merit-badge-program

MWSU MERIT BADGE COLLEGE
Saturday, March 17, 2018, 9am-3pm.
at Missouri Western State University,
4525 Downs Drive, St. Joseph, MO 64507

Cost: \$20/Scout and \$10/Adult (includes lunch). 2 Adults required if you're taking more than just your son. Adults assist the merit badge counselor throughout the workshop.

Offerings - Over 25 merit badges offered. Boys can take 2, 1/2 day or 1 all day merit badge. See announcement flyer for specifics. All Scouts and adults to wear Class A uniform. Details:
<http://www.ponyexpressbsa.org/Event.aspx?id=7712>

MERIT BADGE FAIR
Saturday, March 24, 10am – 2:30pm
at Carnegie Building, Lawrence

Hosted by Freedom's Frontier National Heritage Area. Scouts are invited to attend this open house style event. Scouts will have the opportunity to complete selected requirements from 6 different merit badges. Insect Study (7, 13, 8), American Cultures (1c, 1d, 3), Collections (3a, 3b, 5d, 5f, 8), Indian Lore (1, 2, 4a, 5b, 5h – Counselor Available), American Heritage (2a, 2d, 4a, 4c, 6 – Counselor Available), Citizenship in the Nation (1, 4, 5, 7, 8 – Counselor Available). Contact Lexi Ray with questions at lray@greedomsfrontier.org. Scouts are asked to bring the appropriate blue cards and the printed worksheets associated with the Merit Badge(s) they are the most interested in working on. They are also welcome to bring a water bottle and sack lunch.

**UCM Merit Badge University &
Aviation Encampment**
April 13-15, 2018
UCM, Warrensburg, MO

Troop registration will be set for the end of November and will be an on-line registration process. The Encampment filled up in about 3 hours last year. Make plans to register quickly.
<http://www.warrensburgmbu.com/>

TROOP 138 Merit Badge Extravaganza
April 20 & 21

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/troop-138-merit-badge-extravaganza-registration-registration-42619794954?ref=ecount>

50+ Merit Badge Options including Aviation Merit Badge that includes a flying experience over the St. Joseph area, outdoor merit badges, night time merit badges and more! Registration for Saturday is \$30, which includes lunch. Friday activities are an extra \$5. Camping at Ford's Farm is free.

**KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY
MERIT BADGE CONFERENCE**
Saturday, April 28, 7am – 5pm
www.coronadoscout.org/Event.aspx?id=5114

\$30/ Scout if registered by April 6.
Registration closes on April 13. Adults \$15/\$20

Venturing in Pelathe

Max Miller, Venturing Chair

If you have any scouts in your Venturing Crews please encourage them to attend our monthly VOA meetings held during Roundtable. There are numerous ways to participate in scouting activities through Venturing. Pelathe Venturing will be planning a STEM activity for Cub Scouts this year. If anyone has any suggestions or requests for a one day STEM event please let me know your ideas. You can send them to me.

Thank you,
Brent Lathrom
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CAMPING

Guy Jacobs, Camping Chair

2018 BOY SCOUT CAMP

<https://www.hoac-bsa.org/naish>

<https://www.hoac-bsa.org/bartle>

Camp Naish – Camp Sessions:

- 1st Session – June 4-9
- 2nd Session – June 11-16
- LDS 11 y/o Session – June 22 – 23

Bartle – Camp Sessions:

- 1st Session – June 5-14
- 2nd Session – June 15-24
- 3rd Session – June 25-July 4
- 4th Session – July 7-16
- 5th Session – July 17-26
- 6th Session – July 29-Aug 4
- All Eagle required Merit Badges Offered. (No Mic-O-Say offered) 7 day session.

The payment schedule will continue to be the same as past years. A \$50 deposit is due with each reservation for Scouts and full-time leaders at the draw. The payment for ½ of the balance was due by Wednesday February 14, 2018 and final payment is due by Wednesday April 18, 2018 with names of all camper

BEAR RESIDENT CAMP

www.hoac-bsa.org/cub-scout-bear-camp

Online registration began on Monday, February 5 until Bear Camp has met it's pre-determined capacity OR through Tuesday, March 27th at 5pm. Bear Resident Camp is 2 days running the entire month of June. Fees are \$75 per scout and \$55 for leader/adult fees. Den Chiefs are \$35/\$45. Bear camp is a 1:1 camping experience. Every youth attending must have an adult partner.

WEBELOS RESIDENT CAMP

www.hoac-bsa.org/webelos-camp

Online registration began on Monday, January 8 and runs until Webelos Camp has met it's pre-determined capacity OR through Tuesday, March 27th at 5pm. Webelos resident camp is 3 days, running from late June through late July. Fees are \$155 for each Webelos Scout and \$145 for each full-time leader if paid on or before the final payment date of April 25th. Den Chiefs are \$60/\$65 and Part-time leaders are \$60/\$65.

STEM CAMPS

<https://www.hoac-bsa.org/stem>

WEBELOS STEM CAMP

April 29-30 at Bartle

9am Saturday – 9am Sunday, \$30

Open to all Webelos

BEAR STEM CAMP

June 30-July 1 at Naish, \$75

Open to all Bear Scouts.

BOY SCOUT STEM CAMP

Returns Summer 2018 at Naish, \$250

Open to Boy Scouts, Venturers, Explorers.

CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP

Kathleen Gordon-Ross, Pelathe Day Camp Director

CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP

“SUPER HERO ACADEMY”

May 29-June 1

Douglas County Fairgrounds

Dates: Tuesday, May 29 – Friday, June 1

Drop Off: 8:30am Pick Up: 3:00pm

Location: Douglas County Fairgrounds.

Registration: Register as a Pack, online at daycamp.kintera.org. Register on or before April 25, 2018 for \$65/scout. Register scouts on or after April 26, 2018 for \$75/scout. Scouts added at Day Camp, \$80/scout. New Scouts (including new Tigers, or girls) register for \$65/scout whenever they sign-up for Day Camp.

Health Forms: Every attendant (youth and adult) must have a BSA Health form on file. Health Form turn will be at the May 3 Roundtable.

Day Camp, Adult T-Shirt Pre-Order: Order no later than May 9 at dcadultpreorder.kinteral.org.

SUPPLY NEEDS:

Please recruit family, friends, co-workers, etc. to help us collect the following items:

- Plastic lids from drink bottles and prescription bottles ... milk, sport drinks, juice, soda, etc. We need **1000!**
- Toilet Paper and Paper Towel tubes.
- 300-400 Cedar fence pickets. Can be used, we just need to be able to build something with it.

STAFFING NEEDS:

Join the Program Team. Help us plan 1 or 2 activities for Day Camp. Not up for planning ALL the activities?

Take a single area and develop 1-4 engaging activities for our Cubs – Scout Skills, Shooting Sports, STEM, Academics, Handicraft, Physical Fitness

Shooting Sports trained staff – two per day at Day Camp. Cub Scout Day Camp Shooting Specific Training will happen in April. This training is required for anyone running the Day Camp Shooting Range. Training covers Sling Shots, BB Guns and Archery. Non-hands on recertification, Wednesday, April 18 at HOAC. Hands on certification, Saturday, April 21 at Naish. Contact Kathleen Gordon-Ross to register.

Health Officer – minimum qualifications - CPR and First Aid certified. Needed all four days of Day Camp, including family night at the First Aid station.

Youth Staff – 14+ years old. Self-motivated, hard worker, likes working with and helping young boys, good leader and teacher, patient, follows directions.

Cub Scout Day Camp Director,
Kathleen Gordon-Ross

COMMUNITY SERVICE

**31st Annual
SCOUTING FOR FOOD DRIVE
Saturday, March 30 – Saturday April 7.**

Flyers will be available at the March Roundtable. Lawrence units can select their neighborhoods at the March Roundtable as well. Flyer distribution is March 30-April 6. Food Donation collection is April 7 after 9:15am. Deliver collections to the Salvation Army at 945 New Hampshire. Questions? Contact Diana Brauer, 785.423.0359, or dianalynbrauer@gmail.com

**MONARCH WATCH
OPEN HOUSE & PLANT SALE
Monarch Watch, 2021 Constant Ave. 66047
May 12, 7:30am – 2pm**

Pelathe Scouts and adults (Scouters or Parents) are once again partnering with Monarch Watch and Master Gardeners of Douglas County to help with their annual Open House and Plant Sale. Volunteers are needed to help direct cars for parking, carry plants, and staff open house activities. Volunteering at this event also counts towards the unique Monarchs for Peace badge. Mark your calendar now. Shift sign-ups will be posted soon and will be broken up into 2 hour shifts to work with busy schedules. {This is a Pelathe HOAC DIG DAY EVENT}

ACTIVITIES

DISTRICT ACTIVITIES

Kathleen Gordon-Ross, Pelathe District Activities Chair

**PELATHE DISTRICT PLANNING MEETING
Sat., March 3, 9am – 11am
at Frist Presbyterian Church**

All members of the District Committee, and representative(s) from each Pack, Troop and Crew are asked to attend. Please bring copies of your unit calendar, school and community calendars so we can coordinate and correlate the activities and efforts of the district for the upcoming 18 months.

**PELATHE DISTRICT
Volunteer, Eagle Scout & Summit Award
RECOGNITION DINNER
Thursday, April 12, 2018, 6-8:30pm
at Maceli's Banquet Hall**

At this year's District Dinner, we will not only recognize the dedicated Scouters who give so freely of their time and talents to make a difference in the lives of youth in our local Scouting program, but also the extrordinary accomplishments of our Eagle Scout and Summit Award recipients. Scouters, Scouts, and parents are invited to attend.

Register at ptrecognitiondinner.kintera.org.

We are looking for photos of 2017 unit activities for this year's slideshow. Please email them to Cindy Lynn.

**LAWRENCE EARTH DAY CELEBRATION
April 21 at South Park
Scouting Recruitment Activity 11-4pm
South Park Clean-up, 4-5pm**

Come encourage other youth to join in the fun of Scouting at the Lawrence Earth Day Celebration. We'll have a fun interactive Leave no Trace activity, make Super Hero masks while we talk about Cub Scout Day Camp, and promote our local Packs and Troops to elementary and middle school youth. At 4pm we invite Scouts to come lend a hand as we help Parks and Rec gather trash barrels and put up tables and chairs after the event.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES with a tie to SCOUTING:

BUCK NIGHT at Lawrence Indoor Aquatic Center. The first Friday of every month, everyone swims for \$1 after 5pm.

KU Engineering EXPO – The Spirit of Innovation, Saturday March, 3. 9am, registration, activities from 10am-2pm. Den's could consider registering to compete

individually or as a team in any of the following competitions. Egg Drop, Rube Goldberg, Water Bottle Rocket, Catapult, Marshmallow Tower, Airplane/Glider, Mechanical Model Car, Pasta Bridge, Skyscraper.

PLAYING FOR KEEPS: The VFW Marble Tournaments 1947-1962 at The National Museum of Toys and Miniatures. November 11, 2017 – January 6, 2019. The exhibit features stories of boys who played marbles over 50 years ago. It also has a regulation size marble ring where the museum teaches marble lessons. Scouts are invited to schedule a special tour of the exhibit and learn how to play the game of marbles. Contact Katherine Mercier to schedule a tour at 815-235-8000.

LIZZIE VELASQUEZ, anti-bullying activist, author, TEDx motivational speaker and YouTube star delivers Lawrence Public Library's 2018 Read Across Lawrence keynote. The event is free, family friendly and perfect for teens and kids. Sunday, March 11, 3:30pm at the Lied Center.

Family Fun Day at Baker Wetlands, April 28 from 9am-Noon. Baker Wetlands is teaming up with "Outside for a Better Inside" to bring you an amazing event full of exhibits ...Wetland Values, Reptiles and Amphibians, Aquatic Organisms, Live Raptors, Live Bird Banding, Wetland Superheros, Canoeing, Tardigrades, Hiking. This event offers lots of opportunities for Cub Scouts to pass off outdoor requirements!

KIDS FISHING DERBY'S
Saturday, May 12 at Bismarck Farms/Gardens, 9am-11am. LPR along with partners Outside for a Better inside and Crown Casting Club for kids will host a fishing derby at Bismarck Lake located at 1616 N. 1700 Rd. For more information on this event, contact Mary Jones, Outside for a Better Inside at 785.766.3023 or Roger Steinbrock, LPR, 785.832.3450.

Saturday June 9 at Mary's Lake with LPR and Outside for a Better Inside, 8:30am-12 noon. Free to the public and open to children ages 5-13. Anglers 13 and younger are invited to test their fishing expertise at Mary's Lake (31st Street & Haskell Ave). A pre-derby meeting will be held at 8:30am. All anglers are asked to provide their own fishing poles and bait. Door prizes will be given throughout the morning. Supervision provided however parents are asked to help out. Co-sponsored by Wal-Mark, Crown Casting Club and Outside for a Better Inside.

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

Stay informed about what's happening at the Council and District level by opting in to the Heart of America Council's email distribution system, Constant Contact. They use this distribution system sparingly (once or twice a month at most), but it can be so helpful! It's

great for parents and leaders who want to stay informed. Opt in by visiting hoac-bsa.org/pelathe, and click on the "Sign Up for Email Updates" button about half way down the page.

PELATHE EAGLE SCOUT RECOGNITION DINNER **Saturday, March 3, 2018, 1-4pm**

Celebrate Scouting's highest rank with more than 500 Kansas City Eagle Scouts! All members of the 2017 Eagle Scout Class and their families are invited to this special reception on Saturday, March 3, 2018 at Silverstein Eye Centers Arena. All 2017 Eagle Scouts in attendance will receive the official "Challenge Coin" and will be included in the 2017 Eagle Scout Class photo on center ice. This year's Eagle Scout Class honoree is Cliff Pemble, President & CEO of Garmin. There is no cost to attend, but all attendees must pre-register at <http://eaglereception.kintera.org/>

The event is free to all 2017 Eagle Scouts, 50th Anniversary Eagle Scouts, Scoutmasters of 2017 Eagle Scouts, Family, Friends and Well-wishers for any Eagle Scout. No fee to attend, but please reserve your seats. Reception begins with light refreshments at 1pm, Eagle Scout Group Photo will be taken at 1:30 with the program starting at 2pm.

SCOUT DAY at THE K **Sunday, April 29, 2018** **Kauffman Stadium**

Advance Tickets were made available December 18. Tickets sell out quickly. <https://www.hoac-bsa.org/scout-day-at-the-k>

COMMUNITY SCOUT NIGHTS

Go to www.hoac-bsa.org/community-activities for details on how to take advantage of special scout discounts.

KC Broadway Series – Discount tickets to, Finding Neverland, March 1-4th.
<https://oss.ticketmaster.com/aps/theatreleaguekc/EN/promotion/home>

The Association of Earth Science Clubs of Greater KC & the Gem & Mineral Show, March 9-11 at KCI Expo Center. <https://www.hoac-bsa.org/Data/Sites/1/media/activities/2018-Gem-Mineral.pdf>

DISNEY ON ICE at Sprint Center, March 28-April 1
<http://www.sprintcenter.com/scout>

KANSAS CITY ZOO CUB SCOUT WORKSHOPS:

<https://www.kansascityzoo.org/education/boy-scout-workshops/>

SCOUT DAY AT KANSAS CITY ZOO, April 21. Details coming.

T-BONES SCOUT NIGHT, June 23 & August 18. Details coming.

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TRAINING

Rick Heschmeyer, Pelathe District Training Chair

Den Leader Outdoor Experience (D.O.E.)

March 23-24, 2018
Rotary Youth Camp, Lee’s Summit, MO

Den Leader Outdoor Experience will help leaders of Cub Scouts become more aware of the outdoor activities; and help them use Cub Scout outdoor skills. Learn simple but fun Cub Scout hikes, outdoor games, cooking, knife safety, knots and more – plus fun and fellowship with fellow Scouters. This course covers all requirements for BALOO or Outdoor Leadership Skills for Webelos Leaders, depending on your section. Registration fee is \$22/person. Register here:

WOOD BADGE 2018

www.hoac-bsa.org/wood-badge

Spring Course (Thursday-Saturday)
April 12-14 & May 3-5

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Fall Course (Friday-Sunday)
September 14-16 & September 28-30

Wood Badge is Scouting’s Premier Training Program for adult scouters. Gain a deeper understanding of how scouting is supposed to work at all program levels, learn leadership skills you will use in and out of scouting, make and build relationships that will last a lifetime. Two

courses to pick from in 2018. Register for the Spring Course for \$30.

INTRODUCTION to OUTDOOR LEADERSHIP SKILLS (IOLS), April 21-22, 8am Saturday – 3pm Sunday at Camp Bromelsick

\$20/person, RSVP to Rick Heschmeyer.
Minimum 6 participants

BALOO/Outdoor Skills for Webelos Leaders May 5-6, 8am Saturday – Noon Sunday at Camp Bromelsick

\$20/person, RSVP to Rick Heschmeyer
Minimum 6 participants.

National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) at Naish Scout Reservation

hoac-bsa.org/nylt

Course A – Sunday, June 3 – Friday, June 8

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Course B – Monday, June 4 – Sat., June 9

NYLT is an exciting, action-packed program designed to provide BSA youth members with leadership skills and experience they can use in their home troops and in other situations demanding leadership of self and others. The course centers around the concepts of what a leader must **BE**, what they must **KNOW** and what they must **DO**. Key elements are then taught with a clear focus on **HOW TO**. The skills come alive during the week as the patrol goes on a Quest for the Meaning of Leadership.

Participants must be 13 years of age or have completed the seventh grade by the first day of the course. Be a First Class Scout or be a registered Venturing Crew member.

Fee for the course is \$215/scout.

Pelathe District/HOAC Training Schedule 2018

Contact: Rick Heschmeyer-Pelathe District Training Chair 785-841-8853 rickheshmeyer@gmail.com

<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Note</u>
Den Chief Training	March 1	7:00 PM	First Baptist Church 1330 Kasold Dr. Lawrence, KS	
DOE (Den Leader Outdoor Experience)(OWL/BALOO)	March 23-24	all day	Rotary Youth Camp, Lee's Summit, MO	register @ hoac- bsa.org
Scoutmaster/Asst. Scoutmaster Position Specific Training	March 24	9am - noon	Burgess Scout Cabin, 1024 Kasold Dr. Lawrence, KS	rsvp to Rick
Intro to Outdoor Leader Skills	April 21-22	8am Sat - 3pm Sun	Camp Bromelsick, Lawrence, KS	rsvp to Rick, 6 min. to conduct
Outdoor Skills for Webelos Leaders	April 21-22	8am Sat - 3pm Sun	Camp Bromelsick, Lawrence, KS	
Merit Badge Counselor Training	May 3	7:00 PM	First Baptist Church 1330 Kasold Dr. Lawrence, KS	rsvp to Rick, 6 min. to conduct
B.A.L.O.O. Training	May 5-6	8am Sat - 3pm Sun	Camp Bromelsick, Lawrence, KS	rsvp to Rick
Scoutmaster/Asst. Scoutmaster Position Specific Training	September 8	9am - noon	Burgess Scout Cabin, 1024 Kasold Dr. Lawrence, KS	
Den Leader Position Specific Training	October 4	7:00 PM	First Baptist Church 1330 Kasold Dr. Lawrence, KS	
Intro to Outdoor Leader Skills	October 13-14	8am Sat - 3pm Sun	Camp Bromelsick, Lawrence, KS	rsvp to Rick, 6 min. to conduct
Outdoor Skills for Webelos Leaders	October 13-14	8am Sat - 3pm Sun	Camp Bromelsick, Lawrence, KS	
Den Chief Training	November 1	7:00 PM	First Baptist Church 1330 Kasold Dr. Lawrence, KS	
University of Scouting	Nov. 3 (tentative)	7:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Metropolitan Community College, KCMO	register @ hoac- bsa.org
Merit Badge Counselor Training	December 6	7:00 PM	First Baptist Church 1330 Kasold Dr. Lawrence, KS	

additional training events will be added as dates are confirmed