The Heart of America Council is preparing for the Fourth Annual Downtown Urban Scouting Barbecue with the help of many volunteers. A delicious and affordable meal will be available on Friday, May 18, 2001 from 11:00 a.m.–1:30 p.m., rain or shine.

Come and enjoy a hamburger or hot dog, baked beans, chips and a soda for only $6.00 while supporting the Urban Scouting program of the Heart of America Council. Tickets will be available the day of the event. You can't miss The Barbecue at the corner of 12th Street and Wyandotte, on the Barney Allis Plaza, Downtown Kansas City, Missouri.

The proceeds will be used to benefit the Urban Scouting program, which serves over 13,950 youth in the greater Kansas City area. The BSA is extremely proud of this program and we hope that you will support us in giving more of Kansas City youth a chance to benefit from the Scouting program.

For more information, or to purchase additional tickets, contact Charles Flowers, Urban Scouting Director, at the Council Service Center at (816) 942-9333 ext. 149 or cflowers@bsamail.org.
Camping

2001 CAMP FEE SCHEDULE

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*There are no part-time youth in camp.*

Second fee payment for all full-time leaders and Scouts is due March 2, 2001.

**Final fee payment** for all full-time leaders and Scouts is due May 4, 2001.

**Late fee payment** for all full-time leaders and Scouts is applicable May 5, 2001 or after.

**THE ONLY EXCEPTIONS WILL BE FOR SCOUTS OR LEADERS JOINING BOY SCOUTING FOR THE FIRST TIME ON OR AFTER MAY 5, 2001.** Any unit adding a Scout or leader on or after May 5, 2001 must give the camping services department a specific name. This policy is intended to assist us in planning our equipment, supplies, and food on a daily basis. Scout and leader slots are interchangeable.)

**CORRECTED—2001 BARTLE VISITATION DATES**

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**BOY SCOUT CAMP REFUND POLICY**

There will be a $100.00 BARTLE CANCELLATION FEE and a $75.00 NAISH CANCELLATION FEE. (It includes a $20 non-refundable deposit.) May 5th or after for any camper (Scout or leader) not attending. There will be a $100.00 PER DAY PART-TIME LEADER CANCELLATION FEE. (Units may fill the slot internally. Scout and leader slots are interchangeable.) THIS CANCELLATION FEE IS ASSESSED FOR EQUIPMENT AND PROGRAM PURCHASES MADE PRIOR TO CAMP WHICH CANNOT BE CANCELED DUE TO ABSENCE OF CAMPERS. After the cancellation fee is assessed, all funds are refundable.

If a Scout or leader becomes ill while attending camp and is sent home by the camp medical staff, they are eligible for a pro-rated refund (by day) of the “balance of fee.” ($20 deposit is non-refundable). If a camper leaves without being sent home by the camp medical staff, there is NO refund.

All refunds must be submitted in writing before leaving camp by the unit leadership.

Second fee payments will be considered if submitted after camp.

**Rotary Camp**

Rotary Camp provides Scouts with special needs an exciting opportunity to experience a resident camp. This year’s session is scheduled for August 6-10, 2001 at Rotary Camp, sponsored by Rotary Club #13 and located in Lee’s Summit on the edge of Lake Jacomo. The cost for Rotary Camp for 2001 will be $115.00.

The excellent facilities available include: pool, dining hall, pavilions, cabins and a beautiful campus. Scouts can participate in swimming, handicraft, Scoutingcraft, a nature outpost program, campfires, and an enjoyment of the overall camping experience.

A BIG THANK YOU goes out to all volunteers for their time, energy, and financial support. The camp could not operate without the commitment of volunteers. Please call Camping Services at 816-942-9333 or (800) 776-1110 extension 130 to register your entire Pack or to add boys to your previous registration. Contact your district’s Day Camp Director with questions.

**2001 Camp Fee Schedule**

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**Adult Leadership Requirements**

There must be at least two adult leaders with each troop in camp at all times. The first person in the chain is the leader or person serving as unit leader (Camp Scoutmaster). The second adult must be a registered Scout 18 years or older. Both of these leaders must have youth protection training. Troops can share a campfire and leadership to meet this requirement with the approval of their unit committee and chartered organization.

Leaders are encouraged to complete the Basic Leader Training program including the indoor/outdoor session before attending camp. There will be pre-camp planning and training meetings for adult and youth leaders. The Camp Leader’s Guidebook were distributed at the Camp Scoutmaster Orientations in March.

**Bartle Workdays**

It’s not too late to assist in preparing the H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation for the camping season! Two adult workdays remain for the following Saturdays: May 5, 2001 and May 19, 2001. Please call Camping Services at 816-942-9333 or 1-800-776-1110 to be contacted for the workdays.

**Certified Medical Officer Needed**

The Health Lodge at the Theodore Naish Scout Reservation has an opening for a Certified Medical Officer to assist with sick calls and to be on call at other times. This is a paid position.

**Volunteer Physicians Needed**

The Cortes Health Lodge at the H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation has openings for volunteer physicians. Camp doctors assist with sick calls and are on call at other times.

Physicians must be licensed to practice medicine in the State of Missouri or Kansas. Housing and meals are provided. If a parent of a Scout in your Troop is a physician and would be interested in serving at camp, please call Camping Services at the Council Service Center.

**Health and Safety**

The Naish and Bartle Scout Reservation have qualified first aid personnel on site at all times for the treatment of minor ailments. Nearby medical facilities are always available should the need arise.

Adults 40 and over must have an annual medical exam. Adults 18-39 and youth must have had an exam within the past 36 months. The Class 1 Health History portion of the form must be updated and signed by the parents annually.
2002 Boy Scout Camp Sign-up

The 2002 camp draw will be held on October 17 and 18, 2001. The schedule will be as follows:

**WEDNESDAY, OCT. 17, 2001**

6:30 p.m. – single units that camped 100 or more Scouts and full-time leaders
6:45 p.m. – single units that camped 80-99 Scouts and full-time leaders
7:15 p.m. – single units that camped 60-79 Scouts and full-time leaders
8:00 p.m. – single units that camped 45-49 Scouts and full-time leaders

**THURSDAY, OCT. 18, 2001**

6:00 p.m. – single units that camped 20-39 Scouts and full-time leaders
8:00 p.m. – single and combined units that camped 19 or less Scouts and full-time leaders
8:45 p.m. – combined units of any number based on camp, campsite availability

- Single units only:
  - Multiple units – two small units (in council selection) that combine for the specific draw you have had the proper numbers in 2000 or 2001 camp attendance (which ever is highest). To be included in a specific draw you must have had those numbers in 2000 or 2001 camp attendance and be prepared to sign-up the minimum in that draw for 2002.

Out-of-Council Troops will be placed on November 1, 2001.

Troops are required to pay a non-refundable deposit of $20.00 per Scout and leader at the draw.

**NOTE:** Information will be mailed to each Troop during late summer. Please refer to this mailing for specific details and explanation of the draw.

Sign-ups for the 2002 Philmont Contingent

The tentative date for the 2002 Philmont Contingent is July 21-August 2, 2002. Troops, patrols, or individual Scouts may take advantage of the council-coordinated trek. Leadership is provided by the Council. The cost will be determined at a later date (the 2001 fee is $625.00) and includes the following:

- Roundtrip transportation
- All meals enroute
- Philmont fee

Applications will be available at www.hoac-bsa.org.

2002 Council Philmont Contingent Draw

7:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, 2001
Council Service Center
10210 Holmes Road
Kansas City, MO 64131-4212

The rules for the draw are as follows:

1. A maximum of six (6) spaces will be available per unit. A combination of more leaders than boys is not permitted. (Example: 3 boys/3 leaders, 4 boys/2 leaders, 6 boys/0 leaders)
2. Each participant entered in the draw must be represented by a completed application and be ready to present a non-refundable deposit of $75.00 the night of the draw. (Example: 6 participants — 6 forms — 6 checks)
3. Boys in the draw must not have been to Philmont High Adventure Base in the last two years.
4. All participants will attend a parent’s meeting in February 2002, an itinerary selection meeting in March 2002, a day shakedown in March 2002, and a 3-day shakedown in April 2002 — specific date TBA.
5. A stand-by list of alternates will be established, will go through all the training with the contingency and will be prepared to substitute for any of the 48 members anytime up to departure date should someone have to withdraw from a crew. These alternates will be guaranteed a position of the following years contingent.
6. No other waiting list will be kept.

7. Applications for the Council’s Philmont Contingent will be available after March 1, 2001 at Roundtables and Council Service Center, or on the Web at www.hoac-bsa.org.

Resident Summer Camp Staff

Camp directors are currently interviewing candidates to serve on the 2001 camp staff. To serve the full summer season, Scouts must be at least 15 years old by June 1, 2001. Counselors in Training (CIT) serve for one session only and must be 14 years old by June 1, 2001. Counselor positions require Scouts to be 18 years old or a high school graduate, and several director positions require that the employee be at least 21 years old. Most positions are paid and all include room, board, staff t-shirts (2), and a chance to serve Scouting in a very valuable way! Anyone interested in being on camp staff should pick up an application at the Council Service Center, their district roundtable, or download one from our website at www.hoac-bsa.org.

Order of the Arrow

As a reminder — Please look for your spring edition of the Torchbearer. If you have not paid your 2001 dues then you will not be on this mailing list.

The registration forms for Induction Weekend are included in the Spring Torchbearer.

**Induction Weekend #1**

Date: May 6th & 7th
Location: Theodore Noah Scout Reservation

**Induction Weekend #2**

Date: May 18th & 19th
Location: Theodore Noah Scout Reservation

If your Troop would like to schedule a unit election to prepare for one of our three Induction Weekends in 2001— please contact your Chapter Chief or District Executive.

Northern Tier News Release

The Northern Tier National High Adventure Bases provide the finest in wilderness canoe expeditions. We offer fully-outfitted trips into the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness in northern Minnesota, Quetico Provincial Park and the White Otter Wilderness in southern Ontario, Canada, and in Atakaki Provincial Park in Manitoba, Canada. We are one of the three national high adventure bases (which include Philmont Scout Ranch and the Florida Sea Base) and have been providing wilderness adventure to Scouts, Explorers, and Venturers for over 78 years! Please consider the Northern Tier for your unit’s next high adventure expedition.

We will open registration for the year 2002 on Monday, April 2 at 8:00 a.m. Please call 218-365-4811. Units wishing to make reservations should have the following information ready when calling:

- **Which base** you wish to begin your trip from (Antikokan, Ontario; Bissett, Manitoba; or Ely, Minnesota)
- **How many crews** you will be sending? There is a maximum of 8 people per crew from Ely or from Atikokan if going south into the Atikokan and a maximum of 11 if going north out of Antikokan or if leaving from Bissett. Please contact the base at 218-365-4811 or www.wisconsintrip.com in advance to answer any questions or to obtain a brochure. They still have space for 2001.

School Scholarship Programs of the Heart of America Council, BSA

A local program of granting scholarship aid to senior summer camp staff members began in 1996 at the Barle Scout Reservation in Okolona, MO, and later was implemented at the Naish Scout Reservation in Bonner Springs, KS, as well. The awards have been based on staff performance and tenure and all applications are accompanied by a statement of need couched by the parents of the youth. In 2000, a local program of granting scholarship aid to senior summer camp staff members began in 1996 at the Barle Scout Reservation in Okolona, MO, and later was implemented at the Naish Scout Reservation in Bonner Springs, KS, as well. The awards have been based on staff performance and tenure and all applications are accompanied by a statement of need couched by the parents of the youth. Scholarship distribution is based on the availability of funds, as well as staff tenure, performance and financial need. For information on contributing to scholarship funds contact the Council. If you are interested in establishing a named endowment for scholarships, please contact Jason Baxendale, Endowment Director at (816) 942-9333 ext. 129.

BARTLE SCOUT RESERVATION

TRIBE OF MIC-O-SAY

The Tribe of Mic-O-Say was conceived to intensify the aims and ideals of the Boy Scout America of America. The purpose and ideals will carry over into the future and he may be, but the basic program is for the Bartle Scout Reservation. It is a boy’s program. Leaders are brought into the Tribe so they may interpret and encourage these principles in the lives of boys. The requirements for Mic-O-Say should not be discussed with Scouts. To do so could mislead Scouts by thinking they will be called because they have met what they perceive to be the minimum requirements.

**CALL NIGHT**

The fourth night of each session is a general campfire call night for the Tribe of Mic-O-Say. The call night portion of the evening is a ceremony to be witnessed by Trobemen and registered Scout and adults camps. In adherence to the camp visitor’s policy, as stated in this summer camp leader’s guide, visiting hours are 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

**TRIBE OF MIC-O-SAY — 2001 SCHEDULE**

June 2 & 3 Tribal Feast

**FIRST SESSION June 11-20**

June 12 She Be Round 1:00 pm
June 14 Tribal Council 1:00 pm
June 14 Call Night
June 16 Warrior Ceremony
June 16 Honorary Ceremony & Call
June 17 Brave Resolution Night
June 18 Tribal Council 8:30 pm
June 18 Call Night
June 22 She Be Round 1:00 pm
June 24 Tribal Council After Church
June 24 Call Night
June 26 Warrior Ceremony
June 27 Honorary Ceremony & Call
June 27 Brave Resolution Night
June 28 Tribal Council 8:30 pm
June 28 Brave and Hon. Ceremony

**SECOND SESSION June 21-30**

June 21 She Be Round 1:00 pm
June 23 Tribal Council After Church
June 23 Call Night
June 25 Warrior Ceremony
June 25 Honorary Ceremony & Call
June 25 Brave Resolution Night
June 26 Tribal Council 8:30 pm
June 26 Brave and Hon. Ceremony

**FOURTH SESSION July 11-20**

July 12 She Be Round 1:00 pm
July 14 Tribal Council 8:30 pm
July 14 Call Night
July 16 Warrior Ceremony
July 17 Honorary Ceremony & Call
July 17 Brave Resolution Night
July 18 Tribal Council 8:30 pm
July 18 Brave & Hon. Ceremony

**FIFTH SESSION July 21-30**

July 20 She Be Round 1:00 pm
July 22 Tribal Council 8:30 pm
July 22 Call Night
July 24 Warrior Ceremony
July 24 Honorary Ceremony & Call
July 24 Brave Resolution Night
July 25 Tribal Council 8:30 pm
July 25 Brave & Hon. Ceremony

**SIXTH SESSION July 31-August 9**

Aug. 1 She Be Round 1:00 pm
Aug. 3 Tribal Council 1:00 pm
Aug. 3 Call Night
Aug. 5 Warrior Ceremony
Aug. 5 Honorary Ceremony & Call
Aug. 5 Brave Resolution Night
Aug. 7 Tribal Council 8:30 pm
Aug. 7 Brave & Hon. Ceremony

Call Night, Warrior and Brave Ceremonies begin at 8:00 p.m.

New Sachem Orientation begins at 8:30 am at RHQ.

**NOTE:** Please, no cameras or video recorders are permitted at ceremonies.
## ATTENTION VENTURERS

### The Nature of Leadership Treks Offered for Venturers

**Fairbanks, Alaska.** Imagine seven days retracing the historic path of the gold rush of 1897 down the Yukon River through the interior wilderness of Alaska. Twenty-four lucky Venturers may be able to watch bald eagles and osprey as well as caribou, moose, and maybe a bear or two. They will float the mighty Yukon River between camps where they will learn leadership principles in Venturing's newest leadership course, The Nature of Leadership in the great outdoos of ALASKA. Participating Venturers will put in the river at Eagle, Alaska, and take out at Circle City right in the heart of gold rush country.

Another 20 lucky Venturers will spend 11 exciting days backpacking the trails of the famous Philmont Scout Ranch in northeastern New Mexico, at altitudes between 6,500 and 12,441 feet. They will visit theme campsites to experience activities such as rock climbing and rappelling, horseback riding, and fly-fishing. While they are enjoying the Philmont experience, they too will learn leadership principles and methods using the The Nature of Leadership course, and nature as their classroom. Venturers will return to their crews and schools ready to lead others, and will be extremely motivated!

The cost of the Alaska trek is $500, while the Philmont trek is $395. Transportation costs are additional. If your crew does not have trek applications yet, please call your District Executive or the Council Service Center at 816-942-9533, ext 164.

### Council Calendar

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### European Camp Staff Program

Through its European Camp Staff program, the International Division offers to Scouters who are 18 to 30 years old the opportunity to volunteer in Scout Centers throughout the European Region.

The aim of the European Camp Staff program is to help young people develop their leadership skills and to encourage multicultural learning. The International Division meets this goal by providing young people with a residential experience as a volunteer staff member at a Scout Center in another country.

Interested persons should contact the International Division at (972) 580-2403 for an application, a brochure of European Scout Centers, and scholarship information for Order of the Arrow members. The deadline is May 15, 2001. There is still time to take advantage of this European adventure!
The executive staff at the Heart of America Council is working hard to deliver a quality program to Scouts of the greater Kansas City area, but we couldn't do it without the help of our quality support staff. The assistance we receive from the support staff is immeasurable, just like the gratitude we have for them. To show our appreciation we are highlighting each HOAC support staff employee in issues of Adventures in Scouting. This month we are highlighting June Daugherty.

The Heart of America Council has employed June since October of 1993, making her tenure 7 years and 7 months. She started off in the production room where she took care of printing, shipping, deliveries, and other responsibilities. You can now find her on the first floor of the Council Service Center as Registrar. June provides information and helps staff and volunteers understand the rules and regulations of the Boy Scouts of America as it relates to membership standards. She reviews and processes applications for unit charters as well as youth and adult applications.

June also provides customer service to visitors, volunteers and staff. She always conveys the Scout Oath and Law. She is familiar with the Council policies, practices, programs, and resources available for the delivery of a quality program.

June was born in Paris, Missouri and now resides in Belton, Missouri. She has two grown children, Sherri (36) and Terry (34), and is the proud Grandmother of four boys. June is very devoted to her family, and they live in close proximity to her. Some of her favorite things to do include antiquing and going to her lake house in the Ozarks where she likes to spend time with her grandchildren.

Her favorite part of her position is meeting the needs of volunteers. She says she is serious about doing a good job with minimal or no errors. She feels satisfied when she can effectively help volunteers, which ultimately improves the quality of service as well as youth and adult applications.

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June is an important component of our team. Please say "hello" and let her know what a great job she is doing the next time you are at the Council Service Center!
Your will and the future of charity

We’ve seen some interesting statistics lately about wills and bequests in America. Did you know:

— 70% of the people in this country who are old enough to have a will do not have a will of any kind;
— 70% of those who do have wills say that their will is not up to date, or it does not dispose of their property the way they want it to;
— 20% of all the people who die each year have no surviving spouse, children, or parents to leave their estate to.

Wills provide many ways for you to benefit your local Boy Scout Council. Of course, you can also benefit your church, schools, and other worthy organizations you support. You can leave specific amounts or property, or you can leave a percentage of your estate. You can create memorial gifts in honor of a friend or create a charitable trust to generate income to you and your family. The possibilities are almost limitless.

A will gives you a lot of options as you decide how your estate will be distributed. But, if you have no will, you have no options. Call the Heart of America Council Endowment Office and ask for more information about giving to Scouting through your will. It’s a chance to make a significant gift to Scouting and also protect your estate for your family, loved ones and other organizations.

Let us know how we can help.

“Will” you be ready?

The night sky is clear and bright. You look up at the stars as you sit in front of the embers of a dying fire. The Scouts and other dads have turned in for the night, leaving you alone with your thoughts.

You have been with the Scouting program for a long time now. You’ve seen the difference it can make in the lives of boys and families. Your thoughts now turn to what Scouting would be like in the future. What it could be like.

The answer is as clear as the night sky itself. With thoughtful planning and a commitment to the future of Scouting – on your part and on the part of many other Scouting families – this great movement will continue to grow and flourish. One way you and your family can support your local Council’s need for an endowment is to name the trust fund of the Heart of America Council as a beneficiary in your will.

A bequest to your Council’s endowment can take many forms. You can leave a specific item or amount of cash, you can leave a “residuary” gift, distributing to the Council part of what’s left over after all your other bequests have been distributed, or you may leave a percentage of your estate to Scouting.

If you feel that a bequest to Scouting would be beneficial to you and would like more information, please contact Jason M. Baxendale, Endowment Director, at (816) 942-9333 ext. 129 or jbaxenda@bsamail.org. Also, look for more information on our national planned giving web site—www.fsd.org. With a little planning and thought, you “will” be ready.

Let us know how we can help.

These gifts are really appreciated

These days, there are lots of ways for you to make gifts to your local council. If you are like most people, however, you think only of cash gifts in support of Scouting. As valuable as cash gifts are for the council, gifts of appreciated property may be more beneficial for many people to give than cash.

Do you have any stocks, bonds, land, or other assets that may have appreciated in value? If you sold one of these items, you would probably owe capital gains tax on the difference between the fair market value and what you paid for the property. This means less money for you to contribute, reinvest, or spend.

By contributing the property directly to Scouting, however, you may receive a tax deduction for the fair market value of the property you are contributing. Even if the property has appreciated in value, you won’t owe any capital gains tax on the gift. If you use appreciated property to create a charitable income trust, you receive the same benefits.

Whether you have stock, land, artwork, antiques, vintage cars, or other types of appreciated property, contact us about the advantages of making these gifts to your local council. Your gifts will be appreciated, in more ways than one!
Brownsea 22 2001—Course Facts

What is the Conference? Brownsea 22 is an intensive, seven-day junior leader training experience for young men in support of the Scoutmaster’s responsibility for the training of troop junior leaders. It is conducted by the Heart of America Council Training Committee using the Junior Leader Training Conference outline that is approved by the Boy Scout Division of the Boy Scouts of America. www.hoac-bsa.org

What is its Purpose? • To have fun!! • To enhance the relationship between the participant and his Scoutmaster; • To create an atmosphere where Scouts will be challenged to create a safe haven where boys can learn by understanding how to “Deliver the Promise” to the boys in the Troop; • To give participants the opportunity to share ideas and experiences with Scouts from other Troops; • To create an environment where Scouts will experience Scouting at its best; • To enhance the relationship between the participant and his Scoutmaster; • To have fun!

Who May Attend? Each conference participant must be at least a First Class Scout, 13 years old, and currently filling a leadership position in the Troop, or likely to assume one soon. He should be proficient in basic Scouting skills.

Local Union Member Receives George Meany Award For Service to Youth

Richard E. (Dick) Sanderson, of Odessa, retired from ARMCO Steel, was presented the George Meany Award on Tuesday, February 20, 2001 in a ceremony conducted at the Steel Workers Meeting, Union Hall, Kansas City, Missouri. The George Meany Award is organized labor's highest award for service to youth through the program of Boy Scouts of America. The award is given by the Greater Kansas City AFL/CIO council to recognize union members who perform outstanding service to youth as volunteer Scout leaders. The presentation was made by Mr. Jerry Johnson, Sub-District Director of Steel Workers of America, who cited Mr. Sanderson for over 42 years of volunteer leadership.

The George Meany Award consists of a medal suspended from a ribbon, accompanied by a framed certificate and an insignia knot. Dick earned his Eagle rank as a youth and has received the Scoutmasters Award of Merit, the Silver Beaver Award, and holds a 50-year Veteran status in Scouting. He is a Keeper of the Wampum in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say and has earned the George and Service Award through the United Methodist Church. Dick is currently serving as a Scoutmaster for Troop 167 at the Hilltop Treatment Center in Lee’s Summit, sponsored by the Lafayette County Narcotics Unit. He has worked with “at risk” youth, particularly through the Juvenile Court system, for over 25 years.

Mr. Sanderson’s service to Scouting was evidenced when he recruited volunteer leaders. This precludes a thorough and well-planned activity that leads to a safe outcome. If you answer yes to any of the above questions, a local tour permit is required. The local tour permit must be submitted at least two (2) weeks in advance of the scheduled activity. Lately, some tour permits have been received just hours before departure. This precludes a thorough and well-planned activity that leads to a safe outcome.

A National Tour Permit is required for any trip of 500 miles or more, and must be submitted for approval at least four (4) weeks before your tour. Upon receiving the request, the council must then forward it to the regional service center for further approval. Tour permits are not required for day trips within the district boundaries, except for aquatic activities; however, we suggest using the tour permit as a planning guide. Units must still meet all current tour permit requirements for vehicle insurance, transportation and two-deep leadership regardless if a tour permit is required. Tour permits must be filed at the Heart of America Council Service Center via mail, fax (816) 942-8086 or in person. They are available at the Council Service Center, or you may download either of the tour permit forms from our council website, www.hoac-bsa.org.

Tour Permits Are Critical – Local and National –

Tour permits are an important tool for any unit planning an activity which will entail travel. They serve as a checklist and as a safeguard to make sure your unit has a quality experience.

The Local Tour Permit is required for the following trips:

- Any trip outside of district territory, but less than 500 miles;
- Any overnight activity of 500 miles or less;
- Trips of 500 miles or less that include aquatic activities (boating, swimming, canoeing, etc.);
- Trips to facilities that require a tour permit, such as military bases, national parks, etc.

If your are questioning a particular activity, use the following three questions to determine whether that activity would require a local tour permit.

1. Will your unit be canoeing/swimming?
2. Will your unit be camping overnight?
3. Will your unit travel outside of district boundaries?

If you answer yes to any of the above questions, a local tour permit is required. The local tour permit must be submitted at least two (2) weeks in advance of the scheduled activity.

Top Seller Almost Forgotten

Lance Scarrall of Pack 3249 in the Santa Fe Trail District sold $2,052 worth of popcorn in the 2000 Popcorn Sale. We mistakenly left him out of the list of the top sellers that was published in the February issue of Adventures In Scouting. We apologize for the oversight but would like to say, Congratulations Lance!
DISTRICT NEWS

Santa Fe Trail

WE SALUTE ALL THOSE FANTASTIC CUB SCOUT PACKS THIS YEAR FOR THEIR INCREDIBLE “AROUND THE WORLD” BLUE AND GOLDS
May Salutes:

Troop 351 Matt Hansen

Congratulations to Matt Hansen for his honored rank of Eagle Scout on March 4th, 2001. Matt, at the age of 14, has achieved Brotherhood in the Order of the Arrow, earned the Mile Swim and the 50 Miler, and served as Senior Patrol leader in his Troop. Dave Hansen, Matt’s father, read a most appropriate verse from Ecclesiastes 9:10 in honor of his son. “Rejoice, O young man, in thy youth; and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes… And in closing he concluded with “Wisdom soars with Eagles”. The Eagle Court of Honor for Matt Hansen was a time that Matt, his family, J.Jack Clark, and many others will always remember. Congratulations Matt.

We Salute the April 28th Scouting for Food Drive/Community Project Day

Thank you to all those who participated in this year’s Scouting for Food/Community Project Day. You are why Scouting in Johnson County is such a phenomenal success and tradition. A special thank you to J.D Tam Star Rank Scout in Troop 123 and his mom Kim Tam (shown) also in Troop 123 for orchestrating yet another fantastic day of Scouting for Food. Thank you to everyone for your commitment to the giving back to our communities. It was a grand day for everyone.

We Salute these Units for achieving the Friends of Scouting Goal in 2001

Way to go, Enjoy the Free Rank Advancement!

Packs 3089, 3097, 3392, 3394, 3472, 3483
Troops 37, 85, 123, 182, 225, 247, 283

Congratulations to all these units and thank you to everyone for your support in the Friends of Scouting Campaign for 2001!

Let’s Put Our Hands Together for this Year’s Pinewood Derby Winners

Metcalf South Mall became the racing track for this year’s Santa Fe Trail Pinewood Derby. Cub Scout Packs were lined up for miles to race their derby cars. The entire day was filled with fun, excitement, and anticipation. There is no other kind of excitement like watching your car race down the track. A special thanks goes out to Paul Whatley, 2001 Pinewood Derby Chairman and congratulations to the 233 boys who participated representing 91 packs. You are all winners!

This year’s 1st Place Winner: Sean Robinson, 3488
This year’s 2nd Place Winner: Will Fisher, 3291
This year’s 3rd Place Winner: Josh Hill, 3476

Look for photos in the June/July issue

Cubs Around the World Day Camp 2001

Mark your Calendars

We need 2001 boys in 113 packs to attend so we can break the record. With all the great events and activities planned for the “Cubs Around the World Day Camp,” how could you not attend?

Come join the fun. For more information please contact Jason Ballew at the Council Service Center at 816-942-9333 ext. 182, Lorri Kearns Co-Director at 913-583-1011, or Dave Sulz Co-Director at 913-381-7824.

Camp Sessions: Session 1, June 4-8; Session 2, June 11-15; Session 3, June 18-22

KEEP THIS INFO CLOSE!

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS

District Commissioners – 7:30 p.m., Location at Rolling Hills Presbyterian Church
June
1 Cub Scout Leader Basic Training—Registration begins at 6:30 p.m. Session begins at 7:00 p.m. Preregistration is required. At Kehilath Israel Synagogue, 105th & Conser
4 Cub Scout Day Camp Begins at Camp Naish
7 District Program Fair at Shawnee Mission South beginning at 7:00 p.m.
21 Eagle Scout Boards of Review—Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., 7845 Allman Road, Lenexa, Kansas (West of Lackman on 79th Street)

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22 Cub Scout Day Camp ends at Camp Naish

Extensions for your District Executives of the Santa Fe Trail @ (816) 942-9333

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Jason Ballew ext. 182 Service Area jballew@bsamail.org
ATTENTION:

Need some supplemental training? Want to learn about upcoming events? Want to learn outdoor skills / craft skills for the upcoming months? Come to Roundtable the first Thursday of each month at Bingham Middle School off 23rd Street and Speck road in Independence. The fun begins at 7:30 p.m. The Roundtable staff has answers to these questions and more. Call Emily Minear at the Council Service Center at 816-942-9333, ext.177 for more information or email eminear@bsamail.org.

Quick Communication

We, the Beautiful Blue Elk professional staff, are beginning to use e-mail for quick communication with Blue Elk volunteers. If you check your e-mail regularly and have not received anything from the Blue Elk Staff recently, please e-mail Ken Newkirk. By doing so, he will have your correct e-mail address or you can send it to him so he can add you to the list.

Britt Davis, jdavis@bsamail.org
Ken Newkirk, knewkirk@bsamail.org
Emily Minear, eminear@bsamail.org

Annual Blue Elk Program Fair

The Annual Blue Elk Program Fair is the place to get all the information you need to plan and carry out an outstanding program. Each unit will receive a large amount of support materials including program recommendations and calendars. Please make sure your unit is represented because your youth will benefit from it. Don’t miss this helpful evening!

2001 Cub Olympics

Come join the fun. Cubs will compete against other cubs in the same age group. Cubs with special needs are urged to participate. Events will be modified to fit individual needs or a median score will be awarded. Please identify and contact any special needs to Emily Minear at 942-9333 ext.177. Enrollement will be limited to the first 300 Cub Scouts, so late registrations may not get to participate. If enrolled by May 3rd, the cost is $3.00. If after the May Roundtable, then the cost is an extra dollar. The events are as follows: The Standing Long Jump, Overhand Softball Throw, Push-ups, sit-ups, and the 50-yard dash. We’ll see you there.

Blue Elk Cub Scout Day Camp

The crew of the SS Blue Elk is almost ready for you to board for your CUBS AROUND THE WORLD cruise. We’ve finalized the schedule of activities and the entertainment, and are looking forward to serving you. The winner of the Art Contest will be named soon, and the lucky Scout will have his registration fee refunded. Look for his artwork on the cover of the Walking Leader Handbook. The Handbooks will be distributed at the Walking Leader Training, to be held at George Owens Nature Park on Saturday May 19th, starting at 8:00 a.m. sharp. The first 25 leaders registering will receive a special prize. The training should be over by noon. All potential walking leaders from each Pack should attend. All Walking Leaders also need to have completed the Youth Protection Training, before they attend camp.

Your last chance to attend the class will be at the May Roundtable on May 3, 2001. The training will be at the Bingham 7th Grade Center, just off 23rd Street and Speck Road near George Owens Park, and will begin at 7:30 p.m. Late registration is May 12th. Be sure you have all your fees paid before then, or you will have to pay the late fee. Remember that any new Tiger Cubs recruited after that date will not have to pay the late fee, but must have their adult partner with them each and every day at Day Camp.

If you have any questions, please call Allen Fails, Camp Director at 816-228-7539 (H) or Zula Smith, Program Director 816-833-1315 (H) or Emily Minear, Advisor 816-942-9333 ext.177. For those with access to e-mail, send your questions to eminear@bsamail.org.

Calendar of Events

May

3 Cub, Scout, and Venturing Leader Roundtable
Merit Badge Counselor Training
Youth Protection Training, 7:30 p.m., Bingham 7th Grade Center
5 Cub Olympics; 9:00 a.m., William Chrisman Athletic Field, Noland Road and 24 Hwy.
7 Key Leader Meeting
10 District Commissioner Meeting; 7:30 p.m., Liberty Street RLDS, 416 N. Liberty Street
17 District Coordinated Committee Meeting
31 District Planning Program Fair; 7:30 p.m., Bingham Jr. High, 23rd and Speck Road

June

4 Key Leader Meeting
11 Cub Scout Day Camp
12 Cub Scout Day Camp
13 Cub Scout Day Camp
District Commissioner Meeting; 7:30 p.m., Liberty Street RLDS, 416 N. Liberty Street
14 Cub Scout Day Camp
15 Cub Scout Day Camp

BLUE ELK 2001 DISTRICT LEADERSHIP

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District Executive: Emily Minear B 816-942-9333x177
Calendar of Events

May
1 District Committee – 7:30 p.m., North Cross United Church, 1321 NE Vivion
3 District Roundtable – 7:30 p.m., Hillside Christian Church, 900 NE Vivion
OA Chapter Meeting
Youth Protection
8 Webelos Leader Training – 7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m., Gasiland Methodist Church, 7715 N. Oak
10 Commissioner Staff Meeting – 7:30 p.m., St. Luke’s Presbyterian Church, 4301 NE Vivion
19-20 Webelos Woods/Weberols Leader Outdoor Training Part II, Kelsey Short Youth Camp, Smithville Lake

June
5 District Committee – 7:30 p.m., North Cross United Methodist Church, 1321 NE Vivion
Jim Chappell Boy Scout Golf Classic – Check in 12:00 noon, Paradise Point Golf Course, Smithville Lake
7 District Roundtable/Program Planning Fair – 7:30 p.m., Hillside Christian Church, 900 NE Vivion
11-15 Day Camp – Platte County Fairgrounds, Tracy, Missouri
14 Commissioner Staff Meeting – 7:30 p.m., St. Luke’s Presbyterian Church, 4301 NE Vivion

Cubs Around the World

Come down to the Platte County Fairgrounds June 11-15 for the North Star Cubs Around The World. Daryl Lemasters and Kim Lane have a great program lined up with a staff that is ready to go! If you still haven’t signed up yet to go to Day Camp with your Pack, this is the time to do it.

Membership

Our Spring into Scouting recruiting drive is coming to an end. Before you head out to enjoy camp, please make sure all your new Cub/Boy Scouts are registered. How did the Webelos to Scout transition go? If you have any questions, call Membership Chairman, Brian Blake at 816-746-6797.

Webelos Woods

This year’s North Star Webelos Woods will be at the Kelsey Short Youth Camp at Smithville Lake May 19 – 20. This is a great opportunity for your Webelos to get a jump on their Scouting skills. If you have any questions, please give Diana a call at 816-587-9293.

Friends of Scouting

Congratulations and another job well done goes out to Jeff Cook for helping us to reach our Family FOS goal. Thanks to everyone that helped this year. Still have cards to turn-in? Call Steve Roberts or Jason Scott at 816-942-9333.

Program Planning Fair

Don’t forget that the June Roundtable is also the Program Planning Fair. All kinds of information will be available and distributed. Please make sure your unit is represented.

Golf Tournament

The Jim Chappell Boy Scout Golf Classic will be held at the Paradise Point Golf Course in Smithville on June 5, 2000. If you are a golfer, come on out—lunch is at noon with a shotgun start at 1:00 p.m. For more information, please call Steve Roberts at 816-942-9333 ext. 151, or e-mail sroberts@bsamail.org.

Summertime Pack Awards

Does your Pack have summertime activities? If they do they can earn the Summertime Pack Award. To earn this award you need to have at least three activities planned for the summer. If you qualify, be sure to turn in an application.

2001 North Star District Committee

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Twin Rivers

District Dinner

The Twin Rivers District Dinner was held March 3 in Ottawa, Kansas and was hosted by Troop 118. Congratulations should go out to Juanita Furnish and Bud Burris, recipients of this year’s District Award of Merit. Also, congratulations to recipients of the Distiguished Service Award; Ken Armstrong, Scott Rogers, Cheri Rogers, George Kopecky, and Debra Bustarachne. A special thank you to Miles Hart for organizing and facilitating the dinner this year. You did a great job, Miles!

Cub Scout Day Camp

Be sure and mark your calendar for Cub Scout Day Camp, June 4-8, 2001! Please make sure you have the correct date marked on your calendar. Anyone interested in serving on staff at Day Camp, please contact Grant Dealy at 800-776-1110 ext.156.

Calendar of Events

May
3 District Roundtable, 7:30 p.m., OA Chapter 4 Meeting, United Methodist Church, 201 South Silver, Paola, Kansas
10 District Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Beethoven’s, Paola, Kansas

June
8 Cub Scout Day Camp, Hillsdale Lake
7 District Program Planning Fair, 7:30 p.m., United Methodist Church, Paola, Kansas
14 District Committee Meeting
Cub Scout Day Camp

The Big Muddy District Cub Scout Day Camp will be held June 4-7 (Monday-Thursday) at the Lions Club Park in Lexington. It is the same location as last year. If you have not yet signed up, please do so. Your Cub Scouts will not want to miss out on this fun summer event. This is the highlight of the Cub Scouting year. A quality program at Day Camp will ensure that these boys stay excited and active throughout the rest of the year. We have a fantastic Day Camp staff; Carol Brooks, Susan Dallstream and team have once again outdone themselves to deliver a great program to your Cubs. It is a lot of hard work and long hours to plan a good Day Camp, so let’s show our support for Carol, Susan and the gang by getting your boys to camp this summer! If you need any help or have questions, call Carol or Susan, they will be happy to help you. If you need information on Camperships, call your District Executive, Wes Kramer at the Council Service Center at (816) 942-9335 ext. 118 or e-mail wkramer@bsamail.org.

Program Fair

This year’s program fair will be held in lieu of Roundtable. This is how it has been done in years past; however, last year we attempted a different approach by having two separate meetings. This is a very busy time of year. It is difficult enough for many of you to make it to just the one meeting, so we are going back to the old format. The District urges you to attend the program fair. This is a great time to find out what is going on and to get valuable information to help you provide a quality program for your Pack, Troop or Crew. You will receive your planning packet at this time, a very helpful tool for planning your unit’s program for the entire year. Also, the Scout Shop will be there, so if you need books or other items from the Scout Shop, you will save a trip. So, mark it on your calendar for June 12th and be there.

Spring Recruitment

Recruiting new Scouts is a year-round process. We concentrate on membership in the fall, but this does not mean boys cannot join throughout the rest of the year. Historically, Big Muddy has not participated in Spring Recruitment. Let’s do something to change that mind-set. Recruiting kids in the spring will strengthen your unit and get these kids involved in Scouting before we lose them to the myriad of other activities available to them these days. Tiger Cubs is the key to the longevity of Scouting. We need to take every opportunity we can to get new Tigers signed up. Last fall we had a sharp decrease in the number of Tigers recruited, this will really hurt us in the long run. So, let’s try to make up for the loss and get some new ‘Tigers!’ If you need any recruiting information, or would like to help on the district level, please call Wes Kramer at (816) 942-9335 ext.118 or e-mail wkramer@bsamail.org.

Friends of Scouting

The 2001 FOS campaign is drawing to a close. We are almost at that checkered flag. But let’s not slow the pace. Let’s pick up speed and finish in style. Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the campaign. Your gifts will go a long way to help ensure a quality Scouting program in our district and the Council. If you have not yet had the opportunity to give, please call your District Executive, Wes Kramer at (816) 942-9335 ext. 118 or e-mail wkramer@bsamail.org.
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Now that all the re-charters are in, it is the time to make sure all your boys and leaders are on your charter. In the next few weeks your unit will be receiving its charter. Please go over it and make sure all your active youth and leaders are on it.

PIONEER TRAILS DISTRICT COMMITTEE

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Attention “All Jet Setters”
Hurry up and make your little passenger reservations for “CUBS AROUND THE WORLD”, June 11-15 at Rockhurst University in Kansas City, Missouri. This adventure filled trip is only $40.00 per Scout. All reservations must be confirmed and tickets purchased by May 11, 2001 to avoid a $15.00 late fee per boy. Also, if any additional passengers would like to come along to assist our tour guides, or if additional itinerary information is needed, contact Lisa Keesler at 816-533-9913 or Roman Lee at 816-942-9333, ext. 147 or e-mail romlee@bsamail.org.

Spring Recruitment: Round-Up
Promote Enthusiasm and Opportunity
Keep units solid during the summer months. Recruitment is essential and can be productive. Arrange a Spring Recruitment through your local school, church, or nearby community center. Request prospective Tiger, Cub, Scout, and their parents to take part in your spring and summer Pack or Troop activities. Encourage the fun activities of summer camps, day trips to the zoo or museum, or other activities like fishing or sports. Emphasize the development of character, good habits, citizenship, respect and skill development to the parents. Promote the importance of participation in Pack or Troop activities throughout the summer months. Contact one of your Pioneer Trails District professionals (Matt, Roman or Traci) at 816-942-9333 for recruiting materials. If you need posters or handouts to help with advertising the Pack or Troop and its activities, call Carol Jean DeFeo, District Public Relations Chair at 816-942-0675.

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We’re Nearing the Finish Line!
The 2001 Friends of Scouting Campaign is closer to victory with the PT Cruisers at 95% of their goal in the Pioneer Trails District. A special thank you to all units who helped your district reach this level of participation and funding. It’s not too late to schedule a FOS presentation to your fans. Give your Scout families an opportunity to take part in supporting a program that helps to shape and mold the values and character of our youth. Join the race by calling Steve Sanders at (816-395-2774 or Roman Lee at 816-942-9333, ext. 147 or e-mail romlee@bsamail.org. Contributions of any amount are welcome and appreciated.

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Roundtable

Roundtables are a form of commission service and supplemental training for volunteers at the unit level. It serves as a source of information on events and training, and an opportunity to share experiences and enjoy fellowship with other unit leaders. Roundtables provide unit leaders with skills, techniques, and program ideas to enhance the quality of their meetings. Roundtables are held on the first Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. The location for the Roundtables is Robert Clark Middle School in Bonner Springs. Please make an effort to participate in these informative sessions, which are designed to assist unit level leadership in program development.

Kansas City, KS
Community College
Merit Badge Conference

Thanks to the meticulous planning and thorough preparation of Cindy Dietz and her staff, numerous Scouts from the Kaw District had an educational experience at the Merit Badge Conference this year. We would be remiss if we didn’t extend an expression of thanks to Kansas City, KS Community College for allowing us to utilize their classrooms, as well as for all the Merit Badge Counselors that assisted our youth and shared their knowledge on subjects ranging from first aid to leadership in program development.

Sumtertime Pack and Den Awards

Every unit in the Kaw District can earn the Sumtertime Pack and Den Award. By simply conducting three activities during the months of June, July, and August (one per month), with at least 50% of your registered youth participating, your unit can earn this special award. For more information contact Charles Flowers at 816-942-9353 ext. 149 or email cflowers@bsamail.org.

Program Planning Fair at Roundtable

At the June Roundtable, we will hand out information, which will help your unit plan out next year’s program calendar. Every unit is strongly encouraged to have representation at this program fair to receive information such as the Council Calendar for 2001-2002, the fall membership recruitment incentive plans, insurance updates, and more.

Day Camp

Time is getting closer for this year’s Day Camp. However, it is not too late to register. If you and your Cub Scouts are still interested in participating in this year’s day camp, call Bob Sixta at 913-281-2503 to register.

Friends of Scouting

Congratulations to the units who are receiving FREE RANK ADVANCEMENT in the KC Scout Shop! Those units include Troops 61, 53 and Pack 3560. ‘Way to go! We look forward to helping you wrap up the campaign by the end of the month and reporting that many more units are enjoying the free rank advancement. Thank you to all who supported Scouting in 2001!

Thank Mothers

For Their Help

On behalf of the 2,966 youth enrolled in the Scouting program, I wish to extend a heart-felt thank you to all the mothers that drive their children to Scout meetings, volunteer as adult leaders, chaperone on camping trips, and just support their children. Have a Happy Mother’s Day!

Calendar of Events

May

3 Roundtable/District Commissioner’s Meeting
17 District Committee Meeting – Landplan Engineering
18, 19, 20 Webelos Woods, Camp Naish (South Camp)
28 Cub/Boy Scout Leader Roundtable, 7 p.m., Clark Middle School in Bonner Springs, Kansas

June

7 Roundtable/Program Planning Fair
District Commissioner’s Meeting
District Commissioner
Cub Leader Training
11-15 Cub Day Camp, Douglas County Fairgrounds
21 District Committee Meeting – Landplan Engineering

Friends of Scouting—Cubs Around the World

Cub Scout Day Camp is right around the corner! Day Camp 2001 will be held June 11-15 at the Douglas County Fairgrounds. We plan to set new records this year for attendance, fun and excitement! Walking Leader Training will be held May 19, with Youth Protection Training. Make sure that your Walking Leaders attend. Questions: call Ralena McCurdy at 785-865-6095 or Morgan McNally at 800-776-1110 ext. 132.

Scouting for Food/HOAC Community Service Day

Thank you and congratulations to all units who participated in either Scouting for Food or another service project. Our combined efforts make a significant difference in peoples lives. Everyone involved had fun while contributing time and effort to our community. Thanks to everyone.

Program Planning Fair

Don’t forget to attend the June Program Planning Fair. There will be a wealth of information distributed. We will talk about the upcoming SCOUT EXTRAVAGANZA as well as program ideas for the coming year.

District Committee

District Chair: Phil Struble .................................................. 785-842-8251
District Commissioner: Tom Sheely ...................................... 785-842-9662
Camping Chair: Pat Donahue .............................................. 785-840-5586
Roundtable Commissioners:
Helen Clark, Cub Scouts ..................................................... 785-841-8104
Jerry Ohlmer, Boy Scouts ................................................... 785-749-5668
Family FOS Chair: Wayne Deaver ........................................... 785-865-0059
OA Chapter Advisor: Pat Flavin ............................................. 785-830-2202
Activities Chair: Rod Zinn ................................................... 785-843-3129
Membership Chair: Joe Yurek ............................................... 785-832-0969
Day Camp Director: Ralena McCurdy .................................... 785-542-3050
District Executive: Morgan McNally ...................................... 785-832-8620 or 800-776-1110 x132 or mmcnally@bsamail.org

This picture of Zach Fink, 8, and Jordan Patnawala, 8, with the help of Ed Chapman and Bruce Leavon was on the front page of The Leavenworth Times newspaper on Monday, February 26, 2001. They needed their Pinewood Derby cars at the Xavier Elementary School.
**Excellence Award**

The 2001 National Exploring Excellence Award forms are on hand at the Exploring office. These forms track what each post has done in the past year, and what the post is working on for this current year. Some advisors completed this form during rechartering. We would like to work towards accomplishing one hundred percent of all posts reaching excellence status. For a post to qualify as a National Exploring Excellence Post, a post must achieve 6 of 10 objectives listed below. The five starred (*) items are required, plus one additional item – six in total. This is a great way to plan out your year and to have your post recognized nationally for your major accomplishments in Exploring.

- **1. Training** – The Advisor will complete Explorer Leader Basic Training.
- **2. Two-Deep Leadership** – We will have one or more Associate Advisors trained and active. Coed posts will have men and women as Advisors and/or Associate Advisors. One adult will be assigned the responsibility for Youth Protection Training.
- **3. Officers** – The post will elect officers, and the Advisor or Associate Advisor will conduct a Post Officers seminar.
- **4. Super-activity** – The post will conduct an annual super-activity, which is a major trip, activity, or project requiring advanced planning and promotion.
- **5. Program** – The post will conduct a minimum of two meetings or activities each month.
- **6. Service Project** – We will conduct an annual service project, preferably for the participating organization or the community.
- **7. First Meeting** – The post will conduct an annual first meeting or other effort to recruit more youth.
- **8. Participation** – We will renew our program with an equal or greater number of youth of the previous year.
- **9. Post Committee** – An active post committee of at least three volunteers must meet a minimum of four times a year.
- **10. On-Time Renewal** – The post will complete its renewal before its current program expires.

A direct mailing to all advisors will be conducted, containing the Excellence Award forms and information regarding this national and local recognition. Again, let's strive to make Exploring 100% Excellent in 2001 and in 2002!

**Fall Fiesta**

Mark your calendars for the Second Annual Fall Fiesta meeting, which has been scheduled for Thursday, August 23, at 7:00pm. At this meeting 2001/2002 advisor kits, training packets, and K.C. @ Night information will be given out. Your attendance is a must to receive this information for fall activities. Please plan to attend this meeting, and/or have another adult representative from the post attend. Refreshments and fun will be provided! More information will be coming soon.

**Adult Exploring Training**

Training is being offered to any post that may be interested. This is an opportunity for all of your post's adults to be trained, allowing everyone to be on the same page for this program year.

The "Adult Exploring" training has been put into a PowerPoint presentation form. This will allow us to make the training sessions more enjoyable and less time consuming. This format will allow us to bring the training to you at your facility, rather than requesting everyone's presence at a certain time and place to conduct the training. This training roughly takes thirty to forty-five minutes.

If you have any questions regarding training, or would like to schedule a time for a training session, then please call Adam Berthot of the Exploring Division at 816-942-9333, ext. 170 or email aberthot@bsamail.org.

**Congratulations to these posts who are represented with trained adult members:**

- Richards-Gebaur Composite Squadron
- Simson Mag Fizzell PC
- Consolidated Fire District #2
- Central Jackson County Fire Protection
- Southern Plate Fire Department
- Metropolitan Ambulance Services Trust
- Kansas City Kansas Fire Department
- Shawnee Mission Medical Center
- VA MED/Quintiles Consortium
- Truman Medical Center East
- Blue Springs Police Department
- Harrisonville Police Department
- Independence Police Department
- Olathe Police Department
- Black & Veatch Engineers
- PVI
- Cerner Corporation
- General Motors Fairfax
- JE Dunn Construction Company
- HNTB Corporation
- Cass County Sheriff’s Office
- KC/MO PD-Tom Meyers Memorial Post

**Super-Activity Requests**

To all posts who are planning a super-activity for this summer, just a quick reminder on Tour Permits. Each post that is planning to travel outside of the Heart of America Council service area needs to contact us to obtain a Tour Permit form. We ask you to inform us of your post's plans, as well as, returning the completed form to us. By completing this form, each of us will have an official copy for our individual files and will allow us to be informed of your super-activity plans. Thank you for your assistance and understanding. If you have any questions, or would like to request a Activity Permit form, then please call the Exploring Division at 816-942-9333. These forms can also be found in the "Guide to Safe Learning for Life Activities", and are available online at www.bnac-bsa.org.
TO OUR VALUED VOLUNTEER:

Mr. Vance Cover donated new computer equipment to the Blue Elk Records Center. His generous donation will upgrade the existing computer equipment and allow computerized Mic-O-Say records to continue for the next 5 to 10 years. A heartfelt Thank You to Mr. Cover!

(L to R) Alan Sanders, Lone Bear Senior District Executive, Mr. Vance Cover and Roger Hoyt, Program Director are pictured with the new computer.