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• $55,300 in college scholarships was awarded to 72 young men and women who served as camp staff members.

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- The Friends of Scouting Campaign grew to more than $1,615,000 and the Popcorn sales grew to more than $1,840,000.

We appreciate everything that all of you do to make the Scouting program with the Heart of America Council one of the top, most well-known programs in the country.

Yours In Scouting,
James J. Terry
Scout Executive

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The year 2003 ended fantastically. Because of your dedication to the Scouting program:

- The council collaborated with more than 700 different community organizations that chartered 1,315 Scouting groups and served 56,170 youth.
- The number of adult leaders increased by 1.1% to 19,785.
- There were 758 Scouts who achieved the rank of Eagle Scout.
- 11,631 Boy Scouts and Varsity Scouts earned 42,352 merit badges.
- $55,300 in college scholarships was awarded to 72 young men and women who served as camp staff members.
- A successful Distinguished Citizen Award Dinner was staged, and raised more than $300,000 for the benefit of the Urban Scouting Program.
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Gary and Deena Milliken
Harman and Helen Kirk
Suzanne Siner

Eagles

April

3 Climbing Program, 8:00 am
3 COPE Weekend, 8:00 am
4 Palm Sunday
5 Passover, 8:00 am
7 CS20 Camp Staff Meeting, 7:00 pm
8 Service Court Closed
9 Good Friday
9 Naishe Closed
10 Battle Closed
11 Easter
13 Executive Committee Meeting, 12:00
14 Pow Wow Staff, 7:00 pm
15 Camp Committee Meeting, 7:00 pm
16 SHAMOS Meeting, 7:00 pm
16 OAKLEC Meeting, 7:00 pm
16 MCS Spirit Run - Youth, 6:30 am
16 MCS Spirit Run - Adult, 6:30 am
16 MCS Spirit Run - Youth, 6:30 am
16 MCS Spirit Run - Adult, 6:30 am
16 MCS - Tribal Roundup, 7:00 pm
17 COPE Weekend, 8:00
17 Climbing Program, 8:00
18 HFB Committee Orientation, 7:00 pm
18 FOS Report Meeting, 6:00 pm
18 Bear Camp Leader Orientation, 7:00 pm
19 Advance Orint Meeting, 7:00 pm
19 Venturing Odyssey, 3:00 pm
21 TN Work Day, 8:00 am
24 Battle Work Day, 8:00
24 Community Service Day, 8:00

Adventures in Scouting

Tippecanoe District

District Commissioner: Jerry D. Butler
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Registration Form
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Kansas City, MO  64141-4177

Questions? Call Bob Hamlin at 816-942-9333 ext 121, email: rhamlin@bsamail.org

“Tee it up for Traditional Values”
Tribal Roundup at Municipal Auditorium April 17

The Tribal Roundup is drawing near and many tribesmen have yet to hear about the 75th Anniversary kickoff that will take place at Municipal Auditorium on April 17th, 2004, at 7pm. We have the opportunity to have the largest gathering of Tribesmen in our history. The evening's program will be full of excitement, traditions, memories, and parties. Several elements of our program will appeal to our youngest members as well. Our mission is to reach out in this evening's program to all of our young tribesmen in our community to be curious about our program, to build the Mic-O-Say, and to spread the spirit of Mic-O-Say. We will be having a special group for you to join! We look forward to seeing you there. We are going to have a great evening! Come back to a place where Kansas City's scouting heritage grew to national fame, and look to our next horizon. The planning continues, and you will truly regret your decision if you push up the chance to attend this Salute to our past and future. Save the date on your calendar and fill up the car and go. This will be per 97% of Pride, and the arrival of the Spirit torch from the Battle Reunion will launch the evening’s agenda. We also have an excellent program to conclude to say that this will be a MICOISY Event. This is another great opportunity to bring all of your unit’s tribesmen and to bring together all of the Mic-O-Say bonds and to appreciate what a great presence our organization is in the Kansas City area. There is no registration or ticket needed, and the event will be open to the public and will be held in the main theater. Tomorrow night will be a dedicated group of tribesmen have come together to make this a program you will want to miss. Doors will open at 5:30 pm, so plan to arrive early and get a good seat.

We will all unit leaders to make the Tribesmen in their group aware of this outstanding event! Because of the nature of the event, everyone should want to attend, and it also gives a good chance for older players in your unit to remain involved and have fun. We will have a special place for the kids and the kids can come back and sing the spirit of Mic-O-Say. Please, "talk it up" to everyone, and take the lead in encouraging attendance.

A Special Salute to All Our Military Veterans

We would like to offer a special Salute to all of our active, former and retired members who have served in the Armed Forces. We are proud of their service, and we are proud of their sacrifice. This evening's program will be dedicated to these individuals who have served in the Armed Forces. We are proud of their service, and we are proud of their sacrifice. This evening's program will be dedicated to these individuals who have served in the Armed Forces. We are proud of their service, and we are proud of their sacrifice.
Scout Night with the T-Bones
Vs. St. Paul Saints
7:05 pm Game Time, Saturday, June 5, 2004
Community America Ballpark
110th and State Avenue

Exit I-435 in either direction. Exit West to State Avenue to 110th.

On this special night, you and your Scouts will receive reduced admission to the game. The T-Bones are also sponsoring an exclusive overnight experience for your Scouts. Their “Outfield Campout” package includes the following:

- Admission to the game
- Two movies on the Big Screen
- Late night concession stand
- Breakfast on Sunday

- Event Patch
- Meet “Sizzle the Bull,” T-Bones Mascot

To participate in this exciting event, please complete the registration form below and return it to the address below by May 20th. For more information, contact Brandon Smith at 913/328-5623.

Please mail order and payment to:
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Kansas City, KS 66111

Please note that the grass/berg area is equivalent to General Admission or Standing Room Only. As well, lawn chairs and coolers will not be permitted into the ballpark for the game or campout.

For more information, contact Lori Gooding at (816) 942-9333 ext. 154 or lgooding@bsamail.org

LEVELS OF PARTICIPATION:

Gold Level Sponsor $7,500
Includes company name and logo as Gold Sponsor on all promotions, including “Adventures In Scouting” delivered to more than 6,000 households, press releases, and sponsorship proposals, one team of four shooters, Friday practice round of trap & sporting clays for tournament team, and invitations to all shooters and their guest(s) to the Friday evening BBQ and silent auction.

Silver Level Sponsor $5,000
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Bronze Level Sponsor $2,500
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SHOOTER’S AMENITIES PACKAGE INCLUDES:
Participation in the 12-station sporting clays course, continental breakfast, lunch, ammo, and keepsake gift. The amenities package has an estimated value of $500 per team, $138 per person.

The portion of your contribution that is deductible as a charitable contribution for Federal Income Tax purposes is limited to the excess of the value of the contribution over the value of these goods and services.

For more information:
Contact Lori Gooding at (816) 942-9333 ext. 154 or lgooding@bsamail.org
Camping/Training

Community Service Day

Later this month, Scouts and their leaders council-wide will go out into their neighborhoods and collect non-perishable food items for the annual SCOUTING FOR FOOD campaign. Scouts in units that participate in this campaign will receive a participation patch. Over the next six years, Scouting units are encouraged to keep track of their community service through a nationally sponsored tracking website. For more information on this website contact your District Community Service Chairman at the next district roundtable. Scouting and Community Service work hand-in-hand and service projects should be incorporated into the year round program for each Scout Unit. If you have questions, see your District Chairman or District Executive.

Philmont Council Contingent Draw for 2005

The mission of the Council’s Philmont Contingent is to give individuals the opportunity to attend Philmont in a trained crew with qualified and trained leadership. In order to preserve this mission there will be a council-wide registration and draw for the 2005 contingent on May 19, 2004 at the Council Service Center at 7:00 PM.

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. Applications for the Philmont Council Contingent are available March Roundtables, in the Resource Center and on the council website (www.hoac-bsa.org).

Powderhorn

Powderhorn is a training opportunity designed to expose the Venturing or Boy Scout Leader to activities and resources necessary to operate a successful Venturing Ranger Award or Troop High Adventure program in several ways:

• Help Venturing Leaders and Scouters to conduct outdoor activities of a fun and challenging nature.
• Provides an introduction to the resources necessary to successfully lead Venturers and older Boy Scouts through a program of high adventure.
• Familiarize the advisor with the Ranger Program so that he or she can help the Venturer meet requirements of the Ranger Award.

Advancement

In our continuing effort to provide information as effectively as possible, the EAGLE SCOUT LEADERSHIP SERVICE PROJECT WORKBOOK is now available for downloading from the HOAC website (www.hoac-bsa.org).

The National Boy Scouts of America office has notified us that effective immediately all Eagle Scout Rank Applications must include the Scout’s full LEGAL NAME in the appropriate space on the application. Only the Scout’s legal name will be printed on all Eagle Scout Rank credentials.

Sharing Native American Ways

Last month Webelos, Boy Scouts and their leaders participated in the 20th Annual Sharing Native American Ways Seminar (SNAWS). This year’s SNAWS Committee did an excellent job of making the preparations and getting everyone to their classes on time. Classes in bow making, brain tanning, drum etiquette, sign language, beading, Indian attire, just to name a few, were available.

Brownsea 22 Training

Brownsea 22 is an intensive, seven-day outdoor 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 approved by the Boy Scout Division of the BSA.

June 14, 2004 and ends on June 19, 2004 and will be held at the Theodore Naisch Scout Reservation. It’s purpose is to give participants the confidence and knowledge to run the troop program; to give participants a basic knowledge of the eleven skills of leadership and how to pass these skills to their troop responsibilities; to create an atmosphere where Scouts will experience Scouting at it’s best; to enhance the relationship between the participant and his Scoutmaster and of course, to have fun!

Registration forms can be found on the Heart of America Council website at www.hoac-bsa.org or visit the Council’s Resource Center.

April is Youth Protection Month

As with the Heart of America Council, Boy Scouts of America, the highest priority is the health, safety and well being of each and every youth member in our unit and council. For many years, the council has had in place policies and procedures aimed at protecting young people against violence and eliminating opportunities for abuse to occur within the Scouting Program.

Across the country, April is designated Child Abuse Prevention Month. This is a perfect time for each Cub Scout Pack, Boy Scout Troop, and Venture Crew to focus on the Youth Protection Program within their unit. Here are just a few items you may want to consider when you plan the April program for your unit.

REQUIRE YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING FOR ADULTS

Youth Protection Training is an important part of the strategy for helping to protect our youth members from child abuse and should be required of all leaders in your unit, especially leaders who have direct contact with youth. With the availability of the training online at the Heart of America Council Website at www.hoac-bsa.org, each and every leader can find the time to take the training.

TRAIN THE YOUTH MEMBERS IN YOUR PACK, CREW OR CREW

Training young people to protect and care for themselves is one of Scouting’s basic tenets. Teaching them to RECOGNIZE situations that place him or her at risk, RESIST unwanted or inappropriate attention, and REPORT situations to a trusted adult, we have provided a valuable first line of defense for their safety. Showing the Cub Scout appropriate video, It Happened To Me, or the Boy Scout appropriate video, A Time To Tell, will provide this valuable training to our young people.

REVIEW THE BEHAVIOR POLICIES OF YOUR UNIT

All members, youth and adults, of the Boy Scouts of America are expected to conduct themselves in accordance with the principles set forth in the Scout Oath and Law. Physical violence, hazing, bullying, theft, verbal insults and drug and alcohol have not place in the Scouting program. During this time of year, with units preparing for summer camp activities, April is a very appropriate month to review the expected behavior and consequences of misbehavior with all the youth members and their parents. Additional resources may be found in the Guide to Safe Scouting, which is available on the Heart of America Council Website.

Child Abuse and violence is a serious problem in American society. As a leader in the nation’s largest youth-serving organization, you have a unique opportunity to make a impact for this societal problem. This month is the perfect time to get started.
Wood Badge Training

Wood Badge training is an experience like no other!
Participants take part in several days of classroom training followed by several days of training and fun in the outdoors with their patrol. Participants learn about and practice developing that team to its maximum potential. This training experience is open to all adult Scouters registered in the Boy Scouts of America. The course will be held on two weekends, September 10-12 and October 1-3, at the Rotary Youth Camp in Lee’s Summit, MO. Registration forms and additional information are available at your district roundtable and the Council Service Center. The course is almost half full.

You are not required to have camping or Scout Craft skills in order to enjoy this ultimate training experience, however you need to be trained in your current registered position. The objective of the course is to help you learn to be a more effective leader. You will experience a professional environment with knowledgeable and skilled trainers using the most modern and effective training techniques and materials. The fee for the course is $200.00 (including non-refundable deposit of $25.00) and includes all meals and training material.

Order of the Arrow

How dirty is your sash? As winter comes to a close and springtime seems right around the corner, many members of the lodge look forward to the spring induction weekends for some OA fun. But some Arrowmen have tapped into the true treasure of the Order: OA HAPPENS EVERYDAY!

However, this revelation is not only maintained by the elected, the appointed, or the entitled; in fact the majority of Arrowmen getting involved and having a blast are Oes, Chapter, Brotherhoods, Scouts and Scouters, volunteering and serving others.

Every month your Chapter meets at roundtable to address upcoming events and plan unit elections. This is a great place to get started. Going out into the district and meeting different troops to assist in their elections, is a great way to spend a couple of hours a week. Bringing the Order in front of a Scout for the first time is a rewarding experience.

You were presented with a new clean sash in Whippoorwill for a reason. Now is the time to put it on, get out, get involved and get it dirty.

Yours In Service,
David C. Chinnery
Tamegonit Lodge Adviser

Bartle and Naish Camps

Bartle Scout Reservation
Friday, April 9 – Sunday, April 11, 2004 – CAMP CLOSED
Saturday, April 24, 2004 – WORK DAY
Saturday, May 1, 2004 – WORK DAY
Saturday, May 8, 2004 – Camp Staff Orientation @ Council Office
Saturday, May 15, 2004 – WORK DAY
Saturday, June 12, 2004 – 75th Anniversary Celebration

Opportunities are still available to serve at Bartle this summer as doctors, nurses, paramedics, and EMT’s.

Theodore Naish Scout Reservation
Friday, April 16 – Sunday, April 20, 2004 – CAMP CLOSED
Saturday, April 26, 2004 – WORK DAY
Friday, May 1 – Sunday, May 4, 2004 – SPRING INDUCTION #1
Friday, May 16 – Sunday, May 18, 2004 – SPRING INDUCTION #2

Rotary Scout Camp
Rotary Scout Camp is the HOAC long term resident camp for Scouts with special needs. This camp is held at the Rotary Youth Camp facility which is located in Lee’s Summit, Missouri. Rotary Scout Camp starts on August 2, 2004 and continues through August 6, 2004. Rotary Scout Camp allows Scouts to enjoy the outdoor experience, earn merit badges and have as much fun as can be squeezed into five days and nights. Applications for participation are available at the Council Service Center, district roundtables and on the website under Camping.

This year’s staff is working toward an exciting theme of "Renaissance Rotary" for the Scouts. For more information contact Dusty Boatright at the Council Service Center or dboatrig@bsamail.org.

Bear Resident Camp

Bear Camp Leader Orientation meetings are scheduled for April 21st, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. at the Council Service Center and April 27th, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. at North Cross United Methodist Church, 1321 NE Vivion Rd., Kansas City, MO. A representative from each pack should plan to attend one of these meetings. For more information contact Jonathan Bonness (jbanness@bsamail.org).

Webelos Resident Camp

Webelos Camp Leader Orientation meetings are scheduled for April 28th and 29th, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. at the Council Service Center. A representative from each pack should plan to attend one of these meetings. For more information contact Jonathan Bonness (jbanness@bsamail.org).

Cub Scout Day Camp

The HOAC Cub Scout Day Camp Committees are busy preparing activities for the Cub Scouts of the Heart of America Council for this summer. One of the things they will need to know to help in this preparation process is how many Cub Scouts are planning to attend Day Camp. You can help by making sure your Pack is pre-registered for Day Camp. Ask the Day Camp Coordinator in your pack to send in the Pack’s registration information and deposits. Registration information and deposits should be mailed to the Council Service Center.

If you have questions regarding Cub Scout Day Camp for your district, call the Council Service Center and ask to speak to your DISTRICT EXECUTIVE.

Final Camp Fee Payment Dates

Day Camp ($45.00/Scout) – Wednesday, April 21, 2004
Boy Scout Camp – Wednesday, April 28, 2004
Bear Resident Camp – Wednesday, May 12, 2004
Day Camp ($60.00/Scout) – Wednesday, May 5, 2004
Webelos Resident Camp – Wednesday, May 19, 2004
Rotary Scout Camp – Wednesday, June 23, 2004
Venturer Camp – Wednesday, July 21, 2004

All payments should be made payable to and mailed to: HOAC, BSA PO Box 414177 Kansas City MO 64141-4177
Just Around the Corner

The theme for the 2004 Cub Scout Day Camp program is CUBS ON EXPEDITION, IN HONOR OF THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE LEWIS AND CLARK EXPEDITION. The Northern Tier District staff is currently planning the programs for the hundreds of Cub Scouts who will attend camp this year. At the Shawnee Riverfront Park on the south side of the Kansas River West of K-7, Cub Scouts this year will be able to shoot BB guns and bows and arrows, work on Cub Scout belt loops, cook out; sing songs, learn about nature, make crafts, play games, and more! If you have not made plans to attend, you should! Going to camp is a wonderful part of the Scouting experience, and it helps your pack earn the Merit Badge Unit and Scouting Pack Awards. For more information you can contact our District Day Camp Director, Dave Sultz at 913-381-7824 or dsultz32@aol.com. Dave and his team are visiting packs to promote camp this year and tell you all about the fun things we are going to have. Schedule your visit soon to get your pack excited about Day Camp this year, June 7-11, 2004. Can't wait to see you there.

Friends of Scouting 2004

All units need to be signed up for the Friends of Scouting presentation by now. Remember, free rank advancement to all units upon reaching their Friends of Scouting Unit goal and Participation Goal to December 31st, 2004. For more information or questions, please contact Lisa Hayes at the Council service center or call Steve Brady, our 2004 Family Friends of Scouting Chairman at (913) 362-8441. We, as the Northern Tier District have the opportunity to show our support to the Scouting Program. Friends of Scouting is such a vital part of our program in its help to support our leaders in their needed training, preserving both the Naisb and Bartie Reservations that we all enjoy year after year, and that needed help for camp, uniform, or registration fees for those that may need a little help. Congratulations to the following units that have achieved their FOS goal and are now receiving free rank advancement to December 31, 2004.

TROOP PACK CREW TEAM TOTAL
91 3054 2824 6884
185 3252
283 3390
684 3751 3684

Calendar of Events

April
1 District Roundtable located at Village Presbyterian Church at 7:00PM
8 District Committee Meeting, Community Covenant Church, 7230 Quivira Rd., 6:30 PM
8 District Commissioner’s Meeting, 7:30 PM
10 Merit Badge Forum/Super Saturday Training located at Shawnee Mission Northwest High School at 12070 W 67th Street. For more information and more information about Merit Badge Forum, contact Judy Tuckness at 913-288-9996. You can also visit the HOAC Website for more information regarding Super Saturday and Merit Badge Forum.
15 District Eagle Board of Reviews, Located at the LDS Church, 7845 Allman. 6:30 PM
24-25 Webelos Outdoor Leader Training Sign in begins promptly at 8:00am. Closing is Sunday at 11:00am. $15.00 covers Saturday supper, Sunday breakfast and materials. Located at the Hills Center, 11144 Kansas Avenue, Kansas City, KS For more information you can visit the HOAC Website hoac-bsa.org, or contact Judy Yeager, Northern Tier Training Chairman at 913-362-2029.

May
1 Cub Scout Job Specific Training including New Leaders Essentials and Youth Protection Training located at Aubry United Methodist Church 78th and Nall. Training will begin at 8:30 am and conclude at 4:00 pm. Schedule for the day:
8 - 3:00 Registration
9:00 - 10:00 Youth Protection Training
10:30 - 12:00 New Leader Essentials
12:00 - 1:00 Lunch
12:30 - 3:30 Cub Job Specific Training
For questions or more information you can visit the HOAC Website hoac-bsa.org, and go to the Northern Tier under training. There you will be able to download the registration form.
6 District Roundtable located at Village Presbyterian Church at 7:00PM
8 BALOOC Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation Training located at Harmon Park Santa Fe Pavillion 78th and Delamar 9am – 5pm (Registration opens at 8:30 am). You can download this registration form from the HOAC Website under the Northern Tier Page and click on Training.
13 District Committee Meeting, Community Covenant Church, 7230 Quivira Rd., 6:30 PM
13 District Commissioner’s Meeting, 7:30 PM
20 District Eagle Board of Reviews, Located at the LDS Church, 7845 Allman, 6:30 PM
22 Super Saturday Training located at Shawnee United Methodist Church Visit the HOAC Website under the Northern Tier and visit the Training Page to download the complete schedule for Super Saturday.

Keep this info close!

Important phone numbers to answer your questions

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Pine Wood Derby
The Pine Wood Derby is one of the oldest Cub Scout Traditions around. See how 3 representatives of your Den stack up against the rest of the district! The Lone Bear District Pine Wood Derby will be held at the Clinton Scout Center on May the 1st. Registration will begin at 8:30 AM. Call Jerry Post for details.

Spring Round-Up 2004
Do you have 2nd year Webelos crossing over into Boy Scouts? Now is the time to replace them with Tiger Cub K indifferenters can officially become Tiger Cubs and will be able to attend day camp this summer. It is important to recruit these boys now in order to get them ready for camp. Many packs have started to make plans, if yours has not now is the time! For help with recruitment and materials call Phil Brockland at (800) 776-1110.

Cub Scouts On Expedition
Just in: Charlie Fiehler has accepted the position of Day Camp Program Director! Thanks for your help Charlie we know you will enjoy it! Cub Scout Day Camp will be held the first FULL week of June from the 7th through the 10th at North Lake Park in Garnett this summer.

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Congratulations and Welcome! Paul Crooks was awarded the Scouter of the Month Award for outstanding service to the District for the month of February.

Let’s welcome John McBryme as the Advancement Chairman and welcome back Richard Martin as the Scouting Chairman of the Internationally Famous North Star District Committee.

We are very excited to announce that Board Member Craig Leigen has accepted the Advancement Chairman and Ron Sanders who served as the Training Chairman for a number of years.

Congratulations and thank you for all you do for the Scouts of your unit, your North Star District, and your Council!!

Upcoming Training
Cost of the full day or the two night Basic Leader course is $6. Contact Fred Hark at 452-3036 for more information and registration. Contact Steve Vaughn at 741-3847 for more information on BALOO Training.

In addition, here are some on-line training links:
- Youth Protection can be accessed via the H.O.A.C. website (you may need to use the alternate access method on the page following this link). http://hoac.org/YouthProtection/fm
- Cub Scout Leader Fast Start training is found at: http://www.scouting.org/cub-scout/faststart/
- Boy Scout Leader Fast Start is found at: http://www.scouting.org/npboy-scout/faststart/
- Cubbing Adult Fast Start training is found at: http://www.scouting.org/npadult/faststart/

District Garage Sale
Find out more about when, where and how concerning the District Garage Sale at the next District Commissioner Meeting. If you would like some information on spring fundraisers, please call Matt Specht at 816-942-9333 or mspecht@bsamail.org.

‘Cubs on Expedition’ Day
Camps and Webelos Summer Seminar
Now is the time to get your Cub Scout Pack registered for the 2004 District Day Camp ‘Cubs on Expedition’ – a celebration of the 200th anniversary of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. Bring your new Tigers through 2nd Year Webelos to this great program. They will have a great time with archery, BB guns, crafts, games and Scouting skills – all with a Lewis and Clark twist and designed to let them earn advancements while they fun!!

‘Cubs on Expedition’ will be June 7th through the 10th with Webelos Summer Seminar on Friday, June 11th – all at the Platte County Fairgrounds. We will be expanding the daily fun schedule a bit and having Summer Seminar on Friday to allow for the M.C.O.-Syllabus 70th Anniversary Celebration the following weekend. There will be more information coming out about Webelos Summer Seminar very soon.

 Packs should note that the Walking Leader Training Meeting will be on Saturday, April 17th at Park Hill Christian Church, 6601 N.W. 72nd Street so that the Walking Leaders will be up to date on the FUN to be had with their Cub Scout Pack.

For more information on all the fun, be sure to come to the District Roundtables or contact Camp Director Jeff Tyler (503-2015; jefftyler@kc.com) or Program Director [I'll call him Greg (468-9232; fjtyler@kc.com)] or District Executive, Victor Geiger (942-9333; geiger@bsamail.org).

Did we mention that the Cubs will have FUN??

Webelos Woods
The Webelos in your Pack have some great camping opportunities this summer, beginning with Webelos Woods Camp at 22-23 at the Kearny Short Youth Camp on Smithville Lake. More information will be available soon at the District Roundtables and on the District Website or call Steve Vaughn at 741-3847. Hope to see you there!

In the Spotlight
Do you want to share something special about your unit – a unique trip, special recognition or great ideas to further Scouting? We would be happy to help you share it in the North Star Polaris Newsletter or here in Adventures in Scouting. Contact Jeff Tyler (dtvlk@kcrr.com) for more information.

Calendar of Events
April
1 District Roundtable, 7:30 p.m., Hillsdale Christian Church, 900 NE Vivion Rd.

District Youth Protection / Merit Badge Counselor / New Leader Essentials Training, OR, Council Meeting

13 District Committee Meeting, 7:30 p.m., North Cross Unified Methodist Church, 1321 NE Vivion

13 District Boy Scout Leader Training, part IIB - Troop Operations, 6 p.m., Hillsdale Christian Church, 900 NE Vivion

13 District Cub Scout Leader Training, part I - Essentials, Chandler Baptist Church, Liberty

15 Access Committee Staff Meeting, 7:30 p.m., St. Luke’s Presbyterian Church, 4301 NE Vivion - Please note date change

17 Day Camp Walking Leaders Meeting, 9 a.m., Park Hill Christian Church, 6601 NW 72nd

10-11 District Boy Scout Leader Training, part III - Outdoor Weekend, 8 a.m., Smithville Lake

20 District Cub Scout Leader Training, part II - Specifics, Chandler Baptist Church, Liberty

24 HOAC Good Turn Service Project – Scouting for Food

24 Cub Scout Leader BALICO Training, 8 a.m., Gloria Dei Lutheran, 5409 NW 72nd

May
6 District Roundtable, 7:30 p.m., Hillsdale Christian Church, 900 NE Vivion Rd.

District Youth Protection / Merit Badge Counselor / New Leader Essentials Training, OR, Council Meeting

7-8 Webelos Leader Outdoor Training, Naish Scout Reservation

13 District Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7:30 p.m., St. Luke’s Presbyterian Church, 4301 NE Vivion

22-23 Webelos Woods, Smithville Lake. Please note date correction.

2004 North Star District Committee
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District Commissioner
Jason Scott . . . 816-942-9333 ext 169 / jscott@bsamail.org

2004 District Award Recipients
Outstanding District Staff Members
Jim Winningham and Brett Cooper
Hershel Hay Outstanding Cubmaster Award
Bobbie Long and Jesse Woods
Outstanding Assistant Cubmaster
Robert M. Levy
Outstanding Scoutmaster Award
Ryan Loyo
2004 District Award of Merit Recipients
Jim Snyder & Tammy Cockrum

Congratulations to these and all other award recipients!! Many thanks for all you do to make Scouting a success in the Big Muddy District.

Calendar of Events
April
1 District Roundtable, 7:30 p.m., Sprint Warehouse, Lexington
6 Roundtable, 7:30p.m., Lexington 1st United Methodist Church
7 Commissioners’ Meeting, 7:30p.m., Marionville, Rich- mond
May
4 Roundtable, 7:30p.m., Lexington 1st United Methodist Church
5 District Committee Meeting, 7:30p.m. Sprint Warehouse, Lex-ington
12 Commissioners’ Meeting, 7:30p.m. Marionville, Rich- mond
Friends of Scouting
The 2004 Friends of Scouting campaign is upon us again.
This is an opportunity to provide financial support to over 50,000 youth in Kansas City. The support helps to deliver life-changing values of Scouting programs and the Learning for Life programs to youth in our 19-county area. Currently, there are around 4,000 young men and women who participate in about 100 Explorer Posts in and around the greater Kansas City area.
The Learning for Life program operates in schools to provide life skills, character and career education programs to students in grades K-12, with an emphasis on grades 6-8.
If you would like to further support these programs financially, and/or have questions regarding the Friends of Scouting, please contact Adam Barth, Exploring/Learning for Life Training Specialist at (816) 942-9333, ext. 170 or email: abarth@bsamail.org.
Cluster Activities
We will be looking to hold “Cluster Activities” for each career cluster in Exploring. We are open to suggestions and would love to have input and help setting these activities up. These spring activities can consist of specific career related activities related to each Exploring cluster (i.e. Arts and Communications, Business and Law, etc…). These events could range from project competitions between posts, presentations given to the campus or youth groups, etc.
If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Exploring Division at (816) 942-9333.

2004 Trails West Cub Scout Day Camp

“Cub Expedition”
“Go west young man! Go west!” Old Horace must have heard about the 2004 Trails West District Day Camp. This year’s theme is “Cub Expedition,” so dust off those coon skin hats, hitch up the wagons, and blame your parents’ adventure spirit to the Timber Ridge Adventure Center, in western Olathe, KS, June 14th through the 17th of 2004. Remember, attending Day Camp helps boys stay interested in Cub Scouting over the summer when many packs do not hold regular meetings and activities. It also helps meet the need for summer programs that provide youth with engaging activities within a safe environment.
Day Camp is open to all Cubs. The Cub Expedition is only offered once or twice a year. The Schedule is as follows:
8:30-9:00 a.m. – Registration 9:00-10:30 a.m. – Youth Protection 10:30-12 noon – Health and Safety 12:00-1:00 p.m. – Lunch Break 1:00-1:45 p.m. – Camp on Safety 1:45-2:30 p.m. – Safe Swim Defense 2:30-3:15 p.m. – Safety Airsoft 3:15-4:00 p.m. – Camp Oveling 4:00-4:15 p.m. – Bike Safety At least 5 registrations are necessary to hold a session. Register by contacting Joe Ogilvie, the Trails West Cub Scout Day Camp at 913-492-3880.

Merit Badge Forum
The 2004 Merit Badge Forum is now a memory for many of the Boy Scouts in the Trails West District. This two-weekend event was a huge success due to the great planning of Ellen M. Guirk. The event included more than 15 merit badges being offered including Entrepreneurship, Law, Genealogy and American Business. The district would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Merit Badge counselors that came out and gave their time for this worth while event. And a big thank you to Ellen M. Guirk for making sure the scouts for the Trails West District had a great event to attend.
Friends of Scouting
All units need to be signed up for their Spring Super-Activity. Registration is now open!
Friends of Scouting is a vital part of our program in its help to support our leaders in their needed training, preserving both the Naish and Bartle Reservations that we all enjoy year after year, and that need help for camp, uniforms, or registration fees for those that may need a little help.
Safe Scouting Saturday
On Saturday April 10th the training team of the Trails West District will be presenting a day of Safe Scouting training. The day will include many of the topics that are really only offered once or twice a year. The Schedule is as follows:
9:00-10:30 a.m. – Youth Protection 10:30-12 noon – Health and Safety 12:00-1:00 p.m. – Lunch Break 1:00-1:45 p.m. – Camp on Safety 1:45-2:30 p.m. – Safe Swim Defense 2:30-3:15 p.m. – Safety Airsoft 3:15-4:00 p.m. – Camp Oveling 4:00-4:15 p.m. – Bike Safety At least 5 registrations are necessary to hold a session. Register by contacting Joe Ogilvie the Trails West Cub Scout Day Camp at 913-492-3880.

Trails West District Spring Round-Up
Does your pack need more boys? Do you want to get into your school and talk to the K-6th graders about the chance to join Cub Scouting this spring? If you have answered yes to any of these questions now is the time to call Alan J. Sanders at (816) 942-9333 or Keith Neuman at (913) 451-8362. This spring is a great time to bring new boys into your unit for all the fun of scouting. It is also possible for the new boys to attend camp and help your unit earn the summer time pack award.
**District Dinner**

The 2004 District Dinner took place on January 30th with more than 275 people in attendance, our largest recognition dinner to date.

**Winners**

- **3rd place: Troop 204 Dragon patrol**
- **2nd place: Troop 603 Falcon patrol**
- **1st place: Troop 216 Redneck patrol**

**Intermediate Patrol**

- **2nd place: Troop 603 Falcon patrol**

**Rustic Sled Champion**

- **3rd place: Troop 216 Rampaging Rabbit patrol**

**Traditional Sled Champion**

- **1st place: Troop 216 Oldsmobile patrol**

**Overall Champion**

- **Troop 216 Redneck patrol**

**Scoutmaster’s Spirit Award**

- **Phillip Peters**

This event could not take place without the help of the many volunteers who are serving on staff and helping out behind the scenes.

**This Year’s Dinner**

- **Bobby Morris – Troop 1282**
- **Jerry Zevecke, Ronald Simpson**
- **Rusty 11 Explorers**

**Other Important Dates**

- **17th: BALCO, Webelos Leader Outdoor, and Skills training is taking place**
- **16-17: Boy Scout Leader Outdoor Skills Training, Starts Friday at 6:00pm, Ends Saturday approximately 5:00pm**
- **30th: Holiday Card Project Family 4-H**

**Friends of Scouting**

It is time to set a date for your Friends of Scouting presentation if you have not done so already. Please let Ross Pfannenstiel at the Council office know what date you prefer and the appointed coordinator for your unit. It is time to give to the program we love, the boys we mentor, and those who need financial assistance.

**Calendar of Events April**

1. **7:00pm Boy Scout Roundtable**
2. **7:30pm Cub Scout & Venturing Roundtable / Order of the Arrow Chapter 6 Meeting / Eagle Boards of Review / Youth Protection Training / Leader Safety Training / Day Camp Art contest drawings**
3. **Bleoﬁn Cubs Leader Outdoor Training, Starts at 6:30pm on Friday and runs through 3:30pm on Saturday, Pre-Registration due by March 28th – Must have 10 participants to hold.**
4. **Bleoﬁn Cubs Leader 2005, 8:00pm - 5:00pm, Pre-Registration due by March 28th – Must have 10 participants to hold.**
5. **Commissioner’s Meeting, 7:30pm, Liberty Street Community of Christ Church, 416 N. Liberty Street, Independence, MO**
6. **16-17: Boy Scout Leader Outdoor Skills Training, Starts Friday at 6:00pm, Ends Saturday approximately 5:00pm, Beacon Heights Community of Christ Church, 14024 Holee Road, Independence, MO**
7. **Cub Leader Specific Training, 7:00pm – 9:30pm, Oak Grove Methodist Church, 1501 S. Herald Street, Oak Grove, MO**
8. **District Commissioner Meeting, 7:30pm, Pioneer Ridge 6th Grade Center, 1655 S. Speck Road, Independence, MO**
9. **Council Good Turn Day**
10. **Spring Training Opportunities**

**Klonkide**

- It rained a lot, but that didn’t stop almost 700 scouts, venturers, and leaders, 100 staff, and 11 Eagle scouts from coming out and enjoying activities. Klonkide once again was a great experience for all of those who participated, even though we could have called it the “mud bowl.”

- The winners of the different categories of patrols are listed below. A huge thank you goes to Hugh Jeff Lawhon put together two great slide shows to cel ebrate the winners of the Silent Opportunity Awards.

**Scouting for Food**

The Council Good Turn day is coming up on April 3rd for 2005. If you have not already decided where your Eagle patrol will receive a packet that contains all of the information items for those who give to the program we love, the boys we mentor, and those who need financial assistance.

**Spring Training Opportunities**

Check out the calendar for the latest training opportunities coming up in the next few months. The Council website also lists training dates and is a great resource for lots of other council and district information. The council website address is www.hoac-boa.org. Boy Scout Outdoor Leader Skills training is taking place April 16th and 17th. BACOLOD, Webelos Leader Outdoor and Cub Scout Specific trainings will take place in April also. Both Webelos Leader Outdoor and BACOLOD require 12 participants each to hold the training, so please RSVP your attendance to Karen of Scouts. It is a time to set a date for your Friends of Scouting presentation if you have not done so already. Please let Ross Pfannenstiel at the Council office know what date you prefer and the appointed coordinator for your unit. It is time to give to the program we love, the boys we mentor, and those who need financial assistance.

**District Commissioner: Bill Eary**

**Director of Program: Ron Karst**

**Vice Chair of Operations: John T. Thornton**

**Vice Chair of HR: M. Arvin Sands**

**FO Chair: Aaron Guest**

**Growth/ Membership: Paul Brodin**

**Advancement: Scott Howell**

**Training: Tom Eardd**

**Cub Todd: Don Todd**

**Activities: Snow Cox**

**Communications: Jeff Lawhon**

**Cub Leaders:**

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**Eagle Boards of Review**

Eagle Boards of Review are conducted at monthly Roundtable meetings. Please call Leonard (onset) at (B) 816-471-5584 or (H) 816-226-4600 at least two weeks before the Roundtable that you wish to have with the Eagle Board of Review.
District Executive  
John Scarffe . . . . . 785-843-5175 / JScar

District Vice Chairman  
Jason Ballew . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 816 942-9333 x182

Venturing Roundtable  
Nancy Chapman . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 913 829-0366

District Membership  
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Jeff Wandtke . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 913 764-8413

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District Commissioner  
Ray Morrison  . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 913 764-4107

District Chairman  
IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS

$60 per scout. Save your pack time and money

tering after April 21st will pay a higher price of

tory to ensure all of your boys are signed up on

ting the week's events. Day

day is Monday June 7th and lasts through Friday

A Gold Rub Scout in

A Pinewood Derby Workshop for the Derby

The Heart of America Council will provide

food collection bags and accompanying litera-

ture, which will be distributed to your Units

leaders at the Roundtable. For local contact

information Activities Chairman, Mike M Curdy at 785-542-3050.

Cub Scout Day Camp  
June 7th thru 11th - Douglas County Fair

Grounds Day Camp is getting closer. The first
day is Monday June 7th and lasts through Friday
afternoon, June 11th.

Pre-registration for Day Camp is critical. Each
Pack should select a Day Camp Coordinator
to ensure all of your boys are signed up on time
and able to enjoy the week's events. In Day
Camp registrations paid in full by April 21, 2004
will receive the early registration price of $45 per
scout. Sign up early!! Those units regist-

ering after April 21st will pay a higher price of
$60 per scout. Save your pack time and money
by turning in your early new

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Every Boy Deserves a Trained Leader  

in order to provide the best possible program for youth an adult leader should be trained. Please take the time to becom-

ed in your leadership role and encour-

age the other leaders in your unit to do the same. In the beginning leaders should be

taking Fast Start and Youth Protection

workshops, available online (www.hoac-bsa.org). Youth Protection is also

offered each monthly Roundtable.

Job specific training for Cub, Boy Scout

and Venturing leaders are offered
throughout the year in the Fall and spring. Please check the above calendar for upcoming classes. Also dates are listed on the
council and district website which are

referenced later in this newsletter.

Cubs on Expedition, 2004  
Day Camp  
Day Camp will be the week of June 14th thru 18th at Lewis Young Park in

Louriston. Jeff Turner (cub master) and Traci Symon (program director) are prepar-

ing diligently to ensure a quality summer program for the Cub Scouts. If you are

interested in serving on staff where the “real fun” takes place please contact Jeff Turner at 931 851-6747 or tbl@999@kccrr.com for

further information.

2004 Trader’s Rendezvous  
This year’s district winter camping event was a weekend of fun and fellowship. Around 225 folks attended the 3rd annual event at Camp Nais. Events included:

trading, blank pavement rifle shooting,
throwing tomahawks, BB guns, slingshots,

archery, blacksmith, leatherwork, and

carving.

They had the opportunity to work with Nancy Chapman, Gene Lamp, John Jones, Dan Kerling, Dennis Jones, and Averick Jones, troop 315 and 85 for making this event a success.

3123 Pinewood Derby Workshop  
On Saturday, January 10th, 2004, Pack 3123 of Overland Park, chartered by the Morse Elementary PTO, held its first Pinewood Derby Workshop for the Derby Challenged. The hope was that those who felt anxious about helping their Cub Scout build a car would come and learn all the fundamentals. A video was shown describing the steps needed to build a winning car. Then scouts chose a design from a book of templates, and the scout made a copy of the design on a photocopy machine. The scouts cut out their templates, and then traced it on block wood. Then a parent or proctor came and pro-

vided to cut out the design, and a dremel tool was available to smooth edges. There was a drill press to bore the holes for the weights needed to reach five-ounces. By the time the scouts and their parents were

ished with these tools, they were ready to take their car home to sand, paint, disko-

ate and add the wheels. Weigh in and measurement devices were available the following Saturday for the Practice Run where the scouts got a chance to informally run their cars down the track over and over again.

The workshop was well attended, and

worked. Pack 3123 is ready to make this an annual event!

Be Prepared for 2004 Friends of Scouting  
We are well into the 2004 Friends of Scouting Campaign and things are pro-

gressing well. This year’s district leadership is Stowe Barke as the overall chair and

Keith Sickendick as the Family chair. There has already been numerous units conduct a presentation and congratulations to pack 3120 and troop 85 for achieving al. goal. Also recall the free rank

advancement incentive is being offered again to all units who achieve goal.

Stay in the Loop of Communica-

RT Email Group: To subscribe email Dave Werts at bsaspeaks5@yahoo.com

RT H District Website: www.nmof-scout.org/RT H

Calendar of Events  
April  
1 Roundtable, 7:00 PM, First Baptist Church of Olathe
6 Cub Scout Job Specific Training Session 1, 6:30 PM at Olathe Christian Church
8 Commissioners Meeting, 7:30 PM at NNU Library
13 Cub Scout Job Specific Training Session 2, 6:30 PM at Olathe Christian Church
13 District Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM at Advent Lutheran Church
15 Eagle Board of Reviews, 6:30 PM at St Thomas Apostolic Church
23-24 Boy Scout Job Specific Training, TBA
30-31 Outdoor Leader Skills Training

May  
6 Roundtable, 7:00 PM at College Church of the Nazarene, Family Life Center
13 Commissioners Meeting, 7:30 PM at NNU Library
18 District Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM at Advent Lutheran Church
20 Eagle Board of Review, 6:30 PM at St Thomas Apostolic Church
2004 Friends of Scouting

The campaign is inching its way towards the overall goal of $150,000. The family goal is $5,000. Many family presentations have been completed and several units have achieved free rank for the rest of the year. Please remember that the money received for Friends of Scouting goes towards many things. For instance, about 10 percent will go directly back to the district for camper-ship support to send youth to camp. If you were not at your unit’s FOS Presentation be aware that we will begin to make phone calls to help clean up our prospect list. We will need everyone’s help in order to make our goal this year. Leo put out a challenge to have the goal reached by the May Roundtable. If the goal is reached Leo and David Riker will have their heads shaved at the May Roundtable. Please remember, “FOS of Scouting” is a key element in the financing of our Council and its programs. Let’s make sure that the Thunderbird District completes its goal on time and goes above and beyond the call of duty.

Thunderbird Web Page

The Thunderbird web page is now up and running. There are still some glitches to work out but there are many up to date items available for viewing. Training dates and registration forms for district event information are all available at www.tshc.org. Click on the district tab and then Thunderbird to view the pages.

Training

Training sessions are still available. Please make sure to look at the training dates listed above in the calendar for upcoming trainings. It is important to have your unit leaders trained in their positions. A trained leader will be able to provide a good program for the boy, therefore retaining the youth in that unit. Remember, every youth deserves a trained leader. Also check out the council website for training dates and registration forms.

Cub Leader Training

Kelsie Clark 816-430-5654
Cub Leader Training

Date

June 21-25, at James A. Reed Conservation Area. We will be located at the archery range. This year’s theme is a “Cub Expedition.” Many new and exciting programs will be available this year. The conservation department is going to be a big help this year and they are very excited to have Day Camp out there. Day Camp will cost $45 until April 21st. After that date the fee becomes $60. Any new cub scout recruited after April 21st that goes to day camp will only pay the $45 fee. If you are interested in being on staff, please contact David Riker at the council service center at 816-942-9333 or davidriker@bsamail.org.

Calendar of Events

April

3 BALCO (Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation) 8:30am-5pm, Ridgeview Christian Church, 8640 Sni-A-Bear Rd, Kansas City, MO
3 District Roundtable – 7:30pm, 9010 Old Santa Fe (SW of 87th and Blue Ridge), Kansas City, MO
3 Youth Protection Training – 7:00pm
3 OA Chapter 5 meeting, New Leader Essentials
3 Troop Committee Meeting – 6:30pm-10pm, Hickman Mills Community Christian Church, 5801 Red Bridge Rd, Kansas City, MO
3 Commissioner Service Meeting – 7:30pm-10pm, Troop Committee Meeting
3 Introduction to Outdoor Leaders Skills Part 1 – 7:00-9:30pm, Red Bridge United Methodist Church, 636 E. 117th St, Kansas City, MO
3 District Committee Meeting – 7:00pm, Location TBA
3 Cub Scout Leader Specific Training, St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 700 NE Chipman Rd, Leawood, KS
4-5 Introduction to Outdoor Leaders Skills Part 2 – 8am Sat-sun. Sun., 300 Scout Cabin, Pleasant Hill, MO
May

1-2 Webelo Leader Outdoor Training, Troop 300 Scout Cabin 9:30am Sat.-12noon Sun., Pleasant Hill, MO
4 District Roundtable – 7:30 pm, 9010 Old Santa Fe (SW of 87th and Blue Ridge), Kansas City, MO
4 Youth Protection Training / Merit Badge Counselor Training / O.A. Chapter 5 meeting – 7:00pm
8 Venture Leader Training, Location TBA 8am – 4pm
11 Commissioners Meeting – 7:30 pm, Council Service Center
13 District Committee Meeting – 7:00pm, Location TBA

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A heartfelt thank you is in order to the following units that participated in Friends of Scouting this year.

PACKS – 3001, 3005, 3022, 3075, 3140, 3149, 3160, 3164, 3165, 3167, 3169, 3174, 3304, 3418, 3740
TROOPS – 1, 5, 22, 27, 34, 45, 66, 144, 149, 160, 165, 167, 173, 176, 211, 357, 366, 740

Memorial Day Service Project

Cub Scout Leader Roundable & Youth Protection Training – 7:00 p.m., Clark Middle School, Bonner Springs, KS
1 Day Camp Staff Training

2 OA Chapter Meeting, Clark Middle School, Bonner Springs, KS
3 Cub Scout Day Camp Training, TBA
8 District Committee Meeting – 7:00pm, BPU, 300 N 65th St., Kansas City, KS
8 Commissioner Staff Meeting – 7:00 p.m., Lansing High School, Lansing, KS
24 Council – Wide “Community Service Day”

Day Camp Promotion

June 21-25, 2004 is the day for KAW District’s Day Camp. This year’s theme is “Cubs on Expedition.” We have exciting stations and activities planned around this theme to capture the imagination and to stimulate personal growth of all participants. Every Cub Scout leader was mailed a Day Camp promotion guide designed to inform and generate interest in attending this weeklong camp. For additional information, or to volunteer to serve on staff this year, call M. Arvin Clay at 1-800-776-1110.

May

6 Cub Scout Leader Roundable – 7:00 p.m., Clark Middle School, Bonner Springs, KS
13 District Commissioner Meeting – 7:00 p.m., BPU, 300 N 65th St., Kansas City, KS
13 Commissioner Staff Meeting – 7:00 p.m., Lansing High School, Lansing, KS
29 Memorial Day Service Project
Cubs on Expedition Day Camp

Cubs on Expedition Day Camp will be held from June 14th through June 17th, 2004 at Knott’s Elementary School. Registration began on February 2nd at 4:30 PM per boy and will raise to $60.00 after April 21st, 2004. Information will be available at Roundtable or call Lisa Kealer at 816-333-9593.

Award of Merit Recipients & District Dinner

This year’s Award of Merit recipients were honored this past February at the Pioneer Trails Appreciation dinner for their work within their units and for their contribution to the district. A very special THANK YOU to George Weaver for his superb work on the dinner! The Pioneer Trails Award of Merit recipients are:

- Freddie Allen, Sr.
- Carol Jean D’Efoe
- Carole Gathier
- Julie Hill
- Lisa Kealer
- Jeffery Terry
- Mark Trokey

Family Friends of Scouting

A majority of you already know, the Friends of Scouting Campaign provides funding for Scouting in the Kansas City area including, Day Camp for Cubs, summer camp at Batte and N,4, volunteer training, insurance coverage for youth plus many other activities. Presentations take no more than 8-10 minutes and prime dates should be those where a majority of the parents will be present.

Keep this info close!

**IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS**

- District Chair: Dennis Cross (H) 816-444-7989
- District Vice-Chair: Fred D’Efoe (H) 816-942-0675
- District Commissioner: Jim Bernard Jr. (H) 913-385-7088
- Advancement Chairman: Bill Tabolsky (H) 913-791-8141
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- District Executive: Barbara Wolters (H) 816-942-9333, ext. 171
- District Executive: David Jones (H) 816-942-9333, ext. 147

Religious Awards

As we all know a belief in god is an important part of the scouting program. There are awards that a boy can earn outside of the pack while learning more about their faith. Almost every religion has some sort of award for their scouts to earn. Three boys from Pack 3259 recently were awarded with such awards.

- Jesse Miller, Thomas Ward, and Aaron Whatley were presented with the God and Family Award on February 2, 2004 at Emmanuel Baptist Church located in Overland Park, KS. Dr. Lou Gerber, pastor of the church, presented the award. The counselor for the program was Matt Ward, Cub Scout leader and member of the church. The God and Family award is a religious award program that required both bible study in a classroom setting and home study with the family. For more information on religious awards programs contact the Heart of America Council, Boy Scouts of America (816) 942-9333.

Order of the Arrow

Thank you to all of the Troops who have scheduled or had your Order of the Arrow Elections, however many troops have not done this yet. It is too late to get this done before the May inductions, but do not hesitate. Please schedule this as soon as possible as it is an opportunity that could really make a difference in a boy’s life. If you have any questions please contact Rob Gilkerson at the Council Service Center.

**Fall School Night**

Please reserve July 27th at 7:30 this will be the 2004 fall recruitment training. You will learn how to recruit all of your boys and just as important, all of the great leaders needed to run your program for the next year. It is extremely important that every Pack send the fall recruitment chair to this meeting.

**Keep this info close!**

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

- District Chair: Gus Myer (H) 913-429-3209
- District Commissioner: Marc Elkins (H) 913-897-2857
- Activities Chair: Dean Carlson (H) 913-881-2852
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- Camping Chair: Rob Gilkerson (H) 913-491-6956
- Training Chair: Pat Harey (H) 913-642-4671
- Venturing: Scott Worsham (H) 913-381-4082
- Boy Scout Roundtable: Dean Carlson (H) 913-681-2852
- Cub Scout Roundtable: Lynn Haffner (H) 913-694-3257
- Day Camp Director: M. Chichele M. Agee (H) 913-677-3647
- Council and Trailhead District contact information @ (816) 942-9333
- District Executive: Rob Gilkerson (H) 913-461-5553
- Trailhead Website: www.H.O.A.C.-BSA.org/Trailhead.cfm

**Calendar of Events**

**April**

1. Roundtable – Eagle Scout Project Review, Order of the Arrow Chapter, Merit Badge Counselor – 7:00 p.m. – Valley View Methodist, 95th & Antioch
2. District Commissioner Mtg – 6:30 p.m. - Valley View Methodist, 95th & Antioch
3. Commissioners Mtg. – 7:30 p.m. – Valley View Methodist, 95th & Antioch
4. Good Friday – Council Service Center Open
5. Eagle Board of Review – LDS Church (130th and Wornall) – 7:30 p.m.
6. 17-18 Outdoor Leaders Training
7. Troop Committee Challenge

**May**

1. New Leader Essentials Training & Youth Protection Training
2. Roundtable – Eagle Scout Project Review, Order of the Arrow Chapter, Merit Badge Counselor – 7:00 p.m. – Valley View Methodist, 95th & Antioch
3. District Commissioner Mtg. – 7:30 p.m. – Valley View Methodist, 95th & Antioch
4. District Committee Mtg. – 7:30 p.m. – Valley View Methodist, 95th & Antioch
5. Eagle Board of Review – LDS Church (130th and Wornall) – 7:30 p.m.
Thoughts of a Soldier

Dear Ryan,

“I appreciate the small American flag that you and your fellow Boy Scouts presented to me. I just want you to know that I carry that flag around with me everywhere I go. In fact, I keep it in the top part of my领导. I also wanted you to know that I once was a Boy Scout. I belonged to Troop 6 out of Salina, Kansas. I achieved the rank of Scout, 1st Class, which I believe is right before Life Scout. I also served as the Assistant Patrol Leader. The Scouts taught me a lot of great qualities, which I have put to good use. I believe Scouting helped me make it through basic training when I joined the U.S. Army. Take care Ryan. I hope you stick with the Boy Scouts. I promise you won't regret it. Thank you again for all your support.”

Sincerely,

SGT. Dan S. Balaun
United States Army