

District News



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Heart of America Council

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Good Turn for America

Are you the one who will make a difference?

Good Turn for America is a nationwide effort to highlight the positive impact Scouting has on the community through the numerous service projects conducted each year.

This program provides a data collection site as part of the National BSA ScoutNet database where units can document their service projects, the number of hours provided and how they benefited others. You can learn more at www.goodturnforamerica.org.

Note that your unit will need a unit Good Turn for America ID# (available at the Council Service Center through Nikki Kendrick at 569-4925 or nroach@bsamail.org).

An exciting component of Good Turn for America is the number of partnerships with local service organizations including Habitat for Humanity, the Salvation Army and the American Red Cross.

It is important to note that this is a year round opportunity for service and recognition. Your Pack, Troop, or Crew can log on and report your service project(s) at anytime and print a certificate to recognize your efforts.

Examples of projects include:

- Park clean-up
- Canned food collection
- Help at your church, school, or chartered organization
- Eagle Scout projects
- Stream clean-up

The goal for total hours reported for the Good Turn for America project in 2005 is 500,000, according to Council Activity Chair Jody Tucker. Charts highlighting unit participation will be at Roundtable meetings this spring and will provide an opportunity for units to report on their progress. To achieve the goal of 500,000 hours of community service will inform the community of the incredible impact Scouting has on serving others and playing an important role in making a difference in the lives of thousands of people in our communities.

Currently the American Cancer Society Hope Lodge, which provides free housing for cancer patients receiving treatment in Kansas City, is in need of

support and help. They are looking for everything from help during work days in February, March and April and have a 'wish list' including household items, guest amenities and kitchen items.

To find out more contact Nichole Duval the American Cancer Society Hope Lodge at (816) 842-6427.

Watch the Council website and the Council newsletter "Adventures in Scouting" for information on service projects available through our community partners (Red Cross, Habitat, Salvation Army) available in the Spring of 2005.

www.goodturnforamerica.org



For more information contact:

Jonathan Bonness • The Heart of America Council • (816) 569-4955 • 10210 Holmes Road • Kansas City, MO 64131 • jbonness@bsamail.org

For your unit ID# contact:

Nikki Kendrick • (816) 569-4925 • nroach@bsamail.org

Good Turn for America

Meeting the challenges of the 21st Century.

QUALITY OF LIFE



Hunger, homelessness, and obesity are a few of the biggest challenges facing our nation. To overcome these challenges, the Boy Scouts of America and community organizations nationwide are conducting food drives, helping build/repair houses, and promoting healthy lifestyles. Scouting for Food, Scouting for Shelter, and Scouting for Healthy Living—making a difference in America.

HUNGER



Each night more than 13 million children go to bed hungry, and families on a limited income don't have well-balanced diets. It's a way of life for too many in our nation. The Boy Scouts of America answers this call by collecting food and supporting community agencies that fight hunger. Join us in helping feed the nation.

HOMELESSNESS



More than a million children in America are without a home right now. That's why the Boy Scouts of America is joining with community groups such as Habitat for Humanity to build and repair housing for the needy in our communities. If you can't help build a house, help make a home by donating food, clothing, and furniture.

HEALTH



Obesity, heart disease, and diabetes—we've all heard the warnings. The Boy Scouts of America is helping with the cure by working with community organizations by supporting fitness campaigns, assisting with blood drives and health screenings. We improve our own lives, when we work to help others.

Are you one who will make a difference? Get Involved.

www.goodturnforamerica.org



Eagles

DISTRICT	UNIT	NAME
Blue Elk	1312	Daniel Lee Cummings
Blue Elk	1204	Elisha Isaiah Davis
Blue Elk	1221	Gary Lynn Galvin Foster
Blue Elk	1813	Matthew Clark Harwell
Blue Elk	1204	Randy Micheal Pyles
Blue Elk	1216	Jason Shaw Richards
Blue Elk	1205	Kyle Anothony Stamper
Big Muddy	1318	Kelly Dean Clay Jr.
Big Muddy	1318	Nathaniel David Cooley
Big Muddy	1415	Scott Ramsey Myers
Big Muddy	1120	Bradley Dale Newton
Big Muddy	1318	Brett Allen Ralston
Big Muddy	1120	William Michael Rambo III
Kaw	66	Matthew Joseph Ammel
Kaw	66	Nathan Scott Aversa
Kaw	66	Dennis Andrew Barba
Kaw	66	James Watson Bradin
Kaw	165	Richard Andrew Cameron
Kaw	66	Jacob Alexander Gardner
Kaw	27	Jordan Marsh Jones
Kaw	33	Benjamin David Marken
Kaw	27	Corey Nauss
Kaw	27	Carl Edward Nelson
Kaw	165	Christopher Thomas Nelson
Kaw	33	Lawrence Wilbur Purvis
Kaw	366	Tommy James Tracy II
Lone Bear	1430	Drew Dustin Anstine
Lone Bear	1404	George Bret Bilbruck
Lone Bear	1430	Taylor Ralph Glasscock
Lone Bear	1404	Ian Lowell Kreher
Lone Bear	1404	Mark Wesley Maness
Lone Bear	1400	Dustin William Moore
Lone Bear	1400	Kristopher Adam Moore
Lone Bear	1430	Luke Michael Mosley
Lone Bear	1400	Michael Laurence Othic
Lone Bear	1513	Ricardo Emil Rampone
Lone Bear	1673	Austin Phillip Reed
Lone Bear	1225	Ricky Allan Roesch
Lone Bear	1430	Christopher Thomas Smith
Lone Bear	1430	Matthew Joseph Thornton
North Star	1314	Ian Michael Arthur
North Star	1271	Loren Jay Bewick
North Star	1247	Matthew Wyatt Bond
North Star	1214	Garrett Michael Andrew Borrosh
North Star	1351	Sawyer Daniel Breslow
North Star	1333	Nicholas Martin Moerl Burton
North Star	1408	Kameron Lee Dingus

DISTRICT	UNIT	NAME
North Star	1314	Joshua James Etherton
North Star	1288	Andrew Justin Green
North Star	1333	Adam Julian Grossman
North Star	1301	Logan Kelly Hayes
North Star	1357	Joel Russell Herndon
North Star	1389	Kevin Richard Hopkins
North Star	1351	Sean David Huntley
North Star	1370	Jeffrey Michael Jaskinia
North Star	1314	Michael David Kilpatrick
North Star	1351	Matthew Paul Kuehl
North Star	1374	Andrew David Longres
North Star	1374	Orville Warren Newberry
North Star	1247	Kyle Ray Norwood
North Star	1412	Michael Keith Reilly
North Star	1495	Nicholas Ryan Roberts
North Star	1135	Matthew Stuart Shull
North Star	1374	Jonathan David Sprinkle
North Star	1288	Christopher Kenny Williams
Northern Tier	184	Bryan Earl Beyer
Northern Tier	6648	Ryan David Felshaw
Northern Tier	91	Thomas Henry Freeman
Northern Tier	648	Gary Carter Kearns
Northern Tier	184	Tyler James Kellar
Northern Tier	185	Zachary Charles Kinser
Northern Tier	351	Joshua Kenric Landis
Northern Tier	246	Anthony Thomas Messplay
Northern Tier	93	Jacob Wyatt Miller
Northern Tier	91	Brady Matthew Myers
Northern Tier	18	David Ray Normile II
Northern Tier	91	Stephen George Powell
Northern Tier	439	Dowlin Jared Taylor
Northern Tier	18	Matthew Evan Wilson
Pelathe	55	Matthew Wayne Avila
Pelathe	55	John William Frick II
Pelathe	53	Aleksander Peter McElroy
Pelathe	53	Julian James Spangler
Pioneer Trails	1034	Stanley Keith Aikens II
Pioneer Trails	1006	Aaron Nathaniel Henderson
Pioneer Trails	1006	Kendall Dwayne Jones Jr.
Pioneer Trails	1027	Eric Eugene Love Jr.
Pioneer Trails	1046	Brendan Edward Wilson
Red-Tailed Hawk	182	Michael Ross Boyce II
Red-Tailed Hawk	122	Jeffrey McDonald Brown
Red-Tailed Hawk	315	Clayton Andrew Calder
Red-Tailed Hawk	289	Resse Michael Eulert
Red-Tailed Hawk	122	John Bradley Gilbert
Red-Tailed Hawk	222	Mark Joseph Gruber Jr.
Red-Tailed Hawk	324	Mark Robert Herwig
Red-Tailed Hawk	122	Ryan Steven Hinderliter
Red-Tailed Hawk	201	Ryan Mitchell Jerred
Red-Tailed Hawk	201	Philip Andrew Johnson

DISTRICT	UNIT	NAME
Red-Tailed Hawk	2784	Andrew Jacob Joy
Red-Tailed Hawk	201	Bradley Joseph Klee
Red-Tailed Hawk	218	Ross Teryl Miller
Red-Tailed Hawk	182	Matthew Ryan Schott
Red-Tailed Hawk	182	Christopher John Stauffer
Red-Tailed Hawk	265	Stephen Patrick Sullivan
Red-Tailed Hawk	265	Michael Gegory Wegener
Red-Tailed Hawk	784	Taylor Blaine Wofford
Thundernird	1098	Darryl Alexander Bell Jr.
Thundernird	1269	Steven Matthew Bousman
Thundernird	1032	Cameron Bily Bravo
Thundernird	1469	Nolan Ryan Christensen
Thundernird	1042	Austin James Holt
Thundernird	1245	Benjamin Andrew King
Thundernird	1391	Jacob Dean Lacombe
Thundernird	1042	Justin Michael Lindner
Thundernird	1391	Brackon Wynn Lundy
Thundernird	1323	Thomas Joseph McArthur
Thundernird	1145	Michael Reed McCarter
Thundernird	1032	Derek Lee Slinger
Thundernird	1003	Jacob Paul Sperber
Thundernird	1111	Stephen Martin Stinger
Thundernird	1100	Nathaniel Ryan Sudheimer
Thundernird	1001	Dustin Michael Tankesley
Thundernird	1003	Craig Nolan Wood
Trailhead	457	Partick Milton Amos
Trailhead	282	Andrew Bradley Barnert
Trailhead	284	David James Burchfield
Trailhead	282	James Alexander Hilton
Trailhead	284	Owen Raymond Johnson
Trailhead	257	Donald Lee Keeney III
Trailhead	457	Timothy Kyle Lung
Trailhead	256	Derek Lucas Mael
Trailhead	37	Christopher William Meier
Trailhead	257	David Vaughn Porter Jr.
Trailhead	683	Matthew Phillip Rader
Trailhead	257	Jonathan Matthew Schalteis
Trailhead	92	Justin Lee Sisson
Trailhead	257	Matthew David Wilson
Twin Rivers	103	Jaffar Abbas Agha
Trails West	428	Charlie Huson Allen
Trails West	88	Robert Thomas Cullison
Trails West	186	Kevin Michael Glisson
Trails West	86	Matthew Louis Guth
Trails West	186	Berkley John Jones
Trails West	136	Keith Charles Kennedy
Trails West	181	Stuart David Mears
Trails West	494	Benjamin Gregory Toplikar
Trails West	494	William Francis Toplikar
Trails West	136	Andrew James Vance

Scouting for Cartridges Program

Congratulations to the 180 units of the Heart of America Council who participated in the Scouting for Cartridges Program in 2004. More than 6,700 inkjet cartridges that were previously destined for the landfill have now been recycled. Based upon the success of this program in 2004, we expect 2005 to be an even bigger success.

Printer cartridges can be found in just about every business and home; in 2004 over 200 million inkjet cartridges were used and thrown away in the United States! In 2005 that number is expected to increase. As the use of inkjet printers increases, so does our opportunity to recycle. For those units participating in the program, it is easy to expand your current donation sites.

When a person hears the word "recycling" they imme-

diately think of the environmental rewards. That is certainly true with Scouting for Cartridges. Each cartridge uses 2 cups of oil when they are manufactured. By recycling a cartridge, we reduce the demand on our finite supply of natural resources. In addition to the environmental rewards, Scouting units benefit in two ways. First, InkjetCollect gives each unit \$1.00 for each recyclable cartridge submitted. Second, the top three units that collect the most recyclable cartridges by May 30 (Memorial Day) will earn an Ice Cream Social, compliments of InkjetCollect.

The staff of InkjetCollect has enjoyed meeting the Scouts and Parents who personally delivered their recyclable cartridges to their facility throughout the year. They look forward to working with you in 2005.

The Scouting for Cartridges Program was designed to

promote conservation efforts while teaching units about the benefits of recycling. There is no cost to sign up for the program, simply contact InkjetCollect and ask for a cartridge collection box. A box and information on the models of acceptable cartridges will be sent to you. When the box is full, tape it closed and put it in the mail. InkjetCollect pays for all postage. A check will be sent to your unit within 10 days of receiving your box.

For more information on the Scouting for Cartridges recycling program visit the Council website at www.hoacbsa.org and go to the Scouting for Cartridges page. You can also call InkjetCollect directly at (800) 494-9100 or (913) 307-2147.

Tributes

IN MEMORY OF:

Charles D. Williams

Tim Hatfield
 Stephen and Nicole Pierce
 Charles and Donna Tulipana
 Darren and Linda Williams
 Bob and Christine Bushyhead
 Michael and Susan Doyle
 Shirley Shewmaker
 Mrs. Jeanette Geier and Family
 Arden Weis and Family
 Paul and Marion Cherry
 Marlene and Dick Lemken
 William Tiernan
 Betty Jane Davies
 Roger and Janet Ornduff
 Terry Smitka
 Ronald and Margaret Juhnke
 John and Mary Kitchin
 Uri and Marlene Seiden
 Jeffrey and Gina McMurphy
 Missouri State Highway Patrol
 Troop A
 David and Michelle Gordon
 David and Linda Higdon
 Paul and Alana Carvajal
 Raymond and Sylvia Rieling, Jr.
 Joe and Ruth Blauw
 Automated Ingredient Systems
 James and Linda
 McCambridge
 Joanne Kubesch
 Donald and Barbara Boysen

Terry Creswell

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 Mr. And Mrs. Anthony Sarver
 Mr. And Mrs. Larry Paul
 Mr. And Mrs. Bill Parker
 Mr. And Mrs. James Hale
 Bruce Renfro
 Ruth Carter
 Mr. And Mrs. Robert Rudolph
 Mrs. May Coffman
 Mr. And Mrs. John Latting
 Mrs. Terry Creswell

Michael Blomquist

Mary Blomquist
 David and Michelle Blomquist
 Hiram Blomquist
 Helen Thompson
 Matt and Liba Gamber
 Michael and Kathy Britt

Douglas Enriken

Michael and Kathy McCauley
 John Haley

E. Addis Munyan, Jr.

Michael and Kathy McCauley
 Mrs. Frank Louis Goetz

William A. Shibley

Carolyn Garten
 Thomas and Rosemary Palmer
 Michael and Terri Mullikin
 Johnnie and Dorothy Borden
 J and L Sheet Metal
 William E. Shibley

Donald McRuer

Cecil Simons
 KC North Auto Sales
 Don Witt
 A. A. and T. D. Simon
 Clinton and Melba Springgate
 Scott and Judy McRuer
 Jerry and Eva Holmes

Georgia Murphy

Jerry Paul Fogel

Christopher Shipley

Joseph Shipley

Kyle Chapman

Daniel Chapman

Constance Gordon

Martin Smoler
 Frances McMann

Ronald Vinson

Marilyn Vinson

Norma Schmidt

Harvey Bodker
 W. W. and Joanne Kennedy

William Cahill

Robert McCarthy

Clifford Dunn

E. Lou Dunn

Steve Parmley

Boy Scout Troop 284

Gary Lee Holt

Phillip and Nancy Fulks
 Paul and Naomi Houk
 Edward and Marilyn Vaughn
 Mrs. A. F. Watson
 James and Emmaline Hill

William McDonald Brown

Richard and Suzanne Bond
 George and Janis Haydon
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Kyle Seever

Barton DeLeve

Daniel Ernstmann

Barton DeLeve

William and Mariann

Vandenberg, Jr.
 W. J. Vandenberg, Sr.

Taking Care of Family

Becky just celebrated her fortieth birthday with some degree of reluctance. It was a time in her life when she needed to face her morality. When she saw a seminar offered by our organization entitled "Plan and Provide for Those You Love," she eagerly attended. It was time to think about such things.

There was lots of helpful information offered including information about why people seem reluctant to have a will prepared and the answers to overcome their reluctance. Then there was useful information about what should be in a will and who ought to be the executor and who should be the trustees and for what purpose a trust might be established. Also, discussed were topics such as where to keep your will and when to change your will plus the impact of taxes on the distribution of the estate. It was almost more than she could assimilate in one evening.

One daunting question kept her afterward to further quiz the speaker. It was about her father. He was the sole proprietor of a small struggling business in their community. Becky was an unmarried professional who had accumulated a substantial portfolio of assets. She often helped her father during his lean times. She had no other family. Her mother had long since left the family and Becky maintained no further contact with her.

Becky was well acquainted with our charity and had supported us for many years. So, Becky thought the best thing for her to do was to leave her entire estate to our charity. But what about her father? The speaker had just the answer. He suggested that she discuss with her attorney how to establish an intervening trust to provide for her father in the unlikely event Becky would predecease him. Then at the death of the survivor, the charity would appropriately benefit.

She was glad she had attended the seminar. It provided the answer she needed and she felt a great deal of peace in her own heart about how she might resolve her concerns for her father's care.

For more information about remembering family members in appropriate cost-effective ways, please contact Mike Johnson, Director of Finance Services at (816) 569-4979 or mijohnso@bsaemail.org



2005 NATIONAL SCOUT JAMBOREE

Boy Scouts of America
July 25–August 3, 2005

CAROLINE COUNTY, VIRGINIA

The 2005 National Jamboree will again be held at Fort A.P.Hill in Virginia, from July 25 to August 3, 2005. The Heart of America Council has already started planning for great adventure. If you are interested in participating in the 2005 National Jamboree, either as a Scout, Contingent Leader or Jamboree Staff, or if you would like more information on the National Jamboree, visit the National website at www.scouting.org/jamboree or e-mail daallen@bsaemail.org.

If you are a Heart of America Council Boy Scout and are interested in being selected as one of the 144 Scouts who will be representing our council at the Jamboree, fill out the youth application found on the National Website and send it along with a **\$125.00 non-refundable deposit** to:

HOAC Jamboree Committee
 Heart of America Council
 Boy Scouts of America
 10210 Holmes Road
 Kansas City, Mo. 64131

The final cost and exact tour has not been finalized, at this time, (estimated cost is \$1,600.00) the tour for the 2005 National Jamboree Troops from the Heart of America Council will be similar to the 2001 National Jamboree Tour, which included a two day tour of Washington D.C. and ten days at the National Jamboree site at Fort A.P. Hill in Virginia.



2005 National Scout Jamboree Talent Search

Boy Scouts of America

July 25-August 3, 2005

Do you know a Boy Scout with acting experience? Five outstanding Scout actors will be given the opportunity to star in the Opening Show of the 2005 National Scout Jamboree. ***The selected Scouts will get to spend a week at the Jamboree this summer, at no cost!***

Applicants must be boys, age 14 to 19 as of July 1, 2005, currently registered as Boy Scouts or Venturers, and with some acting experience. This experience may be from school plays, Community Theater, council Scout shows, OA ceremonies, or similar activities.

Interested Scouts need to complete the program application form, and provide a video audition tape. Contact **Jonathan Bonness** at the council service center for applications and necessary information sheets (816) 569-4955 or jbonness@bsamail.org. Don't delay, as all applications and videos submissions must be postmarked by April 1, 2005.

This chance to be considered for a featured role at the National Scout Jamboree is an outstanding opportunity. Scouts selected for this program will get to experience the Jamboree in a very unique way. Alert the Scout actors you know about this program.

Council Calendar

March

- 1 Trbl Cncl Rec Due
- 2 COPE/Climbng Mtg, 7:00 P.M.
- 2 CS Day Camp Staff Meeting, 7:00 P.M.
- 5 Bartle Work Day
- 8 Exec Cmt Meeting, 12:00 P.M.
- 9 Pow Wow Staff, 7:00 P.M.
- 11 Commission Coll, 5:00 P.M.
- 12 COPE/Climbing Weekend, 8:30 A.M.
- 17 OA LEC Mtg, 7:00 P.M.
- 19 Bartle Work Day
- 19 MB Program, 8:00 A.M.
- 19 TN Work Day
- 19 COPE/Climbing Weekend, 8:30 A.M.
- 22 Rotary Cmp Stf Mtg, 6:30 P.M.
- 22 BSCmpLdrMtgBartle, 7:00 P.M.
- 23 Advance Cmt Meeting, 7:00 P.M.
- 23 BSCmpLdrMtgBartle, 7:00 P.M.
- 23 BSCmpLdrMtgNaish, 7:00 P.M.
- 25 Good Friday, Bartle & Naish Closed
- 25 Service Center Closed
- 30 CL Mbrshp Com Meeting, 7:00 P.M.

April

- 1 Campership Apps Due, 8:30 A.M.
- 2 COPE/Climbing Weekend, 8:30 A.M.
- 6 CS Day Camp Staff Meeting, 7:00 P.M.
- 9 Bartle Work Day
- 9 TN Work Day
- 12 Exec Cmt Meeting, 12:00 P.M.
- 13 OA Induct Wkd Pymt Due, 8:30 A.M.
- 13 Camp Cmt Meeting, 7:00 P.M.
- 13 Pow Wow Staff, 7:00 P.M.
- 15 BSA Climbing School, 8:00 A.M.
- 15 Venture Spring Event, 12:00 P.M.

- 20 Bear Res Camp Draw, 5:00 P.M.
- 20 Council Training Meeting, 7:00 P.M.
- 21 OA LEC Meeting, 7:00 P.M.
- 23 Bartle Work Day, 8:00 A.M.
- 23 HRB Com Retreat, 8:00 A.M.
- 23 Naish Camp Staff Meeting, 9:00 A.M.
- 26 Rotary Cmp Staff Meeting, 6:30 P.M.
- 27 BS Camp Final Fee, 5:00 P.M.
- 29 OA Induct Wkd 1, 4:00 P.M.
- 29 HRB Cmp Comm Retreat, 7:00 P.M.

May

- 4 OA Induct Wkd 2 Pymt Due, 8:00 A.M.
- 4 Web Cmp Pay Due, 8:30 A.M.
- 4 CS Day Camp Staff Meeting, 7:00 P.M.
- 7 Bartle Work Day
- 7 COPE/Climbing Weekend, 8:30 A.M.
- 10 Exec Board Meeting, 12:00 P.M.
- 11 Bear Camp Fee Due, 8:00 A.M.
- 11 Day Camp Fee Due, 8:30 A.M.
- 11 Pow Wow Staff, 7:00 P.M.
- 14 COPE/Climbing Weekend, 8:30 A.M.
- 18 COPE/Climbng Meeting, 7:00 P.M.
- 19 OA LEC Meeting, 7:00 P.M.
- 20 OA Induct Weekend 2, 4:00 P.M.
- 21 Bartle Work Day, 8:00 A.M.
- 24 Rotary Cmp Staff Meeting, 6:30 P.M.
- 24 Commissioner Meeting, 7:00 P.M.
- 25 Advance Cmt Meeting, 7:00 P.M.
- 27 Bartle & Naish Closed
- 30 Memorial Day - Scout Shop & Service Center Closed
- 31 Venture Camp, 6:00 P.M.



SCOUTING

Timeless Values

Scout Night with the T-Bones Vs. St. Paul Saints

7:05 pm Game Time, Saturday,
June 4, 2005

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:

KC T-Bones, 1800 Village West
Parkway
Kansas City, KS 66111

Tickets for the event will be mailed directly to your contact person.

Please note that the grass/berm 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.

REGISTRATION

District _____ Pack _____ Troop _____

Unit Contact _____

Phone _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

CAMPOUT PACKAGES

____ Grass/Berm Seats @ \$16 ea. = \$ _____

____ Select Seats @ \$17 ea. = \$ _____

GAME ONLY

____ Grass/Berm Seats @ \$4 ea. = \$ _____

____ Select Seats @ \$5 ea. = \$ _____

CREDIT CARD NO.:

Expiration Date _____

NAME ON CARD _____

Cub Scout Outdoor Activity Award

Tiger Cubs, Wolf and Bear Cub Scouts, and Webelos Scouts have the opportunity to earn the Cub Scout Outdoor Activity Award. Boys may earn the award in each of the program years as long as the requirements are completed each year. The first time the award is earned, the boy will receive the pocket flap award, which is to be worn on the right pocket flap of the uniform shirt. Each successive time the award is earned, a wolf track pin may be added to the flap. Leaders should encourage boys to build on skills and experiences from previous years when working on the award for a successive year.

Requirements

All Ranks

Attend Cub Scout day camp or Cub Scout/Webelos Scout resident camp.

Rank Specific

Tiger Cubs. Complete one requirement in Achievement 5, "Let's Go Outdoors" (Tiger Cub Handbook) and complete three of the outdoor activities listed below.

Wolf Cub Scouts. Assemble the "Six Essentials for Going Outdoors" (Wolf Handbook, Elective 23b) and discuss their purpose, and complete four of the outdoor activities listed below.

Bear Cub Scouts. Earn the Cub Scout Leave No Trace Award (Bear Handbook, Elective 25h) and complete five of the outdoor activities listed below.

Webelos Scouts. Earn the Outdoorsman Activity Badge (Webelos Handbook); and complete six of the outdoor activities listed below.

Outdoor Activities

With your den, pack, or family:

1. Participate in a nature hike in your local area. This can be on an organized, marked trail, or just a hike to observe nature in your area.
2. Participate in an outdoor activity such as a picnic or park fun day.
3. Explain the buddy system and tell what to do if lost. Explain the importance of cooperation.
4. Attend a pack overnighter. Be responsible by being prepared for the event.
5. Complete an outdoor service project in your community.
6. Complete a nature/conservation project in your area. This project should involve improving, beautifying, or supporting natural habitats. Discuss how this project helped you to respect nature.
7. Earn the Summertime Pack Award.
8. Participate in a nature observation activity. Describe or illustrate and display your observations at a den or pack meeting.
9. Participate in an outdoor aquatic activity. This can be an organized swim meet or just a den or pack swim.
10. Participate in an outdoor camp fire program. Perform in a skit, sing a song, or take part in a ceremony.
11. Participate in an outdoor sporting event.
12. Participate in an outdoor Scout's Own or other worship service.
13. Explore a local city, county, state, or national park. Discuss with your den how a good citizen obeys the park rules.



75th Anniversary Awards

Cub Scouts

For Tiger Cubs, Cub Scouts, and Webelos Scouts

Complete requirement 1 and five other activities.

1. Participate in a pack, district, or council celebration commemorating the 75th Anniversary of Cub Scouting. (This could be a blue and gold banquet.)
2. With an adult family member, talk to someone who was living in 1930 when Cub Scouting was founded. Find out what life was like for that person as a child — games played, subjects studied in school, family pastimes, and such. Draw a picture illustrating one of these activities.
3. With your den or family members, take part in a skit, song, or ceremony or tell a story about the history of Cub Scouting or the values it represents.
4. Make a puppet showing one of the characters from Rudyard Kipling's *The Jungle Book*. You can learn about these characters in the Cub Scout handbooks. Use your puppet in a puppet show.
5. Draw an illustration of the United States flag as it looked in 1930. Explain what changes have been made in the flag since then and why. Tell how you can show respect for the flag.
6. Participate in a pack, district, or council derby. Decorate your entry to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of Cub Scouting.
7. Choose a sport from the Cub Scout Academics and Sports program. Learn about someone who has played this sport during the past 75 years. Play the sport with your den, pack, friends, or family.
8. Learn how some methods of transportation have changed in the past 75 years. Create a model or sculpture of one means of transportation that was used in 1930.
9. List five methods of communication commonly used today. Tell how many of these existed in 1930. Use one method of communication to invite a non-Scouting friend to a 75th Anniversary activity and invite him to join.
10. Design a greeting card for the 75th Anniversary of Cub Scouting. Send the card to a friend or relative, with a note telling them about your favorite Cub Scout activities and why Cub Scouting is important to you.

Cub Scout Leaders

For any registered leader who works with Cub Scouts

Complete requirement 1 and five other activities.

1. Participate in a pack, district, or council celebration commemorating the 75th Anniversary of Cub Scouting. (This could be a blue and gold banquet.)
2. Create posters, fliers, or other media to promote 75th Anniversary celebration events and/or awards at three den, pack, district, or council events.
3. Serve on a committee in your pack, district, or council to plan an event to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of Cub Scouting (different from activity 1).
4. Learn about a game that boys played in 1930. Teach the game to Cub Scouts at a den meeting, pack meeting, camp, or district activity, or to a group of leaders at a training event or roundtable.
5. Using materials that would have been available in 1930, teach a craft to Cub Scouts at a den meeting, pack meeting, camp, or district activity, or to a group of leaders at a training event or roundtable.
6. Learn a song that was popular in 1930. Teach the song to Cub Scouts at a den meeting, pack meeting, camp, or district activity, or to a group of leaders at a training event or roundtable.
7. Take photographs or write an article about how your den, pack, district, or council is celebrating the 75th Anniversary of Cub Scouting. Submit to a local newspaper for publication.
8. Create a costume and wear it to tell a story about the history of Cub Scouting to Cub Scouts at a den meeting, pack meeting, camp, or district activity, or to a group of leaders at a training event or roundtable. (Resources include youth handbooks and Cub Scout Leader Book.)
9. Invite a career professional (fire fighter, police officer, banker, retail professional, etc.) to speak at a Cub Scout activity or training event, highlighting how his/her profession has changed in the past 75 years.
10. Read Rudyard Kipling's *The Jungle Book* to familiarize yourself with the characters Baden-Powell incorporated into Cub Scouting.

Cub Scout Families

For all Tiger Cubs, Cub Scouts, Webelos Scouts, and family members

Complete requirement 1 and five other activities.

1. Participate in a pack, district, or council celebration commemorating the 75th Anniversary of Cub Scouting. (This could be a blue and gold banquet.)
2. Invite another family to attend a 75th Anniversary event or activity to learn more about Cub Scouting and how to join.
3. Visit a business, landmark, or other site or structure in your community that is at least 75 years old. Talk to a representative about how the location has changed in the past 75 years.
4. As a family, make a list of household items that would not have existed 75 years ago. Discuss what might have been used instead and how life was different without these items.
5. Bake a cake, pie, cookies, or other dessert using ingredients that would have been available 75 years ago. Decorate the dessert with a Cub Scout theme.
6. Start a family scrapbook, or add to an existing one. Include photographs or memorabilia from at least six different Scouting activities.
7. Make a family time capsule with each family member including items that represent what is important to him or her. Decide on a future date on which to open the capsule together.
8. As a family, read an article together from *Boys' Life* magazine (accessible via the Internet at www.boyslife.org). Talk about how this article would have been different had it been written 75 years ago.
9. Draw a family time line going back at least 75 years. Include significant dates such as birthdays, weddings, and when family members joined Scouting. Mark 1930 as the year Cub Scouting began.
10. Find a picture or photograph of the Cub Scout uniform in 1930. Discuss how the uniform has changed. Have each family member draw a picture of what they think the Cub Scout uniform might look like 75 years in the future.

Cub Scout Packs

For each youth and adult member of qualifying packs

Complete requirement 1 and five other activities.

1. Hold a blue and gold banquet celebrating the 75th Anniversary of Cub Scouting.
2. Conduct an open house or recruiting event (an indoor event or held outdoors at a local park or other facility) to introduce new families to Cub Scouting and emphasize how Scouting's values have remained constant throughout Cub Scouting's 75-year history.
3. Take part in a parade or other community event through which your pack can promote the 75th Anniversary of Cub Scouting.

4. Conduct a pack derby in which boys are encouraged to decorate entries with a 75th Anniversary of Cub Scouting theme.
5. Using the history of Cub Scouting as the theme, conduct an outdoor camp fire program.
6. Conduct a pack service project, such as Good Turn for America, that promotes and reinforces the concept of 75 years of Cub Scouts helping others. As a pack, contribute at least 75 hours of service.
7. Work with your chartered organization to recognize Cub Scouting's 75th Anniversary in the organization's correspondence, newsletters, or other media.
8. Prepare a photo display for your chartered organization or other community location, highlighting activities of your pack today and in years past. This may also include photos from other family members who were in Scouting.
9. Appoint a pack historian to document pack events during the 75th Anniversary celebration. The historian may

add to an existing scrapbook or history or may begin a scrapbook or other record that the pack can build on in the future.

10. At your chartered organization, local park, or other community site, plant a tree to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of Cub Scouting.



See Page 6 for Awards Request Form

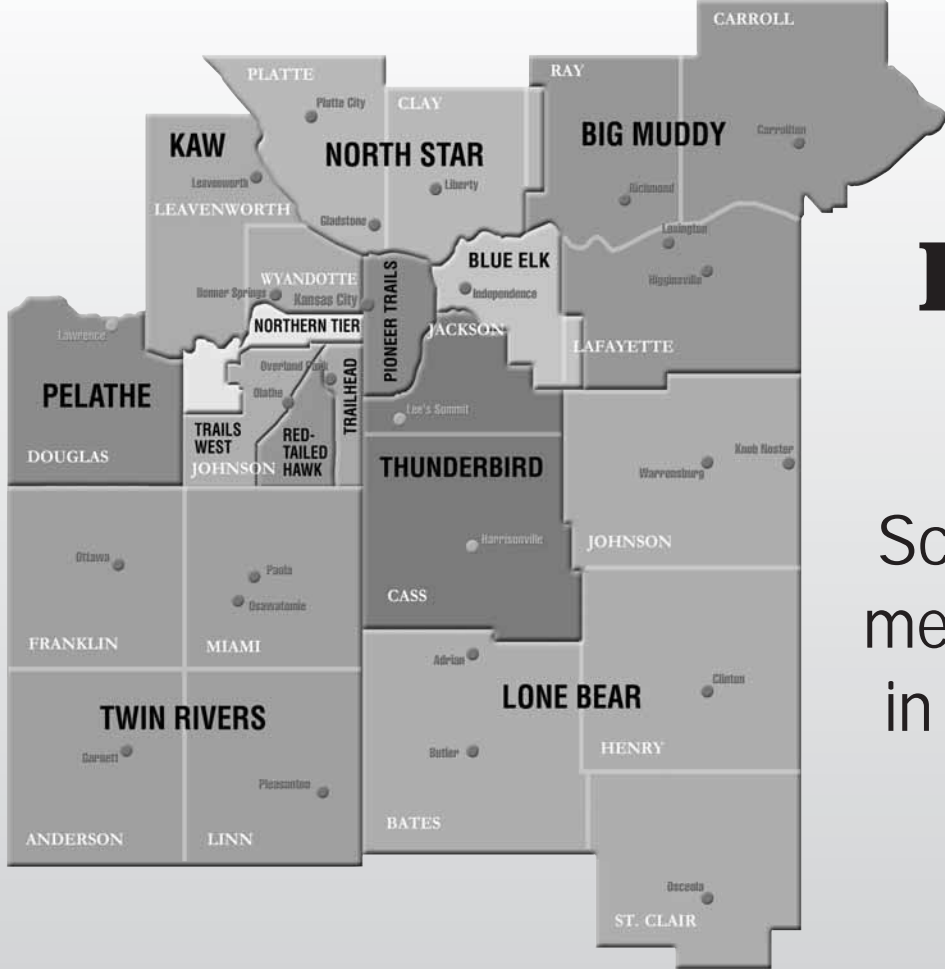
Cub Scouting's 75th Anniversary Awards Request

You can earn Cub Scout 75th Anniversary Award emblems! Each award emblem border features a different color. To receive your awards, please submit this form with appropriate fees to the Heart of America Service Center.

Contact your district leader for more information.

Item Number	Description	Price	Quantity	Total
75001	Youth Award —Patch with red border. For Tiger Cubs, Cub Scouts, and Webelos Scouts.	\$3.95		
75002	Leader Award —Patch with blue border. For any registered leader who works with Cub Scouts.	\$3.95		
75003	Family Award —Patch with yellow border. For all Tiger Cubs, Cub Scouts, Webelos Scouts, and family members.	\$3.95		
75004	Pack Award —Patch with silver border. For each youth and adult member of qualifying packs.	\$3.95		
17836	Pack Award —Ribbon streamer for pack flag.	\$15.50 (pkg 10)		

Name _____ Pack Number _____ Date _____



The map displays 19 districts, each named after a county in Kansas or Missouri. The districts are: KAW (Leavenworth), NORTH STAR (Platte City, Liberty), BIG MUDDY (Richmond, Corvillian), LEAVENWORTH (Gladstone), WYANDOTTE (Kansas City), BLUE ELK (Independence, Higginville), NORTHERN TIER (Lawrence), PIONEER TRAILS (Lee's Summit), JACKSON, LAFAYETTE, PELATHE (Overland Park, Olathe), THUNDERBIRD (Harrisonville, Knob Noster), DOUGLAS, TRAILS WEST, RED-TAILED HAWK, JOHNSON, WARRIMORE, FRANKLIN (Ottawa), MIAMI (Parks, Ozarkton), CASS, THUNDERBIRD, JOHNSON, TWIN RIVERS (Capriotti), LONE BEAR (Clinton), ANDERSON (Pleasanton), HENRY, BATES, BUTLER, LINN, BATES, ST. CLAIR (Deerola).

Heart of America Districts

Scouting serves 55,635 young men and women in 19 counties in Kansas and Missouri with a values based, character development program

2005 Rotary Camp

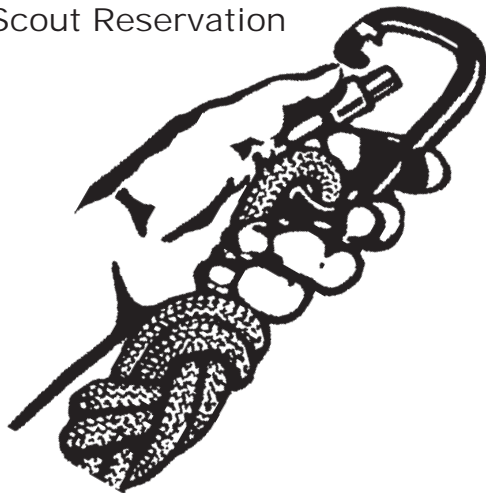
We are excited to announce some changes for Rotary Camp in 2005. First, the new dates of Rotary Camp for 2005 will be Monday, June 27th to Friday, July 1st. As many of you may already know, the dining hall at Rotary Camp has been torn down in order to make room for a bigger and better dining hall. This will allow us to camp more Scouts in 2005, as we plan on increasing our number of campers from 50 to 65! Since we have a 1 to 1

ratio at Rotary Camp, more campers will require more staff. If you are interested in serving on Rotary Camp Staff in 2005, you can download the Staff Application from the council website. Rotary Camp Staff will be required to be at camp from Friday, June 24th to Saturday, July 2nd. Should you have any questions regarding Rotary Camp, please contact **Brian Tobler** at (816) 569-4985.

BSA CLIMBING INSTRUCTOR TRAINING

April 15-17, 2005

Theodore Naish Scout Reservation



The Heart of America and Jayhawk Area Councils would like to extend an invitation to you to become a BSA Climbing Instructor. This is an excellent opportunity to learn the basic skills for facilitation of BSA Climbing and Rappelling events. Topics will include, but are not limited to: Tower Operation, Natural Site Selection and Use, Emergency Procedures, Equipment, National Standards, and Safety. **THIS IS A TRAINING PROGRAM.** For you to complete the training, you must be observed operating your council's site by a BSA Climbing Director after completing the training. Additionally, a council can send their Summer Camp Climbing and Rappelling Staff to this training to learn to work together as well as learning the basic skills.

Each council must have at least one BSA National Camping School Climbing and Rappelling Director. It is then up to each Climbing Director to train instructors. These instructors can then operate the program

without DIRECT supervision of the director. In other words, the BSA Climbing Instructors, over the age of 21, can operate the climbing sites at camps without a director present on site. This is very different from the Project COPE standards.

The event will start on Friday night, April 15, 2005 at 6:30 PM with registration. Training will begin promptly 7:30 PM and run through 2:00 PM on Sunday, April 17, 2005. Housing, meals and hot showers will be provided as part of the course fee. Additionally, each participant will receive a notebook containing the information covered in the course. **PLEASE NOTE:** The BSA Climbing and Rappelling program is an outdoor program. Personal gear should include cold weather gear, rain gear, day pack, and water bottle. Please bring a ground pad or cot for sleeping.

For more information visit www.hoac-bsa.org or e-mail **Jonathan Bonness** at jbonness@bsamail.org.

2005 Camp Sessions

Session	Dates	Session	Dates
THEODORE NAISH SCOUT RESERVATION BOY SCOUT CAMP		H ROE BARTLE SCOUT RESERVATION BOY SCOUT CAMP	
Staff Week	June 5 – 10, 2005	Staff Week	June 4 – 10, 2005
1	June 12 – 18, 2005	MOS Tribal Gathering	June 11, 2005
2	June 19 – 25, 2005	1	June 13 – 22, 2005
3	June 26 – July 2, 2005	2	June 23 – July 2, 2005
THEODORE NAISH SCOUT RESERVATION WEBELOS CAMP		3	July 3 – 12, 2005
1	July 3 – 5, 2005	4	July 13 – 22, 2005
2	July 7 – 9, 2005	5	July 23 – August 1, 2005
3	July 10 – 12, 2005	6	August 2 – 11, 2005
4	July 14 – 16, 2005	THEODORE NAISH CUB WORLD BEAR RESIDENT CAMP	
5	July 17 – 19, 2005	1	July 9 – 10, 2005
6	July 21 – 23, 2005	2	July 11 – 12, 2005
7	July 24 – 26, 2005	3	July 16 – 17, 2005
8	July 28 – 30, 2005	4	July 18 – 19, 2005
9	July 31 – August 2, 2005	5	July 23 – 24, 2005
10	August 4 – 6, 2005	6	July 25 – 26, 2005
11	August 7 – 9, 2005	7	July 30 – 31, 2005
12	August 11 – 13, 2005	8	August 1 – 2, 2005
		9	August 6 – 7, 2005
		10	August 8 – 9, 2005
CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP SESSIONS			
Big Muddy: June 6 – 9, 2005			
Blue Elk: July 11 – 15, 2005			
Kaw: June 27 – July 1, 2005			
Lone Bear: June 27 – 30, 2005			
North Star: June 6 – 9, 2005			
Northern Tier: June 13 – 17, 2005			
Pelathe: June 6 – 10, 2005			
Pioneer Trails: June 13 – 16, 2005			
Red-Tailed Hawk: June 13 – 17, 2005			
Thunderbird: June 20 – 24, 2005			
Trailhead: June 20 – 23, 2005			
Trails West: June 6 – 10, 2005			
Twin Rivers: June 6 – 9, 2005			
LOCATIONS FOR DAY CAMPS WILL BE ANNOUNCED LATER or you can contact your District Executive for more information.			
BOY SCOUT ROTARY CAMP			
June 27 – July 1, 2005 at Rotary Youth Camp in Lee's Summit			
VENTURE CAMP			
May 31 – June 3, 2005 at H Roe Bartle Scout Reservation			

Learning for Life & Exploring

Contact Information

Your post is important to us. While we visit with all advisors regularly, we are available to address your needs and concerns as they arise. Please contact either **Lisa Hayes**, Exploring Director, at 816.569.4972 or lhayes@lflmail.org; or **Adam Berthot**, Senior Exploring Executive, at 816.569.4970, or aberthot@lflmail.org.

Got E-mail?

Would you like updated Exploring information? Want to know about the latest resources available to your post's leadership? Send us an e-mail and we will add you to our group listing. Your information will be kept confidential.

Tell Us Your Story

We would like to hear about what you are doing with articles and pictures. In the newsletter we offer an abundance of information, but it is a lot of fun to see what the other posts and groups are doing out there. If you have a great story to tell of an adventure, activity, or exciting event, send it in or email your story with pictures and we'll try to get it in to the newsletter.

Start Off 2005 with Learning for Life Resources

Here is a friendly checklist! Do you have these LFL resources in your office? Are you using them to help your program be successful?

Drug Abuse Prevention Education Lessons: Wonderful supplemental resources available to help K-6th grade classrooms discover the challenges of substance abuse.

Exploring Youth and Adult Leader Guidebooks: Both may be downloaded from the public Internet site at www.learningforlife.org. Here you can choose your age appropriate Leader Guidebook to assist your program.

Super Safe and both edi-

tions of the Life Choices games: Now a version can be played on the public web site at

www.learningforlife.org. Kids can play these games from home or the classroom. Get the word out to your parents and other teachers!

Process Evaluations: (one for each school-based program) these program-specific surveys are used as mid-year evaluation tool. So the month of January is an excellent time to use them! It helps to get feedback on the utilization of the Learning for Life school-based programs.

Scholarships: Visit www.learningforlife.org to check out all the wonderful scholarships available. The applications can be downloaded from the internet side.

We want to be there to assist you in every way possible to ensure your Learning for Life Program is a success. With so many resources just a click away, it's a great way to enhance your education curriculum.

Mark Your Calendars

2005 National Fire/Emergency Services Exploring Conference

DATES: June 20-24, 2005

WHERE: Texas Engineering Extension Service, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.

COST: \$350 per person.

REGISTRATION: The Post Reservation/Security Deposit Form is available online and through your Exploring Executive. Posts should complete the form and obtain the local Learning for Life office signature for approval. Forward the form, along with a \$100 post deposit, to the national office. You must be a registered participant of an Explorer post to attend.

PROGRAM: The program is several days of exciting competitions and events:

Team competitions. CPR and Movement, Spinal Immobilization and Move, Arson Investigation, Bunker Gear and SCBA Relay, Room

Search, Paramedic Biking Competition, Make & Break, Ladder Raise.

Individual events. One-Person CPR, Candidate Physical Ability (CPAT), Written Examination, Initial Size-Up and Incident Command, Wildfire Shelter Deployment, Bunker Gear and SCBA, Drill Competition.

Seminars. CAREER TRACT: Exploring career option in the fire service, EMS: New technologies review and operations of "Charlie," TEXAS FOREST SERVICE: Space shuttle recovery, INDUSTRIAL FIREFIGHTING: What are the differences: industrial vs. municipal, DANIELLE SMALLEY FOUNDATION: Pipeline safety and awareness, USAR K-9 RESCUE: Review of use of canine search and rescue, TERRORISM AND WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION: Fire service role in Homeland Defense; LPG EMERGENCIES: LPG awareness and operations, FIRE PREVENTION AND INVESTIGATIONS: Overview of fire prevention and arson investigation, PROTECTIVE CLOTHING: Types and use of personal protective equipment, FIREFIGHTING TOOLS: Course review and application of new tools used in the fire service, TEXAS TASK FORCE ONE: NYC response and USAR training. View the conference guidebook online at www.learningforlife.org/exploring/fire.

2005 NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT EXPLORING LEADERSHIP ACADEMIES IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

DATES: July 2 - July 9;

WHERE: Quantico, VA

THE DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION

DATES: July 9 - July 16;

WHERE: Quantico, VA

THE U.S. MARSHALS SERVICE

DATES: July 16 - July 23;

WHERE: Washington, DC

THE U.S. ARMY MILITARY POLICE

DATES: July 16 - July 23;

WHERE: Fort Leonard Wood, MO

D.C. (Ronald Reagan National Airport) or to Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri, and a **\$50.00** administration fee. **(DO NOT SEND ANY MONEY WITH APPLICATION.)** Academy Explorers will be expected to cover costs for all breakfasts in Washington, D.C., and some dinners. Housing, most lunches and some dinners, program insurance, and fees for the academy will be provided. Explorers arriving early or staying late will be responsible for early/late costs. Of course, spending money and uniform costs are the participant's responsibility.

REGISTRATION: The completed nomination form with the appropriate certifications must be RECEIVED, not postmarked, in the national office no later than February 11, 2005. Late applications will not be considered. The information and application can be found on the Learning for Life Web site: www.learningforlife.org. Go to Exploring then Law Enforcement Exploring and click on Academies. You can also view preliminary schedules for each of the academies on the web site.

2005 National Health Careers Exposition

DATES: August 3-7, 2005

WHERE: The National Institutes of Health and the Uniformed Services University, Bethesda, Maryland.

COST: \$400 per person (both youth and adults), which covers the cost of meals, housing accommodations, and extracurricular activities. The National Health Careers Exploring Committee will offer a limited number of scholarships to help defray expenses for posts to attend the exposition.

REGISTRATION: A promotional brochure with registration form for the exposition will be sent to all health post advisors this fall.

PROGRAM: This 3 _ day conference will have participants spending two full days on the campus of the Uniformed Services University and one full day at the National Institutes of Health. Participants will attend interactive workshops and semi-

nars focusing on a variety of health-care career options such as medicine, dentistry, veterinary, allied health, pharmacy, osteopathic, chiropractic, nursing, and podiatry. Participants will also have time for extracurricular activities, including an opening banquet and dance with live entertainment, a tour of Washington, D.C., and much more. View the conference brochure online at www.learningforlife.org/exploring/health.

Post-Fundraising Ideals

If your post needs fundraising ideas, to support post activities or program enhancements please visit the Learning for Life website at www.learningforlife.org, click on "Exploring," navigate to "New Resources" and click on "Resources for Exploring Leaders", then navigate to "How to Earn Money."

Parents: An Untapped Resource for Posts

Parents are probably not utilized as much as they could be to ensure the success of your post. Here are some tips for enhancing parental involvement in various programs. At the post's next meeting or firstnighter this spring, invite the participants' parents to attend. Distribute the adult resource survey form to identify the interests and abilities of the Explorers' parents. Getting parents involved with a post as a leader or committee member can help you efficiently execute your role as advisor. With the participating organization's approval, parents may serve as coordinators for fund-raising events, or activity chaperones and coordinators, among others. Moreover, parental involvement is a great youth retention tool. The adult resource survey is available through the Learning for Life office and also in your program guide curriculum.



Kaw District

Cub Scout Day Camp

As the snow falls and the days get shorter its nice to think about a warmer time, summer time, Day Camp TIME!!!

Yes it is time to start the 2005 addition of Cub Scout Day Camp. The Dates for this year's day camp are

June 27 to July 1, 2005. The location will be Camp Naish in Bonner Springs, KS. The fee is \$45.00 (with campership available). Your boys can look forward to BB guns, Archery, song, skits, crafts and much, much more. Grey and Mary have put together a great team and are ready for a great summer.

Kaw Events

March

- 3 Roundtable/OA Chapter Meeting 7:00 p.m. Rehm's Park Southern Baptist: Pratt Ave & Garfield St Bonner Springs, KS 66012
- 10 District Committee/Commissioner Meeting 7:00 p.m. BPU Human Resources, 300 N. 65th St., Kansas City, KS
- 12 General Motors Pinewood Derby General Motors Plant -Fairfax District
- 19 New Leaders Essentials training, Leader Specific training Immanuel Baptist, Church 90th and Parallel Pkwy, KCK. Cost is \$5.00

April

- 7 Roundtable/OA Chapter Meeting 7:00 p.m. Rehm's Park Southern Baptist: Pratt Ave & Garfield St Bonner Springs, KS 66012
- 14 District Committee/Commissioner Meeting 7:00 p.m. BPU Human Resources, 300 N. 65th St., Kansas City, KS

May

- 5 Roundtable/OA Chapter Meeting 7:00 p.m.
- 12 District Committee/Commissioner Meeting 7:00 p.m. BPU Human Resources, 300 N. 65th St., Kansas City, KS

The Kaw District Roundtable is moving to a new location.

Rehm's Park Southern Baptist:
913-422-5052
Pratt Ave & Garfield St
Bonner Springs, KS 66012

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2005 Friends of Scouting Presentations

This is a fast past exciting fundraising campaign and we want you to be a part of it. We have already raised 31% of our 2005 Family Friends of Scouting Goal. Now is the time to contact Rick Lockwood 913-6842980 or Dusty Boatright 816-569-4967 to reserve your FOS presentation. Don't miss out on a great presentation and an opportunity to give back to scouting.

Are Your Webelos Ready to Cross Over?

February is Blue and Gold month and Crossover time. Are your Webelos ready to cross over? If they are not we would like to help. We have a lot of Troops that would like to host your Webelos for a meeting or campout to show them what to expect. For more information about Webelos to Scout Transition please contact Charles Vonderheid, Dusty Boatright or Khary Floyd at 816-942-9333

Are You a Troop with No Webelos Crossing Over?

80% of our Boy Scouts were Webelos. Have you asked your feeder Pack

about their Webelos and have you invited the Webelos to a meeting or campout? If the answer is no, please contact us and we will be happy to help with the contact and recruitment.

Training for Adult Leaders

The Kaw District will be holding New Leaders Essentials training, Leader Specific training March 19th from 7:30 a.m. (check-in) and will run to 1:00 p.m. for Cub Scout and till 5:00 p.m. for Boy Scout Leaders. Location is at the Immanuel Baptist Church 90th and Parallel Pkwy, KCK. Cost is \$5.00 registration due by March 3rd at Round Table. For more information contact Greg Carpenter 816-769-7975

Kaw District Pinewood Derby General Motors Plant - Fairfax District Saturday, March 12, 2005

On Saturday, March 12 it's Pinewood Derby time again! This is an exciting time for countless Cub Scouts as they design, shape, paint and race their cars throughout Kaw District. The Kaw District wants to share in that excitement by extending an invitation to all Cub Scouts and their leaders to participate in the 6th annual

Pinewood Derby Race at the General Motors Fairfax Plant on Saturday, March 12, 2005 from 8:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. This joint venture allows Cub Scouts from Wyandotte and Leavenworth Counties to race their gravity-propelled pinewood cars and the event is free of charge.

The fun begins at 8:00 a.m. with the official registration and weigh-in of all cars, and the first race starts around 9:00 a.m. Last year a number of Cub Scouts had an exciting time racing as well as viewing the real race cars on display in front of the GM Plant. Come and experience the excitement of racing your Pinewood Derby car and receive a ribbon, patch and bag full of giveaways. The 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners will earn trophies.

Call **Dusty Boatright** or **Charles Vonderheid** at (816) 942-933 or 1-800-776-1110 to reserve your spot.

Klondike Derby

Thanks to all the Scouts and Scouters who made the Klondike Derby a success. A special thanks to Larry Sisk and his crew for all their hard work.

District Dinner

Thanks to Sharon Thebo and her team for a great event, everyone is looking forward to next year.

Kaw 2005 District Committee

District Chairman	Doug Spangler	913-441-3707
District Commissioner	Susan Rodgers	913-351-1470
Cub Scout Round Table	Sharon Thebo	913-287-2278
Boy Scout Round Table	Shawn Mullen	913 651-4550
District Training Chair	Greg Carpenter	816-769-7975
Boy Scout Training Chair	Rick Lockwood	913-785-3555
Youth Protection Training	Nancy Henre	913-369-2726
Membership Chair	OPEN	
Activities Chair	Dan Hammond	913-651-4885
Kaw Spirit Team	Bob and Mary Sixta	913-895-5730
Camping Chair	Mike Henre	913-369-2726
Advancement Chair	Sharlet Untereiner	913-651-3436
Relationships Chair	Ray Thebo	913-287-2278
District Director	Charles Vonderheid	816-569-4949 cvonderh@bsamail.org
Sr. District Executive	Dusty Boatright	816-569-4967 dboatrig@bsamail.org
District Executive	Khary Floyd	816-569-4965 cfloyd@bsamail.org



Pelathe District

Pelathe District Recognition Banquet

On Saturday January 15th, the Pelathe District celebrated the accomplishments of our volunteers in 2004. Special thanks for the time and effort go out to our emcee and Dinner Chairperson, Frank Wright. He did an excellent job. District Chairman, John Scarffe spoke to the nearly 80 volunteers in attendance about the State of the District, as well as the challenges Scouting faces in Douglas County and the positive influence all leaders and Scouting have on registered youths. Our challenge for 2005 is to return to Quality District Status. Frank Wright recognized many present for service to the District

through events in the areas of camping, advancement, training, and activities. Jim Petersen was presented the Distinguished Commissioner award in absentia. The highlight of the evening was the presentation of the District Award of Merit. The District Award of Merit is the highest honor any district may award its volunteers. The Pelathe District was honored to recognize two of its own, Rod Zinn, from Troop 52, and Mark Gleeson, from Troop 59. The evening closed with a motivational talk from incoming District Commissioner John Scott.

Congratulations again to Rod and Mark!



Rod Zinn and Mark Gleeson



District Officers: Tom Sheely, Vice Chair; John Scott, Commissioner; John Scarffe, Chairman with a Scout

100% Boys Life

Does every family in your unit have Boys' Life? If not, the charter renewal period is an excellent time to promote the importance of Boys' Life to the youth and parents within your unit. Boys' Life is not only a program enhancement, but also a source of useful information for youth of all ages. We encourage every unit within the Pelathe District to strive for 100% Boys' Life.

Sign Up for the Pelathe-L

The Pelathe District E-mail List Serve Also known as The Pelathe-L, allows you to send an email message to all who are signed up on the list, and lets you get information out quickly. It also lets you stay in touch and have up to date information.

Sign up by going to <http://pelathe.lawrence.ks.us> and clicking on the Subscribe/Unsubscribe link.

Pelathe Events

March

- 3 District Commissioners Meeting, First Baptist Church, 1330 Kasold, 6:30 p.m.
- 3 Roundtable, First Baptist Church, 1330 Kasold, 7:00 PM.
- 5 District Pine Wood Derby
- 17 District Committee Meeting, Bishop Seabury Academy, 4120 Clinton Parkway, 7:00 PM. District Committee Chairpersons.
- 19 New Leader Essentials

April

- 7 District Commissioners Meeting, First Baptist Church, 1330 Kasold, 6:30 p.m.
- 7 Roundtable, First Baptist Church, 1330 Kasold, 7:00 PM.
- 21 District Committee Meeting, Bishop Seabury Academy, 4120 Clinton Parkway, 7:00 PM. All District Committee Members.

May

- 5 District Commissioners Meeting, First Baptist Church, 1330 Kasold, 6:30 p.m.
- 5 Roundtable, First Baptist Church, 1330 Kasold, 7:00 PM.
- 13-15 Webelos Graduation Weekend, Camp Bromelsick
- 18 District Committee Meeting, Bishop Seabury Academy, 4120 Clinton Parkway, 7:00 PM. District Committee Chairpersons.

2005 Pelathe District Committee Chairs

District Chairman	John Scarffe (785) 843-5175
Vice Chairman	Tom Sheely (785) 842-9662
District Commissioner	John Scott (785) 542-3510
Advancement	Keith Wood (785) 841-7208
Activities	Mike McCurdy (785) 542-3050
Training	Pat Donahue (785) 842-5589
Training	Glen Sharp (785) 594-3006
Membership/Relationships	Frank Wright (785) 842-3553
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Day Camp 2005

This is the 75th anniversary for Cub Scouts! We have a wonderful program planned for this summer. Our theme will be "Diamonds in the Rough". The dates for Day Camp are July 11 thru the 15th. We have found a location for Day Camp!! Day Camp will again be held at George Owen Nature Park in Independence. If there is any questions please feel to contact: **Dan Jackson** @ (816) 690-5906; **Mary Morris** @ (816) 796-6657; or **Joe Myers** @ (816) 569-4983 or email at jmyers@bsamail.org.

Family Friends of Scouting

We are currently in the middle of Family Friends of Scouting campaign. Friends of Scouting is very important, without your help a lot of the programs we offer could not be possible. We are currently set-

ting up presentations for units. The presentations take between 5 to 8 minutes and can be done at Blue and Gold Banquets and Court of Honors are the best times to do a FOS presentation. To set up a presentation please contact **Joe Myers** @ (816) 569-4983 or email @ jmyers@bsamail.org.

Upcoming Trainings

We have many opportunities in the up coming months for leaders to get trained. Remember that any adult who holds a position in a unit needs to be trained for that position. In **March** we have training for **New Leader Essentials** on the **8th at 7:00pm** at Beacon Heights Community of Christ Church 19402 E. Holke Rd., Independence. **March 19th at 8:00 am to 4:30 pm** you have an opportunity to attend training for Scoutmaster & Assistant Scoutmaster Specific and

Varsity Leader Training. The training will be held at Beacon Heights Community of Christ Church 19402 E. Holke Rd., Independence. BALOO training will be held on the **9th of April**, starting at 8:00 am at Beacon Heights Community of Christ Church 19402 E. Holke Rd., Independence. On **April 12th and 19th** there will be trainings held at **7:00pm** at Oak Grove United Methodist Church 1501 S. Harding St. Oak Grove, MO. The **12th** will be New Leader Essentials and on the **19th** will be Cub Specific Training. For more information call or any questions call **Ross Pfannenstiel** @ (816) 569-4983 or **Joe Myers** @ (816) 569-4983. Remember that every child deserves a trained leader.

Klondike

The Klondike Derby was held on January 22, 2005 at George Owens Park in Independence. Thanks to all the Troops that endured the frigid weather. We had 125 Scouters spend the night on Friday and 513 Scouters participate in the activities

on Saturday. Thanks to all the volunteers who put in many hours that made this event possible. I believe the

boys had a wonderful time and memories that will last a lifetime.

Beautiful Blue Elk

We are no longer just the Beautiful Blue Elk District. We are now the Quality Beautiful Blue Elk District! For those who do not know what that means, it means that we are giving a quality

program to over 3800 youths of Eastern Jackson County. A special thanks to all the volunteers that give their time, effort and continued support of Boy Scouts of America.



Blue Elk Events

March

- 6 7:30 Roundtable - Please note location change
Eagle Board of Review / Merit Badge Counselor Training / Order of the Arrow / Youth Protection Training — Nativity Catholic Church School, 10017 E 36 Terrace, Independence
- 8 New Leader Essentials training, 7:00 – 9:15 pm, Beacon Heights Community of Christ Church, 19402 E. Holke Rd., Independence
- 10 Commissioner's Meeting, Beacon Heights Community of Christ Church, 19402 E. Holke Rd., Independence
- 17 District Committee, St. Mark's Catholic Church, 3736 Lee's Summit Rd., Independence
- 19 8:00 am – 4:30 pm — Scoutmaster & Assistant Scoutmaster Specific Training / Varsity Leader Training — Beacon Heights Community of Christ Church, 19402 E. Holke Rd., Independence
- 29 6:30 – 10:00 pm, Troop Committee Training, Beacon Heights Community of Christ Church, 19402 E. Holke Rd., Independence

April

- 7 7:30 — Roundtable / Eagle Board of Review / Merit Badge Counselor Training / Order of the Arrow / Youth Protection Training — Bingham 7th Grade Center, 1716 S. Speck Rd, Independence
- 9 BALOO Training - 8:00 a.m., Beacon Heights Community of Christ Church, 19402 E. Holke Rd., Independence
- 12 New Leader Essentials training, 7:00 – 9:15 pm, Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 1501 S. Harding St. Oak Grove
- 14 Commissioner's Meeting, Beacon Heights Community of Christ Church, 19402 E. Holke Rd. Independence
- 15-16 Outdoor Leader Skills Training, 6:00 p.m. Friday all day Saturday, American Legion Farm, Blue Springs
- 19 Cub Leader Specific Training, 7:00 – 9:15 pm, Oak Grove United Methodist Church, 1501 S. Harding St. Oak Grove
- 21 District Committee meeting, St. Mark's Catholic Church, 3736 Lee's Summit Rd, Independence

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Trailhead District

2005 Friends of Scouting Campaign



Please help continue to make scouting affordable and available to everyone. It is time to make sure that your unit is signed up for a Friends of Scouting presentation. If you have not already signed up your unit for this year, now is the time. Friends of Scouting presentations only take 7 minutes and should be scheduled for either your Troop Court of Honor or Pack Blue and Gold. To schedule a presentation for find out more about Friends of Scouting contact **Rob Gilkerson** at 816-569-4978, rgilkers@bsamail.org.

Congratulations

The following units have hit their 2005 Friends of Scouting goal: 3097 and 3261.

Recharter

The clock is ticking please remember to submit your charter (complete with signatures) by March 15th. If

you have questions do not hesitate on moment contact your commissioner or **Rob Gilkerson**. If you would like more support you may make an appointment with Rob Gilkerson to complete the process at the Council Service Center.

Webelos to Scout Transition

Remember that it is the responsibility of the Troop, Webelos Den leader and the parents to make sure that a Webelos has a fun and smooth transition into a troop. The right troop for a boy and his family can make the difference on if that boy attains eagle or leaves the program after a year.

Pinewood Derby

The Trailhead District Pinewood Derby is right around the corner. On April 2nd, three champions from every Pack will test their car to see how it stands against the other packs. The rules included with the pinewood car are the ones that the district will follow. Remember a Pack can send only 3 boys to the District Pinewood Derby.

Cub Day Camp

Each Pack should already have designating a Day Camp Coordinator. It is the responsibility of this person to be at the Pack Coordinator Meeting on March 3 at Church of the Resurrection (Roundtable). Look for the Trailhead Day Camp Flyer or website for more details on Day Camp. When collecting money to pay camp fees do not forget about the District buses. We are in great need of Staff. If you have, any questions call **Suzanne Schartz** 913-851-1804.

Cub Scout Roundtable

Attention Cub Scout Leaders: Come join us at the March Cub Scout Roundtable from 7:00 to 8:30 P.M., at The United Methodist Church of the Resurrection, 137th & Roe, Leawood, KS on Thursday March 3rd. This is an excellent opportunity for cub masters, committee chairs and den leaders to learn more about how to hold your pack and den meetings using the Cub Scout monthly themes. March's theme is Waterways of the USA. When we break out into small groups you will be able to network with other leaders, plus learn more about earning awards. If you have never attended Roundtable, you do not know what you are missing!

Boy Scout Roundtable

Adult unit members, mark your calendar and make plans to attend the March Boy Scout Roundtable, from 7:00 to 8:30 P.M., at The United Methodist Church of the Resurrection, 137th & Roe, Leawood, KS on Thursday March 3rd to learn everything that Larry knows about the Environment and Conservation. The Training Feature will be on "Proper Uniform". We believe that Larry's presentation will be well grounded, have a clean air about it and make everyone green with envy. See you there!

Training

Doesn't every boy deserve a trained leader? As apart of every leaders' training Youth Protection is essential. It is that time for all of those new leaders or individuals who

will be the future leadership to be trained. Training will give you the skills to provide a quality program for the youth and give you ideas to minimize your workload. Do not forget as apart of every leaders' training Youth Protection is essential. For Trailhead District Training details visit www.hoac-bsa.org/Trailhead.cfm.

2004 District Awards Recognition Dinner

The 2004 Trailhead District Awards Dinner was indeed a night to remember. Anticipation did fill the room as Greg Spies, Dennis Gerrity, and Lee Solter were announced as the 2004 recipients of the District Award of Merit. The awards did not stop there. Congratulations went out to many of the Outstanding Leader Award recipients.

Trailhead Events

March

- 3 Roundtable; 7:00 p.m. @ Church of the Resurrection (137th & Roe)
- 3 Eagle Scout Project Review, Order of the Arrow Chapter, Merit Badge Counselor Training; 7:00 p.m. @ Church of the Resurrection (137th & Roe)
- 3 Day Camp Pack Coordinators Meeting; 7:00 p.m. @ Church of the Resurrection (137th & Roe)
- 10 District Committee Meeting; 6:30 @ Rolling Hills Presbyterian (92nd & Nall)
- 10 Commissioner Meeting; 7:30 p.m. @ Rolling Hills Presbyterian (92nd & Nall)
- 17 Eagle Board of Review; 7:00 p.m. @ Latter-Day Saints Church (13025 Wornall)
- 25 Service Center Closed

April

- 2 District Pinewood Derby @ Metcalf South Mall
- 7 Roundtable; 7:00 p.m. @ TBD
- 7 Eagle Scout Project Review, Order of the Arrow Chapter, Merit Badge Counselor Training; 7:00 p.m. @ TBD
- 7 Day Camp Pack Coordinators Meeting; 7:00 p.m. @ TBD
- 14 District Committee Meeting; 6:30 @ Rolling Hills Presbyterian (92nd & Nall)
- 14 Commissioner Meeting; 7:30 p.m. @ Rolling Hills Presbyterian (92nd & Nall)
- 21 Eagle Board of Review; 7:00 p.m. @ Latter-Day Saints Church (13025 Wornall)

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North Star District

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Dan Murphy (December) and Gail Lavenburg (January) for being named Scouter of the Month at Roundtable.

Also, congratulations to Phillip Raine who was a recipient of the Founders Award at the Order of the Arrow Winter Banquet on January 8th.

Thank you for all you do for the Scouts of your units, your North Star District, your Chapter, your Council and Lodge!!

District Recognition Dinner

The District Recognition Dinner was held January 29 at the KCI Marriott. A record 143 new Eagles were recognized, with 41 Troops having boys attaining the award. The top eleven Troops with Eagles were Troop 247 (10), 261 (8), 314 (8), 288 (7), 214 (6), 357 (6), 395 (6), 376 (5), 397 (5) and 408 (5). Other highlights of the Dinner included Jeff Cook of

Troop 992 being awarded the H. Virgil Bower Unit Leader Award. The following Scouters were recipients of the District Award of Merit: John Cookinham IV, Dan Murphy, Scott Saving, Jeff Tyler, Steve Vaughn, and Chris West. The Outstanding Pack of the Year was awarded to Pack 333 of Parkville Presbyterian Church; the Outstanding Troop of the Year was awarded to Troop 395 of Pine Ridge Presbyterian Church. Congratulations to all recipients and thank you for all you do.

Upcoming Training

Monthly training opportunities at each month's Roundtable include Youth Protection, New Leader Essentials and Merit Badge Counselor Training. Don't forget Youth Protection and Fast Start training can be done on-line.

Cub Scout Leader training is scheduled as follows:

- March 29, Cub Leader Training – Youth Protection, Fast Start & New Leader Essentials, 6:00 p.m. Chandler Baptist Church, Jct. of 69 & 33 Hwy.
- April 5, Cub Leader Training – Leader Specific, 6:00 p.m. Chandler Baptist
- April 23, BALOO Training, 8:00 a.m., St. Luke Presbyterian Church.
- May 6-7, Webelos Leader Outdoor Training, 6:00 p.m. Heartland Presbyterian Camp.

Contact **Karen Hatcher** at

891-9429 about Cub Scout Leader Training and **Steve Vaughn** at 741-3847 about BALOO and Webelos Leader Outdoor Training.

Boy Scout Leader training is scheduled as follows:

- March 29, Boy Scout Leader – Troop Operations 1, 6:00 p.m., Hillside Christian Church
- April 5, Boy Scout Leader – Troop Operations 2, 6:00 p.m., Hillside Christian Church
- April 12, Boy Scout Leader – Committee Operations, 6:00 p.m., Hillside Christian Church
- April 23-24, Boy Scout Leader – Outdoor Leader Skills Course, Kelsey Short Youth Camp, 8:30 a.m.

Contact **John Cookinham** at 587-1695 for info.

Venturing Leader Training is scheduled as follows:

- March 29, Venturing Leader, Hillside Christian, 6:00 p.m.

Contact **Matt Specht** at 569-4966 for more info.

Klondike Derby

The Klondike Derby for the Internationally Famous North Star District was held at the Kelsey Short Youth Camp at Smithville Lake on January 22. Thanks to Howard Scott and his fine staff for putting on a great event.

Annual Mall Show

The 2005 North Star District Mall show was held at

Metro North Mall on February 5, with an "It's a Scouting Celebration" theme, based on the 75th Anniversary of Cub Scouting. Thanks to Jill Cook and her great staff for this fun event. As in past years, the District Pinewood Derby was held at the Mall Show and Jeff Cook and his wonderful staff did another fine job. Thank you.

Cub Scout Day Camp

Now is time to start signing up for the "Diamonds in the Rough" Cub Scout Day Camp June 6-9. New Tigers (going into 1st Grade), Wolves (2nd), Bears (3rd) and Webelos (4th & 5th) are all welcome to participate in field sports (BB gun shooting, archery and more), scouting skills (such as cooking, compass work and more), crafts and games. This will include a celebration of the 75th Anniversary of Cub Scouting and will give the Cubs an opportunity to earn advancement and some special awards while they are having FUN!

Your Day Camp Director is **Jeff Tyler** (816-505-2015; jstyler@kc.rr.com); Program Director is **Jill Cook** (816-468-9232; jillc@kc.rr.com) and your Staff Advisor is District Executive **Jon Geiger** (816-569-4932; jgeiger@bsamail.org). Please contact any of them if you have questions or if you would like to serve on staff.

North Star Events

March

- 6 District Roundtable, 7:30 p.m., Hillside Christian, 900 NE Vivion. Youth Protection / Merit Badge Counselor / New Leader Essentials Training offered. OA Chapter Meeting
- 8 District Committee Meeting, 7:30 p.m. North Cross United Methodist
- 10 Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7:30 p.m., St. Luke Presbyterian
- 29 Cub Scout Fast Start/ New Leader Essentials Training/ Youth Protection Training, Chandler Baptist, 6:00 p.m.
- 29 Scoutmaster Specific Training, Part 1, Hillside Christian, 6:00 p.m.
- 29 Venture Leader Training, Hillside Christian, 6:00 p.m.

April

- 5 Cub Scout Leader Specific Training, Chandler Baptist, 6:00 p.m.
- 5 Scoutmaster Specific Training, Part 2, Hillside Christian, 6:00 p.m.
- 7 District Roundtable, 7:30 p.m., Hillside Christian, 900 NE Vivion. Youth Protection / Merit Badge Counselor / New Leader Essentials Training offered. OA Chapter Meeting
- 12 Boy Scout Troop Committee Training, Hillside Christian, 6:00 p.m.
- 12 District Committee Meeting, 7:30 p.m., North Cross United Methodist Church, 1321 NE Vivion
- 14 Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7:30 p.m., St. Luke Presbyterian Church, 4301 NE Vivion
- 23 BALOO Training, St. Luke Presbyterian Church, 8:00 a.m.
- 23-24 Scoutmaster Specific Training, Part 3 (Outdoor Leader Skills Course), Kelsey Short Youth Camp, 8:30 a.m.
- 29-5/1 OA Induction Weekend #1, Naish Scout Reservation
- 30 Cub Scout Fishing Derby, Location and time TBA

May

- 5 District Roundtable, 7:30 p.m., Hillside Christian Church. Youth Protection / Merit Badge Counselor / New Leader Essentials Training offered. OA Chapter Meeting
- 6-7 Webelos Leader Outdoor Training, Heartland Presbyterian Camp, 45 Hwy., Parkville, 6:00 p.m.
- 10 District Committee Meeting, 7:30 p.m., North Cross United Methodist Church, 1321 NE Vivion
- 14 Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7:30 p.m., St. Luke Presbyterian Church, 4301 NE Vivion
- 20-22 OA Induction Weekend #2, Naish Scout Reservation

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Pioneer Trails District

2004 Quality District

Family Friends of Scouting

Tip-off... and Pioneer Trails has the ball! We are in full swing with our 2005 FOS season and have a new coach, Tom Holley, to lead us to victory this year. Tom is ready to help you and your unit receive free rank advancement in 2005. It all starts with a phone call to schedule a FOS presentation for your pack or troop. Those units who achieve their goals will receive free rank advancement for the entire 2005 year! FOS presentations will take no more than 5-8 minutes and we ask that you schedule them when a majority of your Scouting Families will be in attendance - (Blue and Gold Dinner, Court of Honor or other special occasions). The FOS season is a short one. We would like to finish all our presentations by April 30th. Please take a few minutes and call Tom today with your presentation date. Pioneer Trails has been a leader in Family FOS throughout the years, and we do not want to let our new coach down now! You can reach Tom at 816-942-1297. Thank you for your support of the FOS Campaign, and get ready to declare victory!

Training – The Key to Unit Success

Have you been to training in the past five years? Do you think the only opportunities to attend training are in the spring or fall? Did you know that the training team is committed to your success as a leader? OK, enough questions. It's time for you to get answers, and the answers can be found with training. Over the past five years the Pioneer Trails Training Team, led by Dr. Norman Kahn, have put together a superb collection of trainers, materials and

presentations all designed with one thing in mind – YOU! Your needs as a leader and your questions about the Scouting Programs are at the heart of the Pioneer Trails Training Curriculum. By meeting those needs we are able to strengthen the programs our youth receive. That's what Scouting is all about – strong, fun programs for youth. Make plans now to be a trained leader. It will make a difference in you and your unit! Call **Dr. Norman Kahn** at (913) 341-4792 to sign up now.

Do You Have a “Diamond in the Rough” in Your Pack?

Cub Scout Day Camp will be just the place for him to polish up those rough spots! Pioneer Trails will hold Day Camp from June 13th thru June 16th at Knott's Elementary School. Day Camp is a wonderful place for all Cub Scouts, especially new Tiger Cubs and Wolves, to start the summer. Cub Scout crafts, games, sports, fellowship and fun are all rolled up into four exciting days just for them. If you haven't been to Day Camp for a while it's time to come back and see what you (and your boys!) have been missing. Registration is \$45.00 per boy and is due by May 11, 2005. Financial assistance is available for families who qualify. Funding is limited, so requests should be made as soon as possible. Additional information will be available at Roundtable or feel free to call **Beverly Becker** at 816-880-0432.

A Job Well Done!

The Pioneer Trails District held the District Dinner on February 5, 2005 at Colonial Presbyterian Church. The night spotlighted several outstanding volunteers for their tremendous work for

the youth of the district. We were honored to have Cliff Illig, Council President, as our guest speaker. The district also awarded seven very special people with the District Award of Merit, the highest award a district can give! A very special THANK YOU to George and Debbie Weave and Carol Jean DeFeo for all their tireless work on the dinner and program. We could not have done it without you!

The 2005 Pioneer Trails Award of Merit recipients are:

- Bruce E. Clippinger.**
- James P. Flanagan**
- Stephen G. Livingston**
- Morgan T. Olander**
- David D. Penner**
- Ronald E. Rose**
- W. John Steeb**

Spring Event

Make plans now to attend the “famous” Pioneer Trails Spring Event March 19, 2005.

The program is geared for Cub Scouts and everyone is guaranteed to have a great time!

Cub Scouts will have the

opportunity to explore, learn and achieve several different rank requirements during this terrific day program. If

you missed the sign-up at Roundtable there IS still time. Call **Ed Mulik** at (816) 363-7846 to join the fun.

Pioneer Trails Events

March

- 3 District Commissioners Meeting - 6:30 p.m. - Central United Methodist
- 3 Roundtable - 7:30 p.m. - Central United Methodist
- 12 Commissioners College – 7:30 a.m. / 5:00 p.m. - Fort Leavenworth
- 13 District Committee Meeting - 7:30 p.m. - VFW National Headquarters
- 25 Service Center Closed

April

- 2 Leader Training - 8:00 a.m. / 4:00 p.m. - Central United Methodist
- 6 Leader Training - 6:30 p.m. / 9:30 p.m. - Central United Methodist
- 7 District Commissioners Meeting - 6:30 p.m. - Central United Methodist
- 7 Roundtable - 7:30 p.m. - Central United Methodist
- 16 Leader Overnight Training - 8:00 a.m. / Noon on Sunday April 17th - Chet's
- 19 District Committee Meeting - 7:30 p.m. - VFW National Headquarters

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Northern Tier District

This Month in the Eagle Scout Spotlight

The Northern Tier District is proud to present our newest Eagles of the Northern Tier; Travis Wasser, Troop 371; Tyler Campain, Troop 302; David Hazelwood, Troop 750; and Nathanael Rathjen, Crew 2162. Congratulations to you all from your Northern Tier District and the Heart of America Council. We Salute You!

Friends of Scouting 2005 Campaign



It's that time to sign up your unit for a Friends of Scouting Presentation.

Remember, Free Rank Advancement is available through December 31, 2005 when your unit reaches its Friends of Scouting Unit Fundraising and Participation Goals. For more information or questions, please contact **Steve Brady**, 2005 Family Friends of Scouting Chairman, at (913) 362-8441 or **Cortland Bolles**, District Executive at 816.569.4918 or cbolles@bsamail.org. 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. It helps provide training for our leaders, preserves both the Naish and Bartle Reservations that we all enjoy year after year, and support for camp, uniforms, or registration fees for those that may need a little help. Let's gear

up for another phenomenal year in our support of scouting through Friends of Scouting.

Diamonds in the Rough

The theme for the 2005 Cub Scout Day Camp program is **DIAMONDS IN THE ROUGH, HONORING THE 75th ANNIVERSARY OF CUB SCOUTING!** 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 Quality Unit and Summertime Pack Awards. For more information you can contact our District Day Camp Director, **Dave Sultz** at 913-381-7824 or dks123@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 13-17, 2004. Can't wait to see you there!

2005 4th Annual Northern Tier District Dinner Salutes This Year Award of Merit and Outstanding Leader Recipients

Once again, we had a wonderful time at our Annual District Dinner! We are proud of all the wonderful adult volunteers and families that make Scouting so successful in the Northern Tier

District. Thanks to all for their hard work in presenting another exciting evening of recognition for jobs very well done. Congratulations to all for their hard work and long deserved recognition!

District Award of Merit Recipients:

Paul Ginther
Bill Henderson

David Mascal
Tim Thomas

Outstanding Leader Award Recipients:

Scoutmaster
Richard Kaufman (Troop 91)

Assistant Scoutmaster
Cathi Maynard (Troop 91)
Jamey Hilleary (Troop 192)

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Boy Scout Adult Leader
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Assistant Cubmaster
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Cub Scout Committee Chairman
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Webelo Den Leader
Julie MacLachlan (Pack 3098)



Congratulations to 2005 District Award of Merit recipients: Bill Henderson, Tim Thomas, Paul Ginther, and Dave Mascal

Northern Tier Events

March

- 3 District Roundtable - 7:00 pm; Village Presbyterian Church, 67th & Mission
- 5 Merit Badge Forum/Super Saturday Training - 8:30 AM; Shawnee Mission Northwest High School, 12701 W 67th Street. For questions and more information about Merit Badge Forum, contact Judy Tuckness at 913-268-9996. You can also visit the HOAC Website for more information regarding Super Saturday and Merit Badge Forum.
- 8 Youth Protection Training/New Leaders Essentials - 7:00 PM; Shawnee United Methodist Church, 10700 Johnson Dr
- 10 District Committee Meeting - 6:30 pm; District Commissioner Meeting - 7:30 PM; Community Covenant Church, 7230 Quivira Rd
- 17 District Eagle Board of Reviews - 6:30 pm; LDS Church, 7845 Allman Rd

April

- 1 Troop Committee Challenge
- 2 SM/ASM Job Specific Training - 8:30 AM; Shawnee United Methodist Church, 10700 Johnson Dr
- 7 District Roundtable - 7:00 pm; Village Presbyterian Church, 67th & Mission
- 9-10 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills; Camp Klassen
- 14 District Committee Meeting - 6:30 pm; District Commissioner Meeting - 7:30 PM; Community Covenant Church, 7230 Quivira Rd
- 21 District Eagle Board of Reviews - 6:30 pm; LDS Church, 7845 Allman Rd
- 23-24 Webelo Leader Outdoor Experience
- 30 Super Saturday; Shawnee United Methodist Church, 10700 Johnson Dr

GO TO THE HOAC WEBSITE hoac-bsa.org and visit the Northern Tier Page to download registration forms, event packets, and learn of important dates and information affecting your unit. It's a great place to receive information fast.

Northern Tier 2005 District Committee

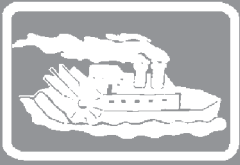
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Membership Chairman
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Big Muddy District

A Message From the District Chairmam

I would like to offer my congratulations to all who received awards at the District Dinner. A special congratulation to the two recipients of the Award of Merit, Bob Brooks and Bret Cooper. Thanks to all who made the 2005 District Dinner a success.

The Klondike Derby in

Richmond had a great turnout. Thanks to Troop 324 for all of the work and effort they put in making it a great time for all.

I'm looking forward to seeing the many Cub Scout Packs at the district day camp this June in Richmond.

Thank you to the many leaders offering the scouting program to the boys of the Big Muddy District.

Thomas L. Hodson

Big Muddy District Klondike Derby

This Year's Big Muddy District Klondike Derby was a great success with nearly 100 participants in attendance and all but two troops in the district represented! Thanks to again to troop 324 for doing a great job of hosting the derby this year. Though the tem-

perature hovered around 10 degrees all day, spirits remained high and all had a good time.



Commissioner's Minute

Hello Big Muddy:

I would like to take this time to encourage all Scout Leaders and Commissioners to be sure that every boy who wants to go to camp has the chance to do so. If finances are a problem please obtain the scholarship forms as soon as possible and get them to the families. Any boy who misses the most fun thing in Scouting, whether it's Cub Day Camp, Bear Camp, Webelos Camp, Scout Camp, Rotary Camp or Venturing is at risk of dropping out. Canvas your people during your special occasions such as blue & golds, pack meetings, award ceremonies, etc. and get the scholarship applications in their hands. If timing is a problem such as family vacation during scheduled scout camp maybe you can get the young man to go to camp in a different session with another troop. There are lots of solutions if we try to use them.

Larry Maxwell
District Commissioner

Friends of Scouting 04-05 Campaign

It's that time to sign your unit up for Friends of Scouting. Remember, free rank advancement to all units upon reaching their Friends of Scouting Unit goal and Participation Goal to December 31st, 2005. For more information or questions, please contact Grant Dealy at 816-569-4956 or email gdealy@bsaemail.org. We, as the Big Muddy 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

Big Muddy Events

March

- 1 District Roundtable 7:30 pm, Lexington United Methodist Church
- 3 District Committee Meeting, 7:30pm Dibbins Hall, Lexington
- 9 District Commissioner's Meeting, 7:30 pm, The Martens Home, Richmond

April

- 5 District Roundtable 7:30 pm Lexington United Methodist Church
- 6 District Committee Meeting, Dibbins Hall, Lexington.
- 13 District Commissioner's Meeting 7:30 pm, Martens Home, Richmond

leaders in their needed training, preserving both the Naish and Bartle Reservations that we all enjoy year after year, and that needed help for camp, uniforms, or registra-

tion fees for those that may need a little help. Let's gear up for another phenomenal year in our support of scouting through Friends of Scouting.

2005 District Dinner

This year's annual District Dinner was held in Odessa at the Odessa Community Building on February 5th. Thanks again to everyone who helped with the dinner this year, without your help it would not have been a success! Among those recognized were the following:

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| Award of Merit | Bob Brooks |
| Award of Merit | Bret Cooper |
| Robert M. Levy Award | Roland Francis |
| Hershel L. Hay Award | Charles Osborn |
| Hershel L. Hay Award | Dawn Smith |
| Outstanding Committee Member | Michelle Woods |
| Outstanding Committee Member | John Helm |
| Outstanding Assistant | |
| Scoutmaster Award | Chuck Smith |
| Outstanding Webelos Leader | Brian Bizenhurst |
| Outstanding Webelos Leader | Donita Cochran |
| Outstanding Den Leader | Wes Maxwell |
| Outstanding Tiger Cub Leader | Troy Stigall |
| Outstanding District Staff Award | John Dickson |
| Outstanding Commissioner | Jim Lamb |
| Scouting Family of the Year | Dave and Debbie Friess |

Congratulations to everyone recognized and thank you; if it weren't for dedicated volunteers like you this program would not be what it is in the Big Muddy District.

Big Muddy 2005 District Committee

HOAC WEBSITE	hoac-bsa.org
District Chairman	Tom Hodson 816-240-8472
District Commissioner	Larry Maxwell 816-470-5660
Activities Chairman	Kyle Kolkemeyer 816-838-2466
Advancement Chairman	John Dickson 816-470-2337
Camping Chairman	Ed Gooseman 816-682-2008
Membership Chairman	Mac Rogers 816-470-4152
Cub Scout Training	Mary Martens 816-776-3082
Boy Scout Training	Bob Brooks 660-259-6278
Sr. District Executive	Grant Dealy 816-569-4956



Pinewood Derby Trophies, Name Tags, Plaques, Medals, Gifts, Laser Engraving, Signs, Arrow of Light Awards, Eagle Awards

Basehor Awards & Trophies
913-724-4500
James & Laura Smith



Red-Tailed Hawk District

“Diamonds in the Rough,” 2005 Cub Day Camp



Day Camp will be the week of June 20th thru the 24th at the old Lake Olathe golf course. Jeff Turner (camp director) and Traci Symon (program director) are preparing 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 913-851-0747 or tj0099@kc.rr.com for further information.

The Pack Coordinator Rally will be at the March Roundtable, Thursday the 3rd at College Church of the Nazarene, Family Life Center in Olathe.

2005 Friends of Scouting Campaign

We are well into the 2005 Friends of Scouting Campaign and things are progressing very well. As of the Council Kickoff Dinner on January 26th RTH has raised nearly \$25,000 of a \$69,000 goal.

This year’s district leadership is Steve Berko as the overall chairman and Tom Johnson as the Family Chair. There has already been numerous units’ conduct a presentation and congratulations to Troops 85, 122 and Pack 3132 who have already achieved their unit goal. Also recall the free rank advancement incentive is being offered again to all units who achieve goal.

Red-Tailed Hawk Events

March

- 3 Roundtable, 7:00 PM at College Church of the Nazarene, Family Life Center
- 5 District Pinewood Derby, Racing Begins at 2:00 PM at Blue Valley Baptist
- 10 Commissioners Meeting, 7:30 PM at MNU Library
- 15 District Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM at Advent Lutheran Church
- 17 Eagle Boards of Review, 6:30 PM at St Thomas Apostolic Church

April

- 5 Cub Scout Job Specific Training #1 6:30 PM at Olathe Christian Church
- 7 Roundtable, 7:00 PM at College Church of the Nazarene, Family Life Center
- 12 Cub Scout Job Specific Training #2 6:30 PM at Olathe Christian Church
- 14 Commissioners Meeting, 7:30 PM at MNU Library
- 16-17 Webelos Woods at Cedar Lake
- 19 District Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM at Advent Lutheran Church
- 21 Eagle Boards of Review, 6:30 PM at St Thomas Apostolic Church
- 22 Boy Scout Job Specific Training #1, 6:30 PM, location TBA
- 23 Boy Scout Job Specific Training #2, 8:30 AM, location TBA

Unit Rechartering

The majority of units in Red-Tailed Hawk recharter in March and recall the charters are due by the 15th. In January we had training at Roundtable to go over in detail the new online rechartering process. If you have questions please feel to contact your unit commissioner, **Jason Ballew** at 816 569-4982, jballew@bsaemail.org or the Council Registration Department directly at 816-569-4934.

Also remember it is important to have charters turned in on time which is a requirement for the quality unit award.

Every Boy Deserves a Trained Leader

In order to provide the best possible program to youth an adult leader should be trained. Please take time to become trained in your leadership role and encourage other leaders in your unit to do the same. In the beginning leaders should be taking Fast Start and Youth Protection which are both available online (www.hoac-bsa.org) then New Leader Essentials and Job Specific Training.

Job specific training for Cub and Boy Scout leaders are scheduled this spring in the month of April. Please check the district calendar in this section for further details. Also remember if you change leadership positions you need to be trained for that new job. You are encouraged to attend the Job Specific “breakout” session for those positions at no cost.

Stay in the Loop of Communication

Are you receiving all of the latest and greatest information regarding the Red-Tailed Hawk district and the Heart of America Council? There are many ways to keep informed and acquire current Scouting information. Please share the below communication avenues with the leaders in your unit.

- RTH Email Group: To subscribe email Dave Weerts at bsaeagle75@yahoo.com
- RTH District Website www.eagle-scout.org/RTH
- HOAC Website: www.hoac-bsa.org
- RTH Roundtable: Generally occurs the 1st Thursday of every month at College Church of The Nazarene, Family Life Center.

Red-Tailed Hawk Merit Badge Forum Sees Huge Turnout!

Over the course of 3 Saturdays in January and February the district held it’s 4th annual Merit Badge Forum at California Trail Jr. High in Olathe. This year saw 456 Boy Scouts who attended and worked on up to 3 badges chosen from the 35 offered. Some of the merit badges the scouts worked on were Computers, Citizenship in the Nation, Photography, First-Aid, Law, Graphic Arts,

Electronics, and more. Much thanks to this year’s chairman of the event Scott Tobias who labored long to coordinate the forum. Also thanks to Ernie Lunsford, Randy Warner, Paul Alters, and Ricki Dykes. Lastly thanks to the numerous adult volunteers who served as merit badge counselors and instructed all the classes for the scouts.



2005 Red-Tailed Hawk District Committee Chairs

District Chairman	Mike Smid	913 685-8838
District Commissioner	Ray Morrison	913 764-4107
District Vice-Chair	Keith Sickendick	913 685-1870
District Training Chair	Jeff Wandtke	913 764-8413
District Camping Chair	Mark Enke	913 764-3264
District Activities Chair	Gene Lamb	913 780-3431
District Advancement	Ernie Lunsford	913 780-5162
District Membership Chair	Nancy Chapman	913 829-0366
Boy Scout Roundtable	Dave Weerts	913 829-1321
Cub Scout Roundtable	Susan Lux	913 764-8529
Venturing Roundtable	Stan Lloyd	913 541-9404
Senior District Executive	Jason Ballew	816 569-4982



Lone Bear District

2004 District Dinner

We had a great time at this years District Dinner. The Dinner was held at the Clinton Rotary Building with State Representative Shannon Cooper as the guest speaker. Congratulations to our award recipients listed below. The recipients were nominated by their peers and there couldn't be a more deserving bunch. Lone Bear district has the hardest working, most dedicated volunteers in all of the Heart of America Council. Thanks for all that you do!!!

District Award of Merit

Richard Miller
April Hale

Silver Bear

Hurley Mahan
Barry Glasscock
Scott Reed
Randy White

Cub Scout Day Camp - Diamonds in the Rough!

The 2005 Day Camp will be held with the theme of Diamonds in the Rough. All Cub Scouts from new Tigers to 2nd Year Webeloes are encouraged to attend. We will be having a blast with Archery, BB guns, swimming, field sports, crafts and special guests.

Cub Scout Day Camp will be held from June 27-30 at Artesian Park in Clinton

MO. Registration for this event is now being accepted at the Council Service Center. May 11th is the deadline for the early bird registration fee of \$45.00. Registration for camp after the deadline will cost \$60.00. Packs should note that two walking leaders are required each day of camp. The walking leader training will take place at the June Roundtable at the Clinton Scout Center.

If you are interested in lending a hand with staffing this event please contact **Phillip Brockland @ 800-776-1110**. We can always use more help and new talents.

Be Sure to Sign Up, It's Going to Be Great!!!

Roundtable

Roundtable meetings are held at the Clinton Scout Center, on the first Tuesday of every month. Roundtable meetings are a gathering of Scouters from the Lone Bear District held once a month. These Meetings are an important way for leaders to gather and learn from each other. This is also an opportunity for you to get information on variety of subjects from the Heart of America Council and the Lone Bear District. Each month there will be a new program for both Boy Scout Leaders and Cub Scout Leaders. We always have a good time and it would benefit your unit to have at least one adult leader

present. All leaders are encouraged to join us to learn more about serving today's youth. We are sure that you will take away some valuable information. For more information please call **Phillip Brockland @ 800-776-1110**.

What Have Your Scout Done?

The District Committee and all of the Lone Bear District wants to know what your unit has been up to. We know you all are involved in exciting activities and are having lots of fun. Please send your monthly highlights and photos to **Phillip Brockland** at pbrockla@bsaemail.org. We will be sure to get your units story in this publication!

Spring Camporee!

It may feel like winter but spring is on the way. The 2005 spring Camporee will be a fun filled weekend with plenty of activities planned. The Lone Bear District has been working closely with Whiteman Air Force Base to make sure this event is the highlight of this year's district activities. Planned programs include and opportunity to use a flight simulator, realistic first aid exercises, a static display of the bases equipment and much more. For more information contact **Jerry Post @ 660-747-0600**.

We'll see you there!!!

2004 Friends of Scouting

Our overall goal this year is \$34,500; the family goal is \$5,500. We are going to be very busy this month work-

Lone Bear Events

March

- 1 Roundtable Meeting, Clinton Scout Center, 7:00 PM
- 8 Commissioner Meeting, 6:30 PM Golden Corral, Clinton MO
- 11-12 Commissioner College, Leavenworth Kansas
- 15 District Committee Meeting, Clinton Scout Center, 6:30 PM

April

- 5 Roundtable Meeting, Clinton Scout Center, 7:00 PM.
- 12 District Commissioner Meeting, 6:30 PM Golden Corral, Clinton MO
- 19 District Committee Meeting, Clinton Scout Center, 6:30 PM
- 22-24 SPRING CAMPOREE, Whiteman Air Force Base

ing to achieve the Districts goals. This year, we are striving to reach our goals earlier than ever and we need your help. Many units have already had their presentations conducted with a great deal of success. If your unit has not signed up to have a FOS presentation for your Pack, Troop or Crew, please contact Phillip Brockland or Richard Miller. Once again, your unit will receive free Rank Advancement for the 2005 calendar year when your unit's goal has been met.

Please remember, the Friends of Scouting Campaign is a key element in the financing of the Heart of America Council and its programs. Lets make sure that the Lone Bear District completes its campaign on time and goes above and beyond the call of duty.

If you are interested in Participating with either the Family or Community FOS Campaign please contact **Phillip Brockland @ 800-776-1110** or **JC Smith @ 660-885-4684**.

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Lone Bear 2005 District Committee

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Camping	Judy Molt	1-660-747-0841
Special Needs	Bob Straw	1-660-885-6336
Activities	Jerry Post	1-660-747-0600
Membership	Erica Collins	1-660-747-8420
CS Roundtable Commissioner	Tammy Kjos	1-660-563-5372
BS Roundtable Commissioner	Kathy Cooper	1-660-647-5868



District Recognition Dinner 2005

On Saturday January 15th the Trails West District held its annual district dinner and recognized two outstanding volunteers with the District Award of Merit. The District Award of Merit is the highest award a district can bestow on a volunteer. The awards were given to Joe Ogilvie and Dave

Else. Congratulations to Joe and Dave and the great award and thank you for all the time and work you have put into the Trails West District and too scouting

Training SETTING THE RECORD STRAIGHT

Help has arrived! The long and seemingly futile search for accurate and reliable training data is nearly over. The

Heart of America Council has provided every district with the new Administration of District Data program. This program really sits up and performs. From trying the demo it appears that the program does everything short of holding Round Table Flag ceremonies. The program should be in district use by the time this note is published.

Now the challenge is to get accurate information into the database. Each unit has been asked to appoint a unit trainer. That trainer has been asked to track and report the training progress of unit adult leaders and to gather and report new leader accomplishment of on-line training such as Youth Protection and Leader Fast Start, (among lots of other duties.) Training records for Trails West District's first three years are reasonably accurate and up to date. Training records for leaders who took training prior to July 2000 are rather sketchy. Every leader's support and participation is needed to get the records straightened out once and for all.

Each unit trainer has been provided a hard copy as well as a digital copy of a leader training record to report individual leader training so that we can update the district training records and establish Trails West as having more than 32% trained Direct Contact Leaders.

Please give your unit trainer or training coordinator every cooperation and assistance in gathering the requested information for inclusion in the district database. Information needed includes local District and Council training and out of council training as well as regional and national

courses. It also includes any training keys or awards, district, regional, or national council awards and recognitions, and Order of the Arrow or Mic-O-Say advancement or recognition. Information on previous Scouting positions and the periods held is also requested.

There is a great deal of data to get together and entered into the database, please give your unit trainer all the assistance you possibly can. It will take some time to get the database fully populated but it will get done. Please be patient.

Help is always accepted.
YiS, Joe Ogilvie

Day Camp 2005

Planning for the Trails West 2005 day camp are now will under way and the program will be planned around the Jungle Book theme and highlight the 75th anniversary of the Cub Scout program. The dates for the camp will be June 6th-9th and it will be held for the third year in a row at the Timber Ridge Adventure Center. We are currently looking for program ideas and help staffing the camp. If you have any ideas or would like to be a part of the fun call **Shawn Hudson**, Camp Director at 913-254-9548.



Scout out Union Station

Union Station affords Scoutmasters many opportunities to reinforce key Scouting principles —from encouraging exploration and nurturing scientific curiosity, to developing an awareness and appreciation of one's heritage. The Station is a must on every troop's destination list. Scout out the opportunities at the Station and inside Science City. CALL TODAY!

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Visit www.unionstation.org/scouting.cfm to download complete guides explaining what badge requirements can be fulfilled at Union Station. These are just a few of the badges included on

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Ask about Science City's unique Discovery Areas. These engaging programs, which span from a Prehistoric Dig for fossils to the futuristic Challenger Learning Center mission to Mars, are designed to fortify unity and creativity. Visit www.unionstation.org/discovery.cfm for more details.

OPPORTUNITIES TO EXPAND HORIZONS

General admission includes unique national exhibits that can only be seen one place in Kansas City — at Union Station. Traveling exhibits through Sept. 6:

BRAIN: The World Inside Your Head Journey in one ear and out the other. Generate real brainpower as you learn how the brain functions and sometimes malfunctions.

The Endurance: Shackleton's Legendary Antarctic Expedition Could you have survived? Discover how Sir Ernest Shackleton and his men made history — just by staying alive.

ALSO AT UNION STATION

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Frontier Presents Can You Tell Me How to Get to Sesame Street? | Exhibit Oct. 23 – Feb. 21, 2005

Forces of Nature | Extreme Screen Oct. 22 – June 30, 2005

Trails West Events

March

- 3 Roundtable, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
- 8 District Committee Meeting, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
- 15 District Commissioner Meeting, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
- 17 Eagle Board of Review, Church of Jesus Christ LDS, 7845 Allman, Lenexa, 6:30PM (Please arrive 15 min. early)

April

- 7 Roundtable, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
- 9-10 Spring Camporee Pomona State Park 22900 S Highway 368 Vassar KS 66543
- 12 District Committee Meeting, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
- 19 District Commissioner Meeting, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
- 20 Eagle Board of Review, Church of Jesus Christ LDS, 7845 Allman, Lenexa, 6:30PM (Please arrive 15 min. early)

May

- 5 Roundtable, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
- 10 District Committee Meeting, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
- 17 District Commissioner Meeting, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
- 19 Eagle Board of Review, Church of Jesus Christ LDS, 7845 Allman, Lenexa, 6:30PM (Please arrive 15 min. early)

Trails West 2005 District Leadership

District Chairman	Ed Hedges	913-768-1420
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District Membership Chair	Keith Neuman	913 541-8362
District Advancement Chair	Ellen McGurk	913-780-1577
District Training Chair	Joe Ogilvie	913-492-3880
District Activities Chair	Dave Elsey	913-829-4594
District Camping Chair	Shawn Hudson	913-254-9548
District Family Friends of Scouting	Marlene Bean	913-782-3279
District Popcorn Chair	David Colvin	913 307-0745
Boy Scout Roundtable	Doug Strieby	913 764-0547
Cub Scout Roundtable	David Bryant	913 599-0514
District Director	Alan J Sanders	816 569-4958



2004 Quality District

District Awards Dinner

Everybody get ready to celebrate! The District Awards Dinner is coming up on March 5th. We have a lot to celebrate from 2004. This is going to be a great chance to recognize those volunteers who helped make Twin Rivers a Quality District last year. We are pleased to recognize two very deserving winners of the District Award of Merit. We will also be announcing five Distinguished Service Award winners as well as several winners of the Special Service Award. As many may have heard, 2004 was a record-breaking year for young men attaining the Eagle Scout rank in HOAC. Twin Rivers is proud to recognize our thirteen new Eagle Scouts from 2004! Please be sure to attend this event so we can properly celebrate Twin Rivers Boy Scouts.

Friends of Scouting

The Friends of Scouting campaign is off to a successful start for 2005. At January's FOS Kickoff event, Twin Rivers was ahead of

the pack with more than 25% of our year-end goal raised. In order to make our goal we must have our presentations completed. If your unit has yet to schedule your presentation, please call Family FOS Chair **Tom Randall** at 913-294-9809 or call District Executive, **Landon Behrens**.

Day Camp – Diamonds in the Rough

Day Camp is rapidly approaching! Now is the time to start planning. We have already started to recruit staff, plan program and fill information into "The Book!" We are excited to be able to incorporate the 75th Anniversary of Cub Scouting into our Day Camp this year and know the boys will enjoy that! Day Camp will be held from June 6-9 this summer. Everyone looks forward to seeing you!

Spring Recruiting

It is never too early to start thinking about recruiting some new Scouts into your unit before heading off for the summer. The earlier in the spring you do this, the better you can prepare new

Scouts for the advancement trail and summer camp experience. Please contact your District Executive, **Landon Behrens** to get any recruiting materials you need now!

Training

Training is going to be near the top of the list of important issues for all of 2005. Currently, Twin Rivers ranks last among HOAC districts in all training categories. Let's make a real effort to turn that around this year! Remember, proper training will give you the knowledge and ability to run your meetings more efficiently and will make them more enjoyable for our scouts. We owe it to our scouts to give them the best experience possible. If you are a scout leader and haven't been trained or have ideas on how to make training better, please call one of our Training Co-Chairs or our District Executive.

Letter from the District Executive

Thank you to all the volunteers and youth who have made my first few months so enjoyable. I look forward to working with all of you in the coming months. I have great hopes for 2005 and believe we can make this a great year for scouting. I welcome any recommendations or suggestions for helping the district and I hope that you will feel free to ask me any questions you may

have. I'll do my best to help you in any way possible and look forward to serving the

Twin Rivers District.
Thanks again. Landon

Twin Rivers Events

March

- 3 District Commissioner's Meeting, Paola United Methodist Church; 6:30 PM
- 3 Roundtable, Paola United Methodist Church; 7:30 PM
- 3 OA Chapter 4 Meeting, Paola United Methodist Church; 7:30 PM
- 5 District Dinner, St John's Hall, Greeley; 6:00 PM
- 10 District Committee Meeting, Beethoven's, Paola; 6:30 PM
- 12 Cub Leader Basic Training, Location TBA; 8:30 AM

April

- 7 District Commissioner's Meeting, Paola United Methodist Church; 6:30 PM
- 7 Roundtable, Paola United Methodist Church; 7:30 PM
- 7 OA Chapter 4 Meeting, Paola United Methodist Church; 7:30 PM
- 14 District Committee Meeting, Beethoven's, Paola; 6:30 PM

Twin Rivers 2005 District Committee Roster

District Chairman:	Mike Prothe	913.294.2111
District Commissioner:	John Berton	785.242.8294
Activities Chair:	Buddy Burris	785.867.3005
Advancement Chair:	Curtis Gibson	913.898.4955
Camping Chair:	Richard Grant	913.755.3941
Endowment Chair:	Ken Weide	785.448.5560
Finance/Friends of Scouting Chair:	Dana Crawford	913.757.4451
Membership Chair:	Wendy Richardson	913.294.6660
Roundtable Commissioner (Boy Scouts):	Dave Miller	913.849.3574
Roundtable Commissioners (Cub Scouts):	Kathy Kierl	913.557.5869
	Pam Thompson	913.294.2344
	Pam Thompson	913.294.2344
Special Needs Coordinator:	Lawrence Dickinson	913.256.6809
Training Co-Chairs:	Pam Thompson	913.294.2344
	Vacant	
Website Chair:	Landon Behrens	800.776.1110 x 4941 816.569.4941 lbehrens@bsamail.org

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Spring Recruiting

All Packs and Troops should be preparing for their Spring Recruitment. Everyone will need to make sure dates are set and facilities are reserved. Please contact your District Executives if you need to order Fliers for recruitment. The sooner these things are completed and organized, the better chance we will have at getting larger numbers of youth to the Recruitment nights.

Training

Training dates are set and most of the locations have been secured. Training is an essential part of a unit's success. The more leaders that become trained in their current position the better the quality of the program becomes. Be sure to look for registration forms at roundtable as well as on the council website for the upcoming trainings at www.hoacbsa.org.

If you have questions, contact **David Riker** at the council service center at 816-569-4974.

Internet Rechartering

All Internet rechartering should be completed. Everything turned in after the month of February will be

considered late. This process was much quicker with fewer mistakes being made. Thank you to everyone who has completed the Internet Rechartering on time. Keep up the hard work!

Thunderbird Klondike Derby

The Klondike Derby's Brooks Range was held at Longview Lake on January 14th - 15th. All Troops and Packs were well prepared as they battled the cold temperatures. There were approximately 513 participants at this year's Klondike. We want to thank Jim Salisbury for putting together twelve years worth of Klondike Derby's. We want to thank all Troops and Packs that came out despite the cold temperatures.

Friends of Scouting



The Friends of Scouting Campaign is under way and presentations are being made. The Kick-off dinner was held at the Sheraton Hotel on January 26th. The Thunderbird District announced they had currently reached 52% of their

goal for the Community Campaign and 15.5% for the Family Campaign. The family campaign is off to a slow start but is looking to rebound by having numerous presentations in the months of February and March. The Overall goal of the campaign is currently at 35.5%. Let's keep things rolling and reach our goal of \$193,000.

Day Camp

Day camp is coming around the corner soon. The dates are June 20-24. We are planning on being out at James A Reed Wildlife Area again this year. The cost is \$45 until May 15th, and then it becomes \$60. The theme for this year is "Diamonds in the Rough." Everyone that attends will have fun and adventure. If you have questions regarding day camp you may contact **David Riker** at the council service center at 816-569-4974.

Thunderbird Annual District Recognition Dinner

The Thunderbird District Dinner was held on January 22, 2005 at the Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Lee's Summit, MO. We had a full house. Many people showed up to honor and show their support for their fellow volunteers. Thunderbird has so many outstanding volunteers. I wish that we could recognize them all. Congratulations again to the following recipients:

Silver Oakleaf:
Beth Mackey, Flora Pope, Vickie Miller, Susan Phillips, Tim Mooney, Shirley Stock, Lisa Park, and Tammy Wolf.

Silver Acorns:
Scott Dulle, Bob Davidson, James Freeman III, Jim Scalf, Ray McNeel, Jim Markey, Suzanne Marske, Alex Pope, W. Keith Martin, Pete Zibers, Thomas Mitchell, Teresa Bohne, Mary Sheeley, Ernie Ayers, and Diane Whitworth.

**Rev. Merle McConnell
Cubmaster of the Year:**
Curtis Martin

Ernie Modlin Scoutmaster of the Year:
Steve Smith

Award of Merit:
Shane Christensen, Lyn Pierce, Randy Hedberg, Richard Bennett, Jimmy Clark, Kenneth Flynn, and Randy Sims.

Thunderbird Events

March

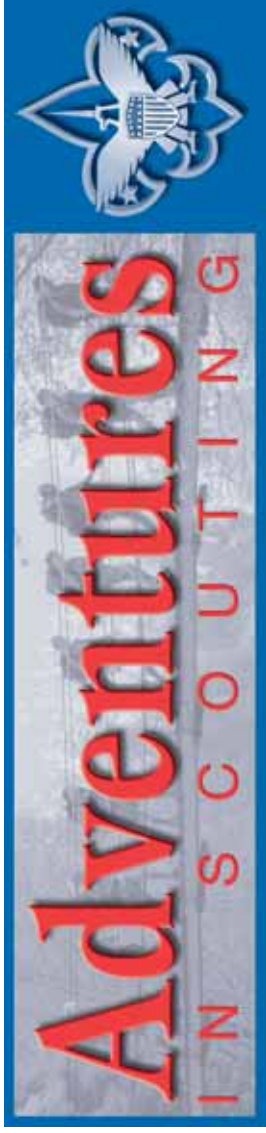
- 1 District Roundtable 7:30 pm Hickman Mills High School 9010 Old Santa Fe Rd. Kansas City, MO.
- 1 Youth Protection Training- 7pm, Merit Badge Counselor Orientation & O.A. Chpt. 5 Mtg. 7:30pm.
- 5 New leader essentials - 8:30am - 11:00am
- 5 Cub Scout leader specific training - 12:00pm - 3:30pm, Location: TBA
- 8 District Commissioner Meeting. Council Service Center - 7pm
- 10 District Committee Meeting. Council Service Center - 7pm
- 19 Den Chief Training - 8:30am - 1:00pm, Coronation of Our Lady Catholic Church, Highgrove Road, Grandview, MO
- 25 Office Closed - Observance of Good Friday

April

- 2 Scoutmaster and Assistant SM Specific Training, 8:00am - 5:00pm, Red Bridge United Methodist Church, 636 East 117th Street, Kansas City, MO
- 5 District Roundtable 7:30 pm Hickman Mills High School 9010 Old Santa Fe Rd. Kansas City, MO.
- 5 Youth Protection Training- 7pm, Merit Badge Counselor Orientation & O.A. Chpt. 5 Mtg. 7:30pm.
- 5 New Leader Essentials, 7:00pm - 9:00pm, Hickman Mills H.S.
- 6 Troop Committee Challenge, 6:30pm - 10:00pm, Redbridge United Methodist Church, 636 East 117th Street
- 9 Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO), 8:30am - 5:00pm, Ridgeview Christian Church, Kansas City, MO, 8640 Sni-A-Bar Road, Kansas City, MO
- 12 District Commissioner Meeting. Council Service Center - 7pm
- 13 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills: Session 1: Red Bridge United Methodist Church, 636 East 117th Street, Kansas City, MO
- 14 District Committee Meeting. Council Service Center - 7pm
- 23-24 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills: Session 2: 8:00am - 1:00pm, Troop 300 Scout Cabin, Pleasant Hill, MO
- 28 Cub Scout Leader Specific Training: 6:00pm St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 700 NE Chipman Road, Lee's Summit, MO

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Start Planning Now For Youth Protection Month

Across the county, April has been declared National Child Abuse Prevention Month. This provides us the perfect opportunity to recommit ourselves to the Youth Protection Program of the Boy Scouts of America and help safeguard both our youth and adult members against the problem of child abuse in our society.

For Cub Scout Packs, Boy Scout Troops and Venture Crews, April is the perfect time to evaluate the Youth Protection practices in your unit. Here are some ideas that will help increase the awareness of child abuse and youth protection among our youth members, their families and our leaders.

- Have all leaders in your pack, troop or crew complete the

Youth Protection Training, either on-line or at a course provided in your district.

- Review of Youth Protection and Adult Leadership guidelines found in the Guide to Safe Scouting, which can be found on the Heart of America Council Web-Site

- Conduct the Youth Protection Training for Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts or Venturers and show the video- "It Happened to Me", which is designed for Cub Scouts, or "A Time to Tell", which is designed for Boy Scouts. These videos may be checked out from your district training chairman or the council office.

- Incorporate the Power Pack Pals

Comic Book for Bullying or the Power Pack Pals Comic Books for Internet Safety into your pack or den programs. These books will be available at March and April Roundtables.

- Review with parents of new Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts the need to review with their son the Youth Protection section found in the front of each Cub Scout Handbook, or the Boy Scout Handbook.

Please contact your District Executive if you need additional resources to conduct the Youth Protection Training Program in your unit.

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