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2007 Centennial Quality Achievement Award

The Centennial Quality Awards program is designed to recognize units, districts, and councils in achieving excellence in providing a quality program to a growing youth population in America at all levels of the Boy Scouts of America. As a revision of the former “National Quality Award,” the new program required units to meet with their unit commissioners early in the year and establish programming, membership and other goals for the calendar year.

The next step for units in achieving the award is to submit a the 2007 Centennial Quality Achievement Form for Unit Award. Criteria for the unit award are achieving unit set goals for: percentage of direct contact leaders completing basic training, percentage of youth retained in the program, on-time recharter, adding new members and volunteer leaders, achieving a 60% rate of rank advancement, having 70% of the youth members enjoying an outdoor experience and conducting an annual program and financial planning session.

Forms may be submitted between October 31 and December 31 to receive the award. For more information you can contact your unit commissioner or district executive.

Women’s Criminal Justice Association to Help Cub Scout with Cancer

Tyler Wayne Barlett journey through life has been a tough one. He is a 9 year old Cub Scout with Pack 4100, chartered to Harrisonville United Methodist Church, who has bone cancer. His cancer is located in his leg and he has endure months of chemotherapy and will have to have surgery every three months to adjust the prosthesis that has been fitted into his leg. For additional information on Tyler’s story visit www.caringbridge.org/visit/tyler-bartlett.

Annually “The Missouri/ Kansas Women in Criminal Justice” hold a bowling event to raise funds for a worthy cause or individual in need. This year they have selected Tyler. Their event will take place on Saturday October 27, 2007 at AMF Strike ‘N Spare Lanes, 13001 E. 40th Highway in Independence. Bowling times are 10 am to Noon, 2:00 to 4:00 pm or 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Teams of 4 may register, get additional details and pledge forms by emailing mkwcj@sbcglobal.net or calling (816) 234-5042 or (816)719-8281.

Teams must register by October 15.

The 2007 Popcorn Sale is in full swing!
Units are hard at work achieving their fundraising goals that will allow them to enjoy great programs in this upcoming year. Here are details you need to keep in mind:

Key Dates
- Sale Concludes – The sale concludes on Saturday, October 27.
- Orders Due -- Final orders are due on Monday, October 29 by 5:00 pm
- Returns Due -- Notification of popcorn you are returning is due Monday, October 29. Returns are only accepted if you have given notice by October 29.
- Final Pick Up -- November 9 & November 10

Currently 453 units are participating in the sale, 45 more units than last year. We are targeting a growth of 10%. It’s an aggressive benchmark but with the additional units participating it is one that we can surely reach.

Final Popcorn Distribution - Unit popcorn kernels will be contacted with the final order pick up locations and the time scheduled for your unit. You will be able to pick up your final orders and return popcorn that exceeds your needs. Please remember that you must report any returns to the office by October 29. Returns are not accepted at the pick up locations unless you have reported them by the deadline. Returns are used to fill other orders and are subtracted from the final popcorn order to ensure precise inventory control!

Our sale is off to a successful start this year largely in part to the work of all of our district kernels who work with units to promote the sale and insure its success. So far things look great! Over $1,000,000 in Show N Sell popcorn was ordered for the first portion of the sale!

When you see your district popcorn kernels at roundtables give them a big pat on the back. They are helping to make great Scouting programs happen.

District Kernels
- Big Muddy - Vic Geiger
- Kaw - Leann Saint
- North Star - Roger Hagen
- Pelathe - Jean Pfeifer
- Red-Tailed Hawk - Scott Tobias
- Trailhead - Byron Long
- Twin Rivers - Sarah Lovesee
- Blue Elk - Jeff Dutzel
- Lone Bear - Randy White
- Northern Tier - Stephanie Ogan
- Pioneer Trails - Julie Hill
- Thunderbird - Dick Brown
- Trails West - Melissa Wikstrom

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“WILL” You Be Ready?

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

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

The answer is as clear as the night sky itself. With thoughtful planning and a commitment to the future of Scouting – on your part and on the part of many other Scouting families – this great movement will continue to grow and flourish.

One way you and your family can support your local council’s need for an endowment is to name the trust fund of the Heart of America Council as a beneficiary in your will.

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

If you feel that a bequest to Scouting would be beneficial to you and would like more information, contact John Kuehn, Director of Finance Services at (816) 569-4979 or visit our national planned giving web site --- www.fsd.org.

Venturing: The New “Old” BSA Program

Venturing, originally part of the Exploring division, finally came into its own in 1998. It is now the fastest growing program of the BSA. Venturing offers young men and women, ages 14 through 20, a program specifically designed for their age group. Venturing is a natural outgrowth of the Boy Scout program. As Scouts grow older, they are better prepared to fully take over the planning and leadership functions of running a crew. They are also looking for new challenges away from the younger Scouts. Venturing is a chance to keep older Scouts active in the program by providing them with new opportunities while keeping them involved with a troop.

We have a number of great Venturing crews in the Heart of America Council. This last year several of them went on a skiing and snow boarding adventure in Colorado.

The sixth annual Venturing ski trip was a great success. Dan Sanderson, Venture Crew 865 Adviser, hosted last year’s trip. Seven crews from all parts of the council participated in the three day trip to Winter Park over the Martin Luther King Holiday. The Venture crews stayed in eleven condos and enjoyed cooking meals, playing games, watching movies, hot tubbing, shopping and, of course, skiing. This is not your traditional Scout camping trip!

“This is a good example of the activities that are done in Venturing,” said Sanderson. In addition to skiing, the crew is involved with rock climbing, canoeing, camping and other sporting activities.

Venturing provides positive experiences to help young people mature and to prepare them to become responsible and caring adults. Venturing provides the skills needed for young adults to make ethical choices, experience a fun program full of adventure and challenges, acquire leadership skills, and take advantage of opportunities to advance their skills and knowledge in the areas of high adventure, sports, arts, hobbies, religious life, and Sea Scouting. Venturing crews can specialize in a variety of avocation or hobby interests.

Venturing is based on a unique and dynamic relationship between youth, adult leaders and community organizations. The result is a program of exciting and meaningful activities that helps youth pursue their special interests, grow, develop leadership skills and become good citizens. For more information about Venturing, talk to your district executive and visit the National Council’s Venturing Division’s website at http://www.scouting.org/nav/enter.jsp?s=xx&c=ds&terms=venturing.
Council News

Volunteers to be Honored

The Heart of America Council is pleased to recognize the individuals listed below who have been selected as this year’s Silver Beaver recipients. The Silver Beaver Award is the highest honor that a council can bestow on a volunteer leader. The award not only honors the individual’s involvement in Scouting, but also recognizes their work to make the community a better place for young people beyond Scouting.

The awards will be presented at the Annual Recognition Dinner on Wednesday, November 14, 2007 at the Kansas City Marriott Muehlebach. Reservations for the dinner are required and the price of attending is $45 per person.

2007 Silver Beaver Recipients:
William Adams
Thomas Barzee
James Bernard
Buddy Burris
Dean Carlson
Peggy Dunn
Roland Francis
Edward Gooseman
Mark Grant
Anita Guernsey
Hale Lentz
Hurley Mahan
Ralena McCurdy
Ray Morrison
Fr. Joe Powers
Barbara Shaffer
Keith Sickendick
David Sultz
Jeffrey Tyler
Charlie Tetrick
Jim B. Todd
Sharlet Untereiner
Eldon L. Verman
Jason T. White
William Whitenack
Nancy Woods

Boy Scout Recruitment Help

A steady flow of youth into a Boy Scout troop is essential to maintaining the troop’s health. New Scouts bring energy and enthusiasm to the troop program.

The first step for any recruitment effort is to appoint an assistant Scoutmaster, or troop committee member, to serve as the troop membership chair. This person will develop and implement a year-round growth plan that incorporates all methods of recruitment; working closely with Cub Scout packs in the community, the district membership committee, and the unit commissioner.

Have you Conducted A Boy Scout Troop Open House Yet?

The Boy Scout troop open house allows a troop to swing open its doors and roll out the red carpet to welcome guests. It provides a forum to show Scouting activities and the troop’s accomplishments. It is an effective tool to reach youth who have never tried Scouting.

Hosting a troop open house is a five-step process that has been tried and proven in troops throughout the nation. Each of the following five steps is vital to the event’s success:

1. With your district staff, present a school rally to fifth and sixth-graders. Also survey the students to determine their interest in Scouting activities.
2. Mail the parents of interested youth a personal invitation to the troop open house.
3. Follow the invitation with a telephone call to the parents.
4. Host the troop open house for youth and their parents.
5. Organize a troop or district activity to involve new Scouts right away.

Youth join Scouting for the fun and outdoor adventure. Parents want them to join for completely different reasons—character building and leadership training.

Following this plan for conducting a troop open house will help you address the wants and needs of both youth and their parents. For detailed information these recruitment efforts, please go to www.scouting.org/boyscouts/resources/18-74

Internet Advancement

You can now upload your advancements from Troopmaster/Packmaster and other third party software. Log on today and try it out!

- Use Internet Advancement for the following:
  - Add ranks, merit badges, and awards.
  - Update information on existing advancements (excepting the Eagle Scout rank).

To use Internet Advancement:

- Select the unit advancement processor. This person must have Internet connectivity and Microsoft Internet Explorer.
- Obtain a unit ID code from the council. Contact Linda Mitchell at (816) 569-4943.
- Gather information for advancement, including merit badge applications and advancement records with dates.
- Click Internet Advancement. Follow the instructions in Internet Advancement to process advancements and print an advancement report.
- Have the appropriate people sign the printed unit advancement report and submit it to the council. Save a copy for your files.
**Program Opportunities**

**Additional Religious Emblems Classes**

The religious emblems programs were created by the various religious groups to encourage youth to grow stronger in their faith. The Boy Scouts of America has approved of the programs and allows the recognition to be worn on the official uniform. Each religious organization develops and administers its own program. More information on religious emblems programs is available on the P.R.A.Y. website www.praypub.org. Study materials are also available for purchase from the Scout Shop.

This fall a number of courses are being offered. These programs can be pursued on an individual basis. If you are interested in exploring the religious emblems program offered by your faith speak with someone at your house of worship.

Here are additional courses offered this fall. Several classes were already announced by email. Updates will be forwarded as received.

**Jewish Maccabee and Aleph Emblems for Cubs**

Religious award-a-thons for these 2 emblems will be held on December 27, at Kehilath Israel Synagogue, from 10 am - 2 pm. For registration and information contact Jill Goldstein, Jewish Awards Committee Co-Chair KC Jewish Committee on Scouting at (913) 642-8023 in the evening.

**Islamic Religious Awards**

Mahnaz Shabbir is willing to work with Scouts interested in earning the Islamic Religious awards. You can contact Mahnaz at (816) 213-2536 or by email at mahnaz@shabbiradvisors.com.

**Ad Altare Dei**

A team from St. Therese Catholic Church in Parkville holds Ad Altare Dei classes (7th grade through 9th grade) each fall for Catholic Scouts in the Northland. Classes started the first week in September and go through late January. For more information on these classes contact Dave Tracewell at dttracewell@scoutingbooks.com.

**Fall Volunteer Opportunities For Youth Volunteers**

Bridging The Gap, a local nonprofit environmental education and action organization has a number of volunteer service projects for young people. For those of you who are not familiar with Bridging The Gap, you may want to check www.bridgingthegap.org for more information about us.

All volunteer opportunities require scheduling in advance by calling 816-561-1090.
2008 BOY SCOUT CAMP DRAW

Payment Schedule:

$40 deposit is due with each reservation for Scouts and Full Time Leaders at the camp draw

Half of the Balance due by Wed. February 20, 2008 and the Final Payment Due by Wed. April 23, 2008 with names of all campers

The draw to determine 2008 Boy Scout Camp placement for in-council troops will take place on October 17, 18 and 20, 2007. The draw is based on the number of Scouts and full-time leaders your troop camped in either 2006 or 2007 (whichever is greater) and will be camping in 2008 as follows:

The Theodore Naish Scout Reservation draw will be held at the Council Service Center, 10210 Holmes Rd, Kansas City, MO 64131.

Wednesday, October 17, 2007 (Held at the Council Service Center)
- 6:30pm - single troops that camped 25 or more Scouts and full-time leaders
- 7:00pm - single troops that camped less than 25 Scouts and full-time leaders
- 7:30pm - combined troops of any number based on camp and campsite availability

The H Roe Bartle Scout Reservation (October 18, 2007 Thursday only) will be held at the Council Service Center, 10210 Holmes Rd, Kansas City, MO 64131.

Thursday, October 18, 2007
- 6:30pm – single troops that camped 60-74 Scouts and full-time leaders
- 7:00pm – single troops that camped 45-59 Scouts and full-time leaders

The H Roe Bartle Scout Reservation draw (October 20, 2007 Saturday only) will be held at the Cerner Riverport Campus, 6711 Birmingham, Kansas City, MO.

Saturday, October 20, 2007
- 8:30am – single troops that camped 30-44 Scouts and full-time leaders
- 9:30am – single troops that camped 15-29 Scouts and full-time leaders
- 11:00am – single troops that camped 14 or less Scouts and full-time leaders
- 11:30pm - combined troops of any number based on camp and campsite availability

A representative for and/or designated by the troop must be present to place their ticket in the draw and be prepared to pay the required deposit of $40.00 per Scout and full-time leader. Troops will be placed in CAMP, SESSION, and CAMPSITE in the order of the draw, as space is available. The $40.00 per person registration fee is transferable to a replacement Scout or leader within the same troop on a one-to-one basis. The fee is not refundable nor may it be applied to the balance due for another person. The draw for out-of-council troops will take place on October 31, 2007. THE HEART OF AMERICA COUNCIL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJUST CAMPSITE ASSIGNMENTS.
## 2008 Summer Camp Dates

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Program Opportunities

Don't miss HOAC's University of Scouting to be held Saturday, November 3, 2007 from 7:00 am – 4:30 pm at Hickman Mills High School. University of Scouting is a council-wide Cub, Boy Scout & Venturing leader learning extravaganza where you pick your own classes. For only $25.00 you get all the information you choose, a University of Scouting patch and/or pin, CD and a lunch.

You can register, choose your classes and submit the non-refundable payment either online or through paper registration. The FINAL DEADLINE for registration is Friday, October 26, 2007. Following that date, you will need to come to University of Scouting and register as a walk-in.

Program Highlights include:
• Give Aways
• Midway
• Exhibits
• Trading Posts

For more information contact J. Britt Davis at (816) 569-4924 or jdavis@bsamail.org.

University of Scouting

Eagle Scout Scholarships

Applications for the Cooke Eagle Scout Academic Scholarship and the Hall/McElwain Merit Scholarships are now available at www.nesa.org. Please discard all old scholarship forms that you may have. Only the new forms will be accepted.

Applications for both scholarships will be accepted after October 1, 2007, but postmarked no later than midnight January 31, 2008. Applicants can fill out these applications on the computer, print them out, sign them and mail them in to the address on the application. Please do not mail these applications to the Council Service Center as doing so will only delay your application.

Woodcarving Workshop

The annual Woodcarving Workshop will be held at the Theodore Naish Scout Reservation. This event gives Scouts and adult leaders the opportunity to carve neckerchief slides for a fun carving opportunity. The Totin’ Chip nor the Woodcarving merit badge will be earned during this time. Please plan to join us on December 1, 2007.

Pre-registration is needed by November 23, 2007. You can register online at www.hoac-bsa.org. This event is limited for the first 75 participants. If you have further questions please call Jonathan Bonness at 816-569-4955 or jbonness@bsamail.org.
Recharter

Recharter packets are being prepared for the upcoming year. Online rechartering is an easy way to re-register your unit. If you do not understand any part of the process contact your unit commissioner for help. If you don’t know your unit commissioner, contact Larry Maxwell, District Commissioner at (816) 470-5660.

Friends of Scouting

Please check your unit calendar and select a date for a Friends of Scouting presentation this winter. FOS raises funds required to support the Scouting program in the Big Muddy District and the Heart of America Council.

Cub Family Campout

Thanks again to all who helped make the Cub Scout Family Campout a success! This is the third year for this event. Expect it to grow substantially over the next several years!

Annual Business Meeting

The Big Muddy District’s annual business meeting is scheduled for December 4, 2007 at 7:30 pm, at Dibbins Hall in Lexington. We are electing members at large to be members of the 2008 district committee. All voting members of the district, including chartered organization representatives, district members at large, and any council members at large residing in the district are encouraged to attend.

Please send nominations to: Big Muddy District Nominating Committee; Attn: Grant Dealy 10210 Holmes Road, Kansas City, MO 64131. All nominations must be made in writing at least two weeks prior to the district election.

Scout Leader Training

Every Boy Deserves a Trained Leader!

Basic leader training will be held on Saturday October 6, 2007 at the Martens’ Home located at 11930 Highway 13, Richmond, MO 64085 (two miles north of Richmond on highway 13)

8:30 a.m. Youth Protection
10:00 a.m. Basic Leader Essentials
12:45 p.m. Cub Scout Specific

In January we will hold evening classes offering Youth Protection, New Leader Essentials, and Cub Scout Leader Specific training. Evening sessions will start at 7:00 p.m. and held the last three Wednesdays in January 2008. For large groups of untrained leaders, talk with Mary Martens; special training sessions can be arranged.

Tribal Elevations

This year the Big Muddy District was recognized by having two from its ranks elevated in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say’s Tribal Council. Dr. William LaHue, Sachem Swift Flying Knife, of Lexington was elevated to Keeper of the Wampum and Bob Brooks, Warrior Dark Night Traveler was named a Sachem. Congratulations to both of these recipients!

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Thanks again to all who helped make the Cub Scout Family Campout a success! This is the third year for this event. Expect it to grow substantially over the next several years!

Annual Business Meeting

The Big Muddy District’s annual business meeting is scheduled for December 4, 2007 at 7:30 pm, at Dibbins Hall in Lexington. We are electing members at large to be members of the 2008 district committee. All voting members of the district, including chartered organization representatives, district members at large, and any council members at large residing in the district are encouraged to attend.

Please send nominations to: Big Muddy District Nominating Committee; Attn: Grant Dealy 10210 Holmes Road, Kansas City, MO 64131. All nominations must be made in writing at least two weeks prior to the district election.

Scout Leader Training

Every Boy Deserves a Trained Leader!

Basic leader training will be held on Saturday October 6, 2007 at the Martens’ Home located at 11930 Highway 13, Richmond, MO 64085 (two miles north of Richmond on highway 13)

8:30 a.m. Youth Protection
10:00 a.m. Basic Leader Essentials
12:45 p.m. Cub Scout Specific

In January we will hold evening classes offering Youth Protection, New Leader Essentials, and Cub Scout Leader Specific training. Evening sessions will start at 7:00 p.m. and held the last three Wednesdays in January 2008. For large groups of untrained leaders, talk with Mary Martens; special training sessions can be arranged.

Tribal Elevations

This year the Big Muddy District was recognized by having two from its ranks elevated in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say’s Tribal Council. Dr. William LaHue, Sachem Swift Flying Knife, of Lexington was elevated to Keeper of the Wampum and Bob Brooks, Warrior Dark Night Traveler was named a Sachem. Congratulations to both of these recipients!

October
2 Roundtable, Lexington United Methodist Church, Lexington, 7:30 pm
4 District Committee Meeting, Dibbins Hall, Lexington, 7:30 pm
10 Commissioner’s Meeting, Christian Church, Richmond 7:30 pm

November
1 District Committee Meeting, Dibbins Hall, Lexington, 7:30 pm
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7 Commissioner’s Meeting, Christian Church, Richmond, 7:30 pm
Blue Elk Camporee 2007

This year’s Blue Elk fall camporee is October 12-14 at the American Legion Farm, Blue Springs, Missouri. Register at roundtable or the council office. On-time registration of $7.00 per person by October 4th. Effective October 5th, registration will be $9.00 per person. There is a unit registration fee of $20.00. Each unit must register at least 2 adults in accordance with Youth Protections Guidelines. Webelos will register, pay and camp with a troop. Secure a tour permit in advance from the Council Service Center. Event registration is between 4:00 and 10:00 pm. on Friday For more details contact Vince Barreto at roundtable, or Tiffany Bumgardner at the council office.

Drop off your trailer or camping supplies starting Friday morning at 7:00 am. This will help avoid any traffic problems.

Unit Rechartering

On Thursday, October 11, a meeting will be held at Beacon Heights to review the re-chartering process. Registration will begin at 6:30 pm. Your unit’s chartered organization representative, committee chair, unit leader, and unit commissioner should attend this meeting. Re-charter packets will be distributed. Also the re-charter process will be reviewed in detail. Please make plans to attend this very important meeting.

Re-charter turn in will be held on Thursday, December 13 beginning at 7:00 pm. at Beacon Heights Community of Christ Church located at 19402 E Holke Rd. in Independence. We will be ready to receive all your re-chartering materials. To make this process run smoothly please call your unit commissioner or your professional staff at the council office, (816) 942-9333, before the re-charter turn in if you have questions or problems.

Friends of Scouting

Friends of Scouting had an early start this year and presentations are already happening. This is a time to give to the program that we love, the boys we mentor, and those who need financial assistance. What better gift could you give to a child than the gift of Scouting? Please call Bob Stikeleather at (816) 796-8902 or Brian Bentrop at the council office with your Court of Honor/Blue and Gold/Pack meeting date.

Send us Your Stories

The Blue Elk District would like to hear what your unit is up to. Send your stories to Tiffany Bumgardner by e-mail at tbumgard@bsamail.org

Klondike Derby

We will be teaming up with Thunderbird District this year for our Klondike Derby. On January 26, we will be going to Snow Creek for an overnight ski. Look for more information at roundtable and on the website soon. For questions contact Craig Hastings at 522-4370, Klondike Chair, or Brian Bentrop at the council office.

Eagle Boards of Review

Eagle Boards of Review are conducted at our monthly roundtable meetings or at a troop meeting. Please call Leonard Jones at (B) (816) 471-5584 or (H) (816) 228-4690 at least two weeks before you wish to have the Eagle Board of Review.

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Blue Elk District Events

October

3 Commissioners Meeting and Re-Charter Kick Off, Plaza Heights, 1501 Clark Rd., 6:00 pm
4 Roundtable, Eagle Board of Review, OA Chapter Meeting, Youth Protection Training, New Leader Essentials, Plaza Heights, 1501 Clark Rd., 7:00 pm
5-6 Outdoor Leader Skills Training, St Mark’s Methodist Church, 603 Jennings Rd, Independence, MO
11 District Committee Meeting, Beacon Heights, 19402 E. Holke Rd.
12-14 Camporee, American Legion Farm, 40 Highway east of Adams Dairy Parkway, Blue Springs, MO

November

1 Commissioners Meeting, Plaza Heights, 1501 Clark Rd., 6:00pm
1 Roundtable, Eagle Board of Review, Merit Badge Counselor Training, OA Chapter Meeting, New Leader Essentials Training, Youth Protection Training, Plaza Heights 7:00 pm
9 District Committee Meeting, Beacon Heights, 19402 E. Holke Rd., Independence, MO, 7:00 pm
TIME to START the WEBELOS to SCOUT TRANSITION!!!!

80% of Boy Scouts were former Webelos. Now is the time to invite them to take a look at your troop. If you are a troop with no feeder pack OR a pack that has no feeder troop, we can help team you up and insure that those Webelos progress on into Boy Scouts. For more information on this process, contact Charles Vonderheide (816) 569-4965 or cvonderh@bsamail.org.

Popcorn

As you begin your popcorn sale, make sure that you check in with your boys and encourage them to meet their sales goal. Remind the parents of all the benefits of a successful sale (pays for camp, registration, outings, etc…). If your sale isn’t going well or you have questions, contact Leann Saint (913) 334-4863 or Charles Vonderheide (816) 569-4965 for assistance. Remember, the Prize Order Form and all information that follows are to be turned in by Monday, October 29, 5:00 pm.

Kaw District’s Roundtable Location

Beginning in September, roundtables will be held in a new location. Roundtables will be held at Bonner Springs United Methodist Church, 425 Morse Road, in Bonner Springs, Kansas. We look forward to seeing you there to welcome our new leaders and parents. See everyone there!

2007 Fall Camporee “Pioneering Weekend”

Fall Camporee will be from Friday, October 26th to Sunday, October 28th in the Fort Leavenworth Scout Area. The object of this event is for troops to create their “Best Pioneering Project”. Every troop will need to bring all necessary equipment to build the project of choice; Signal Tower, Monkey Bridge, or any other project that requires lashing to assemble. Your project needs to be completed by Noon, and we would also like for you to invite a Webelos den to assist you. The cost for this will be $5 per Scout and Scouter, if you have immediate questions and want your troop to start planning early, contact Tim Saint at (913) 449-5337.

2007 Cub Scout Family Campout

On September 28 and 29, Kaw District held our annual Cub Scout Family Campout in Cub World at Camp Naish. Thanks to everyone who made this event possible. We had great attendance, great activities and great attendance. This was a great way to welcome our new Cub Scouts and their families to Scouting in the Kaw District.

School Night for Scouting

Thank you to all of our volunteers who have dedicated their time to Organizer and Coordinator positions for our School Night to Join Scouting this year. Because of your efforts, Kaw District is 64% complete with our Cub Scout recruitment goal of 624 Cub Scouts. Also, thank you to those packs who have consistently provided a unit representative to their School Night’s.

There are still several School Night’s remaining and it will take all of us to continue this outstanding recruitment streak. Contact Charles Vonderheide if you would like to join us in our School Night to Join Scouting recruitment.
Fall Recruitment

The majority of recruiting new Cub Scouts has taken place. Even though your pack may have already held a recruitment event, encourage your Scouts to invite all of their friends to come and visit. The Lone Bear District is well on its way to achieving the membership needed to become a Quality District. If you have applications that you have not turned in or you are following up to complete, please turn them ASAP. If you would like to get additional flyers, contact David Riker at the council office. Every boy deserves the chance to enjoy the fun and excitement of Scouting.

District Recognition Dinner Nominations

Nominations for the Award of Merit and the Silver Bear are being accepted. This is an opportunity to recognize the outstanding leaders of the Lone Bear District. These awards will be presented at the Lone Bear District Recognition Dinner on Thursday, January 15, 2008. For nomination forms and more information, please contact David Riker at the council office.

District Roundtables

Roundtables are held the first Tuesday of every month at the Clinton Scout Center. Roundtables are a gathering of Lone Bear Scouters and an important way for leaders to learn from each other. You will find information on variety of subjects from the council and the district. Each month there are new programs for Boy Scout and Cub Scout leaders. We always have a great time and your unit would benefit from having at least one adult leader present. All leaders are encouraged to join us.

Basic Leader Training

The Lone Bear District strives to offer the best Scouting program possible to our Scouts. An important aspect of running a good program is trained leaders. This fall there are many opportunities for all of our leaders to get the necessary training. This will be particularly important for those leaders just starting their exciting Scouting adventure. Contact Mike Wiltfong at (660) 885-6914.

Centennial Quality Unit Award

Every unit should have filled out a Centennial Quality Unit Award form. Each unit is responsible for setting and achieving goals to receive the Centennial Quality Award. This year as long as you fill out a form, set goals and striving to achieve them, you should earn the award. Visit with your unit commissioner about this award. They should help you fill out the form and discuss your goals. If you have questions, please talk to John Gaston at (816) 297-2216 or David Riker at the council office.

2007 Gus S. Wetzel Memorial Golf Tournament

The 26th annual Gus S. Wetzel golf tournament was a huge success. The tournament was held on Saturday, Sept. 8 at the Meadow Lake Golf course in Clinton, MO. The course was full of people playing golf to support Scouting. Thanks to Cynthia Glasscock and her tournament committee for planning and holding such a great event. Discuss your goals. If you have questions, please talk to John Gaston at (816) 297-2216 or David Riker at the council office.

Fall Camporee

The 2007 fall camporee is scheduled for Friday, October 26-28 and will be held at Butler City Lake. Each troop should construct a catapult or trebuchet. We will launch hedge apples for distance, accuracy and awards. The catapults or trebuchets’ must be disassembled when they arrive and reassembled on Saturday. Encourage Scouts to invite a prospective member along to see the fun and enjoy a weekend of camping. For more information contact Jerry Post at (660) 747-0600.

What Have Your Scouts Done?

The district committee and all of the Lone Bear District want to know about your unit’s activities and plans. We know you are involved in exciting activities and are having lots of fun. Please email your monthly highlights and photos to David Riker at the council office. We will be sure to get your unit’s story in this publication!
Adventures in Scouting
October/November 2007

Training Dates In North Star District

Training

Are you trained for your position? And while we are on the subject, are the rest of the Scouters in your unit trained? If not, be sure the training dates below are on your calendar.

For training information contact: Karen Hatcher at 891-9429 for Cub Scout training, John Cookinham at 587-1695 for Boy Scout training and Mark Hatcher at 891-9429 for Venturing training.

All the up-to-date information on available training courses at your North Star District training page: http://hoac-bsa.org/nstraining.cfm

Roundtable

The internationally famous North Star District had a great August roundtable, hosted by Dick’s Sporting Goods Store at Zona Rosa. Thanks to Dick’s Sporting Goods and all who attended.

Your roundtable staff worked during the summer to update their program. They are excited about what they have to share this year. Bring your unit leaders to discover new ideas, network, make new friends, share, and find out the latest on district activities. We are at PWUMC in October. See you there!!!

Not Your Grandpa’s Camporee

You asked for a change, and the North Star District Activities and Camping groups aim to deliver.

This year's camporee will be at the Kelsey Short Youth Camp Ground at Smithville Lake on October 19-21. We are planning...

- Six Game Areas
- Six Program Enhancements
- Twelve Competition Stations
- Shotgun Shooting MB and Competition!!!
- Biking skills and competition
- Learning sessions such as cooking
- “How-To” session for campfire programs
- Nearsat Balloon Launch Sunday morning

Information packets and registration forms will be out soon. To serve on the camporee staff please contact Paul Crooks at (816) 792-5469 or gator@kcnet.com, Jeff Goertz at (816) 225-7203, or Jon Geiger at the council office.

Fall Recruiting

Our fall recruiting effort was a huge success. Many of our units have had a great recruiting season. Thanks to all of the volunteers who have helped make this happen!

North Star

District Events

October

4 District Roundtable, PWUMC, 7310 NW Prairie View, New Leader Essentials, Youth Protection and Merit Badge Counselor Training, OA Chapter Meeting, 7:30 pm
9 District Committee Meeting, Annual Business Meeting, North Cross United Methodist, 1321 NE Vivion, 7:30 pm
13 Recharter Kickoff & Commissioner Meeting, St. Luke Presbyterian, 4301 NE Vivion, 7:30 pm
19-21 District Camporee, Kelsey Short Campground, Smithville Lake, Check-In 5:00 pm

November

1 District Roundtable, PWUMC, 7310 NW Prairie View. New Leader Essentials, Youth Protection and Merit Badge Counselor Training are offered along with the OA Chapter Meeting, 7:30 pm
8 Commissioner Meeting, St. Luke Presbyterian 4301 NE Vivion, 7:30 pm
13 District Committee Meeting, North Cross United Methodist, 7:30 pm
29 Recharter Turn-In, St. Luke Presbyterian 4301 NE Vivion, 7:00 pm
Camporee - “Scouting Then and Now”

Mark your calendars for October 19-21 for the fall camporee at Shawnee Riverfront Park! The theme “Scouting Then and Now: A look at the Past 100 years” celebrates Baden-Powell’s first gathering of young men on Brownsea Island in 1907. We can’t wait for you to be part of this awesome weekend. If you have any questions about signing up or camporee program, contact Dick Kaufman at (913) 677-1839. See you there!

Rechartering

Rechartering packets will be available at the November roundtable. Orientation on the Internet Rechartering process will also be held to cover any changes made since last year. Your recharter will be due into the office no later than January 16, 2008.

Award of Merit Nominations

The District Award of Merit is a great opportunity to recognize those “unnoticed” volunteers for their hard work and effort throughout the year! Nomination forms are available at the council service center, at roundtables and on our website. Please contact Kathryn Rajala, District Executive, with any questions. Nominations for District Award of Merit need to be mailed to Kathryn Rajala, NT District, 10210 Holmes Road Kansas City, MO 64131, no later than January 16.

School Night to Join Scouting

The School Night program was a great success. Our staff of trained School Night presenters gave every boy wanting to become a Cub Scout and every parent wanting to become a leader that chance! Your energy, excitement and enthusiasm was contagious. Thanks also to our unit leaders for their support. Finally, thanks to our outstanding training team and Cub Scout Family Campout staff for sharing with our new leaders and giving our newest Cub Scouts a taste of the Scouting fun that awaits them.

District Dinner

Mark your calendars for February 2, 2008. The district dinner will be held at Olathe North High School Culinary Arts School. We are looking for volunteers to help with the district dinner. Plan to set that evening aside for fun, fellowship, and recognition with your Scouting friends! If you have ideas or questions, please contact Kathryn Rajala, District Executive.

Popcorn

About 70% of the total sale stays here to support Scouting. The council uses the money it receives to ensure that the facilities, training and resources are available. You can use it to provide a great program, give it a try. There is a time left until orders need to be placed. Let’s make sure our friends and neighbors get the chance to support Scouting through the popcorn sale!

Northern Tier District Events

October

2 District Commissioner’s Meeting, Grace Christian Fellowship Church, 7230 Quivira, 7:00 pm
2 Cub Leader Specific, Youth Protection, New Leader Essential, 10700 Johnson Dr, 7:00 pm
4 District Roundtable OA Chapter Meeting MB Counselor Training, Presbyterian Church, 6641 Mission Rd., 7:00 pm
7-8 Boy Scout Outdoor Leader Skills, Camp Klassen, 7:00 am
11 District Committee Meeting, Grace Christian Fellowship, 7230 Quivira Rd., 6:30 pm
13 Venturer Leader Training, Village Presbyterian, 6641 Mission Road
19-21 Fall Camporee, Shawnee Riverfront Park, 5800 Frisbie Rd.
18 Eagle Board of Reviews, LDS Church, 7845 Allman, 6:30 pm

November

1 District Roundtable, OA Chapter Meeting, MB Counselor Training, Village Presbyterian Church, 6641 Mission Road, 7:00 pm
6 Commissioner’s Meeting, Grace Christian Fellowship, 7:00 pm
13 District Committee, Grace Fellowship Christian Church, 7:00 pm
15 Troop Committee Challenge, Shawnee United Methodist, 10700 Johnson Dr., 6:30 pm
15 District Eagle Board of Reviews, LDS Church, 7845 Allman Rd., 6:30 pm

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Scouts Deserve Trained Leaders

Our training team has been working overtime to offer training for new leaders or leaders in a new role. Our top-notch trainers will make sure you are ahead of the game for your first meeting. This training team will show you the “Purpose” behind that “Fun!” To find out what training sessions are right for you, visit the district website or contact Pat Wiederaenders at (913) 236.8976 or email at gwiederaenders@kc.rr.com
Cub Scout Overnighter

The Cub Scout Overnight on September 29th at Camp Bromelsick allowed our new Cubs to have a blast camping, playing games, and hanging out with their families. The Cub Scout Overnight provides a camping experience for all new boys that sign up in the fall. Experienced Cub Scouts can also attend the Overnighter. A special thanks to Stephen Roberts for putting this year’s Overnighter together.

Webelos Woods

It couldn’t have been a better weekend for a campout!!! The weather was beautiful! Webelos from almost every pack in the Pelathe District attended. There were campfires on Friday and Saturday evenings. Boys learned many skills through a variety of activities during the day on Saturday. A special thanks goes out to Glen Jackson and the Eudora troop for putting this years event on out at Camp Bromelsick.

Bill Self Boy Scout Golf Classic

The Bill Self Boy Scout Golf Classic was a huge success this year. A record 26 teams and 103 participants gathered at Alvamar Public Golf Course. Special thanks to Gene Fritzell Construction, University National Bank, and Perceptive Software for helping sponsor this year’s tournament. Also thanks to Bill Self, Justin Anderson, Curtis Harris, and the rest of the golf committee for putting together this year’s tournament. Funds raised in this year’s tournament goes towards supporting the 1,200 Scouts in the Douglas County area.

Fall Recruiting

So far our fall recruiting effort has been extremely successful. Together we reached our district membership goal of 1,107 Scouts in the district and we did it by the end of August. Four schools that last year didn’t recruit any boys recruited fifteen to twenty boys each. Thank you to all the leaders that helped by serving as Coordinators and Organizers. These new Scouts are the future of Scouting in the Pelathe District!!! It will be exciting to see these new Scouts participate in our programs over the coming years. Let’s keep recruiting Scouts throughout the year!!!

Training

Every Scout deserves a trained leader! All leaders, new and experienced, are encouraged to attend the necessary training. For more training information please contact the district training chairman, Pat Donahue, at (785) 842-5589 or phdhome@sunflower.com.

Popcorn

Jean Pfeiffer, the Popcorn Chair for the Pelathe District, has registered 19 units signed up to sell popcorn. This is fantastic! Let’s go out there and sell as much popcorn as we can and make the best of this great fundraiser!!!Scouts throughout the year!!!

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Is your Patrol the Best!

Our 2007 camporee, “Can You Get There from Here,” will be held at Longview Lake Group Camping Area, October 12-14 with check-in beginning at 5 p.m. Activities range from aviation to horse care taught by the Mounted Police, and a canoe portage obstacle course. Your older Scouts can get involved, and let the younger Scouts see an example of what they can accomplish. Contact Ed Mulik (816) 835-3065. Sign up at the October roundtable. We hope to see you there.

Friends of Scouting Campaign

It is time to start organizing our Friends of Scouting campaign for 2008. Please look at your unit calendar for best time for a FOS presentation this winter. Please remember funds contributed helps support Scouting throughout the Pioneer Trails District and the Heart of America Council.

Annual Business Meeting & Election

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October
4  Cub Position Specific Training, 6:30 pm
   District Roundtable, 7:30 pm
   both at Central United Methodist Church, 51st and Oak
7-9  Outdoor Leader Training, Camp Naish
12-13  Cub Family Campout, Longview Lake Primitive Camp

November
1  Roundtable, Commissioner’s Meeting, MB Counselor Training
20  District Annual Business Meeting

12-14  Camporee, Longview Lake Campground
   Boy Scout Basic Essentials & Position Specific, Longview Lake Campground, 9:00-11:00 am, 2:00 - 4:00 pm

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Camporee & Cub Scout Family Campout

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American Red Cross Wilderness First Aid Course

Venturing Crew 2201 and Explorer Post 2800 are sponsoring a wilderness first aid course November 9-11, in the conference room of Prudential Kansas City, 8101 College Blvd. in Overland Park. For more information please contact Dennis Jones at (913) 661-8586 or djones@prukc.com.

School Night for Scouting

School Night to Join Scouting is in the final stages for 2007 and it looks like we have had another successful year of recruiting Cub Scouts to our program. Red-Tailed Hawk District geared up to recruit more boys into the program than any year prior and we did it. Many of our elementary schools were open evenings to allow young men and their families to learn about the Scouting program and decide if they would like to get involved.

It is exciting to think about all of the young men are starting their trail to Eagle by completing their Wolf badges in the next few months. Thank you to all who volunteered to serve as coordinators for School Night. You are providing for many bright futures who just need the guiding hand of Scouting to fulfill their potential.

Friends of Scouting

Schedule a date for your unit’s Friends of Scouting presentation. Great opportunities for Friends of Scouting presentations are Courts of Honor and Blue and Gold Banquets. Presentations are brief and do not extend your agenda by more than about eight minutes. Presentation at well-attended events, gives more families a chance to learn how Scouting is funded and an opportunity to participate. Thanks in advance for your support. Friends of Scouting brings the Scouting program to more than 44,000 area youth in the Heart of America Council. Schedule a presentation, contact, Dewey Barr at (816) 569-4983 or debarr@bsamail.org.

Stay in the Communication Loop

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.

- Constant Contact E-mail, all registered leaders will receive email updates
- HOAC Website, www.hoac-bsa.org
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Commitment ‘08

2008 is the year that Thunderbird District will top all the charts. This is a difficult undertaking but it is achievable with your help. November 29 will be a historic night in our district. Help us top the chart as the first district to complete the rechartering process, Friends of Scouting presentation schedules, and to achieve 100% Centennial Award Participation.

The process begins on October 2 when your unit’s 2008 commitment packet is available. It will contain all the information needed for a successful rechartering and a Centennial Award application and Friends of Scouting presentation date selection form. On November 29 we will have a convenient location for you to complete and drop-off the entire packet. We will have trained volunteers on site to help you. Registration for this historic evening will begin at roundtable on October 2.

Your help will enable the Thunderbird District to become the leader in the Heart of America. Our commitment is to provide your unit with the tools and resources needed to not only survive, but to thrive.

School Night for Scouting 2007!!!

Thanks your efforts, School Night for Scouting was a huge success! Special thanks to our School Night Chair, Susan Ambrose. Her hard work and dedication was unwavering throughout our campaign. As a result, over 650 boys, 100 adults, and one girl (Venturer) joined Scouting. For the statisticians this is a 47% increase over last year! We also welcome 3 new units to our district. The Scouting movement is Growing in Thunderbird! Thanks to you!

Camporee 2007 – “Be Prepared”

Our camporee theme is “Emergency Preparedness.” This is a great opportunity for some hands-on, scenario type emergency training. We will have several first responders for questions and demonstrations. Cost is $9.00. One vehicle will be allowed in the camping area to unload a trailer. This is to ensure Scout safety. Please return the registration form and fees to the Scout office or at roundtable.

Contact Kris Krahenbuhl for questions: cell 816-589-8035, home 816-322-0902.

Order of Arrow

This has been an exciting year of rebuilding. Since January four election teams have worked diligently conducting troop elections. Approximately 80 youth have been elected to the Order of the Arrow this year. We invite all Arrowmen to attend our chapter meetings held the first Tuesday of each month, 7:30 p.m., at Hickman Mills High School (same time and place as the roundtable).

On September 15 lodge and chapter elections were held. Effective January 5, 2008, Chris Zoog from Troop 100 will be our Chapter Chief. Xavier Diaz from Troop 262 will be Vice Chief for Elections and John York from Troop 262 will be our Vice Chief for Communications.

Special thanks to Michael Luce for the time he has served as Chapter Chief. For OA questions please contact Kelsie Clark (816) 305-4078, kelsiec@prodigy.net.

2007 Thunderbird Committee Chairs

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Early bird registration is due at the September roundtable. Check out the website for more details at www.hoac-bsa.org. Contact Kris Krahenbuhl for questions: cell (816) 589-8035, home (816) 322-0902, kkrahenbuhl@comcast.net.

Popcorn 2007

The Trails End Popcorn sale is an easy way to earn funds for your unit. It’s not too late to signed up. Orders are due Monday, October 29 by 5:00 p.m. The final popcorn pickup will be Friday November 9 and Saturday, November 10. Contact Dick Brown for more information at 524-5755 or visit the council website at http://hoac-bsa.org/popcorn.cfm.

Good luck and keep it popping!
Cub Scout Family Campout

All first through third grade boys and their families are invited to the Trailhead District’s Third Annual Cub Scout Family Campout on October 5 and 6. The overnight will be held at Camp Ernst (180th & Kenneth Rd.) Plan to arrive by 6:30 p.m. on Friday and the campout will end about 11:00 a.m. on Saturday. Bring a tent and your camping gear. Activities will include family games, campfire program, evening snack, breakfast, and more! Cost is $7.00 per family member. This is a great opportunity for newly registered Cub Scouts to enjoy a family camping experience just after joining. Contact Dave Gurwell at (816) 591-4316 or Matt Specht at the council office or visit the website http://hoac-bsa.org/Thactivities.cfm.

Fall Camporee

Fall camporee will be held October 12 -14 at Lewis-Young Park in Louisburg. Webelos, Boy Scouts, and Venturers are invited to attend. This year’s theme is “Scouting Around the World.” Activities for the Boy Scouts and Venturers include, Cooking, Catapult, and Pumpkin Carving Contests, a Camporee Idols Skit Competition, and more. The Webelos will have activities based on different countries and cultures. They also won’t want to miss the Webelos Rocket Launch! For information on the camporee or to sign up, visit http://hoac-bsa.org/Thactivities.cfm.

School Night to Join Scouting

School Night to Join Scouting was a tremendous success with 441 new Cub Scouts recruited at 28 different schools between August 23 and September 11. This is 71 more than in 2006! Many people played an important role in our success. Thanks to all of the coordinators, organizers, and pack leadership that assisted in recruiting all these new boys. Also thank you to Rob Wheeler, School Night Chairman, and to Greg Spies, Membership Chairman for all of their efforts in providing the leadership for a successful fall recruitment effort.

Annual Business Meeting

On January 10, 2008, 6:30 pm, at Rolling Hills Presbyterian Church, Trailhead District will hold its annual business meeting. Elections for district committee positions and member’s-at-large will be held. All voting members of the district, including chartered organization representatives, are strongly encouraged to attend this very important meeting. If you wish to nominate somebody to the district committee, send recommendations in writing to: Trailhead District, Nominating Committee, 10210 Holmes Road, Kansas City, MO 64131. Nominations may also be submitted in writing to Matt Specht. All nominations must be received no later than December 14, 2007.

District Recognition Dinner

Everyone is encouraged to attend the Trailhead District Awards Dinner on January 28, 2008. This is an important salute to our district’s outstanding volunteers and programs. Nominations for District Award of Merit and Trailhead Outstanding Leaders will be accepted until November 30. Forms may be downloaded at http://hoac-bsa.org/ae_links/ADV_Award_of_Merit_Nomination_Form.pdf and http://hoac-bsa.org/ae_links/TH_Outstanding_Ldr_Form_2007.pdf and returned to Matt Specht at the council office.

October/November 2007
Fall Camporee

Trail West District will hold its annual fall camporee on the weekend of October 12 – 14. The location is in Louisburg, Kansas at the corner of 255th & Quivira. This year’s theme is “Leave No Trace”. Check in starts at 5 pm on Friday, October 12. We will have a multiple station NLT course. Troops should plan on pack style camping and cooking. Vehicles and trailers will not be parked in the camping area. Troops will have to pack their gear in a short distance to the campsite. Campsites will move each night.

Annual Business Meeting

The Trails West District annual business meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on December 11th, 2007 at Community Covenant Church, 15700 W 87th, Lenexa, KS. Election of district officers will take place at that time. All voting members of the district, including chartered organizational representatives, are encouraged to attend this important meeting. Send nominations to Trails West Nominating Committee 10210 Holmes Road Kansas City, MO 64131. Nominations must be received no later than November 30, 2006.

Fall Recruiting

This year was a great year of recruiting in the Trails West District. This fall we had hundreds of new boys join Scouting and start down the trail that leads to Eagle. A big thank you to all the Scouters who put in countless hours working on this year’s School Night to Join Scouting program.

Purpose of Scouting

The Boy Scouts of America (BSA) was incorporated on February 8, 1910, and chartered by Congress in 1916. Its purpose is to provide for boys and young adults an effective educational program designed to build desirable qualities of character, to train in the responsibilities of participating citizenship and to develop in them personal fitness. Community groups such as religious, educational, civic, fraternal, business, labor, governmental bodies, corporations, professional associations, and groups of citizens who have compatible goals and utilize the program provided accomplish the purpose by the Boy Scouts of America on the local level.

GoodTurnforAmerica.org

Make a Difference!
Cub Scout Leader Training Coming up this Month

All Cub Scout leaders new to the program or have not been trained are encouraged to attend New Leader Essentials and Cub Scout Leader Specific training on October 13, 2007 at the Linn Valley Lakes Community Center.

Youth Protection Training, which is required for all adult leaders, is available online anytime and one hour before each of the trainings listed above. Every boy deserves a trained leader.

Make Friends of Scouting Plans for 2008

Our goal is to have every unit’s Family Friends of Scouting presentation scheduled by December 31 and all of the Boy Scout troop presentations completed by December 31. Unit leaders should coordinate with committee chairs to decide on a presentation date. Please notify the district executive by the October roundtable or as soon as possible when you decide on a date.

Fall Recruiting

Fall Recruiting is well under way and units are adding many new boys to their ranks. Recruiting new members is a requirement for the Quality Unit Award and should be a part of every unit’s continuous plan to remain healthy and strong.

Cub Scout packs can promote peer recruiting by awarding the “On Target” interactive DVD to each new member and the boy who recruited him as well as the recruiter patch. Both items are available from the district executive.

Boy Scout troops can promote peer recruiting by having their Scouts sent an e-card from http://www.thescoutzone.org to their friends. Simply go to the site and click “Tell a Friend” and follow the directions that follow. Every Boy Scout that recruits a friend will be awarded a Centennial Recruiter Patch.

2007 Annual Business Meeting

The annual business meeting for the Twin Rivers District is at Whistle Stop Café, 901 South Sixth Street, Osawatomie, Kansas at 6:00 pm on December 11, 2007. The slate of officers for the 2008 Twin Rivers District will be voted on by voting members of the district. Nominations for officers will not be accepted from the floor.

Mail nominations for consideration to Gordon Corcoran at the council office. Nominations must be received no later than October 19, 2007.

Popcorn Sale

Orders for popcorn and prizes are due to council office by 5:00 p.m. Oct. 29, 2007. Pick-up for ordered popcorn will be November 9th and 10th, 2007 at CJ Feeds in Paola.

Contact our district Popcorn Kernel, Sarah Lovesee at (913) 294-5857 with any questions.

This year we will recognize the top selling Cub and Scout in the district as well as the top selling Cub pack and Scout troop.
A Salute to Post 2820 Belton Fire Department

Not long ago, there was question as to whether the Belton Fire Department Explorer Post 2820 in Belton, MO would be able to continue into 2006. But with growing interest among youth in the area for firefighting, the right leaders and great support from both the Council and the fire department the post currently has twice as many youth that it had less than a year ago! Amongst the many great leaders and supporters of the post is Explorer Advisor, Elmer Bellefy, who has been essential in making the post the success that it has become. The Explorers that participate love what they’re doing and love to learn.

If you are interested in joining Post 2820 then you can contact Elmer Bellefy at (816) 331-7969. The post meets at the station at 223 Main St., Belton, Missouri. Post 2820 is just one of the many success stories that we are happy to share. Congratulations to Elmer, the advisors and the Explorers of Post 2820!

Explorer Takes Another Step In Her Law Enforcement Career

If you want to learn self-defense, than you have found a great post to join. Randy More and his Johnson County Sheriff’s Office Post 2203 said good-bye to Sergeant Lauren Andreassen at their last meeting. Lauren has been involved in the post since its inception in August 2004. July 17th, 2006 Lauren was hired as a corrections specialist with the Johnson County Sheriff’s Office.

Lauren started in the post as Probationary Explorer and worked her way up through the ranks, becoming a Master Explorer, Corporal, and then Sergeant. Lauren missed only one meeting during her tenure in the post, which she made up. She worked all events the post was involved in. In addition to this, she also volunteered her personal time to the post, which showed her dedication. She achieved the following proficiency awards while active in the post; Law Enforcement Training, Law Enforcement Service, Tenure and Emergency Service.

Lauren is a person who is reliable, hard working, responsible, and whatever other adverbs you want to use to describe her. She is someone everyone in the post looked up too and her fellow Explorers strive to become. Although she is moving to another building in the organization, she will always be a part of the post.

Everyone in the post and in the Johnson County Sheriff’s Office wishes Lauren good luck in future as a corrections specialist, and when she turns 21, as a Deputy. GOOD LUCK LAUREN, YOU WILL BE MISSED! We salute you!

Law Enforcement & Personal Protection Tactics Explorer Post

If you want to learn self-defense, than you have found a great post to join. Randy More and his team of certified instructors in law enforcement personal defense tactics from the Missouri Department of Public Safety, University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri, and Washburn University, Topeka, Kansas will teach a wide variety of self-defense methods. The Explorers in Randy’s post are enthusiastic and ambitious to learn training that taught to law enforcement officers.

If you would like to be a part of Post 2883 you can contact Randy More at 816-792-2530. There post meets at the Liberty Community Center located at 1600 South Withers Road, Liberty, Missouri. Post 2883 has a great beginning and a fantastic future. Congratulations to Randy and his adult advisors and the Explorers of Post 2883. We salute You!

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We will assist those of you who would like help in completing the renewal paperwork. Bring your packet and we will walk through the process. Also, if you just need to turn in your completed paperwork, bring it in and drop it off. For questions or more information, please contact Jeremy McGowan or Lisa Hayes at the council office. Thanks and we’ll see you on November 16th!
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