Heart of America Council
Upcoming 100th Anniversary Activities

Special Events at Naish, Bartle and Day Camp
Summer of 2010

Centennial Celebration Show - Naish Scout Reservation
July 31, 2010

Royal Gathering of Eagles
August 30, 2010

Council Good Turn – Scout Out Hunger
September 11 & 18, 2010

Centennial Campout
September 24-26, 2010

Adventure Base 100
October 2 & 3, 2010

Royal Gathering of Eagles - August 30, 2010

An opportunity for All Scouts to Celebrate

We are inviting every Scout and Scouter in the Heart of America Council to join us on August 30, 2010 to help celebrate the Royal Gathering of Eagles. Kauffman Stadium and Scouting share a strong tie through the late owner of the Royals, Eagle Scout Ewing M. Kauffman. It is fitting that we hold this special event in the stadium that bears his name on the 100th Anniversary year.

The August 30 game will have a distinctly Scouting flavor. A Scout will throw out the first pitch. A special presentation on the field will recognize 10 Eagle Scouts as they receive the first “Ewing M. Kauffman Eagle Scout Awards” for living the Scout Oath and Law and emulating Mr. Kauffman’s values in their personal and business lives.

Tickets for Eagles Scouts, regardless of where you earned your Eagle, are complimentary, courtesy of the Royals. You must register to attend by visiting the website listed below. Tickets for family members, Scouts and Scouters can be purchased in advance at the discounted price of $5.00 each.

To register for the Royal Gathering of Eagles, visit:
http://RoyalEagles.kintera.org/

Centennial Campout

The countdown is on! All Registration and Program Information will be online by the end on June 16! Units must officially register for the event online and it all starts on June 16.

A link will published in the “What’s New” section at http://www.hoac-bsa.org/.

Be sure to join us at the Centennial Campground for what will be one of the largest gatherings of Scouts in the United States in this centennial year!
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Eagles Among Us...
**Scouting’s Centennial, A Royal Opportunity to Reconnect To Scouting**

**Ewing M. Kauffman Eagle Award Honors Commitment to Scouting’s Values**

*Recognition for Eagle Scout Life-time Achievement*

The Heart of America Council is pleased to announce the Ewing M. Kauffman Eagle Scout Recognition program. This annual award is designed to honor the lifetime achievement of adult Eagle Scouts in the Kansas City area. Scouting’s 100th Anniversary, 2010, was selected as the year for the first class of Kauffman Eagles.

Nominations are now being accepted. Nominations may be made online by following the link listed below. The awards will be presented at the “Royal Gathering of Eagles” at Kauffman Stadium on August 30. All Eagle Scouts, young and old may attend this event free of charge. Follow the link listed below to register.

Ewing Kauffman earned his Eagle Badge in 1932 as a member of Boy Scout Troop and Ship 100 at Faxon School in Kansas City, Missouri. Because of his Eagle Badge and his Sea Scout experience, he was given the rank of Seaman First Class upon enlisting in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He later earned a “deck commission” to the rank of Ensign. As Mr. Kauffman relayed to the Ewing M. Kauffman Class of Eagle Scouts in 1970, his Boy Scout and Sea Scout experience had much to do with his safe return from three years of active sea duty. Mr. Kauffman’s entrepreneurial spirit enabled him to start his own pharmaceutical company that later grew into an international business. Mr. Kauffman was also recognized with the National Distinguished Eagle Scout Award for his lifetime contribution to the community and the nation.

Please help us celebrate this centennial year by nominating an adult Eagle Scout for this award.

To nominate an Eagle Scout, a downloadable form is available at our Resources and Form webpage at: http://hoac-bsa.org/Programs/AdvancementAndAwards/ResourcesAndForms.aspx

Heart of America Council Anniversary Links
Heart of America Council 100th Anniversary Webpage
http://www.hoac-bsa.org/100thAnniversary.aspx
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Centennial Search for Lost Eagle Scouts

*All Eagles within the Heart of America Council Boundaries are welcome!*

Just because you no longer wear the Scout uniform doesn’t mean that there isn’t a way to remain in touch and involved. In this centennial year of Scouting we are reaching out to reconnect with all Eagle Scouts who live within our council boundaries regardless of where you earned your Eagle. Over 55,000 Eagle Scouts reside in the Kansas City area and are an important part of a rich Scouting heritage. We encourage each Eagle Scout to take this opportunity to reconnect with Scouting.

We have established a special website to make it easy and convenient to simply reconnect or to register for the “Royal Gathering of Eagles” at Kauffman Stadium on August 30.

“Eagles don’t flock, you have to find them one at a time.” If we have lost touch with you please take this opportunity to reconnect to the program that has meant so much to you.

To update your Eagle History and reconnect to Scouting, visit http://Eagle.kintera.org/
Adventure Base 100

Adventure Base 100 Fun Facts

Set up and Breakdown Time 6-8 Hours
Rope Course and Zip Line 8’ x 16’
Trailer closed 53’ x 8’ 6”
Total Campus Footprint 100’ x 100’
Go Scouting Dome 20’ in Diameter
Green Screen Tent 10’ x 10’

Adventure Base 100 - October 2 & 3, 2010

Experience Scouting like never before with Adventure Base 100. Created specifically for the 100th Anniversary Celebration, Adventure Base 100 is travelling the country to give people an exciting hands-on view of Scouting’s history and the bright future of the Boy Scouts of America.

This 10,000 square foot campus features immersive Scouting experiences including a ropes course and zip line, interactive digital exhibits, a multi-sensory IMAX-like dome, a stage and more. It will also house a traveling museum that will showcase real artifacts for the National Scouting Museum in Irving Texas.

When: October 2 and 3, 2010
October 2 – 10:00 am to 10:00 pm
October 3 – 10:00 am to 6:00 pm

Where: American Royal BBQ
American Royal Complex
1701 American Royal Drive
Kansas City, MO 64102

Who: Everyone is welcome – Scouts, Scouters, family members, or anyone wanting to attend.

Cost: Saturday - Scouts are free. Scouters and family members will receive a discounted ticket, cost is yet to be determined.
Sunday - Everyone is free!!! No tickets needed.

Tickets for Saturday for Scouters and family members, and Scout Vouchers can be purchased at the Heart of America Council, Boy Scouts of America Service Center, 10210 Holmes Rd. Kansas City, MO 64131. Tickets can also be purchased at the event, but is highly recommended to pick them up ahead of time at the Council Service Center. Notifications will be sent when tickets are available.

For more information contact Del Wilkinson at (816) 305-3873 deljoanne@sbcglobal.net, or Ross Pfannenstiel at (816) 569-4964 or rpfannen@bsamail.org.
Centennial Campout
Heart of America Council Centennial Campground
September 24-26, 2010
Visiting Cub Scouts - The Cub Scout Challenge Area at the Centennial Campground includes events and games based on the 100th Anniversary and Cub Scout Olympics. Some of the events include: 100 toes dash, 100 snake jump, 100 marbles/100 toes, 100 inches tug of war, 100 yard relay race, and a lot more 100 events.

Camping Cub Scout Overnight Program - The Cub Scout Action Areas have 20 plus events and programs and is located at the Naish Scout Reservation. Activities include: BB gun, target archery, old Boy Scout-style games, disc golf, animal tracks, large vegetable bowling, radar gun softball throw, as well as lots and lots of other games and skill events.

Webelos Action Area (Range) - The Webelos Action Area at the Centennial Campground is an adventure into field sports for Webelos only and includes: tomahawks, action archery, target archery, air rifle and a lot more.

Boy Scout Action Areas - Get ready for Scouting action at the Centennial Campground! A sample of the action programs in which the Boy Scouts will be taking part include: pioneering, blacksmithing, geo-cashing, amateur radio, totem pole carving, obstacle course, fishing/casting, golf, giant ball volleyball and lots more games and skill events. The Action Areas will be located in each subcamp. There are more events planned than a Scout can handle in a day.

The Polar Plunge - The water sport events will be at the Naish Scout Reservation Pool area. These events are for Venturers and Explorers only. Scuba, kayaks, as well as games like “penguin water polo” and “icebergs afloat” are just some of the fun planned for the day.

The 5K - Start the day off with a 5K run. This event is open to all Boy Scouts Venturers, Explorers and leaders. The event starts at the Midway area in the Centennial Campground.

The Scouting Midway - The Midway is Scouting at its best. The Midway is located at the Centennial Campground. Everything Scouting will be on display with lots of hands-on activities for Scouts. A sample includes: High Adventure Bases, Boys’ Life, National Eagle Scout Association, Order of the Arrow, Mic-O-Say, woodcarving, International Scouting and a lot more.

The Display Area - The Display Area will be at the Centennial Campground. This area will have various non-Scouting exhibits and activities. Some of the displays planned include: Trout Unlimited, Safari Club International, Military Vehicle Preservation Association, US Army, Wyandotte and Kansas Conservation agencies, as well as many other groups which will be there.
Dear Heart of America Council Scouts and Scouters,

I am delighted to be attending the Heart of America’s 100th Centennial in September this year to help celebrate America’s 100th Scouting anniversary. In 2000 I retired as an administrator of one of the UK’s largest Scout Counties to become a Scout Historian. After such a hectic job didn’t I find the change a bit dull? Not on your life! Having attended a Scouting ‘Heritage Tour’ visiting the UK’s major Scouting ‘shrines’ such as Brownsea Island, Baden Powell’s old School, Charterhouse and of course Gilwell Park. I was inspired to share the knowledge I had gained by starting Scouting Milestones, the Scouting History Website. Ten years down the line, Scouting Milestones is the largest researched Scout History Website in the World and has over 60 major first hand researched articles on all aspects of Scouting History. Go see for yourself at, www.scouting.milestones.btinternet.co.uk.

The website’s motto is ‘Scouting History is Inspirational - Let’s use it to Inspire’. These few words encapsulate what I guess, in management jargon, would be called a Mission Statement because it is a mission that I am on! It is my experience that Scouts (and their Leaders) are positively motivated by our Scouting History when it is factually grounded and enthusiastically presented! We use the past to promote the future!

There is no need for hype! We have an enthralling history, much of it overlooked, that shouts out to be heard. To ensure that what I write and say is factually accurate I have been fortunate to:

• Transcribe most (it is still a ‘work in progress’) of Baden-Powell’s personal diaries 1904-1940, incorporating into those record details of all his letters (where these can be located).

• Read and research all known B-P books, pamphlets and articles.

• Work with Scouting Museums and international collectors to compile as a resource, a library of Scouting Artefacts, not least my own collection, some of which I hope to share with you at the Jamboree.

• Continue to visit B-P sites. I have transcribed Siege Diaries in the Mafeking Museum, visited Nyeri, Kenya where B-P died and ‘followed in the footsteps of the Founder’ now on the five continents. Without his fame as the ‘Hero of Mafeking’, Baden-Powell would have never have been able to found the Scout Movement. ‘The Siege of Mafeking’ then has become an obsession about which I have now written three definitive books.

I have had the privilege of talking to Scouts and Scouters worldwide. I regularly broadcast on Scouting Radio (ScoutingRadio.com), and have written eight books on Scout History, including, ‘Brownsea: B-P’s Acorn’, ‘The Dawn of the World Scout Movement’ and ‘Jam Roll. Baden-Powell the man his Motors’, the story of B-P’s iconic Rolls Royce now preserved by a Scouting Charity in the UK.

My proudest moment occurred during the Centennial World Jamboree where as the historical consultant to the re-enactment camp held on Brownsea Island, I was able to give a talk in Brownsea Castle exactly 100 years to the very day that Baden-Powell talked in the same room.

I look forward to seeing you at the Jamboree. We share a common heritage!

Colin Walker

Over 2,400 have Gone Digital!
Come check it out and join in the discussion!

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LinkedIn
Search for group “100th Anniversary of Scouting - Heart of America Council”
Scout Out Hunger

A Year of Celebration, A Century of Making A Difference

Scout Out Hunger - 1 Person in 8 Goes Hungry Each Day

Our council-wide good turn project, Scout Out Hunger is slated to be the largest food drive in Harvester’s history in Kansas City. Far too many families in our community lead a fragile existence and often face difficult choices between paying for food, shelter, utilities or health care. An alarming number of the people who are hungry are children. Here are some key facts about hunger in Kansas City based on a comprehensive study, “Hunger in America 2010”.

- Each year, 295,200 different people receive emergency food assistance, that number includes an estimated 109,244 children.
- More than 101,000 children in our council’s service area are enrolled in free and reduced-lunch meals that provide them with nourishment during the week. Havestes provides 10,000 elementary students with a weekend “BackSnack”, a backpack of food to combat weekend hunger.
- Of the families with children under the age of 18 who seek food assistance, 45 percent are single-parent households.
- Thirty-nine percent of households needing emergency food assistance have at least one adult who is working. Nearly three-quarters of these households have incomes at or below poverty.
- Forty-eight percent of the recipients have had to choose between buying food and paying for utilities or heat.

Hunger has no geographic boundaries; families in every county and every community of our council are affected. Your participation in Scout Out Hunger will make a difference.

Key Scout Out Hunger Dates

**Spring Roundtables:** District Scout Out Hunger Coordinators will be at roundtables to help coordinate the selection of coverage areas and to answer questions about your district’s plan for Scout Out Hunger.

**August Roundtable:** Check with your district’s Scout Out Hunger Coordinator if you have not already selected your coverage area. Coordinators will also be providing additional details on our food collection drive.

**September Roundtable:** Pick up collection bags from your district’s Scout Out Hunger Coordinator.

**Saturday, September 11:** Canvas your assigned area by hanging a bag on the door of each home. Be sure that you cover every assigned street.

**Saturday, September 18:** Return to your assigned neighborhood to collect the bags of food. To be sure that no houses are missed have the same Scouts cover the same streets on both weekends. Once you have completely covered your area, take the bags of food to your district’s food drop off site.

Contact your district Scout Out Hunger Coordinator for the location of your drop off site. As a default plan, all Price Chopper’s in the area are participating. Food can be taken there.
Heart of America Council Summer Camping

The summer camping programs are now underway. This summer thousands of Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturers will travel to various destinations to spend days and nights in different types of camping programs. The Cub Scouts will attend Day Camp, Bear Resident Camp or Webelos Resident Camp. The Boy Scouts will attend seven or nine day camping programs at Naish and Bartle or travel to any number of High Adventure or other BSA Council Camps throughout the country. Venturers will also travel far and wide to High Adventure Bases all over or they may also choose to attend the Venturing Summer Adventure at Naish.

Leaders of all these Scouts have worked hard to get them ready for their summer adventures. Be sure to e-mail a few pictures of your adventures to the Program and Camping Service Office (cleewrig@bsamail.org) at the Council Service Center so that we can share in your summer!

Philmont Council Contingent 2010

Soon the 2010 Council Contingent will be leaving for their exciting adventure at the Philmont Scout Ranch. The Camping and Program Service Department is now accepting applicants for the stand-by list of alternates for 2011. These alternates will go through all the training with the contingent and will be prepared to substitute anytime up to departure date should someone have to withdraw from a crew.

Applications for the Philmont Council Contingent are available in the Resource Center and on the council website (www.hoac-bsa.org) or by calling the Program and Camping Service Department at the Council Service Center.

Venturing Age Change

> RESOLVED, that Article VII, Section 2, Clause 2 (a) of the BSA Rules and Regulations be, and hereby is, amended to read as follows:

Venturer-Be 13 years of age and have completed the eighth grade, or be 14 years of age or older, and not yet 21 years of age.

Wood Badge Training

Wood Badge training is an experience like no other!

Participants take part in several days of classroom training followed by several days of training and fun in the outdoors with their patrol. Participants learn about and practice developing a team, then leading that team to its maximum potential.

This training experience is open to all registered Cub Scout, Boy Scout and Venturing adult Scouters. The course will be held on two weekends at the Theodore Naish Scout Reservation. Dates for the first weekend are September 10-12 for the classroom session. The second weekend dates are October 8-10 for the outdoor session. Registration forms and additional information are available on the Council website at www.hoac-bsa.org.

There are still a few slots left in this course! This year’s participants should attend the pre-course meeting to be held at the Council Service Center. For more information contact jdavis@bsamail.org.

National Youth Leader Training

There are still a few slots left for this year’s NYLT, formerly Brownsea. This intensive, seven-day outdoor training experience is for young men in support of the Scoutmaster’s responsibility for the training of troop junior leaders for a cost of $175.00.

NYLT starts on June 6, 2010 and ends on June 11, 2010 and will be held at the Theodore Naish Scout Reservation. It’s purpose is to give participants the confidence and knowledge to run the troop program; to give participants a basic knowledge of the eleven skills of leadership and help them relate these skills to their troop responsibilities; to create an atmosphere where Scouts will experience Scouting at its best; to enhance the relationship between the participant and his Scoutmaster and of course, to have fun!!

For registration information visit the Heart of America Council website at www.hoac-bsa.org, the Council’s Resource Center or contact the Program and Camping Service Department.
Internet Advancement

Online advancement entry is here! The Heart of America Council is excited to announce that units are now using Internet Advancement to record their youth member advancements from any online location—at home or at the office. You will find this method to be easy, convenient, and accurate because your unit enters the information. At any time during the year, the unit advancement processor from each active unit will be able to record advancements to youth member records. And, they’ll also be able to print a unit roster at any time. If you have any questions or comments, contact your District Executive or Leslie Staack at the Council Service Center and we’ll be glad to help you out.

Order of the Arrow Summer Camp Inductions

The Summer Camp Inductions for Tamegonit Lodge will be held twice during the week at Camp Naish. Inductions will begin with a Call-Out ceremony at campfire Sunday evening. Parents are invited to come watch their sons get called out at 8:30 P.M. Ordeal Ceremonies will begin on Monday at 9:15 P.M. Brotherhood Ceremonies will begin on Wednesday at 8:30 P.M. Arrowmen are invited to attend these two ceremonies. Registrations for inductions can be picked up at roundtables or online.

Boy Scout Rotary Camp

Rotary Scout Camp is the Heart of America Council long term resident camp for Scouts with special needs. This year the theme is Rotary Roundup.

This camp is held at the Rotary Youth Camp facility which is located in Lee’s Summit, Missouri. Rotary Scout Camp starts on August 9 and continues through August 13, 2010.

Applications for participation are available at the Council Service Center, district roundtables and on the council website. If you have questions regarding Rotary Camp contact Gordon Corcoran, gcorcora@bsamail.org or Britt Davis, jdavis@bsamail.org.

Bartle and Naish Calendars

**Bartle Scout Reservation**

- Sunday, June 6, 2010 - Session 1 Visitor Day
- Sunday, June 20, 2010 – Session 2 Visitor Day
- Sunday, June 27, 2010 – Session 3 Visitor Day
- Saturday, July 11, 2010 – Session 4 Visitor Day
- Sunday, July 18, 2010 – Session 5 Visitor Day
- Sunday, August 1, 2010 – Session 6 Visitor Day

**Naish Scout Reservation**

- Sunday June 6, 2010 – OA Call-Out
- Monday June 7, 2010 – OA Ordeal Ceremony
- Wednesday June 9, 2010 – OA Brotherhood Ceremony
- Session #2 - TBD
- Sunday June 20, 2010 – OA Call-Out
- Monday June 21, 2010 – OA Ordeal Ceremony
- Wednesday June 23, 2010 – OA Brotherhood Ceremony

**Webelos Resident Camp**

June 27, 2010 through August 7, 2010

**Bear Resident Camp**

June 18, 2010 through August 9, 2010

**OA Fall Induction**

Friday, August 20, 2010 through Sunday, August 22, 2010
Council Calendar

June
4 H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation Opens
6 Theodore Naish Scout Reservation Opens
6-11 NYLT at Naish Scout Reservation
9 University of Scouting Staff Meeting
14 Council Finance Committee Meeting
14 Executive Board Meeting
19 Council International Committee Meeting
23 Council Activities Committee Meeting
30 Council Endowment Development Committee Meeting
30 Council James E. West Ambassador’s Committee Meeting

July
1 Silver Beaver Nominations Due
1 OA Vigil and Founders Award Nominations Due
5 Council Service Center and Scout Shop Closed
8 Council Philmont Contingent Departs
14 National Jamboree Committee Meeting
14 University of Scouting Staff Meeting
21 Council Philmont Contingent Returns
21 National Jamboree Contingent Departs

August
5 National Jamboree Contingent Returns
11 University of Scouting Staff Meeting
9 Rotary Camp Opens
12 Woodbadge Pre-Course Meeting
18 Council Activities Committee Meeting
18 Council Shooting Sports Committee Meeting
18 Council Training Committee Meeting
19 Order of the Arrow LEC Meeting
20-22 Order of the Arrow Fall Induction Weekend
28 Council International Committee Meeting
28 Naish Work Day
30 Royal Gathering of Eagles
30 Show & Sell Popcorn Orders Due

Youth Protection Training Policies Changes

Youth safety is the No. 1 concern of the BSA.

To increase awareness of this societal problem and to create even greater barriers to abuse than already exist today in Scouting, the Boy Scouts of America is implementing several important changes to further enhance its Youth Protection policies:

Effective June 1, 2010:

• Youth Protection Training is required for all registered volunteers.
• New leaders are required to take Youth Protection Training before they submit their application for registration. The certificate of completion for this training must be submitted at the time application is made and before volunteer service with youth begins.
• Youth Protection Training must be taken every two years. If a volunteer’s Youth Protection Training record is not current at the time of recharter, the volunteer will not be reregistered.

To ensure these policies are fully implemented, please take the following steps:

• If you have not taken Youth Protection Training within the past two years, please log on to MyScouting and take the training. Be sure to have your member ID number. The number can be found on your Boy Scouts of America membership card.
• If you do not know your member ID number, contact your unit leader or committee chairman. Your council can also assist you.
• If you have taken Youth Protection Training online but did not input your member ID number, please log back on to the Training section of MyScouting and input your member ID so the training will be linked with your records.
• If you have taken Youth Protection Training within the past two years but did not take the course online, log on to MyScouting to ensure your records are up to date, or contact your council and have them verify that your Youth Protection Training records are accurate.
• Finally, please share these important changes with other Scouters.

Youth Protection Training and information about the BSA’s Youth Protection policies is available online at http://www.scouting.org/Training/YouthProtection.aspx.

Special Needs Cub Scout Field Day at William Yates

submitted by Peter Muelleman, Community Relation Chair, Blue Elk District

Pack 485 hosted its third Special Needs Cub Scout Field Day at William Yates on Friday. Lauren Peter, and her students from Franklin Smith, joined Stacy Mieir’s class at William Yates for the day. Cub Master Norm Martin estimated that over 60 students joined in the fun.

Activities included a moon walk, ring toss, horse shoes, face painting, beanbag toss, and singing silly songs. In a ceremony at the end of the day, all the Scouts were recognized for their Scouting achievements.

Pack 485 is chartered by the Friends of Williams Gates Elementary School.

Unit Commissioner for Pack 485, Jim Mansfield, observed that the Field Day has become more popular each year because of the strong support received from the staff at William Yates.

(From left) Elijah Greenlaw, Isaac Johnson, Shane Windsor, Chase Anderson, Robert Harbor, and Mike Davis recite the Pledge at their awards ceremony.

Unit Commissioner Jim Mansfield joins Pack 485 Cub Master Norm Martin in presenting Scout Seth Reynolds in his achievement award.
Investment in Character

As you all know, Investment in Character is an essential part of funding the operations of the Big Muddy District as well as the council. As beneficiaries of the services that our annual fundraising drive provides, your support is imperative to the continuation of the Scouting movement. So far we have reached 100% of the Family goal and are $3,500 away from the Community goal. I know with the help of the businesses in the community we can help to reach that goal.

Pine Wood Derby

The Pine Wood Derby hosted by Pack 713 of Wellington was a great success with 1st place going to Canyon Ellis of Norborne Pack 263, Bryce Sowerby of Wellington Pack 713 finished in 2nd place, and Dawson Gittinger of Pack 713 of Wellington took 3rd place. The Best Car Design went to Colby Stigall-Richmond’s Pack 324. Thanks to all who attended and competed in the race.

The Big Muddy Fishing Tournament

In an effort to raise more money for the Boy Scouts of America we hosted our first annual series fishing tournaments. Wellington Hosted a Bass Tournament May 8 and turned out 17 teams and three single entries. Taking first place was Dennis Jefferies and James Reed weighing 25.61 lbs, second was Brian Beissenherz and Jack Thompson weighing in 24.51 lbs, and taking third place was Wayne Smith and Mike fisher weighing 19.54 lbs. Although many were close the “Big Bass” went to Artie Lett who brought in a 6.79 lb bass.

The Richmond fishing tournament was hit hard by the weather but still followed through with 11 teams and 2 single entries. Taking first place in the tournament was Dwane Lewallen and Aaron Mathes weighing in 13.49 lbs of fish. Second place went to Brian Connor and David Frey weighing in 12.05 lbs of fish and third place was George Robinson and Royce Duffet weighing in 8.7 lbs of fish. Although the fishing was tough we would like to thank all those that contributed and participated in the event.

On June 19 the Big Muddy District will host the last of our tournaments in Waverly with a catfish tournament located at the Government boat ramp on the east side of the bridge. Prizes depend on the number of participants. Obviously the more people we have the better the prizes will be.

Training

Training is important to all the youth we serve to make certain they receive the best program possible, through the best leadership available. All youth deserve a trained Leader and in 2010 it is our objective to see that every direct contact leader has been trained. Be sure to look for more training opportunities at summer camp and check out the council calendar for the next training opportunities or for more information about training please call Jon Geiger (816) 682-2130 or visit the council’s website at www.hoac-bsa.org.
Scout Out Hunger

This food drive will be the largest food drive that Kansas City has ever seen. Our goal is to collect 2 million pounds of food! We are going to need everyone’s help to get this done and so far there has been an overwhelming response to this event. Thank you to everyone that has signed up. If you have not yet requested an area please let your executive know which location you would like. That will help when assigning units to areas of our communities. In August a list will be sent out with the locations that each unit has for this fantastic event.

Investment in Character

The district staff would like to recognize those units that have achieved their Investment in Character goal in both dollars raised and total number of gifts, and achieved Free Rank Advancement (as of June 1, 2010). During these hard times your gift is so important to the youth of our program. Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the annual fundraising campaign; families, individuals and community businesses. Every gift, no matter the size, helps send our Scouts to camp that otherwise would not be able to go, and helps put on our programs. Thank you!

Day Camp - Centennial Luau

Day camp is right around the corner. Camp will be held July 12-16 from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm at the American Legion Farm, located 499 Post Road, Blue Springs, MO. The cost for day camp is $65. It is important that all leaders attend Walking Leader Training, check the website for updates on training dates. For more information contact Jeff Dutzel (Camp Director) at (816) 805-7964, Barbie Todd (Program Director) at (816) 690-5958, or Tiffany Bumgardner at 569-4969 or tbumgard@bsamail.org.

Training

Help us deliver a great program by having all of our leaders trained. Check the Blue Elk training page on the website for updates on training dates in the district. Boy Scout training will be offered every session at camp. The first training of the session will be for the 18-21 year olds and the training at the end of the session will be for everyone else.

With the new youth protection guidelines it is imperative that every leader in your unit stay current on their youth protection training. Youth protection training is offered online and at roundtable. For new leaders they do not need their ID number to log into myscouting.org. They can still take the training and once they get their ID number they should log back into their www.myscouting.org account and update their record with that number.

If you have any questions on training or would like a list of the trainings your leaders have taken please contact your district executive.

School Night for Scouting

2009 was yet another record breaking year for Blue Elk fall recruitment. We are looking forward to breaking that record again in 2010. The following is our school night schedule:

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Centennial Luau - Cub Scout Day Camp

By the second week of June, June 7 – 11 more than 300 Cub Scouts will have the time of their lives at Cub Scout day camp. The day camp will be held at South Camp in Camp Naish.

If you or the Scouts in your pack haven’t been out to South Camp, come out and see what you’re missing. There will be, bows and arrows and plenty other games to enjoy. We would like to thank everyone involved in making this year’s day camp another success. Having fun at day camp plays an important role in keeping a boy in the Cub Scout program.

It’s Almost Time to Pop that Popcorn

Have you planned your unit’s program for next year? Have you planned a unit budget? Are you not quite sure where all the money is going to come from to offer your Scouts the great program you have planned? There is a way that you can pay for your program without out-of-pocket costs to your parents. Sound good? Then Trails End Popcorn is for you. It is a great way to ensure that no Scout is left behind on any activity. It also helps to be sure that every boy who wants to be a Scout has that opportunity.

Here is how it works: Set a goal based on what you need to fund your unit activities. This helps people understand the importance of the sale and how they will benefit. Divide your goal by the number of selling Scouts. Emphasize that by reaching the goal your Scouts will benefit. Scouts will have a tremendous program and families will benefit through lower costs. Communication is the key to success in your popcorn sale. Keep everyone up to date on your sale’s progress. Make enthusiastic announcements at meetings. We will be happy to help set up your sale and work with you to set a goal. To sign up visit http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Finance/Popcorn.aspx.

Fall Roundup / School Night for Scouting

School Night for Scouting is the single most important event of the year in the Scouting calendar. The start of school is when parents are most likely to be looking for an opportunity to register their sons in the Scouting program. New members (adult volunteers) are the lifeblood of our organization. Along with new Scouts comes the potential of new leaders, their parents. Planning is important in running a successful School Night for Scouting. The time to start planning is now. Running a well organized recruitment night leaves a great first impression. A good first impression generates excitement about our Scouting program.

Every pack needs to be represented at the School Night for Scouting Kick-off Meeting. Make plans to be there. Last year we recruited over 600 Cub Scouts into your program.

We are also looking for 12 organizers and 12 coordinators to ensure that parents get the correct information on Recruitment Night. If you know of anyone, or if you are interested, please contact Dusty Boatright.
Cub Scout Day Camp

Day Camp, Centennial Luau, will once again be held at the Clinton Artesian Park June 14-18. Pre-camp fees are $65 and $50 for boys who are newly registered. If you register at day camp, the fee is $70 so pre-registration is the key. A week of fun and adventure is planned for all who attend. Jim Houk will be the camp director and Kathy Romi will be the program director. Both directors are excited and ready to put on a fun filled week for the boys in your pack. If you have questions about day camp or would like to be on staff, please contact Jim Houk at (660) 890-2247.

Please note that there will be no Tot Lot available. This means that children who are not registered Cub Scouts will not be able to attend day camp.

Fall Recruitment/ School Night for Scouting

I know it seems like a long way away but fall recruitment is just around the corner so planning starts now! Packs, start working on your yearly program plan so that we are giving a quality first impression!

Mic-O-Say Elevations

This year we would like to recognize two members of our district: Denney Jefferson and April Hale. At the 2010 Tribal Celebration they were elevated to Sachems. So, when you see them walking the trails be sure to congratulate them.

What Have Your Scouts Done?

The district committee and all of the Lone Bear District want 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 Josh Morales at jmoraless@bsamail.org. We will be sure to get your units story in this publication!

Investment in Character

THANK YOU!!! Thank you to everyone who supported our 2010 campaign. Thanks to your help our Scouting program can continue to serve the youth in our area for another year. Also thanks to your help, the Lone Bear District was the first (Heart of America Council) district to meet our goal this year!

Roundtable

The Lone Bear District roundtable meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month (except July) at the Clinton Scout Center. Roundtable meetings are a gathering of Scouters held once a month. This is an opportunity for you to get information on a 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. All leaders are encouraged to join us to learn more about serving today’s youth.

Roundtable can do you no good if you do not come and see what it is all about or stay for the program. We are sure that you will take away some valuable information. For more information, contact Kathy Cooper at (660) 647-5868 or kcooper@cdsinet.net.
Let’s Get Our Leaders Trained

In 2010, all direct contact leaders must be trained for their position. This includes Assistant Cubmasters, Tiger Cub Den Leaders, Assistant Tiger Cub Den Leaders, Den Leaders, Assistant Den Leaders, Webelos Den Leaders, Assistant Webelos Den Leaders, Scoutmasters, Assistant Scoutmasters, Crew Advisors, Associate Crew Advisors, Varsity Coaches, Assistant Varsity Coaches, Explorer Advisors, and Assistant Explorer Advisors.

We will have many opportunities to get everyone trained before fall recruitment.

Watch the calendar listings for an updated list of training opportunities. Also, additional information can be found at the training webpage at http://www.hoacbsa.org/Districts/NorthStar/Training.aspx. Be sure to visit the National Council’s training web site and check out the new training sections.

If you have questions contact Jeff Tyler, at (816) 505-2015 or jstyler@kc.rr.com.

Trails End Popcorn Sale

We had record popcorn sales last year. Thank you to everyone who participated. We have some new and exciting products to sell; this is going to be a great popcorn year!

Each unit gets a percentage of the money they raise and by attending popcorn training your percentage of money earned goes up. Think of all of the camp fees, program supplies and rank advancement that can be purchased by your unit. Popcorn training is August 19 at Cerner Riverport at 7:00 pm.

If you have any questions just contact our Popcorn Kernel Angie Conway, (816) 584-8664, conwayangie@yahoo.com or Jeremy McGowan, (816) 569-4970, jmccowan@bsamail.org

6th Annual District Car Show is at the 2010 June Roundtable.

If you have the HOTTEST ride in the district, now is the time to strut your stuff. It doesn’t matter if you have a hot rod car, a show-case “primo” luxury ride, a one-of-a-kind chopper, a classic truck, or what you think is the coolest ride in the district. The show will occur rain or shine. Cerner Corporation’s Riverport Facility at 671 NE Birmingham Road in Kansas City has a covered parking lot. So, we can host these events even if it is pouring rain outside. Trophies will be awarded for Best Car, Best Truck, and Best Motorcycle immediately following the show. So, BRING IT!! There is no entry fee. Awards will be based on the vehicles receiving the most donations within each category. $$ = votes!! Proceeds will benefit the North Star District roundtable program, allowing us to bring you venues that will help enhance the Scouting program you deliver to your youth.
Family Campout
The district will be bringing back the Cub Family Campout this year! It will be October 8-9 at Shawnee Riverfront Park. More details to follow at the August roundtable.

Popcorn 2010
The popcorn sale is right around the corner. Let’s welcome back our District Kernal Terry Dixon. You can sign your unit up to sell popcorn at any time by contacting Terry at (913) 362-4178.

Northern Tier District Events

June
10 Commissioner Meeting
Grace Christian Fellowship
7230 Quivira Road, 7:00 pm
14-18 Cub Scout Day Camp
17 Eagle Boards of Review
LDS Church
7845 Allman, 6:30 pm
30 Pack Choice of School Night Date
Due to Kathryn Rajala at krajala@bsamail.org

July
No District Meetings in July.

School Night for Scouting
School Night for Scouting is fast approaching. The School Night Kick Off (one representative from each pack is required to attend) will be held on August 10th at Village Presbyterian Church in Prairie Village. Each pack will select their School Night Date from the following dates:
- August 24
- August 26
- September 9
- September 14

Don’t forget the summer time is an excellent time to begin your recruitment efforts! The pool! The soccer or football fields! As well as other get-togethers with your son’s friends and their parents!

For more information contact our School Night Chairman Ron Alt at (913) 461-6378 or by email at ron.alt2008@yahoo.com

Cub Scout Day Camp
Centennial Luau! In just a few short days, Northern Tier will hold its annual day camp. It all starts on June 14! If you haven’t signed up, you can still do so! Registrations can be turned in up to day camp at $65 per Scout. Registration at camp is $70 per Scout. Remember, if you have any new Scouts, they can come to day camp for the Early Bird Fee of only $50, so encourage them to come out for the week!

If you have any questions, please contact Dave Sultz, Day Camp Director, at (913) 381-7824 or Lorri Kearns, Program Director, (913) 583-1011.

Investment in Character
Thanks to all for your continued support of the 2010 Investment in Character campaign. Your dedication as investors and workers will again assure that the Scouting program is provided as fully as it can be to the youth in our community. Credit goes to the Unit Presenters: Community Captains; Family Chair, Bruce Harken; and Overall Community Co-Chairs, Perry Atha, and Doug Lenhart! Another big thank you goes to David Fowler who helped guide our team on this year’s Community Investment in Character Campaign and the more than 600 investors in our campaign! We are almost to our goal but we still have some work to do to reach it.
Investment in Character

Scott Gates is working hard making sure we reach out to everyone in the Pelathe District and give them the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of numerous youth in the Boy Scouts of America.

Every unit should have already had their presentation. We have fallen a bit short of our goal. Therefore, please be expecting a phone call as we will be conducting Call Nights asking every registered Adult for a pledge to help their unit get closer to their goal.

Thank you for everyone’s support and together we will be successful!!!!!

School Night for Scouting

Everyone should beginning preparation for the 2010 Fall Recruitments. Please be thinking about which two individuals will be helping from your pack at the Fall Recruitments. We will be having a training session on the process of our Fall Recruitments at the August roundtable. We need to make sure that this year’s fall recruitments is the largest in the history of Pelathe. Brian Rome (Our District Membership Chair) will be getting a hold of each unit asking them for the two individuals names that will help at the Fall Recruitments.

Cub Day Camp

The Pelathe District has signed up about 260 Cub Scouts for this year’s day camp. This year’s camp has been well prepared and I am sure that Alfred Cramer (Day Camp Director), Megan Helm (Day Camp Program Director) and Karen Lewis (Day Camp Assistant Program Director) has done everything they can to make sure that camp will be the best Pelathe has ever had! Thank you for everyone’s help and participation! It’s going to be a blast.

Training

Please make sure that everyone is training their direct contact leaders NOW!!!! We need to make sure we train our current leaders now because in the fall after having our fall recruitments we will have even more new leaders that we will need to train. Please check our website for a list of trainings coming up – www.hoac-bsa.org.

Roundtables

It is strongly recommended that everyone attends roundtable. This is an informational event that takes place to make sure your troop or pack has all the materials and training you need to become successful. Roundtables are a good way to get all of your questions answered. Roundtable occurs the first Thursday of every month at 7pm at First Baptist Church in Lawrence off of Kasold Road. Every unit has a file that is filled up each month with useful information and ideas. Please take the time to attend roundtable each and every month of the year.
2010 Pioneer Trails
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District Executive
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Pioneer Trails 2010 Key Leadership

Cub Scout Family Campout

The Pioneer Trails Centennial Cub Family Campout will take place Friday, October 8 - Saturday October 9, at the Longview Lake Group Camping Area, located at Raytown Rd and High Grove Rd. What a great opportunity for Cubs and their families to start the Cub Scout year off with a fun outdoor camping event.

More information on this event to come soon. For questions, contact Ed Mulik: (816) 835-3065, Carol Jean DeFeo: (816) 942-0675, or David Lyons: (816) 805-0299, lyons125@earthlink.net.

Cub Scout Day Camp

Pioneer Trails Cub Scout Day Camp is right around the corner! Day Camp will be held from Monday, June 7 through Thursday, June 10, at 40 Acres and a Mule Activity Campus, located at 7620 E 79th St. It’s not too late to sign-up! Registrations will be accepted the first day of camp. In celebration of 100 years of Boy Scouts in the United States, the theme for the 2010 Day Camp is Centennial Luau. The boys will be participating in many activities, including swimming, shooting sports, arts and crafts, basketball, tie-dying and much more!

For more information on Day Camp, contact Day Camp Director, Lisa Tapscott, at (816) 536-6486, ltapscott@hotmail.com, or visit the Pioneer Trails District Day Camp website: http://hoac-bsa.org/Districts/PioneerTrails/DayCamp.aspx.

July Schedule

Remember, there will be no roundtable or commissioner’s meeting in July. We will see you in August! Have a great summer!

Training for 2010

We are in the process of training every direct contact leader in the council. Direct contact leaders include all Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, Venturing Advisors, and their assistants, as well as all Den Leaders, Webelos Leaders, Tiger Leaders, and their assistants. Training Chairman Sam Otto has done a great job scheduling leader trainings for the Pioneer Trails District, and we are down to a short list of units who still need to be trained. To see a list of scheduled trainings in Pioneer Trails, visit the Pioneer Trails Training Page. For a list of scheduled trainings in other districts, visit the council training page.

To schedule a training for your unit or for training related questions, contact Sam Otto at (816) 523-3315 (h), (816) 997-2571 (w) or samandjane@earthlink.net.

School Night for Scouting

It’s time again to start thinking about fall recruitment. Fall is the time of year that we are most successful in recruiting new boys to join Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts. Our School Night for Scouting Chairman is John Freshnock, and under his leadership Pioneer Trails will once again be among the Council leaders in Scout recruitment this Fall! Plan to attend our School Night Orientation at the August Roundtable on Thursday, August 5, at Central United Methodist Church (5144 Oak).

More information to come soon. For questions about School Night for Scouting, contact John Freshnock at (913) 262-8296.

June

6    Cub Scout Day Camp Set Up
40 Acres and a Mule, 1-3:00 pm

7-10    Cub Scout Day Camp
40 Acres and a Mule

July

No District Meetings in July.
Training

The new training initiative is underway, and we are pleased to announce that all top leaders in the Red-Tailed Hawk District are trained! Thanks to the leaders for their time and to everyone who helped make this happen. In accordance with our belief that every Scout deserves a trained leader, the district will focus our efforts on getting all direct contact leaders trained by close of the year. This includes Den Leaders, etc…

A training task force has been assembled to help accomplish this goal. Your unit will be contacted by a member of this team to ensure that everyone is properly trained. Watch the calendar section or visit the district website for the dates of all upcoming training sessions.

A Shining Light Broadcast

Attend the broadcast of the main program from Jamboree 7/31/2010. We’ll gather at the LDS Stake at 15915 W 143rd across the street from (Prince of Peace).

Signup deadline for hot dog meal and a patch at June roundtable. Event flier is on our website. Please contact Michael Samms at (913) 338-5263 with questions.


Investment in Character

Congratulations to everyone in the Red-Tailed Hawk district for making the 2010 Family Investment in Character goal and to those units who achieved free rank advancement!

Thank you to all parents, friends, and family who gave to this year’s campaign. Also, a big thank you to David McCreight, Family Chair, whose leadership helped guide the volunteers and presenters who helped make the campaign a big success. Your support of this very important program helps bring the wonderful Scouting program to over 45,000 area youth in the Heart of America Council!

Any gift amount makes a difference. Many units average a gift of $42 dollars per boy, which breaks down to about $5.00 a month for the remainder of the year. Five dollars is a minimal investment for the returns that Scouting provides.

To inquire about your unit’s Investment in Character goal or your unit’s progress for 2010, please contact Chris Rinella at crinella@bsamail.org.

Stay in the Communication Loop

Are you receiving all of the latest and greatest regarding the Red-Tailed Hawk District and the Heart of America Council? There are many ways to keep informed. 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
• RTH roundtable, generally occurs the first Thursday of every month at College Church of the Nazarene, Cunningham Family Life Center

June
10 Commissioner’s Meeting, 7:00 pm
   Colonial Presbyterian Church
14-17 Cub Scout Day Camp
   Old Lake Olathe Golf Course

July
31 A Shining Light Across America 7:00 pm
   A broadcast from the National Jamboree
   LDS Stake Building
School Night for Scouting

Mark your calendars! August 3, at 7:30 pm, will be the 2010 fall recruitment kickoff. It will be at August 3 roundtable at Hickman Mills High School. This meeting will be worth your while. Learn about the School Night plan, find out about and receive promotional resources, meet the district school night teams, learn more about the pack role, etc. Each unit must send a School Night representative or a substitute representative.

Also, make plans to attend your school’s back-to-school night! Get the names of boys and parents who are interested in joining along with their phone number so that you can follow up. Little things like this make a big difference. Also, if you’d like to know how many boys in your school(s) are eligible to join Scouts contact Barb January (School Night Chair) or your district executive.

Barb January: barbaraj@hickmanmills.org or (816) 519-2976.

Cub Scout Day Camp

Boys who go to camp stay in Scouts! So it’s not too late to register for camp! Thunderbird Day Camp will be June 28-July 2, 2010 at South View Golf Course, 16001 S. 71 Hwy. Belton, MO 64012. This year’s theme is “Centennial Luau”! Register now! Cost is $65.00 per Scout if you register in advance. Price is $70 at the door so don’t wait! (New Scouts are $50).

Check out www.hoac-bsa.org for information or contact Kay Duncan at tibirddaycamp@aol.com or 816-524-7441 or Angie Duncan at telakiniya@aol.com for camp and staff information.

Investment in Character

Thunderbird has had yet another great year in Investment in Character thanks to your support! THANK YOU!!! Many units, through their contributions were able to meet their goal and earn free rank advancement and we’d like you to do the same. Some of you are very close. To find out how close, please contact Gary Guider (816) 721-6868 or Gary.T.Guider@sprint.com. If your unit has not done a presentation yet, we’d still like to see you. Once again thank you for supporting the Heart of America Council!
2010 Trailhead Key Leadership

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School Night for Scouting

School Night for Scouting is quickly approaching. This is our fall recruitment event which introduces hundreds of boys into the Cub Scout program. Every pack needs to have your pack’s school night chairman in attendance on Tuesday, August 10, 2010 at 7:30pm at Atonement Lutheran Church, 9948 Metcalf. At this very important meeting we will review the school night program, distribute all of the school night materials, provide details on organizing new dens, and discuss leadership needs. Your pack leadership will play an important role in this year’s School Night recruitment campaign.

Cub Scout Day Camp

Join in on the 100th year of Scouting with our “Centennial Luau” Cub Scout Day Camp on June 7-11 at Shawnee Riverfront Park (K-7 and 43rd St.). Cub Scouts get the chance to participate in archery and BB gun ranges, crafts, a zip cord and much more fun in the tropical paradise of scouting. Look for more information on Day Camp on the website at http://hoac-bsa.org/thdc.cfm.

Scout Out Hunger

Save the dates for September 11 & 18 to join in on the largest food drive Kansas City has ever seen! In cooperation with Harvester’s Food Bank, the Heart of America Council will conduct the largest food drive in the history of Kansas City as we involve 35,000 youth members and 19,000 adult volunteers in a council-wide project to help the less fortunate. Locations will be assigned geographically to units, and bags are provided. To sign-up your unit contact Andrew Tate at totcdxx@yahoo.com or Harold Fry at hfrye@bakeru.edu.

District School Night Kickoff

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Webelos Woods

The Trailhead District hosted the first annual Webelos Woods campout at Camp Naish on May 7-8 for more than 100 boys and adults. Thanks to chairman Brian Miles and Troop 257 and Crew 2257 for all of their hard work in planning this wonderful new event!

Summertime Pack Award

Don’t forget that if your pack stays active over the summer, you can qualify for the Summertime Pack Award. Please visit the resources section of the council website for the application form. Summertime activities might include, day camp, bear and webelos camp, picnics, parades, going to a ball game, a bike rodeo, pool parties, and more. Be creative and have some fun. Keeping your Cub Scouts active during the summer will help your pack recruit more boys to join this fall, as the other boys see what fun your pack has. Also, a fun summer program will help you keep the boys you currently have in your pack, so that you will start the school year with healthy active dens.

June

7-11   Cub Scout Day Camp
       Shawnee Riverfront Park
10   District Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm
    Commissioner Meeting, 7:30 pm
       Rolling Hills Presbyterian Church
17   Eagle Boards of Review, 7:00 pm
    LDS Church, 13025 Wornall

July

No district meetings in July.
**Webelo-Ree Wrap-up**

Thanks to all who helped with Webelo-Ree on April 24-25. 200-plus Scouts and Scouters from the Trails West District made the event one to remember.

Plans are already underway to make next year even better...so mark your calendars for Webelo-Ree 2011 on April 23, 2011.

**Popcorn Sale**

Are you ready for popcorn? Popcorn season is right around the corner and NOW is the time to sign-up. Visit the HOAC Popcorn website to fill out your 2010 Popcorn Commitment Form.

**Trails West**

**District Chair**
Hannes Zacharias  (913) 709-8153

**District Commissioner**
Keith Neuman  (913) 541-8362

**District Executive**
Matt Armstrong   (816) 569-4978  marmstro@bsamail.org

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**Cub Scout Family Campout**

Cub Family Campout October 8-9, 2010 Lake Olathe Golf Course

Preparations are underway for the 2010 Trails West District Cub Family Campout. This event is open to all Cub Scouts and their families. No pre-registration is necessary to attend.

**Fall Recruitment**

Believe it or not...fall is right around the corner. In order to better prepare for Fall Recruitment each pack is required to identify a pack representative. This person will be responsible for coordinating pack recruitment efforts and communication with the district executive.

Please provide the name of your School Night Pack Representative to Matt Armstrong at marmstro@bsamail.org by June 4.

A training session for all pack representatives will take place on August 5, 2010 at 7:00 pm at the Trails West District roundtable.

**Cub Scout Day Camp 2010 “Centennial Luau”**

The Trails West Day Camp staff is putting the final touches on what promises to be a fun and exciting program.

All day camp participants will shoot BB guns and bows and arrows, work on badges and belt loops, learn cooking skills, sing songs, learn about nature, make crafts, play games, and much, much more!!!

All packs must provide leadership and adult supervision for their Cub Scouts who attend day camp, plus make arrangements for transportation to and from camp. It is recommended that packs have at least one registered adult leader attend camp for every five boys sent by the pack. The minimum number of leaders allowed at any time is two, and one of those leaders must have completed Youth Protection Training. Everyone must complete a health information form to attend camp.

Each pack will need a 21 year old, full-time, “Walking Leader” who is a registered member with the BSA, and has completed Youth Protection and Fast Start training. This person will attend camp with the pack each day. Each pack will need an additional adult, to satisfy the two deep leadership requirement, and an additional adult for every five campers.

**Walking Leader Training**

Thursday, June 3 6:00pm Community Covenant Church (before Roundtable)
Sunday, June 6 3:00pm Lake Olathe Golf Course (Check-in Day)

For more information call Bill O’Connor at (913) 302-8549 or Matt Armstrong at (816) 569-4978.
The 2010 popcorn sale will soon be here and there are some things that we should be doing now to prepare for it;

Select a popcorn kernel to manage the sale. This person will need to attend the popcorn training to receive the extra percentage points for your unit. There is tons of new popcorn information this year that you will need to be aware of. Do this as soon as possible.

Set a unit goal for the amount of popcorn you want to sell. Units that set a goal do better in the sale. Plan your unit’s year in Scouting and include things such as program materials, camp fees, etc. Do this as soon as possible. Figure out how much it will cost to run the program for your unit for the coming year. This will give you an idea of what your goal should be.

Have the boys set personal sales goals. Just like the units, boys who have goals do better in the sale. Have each boy and his family determine how much money they need to pay for their son’s year in Scouting including things such as registration fees, uniform, Boy’s Life, the boy’s portion of the unit’s goal, etc. and then raise that money selling popcorn. With a few weeks of focused hard work in the fall, a boy can easily pay for his entire year of Scouting by selling popcorn. One simple sales goal would be to fill up the order form. On average, a filled up order form is about $600.00 worth of popcorn.

Increase the percentage of profit that the boys get. If your unit takes a large percentage of the profits from the boys consider giving more of the profits to the boys. Units that give all or most of the profits to the boys do better in the sale.

Have a popcorn kick-off. Units that have a popcorn kick-off meeting with the boys and parents do better in the sale. Have a meeting with the parents and boys to train them on the sale, introduce to them all of the new product changes (this will be especially important this year), talk to them about setting goals and inform them of the unit’s goal. Make this a fun meeting and create some excitement for the sale!

Emphasize the on-line sale. The on-line sale has been improved this year. Promote this part of the sale to the boys in your unit. This is a great and easy way to increase your unit’s sales and the best part is- you do not have to handle the product! Units that encourage the boys to promote the on-line sale do better in the sale.

The annual popcorn sale is very important to the council. The council’s profits from the sale help offset the loss of money that we used to get from certain charitable organizations contributions that we no longer get. The money that the council gets from the popcorn sale helps the council be more self-sufficient. For these reasons it is important that we try to grow the sale every year.

2010 Twin Rivers Key Leadership

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School Night for Scouting

Planning and work has already begun to prepare for this fall’s School Night For Scouting campaign. Details will be made public as they become available so each unit will need to be represented at roundtable to get the latest information on this campaign. This year we will be asking for greater involvement from unit commissioners, unit leadership and presenters and Scout Troops. To prepare to help us help you with this please begin to recruit someone who will be willing to be trained as a SNFS presenter and coordinator. We will be asking for those person’s names at the Program Planning Fair Roundtable in June.

The SNFS plan, when followed, works exceptionally well as many units in our district can attest. Every effort should be made by all involved to follow the plan as closely as possible in order to achieve the maximum success. This is an ideal time to recruit adults into your program right along with their youth. Make it a goal to recruit adults to assist with the program and to provide leadership succession in the unit.

Cub Scout Family Campout

The Twin Rivers District is pleased to announce that we will have the Cub Family Campout this year. It was previously announced that due to the Centennial Campout that there would be no Cub Family Campout, but that has been changed. The date for the CFC has been set for October 8-9, 2010. Location and other details have yet to be determined.

Roundtable Attendance

Every unit should be represented at roundtable every month. Ideally, the top leader from the unit should attend but, if that is not possible, arrange for another leader to attend and collect the information about upcoming programs. It is also a good idea to have more than one leader to attend if at all possible to bounce ideas off of each other and discuss how the presented material can be best implemented in the unit.

This year, as we transition into a new program delivery system for Cub Scouts it will be vitally important for all Cub Scout pack to be represented at roundtable to be educated on how the new changes are to be implemented.

Every unit should make it a goal to be represented at every single roundtable. It really is THAT important.

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We Salute the Independence Fire Department Explorer Post 2081

Post Advisor, Bob Hudson and his Explorers participated again this year in the 3rd annual Safety City Exhibit in February at the KC American Royale. There, with the Independence Fire Department and EMS the group they enjoyed the day’s events while educating the community on how to be safe and keep their families safe. Take a look at the weekend of fun, fellowship, and education.

Scouting’s 100th Anniversary Centennial Campout and Exploring

The Boy Scouts of America is 100 years old and the Heart of America Council is celebrating in a big way. Mark your calendars to attend the 3-day Centennial Campout on September 24-26. This activity will be held on the 200-acre Centennial Campgrounds and also on the historic Naish Scout Reservation. Explorer posts, Boy Scout troops, Cub Scout packs, Venturing crews, and Sea ships are going to camp and participate in events that will knock your socks off.

We need your expertise to ensure this event is the best in the nation. Everything from security, parking, computer technology, medical, EMT’s, mobile medical stations, logistics, fire and emergency stations and so much more. We need your help. It’s an all hands on deck event. Be looking for information to come. WE NEED YOU! Not only are you going to have the time of your life, but we are depending on you and your post to help provide safety, security, and so much more for the over 20,000 participants in this EXTRAVAGANZA!

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