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ADVENTURES IN SCOUTING

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August/September 2011

Cub Scouts at the Red-Tailed Hawk District’s Cub Scout Day Camp

Scouts in Action

Scouts from Troop 218 Ascension Church, Overland Park filled and placed several hundred sandbags helping to prepare Parkville, MO for June flooding of the Missouri River.

Sawmill Staff College Scholarships

Sawmill Camp Director Bill Singleton accepts a $50,000 check from Judge John Hutchinson from the Estate of Robert and Ruth Powell for the Bartle Camp Staff Scholarship Endowment. This year more than $72,000 in camp staff scholarships will be awarded to staff members of Bartle, Naish and Rotary camps.

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As Scout Executive, I truly enjoy visiting camp, meeting with our unit leaders and seeing the Scouting program in action. This summer I attended a leaders meeting in each camp for all sessions at Bartle and also at Naish. I picked up some great ideas. It also gave me an opportunity to ask lots of questions and share some thoughts on where the council is going.

A few things I learned this summer:

- The new salad bars at Bartle were a hit with our Scouts and leaders! I learned that a Scout can go to the salad bar and come back with everything except the salad……. croutons, cheese and bacon bits.
- Our camp staff members are some of the finest. The Camp Staff Scholarship program, established about 10 years ago, is an outstanding way to retain our best staff members. This summer the Council awarded over $72,000 in Camp Staff Scholarships. I would love to see this endowed fund continue to grow.
- This was the third year of our on-line merit badge class tracking system. While we still have some work to do, it is a good tool to keep up on our Scouts’ merit badge progress.
- As I shared the news of our new “skilled trade weekends” at Bartle and Naish this fall, I found that many of our Scouting leaders are pleased to help in the long term maintenance of our camps. This is a win/win for our camps and our youth!
- The volunteer Commissioner program at both camps is one of the finest additions I have ever seen. Having over 60 dedicated volunteers each session allows us to maintain a high level of customer service and Scouting knowledge.
- The Chaplain’s program… For many of our Scouts this is their first real exposure to any religion. We have a beautiful setting and a great team of Chaplains… A Scout is Reverent.
- Our Cub Scout Camping and Day Camp programs are on target. This is a direct correlation to our strong team of staff and volunteers.
- The Tribe of Mic-O-Say is magical. I was impressed by its lasting positive impact on our Scouts and leaders.
- Some areas of future focus include a review of our check-in process. We need to make more efficient use of everyone’s time.
- Also, we need better camp promotion. It is our responsibility to see that even more Scouts attend. This summer our Council provided over $95,000 in campership assistance for our Scouts.

We can be proud of our summer programs and traditions. But we must look at our programs and facilities to ensure every Scout has a quality experience.

I welcome your thoughts. Feel free to call or send an e-mail. I will get back with you.

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FROM THE SCOUT EXECUTIVE

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BeAScout:
Putting Scouting on the Map!

Have you heard? The BSA is using the Internet to build on our annual recruiting efforts! And the recruiting campaign is called BeAScout.

BeAScout is for parents, unit leaders, and council staff. Everyone has a role to play that can help people sign up for Scouting.

Using their MyScouting accounts, unit leaders can personalize the pins that will appear on the Google map. The committee chairperson and the chartered organization representative can also do this.

Visit BeAScout.org to check it out and then sign into your MyScouting account to add or change your unit’s contact and meeting information.

Veteran Awards

David Bornn
10 Years

Kim Jackowski
10 Years

Lynn Pierce
25 years

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As your Council Commissioner, I have been asked to periodically pen (does anyone still use pen and paper?) a short note for Adventures in Scouting. As Scouters we all share a common goal: to provide a well-planned program, delivered by a trained leader, with a strong outdoor program, in order to attract and retain youth. Each commissioner brings with him or her a knowledge base of experiences that can serve as a resource to help all of us achieve that goal.

Our annual School Night for Scouting recruitment drive is about to begin. The commissioner staff will be very active over the next couple of months supporting our School Night for Scouting effort. They will be working as school coordinators, arranging for use of school facilities, helping with new leader orientation and encouraging them to take leader training. Be sure to keep your unit commissioner included in your plans and rely on their experience as we add thousands of new Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturers.

Yours in Scouting,
Jim Bernard Jr., Council Commissioner

School Night to Join Scouting is Here!
More Than 5,000 Youth Expected to Enroll

School Night for Scouting orientations, kickoffs, and training sessions are nearly complete. Cub Family Campouts are planned for the upcoming weeks and months. The end result…More young people and their families will enjoy the benefits of Scouting.

- “School Nights” organized and run by district volunteer teams at every elementary school in the Heart of America Council.
- Cub Scout Leader Training
  - Conducted in every district, usually on Saturdays (and in some cases on weeknights) during the month of September.
- Cub Scout Family Campouts
  - An overnight event for Cub Scouts and families in late Sept/early Oct.
  - Organized activities and food provided for all.

Cub Scout Pack’s Role in School Night:
- Assign a pack School Night Representative to communicate and work with the district School Night team.
- Conduct a “Back to the Pack” summer meeting prior to School Night for all returning Cub Scouts.
- Communicate with the School Night leadership any unique needs/interests of the pack that School Night might help meet (Prior to School Night).
- Participate in your district-wide School Night Kickoff
- Ensure pack leadership attends School Night to receive applications and greet new leaders and new Cub Scouts!

To learn more, or to schedule your group tour of Adams Dairy Bank, call Katie Jackson at 816.655.3333.

Tours start Saturday, September 17 and are every other Saturday until May 12, 2012.

Everyone Loves a Field Trip

Scouts of all ages will enjoy a behind-the-counter, guided tour of the inner workings of Adams Dairy Bank. How does that little container get from inside the bank out to the vehicle in the drive-thru? How much change is in that bag of coins? All these mysteries will be solved.

To learn more, or to schedule your group tour of Adams Dairy Bank, call Katie Jackson at 816.655.3333.

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New Units

Blue Elk
Crew 2512 Missouri Rock Climbing League
Crew 2692 Troop 1692 Parents Committee

Pioneer Trails
Pack 4112 Friends of Westport Roanoke Community Center
Pack 4825 SWC at Metropolitan AME Zion Church
Pack 4826 SWC at Pinkerton School
Pack 4827 SWC at Swope Parkway United Christian
Pack 4828 SWC at St. James United Methodist
Pack 4829 SWC at Palestine Missionary
Pack 4830 SWC at St. Anthony
Troop 1074 Friends of Longfellow School
Troop 1112 Friends of Westport Roanoke Community Center
Troop 1829 SWC at Palestine Missionary

Thunderbird
Crew 2952 Lees Summit Booster Learning for Life
Post 2877 Concerned Friends of CIS Booster Club
Post 2082 Western Cass Fire District

Kaw
Pack 3029 St. Peter CME Freedom School
Troop 0464 Friends of Eisenhower Community Center
Troop 0029 St. Peter CME Freedom School
Michael Haverty to be Honored as the 2011 Distinguished Citizen

Each year the Distinguished Citizen Award Dinner honors an individual for making a distinct difference in the fabric of Kansas City. On October 12, 2011, Michael Haverty, Executive Chairman, Kansas City Southern Community Philanthropists will be honored as the 2011 Distinguished Citizen at the Kansas City Muehlebach.

Co-chairs for this year’s dinner are Terry Dunn, President & CEO, JE Dunn Construction and Tom McDonnell, CEO, DST Systems.

Proceeds benefit the many youth development programs of the Heart of America Council. The dinner highlights how our Urban Scouting program provides a positive alternative to develop values and life skills in young people facing difficult socio-economic conditions.

2011 Trails End Popcorn Sale

The 2011 Trails End Popcorn Sale will be very exciting. If you join the Fill-it-Up Club, good opportunities await. We will have the Fill-it-Up program back again this year! Units will earn more than $1 million dollars in revenue to support their Scouting programs. Scouts will have the opportunity to earn the prize of their choice using gift cards. Scouts will learn valuable skills to last them a lifetime.

Timetable

Training Dates

One person from each unit must attend training and enter their popcorn order and prize order online to receive a 2% commission increase. Any leader who would like more information about the sale is invited to attend any training session.

August 2: Lone Bear Roundtable, 7:30 pm, 808 Augusta, Clinton, MO
August 4: Pelathe Roundtable, 6:30 pm First Baptist Church, 1330 Kasold Lawrence, KS
August 9: Big Muddy 7:00 pm, United Methodist Church, S. 13 Hwy, Lexington, MO
August 13: at 10:30 am and 1:30 pm, Atonement Lutheran Church, 9948 Metcalf Ave, Overland Park, KS
August 16: 2011 at 7:00 pm, Paradise Park, 1021 Northeast Colbern Road, Lee’s Summit, MO
August 18: 2011 at 7:00 pm, Regional Police Academy, 6801 Northeast Pleasant Valley Road, Kansas City, MO

Important Dates

August 29: Show N’ Sell Orders are due by 10:00 pm
September 9 and 10: Show N’ Sell Order pick-up
September 10: Popcorn Sale Starts
October 28: Popcorn Sale Ends
October 31: Popcorn Return Form due by 5:00 pm
October 31: Final orders are due by 10:00 pm
November 11 and 12: Final Order pickup
November 11: Fill-It-Up Online Registrations due
December 5: Popcorn Payment due

Commission Plan

30% Base Commission
2% Bonus commission for attending one of the popcorn orientations.
2% Bonus commission if your unit grows their own sale by 10%

In Memory of:

Paul W Eubank
David and Karen Cunningham
Jay Frederick Frank
George and Mary Hagen
Bob and Vivian Henry
Audrey Irick
Ann Marie Kowalczyk
Jerry Keller
Basic Builders
John Keller
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Richard Weiland

In Honor of:

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Ethan Redd
Howard and Dottie Krohn

To remember a loved one or honor a friend, Mail your check to Memorials & Tributes, Heart of America Council, Endowment Fund, P.O. Box 414177, Kansas City, MO 64141-4177. For more information, contact Randy Kidder at (816) 569-4954.
Philmont’s Major Gifts Fellowship Week

October 3-7, 2011

The James E West Fellowship Ambassadors are organizing a council Philmont Contingent for James E, West Fellows, 1910 Society members, Founders Circle members and their spouses. We will join fellow Scouters from across the country at the Philmont Training Center.

Our trek will be fun and relaxing. Spend the mornings in class discussing retirement planning, estates, trusts, and more. Spend the afternoons on behind-the-scenes backcountry trips by vehicle (or on foot). We will even take Wednesday off. Northern New Mexico is beautiful in the fall.

The Major Gifts Fellowship Week is October 3-7, 2011. The cost is $550 per participant and $350 per spouse. Participants are housed in private cabins.

If you are interested, contact Randy Kidder at rkidder@bsamail.org or by calling (816) 569-4954. No shakedown treks required!

Urban Scouting BBQ

Since 1998 the Urban Scouting BBQ has raised over $250,000 for the Urban Scouting program here in the Kansas City area. Your participation and contribution will help the Urban Scouting program continue to serve at-risk youth in the Kansas City Metropolitan area. Please consider making a donation and joining us for a great lunch. Funds raised help us reduce the cost of Scout registration, and provides handbooks, uniforms and other program supplies.

Individual tickets are $8.00 which includes a Hamburger or Hot Dog, Baked Bean, Chips and a Drink. Sponsorships are also available. Contact Matt Gettys for more information, (816) 569-4971 or Matt.gettys@Scouting.org

Friday, September 16, 2011
11:00 am until 1:30 pm
Rain or Shine!
Barney Allis Plaza

(Located at the corner of 12th and Wyandotte in Downtown Kansas City, Missouri)
A new and exciting international opportunity we are considering for 2012 is the formation of a group of Scouts to travel to Kanderstag, the International High Adventure Base in Switzerland in the summer of 2012.

For the latest developments on the trip to Kanderstag or anything else Scouting in other nations, visit us at http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Programs/InternationalScouting.aspx.

**54th Jamboree-on-the-Air and the Jamboree-on-the-Internet**

The Jamboree-on-the-Air, JOTA and the Jamboree-on-the-Internet, JOTI, are annual Scouting events sponsored by the World Scout Bureau of the World Organization of the Scout Movement. On the weekend of October 15 and 16, 2011, Scouts from all over the world will have an educational opportunity learn about other cultures and develop friendships that span the globe.

The JOTA has been an ongoing event for more than 50 years. Often Cub Scout dens and Boy Scout patrols will visit an amateur ham radio operator’s “shack” for a chance to learn about this tremendous hobby and to contact Scouts from other nations.

JOTI is a natural extension of the JOTA. With world-wide access and a wide variety of ways to communicate, Scouts can easily participate from the comfort of their own home.

For more information these and other International programs be sure to visit: www.scouting.org/jota or www.scouting.org.

**Shooting Sports Training**

The Shooting Sports Committee is offering training to unit leaders throughout the year to make sure that we are meeting BSA requirements for shooting safety. You’ll see that they are labeled as NRA trainings; the BSA and the NRA have partnered to ensure these trainings and BSA requirements are similar so that an individual is fully trained within either organization. Below is a list of upcoming trainings that we are offering to any all leaders who have not yet been trained in these skills.

- September 13 ...... NRA Basic Instructor Training Part 1
- September 15 ...... NRA Basic Instructor Training Part 2
- October 7-9 ........ NRA Rifle Qualification & Instructor Training
- October 7-9 ........ NRA Shotgun Qualification & Instructor Training
- October 11 ........... NRA Range Safety Officer Training Part 1
- October 13.......... NRA Range Safety Officer Training Part 2
- October 28-30 ...... NRA Pistol Qualification & Instructor Training
- October 28-30 ...... NRA Muzzleloading Qualification & Instructor Training

You can register online for these courses at: www.hoac-bsa.org/Programs/Activities/NRATraining.aspx.

**University of Scouting 2011**

- **What:** University of Scouting 2011
- **When:** November 5
- **Where:** Hickman Mills Middle School

Look for details at your September roundtable.

If you do not have Saturday, November 5 blocked out on your calendar for a HUGE Scouting event, you need to do so NOW! Why? That is the date for our annual get-together, conference, convention, big fun-filled experience where ALL Scout leaders increase their knowledge, improve their Scouting skills and gain enthusiastic attitudes about Scouting called University of Scouting.

Our theme is “Get Connected” and you will have the opportunity to connect with Scouters from across the council, experts and hobbyists from around the area, and… that dormant eight-year-old within. We are going to have lots of fun.

The 2011 edition has undergone a face lift and will feature:
- All day registrations, as well as morning-only or afternoon-only opportunities
- A great new hands-on, get-involved curriculum.
- Many community experts leading classes.
- A plethora of ideas and resources to make your Scouting program exciting.

Be sure to attend the next roundtable for further information about Heart of America Council's most comprehensive training of the year!
Show your Scouting Spirit on a Missouri plate! Purchase an Emblem Authorization at the Council Office.

Mini-Camp — Summer Camp When You Want It!

Where: Naish Scout Reservation
When: September 23-25
       October 14-16
       October 28-30
       November 11-13
Cost: $25

Program choices include: Climbing/Repelling, COPE, Archery, Shotgun Shooting, Pistol Shooting (Venturing only), Advanced Shooting for Rifle, Shotgun or Pistol, Wilderness First Aid or Woodcarvers Workshop. All programs are available on all weekends. For more information and to register, visit: www.hoac-bsa.org/Programs/Activities/MiniCampWeekends.aspx.

Mic-O-Say Called Warriors Provide Community Service in Osceola

37 Called Warriors went into Osceola in early July to do community service projects around the courthouse. Scouts were planting bush’s, trimming shrubs, raking out bare spots where the city had pulled out two dead trees, spread grass seed, and raked dirt around the sidewalks. The city of Osceola appreciated help from these Called Warriors.

Bear Camp

Naish Scout Reservation treats thousands of Cub Scouts to an exciting program.
Upcoming VOA Meetings

To get involved in setting the direction of Venturing in the Heart of America Council, you need to participate! The best place to start is by attending the approximately monthly VOA Meetings. Here are the next two meetings; PUT THEM IN YOUR CALENDAR NOW:

July 16 — 2:00 pm @ HOAC Scout Office
August 25 — 2:00 pm @ HOAC Scout Office

VOA Pool Party

Mark your calendars for the End of Summer Bash VOA Pool Party!

On August 13 at Naish Scout Reservation, the VOA will be hosting a Pool Party at the Pirate Ship at Naish for all Crews. Join in the fun and invite some friends to learn more about Venturing. This is a great way to recruit some new members into Venturing and to learn more about the VOA! We'll be swimming, watching movies and having a lot of fun. Bring some friends, a bathing suit (girls: one-piece suit), a change of clothes, and glow sticks! Food provided.

Time: 7:00–10:00 pm
Cost $7. Per person

Haunted Trails

Haunted Trails are back this year and will be scarier than ever!

On October 22-23 at Naish Scout Reservation, the VOA will host Haunted Trails. We invite Cub Scouts to visit us for the day and hike through the Haunted Trails of Naish! The VOA needs your help in planning scary events and guiding Cub Scouts out of the trails safely! You can dress up in your scariest outfit, guide Cub Scouts during the day and event compete in the Creepy Dessert Contest! Make sure to bring trail decorations, camping gear, food (if you want to camp overnight), friends, glow sticks, and a scary outfit!

Venturing Crews please sign up to help run a section of the Haunted Trail at no charge. Set up will begin at noon. Dinner will be provided for Crews helping out. Please sign up at hauntedtrails@hoac-voa.org

Event Time: 4:00-8:00 pm
Please sign up early so you can get your preferred time slot.
Cost $5. per youth, 3 and under free
No charge for adults

Venturers involved in local ROTC programs held their own camp at Naish this summer.
Blue Elk
Troop 1058  Michael Moran, SM
Troop 1216  John Fitzgerald, SM
Troop 1221  James Waldman, SM
Troop 1223  Andrew Phelps
Troop 1228  Tristan Laughlin
Troop 1282  Kevin Perrette
Troop 1285  Douglas Bonham
Troop 1310  Brandon Ross
Troop 1332  Zachary Stoppa
Troop 1403  Michael Abbott, SM
Troop 1409  Tom Christopher, SM
Lone Bear
Troop 1009  Ryan Waters
Troop 1012  Seán Waters
North Star
Troop 1009  Ryan Waters
Troop 1261  Seán Waters
Troop 1271  Landon Allen
Troop 1297  Michael Kautz
Troop 1303  Trevor Parker
Troop 1309  Nicholas Veuleman
Troop 1347  Tyler Thorp
Big Muddy
Troop 1120  Alec Rider
Troop 1409  Tom Christopher, SM
Kaw
Troop 66  Cullen Moriarty
Troop 144  Jeffert Walters
Troop 167  Steven Henry, SM
Troop 34  Bennett Fisher
Troop 246  Kimberly Tam, SM
Pelate
Troop 59  Francis Depenbusch
Troop 61  Bob Corkins, SM
Troop 1492  Michael Kautz
Red-Tailed Hawk
Troop 122  Andrew Martino
Troop 183  Patrick Connor
Troop 187  Ryan Connors
Northern Tier
Troop 54  Ross Correll
Troop 91  John Ott, SM
Troop 93  Myrl Wear, SM
Troop 189  Max Waddell, SM
Troop 192  Alan Clark, SM
Troop 246  Kimberly Tam, SM
Thunderbird
Troop 1032  Caleb Scott
Troop 1054  Garrett Sebert
Troop 1210  Timothy O’Donnell II
Troop 1211  Joel Hartnagel
Trails West
Troop 108  Breton Miller
Troop 186  Chase Roberts
Troop 1269  Ryan Woods
Troop 494  Dane Smith
Troop 66030  Kyle Pacheco
Troop 1275  Brian Osgood, SM
Troop 1285  Jeff McAlister, SM
Troop 1300  Colby Farren
Troop 1338  David Downing, SM
Troop 1446  Morgan Knorr
Troop 1492  Connor Stellmacher
Troop 1546  Mark Shireman
Troop 1563  John Blanton, SM
Troop 1603  Dustin Pickett
Troop 1605  Jeffery Wanderke
Troop 1692  Jeffrey Blevins, SM
Troop 1763  Scott Schriver
Troop 1765  David DeLaMare, Advisor
Troop 1865  Robert Harper, SM
Troop 1922  John DeLaMare, Advisor
Troop 2764  Taylor DeLaMare
Troop 412  Caleb Anderson
Troop 494  Benjamin Thurm
Troop 1412  Michael Abbott, SM
Troop 1433  Cole Wilson, SM
Troop 1482  John Fitzgerald, SM
Troop 1503  William Quasa, SM
Troop 1563  Patrick Coles
Troop 1593  Ryan Markoe
Troop 1603  Robert Wilson, SM
Troop 1629  Benjamin Thurm
Troop 1656  Michael Morris
Troop 1692  John Grube, SM
Troop 1707  Garrett Rotert
Troop 1708  John Blanton, SM
Troop 1763  Garrett Sebert
Troop 1765  Garrett Sebert
**Investment in Character**

Thanks to everyone who have made a generous financial contribution to Scouting. The Big Muddy District was successful in raising its Family and Community Friends of Scouting goals. Friends of Scouting is an essential part of funding the operations of the district and council and as beneficiaries of service FOS provides, your support is imperative to the continuation of the Scouting movement.

**Day Camp**

This year’s Day Camp was great fun and the Cubs involved had a great time. For input, ideas, and volunteer opportunities for the 2012 Day Camp see Michelle or Aaron at the August roundtable.

**Fishing Tournament**

The Bass Tournament was a success!!! We promoted Scouting, raised a little money, and those who participated had fun. Brock Beissenherz of Wellington, MO pulled in a whopping 8lb 14oz bass to take home the prize of the biggest bass. Amos Todd pulled in 5 fish weighing 16 lbs and 10 oz taking home the third place trophy, Brian Beissenherz and his partner Jack Thompson for the second year in a row took home second place with a competitive weight of 20 lbs 8 oz. Taking home first place was Brock and Bruce Beissenherz father and son team out of Wellington, MO brought in a whopping 28lbs 11oz entry. Congratulations to the winners and look forward to seeing you all again next year.

**School Night for Scouting**

Our School Night Kick-Off will be held at the August roundtable at the Lexington UMC. Each pack will need to be represented. This year I have visited with most of the Elementary School principals about our School Night Program and below are the tentative dates for your School night.

- 8/23/11 - Odessa, Lexington, Wellington
- 8/25/11 - Higginsville, Concordia, Waverly
- 8/30/11 - Carrollton, Tina-Avalom, Bosworth, Hale
- 9/1/11 - Richmond, Norborne, Hardin, Stet, Orrick

**Cub Scout Family Campout**

The Cub Scout Family Campout is an overnight opportunity for boys and their families to start the Cub Scout year off with a fun outdoor event. The Big Muddy Cub Scout Family Campout will be Friday, September 30 beginning at 6:30 pm and conclude by 11:30 am on Saturday, October 1, 2011. This event will be held at the Carrollton Armory at Walnut Hills, 1773 Walnut Hills, Carrollton, MO 64633. A parent or guardian must accompany each Cub Scout and other family members for the entire event. The cost for this event is only $8 per person (including adults and siblings). Cash or check (made payable to BSA) only. Fee covers food and program supplies. Breakfast will be provided Saturday morning. Please be sure to eat dinner prior to coming to the event and participants will depart prior to lunch on Saturday. For more information please contact Jonathan Geiger at (816) 682-2130 or Tammy Cockrum at (660) 281-9899.

**Popcorn**

Popcorn is a great way for a boy to earn his way to camp. Popcorn signups are going now so make sure your unit is on the list to sell popcorn. For more information please contact Jon Geiger at (816) 569-4932.
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Cub Scout Roundtable: Kenn Naylor cnaylor@swbell.net
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Training Chair: Rod Lightner (816) 682-2807
Venturing Chair: Dan Sanderson (816) 277-6967

Training: (Direct Contact Leaders) 89.0%
Investment in Character: 105.5%

August

4 Roundtable, Sunny Vale Middle School.
   • School Night Training at Sunny Vale Middle School, 6:15 pm
   • School Night Kick off at Sunny Vale Middle School, 7:15 pm
   • Eagle Board of Review
11 District Commissioner meeting, Beacon Heights Community of Christ, 7:00 pm
11 District Committee meeting, Beacon Heights Community of Christ, 8:30 pm
24 School Night for Scouting Recruitment at Ft. Osage, Grain Valley and Oak Grove

25 School Night for Scouting Recruitment at Independence
30 School Night for Scouting Recruitment at Blue Springs and Raytown

September

1 Roundtable, Sunny Vale Middle School, 7:00
   • Eagle Board of Review
   • Youth Protection
   • This is Scouting
8 District Commissioner meeting, Beacon Heights Community of Christ, 7:00 pm
8 District Committee meeting, Beacon Heights Community of Christ, 8:30 pm
9-10 Popcorn Distribution
23-24 Cub Scout Family Campout, Valley Speedway in Grain Valley.

Day Camp

Thank you to all of our staff for putting on an amazing day camp!

A BIG thank you goes out to all of the leaders that brought the boys out to camp and thanks to all of the Cub Scouts that came to Day Camp, we hope you had a great time and we look forward to seeing you again next year!

Day Camp 2011 Staff

Golf Tournament

Thank you to the Blue Elk Golf Committee for putting together a great tournament and thank you to everyone that came out either as a participant or as a volunteer for the day.

School Night for Scouting

Fall recruitment is upon us. Below is a list of important dates in regards to school night. If you have questions please contact Grant, Brian, Tiffany or Scott Howell (BE School Night Chair for 2011).

• August 4, Training for recruitment teams
• August 4, Kick off for school night! Please send a representative from your pack and troop
• August 24, Ft. Osage, Grain Valley and Oak Grove recruitments
• August 25, Independence recruitment
• August 30, Blue Springs and Raytown recruitments

Cub Scout Family Campout

Join us for our Cub Scout Family Campout out at our brand new location!

• September 23-24
• Valley Speedway in Grain Valley!
  – There is a race the night of September 24 and we have arranged for this to be another Scout night if you or your unit would like to attend.
• Questions on this exciting event???
  – Contact Bryan Rieck (chair for 2011) at brieck73@comcast.net or at 935-7409.

Trails End Popcorn

If you have not yet signed up to sell popcorn there is still time! Check out the “dates to know” below so you don't miss out on anything.

• August 16, popcorn training in Lee's Summit. In order to earn the extra commission someone from your unit needs to attend this or one of the popcorn trainings offered throughout the council. For a list of other dates visit the council popcorn page.
• August 29 Show n’ Sell orders are due
• September 9-10 Show n’ Sell distribution (currently scheduled for Wagner up North)
• September 9 Sale starts
• October 28 Sale ends
• October 31 Orders and Return forms are due
• November 11-12 Final Order distribution (scheduled for Wagner up North)

For more questions contact any of the following people:
  – Tom Frasher, District Popcorn Chair, 797-3815
  – Karen Moorman, Popcorn Vice Chair, 795-8761
  – Ed Rieck, Distribution Chair, 796-8242

Training

Don't forget that recharters are due in just a few short months and all of your leaders must be trained. If you have questions or need a current list of training that your leaders have contact any of the Blue Elk executives or Rod Lightner, District Training Chair.
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Contact Information

Your post or group is important to us. While we visit with all advisors, lead teachers, and principals regularly, we are available to address your needs and concerns as they arise. Please contact Lisa R Thomas, Exploring & Learning for Life Director, at 816.569.4972 or lithomas@lflmail.org

Got E-mail?

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

TO ALL EXPLORER POSTS!!!!

Very important dates to remember!

Mark your calendars Explorer Post Leaders!

To: All Exploring Advisors and Adult Leaders
Date: August 11, 2011
Time: 6:00 Adult Leader/Youth Protection Training
7:00 Online Renewal Orientation & Fall Fiesta Planning
Subject: FALL FIESTA EVENT & 2011 Online Post Renewal Orientation

Mark your calendars to attend this year’s Fall Fiesta. The event will be held on Thursday, August 11, 2011 at the Heart of America Council Service Center located at 10210 Holmes Road, Kansas City, MO 64131, at 435 and Holmes Road. Adult Basic Leader Training & Youth Protection beginning at 6:00 pm and the Fall Fiesta Event will follow directly at 7:00 pm. (It is imperative that your post is represented. This is a command performance for all posts)

If you are responsible for completing your post’s renewal paperwork, than you definitely need to attend the Online Renewal Training.

Please RSVP no later than August 4, 2011 to Lisa Thomas at 816-569-4972 or lithomas@lflmail.org

Check Out What Our Explorer Posts Have Been Doing!

Linn County Children’s Coalition Law Enforcement Post 2504 played a huge role in participating and volunteering at the Pleasanton High School Alcohol Education Mock Accident Scene April 14, 2011. Students at Pleasanton High School were greeted with the scene of a two-car collision in their parking area on Friday morning as the Pleasanton Police Department along with the Pleasant and LaCygne Explorers from Post 2504 and the Pleasanton Fire Department re-enacted a wreck scene. The Explorers put to work their training and community service commitment.

Overland Park Police Department Post 2986 hosted this year’s Spring Law Enforcement Challenge June 4, 2011 and what an awesome event. The event incorporated real life law enforcement situations for the Explorers to implement their training. It was an all hands on deck and hands on event. Situations included, traffic accidents, stolen car, building search for reported squatters, domestic situation, and so much more. The Explorers handled the situations and were critiqued by Explorer Adult Leaders and then at the end of the day recognized with awards for their performance. Thank you to the Overland Park Police Department for hosting and amazing event with fun, food, fellowship, and an amazing event. Thank you to all the Law Enforcement Agencies who not only participated, but helped in the planning stages. Thank you to the Bishop Miege High School Students who bravely volunteered their day to be the actors for each law enforcement situation. It was an awesome event and we all look forward to the next Law Enforcement Event! Take a look at just some of the pictures from the event.
Cub Family Campout

Come on out to the annual Cub Scout Family Campout! This year’s campout will be at Camp Naish, Cub World. This is a great camping opportunity for new Scouts right after fall recruitment and returning scouts. Even though this event is designed for younger scouts, all are welcome. For $8 each participant gets camping space, Cracker-barrel (late night snack), breakfast, campfire, field games and more! Make sure you put September 23- 24 on your calendar and join us! Contact David Bornn for questions and information at david.bornn@us.army.mil or (910) 286-3863.

Camporee

Join us! Once again our Fall Camporee will be held on the second weekend October 7 -9. Our team has returned to provide a 1st class event. This year’s event will be at Ft. Leavenworth Scouting area on Ft. Leavenworth! Check. Contact Tim Rhodes for questions at kawscoutertim-rhodes@gmail.com or (913) 669-3441.

Save the date:
- September 23 - 24 Cub Family Campout
- October 7-9 Camporee

Scout Leader Training

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For more information on Scout leader training please contact: David Bornn at david.bornn@us.army.mil or (910) 286-3863.

Fall School Nights for Scouting — Recruitment

School is starting soon! That means it is time for School Night for Scouting! Make sure to be at all the “Back to School” events at your assigned schools. There will be a “School Night for Scouting” event at every school in the Leavenworth/Wyandotte areas. To find out more information on School Night, dates, and assignments, contact Jimmy White at jimmywhite@kc.rr.com or (913) 772-0247.

Day Camp

The 2011 Kaw District “CubQuest” Day Camp was a great success with over 200 Cub Scouts and over 150 walking leaders. Cub Scouts enjoyed a wide variety of activities like fishing, archery, BB guns, sling shots, the monkey bridge, water games, crafts, and other games. Thank you to all the leaders that helped at Day Camp! Special thanks to Chris Bowling, the director; Laura Trotta, program director; and Jimmy White, Webelos director; for putting on a great event. The staff and hard working volunteers made this an awesome Day Camp! Thank you.
**Lone Bear Officers**

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**Popcorn**

An easy and risk free way to earn money for your unit!

- Earn an additional 1% — Attend Popcorn Orientation on August 2
- Contact John Slobaszewski for questions

**Fall Recruitment**

Recruitment is a vital to long term success of your unit. Here are some things to keep in mind:

4 things your pack should do to prepare for the fall:

1. Plan a fall calendar
2. Set a budget and establish fees
3. Establish leadership
4. Attend the School Night for Scouting Orientation on August 2

Possible school night dates — Please select one for your unit and contact Jim Houk:

- August 25
- August 30
- September 1
- September 8

**Fall Camporee**

Black Powder, archery, tomahawks, primitive cooking, native crafts, Mic-O-Say attire workshop…sound like fun?

**When:** October 14-16
**Cost:** $6
**Where:** Strother Freetrappers, 1390 S.W. 200th Rd., Holden, MO

Limited space is available so **preregistration is imperative**!

**Cub Scout Family Campout**

All Cubs and family members are invited. This is a fun time, especially for new scouts. Includes: camping!, fun activities, evening snack and breakfast on Saturday

- September 30 – October 1st
- Lowry City Corn Maize — [http://www.themaize.com/map/usa/missouri](http://www.themaize.com/map/usa/missouri)

**Day Camp — 2011**

THANK YOU to Kathy Cooper, our Camp Director, Matt Wray our Program Director, Staff, Walking Leaders and Scouts for a great Day Camp in 2011

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**Training:** (Direct Contact Leaders) 85.8%

**Investment in Character:** 102.5%

Check out Lone Bear District, BSA on Facebook!!!

**August**

- 2 Roundtable, Popcorn Training and School Night Orientation, Clinton Scout Center, 7:00 pm
- 9 District Leadership Meeting, Clinton Scout Building, 7:00 pm
- 25 School Night for Scouting
- 30 School Night for Scouting

**September**

- 1 School Night For Scouting
- 6 Roundtable, Clinton Scout Center, 7:00 pm
- 8 School Night for Scouting
- 30 Cub Scout Family Campout, Lowry City Corn Maize

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- **Canola oil** is sourced from North America and does not contribute to deforestation.
- Our chocolate products contain **no hydrogenated oils**.
- Trail’s End and Scouting strive to protect the environment by using as little packaging material as possible.

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**LONE BEAR**

Heart of America Council, Boy Scouts of America

August/September 2011
### September

1. District Roundtable, Cerner Riverport Facility, I-435 & M-210. Youth Protection Training, Troop Committee Challenge, & OA Chapter Meeting, 7:30 pm
2. Commissioner Staff Meeting, St. Luke Presbyterian, 4301 NE Vivion, 7:30 pm
3. Woodbadge Training, Camp Naish, 5:00 pm
4. District Committee/Planning Meeting, North Cross United Methodist, 1321 NE Vivion, 7:30 pm
5. Scoutmaster/Ass’t Scoutmaster Training – Part 1, North Cross United Methodist, 1321 NE Vivion, 6:00 pm
6. Scoutmaster/Ass’t Scoutmaster Training – Part 2, North Cross United Methodist, 1321 NE Vivion, 6:00 pm
7. BALOO Training, St. Luke Presbyterian, 4301 NE Vivion, 8:00 am
8. Woodbadge Training, Hollis Center, 11414 Kansas Ave, Kansas City, KS, 5:00 pm
9. Cub Scout Family Campout, Camp Branch - Loop B, Smithville Lake, 5:00 pm

### Cub Scout Family Campout

All newly recruited Cub Scouts who join Scouting this coming fall will be invited to the annual Cub Scout Family Campout. This is a special event that the North Star District holds each fall to show the new Cubs just how much fun Scouting can be. This is a great way for Cub Scouts to be introduced to the camping experience while having fun with their family and friends. Pack leaders are to make sure that newly recruited Cubs attend this campout on Friday and Saturday, September 30 and October 1, at Camp Branch — Loop B, at Smithville Lake. The event starts at 5:00 pm on Friday evening, and will be done by noon on Saturday.

### Popcorn

Are you ready for some popcorn? Popcorn season is here and now is the time to sign up! Selling popcorn is a great way for every Scout to fund his Scouting dues. Scouts will have fun at work to support their Scouting program and earn great prizes. If you have not signed up, please be sure to register with Jeremy McGowan at Jeremy.mcgowan@scouting.org. Make sure you attend our popcorn sale kickoff training at 7:00 pm located at the Kansas City Police Department Training Facility, 6885 NE Pleasant Valley Rd, Kansas City, MO.

### School Night for Scouting

It’s that time for our annual School Night for Scouting again! Time to starting thinking about the new school year and recruiting new Cub Scouts to join our Packs. We had a good recruitment last year and we are anticipating another great year in 2011. To get us ready for School Night, each pack should have a representative present at the North Star District School Night for Scouting Kickoff & Orientation at Barry Christian Church 1500 NW Barry Rd at 7:30 pm. There we will discuss the School Night plan and go over the details of our School Night.

### Day Camp

Day Camp was a great success this year! More than 700 Cub Scouts came out for a week of Cub Questing with fun activities and games at the Platte County Fair Grounds in Tracy Mo. The Cub Scouts enjoyed shooting BB guns, bows and arrows, sling shots and participating in many other various crafts and of course the fire truck! Thank you to all of the packs in attendance and all of the adult volunteers who helped make this camp possible.

A big Thank You to Melinda McCombs, Charlotte Sims and all the supporting staff for your months of preparation and for putting on such a great day camp.
Northern Tier Officers

District Chair: Dick Kaufman (913) 916-1712
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Training Chair: Lorri Kerns (913) 583-1011
Venturing Chair: John Forsyth (913) 341-5061

I would like to thank all those who helped with the following events:

- Thank you to Dave Sultz and Lorri Kearns and all the adults who helped man stations and Walking Leaders for putting on another successful day camp!
- Thank you for to all the presenters, workers, and those who made donations to the Northern Tier Friends of Scouting Campaign.
- A big THANK YOU to all the parents and leaders of the district who because of their time, dedication, and enthusiasm help about 2,400 boys in the Scouting program!!

Training

Now is the time to get your leaders trained! All leaders, including committee members, must be fully trained by December 31. Fully trained means completing Youth Protection, This is Scouting, and Job Specific Training for your position. Many training courses can be done online at www.myscouting.org For a complete list of Training opportunities throughout Johnson County this fall visit http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/NorthernTier/Training.aspx

2011 Cub Scout Family Campout

Date: Friday, September 23 – Saturday, October 24
Where: Shawnee Riverfront Park: 5800 Frisbie Rd., Shawnee, KS
Cost: $8
Time: 6:30 pm – 11:30 am

The Cub Scout Family Campout is an opportunity for all Cub Scouts and their families to start the Scouting year off with a fun outdoor event. This overnight campout will feature games and activities designed for the entire family. Pre-registration is requested by each pack. Registration information can be found at http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/NorthernTier/Activities.aspx

Committee Members to Help Answer Your Questions

Welcome our new Committee Members to our team! Feel free to contact any of them with your questions! Click on the link to be routed to our District Leadership Page: http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/NorthernTier/DistrictLeadership.aspx

- Dick Kaufman (District Chairman) – (816) 916-1712 kaufmanjr@bv.com
- David Woy (District Commissioner) – (913) 991-8244 david@woy.us
- Dave Sultz (Deputy District Commissioner) – (913) 381-7824 dsks123@aol.com
- Kathryn Rajala (Senior District Executive) – (816) 942-9333 krajala@bsamail.org

Facebook

The Northern Tier District is on Facebook — search for us as NT District. Join our page as we begin to utilize this to keep you update with upcoming events and discussion. Feel free to share your own Scouting updates and photos.
Training

Remember: Every youth signed up for Scouts deserves a “Trained Leader”. Please make sure you are being trained for the position you hold within your Unit. Please check out our website to find out when the trainings are taking place: www.hoac-bsa.org.

Investment in Character Campaign

Congratulations Pelathe District!! We reached our overall goal for the Investment in Character campaign this year. This is due to all the hard work from the Community Campaign Chair — Dr. Dale Denning and our Family Chairman — Scott Gates. Their help and dedication to supporting Scouting, allowed this year’s campaign to be a success.

Day Camp

Day Camp was a huge success!!!! We had 175 youth attend this year’s camp. They participated in great activities such as: Archery, BB Guns, Rocket Shooting, Soccer, Cooking, Arts and Crafts etc… Camp wrapped up with the Fire Department showing up and hosing the kids down on a warm day!!! Alfred Cramer and Karen Lewis did an amazing job putting this camp together! Next time you see them, please give them a HUGE thank you for all their time and efforts they put into such a great day camp!!!!!

School Night for Scouting

It’s that time of the year again where we want to recruit as many new youth into the program as possible. This year we have a strong team leading the way for our Fall recruitments with our Membership Chair Keith Wood and our School Night for Scouting Chair Jay Morris! If we all follow the Plan, we will be successful in recruiting the youth and keeping our packs, troops, teams and crews healthy! We will be conducting fall recruitments in every elementary school in Douglas County! It’s an exciting time!!!!! I’m looking forward to seeing everyone at the School Night Kickoff and Orientation at the August roundtable!

Popcorn

Your Unit should already be signed up to sell Popcorn. If not please contact our Popcorn Chair Natalie Archer as soon as Possible!!!!! You can reach her at brittandiansmom@yahoo.com. We are expecting record sales this year for the Pelathe District. A BIG THANK YOU goes out to Natalie Archer for all her hard work as the Popcorn Chair!!! Keep up all the hard work!!
Cub Scout Family Campout

The Cub Family Campout will be held on Friday night, September 30 – Saturday morning, October 1 at Longview Lake Park. All Cub Scouts and their families are invited to this annual event! There will be a campfire and other activities for Cub Scouts and their families to enjoy. Don't miss this opportunity to spend the night under the stars with your Cub Scouts! The cost will be $8 per person. Check the Pioneer Trails Activities Page for more information as it becomes available.

Popcorn

The Trail's End popcorn sale is a great way for Scouts to earn money to pay for various Scouting activities including summer camp, Camporees, and unit campouts just to name a few. In addition to benefiting the boys and the families, it also benefits the local council with 70% of the proceeds going directly back to Scouting! If your unit has never sold before, it's easy! Contact District Popcorn Chair Steve Huber at huberdds@yahoo.com or (913) 544-2109 for more information on the benefits of selling popcorn and how you can get your unit signed up. You will also be able to sign up at the August 4th roundtable.

School Night for Scouting

It’s that time again to start thinking about the fall and recruiting new Scouts to join our packs and troops! Units are encouraged to hold “Back to the Pack” meetings to bring all of the Scouts and families back together to kick off the school year. Each pack should have a representative present at the Pioneer Trails School Night Kickoff at roundtable on Thursday, August 4, 7:30 pm, at Central United Methodist Church (5144 Oak). There, we will discuss the School Night plan and talk about ways to recruit new Cub Scouts and new adult leaders. John Freshnock will be our School Night for Scouting Chairman to lead us in our fall recruitment efforts! Feel free to contact John with any questions in regards to School Night for Scouting: jef@wskfarch.com, (913) 262-8296.
Johnny Rowlands Visits Cub Scout Day Camp

Johnny Rowlands and News Chopper 9 descended upon Red-Tailed Hawk Cub Scout Day Camp this summer. Campers and adults watched as his helicopter circled the camp and finally landed on the south hill. Johnny briefly spoke to the group about severe weather safety and the steps to take in the event of a tornado. Scouters were then given the opportunity to take a closer look at News Chopper 9 on the ground and even get their pictures taken with Johnny. Johnny's landing marked the pinnacle of the noon time surprises at day camp this year. Mild weather and exciting activities made for a memorable camp for everyone involved.

School Night for Scouting

It is more important than ever to maximize your unit's visibility at your school or church. At the June Cub roundtable, leaders helped brainstorm some additional recruiting techniques that might be beneficial to your unit. Some of the highlights include better utilizing your school's PTA/PTO to promote Scouting, setting up a booth at your school's enrollment day, Back to School Night, or meet the teacher event, and posting fliers and yard signs where permitted. The council is happy to print and supply promotional materials for you to hand out to potential Scouts.

2011 School Night Dates
- August 30
- September 6, 8, 13, 15
THUNDERBIRD

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August/September 2011

September

6 District Commissioner Meeting
Hickman Mills High School (Library)
9010 Old Santa Fe Rd. Kansas City, MO
6:30 pm

6 District Roundtable
Hickman Mills High School
7:30 pm

6 Youth Protection Training
Hickman Mills High School
7:00 pm

13 District Committee Meeting
St. Thomas More
11822 Holmes Road, Kansas City, MO 64131
7:00 pm

23-24 Cub Family Campout
Unity Village, 350 and Colbern Road

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For more information on Cub Scout Leader training please contact:
Verna Ashcraft (816) 737-0472 vernaashcraft@hotmail.com or Dan Morales (816) 769-1810 dtmorales@earthlink.net

Fall School Nights for Scouting — Recruitment

School is starting soon! That means it is time for School Night for Scouting! Make sure to be at all the “Back to School” events at your assigned schools. There will be a “School Night for Scouting” event at every school in the Kansas City area. To find out more information on School Night, dates, and assignments, contact Barb January at (816) 348-8816 or barbjanuary72@yahoo.com.

Day Camp

The 2011 Thunderbird District “CubQuest” Day Camp was a great success with over 435 Cub Scouts and over 150 walking leaders. Cub Scouts enjoyed a wide variety of activities like fishing, archery, BB guns, sling shots, the monkey bridge, water games, crafts, and other games. Thank you to all the leaders that helped at day camp! Special thanks to John Baker, the director; Kelly Clasen, program director; and to our U.S. Army soldiers for providing help with set-up, break-down, staff, programs, tents, water buffalos, generators, and other equipment. The staff and hard working volunteers made this an awesome day camp! Thank you.

Cub Family Campout
Come on out to the annual Cub Scout Family Campout! This year’s campout will be at Unity Village near 350 and Colbern Road. This is a great camping opportunity for new scouts right after fall recruitment. Even though this event is designed for younger scouts, all are welcome. For $8 each participant gets camping space, Cracker-barrel (late night snack), breakfast, campfire, field games and more! Make sure you put September 23-24 on your calendar and join us! Call Laura Crotty for questions and information. (816) 853-2544 or Crotty_Laura@yahoo.com

Camporee: Indian Lore
Join us! Once again our Fall Camporee will be held on the second weekend October (7-9). Our team has returned to provide a 1st class event. This year we have an Indian Lore theme at Blue & Gray Park in Lone Jack! Check out our flier online for specific details. Contact Pete Zibers for questions: cell (816) 686-1649 or (816) 737-0071 or email: pzibers@gmail.com.

Save the date:
• September 23-24 — Cub Family Campout
• October 7, 8, 9 — Camporee
Troop 256 Celebrating 50 years of Scouting

On October 1, 1961, 6 adult members of Valley View United Methodist Church signed the charter to form Troop 256 with 21 new Scouts. Like all Troops, Troop 256 has a strong camping program, and involvement in meaningful community outreach; conducting at least one community service project each month. Troop 256 has been honored to have over 150 young men attain the rank of Eagle Scout. During the weekend of October 8-9, all current, past, and future Scouts are welcome to attend a social gathering celebrating 50 years of Scouting Adventure. For more information, contact Scoutmaster Randy Haffey at rhaffey@kc.rr.com

School Night for Scouting Kick-Off

School Night for Scouting is quickly approaching. This is our fall recruitment event which introduces hundreds of boys into the Cub Scout program. Each pack should have your pack’s school night chairman in attendance on Tuesday, August 9, at 7:30 pm 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.

Day Camp Re-Cap

Thank you to everyone who made the 2011 Trailhead Day Camp one to remember.

From June 6-10, Shawnee Riverfront Park was the site of “Cub Quest 2011.” More than 370 Cub scouts enjoyed activities like BB Guns, Archery, Zip-line Chair ride, Crafts, Human Foosball, and even Science. It takes a countless number of leaders and staff to make camp happen and it would not be a success without you.

Training

Now is the time to get your leaders trained! All leaders, including committee members, must be fully trained by December 31. Fully trained means completing Youth Protection, This is Scouting, and Job Specific Training for your position. Many trainings can be done online at www.myscouting.org For a complete list of Training opportunities throughout Johnson County this fall visit http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/Trailhead/Activities.aspx

2011 Cub Scout Family Campout

When: Friday, September 30 – Saturday, October 1
Where: Shawnee Riverfront Park: 5800 Frisbie Rd., Shawnee, KS
Cost: $8
Time: Event Runs 6:30 pm – 11:30 am

The Cub Scout Family Campout is an opportunity for 1st-3rd grade boys and their families to start the Scouting year off with a fun outdoor event. This overnight campout will feature games and activities designed for the entire family. Pre-registration is requested by each pack. Registration information can be found at http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/Trailhead/Activities.aspx

Facebook

The Trailhead District is on Facebook. Join our page as we begin to utilize this to keep you update with upcoming events and discussion. Feel free to share your own Scouting updates and photos.
School Night for Scouting Kick-Off

Fall is almost here, are you ready to recruit? All packs should have their School Night Representative in place and ready to go. This person is responsible for coordinating pack recruitment efforts and communicating plans with the district.

All unit leaders and School Night Representatives should attend the Trails West School Night for Scouting Kickoff on Thursday, August 4 at 7:00 pm at the Holy Trinity Quigley Center, 9201 Summit Lenexa, KS. At the kick-off we will be finalizing School Night plans as well as distributing Pack specific promotional materials.

For more information contact the Trails West School Night Team:
- Dennis Hoff — TW Membership Chairman kellieden@sbcglobal.net
- Christine O’Connor – TW School Night Chairman christine999@yahoo.com
- Matt Armstrong – TW Senior District Executive matt.armstrong@scouting.org

Trails West Fall Training Calendar

- 9/20/11 — Cub Scout Leader Training 6:30 pm, Indian Creek Comm. Church 12480 S. Blackbob Rd. Olathe, KS
- 10/13/11 — Cub Scout Leader Training 6:30 pm, Fellowship Bible Church 16900 Waverly Rd. Gardner, KS
- 10/22/11 — Scoutmaster/ASM Training 9:00 am, Indian Creek Comm. Church 12480 S. Blackbob Rd. Olathe, KS
- 11/15/11 — Cub Scout Leader Training 6:30 pm, St. Paul UMC 7740 Lackman Rd. Lenexa, KS

To pre-register for these training courses contact the Trails West Training Chairman, Rob Adams, at rob@adams-r-us.name

For a complete listing of training courses offered in Johnson County go to: http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/TrailsWest/Training.aspx

Day Camp Re-Cap

Thank you to everyone who made the 2011 Trails West Day Camp one to remember.

From June 6-9, Lake Olathe was transformed into “Cub Quest 2011.” More than 260 Cub Scouts enjoyed activities like BB Guns, Archery, Bull-Riding, Fishing and even Science.

It takes a countless number of leaders and staff to make camp happen and it would not be a success without you.

Plans are already underway to make next year even better. If you would to help plan or serve on staff for Day Camp 2012 contact our Camp Director, Bill O’Connor, at billconnor7@yahoo.com

Camporee 2011 “The Amazing Race”

When: Friday, August 26 – Saturday, August 27
Where: Camp Naish: 1100 Martinek Ln, Kansas City, KS
Cost: $10
Time: Event Runs 7:00 pm – 11:00 am

Get ready for “The Amazing Race.” This year’s camporee will be like nothing you’ve experienced before. Scouts will test their Scouting skills in events like Rifle Shooting, Archery, and even C.O.P.E. And all events will take place under the stars in an outdoor lock-in type setting. Camporee 2011 is open to Boy Scouts, Webelos II’s, and Venturers only. Registrations are due at the August 4th roundtable.

For more information or to register visit the Trails West Activities Page, www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/TrailsWest/Activities.aspx

2011 Cub Scout Family Campout

When: Friday, September 23 - Saturday, September 24
Where: Lake Olathe Old Golf Course: 2350 W Golf Course Rd. Olathe, KS
Cost: $8
Time: Event Runs 5:00 pm – 11:30 am

The Cub Scout Family Campout is an opportunity for boys and their families to start the Scouting year off with a fun outdoor event. This overnight campout will feature games and activities designed for the entire family. No pre-registration is necessary and the entire family is welcome to attend.

For more information visit the Trails West Activities Page, www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/TrailsWest/Activities.aspx
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Training: 87.9%
Investment in Character: 106.9%

August

4 Commissioner Meeting, Paola First Presbyterian, 6:30 pm
4 Roundtable, Paola First Presbyterian, 7:00 pm
9 District Committee, Whistle Stop Cafe, Osawatomie, 6:30 pm
23 Paola at Cottonwood, School Night for Scouting
23 Holy Trinity at Cottonwood, School Night for Scouting
24 Lincoln, School Night for Scouting
24 Garnett at GEC, School Night for Scouting
24 Irving at GEC, School Night for Scouting
24 Greeley at GEC, School Night for Scouting
25 Central Heights, School Night for Scouting
25 Appanoose, School Night for Scouting
25 Williamsburg, School Night for Scouting
30 Trojan, School Night for Scouting

September

1 Commissioner Meeting, Paola First Presbyterian, 6:30 pm
1 Roundtable, Paola First Presbyterian, 7:00 pm
1 Wellsville, School Night for Scouting
1 Louisburg at Broadmoor, School Night for Scouting
1 Garfield, School Night for Scouting
6 District Committee, Whistle Stop Cafe, Osawatomie, 6:30 pm
7 Pleasanton, School Night for Scouting
7 Wea, School Night for Scouting

Twin Rivers Cub Family Campout

The 2011 Twin Rivers Cub Family Campout will be held September 23 and 24, 2011 at Beaver Lake in Osawatomie (next to the golf course).

Plan to arrive Friday night anytime after 6:00 pm and set up camp. We have a great evening planned. You will enjoy a campfire with skits and entertainment followed by a cracker-barrel.

We will provide breakfast, fun and games on Saturday morning. We will break camp at 11:00 am and depart by noon. All first-time campers are encouraged to attend. All members of the family are welcome. No pets please.

There is an $8.00 per person fee for this event.

Cub Day Camp

Thank you to everyone who helped with Cub Day Camp this year. We received many favorable comments on the camp and that was due in large part to the awesome staff that we had. We simply cannot do it without you!

Thank you very much!

School Night for Scouting

The schedule for School Night for Scouting is set and we encourage all packs to prepare for the night of recruiting by doing the following:

Prepare a unit flyer that includes the following information:

- When and where your unit meets
- Pack and den leader’s names and contact information
- A calendar of your unit’s activities for the rest of the year
- An explanation of any dues or fees that your unit charges

We also strongly encourage all packs to develop a table-top display of your unit to build excitement for your unit.

Please make certain that someone from your unit is in attendance to assist with the process, sign new applications, and welcome the new Cubs into your pack.

Troop leaders we will be asking you to attend to assist, as well. Every School Night should have Boy Scout representation at them.
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