Summer in the Heart of America Council Means Summer Camp

The Heart of America Council has one of the strongest summer camping programs in the Nation. Between June and August more than 15,000 Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturers will enjoy Scouting in the outdoors. Whether at day camp, Bartle, Naish, Rotary Camp or on a High Adventure Trek they will be enjoying Scouting at its best.
FROM THE SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Who is Telling the Scouting Story?

During my first few months as the Scout Executive of the Heart of America Council I continue to be amazed with the support and commitment of our Scouting volunteers and staff. I am also impressed with the incredible Scouting alumni within the greater Kansas City area.

One of the things that can challenge any organization is effective communication. As I have said before, the “Heart” in Heart of America Council is the more than 14,000 registered leaders who give of their time, talents and resources for the youth we serve. Keeping everyone up to speed on the happening throughout the Council is vital to our overall success.

In order to help tell the Scouting story to both our internal (Scouting volunteers) and external audience (the community) I am pleased to share with you that starting with this issue of Adventures in Scouting, we will be distributing printed copies at roundtables, camps, the service center, and other locations. Beginning in 2012 we will again start mailing the Council newsletter to unit leaders and other key positions. Of course you will have the option to not receive a printed copy and continue to view the newsletter on-line if you would prefer.

You may ask “why go back to a printed newsletter, it's already posted online?” I don't know about you, but I receive a lot of e-mails every day. If I can’t read what is important on the first page, I find that I rarely go back to look at it again. However, if I receive something in print I will pick it up several times and review the contents. Our staff is working hard to improve the format and content in each issue of Adventures in Scouting. There are so many great things going on throughout the Council and if we don't share the story no one else will.

By the time you read this our summer programs will be in full swing. I look forward to seeing and meeting many of our dedicated volunteers during my visits to our camps this summer.

I'd be interested in any feedback or suggestions you may have on how to continue to improve the Adventures in Scouting publication or any other questions/ideas you have.

Kenn Miller
Scout Executive
(816) 569-4980
Kendrick.Miller@Scouting.org

Sing the National Anthem at Scout Day at the K?

Have you ever dreamed of singing the National Anthem in a Major League Baseball Stadium? How about singing it before the Royals game for Scout Day at the “K” on August 7? The Royals will need a demo tape before they will approve anyone who sings. For more information please contact Randy Kidder at rkidder@bsamail.org or by calling (816) 569-4954
Journey to Excellence—Report Your Community Service Hours

Service to others has always been a central part of Scouting. With “Journey to Excellence”, the BSA’s new performance recognition program, community service by packs, troops, teams, and crews is highlighted. For your unit to be recognized, your unit needs to report your community service project each month by going to the council website and clicking on the “Journey to Excellence” tab at the top of the page. Remember, all service hours can be logged, unit good turn projects, individual service hours, Eagle service project hours, and even hours you do through the Order of the Arrow and Mic-O-Say program.

The Heart of America Council recognizes the following units that have conducted and reported their recent community service.

Units
- Pact 3164, Easton Lion’s Club, Kaw
- Pack 3316, Sunnyside Booster Club, Red-Tailed Hawk
- Pack 4175, Timothy Lutheran Church, Blue Elk
- Pack 4551, LDS Lees Summit 1st Ward KCMO Stake, Thunderbird
- Troop 315, Aldersgate United Methodist Church, Red-Tailed Hawk
- Troop 369, Edgerton Southern Baptist Church, Trails West
- Troop 522, Youth Leadership Alliance, Trails West
- Troop 1025, St. Francis Xavier Parents and Friends, Pioneer Trails
- Troop 1346, LDS 1st Ward Independence Stake, Blue Elk
- Troop 1404, First Christian Church, Lone Bear

Local Volunteer Earns Military Award for Service Hours

*Story submitted by: Christine Lightfoot, Pack 3434 and Troop 425*

Colonel Sean Pechon, Marines 24th Regiment, became the second adult volunteer recipient in Troop 425 to receive the prestigious Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal (MOVSM). Since 1999, Colonel Pechon has dedicated more than 1,000 service hours to Scouting. He has served as Troop 425’s Adult High Adventure Coordinator for the past five years. Colonel Perchon consistently demonstrates the importance of teamwork, he teaches Scouts respect for self, others, country, world and God and to enjoy every opportunity available to them regardless of their size or obstacles they must overcome.

The MOVSM is awarded to members of the armed forces for recognition of exceptional community support over time. It is linked to the Boy Scouts of America through the Boy Scout Community Organization Award. If you have an adult leader, active/reserve/retired from the military and feel they deserve such an award, please feel free to contact me at lightfootchristine@yahoo.com.

Nominations for the Kauffman Lifetime Achievement Eagle Scout Award

Eagle Scout Ewing M. Kauffman inspired others through qualities that made him successful—treating others as you want to be treated, sharing life’s rewards with those who make them possible, and giving back to society. In 2010, the Heart of America Council, Boy Scouts of America, created the Ewing M. Kauffman Lifetime Achievement Eagle Scout Award to pay tribute to Eagle Scouts in the Kansas City area who have emulated Mr. K and held to the values represented by the Eagle Badge throughout their adult life.

Nominations are being accepted through July 1, 2011 to be considered for the 2011 Ewing M. Kauffman. Nomination forms may be downloaded from the Heart of America Council website at www.hoac-bsa.org and mailed to the council office at:

Heart of America Council
Boy Scouts of America
10210 Holmes Rd
Kansas City, MO 64131
The new Kansas City Boy Scout organization needed to come up with a nifty wilderness location for their 1911 summer camp. After checking out several sites they made arrangements to camp about a mile north of Dallas, Missouri. Dallas was a community located about a mile north of where 90th and Wornall Road is now located. It was considered quite a distance from Kansas City proper as the cities southern most boundaries were up around the area where the Plaza is today.

That first year’s summer camp, which began on June 4, 1911, was pretty rudimentary when compared against the camps we enjoy one hundred years later. B.L. Welch was appointed the first camp director and Dr. Isadore Anderson was the Camp Physician. One hundred and ten Scouts saved up and paid fifty cents a day for food at camp. The camp lasted ten days so the total fee for each Scout to attend was five dollars. Each Boy Scout was instructed to bring:

- a tin pail
- a small shovel
- an axe or hatchet
- a lantern full of oil
- a strip of canvas or rubber blanket
- one pair of wool blankets
- a tin plate, cup, knife, fork and spoon
- and their best disposition

When they arrived at camp they found a huge pile of straw that had been donated by neighboring farmers. The straw was stuffed into their canvas or rubber blanket to make a “tick” for them to sleep on. If the Scout was lucky he would have a pair of wool army blankets from the Spanish American War (if his father or uncle had been a soldier) to throw over himself.

The first encampment must have been a success because the second Council Boy Scout camp was held just after that in the summer of 1912 in Overland Park, Kansas. The spirit of Scouting was picking up in the Heart of America.

If you have questions about Scouting history that would be good topics for future columns email Andy Dubill at adubill@aol.com.
Kevin DeCock Earns Eagle Scout and Venturing
Highest Award, the Silver Award

Kevin DeCock a junior at Olathe East High school made a big splash in 2010 while the BSA was busy celebrating the 100 year anniversary of Scouting. Kevin was busy finishing up requirements to earn his Eagle in Boy Scout Troop 122 and earning his Silver Award in Venturing Crew 2085.

Kevin plans to stay in Venturing until he turns 21. After graduation in 2012 he plans to attend Kansas State University along with some other former members from Venturing Crew 2085.

Spay & Neuter Kansas City

is a non-profit organization that provides free and low cost spays and neuters, as well as vaccinations and pet food to families that would otherwise not be able to afford to keep their pets.

Spay & Neuter Kansas City is looking for an organization or group that may be able to help them collect items to help them to continue their services. Things that they need include anything from cat and dog food to collars and leashes. If your unit can help, both our organization and the people and animals, would be most appreciative. Contact Jennifer Leavey, Programs Manager at jennifer@snkc.net

New Units

Blue Elk
Pack 4703
Glenwood Park UMC

Kaw
Pack 3308
Holy Name Catholic Church

Lone Bear
Troop 1488
Rich Hill Youth Development Center

Trails West
Crew 2428
St. Paul's UMC

JUNE
3 Naish and Bartle Scout Reservations
Open for Summer Camp
6 Bartle – Call Night
8 Bartle – Warrior Ceremony
10 Bartle – Brave and Honorary Ceremony
5-11 NYLT – Naish Scout Reservation
7 Investment in Character Campaign Victory Dinner
8 Assistant Council Commissioner Meeting
12-18 Venture Camp (ROTC) – Naish Scout Reservation
13 Council Executive Board Meeting
16 Bartle – Call Night
18 Bartle – Warrior Ceremony
20 Bartle – Brave and Honorary Ceremony
20 Council Finance Committee Meeting
22 Powderhorn Committee Meeting
26 Bartle – Call Night
28 Bartle – Warrior Ceremony
30 Bartle – Brave and Honorary Ceremony

JULY
1 Silver Beaver Nominations Due
1 OA Vigil and Founders Award Nominations Due
4 Scout Office and Scout Shop Closed
7 Bartle – Call Night
9-13 Venture Camp – Naish Scout Reservation
9 Bartle – Warrior Ceremony
11 Bartle – Brave and Honorary Ceremony
13 Powderhorn Committee Meeting
13 University of Scouting Staff Meeting
19 Bartle – Warrior Ceremony
21 Bartle – Brave and Honorary Ceremony
27 Bartle – Call Night
29 Bartle – Warrior Ceremony
31 Bartle – Brave and Honorary Ceremony
International Camp Staff Program—2011

Two Rover Scouts will be working at Naish Scout Reservation on camp staff this summer as a part of the International Camp Staff Program.

**Ms. Hui-Chang**, Huang, is 19, and is a Rover Scout from Taiwan. She is very skilled at arts, weaving, crafts and plays 5 musical instruments including the zither and side drums. Her religious faith is Buddhism, and Hui Ching attends National Changhua University of Education. She will share her Eastern culture with us, and will provide a significant diversity experience.

**Mr. Jelil Olaide Akanbi**, is from Lagos, Nigeria, where he works as elementary school teacher and is a district Scout leader. Jelil is a trained commissioner and he is a member of Wood Badge. Jelil or aka “Mr Scouter” is skilled in pioneering, swimming, photography, cooking and leadership skills. He is 22 years old, and described as very gentle, humble, quiet Scout leader. Jelil has been on staff at the Essex, United Kingdom, Global Development Village, during the Essex International Scout Jamboree in 2009. His religious faith is Islam. Jelil will be a great asset to our camp experiences in 2011.

This is a unique opportunity. Please welcome these Brother-Sister Scouts, and be sure to meet them and highly encourage our Scouts to interact with them at camp.

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**Wood Badge**

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Wood Badge for the 21st Century is training for adult leaders from all Scouting programs. Wood Badge is a series of fun and educational weekend training activities. Participants will enjoy a world-class learning experience that will strengthen their long-term commitment to Scouting and provide them with valuable leadership skills. For more information contact the Heart of America Council program office at (816) 942-9333 or visit the webpage: [http://hoac-bsa.org/Programs/Training/AdultLeaders/SupplementalTraining/Woodbadge.aspx](http://hoac-bsa.org/Programs/Training/AdultLeaders/SupplementalTraining/Woodbadge.aspx).

**Powder Horn**

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Powder Horn is a course designed to introduce Scout leaders and youth to exciting program possibilities for their unit. The ultimate goal is for the participants to leave the Powder Horn course with a list of ideas to help their program, and the contacts needed to implement them.

For more information contact the Heart of America Council program office at (816) 942-9333 or visit the webpage: [http://hoac-bsa.org/Programs/Training/AdultLeaders/SupplementalTraining/Powderhorn.aspx](http://hoac-bsa.org/Programs/Training/AdultLeaders/SupplementalTraining/Powderhorn.aspx).

**National Youth Leader Training**

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National Youth Leadership Training is an action-packed program designed to develop leadership skills in young men and young women who are active in the Venturing and Scouting programs. This program will also strengthen the relationship between the youth and adult leaders. Classes are held in an outdoor setting with an emphasis on immediate application of learning in a fun environment. For more information contact the Heart of America Council program office at (816) 942-9333 or visit the webpage: [http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Programs/Training/Youth/Brownsea.aspx](http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Programs/Training/Youth/Brownsea.aspx).

**Cub Scout Day Camp**

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<td>Where:</td>
<td>A camp is held in nearly every district. Attend the camp of your choice. Two-deep leadership required.</td>
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This year’s Cub Scout Day Camp theme is Cub Quest. Count on some exciting new activities as well as the old favorites—archery, BB guns, obstacle course, crafts, nature experiences and water games. Adults and Den Chiefs are free! You can also register online at [www.daycamp.kintera.org](http://www.daycamp.kintera.org)! Please sign up as a pack!
Order of the Arrow Inductions

Congratulations to the several hundred new Arrowmen in the Tamegonit Lodge who were inducted this last spring! Special thanks go to the Lodge Executive Committee, Advisors and additional staff that made these events meaningful. If you’re interested in getting involved in a leadership role in these or other events, talk to you Chapter Chief, a member of the Lodge Executive Committee or email Cortland Bolles, Lodge Staff Advisor, at cobolles@bsamail.org.

If you were elected to the Order of the Arrow this last year there are additional Induction events this summer and fall so that you can become a member. Ordeals will be held on Monday through Tuesday of each Boy Scout camp sessions and the Fall Induction Weekend will take place on August 19-21 at Naish Scout Reservation. We look forward to seeing you there.

Order of the Arrow High Adventure

It’s still not too late to sign-up for the OA High Adventure programs at Northern Tier Canoe Base in Minnesota (OA Wilder Voyage) or Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico (OA Trail Crew). These are awesome adventures that are open to Arrowmen between 16 and 20 and also provide you a more affordable way to visit one of the National High Adventure Bases. To find out more about these OA High Adventure programs and to sign-up for OA Wilderness Voyage and/or OA Trail Crew, visit http://adventure.oa-bsa.org/.

Sign up Now!

Emergency Mobile Text Alerts for H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation this Summer

New this summer at H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation is an emergency text alert messaging system that will be used to send you updates in the case of severe weather or any other camp-wide emergency. Except for a “test message”, which will go out on the first day of camp, the system will be used strictly for emergency communications.

You can sign up to receive text alerts for the specific session that you or your son will be at camp. It is easy to sign up. Simply click the following link: http://smsalertsonline.com/BoyScouts and to go to the registration page. You will need to provide your first and last name, the phone number at which you would like to receive the text-mobile alerts, your phone carrier and the camp session for which you would like to receive alerts. If you have entered the information correctly you will receive a test message at the phone number entered.

If you have questions about this system, please contact Alan Sanders at asanders@bsamail.org or at (816) 569-4958.
Rotary Camp for Scouts with Special Needs

Where: Rotary Camp, Lee’s Summit, MO
When: August 2-6

Rotary Camp, held August 2-6, 2011, is designed for campers with special needs and is barrier-free. This year, our theme is “Treasure Island”. In addition to the usual aquatics merit badges, we will offer Astronomy, Coin Collecting, Oceanography, and Orienteering. Other activities include swimming, nature trails, campfires, crafts, Order of the Arrow, fun and fellowship.

If you know of a Scout with special needs that would enjoy Rotary Camp, please download an application form from the council website at www.hoac-bsa.org, or contact Gordon Corcoran, Staff Advisor at (816) 569-4941 or gcorcora@bsamail.org or Jerry Usry, Camp Director at (913) 226-6800 or jerry_usry@yahoo.com. Visit us on Facebook at HOAC Rotary Camp.

Staffing Rotary Camp

If you are interested in adding camp staff experience to your Scouting resume and working with special needs Scouts while having one of the greatest camp experiences of your life contact us.

Don’t delay, positions are filling fast. Staff applications are on the council website. For more information contact Gordon Corcoran, Rotary Camp Staff Advisor at (816) 569-4941 or gcorcora@bsamail.org or Jerry Usry, Rotary Camp Director at (913) 226-6800 or jerry_usry@yahoo.com.

Policy Statement

“Training of 17 Year Olds at the Naish and Bartle Scout Reservation”

In order to support the “All Leaders Trained” policy of the Heart of America Council, the following practice will be utilized at the Naish and Bartle Scout Reservations during the summer of 2011 in regard to allowing 17 year old Scouts to attend the Scoutmaster/Assistant Scoutmaster Training Courses at are being offered.

1. 17 year old Scouts who will be turning 18 on or before January 31, 2012 will be eligible to take Scoutmaster/Assistant Scoutmaster Training Courses at the H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation or the Naish Scout Reservation. This will allow them to register with their unit when it recharter in December, 2011 or January, 2012. Scouts turning 18 after that date will have the opportunity to take the training through their district or during the summer of 2012, and be eligible to recharter at the end of that year.

2. They must have the permission of their Scoutmaster to take the course. This will help insure that the Scout, soon to become an adult, has the maturity to take an Adult Leader Course of the Boy Scouts of America. This will also verify that the Scout’s participation in the training does not interfere with any youth leadership responsibilities to the troop that he may have been changed with during his session at camp.

3. At the beginning of the Course, the Camp Training Director will interview each 17 year old registered for the training. If they feel that the Scout (soon to be an adult) does not have the maturity to participate in an Adult Leadership Course of the Boy Scouts of America, they will discuss the situation with the Scoutmaster and the Scout will not be permitted to participate in the training session.
Tribal Celebration 2011 — A Gift of Freedom

Over 1,000 Tribesmen attended the May 20-22 Celebration where Frank Wright of Troop 59 in Lawrence, Kansas was elevated to the Presiding Chieftain. Scouts and Scouters enjoyed a great weekend that included ceremonies, a silent auction, the Chief’s Challenge, Swift Eagles Paint Trail, a camp staff reunion luncheon and concluded with the Chieftain Ceremony on Saturday evening.

Naish is “Prepared” for Hazardous Weather

This summer at the Naish Scout Reservation, a three year dream will become a reality with the completion of the Tornado Storm Shelters in each campsite and in Cub World. Over the winter, 10 shelters in Central Camp and one large shelter in Cub World were constructed for the safety of our Cubs, Scouts and leaders who attend the Naish Scout Reservation. They are designed to protect our campers during all severe weather situations, including category 5 tornados. They include restroom facilities, emergency power and communications features that are operational even during mass power outages. Because of the support of the Federal Emergency Management Administration, the State of Kansas, Wyandotte County Emergency Management and the City of Bonner Springs, the Heart of America Council was able to provide these special upgrades to the Naish Scout Reservation.

Veteran Awards

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Heart of America Council, Boy Scouts of America
June/July 2011
A Royal Gathering of Eagles

*Join fellow Eagle Scouts before the game for an Eagle Scout Tailgate Gathering*

**Where:** Near Kauffman Stadium, Royals vs the Detroit Tigers  
**When:** August 7, 11:00 am - 12:45 pm

Michael L. Avery, President of Waddell & Reed is chairing the 2011 Royal Gathering of Eagles. Mr. Avery and his family have been involved in Scouting and the Tribe of Mic-O-Say for many years and is anxious to pitch in and help Scouting in any way he can.

Eagle Scouts, young and experienced, are invited to gather before the game to renew friendships and enjoy food and fellowship before attending Scout Day at the K. The recipients of the Kauffman Lifetime Eagle Scout Award will also be recognized. In 2010 more than 1,000 Eagles of all ages gathered at this event.

Tickets to the Royal Gathering and Scout Day at the K are complimentary for Eagles Scouts, regardless of where you earned your Eagle. Tickets for family members, Scouts and Scouters may be purchased in advance at the discounted price of $5.00 each.

Check out the July E-News, the Council website's “What's New” box and the council Facebook page to sign up to attend.

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**Scout Day at the K**

*Bring the Whole Family!*

**Where:** Kauffman Stadium, Royals vs the Detroit Tigers  
**When:** August 7,  
**Gametime:** 1:10 pm

In 2010 more than 4,800 Scouts, Scouters and Scouting families attended Scout Day at the K which was held as a part of the Royal Gathering of Eagles. Let make it more than 5,000 in 2011!

This is a great way to wrap up the summer and kick off the Scouting year. Tickets will be available for $5.00 per person, Scouts get to run the bases following the game and it is Helmet Day to boot! (First 10,000 fans get helmets.)

Check out the July E-News, the Council website's “What's New” box and the council Facebook page to sign up to attend.
**Blue Elk**
Troop 1138, Craig Lee, SM
Kyle Whittworth
Troop 1161, Robert Stockdell, SM
Price Carter
Troop 1216, John Fitzgeralds, SM
Joshua Pedersen
Troop 1221, James Waldman, SM
Joseph Daugherty
David Florido
John Salva
Troop 1223, Jason White, SM
Thomas Wallace
Troop 1226, David Lyons, SM
Stephen Meek
James Polfer
Troop 1282, Scott Howell, SM
Derek Kraus
Troop 1362, Anthony Schamel, SM
Cameron Willms
Troop 1381, Curtis Sperry, SM
Jonathan Cox
Troop 1492, Roy Pittman, SM
Jacob Hill
Butch Peabody
Sundance Peabody
Troop 1692, Dennis Simmons, SM
Nathan Darrah
Troop 1738, Philip Kelsey, SM
Joshua Stricker
Troop 1780, David Teegarden, SM
Gabriel Swope
Troop 1865, Robert Harper, SM
Alexander Harper
Troop 1286, Bill Monroe, SM
William Monroe
Brody Osborn
Troop 1319, Randall States, SM
James Randall

**Lone Bear**
Troop 1509, Peter Błaszczyzk, SM
William Noe

**North Star**
Troop 1051, Michael Barnhart, SM
Jonathan Andersen
Adam Pasley
Troop 1134, James Teela, SM
Alexander Creswell
Troop 1155, Larry Cooper, SM
Matthew Carson
Troop 1271, James Terrell, SM
Nicholas Schumacher
Troop 1314, Mitchell Matt, SM
Jonathan Gerding
Zachary Gerding
Troop 1357, Keith Eberth, SM
Austin Morales
Troop 1393, William Quasa, SM
Cody Hedges
Troop 1395, Kenneth Herdman, SM
Trevor Crystal
Troop 1397, David Lehman, SM
Kellan Slanczka
Troop 1412, Timothy Helton, SM
Nicholas Doolan
Troop 1418, Edward Devite, SM
Jared Figueroa
Troop 1419, Curtis Gile, SM
Benjamin Williams
Troop 1433, Bruce Ayers, SM
Sean Kennedy
Bryan Reents
Troop 1495, Jeff Adams, SM
Sean Nordeen
Troop 1900, Phillip Anderson, SM
Eric Hallmark

**Northern Tier**
Troop 91, John Ott, SM
Michael Derusseau
Tyler Germain
Bryndyn Minter
Troop 93, Myrl Wear, SM
Devante Williams
Troop 98, Terrence Gallagher, SM
Isaac Javier
Troop 123, Troy Johnson, SM
Paul Santalauria
Troop 192, Alan Clark, SM
Jeremiah Clark

**Pioneer Trails**
Troop 1080, Salvatore Valenti, SM
Christian Esteban
Richard West
Tucker West
Troop 1118, Justin Stanley, SM
Thomas Cussen
Jason Gregory
Nathan Wagner

**Pelate**
Troop 55, Frederic Heschmeyer, SM
Jeremy Woodhead
Troop 65, John Richards, SM
Patrick Deitz
Samuel Richards

**Pintail**
Troop 299, Jeff Philgreen, SM
Kyle Goodburn
Troop 351, Joseph Fix, SM
Andrew Van Holland
Troop 358, Lee Schneider, SM
Austin Schubert
John Zumalt, Jr

**Red-Tailed Hawk**
Troop 37, Robert Kline, SM
Nicholas Koch
Troop 122, Jeff Allison, SM
Andrew Karstens
Troop 201, Ed Edmondson, SM
Neil Duval
Ryan Hannah
Troop 218, John Perkins, SM
Ryan Kelly
Alex Sanchez
Troop 265, Jerod Robison, SM
Chad Manceillas
Troop 315, James Edwards, SM
Jackson Blankenship
Troop 459, Richard Ogden, SM
Wyatt Howes
Nicholas Maurer
Troop 2784, Ryan Call, SM
Joshua Stewart
Troop 6783, Daniel Stafford, SM
Morgan Andrews
Jared Hoffman
Troop 6784, Martin Player, SM
Austin Lynn

**Thunderbird**
Troop 1003, Larry Bechtel, SM
Jordon Bostic
Troop 1098, Patrick Hughley, SM
Isaiah Reyes
William Smith
Troop 1100, Judd Brown, SM
Joseph Brown
Wesley Evans
Troop 1210, Charles Burnfin, SM
Clayton Wright
Troop 1251, Robert Johnson, SM
Christian VonHoldt
Brett Wilke
Troop 1262, Luke Harmon, SM
Xavier Diaz
Troop 1264, Brian Ruddell, SM
Steven Engeman
William Kamm
Brady Martin
Robert Williams
Colin Williams
Troop 1269, Jerry McAllister, SM
Jason Brown
Anthony Gonnello
Troop 1300, David Downing, SM
Gregory Brundage
Anthony Holt
Andrew Snow
Troop 1537, Jerry Robinson Jr., SM
Brandon Dickey
Troop 1550, Eric Shults, SM
Tanner Northup
Austin Shults
Troop 1801, Rex Belvins, SM
Brandon Dickey
Troop 1801, Rex Belvins, SM
Simeon Brewster
Bryson Drummond
Troop 1801, Rex Belvins, SM
Jacob Oliver

**Twin River**
Troop 74, Roger Turner, SM
Nathan Nowatzke
Troop 101, Rodney Kasitz, SM
Nicholas Klein
Troop 106, Douglas Singer, SM
Jerrod Bechtel
Troop 126, Jason Sjorlund, SM
Wesley Ahring

**Trails West**
Troop 86, Fredrick Miller, SM
Zachary Bettis
Troop 136, Randall Leighton, SM
Jackson Cooley
Troop 181, Joseph McCabe, SM
Joseph Crane
Cameron Jones
Joseph Robbins
Garrett Ruskamp
Troop 186, Robert Wilson, SM
Christopher Colvin
Troop 401, Kirk Horner, SM
James Brann
Troop 428, William Bahmaier, SM
Joseph DeVader
Troop 439, Rodney Johnson, SM
Maxwell Ash

**EAGLE SCOUTS**
Carson Lilley
Troop 92, David Timpe, SM
William Rutledge
Jackson Riley
William Parkins
Zachary Helmstetter
Logan Boone
Troop 10, James Cook, SM
Trailhead
Troop 10, James Cook, SM
Logan Boone
Calvin Cochran
Zachary Helmstetter
William Parkins
Brian Ramsey
Jackson Riley
William Rutledge
Troop 92, David Timpe, SM
Carson Lilley
Free Rank Advancement

The Heart of America Council thanks those Scout units that have achieved their Investment in Character goal. Your support is appreciated and enjoy the free rank advancement that you have earned. Thank you!

**Blue Elk**
- Pack 4161 East Alton Community Church of Christ
- Pack 4203 College Park Community of Christ
- Pack 4205 Good Shepard Christian Church
- Pack 4226 Trinity United Presbyterian Church
- Pack 4306 UMC of the Resurrection Blue Springs
- Pack 4322 First Baptist Church of Grain Valley
- Pack 4334 Ridgewood Community of Christ Church
- Pack 4382 Village Heights Community of Christ Church
- Pack 4383 East 39th Street Community of Christ Church
- Pack 4865 St. Marks Parents for Catholic Scouting
- Troop 1058 St. Peter United Methodist Church
- Troop 1138 Mission Woods Community of Christ Church
- Troop 1161 East Alton Community of Christ Church
- Troop 1223 Stone Church Community of Christ
- Troop 1226 Trinity United Presbyterian Church
- Troop 1228 Christ United Methodist Church
- Troop 1246 LDS Blue Springs 2nd Ward Independence Stake
- Troop 1282 Trinity Episcopal Church
- Troop 1306 UMC of the Resurrection Blue Springs
- Troop 1312 St. Pauls Lutheran Church
- Troop 1332 Blue Springs First United Methodist Church
- Troop 1347 Pleasant Heights Community of Christ Church
- Troop 1383 East 39th Street Community of Christ Church
- Troop 1498 Drmm Farm Institute
- Troop 1603 Blue Springs First Christian Church
- Troop 1605 Plaza Heights Baptist Church
- Troop 1646 LDS 3rd Ward Independence Stake
- Troop 1813 Timothy Lutheran Church
- Troop 1865 St. Marks Parnets for Catholic Scouting
- Troop 1203 College Park Communit of Christ

**North Star**
- Troop 1393 South Platte VFW Post 7356
- Northern Tier
- Crew 291 Village United Presbyterian Church
- Pack 3783 LDS 3rd Ward Olathe Stake
- Team 6783 LDS 3rd Ward Olathe Stake
- Troop 783 LDS 3rd Ward Olathe Stake
- Pack 3080 Trinity Lutheran Church
- Pack 3249 Crossroads Christian Church
- Pack 3253 St. Lukes Episcopal Church
- Pack 3297 Optimists Shawnee Mission
- Team 6584 LDS Overland Park 1st Ward Lenexa Stake
- Crew 2584 LDS Overland Park 1st Ward Lenexa Stake
- Troop 123 Harvest Ridge Covenant Church
- Troop 283 Faith Lutheran Church
- Troop 351 Monticello United Methodist Church
- Troop 358 Hope Lutheran Church and School
- Troop 394 Good Sheperd Catholic Church

**Pioneer Trails**
- Troop 1016 St. Andrews Episcopal Church
- Red-tailed Hawk
- Crew 2085 First Baptist Church of Olathe
- Crew 2201 Hillcrest Christian Church
- Crew 2208 Consysyco LLC
- Crew 2240 Prince of Peace Knights of Columbus Council 7909
- Pack 3210 Pleasant Ridge Elementary School PTA
- Pack 3241 Liberty View PTO
- Pack 3362 Prairie Creek Elementary PTO
- Troop 85 First Baptist Church of Olathe
- Troop 122 Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church
- Troop 201 Hillcrest Christian Church
- Troop 240 Knights of Columbus Council No 7909
- Troop 324 Christ Lutheran Church
- Troop 412 Olathe Christian Church
- Pack 3783 LDS 3rd Ward Olathe Stake
- Team 6783 LDS 3rd Ward Olathe Stake
- Troop 783 LDS 3rd Ward Olathe Stake

**Trailhead**
- Pack 3011 Church of the Resurrection United Methodist Church
- Pack 3092 Church of the Resurrection United Methodist Church
- Pack 3258 Valley View United Methodist church
- Pack 3286 Nall Hill Homeowners Association
- Troop 10 Lions Club Leawood Kansas
- Troop 11 Church of the Resurrection United Methodist Church
- Troop 92 Church of the Resurrection United Methodist Church
- Troop 251 Church of the Holy Cross
- Troop 256 Valley View United Methodist Church
- Troop 257 Atonement Lutheran Church
- Troop 282 Leawood United Methodist Men
- Troop 284 Christ Church Anglican

**Twin Rivers**
- Crew 2103 LDS Paola Ward Olathe Stake
- Crew 2130 LDS Gardner Ward Olathe Stake
- Pack 3101 First Christian Church
- Pack 3103 LDS Paola Ward Olathe stake
- Pack 3224 LDS Ottawa Ward Olthe Stake
- Troop 103 LDS Paola Ward Olathe Stake
- Troop 105 United Methodist Church Mens Club
- Troop 106 United Presbyterian Church
- Troop 125 Parker United Methodist Church

**Trails West**
- Crew 2369 Edgerton Southern Baptist Church
- Pack 3435 Knights of Columbus Council
- Pack 3808 Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2993
- Troop 83 First Christian Church of Olathe
- Troop 86 Grace United Methodist Church of Olathe
- Troop 88 American Legion Post #19
- Troop 136 Lenexa Friends of Church
- Troop 428 St. Paul's United Methodist Church
- Troop 494 Knights of Columbus Council
2011 Popcorn Sales

The Trails End Popcorn Sale

- A fast-paced fun sale that provides your Scouts with a positive experience and your unit with the resources to offer the best Scouting program around
- Provides support for council programs so we can keep cost of attending camp and activities as low as possible
- Product and program is specific to Scouting and tailored to work

Planning is important. Here are some dates to remember:

**Sale Dates**

- Show N’ Sell Orders are due August 29 by 10:00 pm
- Show N’ Sell Order Pick-up is September 9 & 10
- Popcorn sale Starts Friday, September 9
- Popcorn Sale Ends Saturday October 28
- Popcorn Return Form Due Monday October 31 by 5:00 pm
- Final Orders are due October 31 by 5:00 pm
- Final Order Pick-up is November 11 & 12
- Fill-It-Up Online Registrations are due November 11
- Popcorn Payment due December 5

**Training Dates**

For a 2% increase in your commission: 1 person must attend training and all orders must be entered on-line.

- July 28, 6:30pm, New Paola Fire Station, 19 E. Peroia Street, Paola
- August 2, 7:30pm, 808 Augusta, Clinton, MO
- August 4, 6:30 pm First Baptist Church, 1330 Kasold, Lawrence
- August 9, 6:30 pm United Methodist Church, S 13th Hwy, Lexington, MO
- August 13, 10:30 am 1:30 pm Location to be announced, Overland Park
- August 16, 7:00 pm Location to be announced, Lee’s Summit
- August 18, 7:00 pm Location to be announced, North Kansas City

Sporting Clays Tournament and Shooting Sports Banquet & Auction

Mark your calendar for Noon on Sunday, October 2, 2011 to join us at the Theodore Naish Scout Reservation for the second combined Sporting Clays Tournament and Shooting Sports Banquet. This is a great opportunity for a day of fellowship and fun while raising money to support the Heart of America Council’s Shooting Sports Program for Scouting youth.

The Sporting Clays Tournament will be held on a recently designed, portable course consisting of 12 stations. Following the tournament shooters and other guests were treated to a dinner of exotic game cooked by council volunteer chefs. During the dinner you will also have an opportunity to take part in silent and live auctions of some great home and outdoor items.

The Tournament and Banquet is co-chaired by Zack Shafran and Russ Lindsay. A team of 4 can participate in the tournament and attend the banquet for $1,000. Sponsorships are also available. For more information contact Bob Hamlin at rhamlin@bsamail.org or give him a call at (816) 569-4921.
Tributes, 2011
In Memory of:

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Vonda Brooks
August and Eric Bruce
Jack and Mae Burlison
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The Heart of America Council’s Endowment and our “Be Prepared” Campaign

The Heart of America Council’s endowment is not only helping us prepare for our future and is also making a difference today.

Each year the first $200,000 of the interest income available is used to support capital improvements at our camps. The endowment helps us to keep our facilities in “state of the art” shape and set an example for outdoor land use.

Capital Improvements — Since the fall of 2010, the insides of the water towers at Bartle Scout Reservation were sand blasted and repainted. A number of campsites have new waterlines. Over a mile of fiber optic line was laid to improve communications and the safety of Scouts in camp. The pavilion at the Shotgun Range was reconstructed. At Naish Scout Reservation the endowment enabled us to continue trail repair, crucial since the camp’s soil is highly erodible.

Campships — Each year, thanks to our endowment, hundreds of Scouts from needy families enjoy Scouting’s promise of summer camp. Annually, tens of thousands of dollars are distributed to ensuring that summer camp is accessible to all Scouts.

Camp Staff Scholarships — Most of our dedicated camp staff members are of college-age. Camp staff college scholarships help us find and keep these fine young people who are the backbone of our summer program. The endowment makes this possible.

Operating Support — As a nonprofit, we are faced with growing costs and competition for financial support. Health and general insurance costs, higher energy costs, and personnel costs are increasing rapidly. Support from United Way agencies is falling dramatically due to shifting priorities. As our endowment grows, it will help us meet those needs without taking away from program support.

Our council’s endowment is vital to our future. The Scouting Heritage Society is made up of donors to the endowment. Donors can make any sized cash gifts, include Scouting in their will, or take advantage of a number of planned gift possibilities. For more information, contact Randy Kidder, Development Director, at rkidder@bsamail.org or call (816) 569-4954.

23rd Annual Boy Scout Golf Classic

More than 80 golfers enjoyed a fun-filled day of golf at Loch Lloyd Country Club at the Village of Loch Lloyd. Each year the Heart of America Council conducts the Annual Boy Scouts Golf Classic to showcase Scouting’s positive impact and raise money to support its programs. This year the tournament generated over $100,000 in contributions.

Major Sponsors
Rau Construction, HNTB, Sprint, Finegan Conrad Peterson L.L.C.

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Cisco Systems, Firebaugh Construction, Level 3 Communications, RSM McGladrey, Sierra Wireless, Century Link, Ericsson, Mark One Electric, Shaw Electric, Tellabs, Windstream, Layton Companies and TEKELEC

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2011 Patron Luncheon

Thanks to Jonathan Kemper, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Commerce Bank, for serving as the chairman of our April Patron Luncheon, held at the Downtown Marriott. The 2011 Patron Luncheon, raised more than $410,000 to support Scouting in the Heart of America Council. The program featured former U.S. Air Force Captain Scott F. O’Grady who shared his incredible story of survival in hostile enemy territory in Bosnia before being rescued.

Investment in Character Campaign to Declare Victory

The Heart of America Council will be celebrating a successful fundraising campaign on June 7. Our annual fundraising drive is crucial to the ongoing success of the council. The campaign is successful only be contributors large and small come together to raise the funding required to provide the Scouting program to the more than 47,000 youth in 19 counties in and around the Kansas City metropolitan area. Your support ensures that young people enjoy quality year round programs offered by trained adults. Our yearend goal is to raise $1,955,000. John Martin, Jr. from PricewaterhouseCoopers is serving as our Investment in Character chairman. He is excited about how people in the Heart of America Council have come together to support our youth even in these economically difficult times. Thanks to you the Heart of America remains one of the best councils in the United States.

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Fall Recruiting Ideas for Boy Scouts and Venturers

While much of the School Night to Join Scouting effort focuses on the boys in grades 1 – 5, it is important to let young men and in the case of Venturing, young women know about Scouting for their age groups. High quality activities should be developed to support peer to peer recruiting and social media work, more effective in these age groups.

Recruiting Boy Scouts

- Participate in the School Night for Scouting, recruiting the boys eligible for Boy Scouting who are in elementary school
- Conduct a Troop Open House to demonstrate Boy Scout skills, the outdoor fun of Scouting and to recruit youth and adult members alike
- Work with your district executive to distribute Boy Scout recruitment flyers to grades six through eight promoting Troop Open House
- Use High Adventure surveys in the schools
- Mail invitations directly to prospective Boy Scouts
- Use Social Media websites to highlight troop activities and promote the Troop Open House be sure to post photos of troop activities. Invite friends to check out them out.
- Promote Scouting at events sponsored by the chartered organization
- Promote Scouting at community and school events
- Conduct a Fall Recruitment Weekend, giving every boy a camping experience upon joining

Recruiting Venturers

- Work with your district executive to utilize Career Interest Surveys. Mail Open House invitations directly to the prospective youth members
- Distribute Venturing recruitment flyers to grades 7 through 9 promoting Crew Open House/First Nighter
- Promote Venturing at events sponsored by the chartered organization
- Promote Venturing at community and school events
- Conduct a Fall Recruitment Weekend, giving every youth an exciting Venturing experience from the start
Start Planning For Successful School Night

School Night is one of the most effective ways we have to invite boys and their parents to join and become an integral part of the Scouting program. By carefully following our recruiting plan this fall, we will welcome more than 7,000 new youth and adult members.

School Night in the Heart of America Council is successful because of our volunteer/professional partnership. School Night is one of the last steps of a carefully organized plan that starts in the spring. First schools are contacted and dates set. Districts recruit and train Coordinators and Organizers who work with the packs and troops on the actual School Night. Posters and fliers will be delivered to schools.

Classroom visits will be conducted by the professional staff. School Night will be promoted throughout our council with radio and television public-service announcements.

The School Coordinator

A school coordinator will be assigned to work with each school. Their job is to act as the emcee and spokesperson for the evening. They will have attended a training session in which they have learned the most effective methods in explaining the Scouting program, recruiting the adult volunteers and enrolling the youth. They will have attendance cards, information sheets, youth and adult applications. They are also charged with collecting all applications, fees and new den rosters that evening.

The Pack Representative

The pack representative and unit leaders play a crucial role as well. Each district will be holding a School Night Kickoff Orientation meeting. Be sure that your unit is represented even if you have attended this meeting in the past since details sometimes change. This will also give you a chance to meet your School Coordinator and confirm your School Night date.

What you can do to prepare this summer and as School Night Approaches:
- Attend all School Night Orientation and Kickoff Meetings
- Plan your program calendar for the upcoming year.
- Identify which adult volunteers are returning and what positions you need to fill.
- Participate in back to school activities.
- Arrange to make promotional phone calls to prospective new members and their families.
- Other Ideas: Consider pack displays in the library or cafeteria, conducting a Scout flag raising ceremony for the school in the morning and encouraging Scouts to wear their uniforms to school on the day of School Night.

A Parent’s Role in Scouting

To receive Scouting’s maximum benefit parents should: First show an interest in their son’s Scouting activities and achievements. For younger Scouts (especially Cubs) parents should attend meetings to share in their son’s experiences and help with the requirements.

Second, parents should consider serving in a unit leadership position or volunteer to help in a way that fit their schedule. The most successful units have many people doing a variety of jobs. Help by driving to an outing, making phone calls in advance of a campout, pick up awards, or plan a fundraiser, for example.

Looking for more information about a parent’s role in Scouting, visit http://scoutparents.org

The Role of the ScoutParents Unit Coordinator

The ScoutParents unit coordinator is registered adult position. The goal is to involve more adults in the unit’s program, create a better-informed group of parents and to directly connect them with their child’s Scouting experience.

The ScoutParents unit coordinator:
- Assigns parents to help with at least one specific task, assignment or project annually
- Provides an orientation for all parents about how the unit works and the benefits to their family
- Keeps parents updated on the units program and their child’s involvement

Fast Start training is available for all ScoutParents unit coordinators through www.Scoutparents.org. In addition to Fast Start training, ScoutParent unit coordinators will need to become fully trained.
On Sunday April 10, 2011 the 12th Annual God and Country Celebration was held at the North Cross United Methodist Church. More than 100 youth and adults were recognized for their work on their faith’s religious awards.

Adults that were recognized for completing the God and Service Awards included Patsy Schmutz, North Cross United Methodist Church Program Director; Bruce Entwistle, Troop 495; Rev. Bea Gallamore, Troop 707; David Lehman, Troop 247; and Phil “Bo” Anderson, Troop 900. Jeff Cook was awarded the Cross and Flame Award.

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RELIGIOUS AWARDS

Duty to God — A Cornerstone of the Scouting Program

Baden-Powell stated...”No man is much good unless he believes in God and obeys His laws. So every Scout should have a religion.... Religion seems a very simple thing: First: Love and Serve God. Second: Love and serve your neighbor.” (Scouting For Boys, 1908)

The Boy Scouts of America espouses no official religion. The religious emblems are cooperative ventures between the religious organizations that charter Scouting units and the BSA. Each faith creates its own program designed to provide specific religious instruction. Scouts enrolled in a religious emblems program are challenged to put their faith into action. Service projects are often targeted toward the family, congregation, and community.

The Council Religious Relationship Committee offers a 15 minute presentation conducted by trained Scouters to explain the emblems programs and how to get started. Contact R.E.D. Team: (816) 560-2992.

For more information go to: www.hoac-bsa.org/Programs/AdvancementAndAwards/ReligiousEmblemProgram.aspx

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Scout Day at the K and The Royal Gathering of Eagles

Sunday, August 7, Kauffman Stadium Royals vs Tigers

Royal Gathering of Eagles
11:00 am - 12:45 pm

Join Fellow Eagles for Pre-Game Food and Fellowship!
Eagle Scouts of All Ages invited
Eagle Scouts under the age of 18—Attend the RGE and the game’s on us
Presentation of the Kauffman Eagle Scout Lifetime Achievement Award

Register through the “What’s New” Box on the Council Website!

Scout Day at the K
Game Time 1:10 pm

Bring the Whole Family
CM, SM and Crew Advisors...Receive two free tickets if you are attending
$5.00 tickets for Scouts, Scouters and Scouting Families

Heart of America Council Boy Scouts of America – www.hoac-bsa.org
Investment in Character

Thanks to all who have made a generous financial contribution to Scouting. Investment in Character is an essential part of funding the operations of the district and council. Investment in Character provided $6,231 in camperships to Big Muddy Scouts in 2010. It also provides for training materials, mailings as well as, books, shirts and other program materials for low income families.

Day Camp

When: June 6-9
Where: Dyer Park, Odessa MO

This year's day camp promises to be another great program with Michelle Stilwell at the helm. Michelle and her staff have put together a new and exciting program. Make sure your pack is signed up ASAP. For more information you can contact Michelle Stilwell at (816) 820-2179 or Jon Geiger at (816) 569-4932.

Fishing Tournament

When: June 4, 2011
Where: Pat’s Boats, Lexington

This year's fishing tournament will be held at Pat’s Boats in Lexington. It will be a great opportunity to support Scouting while having a day of fun with a chance at some great prizes.

Look for a registration form and more details on our website [http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/BigMuddy.aspx](http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/BigMuddy.aspx).

School Night for Scouting

What: School Night Kick-off
When: August Roundtable

I know no one wants to think about school starting yet but for us we are hard at working trying to plan your school night and meet with principals to get on their calendar for the fall. Make sure you and your pack are planning to attend the School Night kick-off at the August roundtable so that we can once again have successful fall recruitment.
June

2 Roundtable-Sunny Vale Middle School
   Eagle Board of Review
   Youth Protection Training
   Merit Badge Counselor Training
   Venturing Fair at Roundtable
9 District Commissioner Mtg., 7:00 pm, Beacon Heights
9 District Committee Mtg., 8:30 pm, Beacon Heights

July

11 Blue Elk Golf Classic, Blue Springs Country Club
11-15 Day Camp, “Cub Quest” at American Legion Farm

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Special Needs Field Day at William Yates Elementary

Blue Elk has two Scoutreach units in the Blue Springs School District dedicated to children with special needs. On April 28, Blue Elk volunteers and Alpha Phi Omega put on a field day for more than 50 children.

Venturing Fair

When: Thursday June 2, 7:00 pm
Where: Sunny Vale Middle School

Blue Elk is hosting its first Venturing Fair! See some of the new programs and crews that may soon be available. Here are some of the things that Venturing offers: Scuba Diving, Sea Scout Ship, Culinary Arts, Rock Climbing, and Shooting Sports.

Day Camp — Cub Quest

- July 11-15 — 9:00 am - 3:30 pm
- Wednesday will start at noon due to Family Night and Webelos overnight.
- American Legion Farm, 499 Legion Road, Blue Springs, MO
- The cost for day camp is $65 unless you are a new Scout and then the cost is $50

Contact Camp Director, Jeff Dutzel, (816) 805-7964, jdutzel@sbcglobal.net for questions.

Popcorn

Here is the information that is needed to ensure that your unit’s popcorn kernel gets all of the necessary information:
- Show ‘n’ Sell orders are due August 29.
- Show ‘n’ Sell pick up will be September 10 at the QT distribution center in Belton
- Final orders are due October 31
- Pick up will be November 11-12 at Wagner Industries in North Kansas City

Friends of Scouting

Thanks you! Blue Elk District has hit 100% of the family campaign goal!

School Night for Scouting

School Night dates:
- August 4, Presenter training, 6:15 pm at Sunny Vale.
- August 4, School Night Kick-Off, 7:15 pm at Sunny Vale. Every pack needs to be represented.
- August 30, Blue Springs School District school night.

*****ALL SCHOOL NIGHTS BEGIN PROMPTLY AT 7:00*****
**Training:** 100%  **Investment in Character:** 61.3%

### Exploring Officers

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### Exploring at Night

“Exploring at Night” is a new event where you will have an opportunity to visit another Explorer post outside of your specific career field. “Exploring at Night” will encourage new communication, open new doors and opportunities. Look for more details soon.

### Amped Up Exploring

This is a new Exploring Division event planned for this fall at the Kearney Amphitheatre. All Explorer posts should come out and display their post and the career field emphasis. Each post will be invited to bring a display geared around their post. We will end our day with a concert at the amphitheatre. Look for more information this summer.

### Important Training News

All Post Leaders are now required to complete Youth Protection and Adult Leader Training to be a registered leader. A training CD is available. Trained leaders are an essential part of any quality Explorer Post development. In addition to the CD, the complete adult leader training on-line at http://www.learningforlife.org/adult_explorer/adult_explorer.html.

Please let me know if you have any questions. You can call or email Lisa Thomas at (816) 569-4972 or lithomas@lflmail.org.

### 2012 National Fire and Emergency Services Exploring Conference

**Dates:** July 16-21, 2012  
**Location:** Colorado State University — Fort Collins, Colorado  
**Cost:** The conference fee is $475 per Explorer or adult this includes meals and housing, plus a non-refundable Post registration fee of $100.

### Conference Program:

For more details on the programs for these conferences visit http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Programs/Exploring.aspx and click on your post interest tabs.

### Registration:

All registered Explorers are eligible to attend these conferences. The conferences are usually a “sell-out” event and registration is on a first come, first served basis.

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### Fireside Chat & Cluster Committee Quarterly Meeting

Wednesday, June 8, 2011  
Cluster Meetings 6:00-6:30  
Fire Side Chat 6:30-8:00  
Heart of America Council, 10210 Holmes Rd, Kansas City, Mo 64131

RSVP your attendance to lithomas@lflmail.org or (816) 569-4972

Further discussion how to develop Facebook pages for your Explorer post. You can also post stories, photos and events directly to the Heart of America Council Facebook page at http://www.facebook.com/hoac.bsa.

### Law Enforcement Challenge

The Overland Park Police Department is hosting the annual Law Enforcement Challenge in June. More specific information will be disseminated to the posts in regard to upcoming meetings, volunteers, extras for the mock scenes.
**KAW**

**Training:** 94.4%  
**Investment in Character:** 79.1%

**June**

- **2** Roundtable: Merit Badge Counselor Orientation, Scouter Appreciation Summertime BBQ and Pot Luck 6:30, Bonner Springs United Methodist Church, Bonner Springs, Kansas
- **9** No District Committee
- **27-July 1** Kaw District Day Camp, South Camp, Camp Naish, Bonner Springs, KS

**July**

- **7** Cub Scout School Night Orientation: 7:00 pm., Bonner Springs United Methodist Church, Bonner Springs, Kansas

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**2011 School Night for Scouting**

**School Night Orientation**

**When:**  July 7, 7:00 pm  
**Where:**  Bonner Springs UMC

The fall is the best time to recruit new Scouts. Learn everything you need to know to have successful fall recruitment at the School Night Orientation. Make sure you or someone from your pack attends to share what dates will work for your pack. For more information you can contact Julian Rivette or Dusty Boatright at the council office (816) 942-9333.

**2011 Kaw Day Camp “Cub Quest”**

**When:**  June 27-July 1  
**Where:**  South Camp, Naish Scout Reservation

Day camp is a wonderful place for all Cub Scouts, especially Tiger Cubs and Wolfs, to start the summer. We will also have a Webelos program this year. Cub Scout crafts, games, sports, fellowship and fun are all rolled up into five exciting days just for them. If you haven’t been to day camp for a while, it’s time to come back and see what you (and your Scouts!) have been missing. So come out for a good time. Make sure your Scouts are fully registered and that they bring their Health Forms. For more information please contact Julian Rivette at (816) 569-4967 or Laura Trotta at (913) 963-5009.

**Kaw District Website**

Have you been to the Kaw District website lately? If not, it’s worth you time to take a look. We have taken many forms and information you need for successful unit operation and put them all in one convent location for you. To access the Kaw Website just type [http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/Kaw.aspx](http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/Kaw.aspx) into your browser.
June

7  Roundtable, Clinton Scout Center, 7:00 pm
13-18  Day Camp, Artesian Park in Clinton, MO

July

Lone Bear Officers

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

Popcorn

What:  Leader’s Popcorn Sale Orientation
When:  August 2 at the August Roundtable

Popcorn is an easy and risk-free way to raise money for your unit. Please plan to attend our leader orientation at the August roundtable on August 2. Show and sell orders are due August 29 so start working on your sales plan.

Day Camp

When:  June 13-17
Where:  Artesian Park, Clinton
Cost:  $65

It’s about time for a Cub Quest! It’s time for our Lewis and Clark adventure! Thanks to Kathy Cooper, Matt Wray and our day camp staff for a great job. It’s not too late to sign up! Camp costs $65 per youth. New Scouts may attend at a discounted rate of $50. Please contact Kathy Cooper if you have questions.

There will not be a Tot Lot available at day camp. Children who are not registered Cub Scouts will not be able to attend.

Investment in Character

Our annual fundraising campaign is wrapping up! Thank you to everyone who supported our 2011 campaign!

Spring Camporee

Thanks for everyone who attended to our event. Thanks especially to Jon Cerda and his staff for putting on a great program.

District Wide Pinewood Derby

Thank you to packs 19, 509 and 400 for putting on a great program.

Fall Recruitment

Our district team is ready to help with your recruitment needs this fall. Planning starts now! Use the summer to meet with committees to be ready with a program plan for those new kids we recruit in the fall. For information, please contact Mike Morales at (660) 885-3702 or mushroomcfid@yahoo.com.

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 our PR Chairperson, Marilyn Giglio at marilyn364@mail.com. We will be sure to get your unit’s story in this publication!
Training: 86.9%  
Investment in Character: 92.1%

June

3  District Roundtable, 7:30 p.m., Cerner Riverport Facility, I-435 & M-210. Youth Protection and Merit Badge Counselor Training are offered along with the OA Chapter Meeting.
3  Annual District Car Show at Roundtable
8  District Committee/Planning Meeting, 7:30 p.m., North Cross United Methodist, 1321 NE Vivion
10 Commissioner Staff Meeting,  7:30 p.m., St. Luke Presbyterian, 4301 NE Vivion

July

No District meetings planned for July. This is a great time for everybody to go camping. We don’t care where you go — JUST GO HAVE FUN!!

Boy Scout Summer Camp — 2011
Be sure to check out http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Camping/BoyScoutSummerCamp.aspx. This site has all of the information you will need to have a fun, safe, and successful summer camping season. Also, be sure to check out http://www.hoac-bsa.org/AboutUs/Forms/CampingInfo.aspx for all of the forms that you will need.

If there is any boy in your unit that needs financial assistance in getting to camp, talk with the Camping Department, or contact your unit commissioner. For a boy in need, there is always a way to get him to camp.

DAY CAMP
Where:  Platte County Fairgrounds, Tracy, MO
When:  June 13-16
Cost:  $65 ($70 if you register at camp)

The snow is long gone and the end of school and warm sunny days means just one thing! Cub Scouts all over the North Star District are going to day camp!

More information about day camp can be found at http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/NorthStar/DayCamp.aspx.

Webelos Woods
We had a great attendance of 428 people come out and enjoy Webelos Woods!! The weather was great and everyone had a great time! Thanks to everyone who attended and especially to those who make this a great success.

Training
We are now 2/3’s of the way through the council training initiative. In 2011, all registered leaders must be trained for their position. Please review your current position within the unit. If there are any questions, please contact one of the district professionals.

Additional information along with dates and times for training courses can be found at the North Star training webpage at http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/NorthStar/Training.aspx.
June

2  Roundtable at the LDS Church-7pm; 7100 Hadley Road in Overland Park Also we will have merit badge counselor training, OA Chapter 13 meeting, and Eagle Project Reviews

9  Commissioner’s Meeting

10-11  Outdoor Leader Skills at Shawnee Riverfront Park

12  Scoutmaster/Asst. Scoutmaster Training at Shawnee Riverfront Pack

13-17  Day Camp at Shawnee Riverfront Park-5800 Frisbee Road

July

THERE ARE NO DISTRICT MEETINGS IN JULY

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Thank You From the District

To all those who helped with the following events:
- Thank you to Dave Sultz and his team for putting on another successful Pinewood Derby!
- 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

- Training calendars for all programs are available on the Northern Tier District webpage under training
- If you have questions please contact Lorri Kearns at lkkearns@kc.rr.com

Investment in Character Campaign

- We are wrapping up our campaign and a big Thank You to all that have contributed to the campaign.
- Special thanks to all the unit presenters and community campaign workers for helping to make this year’s campaign a success!
- Track your units progress by visiting the District’s homepage at: http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/NorthernTier.aspx Scroll down until you see the Friends of Scouting information and click on the unit tracking sheet.

Cub Quest Day Camp

When:  Monday, June 13 – Friday, June 17
Where:  Shawnee Riverfront Park, 5800 Frisbee Road
Cost:  $65 ($70 if you register at camp)

Visit the day camp webpage to download health forms, tot lot registration forms and addition material. It is located at http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/NorthernTier/DayCamp.aspx. If you have questions about the program and schedules at day camp please contact Dave Sultz (Camp Director) or Lorri Kearns (Program Director) at daycamp@yahoo.com.
Training: 95.8%  
Investment in Character: 97.9%

June

6-9  District Day Camp, Douglas County Fairgrounds
9  District Roundtable, 7:00 pm, First Baptist Church
19  District Committee Meeting 7:00 pm, Troop 55 Scout Cabin

July

No Meetings — Happy Camping!!!!

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Training

Remember: Every youth registered in Scouting 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.

Good Turn Project

Congratulations on a job well done!

In early May about 60 Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturers and their leaders met at the Youth Sports Complex. They planted, mulched and watered 33 trees around the #5, 6, 7 and 8 softball fields. This was all accomplished in under two and a half hours and earned praise from the Lawrence Parks and Recreation horticulturalists.

It is also great to give something back to our community and Scouting supporters.

24th Annual Scouting for Food

This year in Lawrence we collected a record 7,330 items of food for the Salvation Army and other participating food pantries. This exceeded last year’s count of 5,200 items. A special thanks to Martha & Everett Lathrom, Clara Holiday, & Cindy Lynn for their efforts at the Salvation Army Gym today.

In Eudora we collected over 2,580 items which also exceeded the 2,300 items collected last year. Thanks to Amye Scott, Sadie May, & Ann Wimmer for your efforts at the food pantry and thank you St. Paul’s Church ladies for your help & the cookies & Kool-aid you provided.

Thanks to John Scout, Pelathe District’s Scouting for Food Coordinator, for making Scouting for Food happen in Douglas County. And thanks for pulling together these statistics.

Spring Camporee “50th anniversary Camp Bromelsick”

What a wonderful weekend for Scouting in the Pelathe District. We were able to coordinate the Bromelsick 50th Anniversary, dedication of the Tripp Anderson Trail, an OA Call Out, and a camporee that concluded with a campfire on the water.

Special thanks for the Order of the Arrow Ceremony to Steve Ozaki, Matt Dominguez, Doug Rawlings, Sam Richards, Marlon Schneck, Jim Peterson, Dave Ozaki, and Tom Framer.

A very special thanks to Chris Golledge and his staff for their work in providing a truly memorable camporee. Thanks to the Camp Bromelsick Foundation Inc. Board of Directors for providing the leadership in maintaining a great place for the Scouts to use. The Anderson Trail will provide a great way to remember those who have served Scouting in our district.
Day Camp
Where: Longview Lake, Group Camping Area
When: June 20–23
Cost: $65 ($70 at camp)

This is an exciting year for day camp with this year’s theme, CubQuest. Tigers, Wolves, Bears and Webelos can look forward to activities including a water slide, BB guns, obstacle course, water rockets, archery, a nature hike and many others. It is not too late to register! We will even accept registrations at camp. For more information, visit the Pioneer Trails District Day Camp website: http://hoac-bsa.org/Districts/PioneerTrails/DayCamp.aspx.

Back to the Pack
Do you have all of your leaders in place? Do you know what activities you will be planning? Consider holding a “Back to the Pack” activity in late July or early August. Use this activity to identify new leadership and to get boys excited about Scouts in the fall.

School Night for Scouting Kickoff
Where: Central United Methodist Church
When: August 4, 7:00 pm

Fall is when we are most successful in recruiting new boys to join Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts. School nights are important to the success of the unit and the district as we recruit 400 new Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts each year. For questions, contact School Night Chairman John Freshnock (913) 262-8296.

Spring Event
This year’s Spring Event was held at Missouri Town at Lake Jacomo. Approximately 100 Scouts attended. Scouts enjoyed learning the entire process of sheep shearing, washing, carding, dying, spinning, weaving and knitting from an experienced fiber artist. Thank you to Activities Chair Ed Mulik for putting this together.
Red-Tailed Hawk Cub Scout Day Camp

Camp Directors Doug Westerhaus and Alicia Jeffcoat are busy planning an exciting week for your Cub Scouts. BB guns, archery, crafts, fishing, the monkey bridge and water slide are some of the fun things to do at camp. It is only $65.00 per Scout to attend camp if you register before the start of camp. The cost to register on-site during the week of camp is $70.00. All new Cub Scouts, regardless of rank, are $50.00 to attend camp.


Friends of Scouting

Thanks to you, the Red-Tailed Hawk District exceeded our goal of $61,000 for the family campaign. A special thanks to David McCreight and Dan Himmelberg, Family Friends of Scouting Co-Chairs. Congratulations to the following units, who have met their FOS goals:

- Packs — 3210*, 3241, 3362*, 3783*
- Troops — 85*, 122*, 201*, 240*, 324*, 412*, 783*
- Crews — 2085*, 2201, 2208*, 2240*, 2783*
- Team — 6783*

*These units met their stretch goal and earned $200 toward summer camp.

The community campaign has also met its goal of $22,000. Thank you to all of the volunteers who served as table hosts at the patron lunch. Your efforts helped Red-Tailed Hawk to be the first district in the Council to hit our overall campaign goal!

To inquire about your unit’s Friends of Scouting goal or your unit’s progress for 2011 please contact Chris Rinella at crinella@bsamail.org or 816-569-4929.

Popcorn

Sign up at the June roundtable. It is important to identify a unit kernel and set a kickoff date to ensure your sale will be a success. Do you want to learn more? Call Chris Rinella (816) 569-4929.

School Night for Scouting

We will begin scheduling school nights for the last week of August, so please check with your school’s calendar and begin thinking about the best night to hold your recruitment meeting.

It is important to maximize your unit’s visibility at your school or church. Many school districts are utilizing electronic fliers, making it increasingly difficult to distribute information about Scouting. Ice cream socials, meet the teacher nights, and other back-to-school events are a great time to setup a booth to promote your unit! The council is happy to print promotional materials for you to hand out to potential Scouts.
### Fall School Night for Scouting Kickoff

**Where:** Hickman Mills High School (at Roundtable)  
**When:** August 2, 7:30 pm

Mark your calendars! This important 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 names and phone numbers of boys and parents interested in joining. 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.

### 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. Once again thank you for your support!

### Day Camp

**Where:** Markey Park, 615 West Markey Rd., Belton  
**When:** June 27 – July 1  
**Cost:** $65 in advance, $70 at camp, $50 for new Scouts

Boys who go to camp stay in Scouts! It's not too late to register for day camp! This year’s theme is “CubQuest”! 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 John Baker (816) 318-8468 stl2kc@gmail.com or Kelly Clasen (816) 225-2935 webelokelly@aol.com for staff information.

### Cub Family Campout

**Where:** Unity Village  
**When:** September 23-24

Come on out to annual Cub Scout Family Campout! This is a great camping opportunity for new Cub Scouts right after fall recruitment. Even though this event is designed for younger scouts all are welcome. Each participant gets camping space, Cracker-barrel (late night snack), breakfast, campfire, field games and more! More information contact Laura Crotty (816) 322-2617 or crotty_laura@sbcglobal.net.
Friends of Scouting
Thank you to all who made such generous contributions to our annual Friends of Scouting campaign! With your support the district exceeded our $153,000 goal. Special thanks to Wayne Floyd, Kay McCarthy, and Jimmy Stark for chairing the campaign. Congratulations to the following units for reaching their unit goal:

Troops 10, 11, 92, 251, 256, 257, 282, and 284
Packs 3011, 3092, 3258, and 3286.

Cub Scout Day Camp — Cub Quest
Where: Shawnee Riverfront Park (K-7 and 43rd Street)
When: June 6-10
Cub Scouts get the chance to participate in archery and BB gun ranges, crafts, a zip cord and much more. Look for more information on day camp on the website at http://hoac-bsa.org/thdc.cfm.

District School Night Kick Off
Where: Atonement Lutheran Church, 9948 Metcalf
When: August 9, 7:30 pm
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 School Night chairman in attendance. 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 plays an important role in this year’s School Night Recruitment campaign.

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.

Trails End Popcorn
Get your unit popping this year with Trails End Popcorn! Register at the June roundtable. For more information contact the popcorn chair, Roberta Black, bertblack@yahoo.com

Training
By December 31, all registered adults must be fully trained. To view the upcoming training dates visit http://hoac-bsa.org/Districts/Trailhead/Training.aspx. Many training courses are available on-line at www.myscouting.org.
Webelo-Ree Re-Cap

Nothing could dampen the spirits of the more than 100 Scout and Scouters who put their skills to the test with activities like fire building, shooting sports, cooking, and much, much more.

Thank you to Troops 83, 136, 428, 487, and 522 for staffing this event. Also responsible for making the weekend unforgettable was the OA ceremonial team and the Olathe Fire and Police Departments. Mark your calendars for April 27-28, Webelo-Ree 2012.

Trails West Good Turn Day Results

On April 8, over 250 participants contributed an estimated 700 hours of community service. Projects took place at Cedar Lake in Olathe and Sar Ko Par Park in Lenexa. Tasks completed included trash clean-up, mulching, picnic table assembly and tree planting.

Trails West Scout Honored for Heroism:

Blake Phelps of Troop 88 in Gardner, KS was recognized as Fox 4’s Reaching 4 Excellence Young Achiever after receiving the BSA’s National Certificate of Merit.

Blake received the BSA’s top honor for heroism because he was “prepared.” Thanks to Blake’s quick thinking no one was injured.

Check out the Fox 4 story on Blake Phelps at http://www.hoac-bsa.org/NewsDetails/11-04-14/Fox4_Rootes_Scout_Blake_Phelps.aspx

Investment in Character Campaign

The 2011 Investment in Character campaign is in its final stages for the year. Congratulations to Pack 3435, Pack 3808, Troop 83, Troop 88, Troop 136 Troop 428, and Crew 2369 for achieving their 2011 goal. These units have earned free rank advancement through March 31, 2012.

Day Camp 2011

Where: Lake Olathe Old Golf Course (Santa Fe & Wardcliff)
When: June 6 – 9
Cost: $65 if paid by June 5

If you are planning to attend Cub Scout Day Camp be sure to attend the Pack Coordinator and Walking Leader Training on Thursday, June 2 – Holy Trinity Quigley Center, 9201 Summit, Lenexa, KS – 6:00 pm.

For more information contact Bill O’Connor at (913) 302-8549 or biloconnor7@yahoo.com or visit http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/TrailsWest/Day-Camp.aspx
Adult Leader Training
To re-charter your unit this fall, every registered adult leader will have to have taken training specific to their position and youth protection training in the last two years. This includes everyone from charter organization representative to committee members.

Please check now and make certain that all of your adult leaders have:
- Taken Youth Protection within the past two years.
- Taken training specific to their position in the unit
- Cub Scout leaders may take all of their required training on-line at MyScouting.org.

If you have any questions regarding training issues contact Charles Attebury, Twin Rivers Training Chair.

District Goals
On April 26, the Twin Rivers District Committee met to set goals and plan the district’s calendar for the rest of 2011 and all of 2012. The committee set some very ambitious goals for the district for 2011 and we will need everyone’s help with. The goals are as follows;
- Start five new scout units
  - Two new Venturing crews
  - Three other units (packs or troops)
- Have 100% unit participation in the 2012 Investment in Character campaign
  - This will require some creative thinking from some of our units
- Increase the percentage of boys camping to 72%
  - Improve record-keeping
  - Promote in-council camping for scout camp
  - Promote greater Order of the Arrow participation
- Recruit new members of the district committee to the point of being fully staffed
  - Primary focus on Finance chair, Membership chair, and Public Relations chair

New District Tradition — District Picnic

Location Change

Where: North Lake Park, Garnett
When: August 13

We would like to announce a new district tradition. On August 13, 2011 we will hold a district picnic at North Lake Park in Garnett. This will be more of a social event than anything else. More details to follow so mark your calendars!