programs have been designed and implemented by individual religious groups, not by the Boy Scouts of America. Thus it is particularly appropri-ate that these emblems, offered now by 33 religious groups and organizations, be presented during a religious service at a youth’s church, synagogue, mosque, or other religious institution.

Some clergy use regular liturgy and supplement it with special readings. Others devote the entire worship service to Scouting themes, using Scouts and Scouters as readers. There is no one right way to conduct such a service. Most clergy understand the purpose to be a strengthening of the bonds between the religious organization and the Scouting unit, and they plan accordingly.

For more information concerning materials or ideas for Scout Sabbath or Scout Sunday services, please call Steve Roberts, Relationships Staff Advisor at (816) 942-9333 ext. 151.

Catalogs for the Eleventh Annual Heart of America Council College of Commissioner Service are in the mail! If you have not received your copy of the catalog and wish to attend, please contact Dean of the College Bill Anderson at 785-843-2044 or contact Jason Scott 816-942-9333 ext. 169 at the Council Service Center.

Special Note to all District Commissioners – Due to additional security precautions, we must provide all participants’ names to Ft. Leavenworth prior to the earlier announced registration date. Therefore, all registrations must be received at the Council Service Center by February 25 to be included on the roster provided to Ft. Leavenworth’s security staff.
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Maybe Just One More

by Patricia A. Graham

That look in his eyes… funny, it’s almost the same wide-eyed wonder I saw the night he came into the troop. I’ve worked overtime on this boy. My hands are shaking. What if I drop his Eagle pin on the floor? Worse yet, what if I break down and can’t say the things I want to say.

His folks are so proud. Should be, too, so few boys ever get to this point. Lord knows we try to keep them interested, but there are so many distractions. By the time they get into high school it’s almost impossible to hang on to them.

It was the mountains that saved this one for us. He loved summer camp enough to plug away at weekly meetings. Never forget the first time I took him up that old mountain.

He has all the earmarks of a real Scout now. Wonder if he knows how much I’ve come to depend on him myself? Well, he’s done his part, and so have I. The promise I made to myself years ago can finally be kept: “Just one more, Lord. That look in his eyes… funny, it’s almost the same wide-eyed wonder I saw the night he came into the troop. I’ve worked overtime on this boy. My hands are shaking. What if I drop his Eagle pin on the floor? Worse yet, what if I break down and can’t say the things I want to say.

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He’s done, and so am I. I didn’t realize he’d gotten so tall. These kids grow up so fast. Taller than I am. Taller than his Dad, too.

Night Football in years! But this is it. The moment? Why I haven’t seen Monday Night Football in years! But this is it. The moment? Why I haven’t seen Monday Night Football in years! But this is it. The moment? Why I haven’t seen Monday Night Football in years! But this is it. The moment? Why I haven’t seen Monday Night Football in years! But this is it. The moment? Why I haven’t seen Monday Night Football in years! But this is it. The moment? Why I haven’t seen Monday Night Football in years! But this is it. The moment? Why I haven’t seen Monday Night Football in years! But this is it. The moment? Why I haven’t seen Monday
George Meaney Award Recipient

The George Meaney Award for service to youth was presented to Battalion Chief Bob Zahnter. The George Meaney Award is given by the Boy Scouts of America in recognition of significant contributions to youth by members of labor unions in the United States.

Chief Zahnter has been a member of the International Association of Fire Fighters for 25 years. He is a graduate of the Kansas City, Kansas Fire Academy, is affiliated with Rodger Sherman Lodge 369 and served as PTSA President at Rosedale Middle School.

Chief Zahnter serves as Institutional Head for Explorer Post 2979 and helps Explorers learn about careers in Fire Fighting. Through his efforts Explorers enjoy a “ride along” program with local Fire Fighters and gain information to make an informed career choice about Fire Fighting.

Chief Zahnter has been very active in Scouting, is a recipient of the District Award of Merit, the Scoutmasters Key, is Woodbadge trained and is active in the Order of the Arrow. Congratulations to Battalion Chief Bob Zahnter!

Flag Ceremony Held

Members of Troop 3, Thunderbird District, prepare U.S. flags for retirement at a ceremony held December 7, 2001.

In remembrance of Pearl Harbor, a member of the Harrisonville V.F.W/American Legion Honor Guard, places a piece of a flag in the fire. Veterans, families of veterans, Scouts and Scouters from the Cass County area participated in the retirement of nearly 100 U.S. flags.

Approximately 200 people attended the flag retirement ceremony. Troop 3 plans to make the ceremony an annual event and in 2002, the event will be held on September 11th at Camp Reeder in Harrisonville, MO.

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The Pooled Income Fund and Your Estate

Many people choose a will as their principal vehicle for making charitable gifts. There are many advantages to this, but bequests do not provide you with either immediate income tax deductions or lifetime income in return for making a charitable gift to Scouting. A gift to the pooled income fund, however, does.

By making a modest gift to the pooled income fund—an initial gift of $5,000 in cash or stocks—your gift will be placed into a nationwide pool of similar gifts to Scouting. These gifts are invested for maximum income, payable to you for life. At the end of your lifetime, or the lifetime of a surviving spouse, your gift is removed from the pooled fund and given to the Heart of America Council. We will place your gift into the Endowment, or use it however you designate.

The BSA Pooled Income Fund is a great way to show the Council that you care about its financial future. Please call Jason M. Baxedendle, Endowment Director, at (816) 942-9353 ext. 129 or baxedendle@bsams.org, for more information on this interesting way to benefit not just your council, but your family as well!
Camping

Powderhorn Training

The Heart Of America Council is hosting a regional Powderhorn course May 19–24, 2002 at the Naish Scout Reservation, Bonner Springs, Kansas. Cost of the course is $200.

Powder Horn is a training opportunity designed to expose the Venturing leader to activities and resources necessary to operate a successful Venturing Ranger program. We currently have openings for interested participants. Participant qualifications:

- Must be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America.
- Must have completed Adult Venturing Leader Basic Training (for Venturing Adults) or Scoutmastership Fundamentals (for Boy Scout adults) prior to attending Powder Horn course.
- Be able to meet physical requirements of BSA Class III physical in a backcountry environment.

You may download an application from the council website www.hoac-bsa.org, contact the camping services department, or call the council office for an application.

Arrowmen Needed For Camp Staff

Attention all Arrowmen. Camp Naish is looking for strong leaders and teachers to be on the 2002 Naish Camp Staff for both Boy Scout Camp and Weebos Camp. If you are looking for a different and fun summer camp experience, please pick up an application at the Council Service Center and turn it in today. Interviews will be scheduled after applications have been received.

Bartle and Naish Boy Scout Summer Camp Payment

The second summer camp fee payment is due on Friday, March 1, 2002. This payment represents one half of the remaining balance due for camp. The final summer camp payment is due May 5, 2002. Late fee payment is May 4, 2002 and after.

Boy Scout Camp Camp Scoutmaster Orientation

BARTLE SCOUT RESERVATION

Date: Monday, March 18, 2002
Time: 6:30 p.m. – pick-up packet
Location: Avondale United Methodist Church
7310 N.E. Winne Road

Date: Tuesday, March 19, 2002
Time: 6:30 p.m. – pick-up packet
Location: Beth Shalom Synagogue
9400 Wornall Road

NAISH SCOUT RESERVATION

Date: Monday, March 18, 2002
Time: 6:30 p.m. – pick-up packet
Location: Heart of America Council Service Center

Sharing Native American Ways Seminar XVII

Saturday, April 6, 2002

Bingham 7th Grade Center
1716 South Speck Road
(23rd Street East of M-291 Hwy to Speck Road and Turn Left)
Independence, MO 64057

The annual Sharing Native America Ways Seminar will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Classes will be offered including beadwork, costuming, cooking, and Indian culture. Special programs will be offered for Weebos Scouts. Again this year there will be a museum containing over 100 authentic Indian historical items of pottery, tools, dress and weapons. Authentic celebration and give away Pow Wows will be held in the main gym. Totem poles will be carved for installation at one of the Heart of America Council BSA Camps.

Traders will be on hand with Indian dress supplies for sale. Camping facilities will be available nearby for those out of council troops wishing to camp. Come and join us for an exciting day of Indian culture and festivities.

Registration forms are available at the Council Service Center, at your monthly roundtable, or on the website at www.hoac-bsa.org.

Council’s Contingent Policy

The mission of the Council’s Philmont Contingent is to give individuals the opportunity to attend Philmont in a trained crew with qualified and trained leadership.

In order to preserve this mission there will be a council-wide registration and draw for the 2003 contingent on the following date:

2003 Council Philmont Contingent Draw
7:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 15, 2003
Council Service Center
10210 Holmes Road
Kansas City, MO 64131

The rules for the draw are as follows:

1. A maximum of six (6) spaces will be available per unit. A combination of more leaders than boys is not permitted. (Example: 3 boys/3 leaders, 4 boys/2 leaders, 6 boys/0 leaders).
2. Each participant entered in the draw must be represented by a completed application and be ready to present a non-refundable deposit of $575.00 the night of the draw. (Example: 6 participants — 6 forms — 6 checks)
3. Boys in the draw must not have been to Philmont High Adventure Base in the last two years.
4. All participants will attend a parent’s meeting in February 2003, an itinerary selection meeting in March 2003, a 1-day shake down in March 2003, and a 3-day shake down in April 2003 — specific date TBA.
5. A stand-by list of alternates will be established, will go through all the training with the contingent and will be prepared to substitute for any of the 48 members anytime up to departure date should someone have to withdraw from a crew. These alternates will be guaranteed a position of the following years contingent.
6. No other waiting list will be kept.
7. Applications for the Council’s Philmont Contingent will be available after March 1, 2002 in the Resource Center at the Council Service Center or your Roundtable.

Tribe Council Recommendations

Recommendations for Mic-O-Say Tribal Council are due March 1, 2002 for consideration for the 2002 camping season. By action of the Council of Chiefs, recommendations received after the deadline will be returned and must be submitted for the following camping season. Recommendation forms are available at the Council Service Center or on the website at www.hoac-bsa.org.

Resident Summer Camp Staff

Camp directors are currently interviewing candidates to serve on the 2002 camp staff. To serve for the full summer season, Scouts must be at least 15 years old by June 1, 2002. Counselors in Training (CIT) serve for one session only and must be 14 years old by June 1, 2002. Naish Counselor positions require Scouts be 18 years old or a high school graduate, and several director positions require that the employee be at least 21 years old. Most positions are paid and all include room, board, staff t-shirts (2), and a chance to serve Scouting in a very valuable way! Anyone interested in being on camp staff should download one from our website at www.hoac-bsa.org. Applicants may also pick up an application in the Resource Center at the Council Service Center or their district roundtable.

Camp Workdays

In preparation for the 2002 camping season, many projects are underway at the Theodore Naish and H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservations. Workdays have been established for all volunteers able to lend us their talents and resources in accomplishing these tasks. Please call camping services at 942-9333 or 1-800-776-1110 to let us know of your intentions to attend so that we can have enough materials and food on hand. The work dates are as follows:

March 2, 2002 (Naish only)
March 16, 2002 (Bartle only)
March 23, 2002 (Naish only)
March 30, 2002 (Bartle only)
April 13, 2002 (Bartle only)
April 20, 2002 (Naish only)
May 4, 2002 (Naish & Bartle)
May 18, 2002 (Naish & Bartle)

NOTE: Due to the skill level needed for these projects, the workdays are designed primarily for adult Scouts. However, several other projects suitable for 15-18 year olds are available for units who can provide adult supervision for their working Scouts. Please sign-up for any or all of the workdays.
Heart of America Council, Boy Scouts of America

“COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY”

Saturday, April 20, 2002

The goal of “Community Service Day” is to encourage each Scouting Unit in the Heart of America Council to participate in a service project for their local community. Scouting and Community Service work hand in hand and service projects should be incorporated into the year round program for each Scout Unit.

On Saturday, April 20, 2002, the youth of the Heart of America Council, BSA will complete an approved local community service project. The type of service project will be chosen by the individual unit, however, it cannot be a project that supports a Heart of America Council property, or an Eagle Project.

T Imeline

January Roundtable
Agency listing and project idea packet available
Project sign up and approval form available
Patch design submission form available

February Roundtable
Agency listing and project idea packet available
Project sign up and approval form available
Food drive sign-up – DUE
Food drive bag request information – DUE
Food drive area selection
Patch design submission form – DUE

March Roundtable
Agency listing and project idea packet available
Project sign up and approval form – DUE
(Sign-up for any project other than food drive only)

April Roundtable
Food drive collection bags available
Project evaluation form available
Community Service Day – April 20, 2002

May Roundtable
Project evaluation form – DUE
Recognition items distributed only after evaluation form is returned

** If your unit is planning a food drive for “Community Service Day,” you must turn in the sign up form at the February Roundtable.

For more information on this project please contact your District Executive or Camping Services at 816-942-9333 or 1-800-776-1110.

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Wood Badge

Dear Scouter:

You are invited to attend the 2002 Wood Badge Course. This training experience is open to all adult Scouters registered in Boy Scouts of America who are not Wood Badge trained. You will be enjoying a training experience like none other! The course will consist of several days of in-classroom training followed by several days of out-of-doors training and fun with your patrol. You will be part of once in a lifetime experience with other Scouters from the Heart of America Council.

The 2002 course is a two-weekend course with a mandatory pre-course meeting. The pre-course meeting is August 22, 7:00 p.m. at the Council Service Center. The first weekend, September 13-15, will be held at Rotary Youth Camp for the classroom session. The second weekend, September 27-29, will be held at Naish Scout Reservation for the outdoor session.

Wood Badge is the ultimate training experience for all Scout leaders. You are not required to have camping or scout craft skills in order to enjoy this opportunity. You are required to be trained in your current position. In this course you will learn to be a more effective leader and will experience a professional environment with experienced trainers using the most modern training techniques and materials. In short you will learn about and practice developing and leading teams to their maximum potential. Most of all, you will find that a Wood Badge course is lots of FUN!

The fee for the course is $195.00 (Including deposit) and includes all meals and training materials. Please complete a Personal Application and together with the registration deposit, mail or bring in person to the Council Service Center.

Yours in Scouting,

Pat Miller

Scoutermaster

Order of the Arrow—Tamegonit Lodge #147

2002 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Dates
Event
February 12
Lodge Executive Committee Meeting
March 2
Work Day @ Naish
March 12
Lodge Executive Committee Meeting
March 23
Work Day @ Naish
April 18
Lodge Executive Committee Meeting
April 20
Work Day @ Naish
May 3-4
Spring Induction Weekend #1 @ Naish
May 4
Work Day @ Naish
May 9
Lodge Executive Committee Meeting

May 17-18
Spring Induction Weekend #2 @ Naish
May 18
Work Day @ Naish
June 12
Summer Camp Call Out Ceremony
June 13
Summer Camp Ordeal and Brotherhood Ceremonies
June 19
Summer Camp Call Out Ceremony
June 20
Summer Camp Ordeal and Brotherhood Ceremonies
June 26
Summer Camp Call Out Ceremony
June 27
Summer Camp Ordeal and Brotherhood Ceremonies
August 15
Lodge Executive Committee Meeting
August 23-24
Fall Induction Weekend @ Naish
August 24
Work Day @ Naish
September 13-15
Fall Fellowship @ Naish
September 19
Lodge Executive Committee Meeting
October
Work Day @ Naish
October 5-6
Vigil Banquet @ Naish
October 24
Lodge Executive Committee Meeting
October 26
Work Day @ Naish
November 21
Lodge Executive Committee Meeting
December 7
Development Conference
December 14
Area 6 Lodge Officers Orientation

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PO Box 414177
Kansas City, Missouri 64141-4177

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Cub Scout Day Camp

The 2002 Twin Rivers Cub Scout Day Camp will be held on June 3rd through June 7th at North Lake Recreation Facility near Garnett, KS. This event is the highlight of every Cub Scout’s annual Scouting experience. It is very important that we get a head start on this program to ensure every Cub in the district has a great time at Day Camp. Once again this year, Rich Trabucco and Glen Sharp have volunteered their services to organize the staff Day Camp. If you are interested in helping out or have any questions, contact Rich at 913-294-9306 or Glen at 913-915-4784. Rich and Glen will keep you up to date at each Roundtable for all the progress and information you need to get your Cubs to Day Camp this summer.

District Dinner

On March 2, 2002, Twin Rivers will hold its annual District Dinner in Louisburg. This is going to be a great opportunity for all of us to see the benefits of the work over the last year to make Twin Rivers a stronger district. Make sure you are at Roundtables and other district events coming up to get more information on how to join us for this festive evening.

Friends of Scouting

Our 2002 Friends of Scouting campaign is well underway. This is the annual effort to give participants and Scouting’s supporters the opportunity to contribute to the program they are benefiting from. The year’s $7 fee to register covers the cost of insurance and record keeping from the national council, falling far short of the cost of the full Scouting program. This fundraising campaign is one of the tools the local council uses to support the full expense of Scouting. Friends of Scouting gives families the opportunity to financially support Scouting to their greatest ability. Any and all support is appreciated. Presentations for each unit are being scheduled to explain Friends of Scouting and continue to build the quality of the Twin Rivers District, Heart of America program. For more information on how you can help Twin Rivers, contact Buddy Burris at 785-867-3005 or Cortland Bolles at 800-776-1110, ext. 118.

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American Treasures

Cub Scout Day Camp

The Pelateh District Day Camp program is designed for this year’s Kindergarten (Tiger), First (Wolf) and Second grade (Bear) Cubs. Cub Scout Day Camps are encouraged to also attend Webelos Summer Camp. They can, however, attend both and we would gladly welcome them at Day Camp. Be sure your Cub Scout enjoys the excitement of American Treasures this summer.

Day Camp Hours of Operation

Douglas County Fair Grounds, 2200 Harper, Lawrence, KS Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri., 8:15 AM to 2:15 PM

Thursday Family Night Activities 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Day Camp will once again provide a fun filled night of games, booths, and information for the whole family. Please bring your lawn chairs, blankets, and a picnic dinner to enjoy as we take you through American Treasures! E-mail Pelateh Day Camp Director Ralena McCurdy at ralenamc@sunflower.com or call her at (785) 865-6095 for information on how to be a part of the 2002 Pelateh Cub Scout Day Camp.

Pelateh District Award of Merit Recipients

On Saturday, June 19th Baker University hosted our Annual Recognition Banquet. This year’s banquet offered a chance food and fellowship. At the banquet Tripp Anderson and Frank Wright were honored as the Heart of America Council Pelateh District Award of Merit Recipients. Tripp Anderson is a lifelong resident of Lawrence, and is an Eagle Scout. Tripp’s service has been a positive experience in the lives of several boys, he has aided dozens to attain Eagle. Congratulations Tripp!! Frank Wright has always been known as a hard worker for the benefit of scouts and scouting in general. He helps provide leadership whenever needed. The Award of Merit is a reflection of Frank’s extensive scouting service to the benefit of scouts and scouting in general. Congratulations Frank!!

United We Stand

Congratulations to those unit leaders who earned the recently released limited edition council shoulder patch. Those unit leaders qualified through a year end membership drive in which each unit in the Heart of America Council was challenged to help offer Scouting to new families by having registered more youth on December 31, than that unit began the year with.

Help make your unit a part of limited programs such as this by making new recruitment an important part of your activities.

Calendar of Events

February

7 Commissioner’s Meeting, First Christian Church, 10th & Kentucky

7 Roundtable, First Christian Church, 10th & Kentucky

21 District Committee Meeting, Land Plan Engineering

22-24 Klondike Derby, Camp Bromelsick

28 Council Commissioners Meeting

March

2 District Pine Wood Derby, Location TBA

7 Commissioner’s Meeting, First Christian Church, 10th & Kentucky

7 Roundtable, First Christian Church, 10th & Kentucky

9 Commissioners College

13 FOS Report Meeting

21 District Committee Meeting, Land Plan Engineering

28 Den Leader Training, Location TBA
Unit Rechartering

It is that time of year again. A reminder to all unit leaders that recharter packets will be available for pickup at the January and February Roundtable. Be sure to designate someone from your Pack, Troop, Crew, or Varsity Team to be in attendance and receive your packet. Utilize your unit Commissioner to help you with the process and answering any questions.

2002 Friends of Scouting Campaign “TEE IT UP FOR SCOUTING”

Friends of Scouting 2002 is well under way to another exciting campaign. Congratulations to Pack 3200 for exceeding their unit goal and earning the free rank advancement incentive. Who will be next?

This year’s campaign leaders are overall chairman Steven Geiger and Family Chairman Keith Sickendick. Thank you to all the packs and troops that have recruited a unit coordinator and set a date for a Family presentation. If your unit has not done so please contact your District Executive, Jason Ballew 816 942-9333 x182, fax 816 942-8086, jhballew@bsamail.org

Popcorn

Congratulations to all units that sold popcorn in the district and helped us beat last year's total sales. Red-Tailed Hawk sold a grand total of $173,098. A special thanks to this years Colonel Eirene Shipley-Oliphant and Gene & Eric Lamb, John & David Sleezer, and Jeff Wandtke who gave up their Saturday to help with distribution of all that popcorn.

February

7 Roundtable at 7:00 P.M., Location TBA
9 Day Camp Registration, 1st Baptist Church of Olathe – 9-11 a.m.
16 District Pinewood Derby, Mall of the Great Plains, 2-4 p.m.
22 Boy Scout Adult Training, Committee Challenge, Olathe Christian Church 6:30-9:30 p.m.
23 Boy Scout Adult Training, Scout master & Asst. Scoutmaster, Olathe Christian Church – 9-5 p.m.
28 District Committee Meeting, Stanley Presbyterian Church – 7:00 p.m.

March

7 Roundtable at 7:00 P.M., Location TBA, Location TBA
9 Day Camp, Pack Coordinator Rally, 1st Baptist Church of Olathe – 9 a.m.
28 District Committee Meeting, Stanley Presbyterian Church – 7-9 p.m.
15 All March Unit Recharters Due

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Spring Recruiting Begins

Most Scouts consider the fall the primary time to recruit boys into Scouting, but anytime should be the primary time. A boy recruited in the spring has the opportunity to go to Cub Day Camp or Boy Scout Camp right away. It also allows a boy to join a program before all the summer sports leagues are started. Consider putting some effort into a spring recruiting drive. For help with posters, flyers, or Boy Talks, contact the Pioneer Trails professionals at 816-942-9333.

Klondike Derby

On Saturday, February 23, 2002 we will hold the Klondike Derby, a treasured event at Blue and Grey Park. All units must pre-register no later than February 7, 2002 at the District Roundtable. For more information please contact Michael Grimaldi at 816-363-7949.

2002 Friends of Scouting Campaign

Pioneer Trails is on its way to another successful year in the Family Friends of Scouting Campaign. If your unit has not scheduled a Friends of Scouting presentation get on the bandwagon and give Steve Livingston a call at 816-444-5730.

Remember that if your unit meets its Friends of Scouting goal, and 40% of the families give a gift, you will qualify for free rank advancement for the year 2002.

Thank you to all units that have already had a Friends of Scouting presentation or have their unit scheduled to receive one.

Spring Event

Pioneer Trails will hold its spring event on March 23rd. The theme will geared towards Cub Scouts. Cub Scouts will have many activities to participate in. For questions please contact Michael Grimaldi at 816-363-7949.

In November the youth in Crew 2778 sponsored by the Beta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. invited the youth in both Crew 2540 of Westport Edison High School and Crew 2200 of Hogan Preparatory Academy to a weekend camp out. Fun was had by all.

Friends of Scouting

Thank you to all the units that have scheduled a Family Friends of Scouting presentation. Your dollars help support the premier youth organization in Kansas City. If your unit has not scheduled a presentation, please call David Riker at the Council Service Center, 816-942-9335 ext. 174.

Training

The time is right for you to come to training! Thunderbird’s District Training team is ready for a great spring training. Mark these dates on your calendar. Place and time are yet to be determined so keep an eye out on the council website and roundtable. If you have any questions contact David Riker at the Council Service Center at 816-942-9335 ext 174.

Remember, every youth deserves a trained leader.

Derbies, Derbies, Derbies!

January 19, 2002 saw another great Klondike Derby. Hundreds of Boy Scouts and Webelos competed in cold weather challenges ranging from first aid to pioneering to survival. Let’s all thank Jim Salisbury and his team for all their hard work to make this great event possible.

This month it’s the Cub’s turn! We move indoors as all Cubs are invited to take part in the Thunderbird District Pinewood Derby sponsored by Pack 366. It will be held on February 10, 2002 at the Community of Christ Church in Lee’s Summit near the corner of Highway 291 and Tudor Road. Call Nick Grimaldi at 816-942-9335, ext 174 or visit www.hcub-base.org for more information.

Rechartering

The deadline is near. Make sure that you have your rechartering packet in the office by February 15, 2002. This is an excellent opportunity to make sure everyone in your unit ends up registered and on your charter.

Annual Appreciation Dinner

What a night! What a meal! The dinner was a big success. On January 26th several adult Scouters, and non-Scouters were recognized for their support of the Scouting program. We would like to thank Activities Chairman, Brent Weir and Dinner Chairman, Joe MacKey for a most memorable evening. Congratulations to all who received the Silver Oakleaf, Silver Acorn and the Award of Merit.

2002 Thunderbird District Committee

Chairman Bill Love 816-474-4556
Commissioner Roger Mannion 816-537-4761
Vice-Chairman Myrta Frost 816-936-5268
Advancement Mark Grant 816-358-0612
Camping Keith Gregory 816-942-6285
Membership Fred Bixler 816-353-6105
Special Needs Barbara Shaffer 816-763-3226
Training Nicole Clark 816-430-5654
Activities Barbara Lalk 816-356-6963
Venturing John Boone 816-779-5389
District Director Bob Hamlin 816-942-9335 ext 174 (Hamlin@bsamail.org)
District Executive David Riker 816-942-9335
District Executive Nick Grimaldi 816-942-9335 ext 185

2002 Thunderbird District Calendar of Events

February

5 District Roundtable – 7:30 p.m. First Baptist Church, Raytown, MO 816-954-6544
9 Thunderbird District Pinewood Derby – 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Community Church of Christ, Lee’s Summit, MO 816-537-4761
12 District Commissioner Meeting – 7:30 p.m., Council Service Center 816-942-5800
16 Health & Safety Training 816-537-4761
23 Venturing Specific Training 816-537-4761

March

2 New Leader Essentials and Cub Leader specifics 816-942-9335
5 District Roundtable – 7:30 p.m. First Baptist Church, Raytown, MO 816-942-9335
9 Youth Protection Training – 7:00 p.m. Hickman Mills High School 816-942-9335
12 District Commissioner Meeting – 7:30 p.m., Council Service Center 816-942-9335
16 Den Chief Training 816-942-9335
21 District Committee Meeting – 7:00 p.m., Our Lady of Presentation Church, Lee’ Summit, MO

2002 Thunderbird District Committee
American Treasures, Day Camp 2002

Summer is sneaking upon us. Early bird registration is February 2nd at Shawnee Mission West High School. This will be in conjunction with the Merit Badge Forum. Day Camp this year will run from June 10-14. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Pat Harvey, or Paul Whaley. They would appreciate any time you can give to help make Day Camp a success.

This will be the first ever Trailhead Day Camp. With all the great events and activities planned for the “American Treasures Day Camp”, how could you not attend?

Come join the fun. For more information your Unit Leader at 913-642-4071, or Paul Whaley at 913-383-8368.

We Salute Troop 37

Congratulations to Troop 37 for being our second Unit in the Trailhead District to reach 2001 Friends of Scouting. Not only did you meet your goal, you also more than doubled what they gave last year. Wow! Thank you for your dedication and support. Who will be next?

2001 Friends of Scouting Campaign

As you know from having presentations in the past, the cost of the Scouting program in the Heart of America Council is $127.00 per boy, beyond the cost of registration fees and unit dues. That can be an incredible task for all units. In order to achieve this goal’s, units need to schedule their presentations. All unit leaders who have not yet done so already need to select someone from their unit to schedule and coordinate a presentation with either Debra Hawel at 913-491-4779, or Ross Pfannenstiel at 816-942-9333 ext. 1640.

Roundtable Roundtables are a form of commissioner service and supplemental training for volunteers at the unit level. It serves as a source of information on events and training, and an opportunity to share experiences and enjoy fellowship with other unit leaders. Roundtables provide unit leaders with skills, tools, and program ideas to enhance the quality of their meetings. Roundtables are held on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. The location for the roundtable is Robert Clark Middle School in Bonner Springs, Kansas. Please make an effort to participate in these informative sessions, which are designed to assist unit level leadership in program development.

Summer Camp and Day Camp Promotion

Now is the time to begin finalizing plans to attend and participate in a camping program this summer. Contact your District Executive at the Council Service Center for details.

Klodkine Derby

Thanks to the efforts of Richard Robles and his team, the Kaw District Klodkine Derby, which was held at the Western Star Park on January 19 – 20, 2002 was a huge success.

Charter Renewal

Thanks to all the units that turned in their Charts on time. Charter Renewal is a time of re-commitment to the ideals of the Scouting program. Let’s not take renewals for granted, they are not only as young people, leaders, and their parents if they are willing to commit to another year of Scouting, but we also ask the Charter Organization to reaffirm their commitment to Scouting. This is an important step in relationship building. Also, it is a critical process in Kaw District being recognized as a Quality District because 60% of our units must renew their charters on time and quality for quality unit status. If you need help with the Charter Renewal process, please call Charles Floors at 816-942-9333, ext. 149.

Kansas City, Kansas Community College Merit Badge Conference

I trust your troop has registered for this educational event. The Kansas City, Kansas Community College is the place to be to earn some merit badges and to meet Scouts from throughout the District. Begin making plans to attend this year’s Merit Badge Conference. A leader’s packet was mailed out during the month of January. Our Dean of Admission, Cindy Dixie is still accepting applications.

Popcorn

The 2001 popcorn sale is officially over. As a District, we sold more than $125,000 in gross sales. The sale has funded the ideal year of Scouting for a number of Kaw District’s Cub Scout Packs, Boy Scout Troops, and Venture Crews.

Annual Leaders’ Recognition Dinner

Thanks to Wayne Moody and his team. Everyone who attended this year’s Kaw District Leaders’ Recognition Dinner on Saturday, January 26, 2002 was treated to a delightful evening of food, fellowship, and award recognition. The Dinner was held at the Mywood Christian Church in Piper, Kansas, and we recognized as deserving individuals with the Award of Merit, which is the highest recognition that a District can bestow upon a volunteer. Pictures and more information from this year’s event will come in next month’s article of the “Adventures in Scouting” newsletter.

Scout Sunday and Scout Sabbath – The twelfth point of the Scout Law reminds us that a Scout should be a friend of all. During the first Saturday or Sunday of the month of February, make it a point for your unit to worship together. If you are chartered to a Church or Synagogue, actively participate in their worship service. This is an excellent way to help build the relationship between your unit and its Charter Organization.

The Mechanics of Webelos to Scout Transition

Each pack with a Webelos Den should begin making plans with a Troop in the District to make certain that all of your eligible Webelos are graduating into a Troop this spring. Pocks should invite a nighthoot Troop to its Blue and Gold Banquet, and March Pack Meeting. Troops should encourage their First Class Scout Pocks to serve as Den Chiefs in local Packs, as well as inviting several Webelos do on as first camping trip in the spring. These suggestions will help ease the transition and the nerves of our Webelos as they cross over into Boy Scouts.

Pinewood Derby Race at General Motors

This year’s race is April 13, 2002 at the General Motors Manufacturing plant located at 3207 Fairfax Towneway in the Fairfax District. All Cub Scouts are invited to participate and race their car against other Cub Scouts from Wyandotte and Leavenworth Counties. The entry form was mailed to all unit leaders during the month of December. For more information, contact Charles Floors at 816-942-9333, ext. 149.
Big Muddy District Welcomes New District Executive

The Heart of America Council would like to welcome the new District Executive for the Big Muddy District. Grant transferred from the within the Council and started serving the Big Muddy District last year. Grant is a graduate of Central Missouri State University, with a Major in Criminal Justice and a Minor in History. He is Keeper of the Wampum in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say and became an Eagle Scout in 1992. If you have any questions or concerns, please call Grant at (816) 942-9333 ext. 756, or email him at gdealy@bsamail.org.

Big Muddy Annual Recognition Dinner

The Annual Dinner will be held at the Richmond Veteran’s Building on February 2. The program will begin at 7:00pm with registration beginning at 6:30 p.m. The cost is tentatively set at $15.00 per person. Please consider giving some of your time to help put on a quality program. If you are interested in helping Carol out please call her at (913) 764-0395 for more information.

Family Friends of Scouting

The 2002 Friends of Scouting Campaign is now in full Swing; because this year’s theme is Golf. If you have not already, now is the time to schedule your unit presentation! Contact Grant at (816) 942-9333 ext. 156 for more information.

Calendars of Events

February

2 District Recognition Dinner, First Christian Church of Olathe, 7:30 p.m.
3 Roundtable, 7:30 p.m., Lexington United Methodist Church
9 District Commissioner Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Location TBA
21 District Committee Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Wellington American Legion
March

5 Roundtable, 7:30 p.m., Lexington United Methodist Church
9 College of Commissioner Service, Fort Leavenworth, KS
13 District Commissioner’s Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Location TBA
21 District Committee Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Wellington American Legion

Boy Scouts of America

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Cub Scout Day Camp 2002

The Great American Adventure

will begin:

July 8th – July 12

Day Camp Registration Begins

Feb. 2nd, 2002 9:00 a.m.

First Presbyterian Church of Olathe

200 E. Loula – Olathe, KS

Initial camp fee deposits of $10.00 per boy due at registration.

Contact Dee Creath at (913) 764-0395 for more information.

NOTE: Health forms for all participants of Day Camp DUE at April Roundtable.

2002 Friends of Scouting Campaign

“Teeing Up for Trails West Scouting”

As you know from having presentations in the past, the cost of the Scouting program in the Heart of America Council is $130.00 per boy, beyond the cost of registration fees and unit dues. That can be an incredible task for all units. This year our goal is to support of the active membership in your unit at the $130.00 level. In order to achieve this year’s goal, units need to schedule their presentations. All unit leaders and committees who have not yet done so are urged to schedule your presentation to coordinate with Chad Wisnack to the Council Service Center. Remember, presentations need to be scheduled between November and February unless your Court of Honor or Blue and Gold Banquet fall after this time. Remember that your Friends of Scouting Presentation is giving money to support the Scouting Program. The money you donate is supporting your Scouts.

Unit Recharging

A reminder to all Scouting volunteers – it’s almost time to recharge your unit for another year. There will be a recharging training at the February Roundtable. All Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, and committee chairpersons are urged to attend. Someone from your unit must attend training to receive your recharging packet. Since this training will be conducted at roundtable, you may wish to have at least 2 leaders present.
February Salutes
This Month in the Eagle Salute
Spotlight
The Northern Tier District is proud to present our newest Eagles as of December. We present: Randall Madison of Troop 502, Brian King of Troop 93, Caleb Matters of Troop 199, George Gordon of Troop 192, Sam Winslow of Troop 192, Winston Collins of Troop 192, Jerry Knokel of Troop 299, Cole Chmiulewski of Troop 93, and Mike Pieper of Troop 93. Yea Team! Congratulations to you all from your Northern Tier District and the Heart of America Council. We Salute You!

We Salute Troop 185
Congratulations to Tom Hoover Scout Master and his Troop 185 for their extrardinary dedication for over 38 years to the Kansas State Forest Service Tree Planting Program to be planted. Over the years they have covered over 8,500 acres in seedlings. The troop this year received a very distinguished award, the Kansas State Forester’s award. This award is a very treasured award and is going to be cherished by the troop. Congratulations to Troop 185 for your great community service. Troop 185’s trees are growing all across Kansas.

Shiver Me Timbers and Blow Me Away
Pack 3247’s Raingutter Regatta
Caleb Denman stood there breathing hard with his cheeks puffing in and out. But Caleb was all smiles. You see, Caleb was a new Tiger cub scout coming in Pack 3247’s Raingutter Regatta. He had just beat Nick Hughes, a 1st year Webelos scout, and became the pack champion. Or so he thought. But this was a double elimination event and this was Nick’s first lost of the day. Caleb would have to race Nick again and beat him again to become the pack champion. Could a Tiger cub beat an older cub scout twice in a row?

Pack 3247 had not held a Raingutter Regatta in a few years and the pack committee decided it was time to bring this event back. Boats were bought and designs carefully thought out and followed. Building a boat for a Raingutter Regatta is a great project for any cub scout, no matter what age or skill level. The day of the event brought boats of all designs and colors. There was no limit to the boy’s imagination. We had pristine ships, sailing skiffs, Legs/TM men as captains, and even one boat with jolly old St. Nick fishing off the starboard side.

The boats were placed at the end of the rain gutter. On your mark, get set, go! Caleb got a solid start out of the blocks and jumped to a big lead. Nick, seeing that he was behind, began to blow hard and steady, closing the margin. Nick was close on the finish block fast but with one final puff, Caleb hit the block for the victory! Nick shook hands and congratulated the winner.

Pack 3247’s Raingutter Regatta

Friends of Scouting Kickoff 2002
Let’s all join in this wonderful way to support the Scouting Program. Friends of Scouting 2002 is in high gear. Friends of Scouting is such a vital part of our program in its to help support our leaders in their needed training, preserving both the Naish and Bartle Reservations that we all enjoy year after year, and that needed help for camp, uniforms, or registration fees for those that may need a little help. Those are just a few ways our Friends of Scouting dollars are used. Please sign your unit up today to show your support of the Scouting Program and our Northern Tier District. And don’t forget, free rank advancement till the end of 2002 when your unit has reached it goals. We ask that you schedule your presentation between November 2001 and February 2002 during Blue and Gold Banquets, Troop Courts of Honor, and Venturing Crew Award Ceremonies. To schedule your presentation, contact Lisa Hayes at the Council Service Center at 816-942-9333 ext. 172.

KEEP THIS INFO CLOSE!
IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS
HOAC Website http://www.hoac-bsa.org
HOAC Fax (816) 942-8086
District Executive Lisa Hayes (816) 942-9333 ext. 172
District Chairman Skip Peavey (913) 661-9999
District Vice-Chairman Bill Henderson (913) 268-6260
District Advancement Chairman Judy Tuckness (913) 268-9996
District Camping Chairman Gene Adams (913) 362-4509
District Membership Chairman Wendy Richardson (913) 268-0103
District Training Chairman Judy Yeager (913) 362-2029
District Cub Scout Roundup Commissioner Lori Kearns (913) 583-1011
District Cub Scout Co-Chairman Commissioner Dave Sultz (913) 381-7824
District Boy Scout Roundup Commissioner Mike Blinn (913) 432-5446
District Boy Scout Co-Chairman Commissioner Ron Bonewits (913) 631-2165

Sharing the Fund-raiser!
Troop 189 and its neighboring troop, Troop 279, have shared a Chili Dinner fund-raiser the past several years. This started back when Troop 189 was low in enrollment and its scoutmaster realized that rather than serve chili to perhaps only 100 people it would be just as easy to serve 250. The choice of who to invite to share in the project was a natural, the two troops are only 6 blocks apart on Nall Avenue and they are acquainted through their Scouting and school activities.

Scouts of each troop sell tickets and half the ticket price goes to that Scout, half goes to Troop 189 to buy all the supplies.

The dinner is served at Countryside Christian Church at 6101 Nall that sponsoring Troop 189. If you want to see how two troops can cooperate in a fund-raiser for their neighboring cub dinner on Saturday, January 12, from 11 to 7 pm. The address is 6101 Nall.

Day Camp 2002
American Treasures
Mark your calendars for June 17 - 21 and get ready for a fun-filled road trip through America. Your guides, Lori and Dave are back and are joined this year by Gary. The three of us, as well as other key staff, are planning an adventure for your Cubs that will be full of FUN and excitement. All of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots) will be there all of the old favorites (BBs, Archery, the Bull Ride, Sling Shots)
Klondike Derby 2002

The Lone Bear District held its annual Klondike Derby on January 12th at Knob Noster State Park and all in attendance had a good time. Jim Harmon and his staff of ventures ran the challenging stations that tested even the most seasoned Eagle Scouts. The night was capped of by a great campfire and skits.

Ventures ran the challenging stations that included songs and skits. The evening was capped off by a great campfire and skits.

Family Friends of Scouting

The 2002 Family Friends of Scouting Campaign is off to the best start of all times. Each unit should now be signed up to have a presentation at its next court of honor or pack meeting. The campaign is working to raise funds to keep Scouting strong in the Lone Bear District and the Heart of America Council. If your unit has now set a date for your presentation please call Alan Sanders at (800) 776-1110 ext. 158.

Scout Anniversary Week

This is the time, February 3-9, when we celebrate the founding of the Boy Scouts of America. Cub Packs hold Blue and Gold Banquets, Troops often hold Courts of Honor. Many units attend religious services as a group. What is your unit planning to celebrate?

Cub Scout Day Camp

The Day Camp staff hopes that you are as excited about this years’ camp as we are. We have several new activities and crafts for you, as well as new staff on hand to help you have a wonderful experience. Due to some work at George Owens Nature Park, we have relocated some of the activities.

Quick Communication

We, the Beautiful Blue Elk professional staff, use e-mail for quick communication with Blue Elk volunteers. If you check your e-mail regularly and have not received anything from the Blue Elk Staff recently, please e-mail Ken Newkirk. By doing so, we will have your correct e-mail address or you can send it to him so he can add you to the list.

Friends of Scouting

FOS is our chance to provide financial support to the program that does so much for our youth. It’s time to put your heads together and set a date for your Friends of Scouting Presentation. Please let us know what date you prefer and your appointed coordinator for your unit. We can schedule a presenter to attend your next pack meeting or Court of Honor. Call Ken Newkirk at 816-942-9333 ext. 178 to schedule a presenter to attend your next Pack meeting or Court of Honor.

Calendar of Events

[Events listed for February and March, including dates and locations for various meetings and trainings.]

2001 Lone Bear District Committee

Chairman: J.C. Smith (816) 660-885-2744
Commissioner: Randy White (816) 660-647-5694
Executive: Alan J. Sanders (800) 776-1110
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Training: Ray Norris (816) 674-2796
Nominating: Gary V. Cover (816) 660-885-3893
BS Training: Ray Norris (816) 674-2796
CS Training: Mark Koxen (816) 856-6935
BS Roundtable: B.J. Straw (816) 660-885-6861
CS Roundtable: Mark Koxen (816) 856-6935
Advancement: Gary Cover (800) 660-885-6914
NESA: Rick Carleton (816) 674-8470
Camping: John Gaston (816) 297-2216
Special Needs: Bob Straw (816) 885-6336
Activities: Steve Fuote (816) 417-646-2651
Venturing: Al High (816) 660-885-3529
OA Chapter Advisor: Dan Henderson (816) 660-563-2590
Popcorn: Joy Lakey (816) 674-3996
Paw Waw: Betty Jones (816) 660-563-5649

Calendar of Events (continued)

District Committee Meeting

The committee will meet Thursday, Feburary 1, 2002. It will be held at 7:30pm at Bingham Junior High. All Members at Large, Operating Committee Members, and Chartered Organization Representatives are urged to attend.

Friends of Scouting

2002 Blue Elk District Leadership

Blue Elk 2002 District Leadership

District Chair: Dr. David Buech (816) 521-2700
District Commissioner: Ron Kues (816) 229-6381
Vice Chair of Operations: Ken Zeke (816) 373-4800
Vice Chair of Programs: Marvin Sand (816) 212-201-1038
Vice Chair of Hum Res: Aaron Guest (816) 373-2813
Girl Scout Membership Chair: Margaret Johnson (816) 373-8213
District Director: Britt Davis (816) 942-9333
District Executive: Emily Mincer (816) 942-9333
Cluster Activities
A new aspect to programming in Exploring will be introduced this mid-spring. This program will be known as “Spring Cluster Activities.”

These activities will consist of specific career related activities related to each Exploring cluster (i.e. Arts and Communications, Business and Law, etc…). These events could range from project competitions between posts, presentations given and exchanged between posts, or even re-inaugured/mocked situational events. A meeting will be held with all Cluster chairs and Exploring advisor this early spring to discuss and brainstorm this activity. A direct mailing to all advisors will be conducted with information regarding this meeting and the spring activities.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Exploring Division at 816-942-9333.

Friends of Scouting
The 2002 Friends of Scouting campaign is upon us again. We are looking at a goal of $70,000 with a projected date of accomplishment by April 1, 2002. This is an opportunity to provide financial support to over 55,250 youth in Kansas City. The support helps to deliver life-changing values of Scouting programs and the Learning for Life programs to youth in our 19-county area.

Currently, there is around 4,500 young men and women who participate in about 100 Explorer Posts in the greater Kansas City area. The Learning for Life program operates in schools to provide life skills, character and career education programs to students in grades K-12, with enrollment of over 18,000.

If you would like to further support these programs financially, and/or have questions regarding the Friends of Scouting Campaign, then please call the Exploring Division at 816-942-9333.

Spring Recruiting
Now is the time to plan for your spring recruiting efforts. All packs are encouraged to recruit new Tiger Cubs this spring and troops will be greeting new Webelos into the Troops. Any questions on membership? Give Brian Blake a call at 816-746-6797.

Cub Scout Day Camp
Has your pack signed up for a great week at Day Camp? The dates are June 10-14 and the location will once again be the Platte County Fairgrounds. Camp Director Daryl Lemaster and his staff are hard at work to put on the best day camp for your cub scout pack. Need information on Day Camp? Give Daryl a call at 816-858-5197.

Award of Merit & H. Virgil Bower Scoutmaster Award
The District Award of Merit and the H. Virgil Bower Scoutmaster Award were presented at the District annual Dinner on January 12th. Congratulations go to the following for receiving the Award of Merit: Paul Crooks, Troop 374; Dan Duddy, Pack & Troop 444; Gary Ford, Troop 214; Neal Lang, Troop 155; Kenny Long, Troop 389; Jim Olleshki, District Commissioner; Kevin Roth, Pack & Troop 314; congratulations also go to Clark Snipes for being selected to receive the H. Virgil Bower Scoutmaster Award.

Klondike Derby
BIG thanks goes to every troop that participated in this year’s Klondike Derby on January 19th at the Kelsey Short Youth Camp at Smithville Lake. A thank you also goes to Klondike Chairman John Burwell and his staff for putting on a great Klondike!

Friends of Scouting
Has your unit scheduled a FOS presentation? A member of the family presentation team is ready to come to your next meeting. Give Jeff Coak a call at 816-468-9322 or Steve Roberts a call at 816-942-9333 ext. 151 or see your Zone Chairman to get your FOS date on the calendar. This year’s campaign is in full swing and early results are looking great. Don’t forget the free rank advancements if you unite achieves its goal. If you have any cards and/or pledges to turn in, we can collect them at roundtable or give Steve Roberts a call at 816-942-9333 ext. 151.

Calendar of Events
February
2 District Mall Show & Pinewood Derby 8:00 a.m., Antioch Shopping Center
7 District Roundtable, 7:30 p.m., Hillside Christian Church, 900 NE Vivion
14 Youth Protection Training, OA Chapter Meeting & Merit Badge Counselor Orientation at Roundtable
17 District Committee Meeting, 7:30 p.m., North Cross United Methodist, 1321 NE Vivion
March
7 District Roundtable, 7:30 p.m., Hillside Christian Church, 900 NE Vivion
8 Fast Star Training, OA Chapter Meeting, Youth Protection Training, & Merit Badge Counselor Orientation at Roundtable
17 District Committee Meeting, 7:30 p.m., North Cross United Methodist Church, 1321 NE Vivion
24 Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7:30 p.m., St. Luke’s Presbyterian Church, 4301 NE Vivion

Leader Basic Training, Time and Location to be Announced
16 Outdoor Leaders Skills Workshop, Time and Location to be Announced

Tour Permits. Each post that is planning to travel outside of the 19-county Heart of America Councils area, needs to contact us to obtain a Tour Permit form. We ask you to inform us of your post’s plans, as well as, returning the completed form to the Council Service Center at least two weeks in advance. If your post has plans to go out of state you will need to complete a National Tour Permit that requires a 30-day advance completion. By completing these forms, each of us will have an official copy for our individual files and will allow us to be informed of your super-activity plans. Thank you for your assistance and understanding.

If you have any questions or would like to request a Tour Permit form, please call the Exploring Division at 816-942-9333. These forms can also be found in the “Guide to Safe Learning for Life Activities”.

Resources
Visit our national web-site for all of your program and recognition needs! Please take advantage of this great resource tool! Check it out today at: www.learning-for-life.org
TO OUR VALUED VOLUNTEER:

**BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA — HEART OF AMERICA COUNCIL**
10210 HOLMES ROAD, KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI 64131
VOLUME 59

**KANSAS CITY SCOUT SHOP**
10210 Holmes Road • Kansas City, MO 64131
(816) 942-7757 or Fax: (816) 942-8337

HOURS: Mon., Tues., Wed., & Fri. 9 a.m.—6 p.m.
Thurs.: 9 a.m.—8 p.m. • Sat.: 10 a.m.—4 p.m.

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**New District Map**