Memorial Day Flag Retirement Ceremony

In the aftermath of September 11th, Americans have taken greater steps to show their patriotism, often by flying the American Flag. Over time these flags have become faded and torn. It is the aim of the Heart of America Council’s Order of the Arrow to provide the public with a service that allows these flags to be given a proper retirement.

The Order of the Arrow is holding a flag retirement ceremony on May 29th, 2004, at the North Meadow, Theodore Naish Scout Reservation. The goal of the lodge is to collect 5,000 American Flags that will be retired the evening of May 29th. To date, approximately 1,000 flags have been collected.

If you have an American Flag that you would like to contribute to the Order of the Arrow, please bring it to one of the following collection sites. Flag collections will end on Armed Forces Day, May 15th, 2004.

All Nations Flag Company
114 W. 5th Street
Kansas City, Missouri  64105
(1 block west of the City Market)
(816) 842-8798

Heart of America Council Service Center
10210 Holmes Road
Kansas City, Missouri  64131
(816) 942-9333

Your Local Boy Scout Troop

First Community Bank
615 E. Ohio
Clinton, MO  64735

1919 Hwy 13
Higginsville, MO 64037

1820 N. Main
Higginsville, MO 64037

200 N. State St.
Knob Noster, MO 65336

301 S.E. Main St.
Lee’s Summit, MO 64063

1251 S.W. Oldham Parkway
Lee’s Summit, MO 64063

920 Thompson Blvd.
Sedalia, MO 65301

For More Information:
David Chinnery at (816) 554-7000 or
Jonathan Bonness at (816) 942-9333
Council Calendar

March
3 CS Day Camp Staff Meeting
6 TN Work Day, 8:00 am
6 Bartle Work Day, 8:00 am
9 Executive Committee Meeting, 12:00 pm
10 FOS Report Meeting, 6:00 pm
10 Pow Wow Staff, 7:00 am
10 SNAWS Staff Meeting, 7:00 pm
12 Commissioner College, 5:00 pm
13 Climbing Program, 8:00 am
13 COPE Weekend, 8:00 am
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27 SNAWS, 8:00 am
30 CL Membership Committee Meeting, 7:00 pm

April
3 Climbing Program, 8:00 am
3 COPE Weekend, 8:00 am
7 BS Day Camp Staff Meeting, 7:00 pm
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14 OA LEC Meeting, 7:00 pm
14 MOS Spirit Run - Youth, 6:30 am
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17 BS Camp Leader Meeting Bartle, 7:00 am
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Endowment Calendar

April
31 FOS Report Meeting, 6:00 pm
31 Good Turn Meeting, 7:00 pm

Tribute Funds

In Memory of:
Walter Robbins
Arthur Robbins
Andrew and Sue Dullit
Mr. And Mrs. L.C. Nelson
Jack Bundy
Cindy West
D. J. Zook
Melvin Ov_UNSIGNED
Sally and Martha Cox

2003 Endowment Update

At the 2003 Heritage Society reception, held at the Annual Business Meeting on November 19, Tom McCullough recognized new James E. West Fellows and members of the Founder’s Circle. The Heritage Society now totals 265 members including over 100 who have included Scouting in their estate plans. Currently the endowment fund totals $9 million with an additional $6.1 million in deferred commitments.

There were 11 new James E. West Fellows in 2003 and Peter Graud attended the Heritage Society reception to receive his knot, certificate, and pin recognizing his contribution. The James E. West Fellowship is awarded for gifts of $1,000 or more to the Council’s endowment.

The Founder’s Circle recognizes planned gifts commitments of $100,000 or more to the Endowment Fund. The Bronze level recognizes gifts of $100,000 or $249,999. The Silver level recognizes gifts of $250,000 to $499,999. The Gold level recognizes gifts of $500,000 to $999,999 and the Platinum level recognizes gifts of $1,000,000 or more.

During the Heritage Society reception Matt and Katie Beem received recognition for their Bronze level commitment. Dr. John Hunkeler received recognition for his Silver level commitment and Terry Dunn, Cliff Ilig and David Lockton received recognition for the Platinum level commitment.

Thank you to these and all the Endowment donors of the Heart of America Council. Through your support, Scouting will remain strong for generations to come.

For more information on Endowment, please contact Michael J. Johnson, Director of Finance Services at (816) 942-3333 ext. 179 or mjohnson@bsa.org.

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Registration Update

With over 2600 registered, we are surprised that only about 20% have been youth (under 18 years old). Many people have told us how exciting this event looks to be and that they want their Troop’s Tribesmen to attend as a group and we keep watching for the expected surge of youth registrations. We need all unit leaders and all tribesmen to promote this event to their units! Everyone remembers forever the ceremony when they first became part of our Tribe, and accepted the responsibilities that came with the honor of membership. The size and scope of our 75th Celebration ceremony will be unlike any other. Our youth membership is our future, and the boys will have the memories to share as Mic-O-Say continues growing toward the 100th Anniversary in 2029!! ‘This isn’t just a Feast; it’s a Celebration!’

Special coups, good food, special shows and a spectacular ceremony culminated by a 15-minute fireworks extravaganza will excite our young tribesmen. Next summer probably seems some distance out on their calendars and they probably need some encouragement to sign up. Don’t miss this opportunity to bring them down—perhaps you need some encouragement to sign up. Don’t miss this opportunity to bring them down—probably need some encouragement to sign up.

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2004 Distinguished Citizen Announced

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The Heart of America Council has teamed up with some of the finest names in apparel to provide you with high quality commemorative wear. Item below are available by Pre-Order only – Merchandise will not be available for purchase on the day of the event.

To Order Visit www.mic-o-say.org and click on the 75th Anniversary logo.

Mic-O-Say Field & Stream T-Shirt – Oversized 100% Cotton Riverwashed and pigment dyed. Screen Printed logo - Printing Style 1. Choose from Blue, Green, Yellow or Tan.
Sizes: Small-XL $15.00  XXL $18.00  XXXL $20.00

The Tribe Field & Stream T-Shirt – Oversized 100% Cotton Riverwashed and pigment dyed. Screen Printed logo - Printing Style 2. Choose from Blue, Green, Yellow or Tan.
Sizes: Small-XL $15.00  XXL $18.00  XXXL $20.00

The Tribe Field & Stream Crewneck Sweatshirt – Oversized 100% Heavyweight Cotton Riverwashed and pigment dyed. Embroidered logo on left chest - Printing Style 3. Choose from Blue, Green, Yellow or Tan.
Sizes: Small-XL $25.00  XXL $28.00  XXXL $30.00

Mic-O-Say Field & Stream Riverwash Polo – Oversized 100% Cotton Riverwashed and pigment dyed. Embroidered logo on left chest - Printing Style 3. Choose from Blue, Green, Yellow or Tan.
Sizes: Small-XL $25.00  XXL $28.00  XXXL $30.00

Sizes: Small-XL $42.00  XXL $45.00  XXXL $47.00

Dunbrooke Cypress Windshirt – Room for your swing, a v-neck with subtle striped collar and side seam pockets. Microfiber material with nylon lining, knit cuffs, ribbing at hem and waistband, and from a Kansas City area company! Embroidered logo on left chest - Printing Style 3. Choose from Blue, Green, Yellow or Tan.
Sizes: Small-XL $25.00  XXL $28.00  XXXL $30.00

The Mic-O-Say Cap is an unstructured 6 panel cap made of brushed cotton with two piece velcro closure, a covered button and sewn eyelets. The three layer bill makes this cap a very sharp looking! Choose khaki cap with khaki/black layered bill, or navy cap with navy/khaki layered bill. Embroidered on the front - Printing style #3. One Size: $10.00

The Mic-O-Say Visor is a garment washed 100% cotton sport visor with an adjustable back and three layer bill. Choose khaki with khaki/white layered bill, or navy with navy/khaki layered bill. Embroidered on the front - Printing style #3. One Size: $10.00

California Outwear Mic-O-Say Canvas Field Coat is sand washed 100% cotton canvas with a water repellent finish. The lining is hi-count quilted nylon with polyester fiber fill. This is a rugged, reliable jacket with a stylish leather collar, storm flap with hidden snapped, and many other features. Perfect to wear all year round. Machine washable. British Tan. Embroidered on left chest - Printing style #3. Sizes: Med-$65.00  XL-$70.00  XXL-$75.00

The Mic-O-Say Free-Flow Backpack – a casual hiking essential. This lightweight mesh bag has a front zipper pocket, contoured non-slip back straps and wide zip-around main compartment. Hold a lot of gear! Embroidered - Printing Style 3. One Size: $20.00

Registration Form

SPONSORSHIP AND TOURNAMENT FEE INFORMATION:

❑ TITLE SPONSOR – $12,000
  Tournament named for you or your company, entitles you to twelve (12) complimentary tournament registrants.

❑ HOLE SPONSOR – $1,600
  Sponsor a hold for the tournament and you will receive four (4) complimentary tournament registrants.

❑ TEAM SPONSOR – $800
  Underwrite your own team of four golfers.

❑ INDIVIDUAL PLAYER – $200
  Register to play and we will place you in a foursome.

My check made payable to the Heart of America Council is in the amount of $___________. (A portion of your fee/contribution is tax-deductible.)

NAME: ________________________________________________
Company: ________________________________________________
Address: ________________________________________________
City: ________________________ State: _____ Zip: ___________
Phone: ________________________ Fax: ________________________
Email: ____________________________________________

As a sponsor, we will contact you for the names of your complimentary registrants.

Send this form along with your check to:
Heart of America Council,
Boy Scouts of America
P.O. Box 414177
Kansas City, MO  64141-4177

Questions? Call Bob Hamlin at 816-942-9333 ext 121
email: rhamlin@bsamail.org

**Tee it up for Traditional Values**

Heart of America Council
Boy Scouts of America

16th Annual

BOY SCOUT GOLF CLASSIC

Monday, May 17, 2004
Deer Creek Country Club

Play your favorite game... and benefit the many fine young people in our community who learn and grow through the programs offered by the Heart of America Council, Boy Scouts of America.

PRIZES! PRIZES! PRIZES!
Skill Prizes • Putting Contest • Draw Prizes

Awards will be presented immediately following tournament.

Registration/Check-In: 7:00 a.m.
Shotgun Start: 7:30 a.m.
Lunch will be served after your round
No Denim, Collared Shirts only, Soft Spikes only!
Salute to Scouting!

Oakland A’s Vs. Kansas City Royals

Saturday, May 16, 2004, 1:10 p.m.

Come in Uniform & Participate in Pre-Game Parade Around the Field

Special Discount Seating – Regular Prices are $19 & $12.

Details to purchase tickets is Friday, April 30th, 2004!

Tickets will be directly mailed to the unit contact listed below.

Scout Night at the Royals – event code 697

Pack #: Troop #: District Name:
Contact Person:
Phone:
Address:
City, State, Zip:

Field Plaza Tickets @ $16 ea. = $
View Level Infield @ $10 ea. = $

Make Checks Payable to: HOAC, PO Box 414177, Kansas City, MO 64141-4177
Questions? Please contact Lori Gooding at (816) 942-9333 ext: 154 or lgooding@bsmail.org

What if it Rains?
Every attempt will be made to proceed with pre-game ceremonies; it is best to assume all games will be played.

When and Where?
First Pitch and Color Guard

Participants are to report 45 minutes prior to game time. Enter the stadium at turnstiles located at Gates A or B and proceed to plaza level, section 101 (behind home plate). A Royals representative will meet the participants, outside the double glass doors located to the left of the terrace.

Color Guard
Units must provide their own flags and be in uniform prior to arrival at Kauffman Stadium.

Parade
Participants will meet Royals parade coordinators behind the Royals Scoreboard by 12:05 p.m. After the parade, participants will exit the field and enter stadium seating through Gate B. Parade Ceremony begins at 12:30 p.m.

LEVELS OF PARTICIPATION:

Gold Level Sponsor
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Participation in the 12-station sporting clays course, continental breakfast, lunch, ammo, and keepsake gift. The amenities package has an estimated value of $550 per team. $138 per person. The portion of your contribution that is deductible as a charitable contribution for Federal Income Tax purposes is limited to the excess of the value of the contribution over the value of these goods and services.

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We will participate as a:
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Payment Options:
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☑ Send an Invoice
☑ Visa ☐ Mastercard

Card No.______________________________________ Expiration _____________________________
Signature_____________________________________________________________
Make checks payable to: Heart of America Council
Mail to: Tony Adams & Friends Sporting Clays for Scouting
Heart of America Council, 10219 Holmes Road, Kansas City, Missouri 64131

Registration and payment must be received by Friday, June 11th, 2004

SHOOTING TEAM INFORMATION:
Team Sponsor
Please indicate the company name exactly as you wish it to appear on printed materials, signs and recognitions.
Address:
City, State, Zip:

Tony Adams & Friends presents 5th Annual Sporting Clays for Scouting

Friday, June 18th, 2004
(Arrowhead Pavilion, Kansas City, MO)
6:30 p.m. Fellowship & Silent Auction
7:30 p.m. Dinner

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(Powder Creek Gun Club, Lenexa, KS)
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1:00 p.m. Awards Ceremony

Shotgun Merit Badge Clinic
Tony Adams & Friends
Sporting Clays for Scouting
June 18th & 19th, 2004

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Registration is $25 per Scout, which includes one hour of safety instruction, personal instructor from NSCA Certified Instructor and registered BSA Merit Badge Counselors, ammunition, gun use, and Saturday lunch.

Troops that would like to pre-register on Friday may do so for $20 per charge. Group sizes are not permitted. All instructors will be completed by 4 p.m. on Saturday.

The event will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday morning, with registration proceeding at 7:30 a.m. Each participant must check in and receive their identification card, in order to participate in the merit badge program.

This event does pose potential for dangerous situations, please act responsibly and have plenty of adult supervision.

This event coincides with a celebrity shooting competition, which financially supports the Heart of America Council.

Shot Gun Merit Badge Clinic Registration Form

Name: Age:
Address:
City, State, Zip Code:
Contact Name:
Phone:
Troop #: District:
Camping:
If yes, including adults, how many will be camping?

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This event coincides with a celebrity shooting competition, which financially supports the Heart of America Council.

Shot Gun Merit Badge Clinic Registration Form

Scout’s Name: _______ Age: _______
Phone: (_____)______
Address: ____________________________________________
City, State, Zip Code: ________________________________
Contact Adult Name: ___________________________
Phone: (_____)______
Troop #: _______ District: _______
Camping: _______
If yes, including adults, how many will be camping?

For more information: Contact Lori Gooding, Finance Director & Event Coordinator, at (816) 942-9333 ext: 154
Make checks payable to: HOAC, 10219 Holmes Rd., Kansas City, MO 64131

For more information: Contact Lori Gooding at (816) 942-9333 ext: 154 or lgooding@bsmail.org
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Brownsea 22 Training

Brownsea 22 is an intensive, seven-day outdoor training experience for young men in support of the Scoutmaster’s responsibility for the training of troop junior leaders. It is conducted by the Heart of America Council Training Committee, using the Junior Leader Training Conference outline approved by the Boy Scout Division of the BSA.

This year Brownsea will be held at the Theodore Naish Scout Reservation from June 14th to June 19th. The purpose of Brownsea Training is to give participants the confidence and knowledge to run the troop program; to give participants a basic knowledge of the eleven skills of leadership and help them relate these skills to their troop responsibilities; to create an atmosphere where Scouts will experience Scouting at it’s best; to enhance the relationship between the participant and his Scoutmaster and of course, to have fun!! Registration forms will be available soon on the Heart of America Council website at www.hoach-bsa.org or visit the Council’s Resource Center.

Wood Badge Training

Wood Badge Training is an Experience Like No Other!

You will take part in several days of classroom training followed by several days of training and fun in the outdoors with your patrol. You will learn about and practice developing a team, then leading that team to it’s maximum potential. This training experience is open to all adult Scouts registered in the Boy Scouts of America. The course will be held on two weekends (September 10th through the 12th and October 1st through the 3rd). The course will be held at the Rotary Youth Camp facility in Lee’s Summit, Missouri. Registration forms and additional information are available at your district roundtable, the Council Service Center and on the council’s website. You are not required to have camping or Scout Craft skills in order to enjoy this ultimate training experience, however you need to be trained in your current registered position. The objective of the course is to help you learn to be a more effective leader. You will experience a professional environment with knowledgeable and skilled trainers using the most modern and effective training techniques and materials. The fee for the course is $200.00 (including non-refundable deposit of $25.00) and includes all meals and training material.

Sharing Native American Ways XX

“The drums send forth a warm welcome to all – to come, participate, have fun, and share in this great learning experience.”

Saturday, March 27, 2004 – 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

SNAWS is open to all Webelos, Boy Scouts, Venturers and Leaders. Give your Scouts an opportunity to enhance their knowledge of Native American culture. Many workshops on culture, dress, clothing, crafts, dancing, singing, and drumming will be held throughout the day. Each Scout and leader registering will receive a SNAWS souvenir booklet containing additional information and instruction. Look for registration information at your district roundtable, at the Council Service Center or on the website under Activities.

Community Service Day

On Saturday, April 24, 2004, the youth of the Heart of America Council, BSA will complete an approved local community service project. The type of service project will be the choice of each individual unit, however, it cannot be a project that supports a Heart of America Council property, or an Eagle Project. 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. If you have questions, see your District Chairman or District Executive.

Order of the Arrow

Unit Elections

Scouts that are members of the National Honor Camping Program, Order of the Arrow, were elected by their fellow Scouts. Are there eligible Scouts in your troop or crew? Have you contacted your Chapter Chief to schedule an election? What are you waiting for? Call your Chapter Chief or District Executive and find out the what, when, where and how to schedule an election. You can also attend the monthly chapter meetings (normally held the same day as your district roundtable) and find out more information. Check the website, the Resource Center and at your district roundtable for information on the upcoming Spring Inductions.

Spring Inductions

Spring Induction registration information will soon be available. You will be able to register online or by completing the registration form and submitting it with payment to the Council Service Center. Look for more information at district roundtables or on the website.

MOS Tribal Council Recommendations

Recommendations for Mic-O-Say Tribal Council are due March 1, 2004. All recommendations received on or before March 1 will be considered for the 2004 camping season. By action of the Council of Chieftains, recommendations received after the deadline will be returned and must be submitted for the following camping season. Recommendation forms are available on the council website or at the Council Service Center. Be sure you have the updated version of the recommendation form.

Bartle and Naish Camps

Bartle Scout Reservation Upcoming Workdays
Saturday, March 6, 2004
Saturday, March 13, 2004
Saturday, April 3, 2004
Saturday, April 10, 2004

Theodore Naish Scout Reservation
Saturday, March 6, 2004
Saturday, March 20, 2004
Saturday, April 17, 2004
Saturday, April 24, 2004

Boy Scout Summer Camp Leader Orientation

Don’t forget to mark your calendars for the Boy Scout Summer Camp Leader Orientation Meetings that are almost upon us. Both Naish and Bartle will hold meetings on Tuesday, March 23, 2004 and Wednesday, March 24, 2004.

We suggest no more than two representatives from each troop attend the meeting. These two representatives can share information from this meeting with the other members of the troop. Representatives only need to attend one of the meetings as the same information will be shared at each meeting. All meetings will begin at 7:00 PM.

The Bartle meeting on Tuesday will be held at the Beth Shalom Congregation, 9400 Wornall Road in Kansas City, Missouri. The Bartle meeting on Wednesday will be held at the Avondale United Methodist Church, 3101 NE Winn Road, North of the Missouri River in Kansas City, Missouri. Both meetings for Naish will be held at the Council Service Center, 10210 Holmes Road, Kansas City, Missouri.
2004 Commissioner Goals  
**A Commitment To Excellence**

Congratulations to the District Commissioners and their teams! After several years of good recruiting our council has now reached the goal of having one unit commissioner for every three traditional units. Seven of the thirteen districts are at or above this benchmark and many of the others are close. Obviously if your district is not there yet, you must keep growing until you are. Having enough resources to do the job correctly is a major factor in achieving excellent unit service. Every district, however, regardless of their current status, must continue to seek the best-qualified candidates to join their commissioner team. We all experience attrition and sometimes our best commissioners are called away to other important Scouting jobs. So we must always be on the lookout for good people to add to our teams.

So what is our focus for 2004? Excellence of course! But more specifically than that, we must bring our district resources to bear on: (1) improving Cub Scout programs within each Pack; (2) accurately measuring the health of every unit in our district; and (3) raising our level of quality within each Pack; (2) accurately measuring the health of every unit in our district; and (3) raising our level of quality experience attrition and sometimes our best commissioners are called away to other important Scouting jobs. So we must always be on the lookout for good people to add to our teams.

High quality training will make the most significant progress toward these goals. The council training committee is in the midst of a three to four year effort to realize a goal of ALL UNIT LEADERS TRAINED. We need to support this effort and identify those leaders in the units we serve who should go to training. Along those same lines, the annual Commissioner College has added new curriculum aimed at unit leaders. And now that we have so many new unit commissioners who have already attended the basic commissioner training programs, we need to get them to the College’s advanced training programs.

On Friday and Saturday, March 12 and 13, our dedicated Commissioner College staff, led by dean Tom Lenz, will present the 2004 College of Commissioner Service. We expect nearly 200 commissioners from all districts in the Heart of America Council as well as from many councils around the Midwest. But we still have room for more! The excellence of this annual event can be attributed to the commitment made by this year’s staff building on the excellence from all the staffs of prior year colleges. You will find that the enthusiasm of the staff quickly rubs off on all of your attendees. I challenge each of you to send even more of your district team to this College as one of your action plans to accomplish our 2004 goals.

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**Family Friends of Scouting**

Thanks again to those of you who have supported Friends of Scouting for the 2003 Campaign. Remember that over 80% of the money raised goes directly into the program. With our Friends of Scouting, our camps and facilities would not be what they are today and it takes continued support to maintain and improve them. If you have not had a FOS presentation completed yet, please contact Grant Dealy at (800) 776-1110 ext. 156.

**Cub Scout Day Camp**
The 2003 Big Muddy District Day Camp will be held this year on June 9, 10, and 11 at the Richmond High School athletic field in Richmond, MO. In order to have a successful day camp, we need to have as much help as we can and that includes staff. Contact Jesse Woods, 2004 Day Camp Director at 816-470-8453 for details.

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**Big Muddy District Committee**

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**Community Service Day**

This year’s Community Service Day will be on Saturday April 24th. As in past years, each unit will be able to decide as to which project you would like to do, weather it be food collection or community service. Information will be at the March and April Roundtables so make sure to attend.

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**Big Muddy Award**

Congratulations to **Best of Show** T aylor Hosfield. All pack members received the following awards: First Place: Cody Pigg Second Place: Larry Blair Third Place: Tony Clissman. Best of Show: Taylor Hoiberg. All other award recipients received a consolation prize for doing their best.

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**Spring Camporee**

As of now there is no planned Spring Camporee. If there is a unit or group that would be interested in hosting one, contact Grant Dealy at 942-9333. Lets keep the outing in Scouting!!!
LOCATION CHANGE FOR MARCH ROUND TABLE

The March Roundtable meeting will be held at the Pioneer Ridge 6th Grade Center at 1656 S. Speck Road in Independence, as opposed to our usual location at the Bingham 7th Grade Center. Please pass the word along to your unit leaders and any other scouters that plan on attending.

MERRIT BADGE COLLEGE EARNINGS GO TO SCHOLARSHIP

On January 10th, 2004, in conjunction with Blue River Community College, Derek Johnson hosted his third Merit Badge College. This year the profits went to start a scholarship for Eagle Scouts who attend Blue River. This year’s college was the biggest yet; with 142 Scouts attending and earning well over 200 Merit Badges. Approximately $500 was raised to start the Eagle Scout Scholarship. Look for this event to be held again next year around the same time. If you would like to donate your services to the College feel free to contact Derek Johnson at derekscouter@yahoo.com, or (816) 252-5787. You can keep informed about the great time your cubs will have at camp are due by the May 6th deadline. Our Day Camp Registrar is Marie Benz at 796-3747 to have a team come out to your next meeting. At this promotion you will receive a packet that contains all of the information you need to register for camp along with other important dates and deadlines. Our Day Camp Registrar is Marie Benz, so please contact her with registration questions at 796-3747.

It’s Time To Get Trained

Check out the calendar for the latest leader trainings coming up in the next few months. The Council website also lists training dates and is a great resource for lots of other council and district information. The council website address is www.busc.org. Upcoming trainings for Boy Scout Leaders will be held in the months of March and April. BALOO, Webelos Leader Outdoor, and Cub Scout Specific trainings will take place in April also.

Day Camp 2004 – Cubs on Expedition

Even though Day Camp is a few months away, it is already time to think about the great time your cubs will have when they sign up to go. Pack promotions are going on right now, so call Stacy Howell at 796-3747 to have a team come out to your next meeting. At this promotion you will receive a packet that contains all of the information you need to register for camp along with other important dates and deadlines.

Friends of Scouting

It is time to set a date for your Friends of Scouting presentation if you have not done so already. Please let Ross Pfannenstiel at the Council office know what date you prefer and the appointed coordinator will let you know the appointed date.

Eagle Boards of Review

Eagle Boards of Review are conducted at monthly Roundtable meetings. Please call Leonard Jones at (B) (816) 471-5584 or (H) (816) 229-4690 at least two weeks before the Roundtable that you wish to have the Eagle Board of Review.

SCOUTING FOR FOOD

The Council Good Turn day is coming up on April 24th. All units that turn in a registration form by the February Roundtable will receive a recognition item for those scouts participating in the food drive. Remember that we ask that you only pick up food in the area you designate.

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March

4 7:00PM Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:30PM Cub Scout & Venturing Roundtable / Order of the Arrow Chapter 6 Meeting / Eagle Boards of Review / Fast Start Training / Merit Badge Counselor Training — Pioneer Ridge 6th Grade Center — NOTE LOCATION CHANGE: 1656 S. Speck Road, Independence, MO

9 New Leader Essentials Training, 7:00PM, Beacon Heights Community of Christ Church, 1402 E. Holke Road, Independence, MO

11 Commissioner’s Meeting, 7:30PM, Liberty Street Community of Christ Church, 416 N. Liberty Street, Independence, MO

20 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Training, 8:00AM – 4:30PM, Beacon Heights Community of Christ Church, 1402 E. Holke Road, Independence, MO

30 Troop Committee Training, 8:30PM – 10:00PM, Beacon Heights Community of Christ Church, 1402 E. Holke Road, Independence, MO

April

1 7:00PM Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:30PM Cub Scout & Venturing Roundtable / Order of the Arrow Chapter 6 Meeting / Eagle Boards of Review / Youth Protection Training / Leader Safety Training / Day Camp Art contest drawings due — Bingham 7th Grade Center, 1716 S. Speck Road, Independence, MO

2-3 Webelos Leader Outdoor Training, starts at 6:30PM on Friday and runs through 3:30PM on Saturday. Pre-Registration due by March 26, 2004 – Must have 12 participants to hold, Beacon Heights Community of Christ Church, 1402 Holke Road, Independence, MO

3 BALOO Training. 8:00am – 5:00pm. Pre-Registration due by March 26, 2004 – Must have 12 participants to hold, Beacon Heights Community of Christ Church, 1402 Holke Road, Independence, MO

10 Varisty Leader Training, 8:00AM, Independence Stake Center, 705 W. Walnut, Independence, MO

15 New Leader Essentials Training, 7:00PM – 9:00PM, Oak Grove Methodist Church, 1501 S. Harding St., Oak Grove, MO

15 Commissioner’s Meeting, 7:30PM, Liberty Street Community of Christ Church, 1402 E. Holke Road, Independence, MO

16-17 Boy Scout Outdoor Leader Skills Training, Starts Friday at 6:00PM, Ends Saturday approximately 5:00PM, Beacon Heights Community of Christ Church, 1402 E. Holke Road, Independence, MO

20 Cub Leader Specific Training, 7:00PM – 9:30PM, Oak Grove Methodist Church, 1501 S. Harding St., Oak Grove, MO

22 District Committee Meeting, 7:30PM, Pioneer Ridge, 1656 S. Speck Rd., Independence, MO

24 Council Good Turn – Scouting For Food Day

For more information about Boy Scouting go to the Council website address is www.busc.org. Upcoming trainings for Boy Scout Leaders will be held in the months of March and April. BALOO, Webelos Leader Outdoor, and Cub Scout Specific trainings will take place in April also.
Congratulations!!!

At the Annual Order of the Arrow Winter Banquet on January 3, the North Star District was well represented in the recipients of the Founder’s Award – the highest recognition that can be bestowed by any Lodge. Andrew Green, Youth member of Troop 288 and John Duckworth, Assistant Scout Leader of Troop 247, and a member of Roundtable Staff and Venture Training Staff were given this high honor.

John Duckworth, III was awarded the Scouter of the Month for outstanding service to the District at the January Roundtable.

At the Annual Recognition Dinner in January, Randy Hayes of Troop 247 was named the H. Virgil Bower Scoutmaster of the Year.

Also at the Dinner, the following scouts were presented with the District Award of Merit for years of outstanding service to the scouts of North Star District: Jill Cook, Larry Dunckin, Tom Lanois, Bill Moeller and Money Raine III.

Congratulations and thank you for all you do for the Scouting of your units, the North Star District, OA Chapter, and our Council and Lodge!!

District Scout Mall Show

The International Famous North Star District held the Annual Scout Mall Show at the Antioch Mall on February 7th and the Cubs, Boy Scouts and Ventures had a great time with the ‘Fiesta’ theme showing off their units and their activities.

A big thank you goes to Jill Cook for again coordinating this fun event.

One of the highlights of the Mall Show is the District Pinewood Derby Championships. Hundreds of Cub Scouts representing dozens of Packs from all over the District had a great time and competed in grand style.

Jeff Cook and his outstanding staff did a great job as always in the organization and execution of this annual event.

Upcoming Training

Council Boy Scout Camp Leader Orientation will be held on March 23 and 24, from 7-9 p.m. Naish related meetings are at the Council Service Center. The orientation for Barret on Tuesday, March 23 is at Beth Shalom Congregation, 99th & Wornall, Kansas City, MO, while the Barret related meeting on Wednesday, March 24 is at Avondale United Methodist Church, 3101 NE Winn Road, Kansas City, MO. Contacts are David Allen or Jonathan Bonness at 816-942-9333 or email at davidallen@bsamail.org or jonbonness@bsamail.org.

Boy Scout Leader training is scheduled for this spring as follows:

- March 26, Part – 1 Committee Operations, 6 p.m. Registration, Hillside Christian Church, 900 NE Vivion
- March 30, Part IIA – Troop Operations, 6 p.m. Registration, Hillside Christian Church, 900 NE Vivion
- April 13, Part IIB – Troop Operation, 6 p.m. Registration, Hillside Christian Church, 900 NE Vivion
- April 17-18, Part III – Outdoor Weekend, 8 a.m. Registration to Noon on Sunday, Kelsey Young Scout Camp, Smithville Lake

Cost of the course is $12 if you register by March 15. Registration after that date will be $17. Contact John Cookinham, Sr. at 816-587-1669 for more information and registration.

Cub Scout Leader training is scheduled for this spring as follows:

- March 20, Full (Essentials and Specifics), 8-30 a.m., Smithville Lake (Special Needs - 7:30 a.m.)
- April 13, Part II (Essentials), location TBA
- April 20, Part II-A (Specifics), location TBA
- Cost of the full day or the two night

Basic Leader course is $6. Contact Fred Hack at 452-3036 for more information and registration. Please call 3847 for more information on BALOO Training.

In addition, here are some on-line training links:

- Youth Protection can be accessed via the HOAC website (you may need to use the alternate access method on the page following this link: http://www.hoac-national.org/Youth-Protection.html)
- Cub Scout Leader Fast Start training is found at: http://www.scouting.org/cub-scouts/faststart
- Boy Scout Leader Fast Start training is found at: http://www.scouting.org/boy-scouts/faststart
- Venturing Adult Fast Start training is found at: http://www.scouting.org/vaeeenter/start

District Garage Sale

Wow, what a deal! You can consign or donate your camping gear that you no longer need and pick up some experienced gear at the District Garage Sale which is coming up soon at Roundtable. Find out more from Mike Scarborough.

Friends of Scouting

Have your unit scheduled a FOS presentation? A member of the family presentation team is ready to come to your next meeting. Please call Tom Lanois (454-5009), Jon Olhef ski (445-4403) or Jon Geiger (942-9333) or see your Zone Chairman to get your FOS presentation on the calendar. This year’s presentations are in full swing and early results are looking great.

Don’t forget the fire rank advancements if your unit achieves its goal.

‘Cubs on Expedition’ Day Camp

The 2004 District Day Camp will be held with the theme of ‘Cubs on Expedition’, to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. Cubs from new Tiger through 2nd Year Webelos are encouraged to participate in this fun event. They will have a great time with archery, BB guns, crafts, games and Scouting Skills — all with a Lewis and Clark twist and designed to let them earn advancements while they have FUN! At ‘Cubs on Expedition’ will be June 7th through the 10th with Wебелос Woods

The Webelos in your Pack have some great camping opportunities this summer, beginning with Webelos Woods on May 22-23 at the Kelsey Young Scout Camp at Smithville Lake. More information will be available soon at the District Roundtables or call Steve Vaughn at 913-848-77. Hope to see you there!

In the Spotlight

Do you want to do something special about your unit — a unique trip, special recognition or great ideas to further Scouting? We would be happy to help you share it in the North Star Polaris Newsletter or here in Adventures in Scouting. Contact Jeff Tyler (jtyler@kc.rr.com) for more information.

Calendar of Events

| March       | District Committee Meeting, 7:30 p.m., North Cross United Methodist Church, 1321 NE Vivion |
| April       | District Committee Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Hillside Christian Church, 900 NE Vivion |
| April       | Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7-30 p.m., St. Luke’s Presbyterian Church, 4301 NE Vivion |
| April       | Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7-30 p.m., St. Luke’s Presbyterian Church, 4301 NE Vivion — Please note date change |
| March       | MOC-O-Say White Paint Nominations |
| District Roundtable, 7:30 p.m., Hillside Christian Church, 900 NE Vivion — Youth Protection / Merit Badge Counselor / Leader Essentials Training, OA Chapter Meeting |
| District Roundtable, 7:30 p.m., District Cub Scout Leader Training, 8 a.m., St. Luke’s Presbyterian Church, 4301 NE Vivion — Please note date change |
| District Committee Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Hillside Christian Church, 900 NE Vivion |
| Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7-30 p.m., St. Luke’s Presbyterian Church, 4301 NE Vivion |
| Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7-30 p.m., St. Luke’s Presbyterian Church, 4301 NE Vivion — Please note date change |
| MOC-O-Say Spirit Run |
| Day Camp Walden Leaders Meeting, 9 a.m., Park Hill Christian Church, 3101 NE Vivion |
| Boy Scout Leader Orientation, part III — Outdoor Weekend, 8 a.m., Park Hill Christian Church, 3101 NE Vivion |
| Bartle Scout Reservation Commission Officer, 9 a.m., Park Hill Christian Church, 3101 NE Vivion |
| Boy Scout Leader Training, part II — Specifics, Location TBA |
| Vibrant Odyssey, Naish Scout Reservation |
| Boy Scout Leader Training, part II — Specifics, Location TBA |
| Boy Scout BALOO training, 8 a.m., Sharkscout.com |
| Boy Scout Leader Orientation — Bartle and Naish, 9-7 p.m. |
| District Cub Scout Leader Training, 8 a.m., Naish Scout Reservation |
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| Boy Scout Camp Fee Payment Due, final payments due |
| OA Induction Weekend |
Friends of Scouting
Thanks to everyone who has helped with and donated to this year’s Friends of Scouting Campaign so far. Your help is absolutely necessary for the Lone Bear District to reach its goals and to allow even more kids to experience Scouting! Call Phillip Brockland at 1-800-776-1110 for more details on how you can help.

Community Service Day
Community Service day is April 24th. One of the most important aspects of Scouting is service to others. You can take part by participating in this year’s Scouting for Food Drive. The food collected stocks the shelves of food pantries in the Lone Bear District. Please sign your unit up by contacting Jerry Post (660-747-0600) and show your Scouts the importance of community service.

Klondike Derby
The Klondike derby was a hit! Boy Scouts and Webelos honored their Scouting skills as they raced their sleds from one event to another. The Barlfe Scout Reservation proved to be the ideal location for such and event. Special thanks to troop 400 for all of their hard work in organizing the event.

Unit Rechartering
For those units that haven’t gotten their re-chararters in now is the time. It is imperative that your unit get this process accomplished in order to be a Quality Unit. Any questions please call Phillip Brockland at 1-800-776-1110.

Cub Scout Day Camp
This year’s Cub Scout Day Camp will run from July 24th to 30th and will be held at the Artesian park in Clinton. This year’s theme will be Expeditions and many exciting activities are being planned. In order for a successful Day Camp, your help is needed. Please contact Cheryl Gunn (660-429-4338), Erica Collins (660)747-2847 or Phillip Brockland (800)776-1000 if you have any questions or if you are able to help in any way.

Spring Recruitment
Contact Phillip Brockland (800) 776-1110 to set plans for recruiting new Tiger Cub this spring. If you are the only Pack in your community please feel free to set your own recruiting date. If your pack recruits from Clinton or Warrensburg the district membership committee will set recruiting dates so we do not burden the school districts with several phone calls. Remember to recruit a 2004-2005 Tiger Cub Leader now so that new parents are willing to step up and help.

Unit Charters
Thank you to all the units who turned in their charters on time. Having so many charters come in on time and filled out completely is one of the requirements for being a Quality Unit. Congratulations to those 2004 Quality Units. Thanks for helping us out!

2004 Friends of Scouting
Our overall goal this year is $195,000. The family goal is $85,000. We are going to be very busy this month with FOS Presentations. If you were not at your units FOS Presentation be aware that we will begin to have your phone calls to help clean up our prospect list. We will need everyone’s help in order to make our goal this year. Leo put out a challenge to have the goal reached by the May roundtable. If the goal is reached Leo and David Riker will have their heads shaved at the May Roundtable. Please remember, May roundtable. If the goal is reached Leo and David Riker will have their heads shaved at the May Roundtable. Please remember.

Appreciation Dinner
The Appreciation Dinner took place on Saturday, February 21st, at the Aldergate United Methodist Church located at 350 SW State Hwy 150. Barbara Lalk and her team did a fantastic job of putting together this celebration. It was a great night for celebration and fellowship as many of the volunteers in the Thunderbird District were recognized for their hard work and dedication to Scouting. Congratulations to the following:

2003 Award of Merit
Catherine Albright • Greg Fiser • Mike Husk • Kathy Mayes • Donald Miles • Alfred (Bud) Segura • Mark Trammel

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2003 Silver Annon
Tamara Barnes • Craig Benfield • Richard Brightlund • Linda Christensen • Laura Crotty • Don Dyer • Kris Krehbiel • Michael Lancaster • Chris Martin • Daniel Stacks • Dean Stone

2003 Silver Oakleaf
Lori L. Martin • Joe Sheley • Jackie Scott

The Merle McConnell Cubmaster Award: Mike Fischer
The Ernie Modlin Scoutmaster Award: Steve Berry

Training
Training time has come again. Please make sure to look at the training dates listed below in the calendar for upcoming trainings. It is important to have your unit leader trained in their positions. A trained leader will be able to provide a good program for the boys, therefore retaining the youth in that unit. Remember, every youth deserves a trained leader.

Visit Thunderbird’s web page at www.bsa-bsu.org for more information.

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2 District Roundtable – 7:30 pm, 9010 Old Santa Fe (SW of 87th and Blue Ridge), Kansas City, MO
2 Youth Protection Training – 7:00 pm / O.A. Chapter 5 meeting
6 New Leader Essentials – 8:30am-11am
6 Cub Scout Leader Specific Training – 12 noon, St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 700 NE Chipman Rd, Lee’s Summit, MO
11 Commissioners Meeting – 7:30 pm, Council Service Center
11 District Committee Meeting – 7:00 pm, Location TBA
20 Den Chief Training, Hickman Mills Community Christian Church, 5809 Red Bridge Rd, Kansas City, MO
20-21 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Part 2 – 8am Sat-Sun, Scout 300 Scout Cabin, Pleasant Hill, MO
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3 BALOO (Basic Adult Leader Orientation) 8:30am-5pm, Ridgeview Christian Church, 8640 S-4-A Bar Rd, Kansas City, MO
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17 Baloo Training Location TBA
29 District Committee Meeting, Clinton Scout Center 6:30pm
24 Community Service Day (Scouting for Food)
Learning for Life Division Contacts

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Adam Berthot – Senior Exploring Executive, (816) 942-9333 ext. 170, abberthot@bsamail.org
Bryan Fuller – Sr. Exploring Executive, (816) 942-9333 ext. 141, bfulller@bsamail.org

K.C. @ Night
K.C. @ Night is coming April 23rd, 2004! This event will be fun-filled, and all night long. We will start the night at a Royals game, and be touring/visiting different sites and locations throughout Kansas City. Over the last three years we have toured and visited some of the following places: Sprint I-MAX, Kansas City Zoo, Kansas City Metro PD (K-9 & Helicopter Police Units), Arrowhead Stadium, GM Fairfax Assembly Plant, Mizz 93.3 Radio, WDAF-TV FOX 4, MAST Emergency Service, AMF Bowling, Corner Corporation, and Sprint to name a few. We will be looking to tour more sites this year!
More detailed information about “K.C. @ Night” will be mailed to all Exploring Advisors and can be seen on our local website: www.lfl-hoac.org.

Friends of Scouting
The 2004 Friends of Scouting campaign is upon us again. This is an opportunity to provide financial support to over 50,000 youth in Kansas City. The support helps deliver life-changing values of Scouting programs and the Learning for Life programs to youth in our 19-county area. Currently, there are around 4,000 young men and women who participate in about 100 Explorer Posts in and around 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.
This is a great way to maintain and strengthen the Learning for Life and Exploring promise for Kansas City’s youth of today, and tomorrow.

Training
Learning for Life Youth protection training is now available online at www.learning-for-life.org. All advisors managing an Exploring post must complete this training. The training is short and straightforward to the point of youth safety. A certificate can be printed upon completion of the training. Learning For Life now requires that this training be completed.
Exploring Advisor Fast Start Training is available as well. This training delivers a better understanding of the Exploring program and structure for new and seasoned adult volunteers in Exploring.
For more information or to schedule a presentations/coordinated for your organisation, please contact Adam Berthot, Exploring/Learning for Life Training Specialist at 816-942-9333, ext. 170 or email: abberthot@bsamail.org.

Cluster Activities
We will be looking to hold “Cluster Activities” for each career cluster in Exploring. We are open to suggestions and would love to have in-put and help setting these activities up. The Law Enforcement Exploring Posts will be enjoying an event this month, which will introduce their Explorers to many areas of Law Enforcement, and to participate in a day of hands-on activities and events, with-in a Police Academy setting.
Way to go Law Enforcement Exploring!
These spring activities can 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-enacted/mock events.

District Dinner
The Twin Rivers District Dinner is going to be held on March 16th at 6:00 PM at Trojan Elementary School in Olathe. We are looking forward to a very exciting dinner full of recognition, inspiration and fun. There will be several guests there to share their ideas and experiences with us as we look to teach and inspire the young people we work with. If you have not yet done so, it is not too late to register for this exciting event. Just go to www.HHMC-BSA.org and click on the Twin Rivers link. From there, proceed to Activities and you will find a link to register for the District Dinner on-line. This is one event you do not want to miss! We look forward to seeing you.

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Friends of Scouting

Thanks to all of you for your efforts in putting together another successful Friends of Scouting Campaign in 2004! While we are not done yet, we are working hard to make as much progress as we can and wrap up our campaign earlier than ever. Many of our units have conducted their presentations with a great deal of success. Congratulations to those that have earned Free Rank Advancement for the 2004 calendar year. Your energy and support of Scouting is vital to providing your boys the exciting opportunities of today, and tomorrow. Your Rank Advancement for the 2004 calendar year is upon us again. This is the first chance many of your Cub Scouts that joined Scouting over the past few months will have to experience some outdoor Cub Scout exploring activities! Make sure you do not wait to get your boys excited about the opportunity and signed up for this awesome spring adventure! Registration for Day Camp is being accepted right now. We are looking forward to bringing each and every Cub Scout the highlight of their Cub Scouting year. If you would like to help out or just want more information, contact Mary Ann Hodgson, Cub Day Camp Director at 785.759.9328. Make sure you attend the Cub Scout Leader Specific Training & Cub Day Camp. If you have not yet done so, it is not too late to register for this exciting event. Just go to www.HHMC-BSA.org and click on the Twin Rivers link. From there, proceed to Activities and you will find a link to register for the District Dinner on-line. This is one event you do not want to miss! We look forward to seeing you.

Twin Rivers

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2004 Award of Merit and Outstanding Leader Recipients

2004 3rd Annual Northern Tier District Dinner Salutes this year Award of merit and outstanding leader recipients. You can never recognize too many volunteers for their incredible accomplishments throughout their years of Scouting. And this year’s Dinner District was no different, January 31, 2004 we recognized and standing ovasions some of Northern Tier’s incredible volunteers. These volunteers were nominated by their peers and saluted by their peers. We had a fantastic evening catered by Floria’s Barbeque, Jamie Hilleryy was our fabulous and most entertaining Master of Ceremonies, Steve Springer led his team including Judy Tuckness, Tim Thomas, Marisore Larson and many more in making the event an absolute perfect evening filled with fun, fellowship, great friends, and a lot of hugs and tears shared by all. The District Dinner is truly an amazing evening that just can’t be compared to any other. We salute our very special recipients this year and again send you a round of applause. Congratulations to everyone and thank you for you loyalty, dedication, enthusiasm, and energy you bring to the scouts.

District Award of Merit Recipients
Steve Springer, Troop 93, Unit Commissioner, and Northern Tier District Activities Chairman
Bob Reathford, Troop 256 and Unit Commissioner
Doug Lenhart, Troop 299, Unit Commissioner, and District Popcorn Chairman
Donald Tuckness, Troop 93, Unit Commissioner, and Chartered Organization Representative

Outstanding Leader Award Recipients
Scouter of the Year
Dave Way, Troop 299
Sunny Ellis, Troop 351
Jeff Wındow, Troop 192

Carabmat
Mark Fix, Pack 3284
Mike Holloway, Pack 3399
John Stinchum, Pack 3297

Asth. Scoutmaster
Bill Brinkerhoff, Troop 91
Diane Buchmack, Troop 93

Boy Scout Committee Chairman
Janet Ruggles, Troop 185

Cub Scout Committee Chairman
Ann Thornton, Pack 3284

Boy Scout Adult Leader
Jeff Brooks, Troop 185
David Macl, Troop 299
Dave Menke, Troop 299

Cub Scout Adult Leader
Cami Dier, Pack 3347
Michelle Ferguson, Pack 3247

Den Leader
Renee Maderak, Pack 3284
Sara Goodbaum, Pack 3252
David Blarr, Pack 2533
Sarah Rathjen, Pack 3162 and Pack 5548

Friends of Scouting 2004
All units need to sign up for their Friends of Scouting presentation by now. Remember, free rank advancement to all units at each of their Friends of Scouting Unit goal and Participation Goal to December 31st, 2004. For more information or questions, please contact Lisa Hayes at the Council service center or call Steve Brady, our 2004 Family Friends of Scouting Chairman at (913) 362-8441. We, as the Northern Tier District, encourage you to show your support to the Scouting Program. Friends of Scouting is such a vital part of our program in its help to support our leaders in their needed training, preserving both the Nauh and Brave 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. Congratulations to the following units that have achieved their FOS goal and are now receiving free rank advancement to December 31, 2004.

Northern Tier Day Camp, It’s Just Around the Corner
The theme for the 2004 Cub Scout Day Camp Program is CUBS ON EXPEDITION, IN HONOR OF THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE LEWIS AND CLARK EXPEDITION. The Northern Tier District staff is currently planning the programs for the hundreds of Cub Scouts who will attend camp this year at the Shawnee Riverfront Park on the south side of the Kansas River West of K-7. Cub Scouts this year will be able to shoot BB guns and bows and arrows; work on Cub Scout belt loops; cook out; sing songs; learn about nature; make crafts; play games; and more! If you have not made plans to attend, you should! Going to camp is a wonderful part of the Scouting experience, and it helps your pack earn the Quality Unit and Summerime Pack Awards. For more information you can contact our District Cub Scout Camp Director, Dave Saltz at 913-381-7824 or sbks123@aol.com. Dave and his team are visiting packs to promote camp this year and tell you all about the fun things we are going to have. Schedule your visit soon to get your pack excited about Day Camp this year, June 7-11, 2004. Can’t wait to see you there.
Scouting for Food
Saturday, April 24, 2004

The Council Good Turn Committee has offered and the Pelathe district has accepted the challenge of making our areas Community Service Day a Scouting for Food event. The date has been set for Saturday, April 24, 2004.

It is the responsibility of your unit to plan the service project so that the actual collection and turn in of the food happens on Saturday, April 24, 2003. Information about when and where the turn in for our district will be distributed at the February Roundtable.

The Heart of America Council will provide food collection bags and accompanying literature, which will be distributed to your Unit's leaders at the February Roundtable. For local information contact Activities Chairman, Mike McCarty at 785-542-3050.

Sign-Up for the Pelathe-L

The Pelathe District E-mail List Serve Also known as The Pelathe-L, allows you to send an email message to all who are signed up on the list, and lets you get information quickly. It also lets you stay in touch and have up to date information.

Sign up by going to http://pelathe.lawrence.ks.us and clicking on the Subscribe/Unsubscribe link.

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2004 Friends of Scouting Campaign

Trailhead District

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KEEP THIS INFO CLOSE!

Extensions for your District Executive of Trailhead District @ (816) 942-9333 ext. 178

Unit of the Month

Do you think that your Pack/Troop or Crew has what it takes to be the unit of the month? Please send an email describing what makes your unit unique with pictures, if possible, to Rob Gilkersen at railhead.cfm

Training

Doesn’t every boy deserve a trained leader? As part of every leader’s training Youth Protection is essential. It is that time for all of those new leaders or individuals who will be the future leadership to be trained. Training will give you the skills to provide a quality program for the youth and give you ideas to minimize your workload. Don’t forget as apart of every leader’s training Training Youth Protection on District C-BSA.org/Trailhead.cfm

Unit Rechartering

A reminder to all Scout Leaders – it is time to re-charter your unit for another year. If you have not started your recharter or are need of help please contact Rob Gilkersen at the Council Service Center.

Remember Charters are due at the March Roundtable, March 4th.

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Cub Day Camp

Day Camp this year will run from June 7-10. This will be an exciting Trailhead Day Camp. Register now, with all the great events and activities planned, how could you not attend? Come join the fun. We are in great need of Staff. If you have, any questions call Michelle Magee at 913-677-3647.

2003 District Awards

Recognition Dinner

The 2003 Trailhead District Awards Dinner was indeed a night to remember. Anticipation did fill the room as John Heathier, Rich Rinke, and John Wasko were announced as the 2003 recipients of the District Award of Merit. The awards did not stop there. Congratulations to all of the Outstanding Leader Award recipients.

Pinewood Derby

The Trailhead District Pinewood Derby is right around the corner. On March 27, at Mercell mall three champions from every Pack will test their car to see if it stands against the other packs. The rules that are sold with the pinewood car are the ones that the district will follow. Remember a Pack can send only 3 boys to the District Pinewood Derby.

Calendar of Events

March 3 Boy Scout Leader Specific Training Session 1
4 Charter Packets are due
4 Roundtable, Eagle Scout Project Review, Order of the Arrow Chapter, Merit Badge Counselor Training – 7 p.m. – Christ Church, 91st & Nall
6 College of Commissioner Service
9 Boy Scout Leader Specific Session 2
11 Commission’s Mtg. – 7 p.m. – Valley View Methodist, 95th & Antioch
17 District Committee Mtg. – 7 p.m. – Rolling Hills Presbyterian, 93rd & Nall
18 Eagle Board of Review – LDS Church (130th and Wornall) – 7:30 p.m.
27-28Webelos Leader Outdoor Experience
27 Sharing Native American Ways Event
27 District Pinewood Derby
30 Boy Scout Leader Specific Training Session 3

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22 Troop Committee Challenge

2004 Trails West Cub Scout Day Camp

“Cub Expedition”

“Go west young man! Go west!” Old Horace must have heard about the 2004 Trails West Day District Camp. This year’s theme is “Cub Expedition,” to dust off those coonskin hats, hitch up the wagons, and blaze a trail to the Timber Ridge Adventure Center, in western Olathe, KS. June 14th through the 17th 2004. Remember, attending Day Camp helps boys stay interested in Cub Scouting over the summer when many packs do not hold regular meetings and activities. It also helps meet the need for summer programs that provide youth with engaging activities within a safe environment! Day Camp is open to all Cubs, Tigers through Webelos. Day Camp Staff members are available to come to your Pack meeting, Blue & Gold Dinner, or any other Cub Scout gathering training Youth Protection on District C-BSA.org/Trailhead.cfm Please contact Shawn Hudson at (913) 254-9548 e-mail sain@sain.com If you are interested in serving on our 2004 Day Camp Staff, there are still positions open!

2004 Trails West Camporee

“Louis & Clark, a Bicentennial”

The 2004 Trails West District Camporee will be held April 2nd through the 4th at the Naish Scout Reservation, Bonner Springs, KS. This year’s theme, “Louis and Clark, a Bicentennial,” celebrates the 200th anniversary of their trail blazing western expedition to the Pacific that millions would one day follow. Along with a concentration on pioneering and other Scouting projects, we hope to have living historians present throughout the weekend providing a glimpse of Jefferson’s America to those in attendance. Mark your calendars now. For more information, please contact Shawn Hudson at (913) 220-9548, or via email at sain@sain.com

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Calendars of Events

March 4 Roundtable, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
6 District Pinewood Derby Great Mall of the Great Plains
9 District Committee Meeting, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
16 District Commissioner Meeting, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
18 Eagle Board of Review, Church of Jesus Christ, LDS, 7845 Allman, Lenexa, 6:30PM (Please arrive 15 min. early)

April 1 Roundtable, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
6 District Committee Meeting, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
13 District Commissioner Meeting, Center of Grace, 520 S Harrison, Olathe, 7PM
15 Eagle Board of Review, Church of Jesus Christ, LDS, 7845 Allman, Lenexa, 6:30PM (Please arrive 15 min. early)

2003 QUALITY DISTRICT

March

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Trails West District Spring Round-Up

The spring is a great time to bring new youth into your scouting unit. Now is the time to set the plan in place that will set a plan to get into the schools and talk to all youth about what your unit is planning to do over the summer. The district will support your unit in many ways including flyers posters and help with how to run the round up. For more information call Alan J Sanders at 816-942-9333.
District Dinner
The entire Kaw District wishes to recognize the 2003 Award of Merit recipients honored at this year’s district dinner.

Ken Liesche • Warren Minear
Susan McDaniels • Joseph Graele
Jeff Wingo • Ray Thome

Congratulations on being honored by your peers for an outstanding job well done.

Day Camp
Preparations are well underway for this year’s District Day Camp and our help is needed to guarantee your boys a fantastic event. If you have not yet turned in your registration packet by now, please arrange to do so before it is too late. Also, if you would like a presentation a pack meeting, regarding this year’s theme or what to expect during the fun filled week, please contact Marvin Clay at 816-942-9333 ex 9333. Do no be left out of all the fun, sign up today.

Friends of Scouting
A big thank you is in order to all those units, which have already scored a HOMERUN for Scouting. As we near the home plate and your unit is still to host a presentation, you still have time to score a homerun and make a Kaw District a winning team. If you have any questions, or need to arrange to host a presentation, please contact Dusty Boardright at 810-776-1110, ext 167.

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT

Webelos Camp/Boy Scout Camp
Hopefully your unit has made preliminary arrangements regarding the highlight of every Scouting year. If not, it’s not too late to begin planning for summer camp. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Bob Zatloukal at 937-371-1574. Hope to see all your boys at one of the many sessions this summer.

Membership
As your packs Blue and Gold banquet rolls around, preparations need to be taking place to ensure your Webelos have a new home. If you have not made arrangements for your Webelos and you need some assistance, please contact your District Executive at the Council Service Center. Do not allow your boys to miss the next step of the Scouting program.

Pioneer Trails
Pioneer Trails will hold its Spring Event on Saturday, March 20th from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. and will be held at Lakeside Nature Center. For more information or questions please contact LaVar Lard at 816-942-9333 ext 147.

Award of Merit Recipients
This year’s Award of Merit recipients were honored this past February at the Pioneer Trails Appreciation Dinner for their work within their units and for their contributions to the district. The recipients were:

Freddie Allen, Sr. • Carol Jean DeFeo
Carole Gaither • Julie Hill
Lisa Kessler • Jeffery Terry
Mark Trokev

Calendar of Events
March
4 Cub/Boy Scout Leader Roundtable – 7:00 p.m., Clark Middle School, Bonner Springs, Kansas
4 OA Chapter Meeting, Clark Middle School, Bonner Springs, Kansas
11 District Committee Meeting & Commissioner Staff Meeting – 7:00 p.m., BPU, 300 N. 66th St., Kansas City, Kansas
20 Basic Leader Training, Location TBA

April
1 Cub/Boy Scout Leader Roundtable & Youth Protection Training – 7:00 p.m., Clark Middle School, Bonner Springs, Kansas
1 OA Chapter Meeting, Clark Middle School, Bonner Springs, Kansas
3 Cub Scout Day Camp Training, TBA
8 District Committee Meeting – 7:00 p.m., BPU, 300 N. 66th St., Kansas City, Kansas
15 Commissioner Staff Meeting – 7:00 p.m., Lansing High School, Lansing, Kansas
24 Merit Badge Conference
Iris Kalkofen, Venturing President for the Central Region, Boy Scouts of America, has been selected to participate in the SAJ-BSA Exchange Program. In March, Iris will travel to Japan with 31 United States Scouts and Venturers and eight leaders selected through nominations from all regions of the United States to:

- Participate in a youth forum with Scouts from the Asia-Pacific Region of the World Organization of the Scout movement
- Tour historic cities and ancient sites in Japan
- Enjoy two days of hospitality with a Japanese family in Chiba or Shizuoka, Japan
- Enjoy fellowship with Scouts and leaders from Japan in friendship events

Iris has been a member of Crew 201 for the past five years. She has held several positions; crew secretary, crew treasurer, and crew president. She then accepted the position of vice president, and then president of the Heart of America Council Venturing Officers’ Association. She now serves as the President of the Venturing program for the Central Region.

As a Venture, I believe that America’s strength lies in our trust in God and in the courage, strength, and traditions of our people. I will, therefore, be faithful in my religious duties and will maintain a personal sense of honor in my own life. I will treasure my American heritage and will do all I can to preserve and enrich it. I will recognize the dignity and worth of all humanity and will use fair play and good will in my daily life. I will acquire the Venturing attitude that seeks the truth in all things and adventure on the frontiers of our changing world.”