“A Scout is Friendly”

Heart of America Council, Boy Scouts of America
National 100th Anniversary Activities

The National BSA's and Heart of America Council's celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America has kicked off. Scouts, Scouters and Scouting alumni, can participate in a number of national programs to commemorate this once in a lifetime milestone. Here are some of the key national programs to take advantage of this fall. 2010 will be an exciting time to be Scouting.

100th Anniversary Year of Celebration Awards Program
A Year of Celebration is an awards program developed specially for the 100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America. There are five awards, each based on one of the five core values of the Boy Scouts of America: Leadership, Achievement, Community Service, Character and the Outdoors. This program provides Scouts, leaders and alumni with a fun and meaningful way to participate in the 100th Anniversary. The BSA has partnered with a number of organizations to develop projects for this award program. For info visit: http://scouting.org/100years/100years/ayearofcelebration.aspx.

National Hall of Leadership
Nominate a Scouter who has made a difference
Nominate someone, young or old who makes a difference in the lives of young people. Visit the Hall of Leadership webpage on the 100th Anniversary website, http://scouting.org/100years/100years/nationalhallofleadership.aspx.

Generations Connection
Scouting strengthens family ties, creates memories and develops a shared foundation of virtues and values. The Generations Connection celebrates Scouting’s legacy and its positive impact on American families through a program centered on the enduring symbol of the tree. Scouting’s 100th Anniversary is a great opportunity to look back and connect. To visit the Generations Connection: http://scouting.org/100years/100years/GenerationsConnection.aspx.

Scouting Alumni Connection
Online Scrapbook and Website Makes Reconnecting Fun
With the more than 50 million living Scouting alumni, the BSA is investing in the past to enhance our future. The alumni website (www.BSAalumni.org) has been updated with new features that will make it easier to reconnect with fellow Scouts and the BSA. One new feature is the 100th Anniversary Online Scrapbook which allows you to upload photos and share experiences from your Scouting past. You can scroll through the decades to read what others have had to say. These stories and photos will be saved in a database to preserve our Scouting heritage. An alumni directory and discussion forums are also available through the new BSA social networking site (http://community.scouting.org/).

Generations Connection
100th Anniversary Tree Planting Celebration for Families
As part of the Generations Connection program, the Arbor Day Foundation has designated special 100th Anniversary trees. The 100th Anniversary trees are now available to all!

Planting a 100th Anniversary tree makes a wonderful, meaningful family activity. We encourage all of our Scouting families to consider taking a few moments to plant and nurture a tree in honor of the memories your family has built through Scouting. The tree can serve as your family’s living Scouting legacy for many years to come. Each time you see your tree, you’ll be reminded of the fun experiences your family has shared!

As another exciting dimension of the Arbor Day Foundation partnership, a BSA Centennial Forest has been established in Montana! The forest will aid in replanting the Flathead National Forest, adjacent to Glacier National Park, after recent fires. For every 100th Anniversary tree that is purchased, the Arbor Day Foundation will plant a corresponding tree in the BSA Centennial Forest. This is another great reason to order your 100th Anniversary tree today.

For more Information on 100th Anniversary Trees
http://www.arborday.org/boyscouts

Tell your family’s Scouting story on the Generations Connections
https://scoutnet.scouting.org/survey/cgi-bin/qwebcorporate.dll?idx=93ZGG6

Outline your Scouting ancestry with a Scouting Family Tree
http://ww2.scouting.org/100years/100years/sitefiles/1000/Celebrating100Years/BSA_GC_FamilyTree.pdf

Visit the Generations Connections website
http://scouting.org/100years/100years/GenerationsConnection.aspx
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A Program for Scouts, Scouters and Alumni
Starting on September 1

For 100 years, the Boy Scouts of America has created a strong foundation of leadership, service, and community for millions of America’s youth. Through A Year of Celebration, A Century of Making a Difference, we will demonstrate the incredible impact of a century of living the Scout Law.

This program is designed for youth members, adult leaders and even Scouting alumni. Program participants will earn recognition for making a difference in their communities due to their dedication to five of Scouting’s core values: Leadership, Character, Community Service, Achievement, and the Outdoors. Participants will be able to earn our 100th Anniversary commemorative patch.

The objectives of the Year of Celebration are to provide every Scout, leader and alumni a meaningful way to participate in the 100th Anniversary. The program is also designed to increase public awareness of Scouting’s values by sharing the outcomes of this innovative program. A Year of Celebration engages individuals in fun activities and with the intention of increasing volunteer and youth retention in the Scouting program.

Requirements are also designed to spark conversations about Scouting’s values, history tradition and programs. The goal is to generate positive public awareness as well as to recruit youth and adults to our program.

You can download a pdf file listing the requirements for participating in this program are available for download by visiting The Boy Scouts of America Year of Celebration site http://scouting.org/100years/100years/ayearendcelebration.aspx.


Frequently Asked Questions

Can I purchase the patch without the ribbons?
Yes. The Year of Celebration patch is available at the council Scout Center or order online from Scoutstuff.org.

Once earned, in what order do we put the ribbons on the patch?
Any way you like.

How can I get the patch and ribbons?
Visit or call your local Scout Center to see if the Year of Celebration patch and ribbons are in stock. They may also be ordered online from Scoutstuff.org.

Do I have to complete the online form?
Yes. The online form must be completed before ordering any ribbons. Achievements for multiple individuals may be simultaneously entered. The online form is a simple way for the local and national BSA councils to have an idea about what’s being done to earn the Year of Celebration awards. You will not have to enter your name, address, or any personal information beyond your council, city, county, and unit number and the total requirements completed. Hit “submit” and print the form needed to purchase the ribbons.

I want to purchase the ribbons from a Scout Shop. What do I do?
Once you complete the form, click the link “Print an order form for the Scout Shop.” Take this form to your local Scout shop when you buy the ribbons.

I want to purchase the ribbons online. What do I do?
Click the link “Place an order online” when you have completed the online form.

Can a Cub Scout carry over completed requirements to a Boy Scout troop?
Yes. Before the Cub transitions from to the troop, their completed requirements must be entered. Go to the online form to enter the completed requirements, and indicate that no ribbons were completed. Print a record of this by clicking on the “Print an order form” link and give it to the Cub’s parent or guardian to notify the troop’s Scoutmaster.

I used to be involved in Scouting. Can I earn these awards?
Yes, the Year of Celebration has requirements specifically for Scouting alumni.

I’m an adult volunteer. Can I earn these awards?
Yes, both as alumni and an adult leader. You may earn the awards twice, but must complete all requirements for both.

I need ideas for a service project. What can I do?
Check out the links on the Year of Celebration page for toolkits and activities for Scouts and adults for projects that benefit our nation and world.

My unit did an activity this summer. Can it count toward my awards?
Yes, service projects and activities finished after May 2009 count toward Year of Celebration ribbons.
A Year of Celebration, A Century of Making A Difference - Service Projects

Community Service and A Year of Celebration

Scouting’s contribution to society is most visible in the movement’s commitment to community service. Service is interwoven into many of Scouting’s honors and is mandatory for earning the higher rank advancements. Through service, Scouts demonstrate that they provide an essential function to their communities.

The Year of Celebration Community Service Award rewards recipients for providing time and resources at no charge for the good of their local community. More than just engage in service, the award recipient must also share their thoughts about why service is crucial to our society and how Scouts today fulfill a 100-year-old legacy of serving communities. Here are four examples of the National BSA’s partnerships formed to support the Year of Celebration program. To check out more service project possibilities, visit http://scouting.org/100years/100years/ayeyearofcelebration.aspx.

Scouting is teaming up with “Nothing But Nets”

Scouting’s connection to Africa dates back to when Lord Baden-Powell served on a military mission there. Scouting’s founder loved Africa and took the outdoor skills he acquired there back to England. That’s part of the reason why the Boy Scouts of America was captivated by the efforts of Nothing But Nets, a campaign that has distributed more than 2 million lifesaving nets to people in Africa to prevent malaria.

For Scouts, Scouters and Scouting alumni, participating in this service project counts toward your “A Year of Celebration, A Century of Making a Difference” award. Complete any activity or combination of activities to count toward your 100th Anniversary Service award.

The first step in doing this is to get the word out that malaria kills and bed nets save lives. Encourage your pack, troop or crew to be creative when it comes to spreading awareness. To read more about the BSA’s partnership with “Nothing But Nets” and to get those creative juices flowing, visit: http://ww2.scouting.org/100years/100years/sitefiles/1000/YourSource/PlanningTools/YOC/NbN_Toolkit.pdf.

Habitat for Humanity and Scouting

Building Stronger Communities

Habitat for Humanity and the Boy Scouts of America are working together to address the problems of inadequate housing in our nation— one house, one community, one family at a time. Habitat for Humanity International is a nonprofit ecumenical Christian organization dedicated to eliminating poverty worldwide. Habitat brings together people with the resources and the people in need to build simple, decent affordable houses. You can find more information about the organization at www.habitat.org.

If you are a Scout leader looking for a volunteer opportunity for youth download the brochure at http://www.scouting.org/FILESTORE/marketing/pdf/02-842.pdf for ideas for everyone from Tiger Cubs to Venturers. Habitat has opportunities for individual, unit-level and district-level service projects. Visit the “A Year of Celebration” website for more information.

Census 2010

Counting Everyone Once , and Only Once, and in the Right Place

The U.S. Constitution requires that we conduct a national census once every 10 years. The census is a count of everyone residing in the United States. This includes people of all ages, races, ethnic groups, both citizens and non-citizens. Census 2010 will take place on April 1, 2010.

The BSA and the Heart of America Council are partnering with Census 2010 to help educate people and promote the importance of participating in the census next April. You can help, and by helping, complete requirements for the Year of Celebration program.

The Year of Celebration’s Community Service Ribbon Award rewards recipients for providing time and resources at no charge for the good of their local community. More than just engaging in service, the award recipient must also share their thoughts about why service is crucial to our society and how Scouts today fulfill a 100-year-old legacy of serving communities. For ideas on what you can do to promote the Census in your community visit: http://ww2.scouting.org/100years/100years/sitefiles/1000/Celebrating100Years/2010_census_projects_sheet.doc

Work to “Preserve America’s Waterways”

In honor of Scouting’s 100th year, national initiative called Preserve America’s Waterways is now underway. Lakes, streams rivers and ocean shorelines need our help. Each year these valuable resources continue to suffer from neglect and accumulated debris.

Preserve America’s Waterways is one of the most ambitious projects of its kind ever undertaken. With the help and support of national partners the Sea Scouts — BSA in cooperation with Venturing, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts and other community based youth organizations have taken a challenge to give back 1 million community service hours preserving & protecting our nation’s waterways. It is easy to get involved. Just visit www.pawaterways.org. You may choose to adopt a project in the system, or enter one of your own. For some quick tips on this service project visit: http://pawaterways.org/quickTips.php to get started.

This project can also help you qualify for the service patch from the 100th Anniversary Year of Celebration program. Go to the 100th Anniversary website (www.scouting.org/100years) for more information.
Generations Connection - Help Scouts Celebrate Impact on Families

Nearly every youth experiences Scouting with members of their family. Scouting provides the opportunity to strengthen ties between family members, create great family memories, and develop a shared family foundation of worthwhile virtues and values. The 100th Anniversary Generations Connection program celebrates Scouting’s legacy and its positive impact on American families through a program centered on the enduring symbol of the tree.

By visiting the Generations Connection webpage at http://ww2.scouting.org/100years/100years/GenerationsConnection.aspx you will find fun and meaningful ways to participation in the program. Explore your Scouting family tree, share your family story, or, thanks to an exciting partnership with the Arbor Day Foundation, plant an official 100th Anniversary tree … to help grow a new BSA Centennial Forest. Visit the Web site and learn more today!

For 100 years, families throughout the country have realized the powerful benefits of Scouting. Help us honor this legacy, and commit to supporting 100 more years of Scouting’s role in building strong youth and families!

BSA’s Alumni Connection

For nearly a century, the Boy Scouts of America has prepared generations of leaders by guiding youth on a solid path toward becoming great citizens, role models, stewards, and friends. Millions have passed through Scouting’s ranks, and millions more have supported them along the way.

In 2010, the BSA will celebrate its 100th Anniversary, and it is committed to engaging the entire Scouting community, including millions of Scouting alumni. That includes former Scouts, their family members, volunteers, professional Scouters, community leaders, and the tens of millions of Americans who have benefited from Scouting.

Through the BSA Alumni Connection program (www.BSAalumni.org), Scouting alumni can find friends and mentors, add photos and stories onto the new 100th Anniversary Online Scrapbook, make donations that directly benefit Scouts in the Heart of America Council, and learn how to get involved in 100th Anniversary activities and events. They will even be able to do something that, for the past 100 years, only active Scouts could do—earn a patch!

“The goal of the BSA Alumni Connection program is to have the people whose lives have been positively impacted by Scouting demonstrate their dedication and commitment to the next generation of Scouts,” said Tim Bugg, Scout Executive. “This is their opportunity to impact Scouting’s next century.”

If you are a Scouting alumnus, visit www.BSAalumni.org to reconnect with others, rekindle Scouting memories, and re-engage with the Boy Scouts of America. Those without access to the Internet can call (816) 942-9333 or (800) 776-1110 to take part.
Family Tree Planting Ceremony
Connect your Family to Scouting’s 100th Anniversary

Here is a simple sample ceremony that you could use to plant your family 100th Scouting Anniversary tree. Get everyone involved. Use these ideas and create a new family tradition while helping the environment and beautifying your neighborhood. The only materials required are a shovel, mulch, water and of course, your 100th Anniversary Tree.

Preparation
Before your family ceremony, dig a hole with adequate room to plant your tree root ball with plenty of mulch to enrich the soil when you put it back into the hole.

Suggested Comments
Scout: Welcome family. We are gathered to plant this tree to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America and to celebrate our family.

Ask each family member to say one thing about what the new tree will provide for the family. (e.g., fruit, shade, place for birds, animals and insects)

Ask each family member to contribute an idea of how they will take care of this tree to keep it alive and growing well.

Ask each family member to share how they will participate in the Scouting program in the year ahead.

Placing: one family member places the tree in the prepared hole, a second family member adds soil/mulch, another family member waters the tree well.

Scout: On this day, (day of week), (month), (day), (year), we do hereby dedicate this tree to our family and to the 100th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America. May this tree grow straight and strong.

Version 2
Consider adding a favorite poem. As one option, consider the one below, by Joyce Kilmer.

Family member: The tree you see here represents the future – future growth, creating shade, becoming a home for animals or insects, a place to play under, even nurturing the earth with fallen leaves as the seasons pass, and measuring time by the rings formed in its trunk. The importance of trees to us all was captured by Joyce Kilmer in the poem.

Version 3
Add Invocation.

For some families, the tree planting might provide an opportunity to celebrate on a more spiritual level. In this case, adding a prayer, or other meaningful meditation, could add another level of significance.

Key Things to Know about Trees

1. Don’t Top Trees!
Topping may be the worst thing you can do for the health of a tree. It starves the tree by drastically reducing its food-making ability and makes the tree more susceptible to insects and disease.

2. The 1/3 and 1/4 Rules of Pruning
Never remove more than 1/4 of a tree’s crown in a season. Try to encourage side branches that form angles that are 1/3 off vertical (10:00 or 2:00 positions). Main side branches should be at least 1/3 smaller than the trunk diameter. If removal of a main branch is necessary, cut it back to where it is attached to another large branch or the trunk. For most deciduous (broad leaf) trees, don’t prune up from the bottom any more than 1/3 of the tree’s total height.

3. The Value of Mulch
Mulch insulates soil, retains moisture, keeps out weeds, prevents soil compaction, reduces lawn mower damage, and adds an aesthetic touch to a yard or street.

4. Where Roots Really Grow
Roots don’t normally grow in the oxygen-poor soil under paved streets. The framework of major roots usually lies less than 8 to 12 inches below the surface. Roots often grow outward to a diameter one to two times the height of the trees.

5. Girdling Kills Trees
Girdling is an injury to the bark of a tree trunk and extends around much of the trunk’s circumference. These injuries destroy the tree’s most vital membranes, the layers that conduct water and minerals from the roots to the leaves and return the food produced by the leaves to the rest of the tree.

6. How to Plant a Containerized Tree
Correctly planted, trees will grow twice as fast and live at least twice as long. Ideally, dig an area one foot deep and approximately 5 times the diameter of the root ball to encourage root growth. In transplanting, be sure to keep soil around the roots. Always handle your tree by the ball, not by the trunk or branches. Help prevent root girdling by vertically cutting any roots that show tendencies to circle the root ball.

7. How to Plant a Bare-Root Tree
It is best to plant bare-root trees immediately. Unpack the tree and soak it in water 3 to 6 hours. Dig a hole, wider than seems necessary, so the roots can spread without crowding. To aid root growth, turn soil in an area up to 3 feet in diameter. Form water-holding basin around the tree. Give the tree plenty of water.

To read all Nine Things to Know about Trees, visit: http://ww2.scouting.org/100years/100years/sitefiles/1000/GenerationsConnection/BSA_Arbor_Day/9_Things_to_Know_About_Trees.pdf.
The 2009 Trail's End Popcorn Sale is in full swing! Hopefully your kickoff provided Scouts and families with fun and excitement. Remember to send us your photos if you took a kickoff kit. We look forward to seeing the photos and to post them as a part of next year’s campaign. We are sure that you are hard at work achieving your fundraising goals that will allow you to enjoy great Scouting activities in this upcoming year.

The sale will go quickly. Here are some dates and details to keep in mind:

- **Sale Ends** - Saturday, October 24
- **Orders Due** - Final orders are due on Monday, October 26 by 5:00 pm
- **Returns Due** - Notification of popcorn to be returned to the pickup locations is due Monday, October 26. Returns are only accepted if you have given notice by October 26.
- **Final Pick Up** -- November 6 & November 7. (see below for detail)

More than 482 units are participating in this year’s sale. We are targeting growth of 10%. This is an aggressive goal but reaching it will provide more Scouts with an even better Scouting experience.

**Final Popcorn Distribution** - Unit popcorn kernels will be contacted with the final order pick up locations and the time scheduled for your unit. You will be able to pick up your final orders and return popcorn that exceeds your needs. Please remember that you must report any returns to the office by October 26. Returns will not be accepted at the pick up locations unless you have reported your returns by the due date.

Our sale is off to a successful start this year thanks to the work of our district and unit popcorn kernels. So far things look great! Our goal is to sell $3,088,433 in popcorn for the entire sale! That will provide a tremendous amount of support for the Scouting program and units in the Heart of America Council.

When you see your district popcorn kernels at roundtables give them a big pat on the back. They are helping to make great Scouting programs happen.

**Hey Scouts**, become a Heart of America Council Top-Seller by filling up one order form for our Trail’s End Popcorn sale and join in the fun.

- Receive a 2009 “I filled it Up!” Patch and Top-Seller Certificate!
- Receive the new 2009 Commemorative HAT!

Attend each of these Great Top-Seller Scout Events and check out all the exciting extras!

**Early January** - Roo It Up with two tickets to the UMKC Roo’s Basketball Scout Experience
- Pre-Game Pizza Party!
- Council Top-Selling runner-up gets to be the Honorary Coach at the UMKC Roo’s game!

**May** – Enjoy some Major League Baseball with two tickets to Scout Day with the Royals at the cool new Kauffman Stadium!
- Top-Selling Scout from each district gets to stand next to a Royals player on the field during the National Anthem!
- Council Top-Selling Scout gets to throw out the 1st pitch at the Royals game.
- All Scouts participate in the pre-game Royals Scout Parade.

**Summer** – Attend Scout Day with the Kansas City Wizards and enjoy some major league soccer.
- Be part of the All Scout Human Tunnel at the Wizard’s Game!
- Scouts from the Top-Selling Unit get to be Flag Bearers at the Wizard’s Game!
- 14 Top-Selling Boy Scouts get to be Ball Boys at the Wizard’s Game!
Getting Them All

By Brian Blake – North Star District Public Relations Chairman

Six years ago, Conor Killen of Troop 261 at St. Therese Parish in Parkville, MO., earned 10 merit badges at the H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation near Osceola, MO during his first summer camp. This was followed up by attending several merit badge colleges over the next couple of years. When Conor realized that he had earned about sixty of the one hundred twenty two possible merit badges in the Boy Scout program, it was then that he set himself a goal of earning every merit badge. Conor and his father, Kurt Killen, got a copy of the Scouting poster “Merits of Scouting” which shows all 122 badges. With every merit badge earned, a push pin was stuck in the poster. Like vacation locations on a map, this became a daily reminder of a goal.

On Monday, September 21, 2009, Conor turned in the last merit badge card, completing a goal that started six years ago. Earning all 122 merit badges meant Conor had to travel to five different states and Australia to complete the task. But, with each merit badge there is a story. Laying the merit badge sash out on the table, a few of the patches were randomly pointed at. Coin Collecting was earned at a hotel at a Coin Exposition in a St. Louis hotel. Truck Transportation was earned with Jeff Carver, an adult leader in Troop 261 who works at YRC, where Conor and other Scouts in Troop 261 toured the freight distribution center. Space Exploration was earned at the Kansas Cosmosphere and Space Center in Hutchinson, KS, during a troop overnight where the entire troop got to shoot off model rockets.

When asked about specific merit badges, Conor said that the easiest ones to earn were the Handicraft badges at the H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation. The most difficult merit badges were Surveying and Backpacking. Surveying was really difficult for Conor because of the trigonometry required. Backpacking was difficult due to the time required and number of trips. The most fun merit badges were Whitewater and Climbing. The most interesting merit badge was Hiking merit badge, where Conor traveled to Australia as part of World Youth Day in 2008 which was a Catholic trip to see the Pope. Conor was able to complete all of the Hiking requirements during this trip.

Conor is a junior at St. James Academy in Lenexa, KS. At this point in his life, Conor has not decided on what academic or professional career to pursue. He says that the three Citizenship merit badges, along with the public speaking part of Communications merit badge and all of the life skills merit badges, will help him in the future. Conor enjoys talking and debating and is leaning towards a career in law.

When asked if he had any regrets, Conor said that he had none. He is happy that he was able to complete the goal, and gives credit to his parents Kurt and Carla for helping out. Conor said that the most challenging part of the entire ordeal was the amount of paperwork that was required, coupled with the time that it took. The biggest thing that Conor had to learn was to prioritize his time. Conor’s Scoutmaster Jim Hochstatter is proud of Conor’s achievement and is pleased when Conor finds time to give leadership back to the Troop. Helping out with the younger Scouts is what Jim values the most. On any given Monday night, anywhere from four to seven Eagle Scouts are seen helping the first year Scouts with their skills requirements.

Conor’s advice to any Scout wanting to earn every merit badge is to start early. Work hard at getting everything that summer camp has to offer, make the most of any merit badge college you can find, and get to know all of the merit badge counselors in your unit. Persistence is the main key if you want to “get them all!”

The James E. West Fellowship Recognition for Endowment Contributions

An integral part of the Heart of America Council’s program to expand its endowment trust fund and ensure the future financial stability of the council is the James E. West Fellowship Award. Named after the first Chief Scout Executive of the Boy Scouts of America, it is a national recognition for those who contribute $1,000 or more in cash or securities to our council’s endowment fund.

Since the award’s inception, thousands of individuals have been honored nationwide and millions of dollars have been contributed to council endowment funds, working to ensure Scouting’s future. It is important to note that a qualifying gift for recognition as a James E. West Fellow is in addition to, and does not diminish or replace, the donor’s annual gift to the council’s Investment in Character campaign.

Organizations or individuals may contribute an award in honor of someone, an Eagle Scout, a Silver Beaver recipient, or significant Scout leader, or in memory of a departed loved one, business associate, or special Scouter. Each donor will be recognized with a personalized 8 x 10 certificate, distinctive pin and an embroidered square knot. Application forms are available on our website at http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Finance/Endowment/Forms.aspx You may also get more information by contacting either John Kuehn, Director of Finance Services, at jkuehn@bsamail.org or Randy Kidder, Finance Director at rkidder@bsamail.org.
2010 BOY SCOUT CAMP DRAW

Payment Schedule:
A $40 Deposit is Due with Each Reservation for Scouts and Full Time Leaders at the Camp Draw
Half of the Balance is due by Wednesday, February 17, 2010
Final Payment Due by Wednesday, April 21, 2010 with names of all campers

The draw to determine 2010 Boy Scout Camp placement for in-council troops will take place on October 14, 15, and 17, 2009. The draw is based on the number of Scouts and full-time leaders your troop camped in either 2008 or 2009 (whichever is greater) and will be camping in 2010 as follows:

The Theodore Naish Scout Reservation draw will be held at the Council Service Center, 10210 Holmes Rd, Kansas City, MO 64131.

Wednesday, October 21, 2009 (Held at the Council Service Center)
- 6:30pm - single troops that camped 25 or more Scouts and full-time leaders
- 7:00pm - single troops that camped less than 25 Scouts and full-time leaders
- 7:30pm - combined troops of any number based on camp and campsite availability

Thursday, October 5, 2009 (Held at the Council Service Center)
- 6:30pm – single troops that camped 60-74 Scouts and full-time leaders
- 7:00pm – single troops that camped 45-59 Scouts and full-time leaders

The H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation (October 15, 2009 Thursday only) will be held at the Council Service Center, 10210 Holmes Rd, Kansas City, MO 64131.

The H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation (October 17, 2009 Saturday only) will be held at the Cerner Riverport Campus, 6711 Birmingham, Kansas City, MO.

Saturday, October 17, 2009 (Held at the Riverport Campus)
- 8:30am – single troops that camped 30-44 Scouts and full-time leaders
- 9:30am – single troops that camped 15-29 Scouts and full-time leaders
- 11:00am – single troops that camped 14 or less Scouts and full-time leaders
- 11:30pm - combined troops of any number based on camp and campsite availability

A representative for and/or designated by the troop must be present to place their ticket in the draw and be prepared to pay the required deposit of $40.00 per Scout and full-time leader. Troops will be placed in Camp Session, and Campsite in the order of the draw, as space is available. The $40.00 per person registration fee is transferable to a replacement Scout or leader within the same troop on a one-to-one basis. The fee is not refundable nor may it be applied to the balance due for another person. The draw for out-of-council troops will take place on October 30, 2009.

The Heart of America Council Reserves The Right To Adjust Campsite Assignments.

OA Winter Banquet Update

The Order of Arrow Winter Banquet will be held on January 2, 2010 at Bartle Hall, please visit the council website at www.hoac-bsa.org to register or check at the October roundtable for a registration form. Last year over 500 OA members and their guests attended. We will recognize the newest Vigil Honor members and announce the founders award recipients.

Plan now to attend. For more information call Terri O’Neal at (816) 569-4933 or toneal@bsamail.org.

University of Scouting

Don’t miss Heart of America Council’s University of Scouting to be held Saturday, November 7, 2009 from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm at Hickman Mills High School. University of Scouting is a Council-wide Cub, Boy Scout & Venturing Leader learning extravaganza where you pick your own classes. For only $25.00 you get all the information you choose, a University of Scouting patch and/or pin, CD and a lunch. You can register, choose your classes and submit the non-refundable payment either online or through paper registration. The final deadline for registration is Friday, October 23, 2009. Following that date, you will need to come to University of Scouting and register as a walk-in.

Program Highlights include:
• Giveaways
• Midway
• Exhibits
• Trading Posts

For more information contact J. Britt Davis at (816) 569-4324 or jdavis@bsamail.org.
Camping and Program

Wild Game Dinner

What:
A fun evening including a wild game dinner, shooting sports, an auction and fellowship with like minded people:

When:
Wednesday, October 14, 2009  6:00 – 10:00 pm

Where:
Camp Theodore Naish, 1100 Martinek Lane, Kansas City, Kansas 66111

The Shooting Sports Committee of the Heart of America Council invites you to their first annual Wild Game Dinner. The meal will include exotic and common wild game, including various deer species, gator tail, and walleye. There will be silent and live auctions, a shotgun shooting contest (bring your own shotgun and ammunition or we will supply) and a fishing derby (bring your own gear and bait or we will supply). Add lots of good food for a fun filled evening.

Auction items will include guns, camping equipment, outdoor gear, local hunts and shooting events, and HOAC camperships. The live auction will include a Labrador puppy (break the news to spouses before you leave the house for the evening).

The proceeds of the evening go directly to the Shooting Sports Committee which has taken on the responsible for providing shooting activities at both council camps during the “off” season. Your generosity will help purchase equipment and supplies in the form of new guns, ammunition, cleaning apparatus and new facilities as well as maintenance of existingfacilities and hardware. Please join us on the 14th of October. Donations will be gratefully accepted.

Advanced sale tickets are $25.00 each. Absolutely no walk-ins will be permitted! Contact Russ Lindsay (913) 269-0050 or Rick Ledgerwood (913) 422-1035 for ticket information.

Winter Sports Safety--Helmets

There is an upcoming change to the Winter Sports Safety section of the Guide to Safe Scouting.

“Appropriate personal protective equipment is required for all activities. This includes the recommended use of helmets for all participants engaged in winter sports such as sledding and other sliding devices. The use of helmets is required for the following activities: downhill skiing, snowboarding, and operation of snowmobiles (full-face helmets).”

I would like to remind you that when units engage in winter sports, they should only use designated areas where rocks, tree stumps, and other potential obstacles have been identified and marked, cleared away, shielded, or buffered in some way.

10 Ways To Use Facebook For Recruiting

Tens of millions of adults use Facebook to keep in touch with friends and family members. During the past year, hundreds of adult volunteer Scout leaders joined Facebook and use it to keep connected with other leaders and parents.

If you are on Facebook and have not used it to build a stronger Scouting community, here are 10 ways you can do so:

• Show your friends you’re involved in Scouting.
• Share the fun you’ve had during Scouting activities.
• Promote planned Scouting activities.
• Post photographs of fun Scouting activities.
• Talk about your satisfaction with Scouting in your unit, training courses, camps or other programs.
• Join Facebook groups in your community and spread the word about Scouting. For example, join your elementary school’s Facebook page and promote School Night to Join Scouting and other events.
• Promote your School Night to Join Scouting date.
• Share your School Night to Join Scouting success stories and how youth and adults can still sign up if they missed the event.
• Shine the spotlight on your new Tiger Cub dens, parents who will lead the dens and how they’re getting started.
• Educate and encourage new parents and leaders to visit Scouting websites and subscribe to e-newsletters.

Become one of the more than 20,000 fans of the Boy Scouts of America. Here is the link: http://www.facebook.com/pages/Boy-Scouts-of-America/113441755297.
**Registration Fee Increase**

The BSA National Executive Board unanimously passed a resolution at the business meeting on May 22 to increase the traditional membership registration fee for all youth and adults to $15 from its current $10, effective Jan. 1, 2010. The last fee increase, which was from $7 to $10, was in 2003. The Exploring fee remains $10.

A great deal of thought and consideration went into this decision by both the Executive Board and the Membership Fee Task Force led by National Commissioner Tico Perez. Input was sought and received from staff and volunteers at the council level. It was determined that the best approach was to increase the fee to the level chosen and make every effort to hold it at that level for a period of at least three years.

**New Eagle Scout Application**

As of August 1, 2009 only the 2009 Printing of the Eagle Scout Rank Application will be accepted. To download the New Eagle Scout Application visit [http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Programs/AdvancementAndAwards/ResourcesAndForms.aspx](http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Programs/AdvancementAndAwards/ResourcesAndForms.aspx).

**American Flags in Need of Proper Retirement**

We need your help. A number of American Flags have been delivered to the Heart of America Council Service Center because they are in need of proper retirement. This is an opportunity for Scouts to learn how to conduct the appropriate ceremonies for retiring the American Flag. If you are interested in helping to see that these well-worn flags are retired, please contact Doug McDuff at (816)569-4920 to make arrangements to pick up one or more flags. This could be an opportunity for a service project.

**Personal Finance, Taxes and Scouting**

The tax world is complicated. Do your Scouts understand the basics? Let H&R Block teach your scouts the basics of taxes. At no cost to your pack or troop, we will provide engaging presentations by an experienced professional on how someone would file taxes for the first time. We will cover: Things that may require a first Tax Return, Relevant Information for filing, Which form to file, methods of filing & how to pay your taxes. Please contact me for additional information and to set up your tax-talk today. Cheryl Swearingen email: cheryl.swearingen@tax.hrblock.com.
Roundtable

It’s fall and roundtables are on our district schedule once again, the Big Muddy District roundtable meetings are held the first Tuesday each month at the Lexington United Methodist Church located on South Highway 13 in Lexington at 7:30 pm.

Roundtables are a successful way for leaders to gather and learn from each other. This is an opportunity for you to get information on a variety of subjects from the Heart of America Council and the Big Muddy District. Each month there will be a new program for both Boy Scout and Cub Scout leaders.

Investment in Character

As you all know our annual fundraising drive, an Investment in Character, is an essential part of funding the operations of the Big Muddy District as well as the Heart of America Council. As beneficiaries of the services that being a friend of Scouting provides, your support is imperative to the continuation of the scouting movement.

Please work with our fundraising volunteers who devote hours of their time, above and beyond their contributions to their units, to ensure that our annual campaign is a success. We are still working towards our goal of $16,000 so any remaining pledges or gifts are greatly appreciated.

School Night for Scouting

I wanted to thank everyone for a TERRIFIC job on School Night to Join Scouting. This year’s School Night was a great success with a 75% increase in enrollment. A successful School Night means that more young people will enjoy the fun, excitement and benefits that Scouting brings. A huge thank you goes out to everyone involved. For more information regarding the School Night to Join Scouting program please contact Jon Geiger at (816) 682-2130.

Cub Scout Family Campout

The Cub Scout Family Campout was held on September 25-26, 2009 at the Walnut Hills in Carrollton, MO. New Cub Scouts and their families attended their first district-wide Scouting activity just weeks after joining as a part of our annual School Night for Scouting recruitment drive.

Thanks to Tammy Cockrum and the rest of the staff that made this even a success. A lot of new Cub Scouts and their families got a great taste of Scouting and are anxious for more.

Fall Camporee

The Big Muddy Fall Camporee will be held at Walnut Hills on the weekend of October 24 and 25, in Carrollton, MO. For more information please contact Cliff Cox at (660) 890-5054.
2009 Blue Elk Key Leadership

District Chair
Don Lograsso  (816) 229-4020

Vice Chair – Program
Jim Todd  (816) 228-4081

Vice Chair – Operations
Karen Burgess  (816) 228-6911

District Commissioner
Mike Rodak  (816) 774-2483

District Director
Grant Dealy  (816) 569-4964
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District Executives
Brian Bentrop  (816) 569-4918
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Tiffany Bumgardner (816) 569-4969
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Click Here for contact information
on additional volunteer Committee Chairs.

Investment in Character

With our tough economic times it’s no surprise that our 2009 fund-raising campaign struggled. This is a time to give to the program that we love, the boys we mentor, and those who need financial assistance. Right now, more Scouts than ever before need assistance and what better gift could you give to a child than the gift of Scouting?

Please call Scott Smith at (816) 461-3377 or Tiffany Bumgardner at (816) 569-4969 with your Court of Honor/Blue and Gold/Pack Meeting date or sign up at roundtable.

Golf Tournament

The Blue Elk Golf Classic was held on July 13 at the Nicklaus Golf Club at Lions Gate in Overland Park. Thank you to the committee that organized a great event and to all of our sponsors:


Camporee

The 2009 “Midnight Madness” Camporee is designed to appeal to the sense of fun, adventure, and imagination so active in boys. In addition, the program helps to put into practice Scouting skills, team building, personal reflection, physical agility, and resourcefulness.

Our camporee will be held on the weekend of October 9-10 and will start at 8:00 pm on Friday and end around 8:00 am Saturday. Look for more details at roundtable and contact Kerry DeHaan, Camporee Chair, at 210-4043 or the_dehaans@yahoo.com or Tiffany Bumgardner at 569-4969 or tbumgard@bsamail.org.

Attention Scouts

The Blue Elk District roundtable theme for March 2010 is “Leadership”. As a Scout you do a great job of leading the troops of Blue Elk. You also may be leading in the student council, the school newspaper, the German club, teaching Sunday School, or leading food drives. Let us know how else you are using your leadership talents to do great things in the community? Please contact Virgil Adams at kcvirgil@yahoo.com or by calling (816) 228-1283.

Unit Recharter Meeting

On Thursday, October 8, a meeting will be held at Beacon Heights to review the re-chartering process. Registration will begin at 5:30 pm. Your unit’s Chartered Organization Representative, Committee Chair, Unit Leader, and Unit Commissioner should attend this meeting. Re-charter packets will be distributed and the re-charter process will be reviewed in detail. Re-charter turn in will be December 3, at roundtable. Please make plans to attend this very important meeting.

Popcorn Sale 2009

The 2009 Popcorn sale is well under way. Don’t forget that the sale ends October 26, with final distribution set for November 6 and 7. Sign up for a pick up time at roundtable and remember that we assign times in order to get everyone in and out in a timely manner so please arrive on time with enough cars/trucks/trailers for your whole order. For questions, please contact Bob Hamlin, Council Popcorn Coordinator, at (816) 569-4921, Danny Jackson at 229-2522, Blue Elk Popcorn Chairman, at 805-7964 or Tiffany Bumgardner at (816) 569-4969.
Pop, Pop, Popcorn!

As you begin your popcorn sale, and after you have held your unit kickoff, be sure that you check in with your Scouts. Encourage them to meet their sales goal. Remind the parents of all the benefits of a successful sale (pays for camp, registration, outings, etc…). If your sale isn’t going well or you have questions, contact Jeff Terrell (816) 569-4947 for assistance.

The final orders are to be placed by October 26 by 5:00 pm and the final popcorn payment is due by December 7. The final payment date is earlier this year so please be prepared. Remember, the Prize Order Form and all information that follows are to be entered at www.fill-it-up.kintera.org by November 13.

Let’s all get TRAINED

Kaw District strives to offer the best Scouting program possible to our Scouts. An important aspect of running a good program is trained leaders. Training helps you understand what resources are available to help you run an outstanding program. Trained leaders are able to keep Scouts in the program longer. This fall there are many opportunities for all of our leaders to get the necessary training. This will be particularly important for those leaders just starting their exciting Scouting adventure.

Check the website at www.hoac-bsa.org for dates of upcoming trainings or contact Dan Hammond at (913) 651-4885.

School Night for Scouting

Thank you to all of our volunteers who have dedicated their time to be Organizer and Coordinator positions for School Night to Join Scouting this year. Because of your efforts, Kaw District is one of the top districts in recruitment. Our Cub Scout recruitment goal is 631 Cub Scouts and we are well on the way to achieving it. Also, thank you to those packs that have consistently provided a unit representative to their School Night’s. With all your help we reached our goal faster than we ever have before.

There are still School Nights remaining and it will take all of us to continue this outstanding recruitment streak. Contact Dusty Boatright if you would like to join us in our School Night to Join Scouting recruitment.

Let the Cubs Camp

This year the Kaw District’s Cub Family Campout will be held on October 9-10 at Cub World in Camp Naish. New Cub Scouts and their families who joined this fall are looking forward to their first district Scouting event. Our annual Cub Scout Family Campout is great way to introduce new Cub Scouts to the Cub Scout experience. We hope to see everyone out at Camp Naish.

Thanks to everyone who is hard at work to make this event possible. We fully except to have great activities and great attendance. Don’t miss out on the fun. See you there!!
2009 Lone Bear
Key Leadership

District Chair
Randy White (660) 909-8558

District Commissioner
John Gaston (816) 297-2216

Senior District Executive
Josh Morales (816) 569-4961

Click Here for contact information on additional volunteer Committee Chairs.

Camporee
The Lone Bear District Fall Camporee will have a Survivor theme this year held at Knob Noster State Park on Oct 16, 17, and 18.

Boys will participate in games and competitions that will ultimately end with our 2009 “Survivor” EVENTS: Program events will include: Atomic Pioneering, Dodge ball “The pit of Doom”, a giant Survivor obstacle course, Survivor style roped and tied obstacle course, the “Super Bowl”, .177cal air rifle competition, Survivor-style archery, and a huge evening competition campfire. OSCAR awards will be handed out for our best skit or song.

Chieftain Flying Red Flame will be our “Tribal Ceremony” special guest. Scouts and adults who have advanced in Mic O Say or OA will be recognized at the campfire.

There are a few “classified events” that will be taking place during the day as patrols hunt for several elusive Hidden Immunity Items, so BE PREPARED for some fun and surprises.

Don’t miss it, from many troops, who will be the Lone Bear Survivor?

Popcorn
It’s not too late to sell popcorn! The annual popcorn sale is an easy, risk free way to earn lots of funds for your unit. Popcorn money helps offset the cost of campfees, unit programs, advancement, etc. Contact John Slobaszewski at (660) 543-4851 or Slobaszewski@ucmo.edu. Pack orders are due by October 26 so sales need to conclude by October 23.

Lone Bear Golf Tournament
Thanks to everyone who participated in the 28th Annual Lone Bear Gus S. Wetzel Memorial Golf Tournament on Saturday September 12 at the Meadow Lake Country Club in Clinton, MO. It is great to see teams from all over the district attend. All proceeds benefit the H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservation Maintenance and Operations and Eagle Scout Scholarships. Contact Gary Smith at the Meadow Lake Country Club at (660) 885-5124 for fees and other information.

This year’s fall camporee will take place in Knob Noster State Park on October 9-11. This year’s fall camporee theme will be “Survivor.” Make sure to come to roundtable to find out more information. For information about camporee, please contact Jon Cerda at (660) 429-2747 or at gundog@starband.net.

Cub Scout Family Campout
The Lone Bear Cub Scout Family Campouts will be held to fulfill our promise to our newly recruited Cub Scouts to go camping. The campout has one more location to go this year. On Friday night, October 2, the Family Campout will take place at the Lowry City Corn Maze. Come on out and join us. All Cub Scouts and their family and friends are welcome. The cost is $8 per person. Families should expect to show up at the locations around 6:00 pm after you eat dinner. There will be a campfire that evening followed by a treat for all. The next morning, breakfast will be provided followed by games and activities ending by 11:00 am. If you have questions, please contact Josh Morales (816) 569-4961 or jmorales@bsamail.org.

Training
The training team is working on getting the fall training schedule in place. It is our plan to have several Cub Scout basic trainings throughout the district during the fall recruitment process. There will also be some training available for our Boy Scout leaders throughout the fall as well. Watch for further training information to come out at roundtable or through email. If you have questions about trainings or would like to be on the training team, please contact Richard Miller at (660) 909-2486 or email him at richard.mhi@gmail.com.
School Night for Scouting

What a wonderful fall our district had recruiting of new Cub Scouts and leaders. Flyers and posters were delivered to schools around the Northland. Packs promoted Cub Scouting at elementary school open houses and ice cream socials. The professional staff visited over 62 schools talking to thousands of boys about Cub Scouting. Numerous School Night volunteers along with pack leaders put on excellent School Nights.

Thanks to everyone for the hard work and long hours put forth to ensure area boys have a chance to join Scouting. A special thanks to Nancy Stasiak, District Membership Chair who along with a great team gave awesome leadership to this year’s recruiting effort.

Let’s Get Our Leaders Trained!!

At the April meeting of the Heart of America Council Executive Board, an All Leaders Trained Policy was unanimously adopted. This policy is being phased in over a three-year time period. By the December recharter, all Top Leaders must be trained. For more information about this policy, please see the June/July Adventures in Scouting at:


The North Star District Training Committee has set all the dates this fall that will allow all unit leaders to receive the training for their position. All top leaders (Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, and Venture Advisors) must be trained for their position. Failure to properly trained will result in your unit not being chartered with the council. Listed below is an updated list of training opportunities. Additional information can be found at the Training webpage at:


Be sure to visit the National Council’s training website and check out the new training section. On-line training is available and includes Youth Protection, Leader Fast Start, Troop Committee Challenge, Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat. To visit the National website, go to: https://scoutnet.scouting.org/elearning.

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

Investment in Character

Preparations are being made for the upcoming 2010 Investment in Character campaign. Please look at your unit calendars for the best time to have a brief Friends of Scouting presentation. Troop Court of Honors and pack Blue and Gold banquets are ideal opportunities to have a volunteer presenter come out. Thanks for your needed financial support of Scouting.

To schedule a presentation contact District Executive Mike Farrell at (816) 569-4950 or mfarrell@bsamail.org.

Good Turn for America

Units are asked to post ALL service hours on the Good Turn for America website. Access to the Good Turn for America website can be found by visiting the North Star Activities webpage: http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/NorthStar/Activities.aspx.

Service hours that should be reorted included: Eagle service projects, conservation projects, Scouting for Food, etc. For info, contact any member of the district executive staff.
Centennial Quality Unit

Units should be turning in their 2009 completed Centennial Quality Unit Award form beginning October 31, 2009 through December 31, 2009. The commitment form is designed to be filled out based on goals set by unit leaders working with their unit commissioners. Contact your unit commissioner for more information. Not sure who your unit commissioner is? Contact Dave Woy, District Commissioner, at david@woy.us.

Trails End Popcorn

Don’t forget about selling popcorn this fall! This is a great fundraiser that has no out of pocket expense and no extra inventory after it’s done. Selling Trail’s End Popcorn can be great fun for your Scouts and it also teaches and reinforces goal setting and presentation skills. It’s not too late to sign up. You can sign up by contacting our district popcorn chairman Terry Dixon at (913) 362-4178.

Camporee 2009

This fall’s theme is the Science of Scouting. This year has been recognized as “The Year of Astronomy” and the “The Year of Science”. The camporee will celebrate how science is an integral part of Scouting. Each troop is asked to present a display, activity, Scout skill, or demonstration using science. Camporee will take place October 16-18 at Shawnee Riverfront Park, 5800 Frisbee Road in Shawnee. Cost is $10 per person. For more information please visit: http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/NorthernTier/Activities.aspx or contact Scoutmaster Marshall Hollingsworth at (913) 268-1400 or by email at mackh@kc.rr.com.

2010 District Dinner Recognizing Volunteers

Get ready to attend the Northern Tier District Dinner on Saturday, February 6. The gathering begins at 6:00 pm and the dinner begins at 6:30 pm. The event will take place at Old Shawnee Town Hall (11110 Johnson Drive Shawnee, KS). This event recognizes the achievements of Northern Tier’s leaders in 2009. District Award of Merits and Outstanding Leader Awards will be presented at this time. Look for more information soon.

Day of Service 2009

On Saturday, December 5, 2009 between 9:00 am and noon, our district will hold its second annual day of service. We want your unit and families to join us. This event is open to all registered Scouts and Scouters in the Northern Tier District. We will be helping at the Harvesters Volunteer Outreach Center, 3801 Topping Kansas City MO, 64129. We will be working to contribute to the distribution of more than 2 million pounds of donated food and household supplies. For more information please visit the website at: http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/NorthernTier/Activities.aspx or contact Shane St. Clair at skstclair@everestkc.net.

Every Scout Deserves a Trained Leader

Our training team has been working overtime to prepare you as a leader in various roles. We have many opportunities for you to get the answers to your questions. Whether you have been a part of Scouting for a long time or you are new, we will make sure you are ahead of the game when those boys show up for their first meeting, waiting for “Fun”. This training team will show you the “Purpose” behind that “Fun”. To find out what trainings are right for you visit the NT Training page at: http://hoac-bsa.org/nttraining.cfm.

2010 Investment in Character Campaign

Please help continue to make Scouting affordable and available to everyone. It is time to make sure that your unit is signed up for an Investment in Character presentation. If you have not already registered your unit for the 2010 season, now is the time. These presentations are usually done at a troop Court of Honor or a pack’s Blue and Gold. To sign up please contact our Family Chairman, Bruce Harken at bruceharken@yahoo.com.
**Investment in Character**

It’s that time of the year again to be thinking of when you will be having your annual Investment in Character presentation. Please bring the dates of your Blue and Gold banquets and your Court of Honors to roundtable so we can make plans to provide your Family presentation. Scott Gates is the Pelathe District’s Family Campaign Chair. He did a great job last year and will do even better this year.

**Popcorn**

Jean Pfeiffer, Popcorn Chair for the Pelathe District, is doing a great job getting information out to all the units selling popcorn this year. This fall, 19 units have signed up to sell popcorn. We currently have 17 of the 19 units trained to sell popcorn this year. This is fantastic! Let’s go out there and sell as much popcorn as we can and make the best of this great fundraiser!!!

**Recruiting**

Follow up, Follow up, Follow up! Retention, Retention, Retention! These are the key phrases for the next couple of months. Be sure to follow up with anyone that attended a School Night to Join Scouting and did not sign up. In most cases, they are still interested and may have questions or need that one last invitation to join to get started. For the Scouts that we have recruited into the program, work to ensure that we are providing them with a good program. Our goal is to make sure every boy is given the opportunity to participate in the Boy Scouts of America. Everyone did a great job on all of our recruitment nights! Our hard work now, pays off in a brighter future for young people and for the future for your pack!!! Good Job!

**Bill Self Boy Scout Golf Classic**

The Bill Self Boy Scout Golf Classic was a huge success this year. The tournament took place at Lawrence Country Club. A record 26 teams with 104 participants took part in a great day of golf which raised money to support Scouting in Douglas County. A special thanks goes out to Gene Fritzel Construction, Intrust Bank, Sunflower Broadband and Perceptive Software for helping sponsor this year’s tournament. Another special thanks goes out to Bill Self, and the rest of the golf committee for helping put together this year’s tournament. The money raised in this year’s tournament supports the 1,200 youth in Scouting programs in the Douglas County Area.

**Cub Scout Overnighter**

The Cub Scout Overnighter took place on September 25 at Camp Bromelsick. The new Cub Scouts had a blast camping, playing games, and hanging out with their families. The Cub Scout Overnighter is designed to be a quick camping experience for all new boys that sign up in the fall. The Pelathe District Cub Scout Overnighter is open to all new and existing scouts. It’s a great event that all Cub Scouts and parents enjoy! A special thanks needs to go out to John Harman for helping put this year’s Overnighter together.

**Training**

Be sure to check to see that all your top leaders are fully trained before we start this recharter period. Remember that starting this year, training is going to begin to be required for units to recharter. The training requirement is being phased in so that within three years all leaders must be trained for the positions they hold in order for the unit to recharter. Some individuals have been trained for various positions in their troop or pack. When registration comes you will need to be sure you are trained for the position you are currently holding. Training course required to be fully trained do vary according to positions held. Thank you in advance for becoming fully trained. Fully trained leaders will only make our program stronger.
A Dear Friend Passes Away

Frederick Gilbert DeFeo, M.D., 63, passed away September 29, 2009. Dr. DeFeo has been involved in the Boy Scouts of America for more than 50 years, serving as an Assistant Scoutmaster, Committee Chairman, Treasurer, District Commissioner, District Vice Chairman, council summer camp physician, and a council member-at-large.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:00 am. Saturday, Oct. 3, at Christ the King Catholic Church, 8510 Wornall Rd, Kansas City, Mo. Visitation will be held Friday, Oct. 2, at the church from 5 to 9 pm. where a Mic-O-Say Memorial Service will begin at 7:30 pm. and a prayer service at 8:30 pm.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorial contributions may be made in Frederick’s honor to any of the following: Troop 1030 Camp Scholarship Fund, UMKC School of Medicine Scholarship Fund, or Rockhurst University Scholarship Fund. Many of us know Fred from his friendly smile and courteous manner while helping at the district and council events and camps over the past many years. Our hearts go out to Carol and the rest of Fred’s many close family and friends.

“Be Prepared” Camporee

The annual district camporee is coming up Friday, October 9 through Sunday, October 11. The theme for this year’s camporee is “Be Prepared.” Scouts will learn what to do in a variety of emergency situations. Remember, attendance at the district camporee is a requirement to receive the District Camping Award. Cost for this event is $10 per person (before October 2) and includes camping fees, program fees, camporee patch, and HOAC insurance.

For more information, visit the Pioneer Trails District Activities Page http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/PioneerTrails/Activities.aspx. For questions, contact Carol DeFeo at (816) 942-0675 or CarolDeFeo@aol.com, or Ed Mulik at (816) 835-3065 or scrounge_ed@hotmail.com.

Training

The fall is the perfect time to get trained. Whether you are a new leader, a returning leader who never attended trained, or a trained leader who wants a refresher course, we have got the training program for you. Check the calendar below for leader training dates for this fall. For more information, visit the Pioneer Trails District Training Page http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/PioneerTrails/Training.aspx.

To schedule a training for your unit, contact David Penner at dpenner@everestkc.net, or (816) 444-2379.

Website

If you haven’t had a chance to check out the new website, you are missing out! The new website went live this past spring. We are thrilled to have an updated and professional looking website for all of the Scouts, parents, and volunteers in Kansas City. Visit www.hoac-bsa.org and check it out. To view the Pioneer Trails District Page, visit http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/Pioneer-Trails.aspx.

Cub Scout Family Campout

Cub Family Campout is right around the corner! Join us for an overnight with your Cub Scout and other families as your son experiences the fun and excitement of camping outdoors. This event will take place Friday night, October 9 through Saturday morning, October 10, at the Longview Lake Group Camping Area just south of I-470 and Raytown Rd. The cost for this event is $8 per person which includes dinner Friday night, breakfast Saturday morning, camping fees, and Heart of America Council insurance. We hope to see you there!

Visit the Pioneer Trails District Activities Page for more information http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/Pioneer-Trails/Activities.aspx. For questions, contact Carol DeFeo at (816) 942-0675 or CarolDeFeo@aol.com, or Ed Mulik at (816) 835-3065 or scrounge_ed@hotmail.com.
School Night for Scouting

Red-tailed Hawk has recruited over 200 new Cub Scouts since August 26 and we are looking forward to recruiting more than ever this fall. Thank you to all the packs for your support of School Night for Scouting and to all the presenters who gave their time to ensure that every family hears the Scouting story.

Cub Family Campout and Camporee

Please check out the Heart of America Council’s Red-tailed Hawk District webpage for detailed information on the Cub Family Campout and Camporee on October 9-11. Registrations are due by the October 1 roundtable. Please register as a pack or troop. Registration fee is $8.00.

Training

Every Scout deserves a trained leader! Please refer to the calendar below for upcoming training dates in September and October for pack and troop leadership. To register, please email Bridgete McKenna at bmckenna@bsamail.org. Questions about training? Not sure what you need to be a trained leader? Check out the training page on the Heart of America Council website under the Red-Tailed Hawk District training page.

Stay in the Communication Loop

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School Night for Scouting

Red-tailed Hawk has recruited over 200 new Cub Scouts since August 26 and we are looking forward to recruiting more than ever this fall. Thank you to all the packs for your support of School Night for Scouting and to all the presenters who gave their time to ensure that every family hears the Scouting story.

Cub Family Campout and Camporee

Please check out the Heart of America Council’s Red-tailed Hawk District webpage for detailed information on the Cub Family Campout and Camporee on October 9-11. Registrations are due by the October 1 roundtable. Please register as a pack or troop. Registration fee is $8.00.

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Fall School Nights for Scouting – Recruitment

The bulk of our School Night for Scouting Campaign has been completed. Thanks to the packs for the time and effort you put into making your School Night successful. Thank you to our district volunteers for taking a few extra nights to help with presentations, organizing dens, etc. Most especially, thank you to Kathy Ruth, our School Night for Scouting chair, who took the reigns to organize volunteers, communicate with packs, distribute fliers, and generally ensure that School Night for Scouting was a success in the Thunderbird district in 2009.

Cub Family Campout

What a great event! We hope that those who came out had a great time! Thank you to the campers, Laura Crotty and her staff for the time and effort it took to ensure that we delivered the promise of Scouting to all of those new recruits.

Commitment ‘10

November 19, 2009 will be our third annual, “Commitment ‘10” event. Once again, we are committed to making your unit and the Thunderbird District successful in 2009. Please help us top the charts as the First District to complete the rechartering process, FOS Presentation Schedules, and the first District to achieve 100% Centennial Award Participation. Each unit’s participation is the key to the district and unit’s success.

We are asking each unit to send a representative to one of our 3, convenient locations at Heart of America Council, Lee’s Summit or Harrisonville on November 19. Sign-ups will be available on a “first come, first serve basis”, at the October roundtable, as we hand out charter packets. We appreciate your help with this process!

Save These Dates

- Boy Scout Camporee, October 9-11
- Commitment ‘10, November 19
  (Each unit must send a representative)

Camporee: Pioneering

The 2009 Thunderbird District Fall Camporee is “Learning the Ropes”. The theme will cover Pioneering Merit Badge instruction and experience. Test out your Scouting skills and have fun too! Some of the activities are: making rope, save the log, throw a rope, splicing, building a signal tower, log tackle and pull, building camp furniture, building and launching a trebuchet. Please turn in registration and payment to the Scout office or October roundtable.

Check out the website for more details, flyer, and registration information: www.hoac-bsa.org.

For questions, contact Pete Zibers: 816-686-1649, zibers@att.net or Kris Krahenbuhl: 816-589-8035, kkrahenbuhl@comcast.net.

2009 Thunderbird
Key Leadership

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Vice-Chair Program
James Freeman (816) 524-1630

Vice-Chair Support
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Click Here for contact information on additional volunteer Committee Chairs.
District School Night Kick Off

School Night for Scouting was a huge success this fall. Hundreds of new Cub Scouts were recruited to join Cub Scouts at 28 different schools between August 25 and September 10. Many people played an important role in making School Night a HUGE success. Thank you to all of the coordinators, organizers, and pack leadership that assisted in recruiting all these new boys. Also, we send out a big thank you to William Easley, School Night Chairman, and to Rob Wheeler, Membership Chairman for all of their efforts in putting together a great team and providing the leadership for a successful fall recruitment.

Nominating Committee

The nominating committee will be meeting early in the year to fill positions on the district committee. If you wish to nominate somebody to the district committee, please send those recommendations in writing to: Trailhead District, Nominating Committee, 10210 Holmes Road, Kansas City, MO 64131.

Nominations may also be given in writing to Matt Specht or Jenna Murphy. All nominations must be received no later than December 11, 2009. Elections of various district committee positions and members-at-large will take place at the annual business meeting in early January. All voting members of the district, including chartered organization representatives, are encouraged to attend this very important meeting.

Recharter 2010

The Trailhead District is already working to set the stage for a successful 2010. The recharter process for all units in 2010 is approaching and your help is needed to complete your 2010 Recharter, schedule your 2010 Investment in Character date, and work on earning your 2009 Centennial Award. At the November roundtable the district will hold an on-line recharter training session to answer any questions you may have about the process. We will also be distributing the 2010 Recharter packets. All units are asked to bring their 2009 Centennial Award Worksheet (if not turned in yet) and their 2010 Friends of Scouting Date to the November roundtable.

Training

Training is an important part of learning to become an effective leader. Why is training so important? It will help you plan effective, organized and FUN meetings, it will make your job easier as a leader, and most importantly it will keep the youth in the program. The fall training dates for Johnson County are all ready set, so there are plenty of opportunities for you to check out training.

For Trailhead District training details please visit the training page on the website. For any training questions, please contact district training chairman, Gene Bellner at geneb311@swbell.net

For the most updated information on Trailhead District, visit our webpage at: http://www.hoac-bsa.org/Districts/Trailhead.aspx

X-Treme Scouting Camporee

How extreme are you? Find out at this year’s district camporee, held on Oct. 9-11 at the former Southview Golf Club, 16001 S. 71 Hwy, Belton, MO. The district fall camporee is for all Webelos, Boy Scouts and Venturers. Check the district website for upcoming information on the event.

Trailhead District Dinner

Get ready to attend the 2009 Trailhead District Awards Dinner on Saturday, January 23, 2010 at Matt Ross Community Center.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend this very important salute to our district’s outstanding volunteers and programs. Nominations for District Award of Merit and Trailhead Outstanding Leaders will be accepted until November 30. Forms may be downloaded on the website under Activities and returned to Jenna Murphy at the council office.

Investment in Character

Please help continue to make scouting affordable and available to everyone. It is time to make sure that your unit is signed up for a Family presentation. If you have not already signed up your unit for this year, now is the time. Presentations only take 5 minutes and should be scheduled for either your troop Court of Honor or pack Blue and Gold.

You can either sign up at roundtable or contact Jenna Murphy at (816) 569-4948, jmurphy@bsamail.org.
Trails West

Upcoming Camping Events

2009 Trails West Camporee
October 9-11
Shawnee Riverfront Park

This year’s camporee features a new location and a new set of activities guaranteed to put your troop’s Scouting skills to the test. Events like Iron Chef, emergency preparedness, and ham radio are sure to make this a camporee to remember.

Webelos II's are also invited to partner up with a troop and attend. Registration begins at 5:30 pm on Friday, October 9 and the event concludes the morning of Sunday, October 11. Registrations are due at the October roundtable.

Popcorn

Are you ready for popcorn? Popcorn season is here and we want to help you succeed. All units selling this year should have plans to hold a Popcorn Kick-Off. This is one of the best ways to ensure a successful sale.

The Trails West Popcorn Team wants to know how your unit is organizing your Popcorn Kick-Off.

Please submit the date and location of your unit Kick-Off to the Trails West District Popcorn Chairman, Christine Schauf, at mc.schauf@comcast.net

Final Orders Due - Oct. 26, by 5pm

Final Order Pick-up - Nov. 6 & 7

Payment Due – Monday, December 7

Recharter 2010

The Trails West District is already working to set the stage for a successful 2010. Now, your help is needed to...

- Complete the 2010 Recharter process on time
- Schedule 100% of unit Investment in Character presentations
- Achieve 100% Centennial Quality Award participation.

And here’s how we’ll do it...

At the November 5 roundtable the district will hold an On-line Recharter training session to answer any questions you may have about the process. We will also be distributing the 2010 Recharter packets. All units are asked to bring their 2009 Centennial Award Worksheet (if not turned in yet) and their 2010 Friends of Scouting date to the November 5 roundtable.

Please contact Matt Armstrong with questions or for more information (816) 569-4978 marmstro@bsamail.org

School Night for Scouting 2009

Thanks to everyone who made the 2009 School Night for Scouting Campaign a success!!!

A special thanks to all the School Night coordinators, organizers, pack representatives, and unit leaders who made this possible.

Roundtable

Roundtable is held the 1st Thursday of the month at Community Covenant Church, 15700 W 87th St., Lenexa, KS. All Scout leaders are encouraged to attend. Come to stay current on all the latest district news, learn new Scouting skills, and catch up with fellow Scouters.

Also offered at the same time as the roundtable is Merit Badge Counselor Training and the Order of the Arrow Chapter Meeting.

2009 Trails West
Key Leadership

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

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

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Trails West
District Events

October
1 Roundtable
Merit Badge Counselor Training
OA Chapter Meeting
Community Covenant Church
15700 W. 87th St., Lenexa, 7:00 pm

1 Camporee Registration Due
9-11 Trails West District Camporee
Shawnee Riverfront Park

13 Cub Scout Leader Training
Bass Pro Shop, Olathe 6:30 pm

13 District Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm
Commissioner Meeting, 7:30 pm
Longbranch Steakhouse
Lenexa, Kansas

24 Venture Leader Training
Bass Pro Shop, Olathe 9:00 am

November
5 Recharter 2010 Kickoff
Roundtable
Merit Badge Counselor Training
OA Chapter Meeting
Community Covenant Church
15700 W. 87th St., Lenexa, 7:00 pm

10 District Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm
Commissioner Meeting, 7:30 pm
Longbranch Steakhouse
Lenexa, Kansas

17 Cub Scout Leader Training
St. Paul UMC, 7:00 pm

Click Here for District Calendar Updates
Re-charter turn-in meeting

To assist units in the district with the on time re-charter turn in we will be having a re-charter turn in on December 17, 2009 at 6:30 pm until 8:00 pm at the Paola Public Library. On hand at the meeting will be commissioners and other Scouters trained to assist unit leaders with completing and submitting their re-charter paperwork. Getting the re-charter process completed on time is a requirement for Quality Unit as well as Quality District. Let’s all set a goal for getting the re-charter process completed on time.

You may of course turn in your re-charter before that date, at roundtable on December 3, for example.

2009 Twin Rivers Fall Camp-o-Ree

This year’s Fall Camp-o-Ree will be at Forest Park in Ottawa, Kansas and will be held October 9 and 10. Lonnie Davis, Camp-o-Ree Chair and Rhonda Lewis, District Activities Chair have been working hard to make this event exciting and FUN! Thanks to everyone who has volunteered to help staff the event.

Be sure your unit is registered to join us for this annual district get-together, they are always a good time.

Cub Scout Family Campout

The Cub Family Campout will be at Osawatomie City Lake, just to the north west of Osawatomie, Kansas and will be held October 16 and 17. Be sure to invite all new Cub Scouts and their families to attend. All new Cub Scouts will get a patch and everyone will have TONS of FUN!

Twin Rivers Annual Business Meeting

The Annual Business Meeting of the Twin Rivers District will be held 7:00 pm, December 8, 2009 at the Whistle Stop Café at 901 South Sixth Street in Osawatomie, Kansas. All Chartered Organization Representatives and voting members of the district are invited and encouraged to attend.

At the meeting there will be a vote on the slate of district officers and members at large for the coming year. As always, no nominations will be accepted from the floor. Written nominations must be sent to Gordon Corcoran at the council office and be received no later than November 24, 2009.

Family Investment in Character

It is the goal of the district to have the Family Friends of Scouting presentations for each unit scheduled for sometime during the campaign by the end of the year. We still have a number of units who have yet to schedule a presentation. Please consult with unit leadership choose a family chairperson and come to roundtable prepared to schedule a date for a presentation or contact Gordon Corcoran to schedule a presentation.

Save The Date For 2010 District Klondike Derby

We are planning on having the 2010 Twin Rivers Klondike Derby January 22 and 23, 2010. More details will be announced later.
Attention All Explorer Posts!!

Dear Exploring Advisors and Adult Leaders

Now that Fall Fiesta has come and gone, recruitment is what it’s all about. Everyone should have their renewal paperwork and working to complete the process. Remember, the target date for all Explorer posts to have their paperwork turned in is November 16, 2009. Know that I am here to help. I am here to lend assistants in any capacity. I can sit down with you and go through line by line your renewal paperwork process. I will be at recruitment nights answering questions, helping out with program, and just lending two extra hands. Please, make sure you are conducting a recruitment night for your Explorer post. Without recruitment… their is no Exploring.

Please contact Lisa Thomas, Exploring & Learning for Life Director, at (816) 569-4972 or lithomas@bsamail.org to schedule an appointment to complete your post renewal paperwork and to attend your post recruitment night! We want to be there to help.

2010 National Law Enforcement Exploring Conference

The 2010 National Law Enforcement Exploring Conference will host thousands of participants for the 17th National Law Enforcement Exploring conference. Reasons for the success of the conference have been the advisors’ active support and participation and the opportunity to network with adult and youth participants from all over the U.S.A.

Dates: July 19 - 24, 2010
Location: Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia
Cost: The cost is $400.00 per person plus a one-time nonrefundable post registration fee of $100.00.
Program: The program is several days of exciting competitions and events:


Individual events: Police Physical Performance Testing, Air Pistol Competition, Pistol Competition (9mm), Sample Written Examination, Drill Competition, BeamHit, Bike Policing, Non-Emergency Vehicle Operations Course (NEVO).


Exhibits and Exploring USA: Features displays that promote many successful post programs

Who Can Register: The conference is open to registered law enforcement Exploring posts. This conference is a sellout so pay attention to the “Advisor Checklist.”

How To Register: Look for the 2010 conference guidebook and reservation form in the very near future
Check out: www.learningforlife.org/exploring/lawenforcement.

Remember Exploring has a New Membership Fee

As of January 1, 2009, Exploring membership fees were increased to $10.00. If need you can pick up new individual applications forms for youth and adults at the Heart of America Council Service Center.

Also if you need help in getting new application forms, contact Lisa Thomas, Division Director at (816) 569-4972 or lithomas@lflmail.org and she will provide the new adult and youth applications for your post.

Contact Information

Your post or group is important to me. While I visit with all advisors, lead teachers, and principals regularly, I am available to address your needs and concerns as they arise. Please contact Lisa Thomas, Exploring & Learning for Life Director, at (816) 569-4972 or lithomas@lflmail.org

Got E-mail?

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

BE 1058 Benjamin Landis
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BE 1205 Christian Spinier
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BE 1282 Kyle Templeton
BE 1310 Travis Holt
BE 1446 Zachary Mounteer
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