



TrailBlazer



From our Council President

I am confident most of you have heard about our Council camping focus. This is a committed effort to significantly improve our camps for 2006 and the future.

I had two meetings in the last one hundred twenty days at Camp OhDaKoTa to discuss this commitment. Our first meeting focused on what you felt needed to be accomplished to improve your camping experience. We identified items that needed to be improved. Then we shared this information with everyone once your thoughts were indicated. In this first meeting we developed sixteen items to be improved. Our second meeting was focused on two important issues: How the requests you had identified in the first meeting would be accomplished for the next camping experience, and the commitment of the council to complete the results.

At this point I am pleased to indicate all of the sixteen initial items are being worked on and will be completed prior to summer camping opening in 2006. One of the most significant improvements we have made at this point is adding a full-time experienced staff person to oversee the completion of the sixteen items you wanted improved and be a resource for you while attending camp. Your board of directors is firmly behind these camp improvement efforts and committed to making sure you have the best possible camping experience in 2006.

In our second meeting I indicated to everyone that these improvements are only the beginning of this council's commitment to make your camping a fantastic experience for all. From providing full dining service to improved patrol cooking equipment, more bathrooms and shower facilities more camp staff available for merit badges and commitment to the Webelos campers.

Now comes the tough part. I hope everyone understands just how important making this camping effort a success in 2006 and beyond has become. I need you to help yourselves. Yes. Help your council that supports you. Help the council by making your plans to attend our council camps. Build a stronger sense of community, teamwork, and support for yourself – your council – your troop – our youth. ATTEND YOUR CAMPS IN 2006. If you made other plans CHANGE THEM. If you haven't made plans to attend YOUR camp, DO IT TODAY.

MAKE YOUR VOICE COUNT. VOTE TO HELP YOURSELF – YOUR TEAM COUNTS ON YOU. JOIN ME AT CAMP IN 2006.

Regards,
Roland Denman
Council President
Southeast Wisconsin Council

2005 Fall Popcorn and Wreath Sales

September 1 Product Sales Kick-off
September 8 Show & Sell Orders Due at Council
September 23 Show & Sell Pick-up at Council
October 24 Show & Sell Return & Payment Due at Council

October 31 Take Order Seals (Popcorn & Wreath) Due at Council
November 11 Popcorn Pick-up Noon - 5:00 PM
..... Nelson Transfer
November 12 Popcorn Pick-up 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
November 12 Wreath Pick-up – 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM
..... Camp OhDaKoTa

Hopefully these dates will help your fall planning. If you've not already signed up for the sales, please do so by filling out the sheets included in your unit's program packet. If you have any questions, please contact your District Popcorn Kernel, or Wreath Sales Chair.

Lighthouse District:

Popcorn Kernel: Jeff Johnson 632-1404
Wreath Chair: David Ley 989-2454
Fox River District: Katie Dembowski 800.773.1655
Gateway District: Sharon Trasser 800.773.1655

Join Us Night

The only problem with Boy Scouts...is that there aren't enough of 'em."
– Will Rogers

ESSENTIAL STEPS TO A SUCCESSFUL JOIN-US NIGHT:

1. Put someone responsible in charge.
2. Make sure that your Join-Us Night meeting place is reserved.

Publicize, publicize, and publicize. Use as many of the following as you can. We want to let as many people as possible know about this chance to join, because all boys deserve the chance to become a Cub Scout:

- Announcements in church newsletters/local newspaper
- Flyers inserted in church bulletins
- Announcements during Sunday Service
- Announcements on church or school bulletin boards
- Announcements in school newsletters
- Announcements at school over the PA system
- Flyers at school
- Flyers door to door
- Uniform Day – Have Scouts wear their uniform to school the day of your Join-Us Night.

AND MOST IMPORTANTLY –

• **WORD OF MOUTH** from boy to boy and parent to parent. Remind the boys and parents of your pack to tell their friends, neighbors, classmates, co-workers, relatives, etc., about your Join-Us Night. A personal invitation is the most effective form of recruiting. 26, 2005, 7:00 PM, @ St. Mary's

AND FINALLY – recruit lots of enthusiastic new boys and their parents because you were prepared!

The Council-wide Join Us Night is **Thursday, September 15**. Each district will host a registration collection pizza party that same evening!

Lighthouse District: **Infusino's Restaurant (Rapids Drive), 7:30-9:00 PM.**

Fox River District: **Pizza Hut (Burlington), 7:00 – 9:00 PM.**

Gateway District:
Please bring all of your new boys' applications and membership fees, and celebrate another great recruiting season with us!

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Tribute to a Friend

Words to often inadequately express the sentiment we feel at the loss of a friend or the joy we feel when a friend is honored with special recognition. No finer tribute can be paid than to encourage a boy to live the life of a Scout and thus perpetuate the high principles you admire in your friend.

A contribution to the Southeast Wisconsin Council Memorial/Tribute fund is the perfect tribute.

In Memory of: _____

Honored for: _____

Send Acknowledgment to: _____

Address/City/Zip: _____

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TrailBlazer

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September 2005 Calendar

1 Roundtable .. Lighthouse, Gateway, Fox River Boy Scout
2-5 Family Camping @ Camp OhDaKoTa
7 Roundtable - Fox River Cub Scout
8 District Committee Meetings – All Districts
9-11 OA Section Conclave
12 Executive Committee Meeting
12 Council Commissioners
15 Join-us Night
20 Council Advancement Committee
21 Fox River District Commissioners
22 Council Training Committee
23 Show & Sell Popcorn Pick-up
23-25 Wood Badge C-21-05
24 Council-wide Training
26 Executive Board Meeting .. 5:30 PM . HobNob
28 Council Camping
30 Devil's Lake

October 2005 Calendar

4 Rosh Hashanah
5 Roundtable - Fox River District Cub Scout
6 Roundtable - Lighthouse, Gateway & Fox River Boy Scout
8 Camp OhDaKoTa Work Day
8 BALOO Training
8 OWL Training
10 Executive Committee
10 Columbus Day
13 District Committee Meeting .. Lighthouse, Gateway, Fox River
13 Yom Kippur
14 - 16 Fox River Camporee
15 Lighthouse District Cub Scout Activity
17 Gateway Training .. Part 1
18 Gateway Training .. Part 2
18 Merit Badge Counselor Orientation hosted by Lighthouse District
19 Fox River District Commissioners
25 High Adventure/Summer Camp Kick-off
26 Council Camping Committee
27 Council Training Committee
31 Popcorn/Wreath "Take Ordes" due by 12:00 Noon
31 Happy Halloween

Trading Post Hours: Monday-Friday 9-6, Friday 9-5 (until Memorial Day)

Tiger Mania Day at Camp

Our space adventure was a great success, with about 55 Tigers (with the families) taking the space shuttles to the Moon (games), Mars (crafts), and the Asteroid Belt (obstacle course) before returning to the International Space Station for snacks.

A special thank you to my flight crew for making the day a success: Joy Uttech, Robin Dile, Jenny Groot, Janis Panoessa, Clif Hoffman, and all the helpers who made the day a fun one.

It was a hot day (when I left the bank thermometer said 100 degrees) but we kept cool and had fun.

Thanks again to everyone who helped out. Sandra Martens



Summer Camp and High Adventure Kick-off

Tuesday, October 25, 2005 @ Union Grove High School
Come hear what's new and exciting! For leaders and boys of all ages! Bring the entire unit! Start thinking about camp early! We can take your camp registration now! Don't wait until February! Get the sites/programs you and your boys want! Sign up for special camp activities! Get an early bird patch! Get Information and sign up for Philmont, Sea Base, Northern Tier, NYLT (formerly JLT), OA, and other Southeast Wisconsin Council Programs too!

Camp Promotions

The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values found in the Scout Oath and Law. The most effective vehicle for this mission is camping – the outdoors. Now is the time to schedule your camp promotion! Please contact Seth Elder at the council service center (632-1655) for a reservation. Boys join scouting because they want the adventure and excitement that can be found outdoors. Let's give our youngsters what they want, and what we know they need!

2006 Summer Camp Dates:

Mom & Me

Session 1 July 28, 29, 30, 2006

Cub Scout Day Camp

Session 1 July 10,11,12,13, 2006

Session 2 July 17,18,19,20, 2006

Session 3 July 24,25,26,27, 2006

Session 4 July 31, August 1, 2, 3, 2006

Session 5 August 7,8,9,10, 2006

Webelos Resident

Session 1 July 14,15,16, 2006

Session 2 July 21,22,23, 2006

Session 3 August 4,5,6, 2006

Webelos Long Term

Session 1 June 26,27,28, 2006

Session 2 June 30, July 1, 2, 2006

Boy Scout Long Term

Week 1 July 9-15, 2006

Week 2 July 16-22, 2006

Week 3 July 23-29, 2006

Week 4 July 30- August 5, 2006

Week 5 August 6-12, 2006

OhDaKoTa Work Day

Fellow Scouters, The Camp Oh-Da-Ko-Ta work day is October 8- Meet in the Dining Hall. 8:00 - 8:30 AM -- Coffee and Rolls. 8:30 - 9:00 AM -- Jobs and Tools handed out. 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM -- Work, Work, Work. 1:00 PM -- Lunch will be served. Working after lunch is encouraged. Watch your email, roundtable, and the council website for projects lists.

Milwaukee Bucks 22nd Annual Salute to Scouts

Exclusive discount price for Scouting Night attendees and guests! All \$28 seats reduced to \$15! All \$23 seats reduced to \$12! Choose either Saturday, Nov. 12 vs. Indiana @7:30, or Saturday, November 26 vs. Detroit @ 8:00. All scouts receive a commemorative patch! Fans 14

and under receive a Bucks gift! Watch for flyers at the Council Service Center and Roundtable, or contact Steve Tarachow at 414-227-0539 or starachow@milwaukeebucks.com.

Ad Altare Dei & Pope Pius XII Religious Classes

September 19, October 17, November 21, December 29, 2005

January 16, February 20, March 20, April 17, May 15, 2006

St. Therese of Lisieux Catholic Church, 2020 - 91st Street, Kenosha,

Ad Altare Dei

Any Scout who is who is Catholic, registered as a Boy Scout for at least six months and has completed the 6th grade can earn the Ad Altare Dei.

Pope Pius XII

Is for any registered Catholic youth member of the Boy Scouts of America (Learning for Life members are not eligible) male or female, who has started the ninth grade, may work on and complete the Pope Pius XII religious emblem. Adults (21 and over) are not eligible to earn the Pope Pius XII emblem.

Cost: \$6.50 per Scouts. This fee covers the cost of the project workbook. An additional fee of \$14.50 to offset cost of the religious medal upon completion of the course. Please preregister at the Council Service Center by calling 262.632.1655 or 800.773.1655.

New Catholic Scout Leader's Database

The Archdiocese of Milwaukee is currently updating its data base system for tracking Catholic Scout leaders and youth. The database will list current information about Boy Scout youth and adults who have earned their Catholic program medals and awards, as well as trained and registered Catholic Emblems Counselors. The new registration forms can be downloaded at www.archmil.org

New Catholic Religious Emblem Counselor Changes

The Archdiocese of Milwaukee has announced changes to its religious emblems counselor program. If you are an active catholic religious emblems counselor, or want to be, please adhere to the following policies.

In order to comply with the Archdiocesan youth protection policy the following changes have been made: It is MANDATORY that all Catholic religious emblems counselors for Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius emblems programs be registered. It is strongly recommended that Light of Christ and Parvuli Dei coordinator also be registered.

To be registered, you must have taken training for Catholic emblems counselors in the past 3 years, be registered in the BSA, and have current BSA or Catholic youth protection training. Documentation of BSA registration and the training is required. All counselors must also fill out a new form and send it to the Archdiocese.

Forms must be sent to the Archdiocese by November 1. Youth going through the programs will be denied the emblems they have earned unless their forms have a signature from a registered emblems counselor. Please contact Jacquie Gozdowiak at jgozzy@wi.rr.com or 262-255-4474 for training information. Questions may be directed to our Council's Catholic Committee on Scouting representative, John Czarny @ 262-939-6545 or izar@msn.com.

New Square Knot for Volunteer Unit Organizers

The William D. Boyce New-Unit Award recognizes volunteers who organize one or more new traditional units. Celebrating Boyce's organizing spirit, the award consists of a silver square knot on a background of yellow, green, and red; representing the traditional Scouting program's colors.

Award Requirements:

1. With the approval of the district committee chair, serve as the organizer and complete the successful organization of one new traditional unit.
2. Organize the unit by following all procedures as published in the New Unit Organization Process, NO. 34196, ensuring that the new unit leadership is trained, program is organized and begun, the new unit committee is functioning, a unit commissioner is assigned, all paperwork is processed, and the unit charter is presented to the chartering organization.
3. Only one volunteer can be recognized as the organizer for each new unit.
4. Three program devices can be earned and worn on the new unit organizer knot for each additional new traditional unit organized. Each program device represents the type of unit organized. Multiple program devices from the same program may be earned and worn.
5. The new-unit organization award recognizes volunteers for organizing traditional units after March 1, 2005.

Boy Scout Recruitment

At the September roundtable, each Boy Scout Troop will receive a packet to help plan and execute a Troop Open House. The packet includes a DVD with sections on Boy Scout Recruiting, Conducting a Troop Open House, and Webelos to Scout Transition. The packet also includes a sample Boy Scout Recruiter patch.

Middle School Open houses are great venues for Boy Scout recruiting. Please utilize the techniques found on the DVD to help your unit increase its Boy Scout membership this fall. Additionally, any Scout who recruits a new Boy Scout will receive the Boy Scout Recruiter Patch free of charge.

The BSA Ready and Prepared Award

The BSA Ready and Prepared Award has been developed to encourage and reward Troops, Crews, and Ships that incorporate safe practices while enjoying challenging activities. There are two award levels: Gold and Silver. To earn the Gold Award, the unit must complete 10 mandatory requirements and 3 elective requirements. The Silver award requires the ten mandatory requirements and 6 electives. Youth and adult members of a unit earning the award are entitled to wear the BSA Ready and Prepared patch, and the unit is entitled to display a ribbon. Units earning the Silver award will also be acknowledged in *Boy's Life* magazine. Apply for the award at the time of rechartering.

Mandatory Requirements:

1. At least 3 registered adults trained in Safety Afloat and Safe Swim Defense
2. Two or more members, including at least one adult, are trained in first aid and CPR by a recognized agency.
3. Every registered adult trained in youth protection within the past three years.
4. Within the past year, the unit has viewed the appropriate youth protection video ("A Time to Tell," or "Personal Safety Awareness.")
5. All registered adults and adults listed as drivers on tour permits over the last six months have read and signed the Driver's Pledge.
6. The Scoutmaster, Advisor, or Skipper; Assistant Scoutmasters, Advisors, or Mates; and unit committee chair have in their possession and have read the most current *Guide to Safe Scouting*.
7. Unit members have conducted a safety check of their meeting place using the checklist in the *Guide to Safe Scouting*.
8. The unit first aid kit was updated in the past six months and is complete.
9. During the past 12 months the unit filed all required tour permits with the local council.
10. TROOPS: At least half of the Scouts registered in the unit have earned the Traffic Safety merit badge. CREWS/SHIPS: All youth with a driving permit or driver's license have taken: Venturing Out: Keys to Safe Driving online or in a group presentation.

Elective Requirements:

1. TROOPS: At least half of the registered Scouts have earned the First Aid merit badge. CREWS/SHIPS: At least half of the registered members are trained in CPR by a recognized agency.
2. At least 75 percent of unit members have completed requirements for the To Be Physically Fit BSA Award or the Quest Award. Details on these awards can be found at www.scouting.org
3. The unit has filed a Unit Money Earning Application with the local council for all unit fundraising activities within the last 12 months.
4. The unit has earned the Emergency Preparedness, BSA Award (details at www.scouting.org)
5. Unit members have conducted a safety promotion within their community. Areas of interest include Climb on Safely, winter sports, bicycle safety, shooting sports, using tools and equipment, wilderness camping, and using fuels.
6. Each member of the unit has read chapter 6, Managing Risk in the *Fieldbook* and has participated in a group discussion about what he or she read.
7. The unit has a risk management or health and safety officer. The position may be youth or adult. Attach a copy of the position responsibilities to the award application.

Please contact Seth Elder, Council Program Director for the Award application.

Fox River District

District Chair Bill Sherry
District Commissioner Bob Meade
District Executive Katie Dembowski
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2005 Summer Camp Summer Camp

Scouting's Big Adventure...that's what we promise to the boys who sign up to be Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts. How do we deliver on that promise? SUMMER CAMP!!!! You're more likely to keep that new Scout active if he goes to camp that first summer with your unit, be it Day Camp, Webelos Resident Camp, Webelos Long Term Camp, or Boy Scout Long Term Camp. The following units delivered on the promise; by attending Southeast Wisconsin Council Summer Camp programs!

Parent and Pal: Packs: 324, 343,350,369,373

Cub Day Camp: Packs: 310, 318, 324, 325, 328, 329, 330, 332, 333, 334, 335, 343, 350, 353, 369, 372, 373, 380, 381, and 385

Webelos Resident: Packs: 318, 324, 325, 328, 329, 330, 332, 333, 334, 335, 343, 350, 353, 369, 372, 373, 380, 381, and 385

Webelos Long Term: Packs: 310, 318, 332, 334, 350, 353, 372, 373, 381, and 385

Boy Scout Long Term Troops: 310, 332, 334, 336, 372, 373, 381, and 385

Thanks again to these units for providing the experiences we promise to boys upon joining scouting! These units experience the benefits gained from attending OhDaKoTa and the Robert S. Lyle Scout Reservation throughout their program years.

Product Sales

If you haven't yet signed up for popcorn or wreath sales, please make sure you do so! Remember all the fun you had at camp this summer? Wanna' know how to make sure it's even better next year? Sell popcorn and wreaths! Not only do your scouts profit directly from every product sold, but our council raises money to improve our camps, facilities, and every other aspect of our program. Popcorn and Wreath sales start early this year, so if you missed the product sale kickoff, or the September roundtable, make sure to pick up your unit's sales material. Please contact Katie Dembowski (800.773.1655) with questions about product sales!

Personnel Changes

Katie Dembowski (Haubrich), Fox River Senior District Executive, was married July 9, 2005 to David Dembowski at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Kenosha. David is a History teacher and varsity football coach at Tremper High School.

The Southeast Wisconsin Council welcomes Sharon Trasser, our new Gateway District Executive, and Amy Leitch, our new Exploring/Learning for Life Executive.

Sharon is a recent graduate of Carthage College, with a double major in marketing and business administration. She is a Kenosha native. Please join us in welcoming Sharon to our team!

Amy began her career in 2002 with the Southeast Wisconsin Council as an Exploring/Learning for Life Executive. Amy then moved to Miami Valley Council in Dayton, Ohio and served as a District Executive for two years. Please join us in welcoming Amy back to our council!

Seth Elder has been promoted from Senior District Executive to Council Program Director. His new position responsibilities include, overseeing year-round operations at both council camps, camp promotions, and advising the Order of the Arrow, the Council Camping Committee, the Council Training Committee, Council high adventure treks, Wood Badge, JLT, and other administrative duties.

Operation Red Fox Down

Mark your calendars for **October 14, 15 and 16, 2005**. You don't want to miss out on this years Fox River Camporee!! Your unit will be able to participate in the following activities Enigma, Night Patrol, Fox 21, Recon Mission, Night Flight, Great Escape, Rescue the Fox, Call to Quarters, Fox Camp, LZ, and MRE. I bet you are wondering what all these events entail. Well, you will have to head out to Camp Ohdakota to find out! This event is open to all Fox River Boy Scouts, Venture Crews and 2nd Year Webelos. We are also looking for adults to run each event. Times and activities will be announced as they are planned. If you have any questions please call Ron Vogt at 262-763-9056.

Roundtable

Just a reminder, Roundtable is held at camp OhDaKoTa, in the dining hall, the first **Wednesday** of the month for Cub Scouts and the first **Thursday** of the month for Boy Scouts. Gathering is at 7:00 p.m. and roundtable starts promptly at 7:30 p.m. Roundtable is great place to share ideas about your packs and troops and also to find out what is going on in our district and council. Please encourage a unit representative to attend; we do not want your unit to miss out on all the great activities coming up this year!! Questions about roundtables, please contact Katie Dembowski at 262.632.1655 ext. 22

Join Us Night

Thank you to all units who participated in "Join Us Night Training." If you were unable to make the training, the information will be available at roundtable. Or please call Katie Dembowski at the council office. If your unit is holding Join Us Night on or before September 15, 2005, please remember that we will be at Pizza Hut in Burlington on September 15th from 7:00-9:00 pm. Please make arrangements to have someone drop off your units' new scout applications and monies. For any unit holding Join Us Night after the 15th please call Katie Dembowski to make schedule a time to meet. New youth should be registered as soon as possible so they can start meeting with your pack. Thanks again to all units for the hard work and dedication you give to scouting!!

Gateway District

District Chair Tim Helgesen
District Commissioner Jim Rohde
District Executive Sharon Trasser
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Thank you

I have many to thank for the success I had as a Roundtable Commissioner. First off I want to thank the Gateway Council Committee for giving me the opportunity to take on this challenge. Liz Baker and Kathy Milaas who prepped me for this position. Cindy Kerkman and Wanda Barbour for making me look good and taking on my role when I was unable to be there. When I was at a loss as what to do or what I needed, Katie, Chris and Bryan were there. The group of people I want to thank the most are the Gateway Cub Scout units that attend our monthly informational sessions. I believe Roundtable is one of the fun times acting as a youth and still be an adult. The resources that I received as a participant are great and helpful. I continue to use them and I am sure you will too. I hope all of you will continue to attend, and bring others as well! will always treasure the last six years that I have been a part of the Gateway Roundtable staff, as well as commissioner.

Gateway District Commissioner Staff

District Commissioner Jim Rohde
Asst. District Commissioner Cindy Kerkman
Unit Commissioners _____

Greg Cunningham	Pete Bindelli	Dave Buggs
Tony Conte	Tim Helgesen	Michael Hebert
Dawn Herrmann	Rick Herrmann	Don Hill
Joe (YoYo) Knox	Gary Kraak	Del Meyer
Rich Smart	Paul Schlereth	Connie Stout
Jack Springer	Ken Walton	Jim Zeszutek

Roundtable Commissioners _____

Boy Scout Joe (YoYo) Know

Cub Scout _____

Roundtable Staff _____

Boy Scout Jack Springer Roger Heffron

Cub Scout Wanda Barbour Robin Jakubowski

Product Sales

Citizenship in Community & Safety Merit Badge Seminars

Citizenship in the Community Merit Badge Seminar will be held Thursdays, October 27, 2005 from 12:30 PM to 5:00 PM at the Racine Heritage Museum and City Hall. Cost for this seminar is One can of non-perishable food. Scouts must pre-register by October 10, 2005 to David Maack: 262.497.9321 or e-mail: hrllytopr@execpc.com.

Safety Merit Badge Seminar will be held Friday, October 28, 2005 from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM at the Center for Advance Technology & Innovation (CATI) located at 2320 Renaissance Blvd (Hwy H) in Sturtevant. Cost for this seminar is one can of non-perishable food. Scouts must pre-register by October 10 by calling Racine county emergency Management at 636.3515 or 800.242.4202 x3515. You may also reach David Maack for more information, at 636.3515 or at david.maack@goRacine.org.

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Join-Us Night

The Gateway District will again be running a "Join-Us" Night advertisement in the Kenosha News. The large ad is sponsored by some very generous area businesses to which we are very thankful for their continued support of the Scouting program. In years past we have printed the dates, times and locations of individual packs. If your pack has not already done so, your pack will need to reserve their "Join-us" Night location and secure a time so that these details can be printed on the flyers that will be distributed to the schools. When you know this information, please send me an email gateway@sewisbsa.com or give me a call at the office 632-1655, ext. 21. If you can not relay the details to me at this time, I will also be sending around a sign-up sheet at our September roundtable.

Summer Camps

Thank you to all units who participated in southeast Wisconsin Council, Inc., Boy Scouts of America summer camps! The following units had a great camping experience:

Parent & Pal: Packs 440, 512, 530, 555

Cub Scout Day Camp: Packs 422, 435, 436, 440, 448, 505, 507, 512, 513, 515, 525, 530, 533, 538, 543, 544, 545, 551, 555, 570, 581, 583

Webelos Resident: Packs 435, 436, 440, 448, 461, 512, 513, 515, 525, 533, 538, 544, 545, 551, 555, 558, 570, 583

Webelos Long Term: Packs 440, 448, 507, 512, 515, 530, 544, 551, 583

Boy Scout Long Term: Troops 440, 505, 522, 533, 538, 544, 551 581

Good Turn for America Volunteer Opportunity

The Volunteer Center of Racine is in need of volunteers to assist with the 26th annual CROP WALK for HUNGER to be held on Sunday, October 2, 2005. It begins at 1:30 and usually lasts 3 hours.

Scouting units are invited to assist with the walk by:

- Placing directional arrows along the route in the morning of the WALK and removing the signs after the WALK or
- Having uniformed Scouts and leadership stationed along the WALK route, instead of the arrows, and providing verbal direction to the WALK participants.

Please contact the Volunteer Center of Racine at 262.886.9612

Lighthouse District

District Chair Dan Wrench
District Commissioner John Czarny
District Executive

Roundtable

Now is the time to mark your calendars to begin attending Roundtable. Open to both CS and BS leaders and parents, we meet the first Thursday of each month from 7-8:30 PM. Come each month and earn your RT buks for the June auction. BS leaders will refresh their interest and knowledge of the Boy Scout skills and adventures that made them want to become leaders. CS leaders will get ideas for their dens and packs based on the national theme of the month. We work 1 month ahead so you have time to incorporate the ideas into your planning for the month. See all of you at Gateway Technical College, Racine Building, lower level and Join the Fun of Roundtable

E-Tree

If your unit doesn't have a point of contact for our district E-tree now is the time to get one. The E-tree is our way of getting upcoming event and training information to all our units. Your E-tree contact needs to have email, check it often, and be willing to quickly pass on the information to the leaders in your unit who need it. Contact Sandra Martens with your point-of-contact at sandyowl1@yahoo.com

Webelos-a-ree

All Webelos are encouraged to attend our fall district activity for Webelos Scouts. Come to Sander's Park on Friday, Oct 14th. Camp overnight at a den or camp with one of the troops who will be there. Join us in a campfire program and cracker barrel. Then spend Saturday learning the basic skills the boys will need for outdoor and camping activities- fire building, cooking, knots, wildlife knowledge, and hiking. All the boys will also earn their Geologist activity pin. The program will end at approx 4:30 PM on Saturday. The cost is \$7 per person and includes patch, program materials, and all meals. Registrations need to be turned in quickly to reserve your spot. See the flyers and registration forms for more information. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Sandra Martens at 639-6168 or sandyowl1@yahoo.com

Belt Loop-a-looza

Tigers, Wolves, and Bears, oh my!!! There's a gathering of all the beasts at Sander's Park on October 15th. Join us in our first belt loop-a-looza, a chance to earn up to 5 belt loops in one day. We will be offering 7 academic and 7 sports belt loops for you to choose from. Registration is at 8:30 with the opening and start of the activities at 9 AM. We will end at approx 4 PM. The cost is \$7 per boy and that includes program materials, lunch, and a patch. The pack/parent is responsible for purchase of the belt loops. Registrations need to be turned in quickly. When the sessions are filled, they're filled. Dens may register together and we will try to keep them together. At least one adult must be with each group of boys. Leader cost is also \$7 including lunch and a patch. See the flyers and registration form for more details. Contact Sandra Martens at 639-6168 or sandyowl1@yahoo.com if you have more questions.

Summer Camp

Scouting's Big Adventure...that's what we promise to the boys who

sign up to be Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts. How do we deliver on that promise? SUMMER CAMP!!!! You're more likely to keep that new Scout active if he goes to camp that first summer with your unit, be it Day Camp, Webelos Resident Camp, Webelos Long Term Camp, or Boy Scout Long Term Camp. The following units delivered on the promise; by attending Southeast Wisconsin Council Summer Camp programs!

Parent and Pal: Packs 129, 146, 206, and 248.

Cub Day Camp: Packs 108, 126, 129, 142, 146, 161, 206, 215, 228, 248, 249, 274, 281

Webelos Resident: Packs 105, 108, 129, 142, 146, 161, 206, 215, 228, 248, and 274

Webelos Long Term: Packs 108, 129, 161, 206, 215, and 249.

Boy Scout Long Term: Troops 101, 105, 129, 142, 146, 155, 161, 222, 228, 242, 248, 274, 400

Thanks again to these units for providing the experiences we promise to boys upon joining scouting! These units experience the benefits gained from attending OhDaKoTa and the Robert S. Lyle Scout Reservation throughout their program years.

Webelos/Scout Get Together

The first Roundtable of the year (in September) is our annual get together. Troops are invited to set up a table with slides, pictures, calendars, hand outs, etc to advertise their troop to the Webelos leaders. All Webelos leaders are invited to attend and meet the troops- set up camp outs and troop visits. There will also be a presentation on Webelos to Scout Transition. Mark your calendars for Sep 1st (it's early this year).

Training

If any of your units need training, please be sure to let your training staff know. We are willing to set up a session for your unit that fits your schedule. As a district we offer New Leader Essentials, CS Leader Specific, Troop Committee, Youth Protection, Merit Badge Orientation, and, with advance notice, SM Fundamentals (indoor). Your training chairman is Vaughn Martens. You can reach him at vmartens@wi.rr.com or at sandyowl1@yahoo.com. We are here for your units.

Product Sales

If you haven't yet signed up for popcorn or wreath sales, please make sure you do so! Remember all the fun you had at camp this summer? Wanna' know how to make sure it's even better next year? Sell popcorn and wreaths! Not only do your scouts profit directly from every product sold, but our council raises money to improve our camps, facilities, and every other aspect of our program. Popcorn and Wreath sales start early this year, so if you missed the product sale kickoff, or the September roundtable, make sure to pick up your unit's sales material. Please contact Jeff Johnson (632-1404), Lighthouse District Popcorn Kernel or David Ley (989-2454) Lighthouse District Wreath Chairman, with questions about product sales!

Council-Wide Training

Council-Wide training will be held on September 24th, starting at 8 AM at St. Robert Bellarmine Church in Union Grove. The following training sessions will be held, with approximate times.

New Leader Essentials: 8-10 AM. This session is required for all new leaders. You will learn the basics of how the BSA is organized and how you fit in the picture.

Cub Scout Leader Specific: Broken down into 4 sessions (Tiger Leader, Den Leader, Webelos Leader, and Cubmaster/Committee Member), this session will give you specific information on how to do your job and tips of what works. The session will begin approx 10 AM and run to approx noon. Cost: \$15 & non perishable food items.

Troop Committee: It is the perfect training for troop committee members. You will learn how each member's job influences not only the other members but the troop as a whole. Session will run from approx 10 AM to 12:30 PM. Also included will be boards of review. Cost: \$10 & non perishable food items.

Venture: Basic training for the Venture leader. This training will last from approx 10 AM to approx 4 PM. Be sure to bring a lunch with you. \$15 & non perishable food items.

Youth Protection: Learn how you can provide a safe environment for your boys. This training is also offered on line, but we will provide this opportunity for those of you who wish it. Course will run from approx 12:30- 2 PM.

OWL

Outdoor Webelos Leader training will be held on October 8th at Wadewitz Nature Center. Registration will begin at 8 AM with training starting at 8:30. Learn basic outdoor and camping skills, learn ideas of how to teach the outdoor activity pins (forester, naturalist, outdoorsman, geologist), first aid, cooking, and finish off the day with a campfire program and awards ceremony.

The cost for this all day training opportunity (8AM-approx 8PM) is \$15 and includes program materials, a reference CD, and supper. Sign up at the Council Service Center.

BALOO

October 8, 2005, Wadewitz Nature Center, registration 8:30 A.M., closing approximately 7:00 P.M.

Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation. BALOO training is required for any pack overnight camp-out. Learn the BSA policies, safety camping basics, cooking, campfire program, ideas of what to do with your boys and more! The cost is \$15 and non-perishable food goods for the food pantry. Bring Lunch, something to drink, lawn chair, flashlight, paper, pen and please dress for the weather (training will be held rain or shine). Sign up at the Council Service Center.

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