



# Prairie Hills District E-News

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## MARCH ROUNDTABLE— (Article for ALL Leaders)

### NOTES for MARCH...

- Program for this month:  
**ALL Leaders** will meet in the **Community Room** as we will be conducting our Fireside Chat.

**March Roundtable**  
**Thursday, Mar. 11**  
**7:00 PM**  
**@ Center for Scouting**

Remember...

Roundtable is not just for one Leader,  
it is for ALL Leaders!!

*Congratulations to our*

*2009 Centennial Quality Units*

**PACKS:** 3, 8, 9, 10, 16, 32, 40, 41, 46, 53, 60, 99, 106, 109, 112, 115, 117, 134, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 159, 160, 162, 171, 190, 208, 225, 260, 275, 309, 346, 361, 371, 490, 582, 628, 648, 711, & 731

**TROOPS:** 11, 16, 46, 48, 53, 112, 134, 150, 152, 160, 171, 190, 212, 216, 218, 229, 280, 346, 361, 371, 490, 529, 582, & 731

**TEAMS:** 148

**CREWS:** 216, 529, & 582

Ribbons will be presented at the District Dinner on  
Saturday, March 20, 2010

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### Dates to know:

- 2/20-Cub Polar Days
- 2/25-Pack Trainer Training
- 3/3-Dist. Cmte. Mtg.
- 3/4-Commissioner Mtg.
- 3/11-Roundtable 7PM
- 3/13-SM Specifics
- 3/15-Pack Charter Renewals Due



## **Time to Start thinking SPRING INTO SCOUTING:**

Cub Scout Packs, it is time to start securing your Spring School Night Dates to recruit those soon to be First Graders!

Those units within the Sioux Falls School District Boundaries, mark your calendars remember these two dates: Monday, March 29 and Thursday, April 29. These will be the School District wide dates for Spring Recruitment. The one in March will be at the Center for Scouting. The one in April will be at the 5 Sioux Falls Community Centers. We will need your help with both dates!!! More will be discussed at Roundtables.

For those not in the Sioux Falls School District, please schedule your date for Late March, April or Early May. Let us know what your date, time and location will be. Then we can get fliers made and distributed and discuss boy talks with you.

***REMINDER to all CUB SCOUT PACKS....***

***IT IS CHARTER RENEWAL TIME!!!***

***To be on time, you must complete your charter online, print the renewal packet, obtain the signatures, and submit the paperwork and fees to the Center for Scouting no later than Monday, March 15, 2010 to be ON TIME.***

***(no penalty in completing it early!!)***

***Online renewal Access ID's have been mailed to the Cubmaster of record. If you have not received it please get in contact with one of our Prairie Hills Staff Members.***

# Sioux Council

# Prairie Hills District' Annual

# Scouter Recognition Dinner

**WHEN:** Saturday, March 20, 2010 @ 7:00 PM 6:30 Gathering/Registration)

**WHERE:** Zion Lutheran Church  
1400 South Duluth Ave  
Sioux Falls, SD 57105

**WHO:** All adult volunteers and spouses in the Prairie Hills District

**COST:** \$15.00/person (fee includes meal, site rental, and awards)  
By 5:00 PM Friday, March 5, 2010 (no walk-in or late registrations accepted)

**WHY:** Help us to recognized those unit and district volunteers who have done above and beyond exceptional service to Scouting in 2009. Awards to be presented include the District Award of Merit, Cub Scouter of the Year, Boy Scouter of the Year, Scoutmaster of the Year and more.

**QUESTIONS:** Contact either Mike Doss at [mikedoss@hotmail.com](mailto:mikedoss@hotmail.com) or Brian Sutilla at 605-323-0745 or [brian.sutilla@scouting.org](mailto:brian.sutilla@scouting.org)

**Prairie Hills District Dinner Registration**  
**Saturday, March 20, 2010**

We would like to reserve seats for the individuals below for this year's recognition dinner:


Fees Included: (# of People ) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15.00 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (total enclosed)

Mail/Bring Registration Form to:	Center for Scouting 800 N. West Avenue Sioux Falls, SD 57104	Checks Payable to: Sioux Council, BSA
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2010  
Prairie Hills  
SCOUT-O-RAMA  
PINEWOOD DERBY



The Race will consist of two different heats with finals at the end of the day.

**Race Date April 10, 2010**

Check-in time at 10:00 a.m.

THE TOP 3 WINNERS FROM YOUR PACK WILL RACE.  
*(If any of the Top 3 can't make it you may substitute another car from your Pack)*

THERE IS A \$4.00 ENTRY FEE PER CAR

Registration **must be** completed and returned by  
**Monday, March 29, 2010**

Sioux Council  
800 N. West Ave.  
Sioux Falls, SD 57104  
Fax: (605)-361-2381

Email: [david.traxler@scouting.org](mailto:david.traxler@scouting.org)

Entry form **must be** either mailed to the above address or faxed or emailed.

**PHONE-INS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!**

Questions? Mike Doss at [mikedoss@hotmail.com](mailto:mikedoss@hotmail.com)

## Prairie Hills PINEWOOD DERBY ELIGIBILITY

Only the top three cars from within a Pack may participate in the Scout-O-Rama Derby Race. However another care may be substituted by the **Cubmaster**, for any of the top three that cannot make it on April 10, 2010.

A Pack may allow Tiger Cubs, Cub Scouts, or Webelos to participate in its Pinewood Derby. If a Webelos Scout wins at the Pack level and crosses over into a Boy Scout Troop after the time of the Pack's Pinewood Derby event and before the Scout-O-Rama, it is the Pack's decision whether he is allowed to represent the Pack at the Scout-O-Rama event.

Only 3 cars from each Pack will be eligible to represent the Pack at the Scout-O-Rama Derby Race.

Packs have the freedom to adopt their own pinewood derby car specifications; however, Prairie Hills District Car Specifications will be used to determine qualified cars for the Scout-O-Rama Derby Race.

Prairie Hills District has adopted the following rules pertaining to materials and construction.

### **PINEWOOD DERBY CAR SPECIFICATIONS**

ALL pinewood derby cars, regardless of individual Pack rules must conform to these specifications in order to be allowed to participate in the Scout-O-Rama Derby. ***Only official Pinewood Derby kits sold at the Premiere Scout Shop or authorized Scout Supply outlets shall be used.***

OVERALL WIDTH: Shall not exceed 2 3/4 inches.

OVERALL LENGTH: Shall not exceed 7 inches.

WEIGHT: Shall not exceed 5.0 ounces. No loose materials are permitted. Any weights used for adjustment must be securely fastened to the car. At the Scout-O-Rama Derby, each car will be inspected and weighed. If weight adjustments are necessary you will be allowed a maximum of 3 re-weighs. If after the third re-weigh the car still exceeds the weight limit, it will not be allowed to participate and an alternate will be selected. If, after the third re-weigh the car is under the weight limit, it will participate at whatever it then weighs - **NO** additional re-weighs will be granted. Washers may be used for weights, but cannot be affixed to the wheel, axle or in the area of the axle groove.

WHEEL BASE: (Distance from front to rear axle) Distance shall not be more than or less than 4 1/4 (+/- 1/8") inches, the same as the grooves cut in the car body that comes with the kit. The car body should extend forward of the front wheels to prevent damage to wheels and axles during racing.

WHEEL TREAD: (Distance between wheels on the same axle) Distance must be a minimum of 1 3/4 inches. Wheels too close together may cause the car to improperly straddle the track guide.

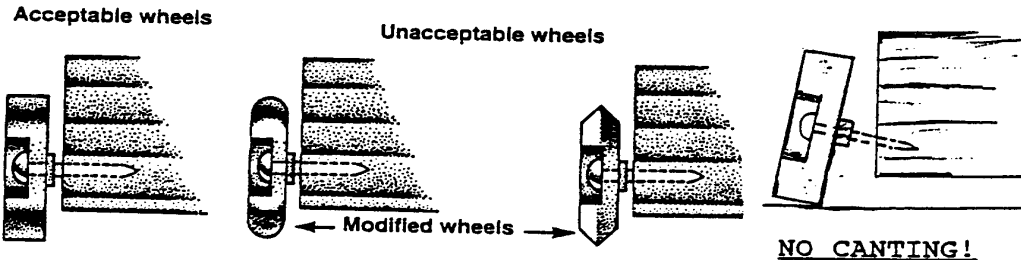
BEARINGS/BUSHINGS: Absolutely **NOT** permitted anywhere on the car body, axle or wheels.

SPRINGS: Absolutely **NOT** permitted.

DETAILS: Details such as painting and decals are encouraged. Other details such as steering wheel, driver and interior details are permitted as long as details do not exceed maximum length, width and weight limitations. It is expected that all detailing will be in keeping with the Laws and Spirit of Scouting.

ATTACHMENTS: The car must be free-wheeling ***with no starting devices.***

**WHEELS:** Only official BSA Wheels permitted (the wheel that comes in the Official Pinewood Derby kit). Wheels **MAY NOT** be tapered, grooved, rounded, ridged or polished. Center axle holes **MAY NOT** be modified. Only the wheel face (that portion of the wheel that makes contact with the track surface) and center axle end openings may be lightly sanded to remove any burrs or high spots. Only sanding is allowed, **NO MACHINING OR LATHE CUT WHEELS WILL BE PERMITTED**. Care must be taken when sanding to retain the wheel's original dimensions so the entire wheel face will be in full contact with the track surface when placed on it. The original width of the wheel face **MUST** be retained. All cars must have 4 wheels with one wheel installed in each of the 2 axle grooves on each side of the car. No hub caps or other retaining devices are permitted. Wheels may be lubed (see Lubricants below). Canting of wheels and axles is **NOT** allowed. The pictures below are examples of the intent of the rule about wheels.



**AXLES:** Only axles that come in the Official Pinewood Derby kits permitted. Axles may be sanded, polished and lubed (see Lubricants below). Axles must be installed in the **axle** grooves cut in the block by the manufacturer. Only that portion of an axle necessary to securely fasten it in place in the axle groove may be covered ***unless using the official BSA axle cover***. No one-piece, straight axles allowed.

**Lubricants:** Any of the commonly available **dry powder** lubricants can be used, such as graphite, teflon, and moly.

## Zero Tolerance

Prairie Hills has accepted a "Zero Tolerance" policy for unsportsmanlike conduct at any Scouting Event including the District Sponsored Pinewood Derby Race.

This is a Zero Tolerance policy, which means any unsportsmanlike conduct (youth, parent or leader), will result in the **immediate disqualification** of the party's car in all of the days races.

If a parent or leader should have questions or concerns of their Scout's car they may be presented in a kind and courtesy manner. The Race Committee members will be happy to listen to concerns that again are presented in a way that Scouts and Scouters should behave.

**Parents and Scout Leaders are to provide a good role model for their youth.**

**Please make sure all race participants and parents are aware of this policy!**

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SCOUT-O-RAMA  
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(Detach and return lower portion)

**Prairie Hills  
2010 SCOUT-O-RAMA PINWOOD DERBY  
OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM**

	Name	Address	Zip	Phone	Parent
1 <sup>st</sup>	_____				
2 <sup>nd</sup>	_____				
3 <sup>rd</sup>	_____				
Pack #	_____				
Cubmaster	_____				
Derby Chair	_____				

I AUTHORIZE THE SCOUT SERVICE CENTER TO DEDUCT \$4.00 per car FROM OUR PACK FUNDS TO PAY FOR THE REGISTRATION FEE.

Cubmaster Signature \_\_\_\_\_



If your Pack does not have funds available, please send a check along with this official entry form. Checks made payable to the Sioux Council, BSA.

**Thank you!**



# Prairie Hills District: Cub Scout Leader Specifics Training!!!



DATE	TIME	LOCATION
<b>PACK TRAINER TRAINING ONLY</b>		
Thursday, Feb. 25	7:00-9:00 PM	Memorial Lutheran Church 5000 S Western Ave Sioux Falls, SD 57108
<b>Cub Scout Leader Specifics Training</b>		
Tuesday, March 23	7:00-8:30 PM	Memorial Lutheran Church 5000 S Western Ave Sioux Falls, SD 57108
Thursday, April 22	7:00-8:30 PM	Memorial Lutheran Church 5000 S Western Ave Sioux Falls, SD 57108
Saturday, May 22	9:30-11:00 AM	Center for Scouting 800 N. West Ave. Sioux Falls, SD 57104

**Please register one week prior to training session.**

If you have questions, please contact: Mark DeGraw at 605-360-2945

Also, If your Pack Committee is interested in being trained at the same time; please contact Mark DeGraw to schedule that training.

### Cub Scout Leader Specifics Training

Return information to the Center for Scouting: 800 N. West Ave, Sioux Falls, SD 57104  
by one week prior

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Pack \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Please select the Training DATE:**

2/25/10-Pack Trainer ONLY     
  3/23/10     
  4/22/10     
  5/22/10

Please circle the course you will take (only circle one):

**Tigers Leader**

**Pack Committee**

**Cubmaster/Asst. Cubmaster**

**Wolf/Bear (Asst.) Den Leader**

**Webelos (Asst.) Den Leader**

## ***BALOO Training***

Attention Cub Scout Pack and Den leaders! Are you trained so you can take your Cub Scouts camping? If not, here is your chance to take the Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (**BALOO**). This training is open to all Cub Scout leaders and interested Scouters.

After a leader (or leaders) in your Pack receives this training, your Pack can go camping under their supervision. **BALOO** will train Cub Scout leaders on the basics of Cub Scout Camping. You will receive the knowledge and confidence in planning an enjoyable Pack campout.



### Topics Covered:

- |                      |                                      |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. AIMS and Purposes | 6. Program                           |
| 2. Planning          | 7. Cub Scout Cooking                 |
| 3. Equipment         | 8. First Aid and Sanitation          |
| 4. Campfire Program  | 9. Nature Hikes and Games            |
| 5. Health and Safety | 10. Stoves, Lanterns and Fire Safety |

**Registration begins at 8:30 AM and BALOO begins at 9:00 AM. Training will be completed by 5:00 PM. The training fee is \$6.00 per participant**

**PLEASE REGISTER: COURSES WILL BE CANCELED IF A MINIMUM NUMBER OF REGISTERED PARTICIPANTS IS NOT RECEIVED 7 DAYS BEFORE THE TRAINING.**

**ABSOLUTELY NO WALK-INS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THIS EVENT**

### **BALOO Training Registration Form**

<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday, March 6 <sup>th</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday, March 27 <sup>th</sup>	<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday April 17 <sup>th</sup>
Church of Our Redeemer 2001 2 <sup>nd</sup> St. NW Watertown, SD Rhonda (605) 949-2708	Center for Scouting 800 N. West Ave. Sioux Falls, SD Mark (605) 360-2945	Lewis & Clark Camp 31071 Boy Scout Rd. Tabor, SD Ruth (605) 665-8647

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail this completed form and the \$6.00 registration fee no later than 7 days before the training date you select to:**

**Sioux Council, 800 N. West Ave, Sioux Falls, SD 57104**

**ABSOLUTELY NO WALK-INS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THIS EVENT**



SIoux COUNCIL – PRAIRIE HILLS DISTRICT

# SCOUTMASTER & ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTER LEADER SPECIFIC TRAINING

DATE: Saturday, March 13, 2010  
PLACE: Center for Scouting  
800 N. West Avenue  
Sioux Falls, SD 57005  
TIME: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
COST: FREE (*Bring a bag lunch, time will be given to get lunch*)

Scoutmaster/Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training is a 6.5 hour informative and fast paced session concentrating on troop leadership, organization and operation affording adult leaders the knowledge and skills necessary to assure for a Boy-Lead Troop.

Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters are considered **TRAINED** after completing This is Scouting, Scoutmaster/Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specifics and Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills.

### *Pre-registration is required*

To register for this training please complete the below form and send to  
Sioux Council - 800 N. West Avenue - Sioux Falls, SD 57104

or

Email [sioux.council@scouting.org](mailto:sioux.council@scouting.org)

**Registration deadline is Monday, March 8, 2010**

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HLS - SM/ASM LEADER SPECIFIC TRAINING – SATURDAY, MARCH 13, 2010

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_ Troop \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**KEEP THE PROMISE OF SCOUTING – A TRAINED LEADER FOR EVERY BOY**



## INTRODUCTION TO OUTDOOR LEADER SKILLS

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills is a fun-filled program of hands-on skills training, which will help you master the outdoor skills required for Tenderfoot through First Class Scout. The program runs from Friday evening at 6:00 PM until Sunday morning at 11:00 AM.

**Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters this is one of the required courses to be considered trained**, but it is open to all Scouting positions. Anyone seeking to master their outdoor skills or simply rejuvenate their passion for Scouting should attend.

Instruction will include basic outdoor skills such as camp set up, cooking, wood tools, knot tying, first aid, campfire program planning, map reading and compass skills, hiking and backpacking techniques, nature identification, and Leave No Trace. This course will increase your comfort level and give you confidence as a trained, skilled leader. The program will give you the opportunity to work with other Scout leaders from around the area, make new friends, and reinforce your skills in the outdoors.

Each participant should bring the personal gear included in the Centennial Boy Scout Handbook (pg.292-293).

*Pre-registration is required so please complete the registration form and return it with course fees to the Center for Scouting no later than 10 days prior to the course you intend to take. The course fee is \$16. All food and program materials are supplied.*

**COURSES WILL BE CANCELED IF A MINIMUM NUMBER OF REGISTERED PARTICIPANTS IS NOT RECEIVED 10 DAYS BEFORE THE TRAINING.**

**ABSOLUTELY NO WALK-INS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THIS EVENT**

### Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Training Registration Form

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>April 9<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup></b> Camp Iyataka 131 <sup>st</sup> St. Wilmot, SD Cal (605) 949-2708	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>April 16<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup></b> Lewis & Clark Camp 31071 Boy Scout Rd. Tabor, SD Gene (605) 665-0380
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail this completed form and the \$16.00 registration fee no later than 10 days prior to the training date you select to:**

**Sioux Council; 800 N. West Ave; Sioux Falls, SD 57104**

**ABSOLUTELY NO WALK-INS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THIS EVENT**