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## We are Sioux Council...Meet Kristi Lewis, Buffalo Ridge District Chair

Kristi's Scouting involvement includes Buffalo Ridge District Chair, she is on the Council Executive Board, Buffalo Ridge Family Friends of Scouting Chair, Buffalo Ridge Cub Lock-in Co-Chair, she is currently the Cubmaster for Pack 353 and Troop 353 Committee Member out of Chester. Her past involvement includes: Den Leader of Tiger, Bears, Wolves and Webelos Dens. District Unit Commissioner, Day Camp Director (both on District and Council levels), Akela Camp Committee and District Akela Camp Director.



Kristi has a B.S. in Agricultural Business and a Minor In Agronomy from SDSU, an A.A.S in horticulture from the University of Minnesota—Waseca. She works at the Chester Area School as the School Business Official. Kristi's husband Eric is the Scoutmaster for Troop 353. There three sons are all involved in Scouting. Chayce,18, is an Eagle Scout, Casey, 16, is a Life Scout and Chane,12, is a Second Class Scout. Scouting is a family affair!

As Kristi's sons have gotten older she has seen the positive results from the Scouting Program first hand. Scouting has taught them how to handle difficult situations, peer pressure and to make the right choices. Her sons are always willing to help and are there for others. Scouting has given them life long values, which are hard to get elsewhere. Kristi sees the positive influence Scouting has had on them whether they like to admit it or not!

Until Kristi moved into leadership levels at the District and Council level she didn't realize what the Council did for boys. Kristi says, "Without the support of the Council and district, Units would have a really touch time providing quality programs to the boys." She believes training for all leaders is so important. She remembers going to National Camp School and thinking these people are crazy. That's when she realized you have to be a kid again to be a great Scout leader and she learned that being a kid again makes a quality Scouting program.

Kristi was a Girl Scout for a short period of time, it wasn't quite her thing. She has received the District Award of Merit, William D. Boyce Knot— New Unit Organizer Award, attended Woodbadge Course and she has received the Buffalo Ridge Cubmaster of the Year Award..

Kristi's favorite Scouting quote is on that comes up often in conversation with her boys. "Mom, where are you going now?" Kristi replies, "To a Scout meeting." "Why do you have to go to all these meetings?" Kristi says, "It's volunteer adult leaders like me that make the Scouting program work for you."

In Kristi's spare time, she enjoys gardening, hunting, fishing, natural resource conservation, reading and anything outdoors.

### **Top Ten Reasons Why Packs Should Conduct Spring Cub Scout Recruitment**

1. There are many phone calls received from parents of boys who want their sons to join Scouting all year round.
2. New Cub Scouts can go to District-sponsored fun events during the Summer. If they wait until the Fall to join they miss a whole Summer of Scouting fun!
3. All new Cub Scouts are welcome to attend any of our Cub Scout Summer Camping programs and do not have to pay the higher late fee.
4. Packs that do Spring Sign-ups have a great Den already started when school begins in the Fall.
5. Packs that do Spring Sign-ups have more adults active on the Pack Committee when school begins in the Fall.
6. Packs that do Spring Sign-up will have better Fall popcorn sales with more new "Spring" Cub Scouts ready to sell.
7. Packs that do Spring recruitment will not see a decrease in Fall recruitment.
8. The new Den Leader gets the appropriate training necessary to run his or her new Den at no cost to the unit or individual.
9. Your Pack can qualify for the National Summertime Pack Award much more easily.
10. By conducting Spring Recruitment, your Pack will be able to get a jump start on membership growth needs in order to achieve the free pinewood derby cars as noted in the 2011 Year Round Scout Recruitment Guide.

### **How Host a Spring Recruitment**

**SET THE DATE FOR A SIGN-UP NIGHT** - Sign-ups can be a special sign up event or at your March, April or May Pack meeting, school, local McDonalds, Ice Cream Shop, etc.

**ORDER YOUR FLIER** - Check with your school(s) to see how many you need. Order twice the amount: One flier to be sent home a week ahead of the sign-up and one to be given out at the boy talk. **Contact your local District Executive to order your fliers, at least 3 weeks prior to the recruitment night.**

**GET PERMISSION TO DO A THREE MINUTE "BOY TALK" AT SCHOOL** - Just show a Cub Scout book, a Pinewood Derby car, pictures of Pack events, and give them a flier-they'll love it!!! The key is to keep it short and exciting. Don't forget to mention SUMMER CAMP. (Your local BSA Executive is also here to help you!!!)

**CONDUCT YOUR SIGN-UP NIGHT** - The Sioux Council will provide all you need: registration forms, information on the summer events, etc, etc. All you do is collect the applications and appropriate fees.

#### **Sioux Trails**

This newsletter is published by the Sioux Council, six times a year, as a tool for volunteer leaders to assist them in "Delivering the Scouting Promise".

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**\*\*UPDATE: Annual Health and Medical Record\*\*****Policy on the Use of the Annual Health and Medical Record**

In order to provide better care for its members and to assist them in better understanding their own physical capabilities, the Boy Scouts of America recommends that everyone who participates in a Scouting event have an annual medical evaluation by a certified and licensed health-care provider—a physician (MD or DO), nurse practitioner, or physician assistant. Providing your medical information on this four-part form will help ensure you meet the minimum standards for participation in various activities. Note that unit leaders must always protect the privacy of unit participants by protecting their medical information.

**Parts A and B** are to be completed at least annually by participants in all Scouting events. This health history, parental/guardian informed consent and hold harmless/release agreement, and talent release statement is to be completed by the participant and parents/guardians.

**Part C** is the physical exam that is required for participants in any event that exceeds 72 consecutive hours, for all high-adventure base participants, or when the nature of the activity is strenuous and demanding. Service projects or work weekends may fit this description. Part C is to be completed and signed by a certified and licensed health-care provider—physician (MD or DO), nurse practitioner, or physician assistant. It is important to note that the height/weight limits must be strictly adhered to when the event will take the unit more than 30 minutes away from an emergency vehicle—accessible roadway, or when the program requires it, such as backpacking trips, high-adventure activities, and conservation projects in remote areas.

**Part D** is required to be reviewed by all participants of a high-adventure program at one of the national high adventure bases and shared with the examining health-care provider before completing Part C.

- **Philmont Scout Ranch.** Participants and guests for Philmont activities that are conducted with limited access to the backcountry, including most Philmont Training Center conferences and family programs, will not require completion of Part C. However, participants should review Part D to understand potential risks inherent at 6,700 feet in elevation in a dry Southwest environment. Please review specific registration information for the activity or event.
- **Northern Tier National High Adventure Base.**
- **Florida National High Adventure Sea Base.** The PADI medical form is also required if scuba diving at this base.

**Risk Factors**

Based on the vast experience of the medical community, the BSA has identified the following risk factors that may limit your participation in various outdoor adventures. For more information on medical risk factors, visit Scouting Safely on [www.scouting.org](http://www.scouting.org).

**Prescriptions**

The taking of prescription medication is the responsibility of the individual taking the medication and/or that individual's parent or guardian. A leader, after obtaining all the necessary information, can agree to accept the responsibility of making sure a youth takes the necessary medication at the appropriate time, but BSA does not mandate or necessarily encourage the leader to do so. Also, if state laws are more limiting, they must be followed.

**Day Camp, Akela Camp & Webelos Camp:** Parts A & B

**Lewis & Clark Scout Camp/MRHAB:** Parts A, B & C

## *Congratulations 2010 Eagle Scouts*

The Eagle Banquet held on January 29<sup>th</sup> recognized the 92 boys who completed their Eagle Scout rank in 2010. Over 100 people were present to congratulate the Eagle Scouts. One such person who was in attendance was Lieutenant Governor, Matt Michels. The Lieutenant Governor talked to the audience about the importance of their completion of this rank, as well as the importance of Scouting in the community.

The Sioux Council would like to congratulate all the boys out there that attained the rank Eagle Scout. This prestigious award takes a tremendous level of dedication in order to complete. Your years in Scouting have molded you into a stronger person; one who can overcome life's many obstacles. Be proud of this accomplishment, and use what you have learned in the Boy Scouts.

A wise Scout veteran was once quoted something which has proven quite true. Keep this in mind as you go through life and you can never go wrong.

*"Remember: If something cannot be done without the Scout Oath and Law, it's not being done right!"*

### Recent Eagle Scouts

Everett Carl Ulvog	Troop 188	Aberdeen, SD	Good Shepherd Lutheran
Andrew Jon Puetz	Troop 19	Clear Lake, SD	American Legion
Joseph Lewis Kirkeby	Troop 23	Clark, SD	St Michaels Catholic Church
Christopher Jerke	Troop 181	Yankton, SD	First United Methodist Church
Tronsen R C Allen	Troop 111	Mission, SD	LDS Church
Aaron Spencer Riswold	Troop 53	Dell Rapids, SD	Lions Club
Peter Paul Petrasko	Troop 731	Sioux Falls, SD	Holy Spirit Catholic Church
Strider Dane Miller	Troop 99	Tea, SD	American Legion
Nathan Robert Hauge	Troop 212	Brandon, SD	Faith United Presbyterian Church
Daniel Granger Hale	Troop 310	Marshall, MN	LDS Church
Andrew Jay Chenoweth	Troop 75	Mitchell, SD	Methodist Men of Mitchell
Brant Lee DeKruif	Troop 72	Mitchell, SD	Knights of Columbus
Neil Louis Schlimgen	Troop 72	Mitchell, SD	Knights of Columbus
Isaac Joseph Smith	Troop 72	Mitchell, SD	Knights of Columbus
Sean Patrick Mehlhaff	Troop 357	Eureka, SD	American Legion
Michael Tod Viste	Troop 46	Sioux Falls, SD	Hope Lutheran Church
Conner Mitchel Ulrich	Troop 218	Sioux Falls, SD	LDS Church
Marcus Ogden	Troop 218	Sioux Falls, SD	LDS Church
John William Waltz	Troop 490	Sioux Falls, SD	Abiding Savior Lutheran Church
Jacob Michael Broin	Troop 371	Sioux Falls, SD	Gloria Dei Lutheran Church
Jacob L Erickson	Troop 25	Slayton, MN	Kiwanis Club
Zachary Allan Sage	Troop 102	Yankton, SD	United Church of Christ
Adam Michael Hentges	Troop 5	Madison, SD	Trinity Lutheran Church
Morgan David Thomas	Troop 13	Brookings, SD	St Thomas More Catholic Church
Alex James Rau	Troop 60	Selby, SD	Community Club

**2010 Eagle Scouts**

John Ackerman, Troop 60 - Mound City, SD	Evan Jones, Troop 48 - Sioux Falls, SD	Caleb Schriever, Troop 190 - Rock Rapids, IA
Keith Ailts, Troop 134 - Rushmore, MN	Bryce Kampa, Troop 33 - Webster, SD	Joshua Schriever, Troop 190 - Rock Rapids, IA
Tronsen Allen, Troop 111 - Mission, SD	Nicholas Kantack, Troop 1 - Brookings, SD	Jacob Schultz, Troop 5 - Madison, SD
Shawn Barron, Troop 229 - Sioux Falls, SD	Michael Kent, Troop 152 - Sioux Falls, SD	Ryan Shaeffer, Troop 346 - Sioux Falls, SD
Zachary Bierstedt, Troop 216 - Sioux Falls, SD	Joseph Kirkeby, Troop 23 - Clark, SD	Michael Shlanta, Troop 48 - Sioux Falls, SD
Nathan Biggs, Troop 229 - Sioux Falls, SD	Daniel Lauritsen, Troop 100 - Wood, SD	Dennis Smith, Troop 72 - Mitchell, SD
Ryon Bollinger, Troop 173 - Pierre, SD	Evan Leebens, Troop 53 - Renner, SD	Isaac Smith, Troop 72 - Mitchell, SD
Schuyler Boyd, Troop 102 - Yankton, SD	Chayce Lewis, Troop 353 - Madison, SD	Matthew Sorensen, Troop 121 - Worthington, MN
Anthony Brandner, Troop 48 - Sioux Falls, SD	Aaron Litka, Troop 371 - Sioux Falls, SD	Adam Spencer, Troop 102 - Yankton, SD
Jacob Broin, Troop 371 - Sioux Falls, SD	Silas Magilke, Troop 204 - Milbank, SD	John Stassi, Troop 731 - Sioux Falls, SD
Andrew Chenoweth, Troop 75 - Mitchell, SD	Marcus Mahlen, Troop 33 - Webster, SD	Jacob Tebben, Troop 128 - Redfield, SD
John Christensen, Troop 582 - Sioux Falls, SD	Andrew McCann, Troop 66 - Vermillion, SD	Morgan Thomas, Troop 13 - Brookings, SD
Brant Dekruif, Troop 72 - Mitchell, SD	Sean Mehlhaff, Troop 357 - Eureka, SD	Joshua Thompson, Troop 27 - Pierre, SD
Dustin Dvorak, Troop 181 - Yankton, SD	John Merrill, Troop 46 - Sioux Falls, SD	Taylor Tielke, Troop 181 - Yankton, SD
Derek Dvorak, Troop 181 - Yankton, SD	Strider Miller, Troop 99 - Sioux Falls, SD	Conner Ulrich, Troop 218 - Sioux Falls, SD
Austin Eggebraaten, Troop 8 - Hartford, SD	Casey Moeller, Troop 361 - Sioux Falls, SD	Everett Ulvog, Troop 188 - Groton, SD
Tyler Ellis, Troop 229 - Sioux Falls, SD	Jacob Naasz, Troop 100 - Winner, SD	Brant Verhulst, Troop 371 - Sioux Falls, SD
Corwin Ensz, Troop 361 - Sioux Falls, SD	Christopher Nienaber, Troop 320 - Marshall, MN	Michael Viste, Troop 46 - Sioux Falls, SD
Jacob Erickson, Troop 25 - Garvin, MN	Daniel Norby, Troop 5 - Madison, SD	John Waltz, Troop 490 - Garretson, SD
Jaden Even, Troop 222 - Huron, SD	Peder Ode, Troop 173 - Pierre, SD	Judd Wasmoen, Troop 128 - Redfield, SD
Robert Francis, Troop 6 - Brookings, SD	Marcus Ogden, Troop 218 - Sioux Falls, SD	
Carl Gaspar, Troop 48 - Sioux Falls, SD	Coltin Olson, Troop 51 - Aberdeen, SD	
Samuel Goddard, Troop 152 - Sioux Falls, SD	Nickolas Oster, Troop 357 - Eureka, SD	
Ethan Graff, Troop 582 - Brandon, SD	Justis Ostrem, Troop 134 - Worthington, MN	
Alexander Grimes, Troop 371 - Sioux Falls, SD	Peter Petrasko, Troop 731 - Sioux Falls, SD	
Dustin Hachmann, Troop 220 - Jasper, MN	Micah Picasso, Troop 731 - Sioux Falls, SD	
Tyler Hagen, Troop 33 - Webster, SD	Benjamin Pringle, Troop 148 - Sioux Falls, SD	
Daniel Haiar, Troop 346 - Sioux Falls, SD	Andrew Puetz, Troop 19 - Clear Lake, SD	
Daniel Hale, Troop 310 - Marshall, MN	Brandon Rasmussen, Troop 8 - Watertown, SD	
Erik Hattervig, Troop 17 - Howard, SD	Roscoe Rice, Troop 346 - Lennox, SD	
Nathan Hauge, Troop 212 - Sioux Falls, SD	Aaron Riswold, Troop 53 - Dell Rapids, SD	
Anthony Henderson, Troop 66 - Burbank, SD	Zachary Sage, Troop 102 - Yankton, SD	
Adam Hentges, Troop 5 - Humboldt, SD	Andrew Sauer, Troop 33 - Webster, SD	
Alexander Homer, Troop 218 - Sioux Falls, SD	William Schaffer, Troop 66 - Vermillion, SD	
Samuel Jakos, Troop 16 - Sioux Falls, SD	Neil Schlimgen, Troop 72 - Mitchell, SD	
Christopher Jerke, Troop 181 - Yankton, SD	Aaron Schmidt, Troop 150 - Sioux Falls, SD	



## ***2011 Year Round Cub Scout Recruitment Guide***

*It is the vision of the Sioux Council Membership Committee, composed of District Membership Chairs from all 6 districts to grow the Scouting program through Year-Round Recruitment opportunities supported by Strong, Visible Unit Level Public Awareness.*

### Sioux Council Membership Committee Members

- Sioux Council Committee Chair: Roger Hoyme, Vice President of Membership
- Lewis and Clark Trail District: Sandy Schloss, District Membership Chair
- North Star District: Sherry Decorsey-Nelson, District Membership Chair
- Five Rivers District: Gini Grannes, District Membership Chair
- Pheasant District: Debora Brady, District Membership Chair
- Prairie Hills District: Wanda Heisel, District Membership Chair
- Buffalo Ridge District: Vacant

### **Unit Recruitment Incentive**

As an incentive to help packs, parents, and Cub Scouts with your 2011 recruitment efforts, the Sioux Council Membership Committee is once again offering an incentive in which every boy (not just the new boys) can receive a free pinewood derby kit from the Council. For a Cub Scout Pack to qualify for this special incentive, the pack must:

1. Have an increase in total youth membership by the end of October 2011 vs. December 31, 2010.
2. Have an active and engaged Unit Membership Chair who will coordinate the pack's recruitment and public awareness efforts
3. Cub Scout Pack's recharter their active 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Webelos.
4. Conduct a minimum of 4 recruitment events throughout the year, of which at least 2 are fall recruitments in which boys are "invited" to join your Pack.
5. Attend the district fall recruitment training seminar and develop / implement a strong public communication plan in support of fall recruitment by utilizing posters, yard signs, radio, newspaper, recruitment fliers etc.
6. Turn in a Membership Inventory Roster in the month of October to compare Pack rosters to Council rosters. (youth involved & not involved, by October 31, 2010)
7. Conduct a minimum of 5 Public Awareness Functions by Oct. 31, 2011 to increase visibility of Scouts and the Scouting Program.

It is our hope that this incentive will help your pack leadership get your current Cub Scout parents and current youth more involved in the recruitment process and well on its way to achieve the Journey to Excellence Gold Level. The cost of the pinewood derby kits will be covered by the Sioux Council.

### **Membership Growth #1**

- There are a couple of things to remember as your unit strives for membership growth. First, your membership will go down at recharter time because boys have left the program. Second, your membership will go down when boys crossover into Boy Scouts.

**Dec. 2010 Membership: Unit Specific**

**Oct. 2011 Membership Needed: Unit Specific**

### **“WORDS TO LIVE BY” Unit Membership Chair Info #2:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

### **Recharter Your Active 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Webelos #3**

- With Pack rechartering taking place in January, it will be extremely important for Cub Scout Packs to recharter their active 2<sup>nd</sup> year Webelos. If those boys are not rechartered with the Pack then they will not be able to earn their Arrow of Light Award because they are not registered with Scouting.

**Recharter Your Active 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Webelos #3 (continued)**

- It is also important to know that Webelos that cross over into Boy Scouting do not negatively affect your Pack's retention. In fact, the only way it will hurt your retention (decrease it) is if those boys are NOT rechartered with the Pack, which in turn will affect your Pack's Journey to Excellence Recognition.

**Conduct Recruitments #4**

- Don't forget to invite boys to join your pack on a year round basis. While the incentive is to conduct at least 4 recruitments with at least 2 in the fall; giving boys a year round opportunity to join the program gives them and their parents the understanding that if they missed an opportunity because of another function, that is ok.
- Note that Spring Recruitment has proven to be successful and most units that achieve membership growth do conduct spring recruitments (March / April).
- Whether your unit invites new boys to a fun pack activity already planned, conducts a separate recruitment event or offers the flexibility to families to stop by a location between certain hours to sign up for scouting, the key truly is the opportunity to join.
- Here are some things that can be done to invite and promote recruitments taking place...
  - School Recruitment Fliers & Save the Date Fliers in take home folders
  - School Boy Talks
  - Recess Rally
  - ADDITIONAL SAMPLE IDEAS TO BE PROVIDED

**Fall Recruitment #5**

- While it has been proven that boys will and do join on a year round basis, a number of them do join in the fall as activities start ramping up.
- Attending the fall recruitment training seminars will help your unit to develop and prepare for a strong public awareness plan in support of your fall recruitment efforts. While a lot of these materials are used heavily in the fall, they can be used in the spring as well.

**Pack Roster in October #6**

- Every year over 100 youth are accidentally dropped from charters, register for summer camp, sell popcorn or advance in scouting but none of them are currently registered. By turning in a copy of your pack roster, it allows unit rosters to be compared to the council roster. This way every boy can be registered and protected.

**Unit Public Awareness and Visibility #7**

- Increasing visibility and awareness of scouting has proven to be an essential piece of growing the scouting program. In fact, packs throughout the Sioux Council that have done extremely well in membership growth have stated that one of the primary reasons for their success is their strong visibility in the community. The packs state that they are in the public's eye every chance they get which in turn has helped them to become the "best show in town".
- In order for parents and boys to want to join their program, they have to know that Scouting exists in their community. Here are some sample ideas....
  - School Open House
  - State or County Fair Booths
  - Parades
  - ADDITIONAL SAMPLE IDEAS TO BE PROVIDED

**Additional Keys to Membership Growth Success:**

- One of the greatest ways to ensure membership growth is keeping the current scouts and delivering the promise of a quality program by a trained leader. This is retention.
- Now, how is retention determined? This is based on the number of boys that are registered with your pack at the end of the year and rechartered with your pack. For example, if your Pack ended the year with 50 boys and of those, 40 returned (rechartered), your pack's retention is 80%.
- If boys drop out of scouting, determine why and develop a way to bring them back.
- The best way to deliver on the promise and retain boys is to have a leader recruited and trained before the first meeting so they know what they are doing. Volunteer leadership should be recruited in the spring with commitments for the fall. This gives them time to be trained before they meet with the boys.
  - Can we receive your commitment to have your leaders trained before they meet with boys for the first time?

# North Star

Serving Northeastern South Dakota

## Friends of Scouting

Most of the Cub Scout units have scheduled an FOS presentation for February or March and we already have several Troops on our schedule for March. Our community effort kicked off in Aberdeen on February 16th and depending on the weather, we will travel to several of our smaller communities during March for a one day campaign. Watertown will kick off their campaign during March and most of the pre-planning work has been completed. We are excited about our goals for 2011 and plan to have all family and community campaigns completed and turned in by April 30. Thank you to everyone who has given a gift to help keep Scouting alive and well in our area.



## Spring Rendezvous

The spring rendezvous is a gathering of Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts along with leaders and families for a weekend of excitement on May 6-8, 2011 at Camp Iyatoka. Cub Scouts will have activities and stations on Saturday and Boy Scouts will participate in a Camporee event and competition. During the weekend, North Star district will also conduct the May Roundtable. Saturday evening's highlight will be the Annual District Awards Event Barbeque and Picnic. Everyone is asked to bring their own lawn chair for seating. The Awards event is to honor volunteers in North Star District who have made a difference in Scouting and youth. The cost of the event is yet to be determined.

## Journey to Excellence

North Star is working hard to be the preeminent district and offer the best programming in Sioux Council. Our efforts will be measured by the Journey to Excellence (JTE) award recognition program. The JTE award is a program designed to improve Scouting in Councils, District and Units throughout the country. The measurements can be found on at [www.siouxbsa.org](http://www.siouxbsa.org). All unit level volunteers should be familiar with the program and strive to earn the gold award criteria for their unit because that means they are offering some of the best program in the country to youth. We all are in the business of helping kids and the JTE recognition award gives us the basis for which we fulfill our mission.

## Program Planning Roundtable

The program planning Roundtable is on April 14, 2011 at the Webster Courthouse at 7:00 pm. The program planning Roundtable is important for every Unit to attend. The roundtable is intended to help Units plan their calendar and budget for the next school calendar year. Don't miss out on this opportunity to learn how to create best and most financially sustainable program for your unit!

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## District Calendar

**March**

3	District Committee Meeting
10	Roundtable/OA Chapter Meeting

**April**

7	District Committee Meeting
14	Program Planning Roundtable

<http://www.siouxbsa.org/Districts/NorthStar/>  
(Check the Website for calendar information and updates)

# Pheasant

Hand, Beadle, Buffalo, Jerauld, Sandborn, Hanson, Davison, Brule,  
Aurora, Hutchinson, McCook Counties

I would like to invite everyone to our district Dinner on March 19<sup>th</sup>. It will be held in Mitchell at John Paul II School. This year we will have some great food, lots of leader awards and we will have a beading ceremony for some of the leaders from our District that have completed the Woodbadge Course. It will start at 7PM, please plan to be there to join in the fun.



It's been a long winter so far but SPRING is just around the corner. That means that Scouts, parents and teachers will have spring fever. I know that I have Spring Fever. We can use this spring fever to all of our advantages. We can spend time outside with our kids and plan activities that are fun and relaxing for all of us. I remember when I was a young Scout. We looked forward to having our outside meetings and having our parents in the park with us playing games. Those were the days. We all played catch, soccer, Frisbee, fished and ate outdoors. Of course the teams were parents against the Scouts and the Scouts ALWAYS WON.

One of my favorite sayings, "**The Good Lord bestows no greater responsibility on us than to raise our youth**". That's one of the reasons why I like this job, I get to see and help youth grow and learn.

We have some great opportunities to get our Scouts out this summer. In our District we have two day camps, one Akela camp, Scout-O-Rama, Spring Camp-O-Ree and Summer Bash scheduled. All of these are great fun for the Scouts and are a great time to invite new boys to join Scouting. After all Scouting is about growing and learning and that is what all of our camps are about. Our camping and activities committees will be calling for help so please be ready to help.

Our district has some challenges this coming year. We were down in membership but we had more district leadership in 2010. I know that the leaders want our Packs, Troops and Crews to grow and we all should want to help grow our youth and activities. **The more youth and parents we have attending scouting activities the more fun we all have.**

Rod Huisman is offering to do trainings in any of our towns if you can get enough people interested in attending. Pheasant District has the highest percent of leader training in the council. Thank You Rod for all your hard work. We still have a ways to go to get all of our parents and leaders fully trained but with all of your help we can do it.

Remember that April is Youth Protection Month. Please talk with all the leaders to find a good way for everyone to discuss Youth Protection. Lets keep the kids and parents happy and safe.

We will be stating a new Roundtable Format. Deb Brady has volunteered to be our Round Table chair. We would like to invite all of our leaders, parents and committee members to attend. We want to make them as much fun and interesting as possible.

Lets all have fun in Scouting and learn along the way.

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## **District Calendar**

### **March**

- 3 District Commissioners meeting
- 10 Round Table
- 19 BALOO training – Camp Woodland (Huron)
- 19 District Dinner

### **April**

- 5 Eagle Board
- 7 Commissioners meeting
- 14 Round Table (Program Planning)
- 16 Scout-O-Rama

<http://www.siouxbsa.org/Districts/Pheasant/>

(Check the Website for calendar information and updates)

# Lewis & Clark Trail

Serving Charles Mix, Bonne Homme, Hutchinson, Yankton, Clay, Union Counties

## Scout-O-Rama/Youth Outdoor Expo

Make sure to mark April 9<sup>th</sup> on your calendars! You will want to make sure to attend the first ever Youth Outdoor Expo at the Yankton Middle School. The event will run from 10AM to 4 PM. Many exciting things are being planned, including climbing walls, canoeing, merit badge instruction, and demonstrations from local groups. This is on top of all the great things being showcased by our district units. Of course, the District-wide Pinewood Derby will be that day as well! Newly revised, the race will be open to anyone who wishes to enter! Make sure your car is the fastest, because competition will be fierce! The event committee is hard at work ensuring that all communities in our district are invited to this great event. See you there!

## District Webpage

If you haven't visited the District webpage lately, now's the time to do so! Go to <http://www.siouxbsa.org/Districts/LewisandClarkTrail/> to see all the new district happenings. Our district Webmaster is consistently adding new items and updating event pages. If you have information or have something else you would like to see on the webpage, please contact Martin Saffel: [m\\_saffel@hotmail.com](mailto:m_saffel@hotmail.com).

## Annual Program Planning

It is time once again to begin thinking about Unit Program Planning. We all learn in our respective trainings that good Program Planning is one of the keys to running a successful program. Like last year, April's Roundtable will be dedicated to looking at how to plan a great program. Each unit will receive the program planning guide, and each breakout will contain discussion about this important task. Each unit should plan on having a representative there! Proper planning now will ensure success in the future and will positively impact the youth in your unit!



## District Awards Banquet

Lewis & Clark Trail's annual district awards banquet was held on February 5<sup>th</sup> at JoDean's in Yankton. We recognized many volunteers and the 2010 class of Eagle Scouts. Thanks to everyone who helped plan this successful event and congratulations to the award recipients:

**Cub Scout Family:** Matt and Shannon Fairholm family, Pack 165

**Boy Scout Family:** Tom Thaler and family, Troop 261

**Cub Scout Spouse:** Greg and Tara Pirak, Pack 192

**Boy Scout Spouse:** Barb Ketter, Troop 102

**Cub Scouter of the Year:** Jennifer Hrdlicka, Pack 724

**Boy Scouter of the Year:** Kevin White, Troop 102

**Spirit of Scouting:** Kristi Palecek, Pack 258, District Popcorn Chair

**Spirit of Scouting:** First Dakota National Bank

**Honorary Scoutmaster:** Marv Olnes, District Chair

**District Awards of Merit:**

- Bill Johnson, Troop 102, Asst. Scoutmaster and District Committee
- Laura Stevens, Cub Scout Roundtable Commissioner

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## District Calendar

### March

10 District Committee Meeting  
10 Roundtable

### April

9 Youth Outdoor Expo and Pinewood Derby race  
14 District Committee Meeting  
14 Roundtable/Program Planning

<http://www.siouxbsa.org/Districts/LewisandClarkTrail/>  
(Check the Website for calendar information and updates)

# Five Rivers

Serving Central South Dakota from Mission to Eureka

## District Nominations

It is about time to think about someone in your unit or area that has made an impact in Scouting. Make sure to send any nominations for District Award of Merit, Silver Beaver, and District Recognition Awards by March 15. It is important that we recognize those who make a difference in the lives of our children, Scouts, and communities through Scouting. The forms can be found at: <http://www.siouxbsa.org/Resources/Forms/AwardsForms> under the heading "Distinguished Service Awards."

## Scout Expo Extravaganza

The Scout Expo is coming up in Pierre on April 16. It will be held at the Community Bible Church on Harrison. There will be several events and demonstrations to show off what skills the Scouts have.

One such event is the Pinewood Derby races. Make sure to have your derby car ready by then. In addition to the standard race for the Cub Scouts, an Outlaw division of the race will be held. This special division is open to any adult or child who wants to participate. The only rule that will be enforced is any car will not be allowed to race if it risks damaging the track. The District Awards Ceremony will also be taking place that day. Make sure any volunteer you have nominated is able to attend so they are able to receive this recognition. This will be held in conjunction with the Pinewood Derby Award Ceremony.

Make sure you can attend the Scout Expo. There will definitely be something for everyone. We will have more information as we get closer to the event.

## Klondike Derby

Thank you to those that were able to make it to the Klondike Derby on January 22-23. We had over 40 boys in attendance from four troops and packs all over the district. I would also like to thank those adults who volunteered their time to help out, and especially Paul Schoenfelder and the rest of Troop 173 who hosted the event. Congratulations to Troop 27 who won the Great Race event at the end of the day. I hope to see you all there next year!

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## District Calendar

### March

- |    |                                    |
|----|------------------------------------|
| 1  | Half Payment for Lewis & Clark due |
| 2  | District Committee Meeting         |
| 7  | Roundtable (Central)               |
| 8  | Roundtable (South)                 |
| 9  | District Commissioner's Meeting    |
| 10 | Roundtable (North)                 |
| 11 | Eagle Scholarships due             |
| 15 | District Awards Nominations due    |

### April

- |    |                                 |
|----|---------------------------------|
| 4  | Roundtable (South)              |
| 5  | Roundtable (Central)            |
| 6  | District Committee Meeting      |
| 7  | Roundtable (North)              |
| 13 | District Commissioner's Meeting |
| 16 | Scout Expo (Pierre)             |
| 24 | Easter                          |
| 30 | CLT/Council Recognition Banquet |

<http://www.siouxbsa.org/Districts/FiveRivers/>

(Check the Website for calendar information and updates)

# Prairie Hills

Serving Minnehaha, Lincoln, Turner, SD; Rock & Nobles, MN; Lyon, IA Counties

## Soccer & Scouting

The Soccer and Scouters have been very active already this year! Our program is expanding here in Sioux Falls as well as in Worthington. In Sioux Falls, a new program aide has been hired. Kendra Karczewski started assisting the Sioux Falls Soccer and Scouting program in December and has been doing great things for the program. She speaks both Spanish and Portuguese, has coached youth soccer for another organization in the past, and taught English while living in Brazil.

Kendra has helped grow the Sioux Falls program to the point that we have divided into two age groups for our regular meeting days. Youth up to eight years old practice and do their Scouting activities at 2:00, and the youth nine years old and up meet at 3:30 in the Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church gym. This method has seemed to encourage participation with age-appropriate soccer drills and Scouting activities. The younger kids get a chance to develop their soccer skills without the intimidation of older players on the field while gaining confidence in their soccer abilities and working on their Cub Scout advancements. The older kids have a slightly more intensive practice under the direction of volunteer coach Bernardo Vazquez.

Some of the Scouting activities the youth have done through Kendra's leadership include relay races; playing dodgeball, goal math, and red light green light; making puppet animals; and discussions about cooperation and respect. A game the kids had a lot of fun with was called Spread the News. The youth were divided up into two teams and raced to cover one Cub Scout in newspaper. The kids had to work together as a team dispensing tape and covering the boy shoulder-to-toe in newspapers. After the game was played, there was a discussion on teamwork and what the kids learned from the activity.

Another activity the youth recently enjoyed was learning about banks and checking accounts.

Bryan Launderville and Jon Centes from Wells Fargo came to talk to the kids and parents the other day about checking accounts to help with one of the Cub Scout advancements.

According to Josue Mayorga, who works with Soccer and Scouting in Worthington, the program is going great so far this season. There are a lot of youth involved in that program, and parent participation in the activities has increased this season. The kids have really been enjoying all the new things they learn each week through their participation in the Scouting activities.



## Scout-O-Rama—Scouting: the Next Generation

**When:** Saturday, April 30 • 9AM-3PM

**Where:** Sioux Falls Convention Center

- Booths are available for Packs, Troops and Crews
- District Pinewood Derby will be held from 9am-3pm

### For more information:

<http://www.ScoutORamaRocks.com> or  
email [aj\\_ccr@yahoo.com](mailto:aj_ccr@yahoo.com)

**Please submit booth registration form by Friday, April 15th.**

# Prairie Hills

Serving Minnehaha, Lincoln, Turner, SD; Rock & Nobles, MN; Lyon, IA Counties

## Transition is *Always* (And *Always* is Now!)

It is always appropriate to transition boys into and through Cub Scouts. Likewise it is always appropriate to transition boys into and through Boy Scouts. Transition is at the core of the Scouting purpose and program. Eager young boys grow into honorable, productive young men. None of this transition happens, however, without intention and effort on the part of leadership.

Unfortunately, Webelos-to-Scout transition is one weak link in our strong chain of transition. Because this crossover occurs between two individual entities, often the intention and effort (and also the boys) fall between the cracks. Transition is *always*, tough, and we can make a difference right now.

The season of Blue & Gold and Crossover is happening right now, therefore some of us may not have the ability to facilitate a full and formal crossover if we have not got it in the plans already. However, there are several things that we can do:

- Cubmasters (or other leaders) should call eligible Webelos and personally encourage the boys.
- If the boys are interested, Cubmasters should attempt to connect the boys to a nearby troop. Scoutmasters should contact Cubmasters to see if there are boys with whom they can follow up.

During the next weeks the District Membership Committee will also be reaching out to the Webelos and encouraging their crossover. During the next months the District Membership Committee will be developing and implementing transferable programs to ensure even more thorough crossover transition in the future.

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## District Calendar

### March

- 1 Camp Payments Due
- 2 District Committee Meeting
- 3 District Commissioner Meeting
- 5 BALOO
- 5 District Dinner
- 5 Scoutmaster Specifics Training
- 10 Fireside Chat with Tom Smotherman

### April

- 4 Cub Leaders Specifics Training
- 6 District Committee Meeting
- 7 District Commissioner Meeting
- 8-10 Introduction to Outdoor Leaderskills
- 15 Program Planning Training Seminar
- 22 Office Closed for Good Friday
- 28 Sioux Falls School Night
- 30 Council Leadership Team Meeting
- 30 Scout-O-Rama

<http://www.siouxbsa.org/Districts/PrairieHills/>  
(Check the Website for calendar information and updates)

# Buffalo Ridge

Serving Lyon, MN; Lincoln, MN; Brookings; Kingsbury; Pipestone, MN Counties

## Friends of Scouting off to a Great Start

Well it's that time of year and things are off to a great note for Buffalo Ridge this year. At the end of January we were 100% ahead of last year and that was without a couple of our community campaigns kicked off. That is an awesome job for everyone! If your unit hasn't set up a date for you Family Friends of Scout presentation please make sure to call or email Kristi Lewis as soon as possible to secure your date. Remember that if your unit reaches gold status it gets 10% of the money raised goes directly back to the unit as well as your unit gets free advancement patches for a the year! A great way to save money and make sure that your units can have the funds to do everything they want to do during the year.



## ARGH! Akela Camp on the port side Captain!

Don your eye patches, make sure your cutlass is sharp and your blunderbuss is loaded. Akela camp is on the horizon. Mark your calendars for June 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> and plot your course to Camp Shetek; a grand adventure awaits you there. This is a great event for your Scouts so make sure not to miss it.



## Thanks to ALL!

I would like that tank Dave McCaa, Sandy McFarland and everyone else that made the Buffalo Ridge Klondike possible. It was a great event and everyone had a lot fun.



The Cub Scouts built a huge snow wall and also played a great game of winter flag football. It was our own "Ice Bowl". Great game guys! All the Scouts on the trail proudly showed off their Scouting knowledge and leadership skills.

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## District Calendar

### March

- 1 DCM, Elkton
- 8 Roundtable, Commissioner Meeting - Elkton
- 11 Cub Scout Lock-In - Madison

### April

- 1 Roundtable, Commissioner Meeting, DCM  
Elkton
- 16 Spring Camporee

<http://www.siouxbsa.org/Districts/BuffaloRidge/>  
(Check the Website for calendar information and updates)

# *Save the Date...*

## Sioux Training Rendezvous Celebrating the Adventure; Continuing the Training

Whether you are a Commissioner, Unit Leader, Committee Member or just a parent who helps out you are invited to come to this training on **Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at Mitchell Technical Institute South Campus.**

The Sioux Training Rendezvous is the premier training event in the Sioux Council. Leaders from all the districts in Sioux Council will gather to share skills, teach one another, and gather to discuss scouting in general. You will be able to receive training in lots of different areas.

Each training will fall into one of the following four categories:

- Fun
- Policies
- Innovative
- Practical

Courses are selected by you based on your interest. All instructors are knowledgeable with years of experience under their belts.

We are also always looking for new courses & instructors. If you are interested in becoming an instructor at the Sioux Training Rendezvous please give Dan Skogen a call at (605) 627-5144.



## 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 Friday night at 6:00 PM until Sunday morning at 11:00AM.

**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 such basic outdoor skills 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 of 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.  
NO WALK-INS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THIS EVENT.**

### Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Training

April 1 <sup>st</sup> - Thru 3 <sup>rd</sup>	April 8 <sup>th</sup> - 10 <sup>th</sup>
Camp Iyataka 131 <sup>st</sup> St. Wilmot, SD Loretta (605) 693-6489 Katie (605) 520-0413	Newton Hills Camp 28629 482 <sup>nd</sup> Ave. Canton, SD Rick (605) 336-1094

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

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

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

**Mail this completed form and the \$16.00 registration fee no later than 10 days before the training date you select to:  
Sioux Council, 800 N. West Ave, Sioux Falls, SD 57104**

## ***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.**

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

### **BALOO Training Registration Form**

Saturday, March 5 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday, March 19 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday April 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Center for Scouting 800 N. West Ave. Sioux Falls, SD Bruce (605) 336-1094	Camp Woodlands 108 216 <sup>th</sup> St. Huron, SD Rod (605) 539-0003	Camp Iyatoka 131 <sup>st</sup> St. Wilmot, SD Katie (605) 520-0413 Loretta (605) 693-6489

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

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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**

## 2011 DAY CAMP: CUBSTRUCTION

Get ready for two days of fun with Cub Scout Day Camp! Designed for Cub Scouts currently in Kindergarten through 4th Grade, Scouts get the chance to experience fun with a purpose. All Scouts should bring a sack lunch. Kindergarten boys are required to bring a parent/guardian.



*Carrying a hammer in Cub Scouting we learn to build character.*

### **DATES:**

June 3-4	Huron
June 3-4	Pierre
June 3-4	Yankton (L&C Scout Camp)
June 10-11	Mobridge
June 10-11	Mitchell (Camp Arroya)
June 13-14	Watertown
June 17-18	Sioux Falls
June 17-18	Armour
June 25-26	Brookings
July 8-9	Brandon
July 8-9	Marshall
July 8-9	Vermillion
July 11-12	Aberdeen
July 15-16	Worthington
July 22-23	Winner
July 23	Sioux Falls (full one day Test Pilot Camp)

### **CAMP FEE:**

\$30/participant if registered by May 2nd.

*\*Fee includes a youth t-shirt.*

\$35/participant after May 2nd.

*\*T-shirt not included after May 2nd. Cost of t-shirt is \$10.*

**Day Camp registration takes place through your Cub Scout Pack. Visit with your Cubmaster for details.**



For additional camp details and updates go to <http://www.siouxbsa.org/Camps/DayCamp>

## 2011 Akela Camp—Cubs of the Caribbean

This three day, two night camp is designed for Cub Scouts and Siblings currently in 1st through 4th grade and promotes quality time between parents and children. All food is prepared and provided.

### **Dates:**

June 10-12	L&C Scout Camp
June 17-19	Camp Shetek
June 24-26	Newton Hills
July 8-10	Pierre/Ft. Pierre
July 15-17	Camp Arroya (Mitchell)
July 15-17	Richmond Youth Camp

### **Camp Schedule**

Start time is 6:00 pm on opening day.

End time is 11:00 am on closing day.

### **Camp Fee:**

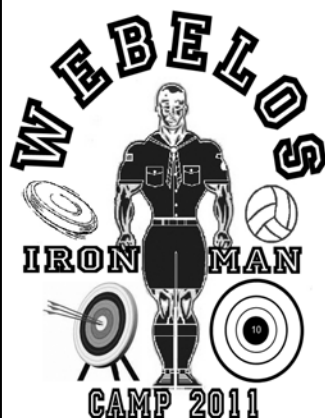
\$35 per youth & adult if registered by May 2nd.

\$45 per youth & adult after May 2nd.

*T-shirt is available for a purchase of \$10.*



For additional camp details and updates go to <http://www.siouxbsa.org/Camps/AkelaCamp/>



Webelos Camp is four days and three nights of Webelos fun! It is for boys currently in 3rd or 4th grade, so those that will be Webelos Scouts next school year. All Webelos Camps take place at Lewis & Clark Scout Camp, where you can hike around and explorer our 400 acres of forested rolling hills along Lewis & Clark Lake.

The highlight of Webelos Camp is the opportunity to earn 4 of a possible 8 activity pins. Favorites include Geologist, Forester, and Outdoorsman. We also earn the Sportsman activity badge while you are here. Other activities include a map and compass challenge, archery, BB guns and swimming. This year we will also be offering an Iron Man Competition.

All food and program materials are included in your registration fee. Make sure you bring your own camping gear and spending money for souvenirs and slushies. Get your friends from your Webelos Den to come along. More information can be obtained from [www.siouxbsa.org/Camps/Webeloscamp](http://www.siouxbsa.org/Camps/Webeloscamp).

**Dates:**

July 6th thru 9<sup>th</sup>

July 31st thru August 3<sup>rd</sup>

August 3rd thru August 6<sup>th</sup>

**Times:**

Camp starts at 1:00 PM on opening day and ends at 11:00 AM on closing day.

**Camp Fees:**

\$80 per youth if registered by May 2<sup>nd</sup>

\$90 after May 2<sup>nd</sup>

\$40 per adult if registered by May 2<sup>nd</sup>

\$ 5 after May 2<sup>nd</sup>

## National Summertime Pack Award

When your **Cub Scout Pack** provides a 12-month program by continuing to meet when school is out of session, it earns the **National Summertime Pack Award**. When your unit has conducted three pack activities—one each in the months of June, July, and August—your unit has qualified for the National Summertime Pack Award certificate and streamer. **Dens** with an average attendance of at least half their members at the three summer pack events are eligible for a Den participation ribbon. **Individual** boys who attend all three Summertime Pack Activities can receive the National Summertime Pack Award **pin**.

The National Summertime Pack Award Application can be obtained from the Center for Scouting or at [www.siouxbsa.org](http://www.siouxbsa.org).

Some sample activities include:

- Day Camp
- Akela Camp
- Webelos Camp
- Wild Water West
- Swimming
- Fishing
- Miniature Golf
- Archery
- Kickball
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Frisbee Golf
- Zoo
- Minnow Races
- Rain Gutter Regatta
- Rock Climbing
- Bike Rides
- Scavenger Hunt
- Rocket Launching
- Barbeque
- Build Bird Houses
- Tye Dye T-shirts





# LEWIS & CLARK

## SCOUT CAMP



### Construction Updates

The MRHAB staff housing and headquarters buildings are finished and ready to use.

The Staff housing project is back on and progress is being made to complete it. Contact Chuck Mackey at [clmackey@vyn.midco.net](mailto:clmackey@vyn.midco.net) to get involved. This project will be complete by the time the staff arrives to set up camp.

### Camp Meetings – Payment Deadlines

Half of your camp payment is due to the Sioux Council now. Pay for the youth that have committed to attend camp. Let the non-committed ones pay the extra fees. Remember Transferring Webelos and new scouts will get the early bird discount automatically. The full payment for camp is due on May 1<sup>st</sup> just two months away.

### Work at Lewis & Clark

Spend your summer on the bluffs of the Missouri River. Work at Lewis & Clark Scout Camp. Employment opportunities are available for any youth (male or female) 15 years and older.

The new staff housing with air conditioning will be complete and ready for you and your buddies to move in. No more down pours and hail storms beating down your tent.

Staff enjoy plenty of food, new friends, experiences you will remember the rest of your life, leadership skills enhanced, and great fun. Staff can also work on Merit Badges while they are here.

If interested contact Carla Scott at 605-489-2449 or at [pscott@svtv.com](mailto:pscott@svtv.com). You may also get an application at [www.siouxbsa.org/Camps/LewisAndClark/Resources](http://www.siouxbsa.org/Camps/LewisAndClark/Resources). Return applications to the Sioux Council Center for Scouting at 800 N. West Ave., Sioux Falls, SD, 57104.

### Personal Water Craft Season II

Lewis & Clark Summer camp will be offering the Personal Water Craft program once again this summer. This is year 2 of the pilot program that the National BSA is operating. Following last years program, participants were surveyed and program requirements were looked at. We have tweaked our program a little based on these surveys and recommendations and are happy to offer the program once again. We are still only one of six camps in the country that are able to offer a Personal Water Craft program.

The youth that participated last year had an amazing time. This program is available to youth who are at least 14 years old and are able to pass a BSA swim test. The program takes the place of either the morning Merit Badge sessions or the Afternoon Merit Badge sessions. Youth who participate learn the proper care and use of personal water craft. They will earn the Motor Boating Merit Badge this year. And best of all, they will have plenty of time to ride the water craft. Windy days, unlike other programs we offer, are not a problem, they only add to the fun.

This is a great program for your older scouts who have done most of the other things that Lewis & Clark offers and are not concerned with earning a bunch of Merit Badges. Sign up information is in your leaders guide and/or at [www.siouxbsa.org/Camps/LewisAndClark](http://www.siouxbsa.org/Camps/LewisAndClark).

### Swim Checks

Swim checks for Lewis & Clark Scout Camp along with Lewis & Clark Trails District Family Swim Event will be held **Sunday, March 6th at the Summit Center in Yankton from 1-4pm**. Cost is \$5 per person which includes food, open swim and the water slide. Click [www.siouxbsa.org](http://www.siouxbsa.org) for details.

2011 Campsite Reservations						
	<b>Week 1 June 12-18</b>	<b>Week 2 June 19-25</b>	<b>Week 3 Jun 26-Jul 2</b>	<b>Week 4 July 10-16</b>	<b>Week 5 July 17-23</b>	<b>Week 6 July 24-30</b>
<b>Crazy Horse 60 Scouts 2 Troops</b>	T133 Yankton	T5 Madison	T361 Sioux Falls	T84 Jasper T8 Estes Park	T225 Sioux City	T190 Rock Rapids
<b>Sitting Bull 24 Scouts 1 Troop</b>	T173 Pierre	T731 Sioux Falls	T371 Sioux Falls	T152 Adel IA	T212 Brandon T359 Aberdeen	T11 Beresford
<b>Spotted Tail 48 Scouts 2 Troops</b>	T552 Omaha	T333 Prior Lake T152 Sioux Falls	T102 Central City NE T155 Albion NE	T529 Sioux Falls T89 Mitchell	T285 Plano TX	T60 Canton T109 Lennox
<b>Red Cloud 30 Scouts 1 Troop</b>	T269 Gettysburg	T33 Webster	T12 Miller T25 Custer		T87 Elk Point	T97 Superior NE
<b>Big Foot 64 Scouts 3 Troops</b>	T151 Huron	T112 Sioux Falls		T102 Yankton		
<b>Black Buffalo 60 Scouts 2 Troop</b>		T75 Mitchell T150 Sioux Falls	T99 Tea	T8 Hartford T53 Dell Rapids		
<b>Red Dog 40 Scouts 2 Troops</b>	T76 Waverly NE	T320 Marshall			T61 Viborg	T282 Freeman
<b>Shannon 40 Scouts 2 Troops</b>	T208 Colridge NE	T100 Winner T582 Brandon	T261 Wagner	T113 Aurora CO	T145 Boone IA T48 Sioux Falls	
<b>Ordway 40 Scouts 2 Troops</b>	T105 Carroll IA T73 Ankeny IA	T16 Sioux Falls	T291 N Platte NE		T155 Elm Creek NE	
<b>Pryor 40 Scouts 2 Troops</b>	T167 Edgerton	T45 Milbank	T490 Sioux Falls		T3357 Kimball MN	
<b>Gass 45 Scouts 2 Troops</b>	T46 Sioux Falls	T7303 Hutchinson KS		T114 Ft Calhoun		
<b>York 48 Scouts 2 Troops</b>	T23 Clark	T198 Plano TX T56 Stewartville MN	T807, Omaha NE	T7306 Hutchinson KS	T66 Vermillion	T18 Tecumseh KS
<b>Floyd 32 Scouts 1 Troop</b>	T238 Marshall	T82 Colorado Springs		T21 Rochester MN	T630 Aurora CO	

**Journey to Excellence Service Hours**

You can now enter your service hours at [scouting.org/awards/journeytoexcellence](http://scouting.org/awards/journeytoexcellence). Scroll down the page to see the link on the right hand side. Users of [www.goodturnforamerica](http://www.goodturnforamerica) will be redirected to the Journey to Excellence page.

**Order of the Arrow Campership Patch**

Get your 2011 Order of the Arrow Campership patch today. All proceeds from the sale of these patches goes to support the OA Campership program that helps Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts attend summer camp.

You may get your patch at the Center for Scouting, by contacting your District's OA Chapter Chief or at the OA Trading Post at all OA events.

Patches are \$10.00 each. They may be worn on your official Scout uniform.

**Scout Sunday Patches**

Scout Sunday patches are available at the Center for Scouting. Cost is \$1.50 per patch. Download a patch order form at [www.siouxbsa.org](http://www.siouxbsa.org).

**Wood Badge Banquet and Auction**

Attention all Wood Badgers! The time has come once again to gather up your Scouting treasures and critter memorabilia to help other Scouters experience Wood Badge.

**When:** Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup>

Social gathering time will be at 6:00 PM, with the supper beginning at 6:30 PM.

**Where:** Nicky's Restaurant and Lounge

1407 NW 2<sup>nd</sup> St.

Madison, SD

**Cost:** \$15

Following the meal, a live auction will be held. All proceeds go to the Wood Badge scholarship fund to assist other Scouters in paying for the course. Registration form can be found at [www.siouxbsa.org](http://www.siouxbsa.org).

**Scout Night with the Stampede**

**April 2, 2011 • 7:05 pm**

**Tickets only \$7**



8 **click [www.siouxbsa.org](http://www.siouxbsa.org) for registration information.**

**All ticket requests should be submitted to the Sioux Falls Stampede.**

**National Youth Leadership Training**

**June 6-11, 2011**  
**Camp Woodlands—Huron, SD**  
**Cost: \$195**

**What Is Its Purpose?** To provide youth members of the Boy Scouts of America with leadership skills and experience they can use in their home troops and in other situations demanding leadership of self and others.

NYLT is an exciting, action-packed six-day leadership training for Boy Scouts. The NYLT course centers around the concepts of what a leader must **BE** what he must **KNOW** and what he must **DO**. The key elements are then taught with a clear focus on **HOW TO**. The skills come alive during the week as the patrol goes on a Quest for the Meaning of Leadership.

**The Youth Training Continuum**

National Youth Leadership Training offers the skills of visualizing success, setting goals to accomplish that vision and making a plan to get there, all core to developing the leader's role. The objectives of the conference are:

- To give participants the confidence and knowledge to run the troop program.
- To give participants a basic knowledge of leadership, team building & conflict resolution and help them relate these skills to their troop responsibilities.
- To give participants the opportunity to share ideas and experiences with Scouts from other Troops.
- To create an atmosphere of Scouting at its best living by the Scout Oath and Law.
- To enhance the relationship between the participant/candidate and his Scoutmaster
- To have fun.

**To qualify for admission to National Youth Leadership Training a candidate must:**

1. Be recommended by his Scoutmaster
2. Be at least 13 (14 preferred)
3. Hold at least the rank of First Class or be in Venturing
4. He/She should be proficient in their outdoor camping skills
5. Be registered in Boy Scouts or Venturing

**Kent Lethcoe**—2011 NYLT Scoutmaster/Course Director: [NYLT2011@troop361.net](mailto:NYLT2011@troop361.net)

**Jack Hinrichs**—Sioux Council Staff Advisor: [jack.hinrichs@scouting.org](mailto:jack.hinrichs@scouting.org)

We are in the planning stages for the Sioux Council training. We are looking for youth and adult staff. Now is the time to help plan this exciting and fun filled program.

Please start talking with scouts and let them know about National Youth Leadership Training and what they can learn from it.



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