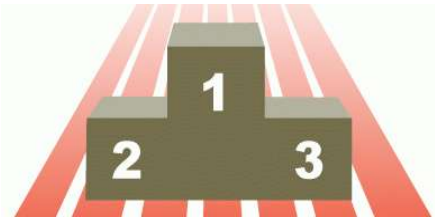
December 2012 Roundtable Announcements



LAST YEAR WE DIDN'T EVREN MAKE THE MEDAL STAND….

THIS YEAR WE ARE JUST 50 POINTS AWAY FROM BEING A JOURNEY TO EXCELLENCE GOLD DISTRICT

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Turn in advancement forms

Log Community Service Hours

Turn in your 2012 Journey to Excellence form

Turn in any unregistered youth (especially Venturers)

If you have something that you want put in the written announcements, please have it to Bryon Haverstick no later than the **last day of each** month for the upcoming month's announcements.

Unit should be preparing to complete your Journey to Excellence 2012 form when you re-charter in February!

Links to the JTE forms can be found here: http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/Commissioners/Journey.aspx If you need help with these, please let me know and I can provide some assistance. The goal is for at least 60% of our 90 units to achieve the Bronze Level.

Community Service:
****You should also be logging your Community Service Hours on your myscouting account.****
See Bryon if you are having issue or need your Unit ID #.

Commissioner's Staff/District Committee

District Committee and District Commissioner Staff Vacancies

The NKGH District is looking to fill numerous KEY vacancies on our District Committee and Commissioner's Staff. They are listed below, if you would like more information about any of these roles, see Bryon Haverstick ASAP!

Unit Commissioners for Joplin, Mt. Vernon, and Monett
Training Staff
Public Relations Chair
Boy Scout RT Commissioner

Pack 70 is committed to coordinating the **Spring Parent and Pal** (April 26-27) BUT will not be able to provide leaders for all program areas. They are in need of unit support for creating and carrying out different program areas that go along with the theme (yet to be determined). Please inform Eric DeGruson if your unit (pack, troop, team, crew, or post) would be interested in doing a station and being involved in the planning aspects of that station and how it correlates with the theme. Eric can be reached at Eric.DeGruson@amce.com

Merit Badge Counselor Information

Susan Philliber, District Advancement Chair wants to inform all MERIT BADGE COUNSELORS (or those that want to be) to turn your forms into the Joplin Scout Shop and NOT Springfield. This will allow her to compile a good list of NKGH MB Counselors before they go to Springfield.
IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT UNITS TURN IN ADVANCEMENT REPORTS IN A TIMELY MANNER TO THE SCOUT SHOP. SCOUTS NEED TO BE RECOGNIZED FOR WHAT THEY ARE ACCOMPLISHING AND THEY CAN'T BE UNLESS A FORM IS TURNED IN. ALL NEW CUB SCOUTS SHOULD EARN THEIR BOBCAT BADGE IN THE FIRST FEW WEEKS OF BEING REGISTERED.

The 2nd Annual Greenbush Science and Technology MBU will be on Saturday February 23, 2013. Registration is $25.00. Merit Badges being offered are Astronomy, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Energy, Space Exploration, and Weather. Registration packets and a promo video are online for your use at http://www.ozarktrailsbsa.org/Nih-Ka-Ga-Hah/District%20Advancement

Adult Recognitions: District Award of Merit, Wanda Harrold, and Tom Harrison

Nominations for the District Award of Merit, Wanda Harrold, and Tom Harrison are due tonight!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: The Annual Adult Recognition Dinner will be January 26 at the Lampo Center in Neosho. Gathering at 6:30 PM, Dinner and Program at 7 PM. Formal invitation to follow.

Scout Shop Closed

December 24-25 for Christmas
Closed from December 26-December 31 for Year End Inventory
Jan 1: Office & Shops Closed for New Years Day
Jan 21: Office & Shops Closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday

Like us on facebook

Please do not friend request my personal page which you will see as an administrator on the NKGH page. While there is nothing in my life that would subject me to criticism, I would like to keep my personal friends and comments personal due to the inability of some volunteers to separate my personal from professional life. Anything you want to address with me via facebook you can do via the NK page, that is why it is there; that and to quickly communicate to the district what is going on.

Email Database Updates

By now you may have realized that e-mail is the fastest most efficient way to communicate with a large group of people in a quick manner. We are working on enhancing our e-mail database. If you have unit leaders, parents, past volunteers, etc that want to get on our e-mail distribution list, please forward those names, units, and emails addresses to Bryon Haverstick @ bryon.haverstick@scouting.org. It is preferred for those addresses to be in a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet for easy sorting.

We need ALL units to set a date for the first quarter of 2013 to allow a Friends of Scouting Presentation to be completed, whether that is at a Court of Honor, Blue and Gold, Pack Meeting, etc. The intent is to take no more than 10 minutes from start to finish while telling the Scouting story and asking the families, leaders, etc to make a financial commitment to the FOS Campaign which is vital in providing the Scouting program from a Council level.

Please set those dates and forward them to Bryon Haverstick as soon as possible. Our goal for FOS is $51,450. Approximately $17,000 is hoped to be raised in the family campaign portion. We have already raised $1,300+ towards this goal!!

Please set those dates or pass on the dates you already have. Thanks!

Klondike Derby is coming up February 15-17 at Frank Childress Scout Reservation. Pat and Layla Wylie have agreed to chair this event but will need help to pull it off. If you are interested in helping run a station, contact them at scoutlayla@live.com or scoutpat55@gmail.com.

Registration information is forthcoming for the event. A flyer is in your roundtable box for Troops, Teams, and Crews.

All units, except Exploring will be receiving their re-charter "packet" in their emails tonight. The Unit Leader (Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Varsity Coach or Venturing Advisor) along with their Chartered Organization Representative and Committee Chairmen will receive 2 emails: One with the packet and one with the password and login information. If you have any issues don't hesitate to call Bryon at 417-770-6100. Emails are being sent to addresses that we have in Scoutnet. If none of the three of the above listed people get the email, let me know. Lastly, if a Chartering Organization has a pack, troop, team, and crew then the Charter Organization Representative will receive 8 emails as the system can't delete duplicates; plus each unit has different log in credentials. **The Joplin Scout Shop will be open on Saturday January 19, from 9-1 for help with re-chartering or to take advantage of turning it in on a Saturday.**
Remember, top leaders must be trained in order to re-charter your unit! **Re-charters are due in the Joplin Scout Shop, mistake free and with money and signatures by FEBRUARY 12th.**

Dates to Remember from September-December

Friends of Scouting Presentation Dates Due-December 11

Adult Recognition Early Bird Reg. Deadline-January 11

Fireside Chat- January 15 at Roundtable (come and hear what is going on in the Council from our Scout Executive, Board President, Council Commissioner and more)

Leader Training Early Bird Deadline for Jan. 12 training-January 10

Leader Training-January 12 (SM and ASM and Varsity Training only)

Leader Training Early Bird Deadline for Jan. 25/26 Training-January 18

Re-Charter Paperwork Party at the Scout Shop-January 19 from 9 AM-1 PM (come in and get help with your online re-charter or turn it in if completed).

Leader Training (Introduction to Outdoor Skills)-January 25-26

Adult Recognition Dinner-January 26

Klondike Derby Early Bird Registration Deadline-February 1

Scout Sunday-Feb. 3

Greenbush MBU Early Bird Reg. Deadline-February 8

Leader Trainings Early Bird Deadline for Feb. 15-16-February 8

Jasper County FOS Breakfast- Feb. 12

Re-Charter Packets Due (assuring TOP LEADER is trained: Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Crew Advisor, Varsity Coach, and Exploring Advisor; PLUS, ALL leaders have program appropriate Youth Protection Training within the last 2 years)-February 12

Klondike Derby-February 15-17

Leader Position Specific Training-February 15-16 (no SM, ASM or Varsity Training since the Outdoor Training is being offered for those leaders)

Greenbush Merit Badge University-Girard, KS-February 23

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Within the next 24 months ALL LEADERS IN THE BSA WILL NEED TO BE TRAINED IN THE POSITION(S) THAT THEY ARE REGISTERED IN.

- All Cub Scout and Exploring Training can be done online at www.myscouting.org or https://lfl.myparticipation.org/ respectively
- Boy Scout, Varsity, Venturing training must be done in a classroom setting (Troop Committee Training can be done online)
    - Boy Scout and Varsity have to take the outdoor training called Introduction to Outdoor Skills as well.

HERE IS THE SCHEDULE OF THE TRAINING ROLL OUT!

BY FEBRUARY, 28 2013
All Unit Leaders (Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, Crew Advisors, Varsity Coaches, and Exploring Advisors) must be trained BEFORE your unit re-charter will be accepted. If the unit leader is not trained, their re-charter will not be processed.

*****SATURDAY, JANUARY 12, 2013 AT FRANK CHILDRESS SCOUT RESERVATION**

- **Trainings being offered are:**
    - **Scoutmaster/Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific (all classroom)**
    - **Varsity Leader Specific Training (all classroom)**

*****FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, JANUARY 25-26, 2013 AT CAMP ARROWHEAD**

- **Trainings being offered are:**
    - **Introduction to Outdoor Skills (outdoor)**
        - **(mandatory for Scoutmaster Varsity Coaches for the upcoming re-charter.**

*****SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2013 AT FRANK CHILDRESS SCOUT RESERVATION**

- **Trainings being offered are: (all classroom)**
    - **Cub Scout Leader Specific Training (all positions)**
    - **Venturing Leader Specific Training**
    - **Troop Committee Training**
    - **Exploring Training**
    - **Chartered Organization Representative Training**

*****FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15-16, 2013 AT FRANK CHILDRESS SCOUT RESERVATION**

- **Trainings being offered are:**
    - **Introduction to Outdoor Skills (outdoor)**
        - **(mandatory for Scoutmaster and Varsity Coaches for the upcoming re-charter**

*****FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, APRIL 19-20, 2013 AT CAMP ARROWHEAD**

- **Trainings being offered are:**
    - **Introduction to Outdoor Skills (outdoor)**
        - **(mandatory for Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmasters and Varsity Coaches)**
- **Webelos Leader Outdoor Training (OWL)**
- **Cub Scout Leader Outdoor Training (BALOO)**

BY OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2013
All Direct Contact Leaders (including those from above and including all Assistant Leaders; everyone minus the Committee Chair, Members of the Committee, and Charter Org. Rep) must be trained in their position in order to be re-chartered in October/November 2013. Those leaders that have not completed training for their position will not be re-chartered. If by dropping these leaders off the charter, the minimum requirement for leaders drops below the required amount, the unit will not be re-chartered.

BY OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2014
All Leaders must be trained in their positions by October/November 2014's re-charter. This now includes Unit Leaders, Direct Contact Leaders, Committee Chair, Members of the Committee, and Charter Org. Rep. Those leaders that have not completed training for their position will not be re-chartered. If by dropping these leaders off the charter, the minimum requirement for leaders drops below the required amount, the unit will not be re-chartered.
To see what the requirements are to be a trained leader go to:
http://www.ozarktrailsbsa.org/Training/Adult%20Leader%20Training%20Requirements

The Order of the Arrow Chapter will be working the Christmas Tree Recycling Lot at Bass Pro on Dec. 28th with a Lock-In at Shoal Kirk following their shift.

The OA is still looking for a Secretary and Vice Chief for the Chapter. Interested youth should get a letter of approval from their Scoutmaster and should have attended 3 OA events in the past year.

Camp Arrowhead will be the location for Cub Scout Resident, Webelos Resident, and Boy Scout Resident Camp in the summer of 2013!

Boy Scout Leader Manuals are completed and available on the council's website on the camping page under Camp Arrowhead. Cub Scouts will be done by Dec. 31.

4 sessions of CS Resident Camp, 1 session of Webelos (joint with CS), and 5 sessions of BS camp (session 2 is closed already)

Camp Staff Interviews are this Saturday, December 15th. Interested boys and girls should be at a minimum of 15 years old and come to the Joplin Scout Shop between 10AM-2PM (first come, first serve) with a completed application (available online).

What's new at Summer Camp

- Joint Cub Scout and Webelos session June 30-July 3 (same cost as the Webelos Resident Camp)
- ATV's for qualified youth
- Paddle Boards for the lake
- Rope Swing at the lake
- Block Scheduling
- No organized family night/campfire (parents can attend any evening, encouraged is the night the troops cook in camp)
- Staff will be trained by expert consultants in the field they are teaching
- Online registration for camp and merit badges (coming soon)
- Theme will be Arrowhead Avengers (CS only)
- Camperships are being replaced by Workerships

$600 Dollar Club for Popcorn Sales

EXPERIENCE BEARS BASKETBALL
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30TH 5:30PM
BEARS VS. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS
JQH ARENA SPRINGFIELD, MO
Scouts in the $600 Club
Receive 2 FREE tickets to the game
4:00 – Check-in and pizza party in Hammons Student Center

ORDER FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 19th

We want a picture (individual or group shot with names of Scouts) that achieved the $600 Club to post in the office (Wall of Fame style) please bring hard copy to the office or email them to Bryon Haverstick.

Congratulations for **Pat Wylie**, he will be receiving the **Golden Sun Award** at the Council Annual Dinner on February 2nd in Springfield.

2012-2013 Nih-Ka-Ga-Hah District Deadlines and Dates

****only events that need to be registered for are listed. A full list can be found on the website or in the printed calendars.**

January 2013

11 Adult Recognition Early Bird Reg. Deadline
10 Leader Training Early Bird Reg. Deadline for 1/12
12 Leader Training (SM, ASM, and Varsity only)
18 Leader Training Early Bird Reg. Deadline for 1/25-26
25-26 Introduction to Outdoor Skills Training
26 Adult Recognition Dinner

February 2013

1 Klondike Derby Early Bird Registration Deadline
8 Greenbush MBU Early Bird Reg. Deadline
8 Leader Trainings Early Bird Reg. Deadline for 2/15-16
12 Re-Charter Packets Due (assuring TOP LEADER is trained: Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Crew Advisor, Varsity Coach, and Exploring Advisor; PLUS, ALL leaders have program appropriate Youth Protection Training within the last 2 years)
15-17 Klondike Derby
15-16 Leader Position Specific Training (Outdoor Training for SM, ASM, and Varsity starts Friday night)
23 Greenbush Merit Badge University-Girard, KS

March 2013

1 Beltloop-a-Palooza Early Bird Reg. Deadline
16 3rd Annual Beltloop-a-Palooza

April 2013

5 Rendezvous Early Bird Reg. Deadline
5 Leader Training Registration Deadline
12 Spring Parent and Pal Early Bird Reg. Deadline
12-13 Leader Position Specific Training*
19-21 KS-MO Fur Company Rendezvous
26-27 Spring Parent and Pal

May 2013

1 Cub Scout Day Camp Early Bird Reg. Deadline
3 Pinewood Derby Early Bird Reg. Deadline
18 Pinewood Derby
18 Venturing Recruitment Day

June 2013

6 Cub Scout Day Camp Late Registration Deadline
20-22 Cub Scout Day Camp

*Note: A portion of the leader trainings may or may not be held on the Friday before. More information will be disseminated as we get closer to the event.

The following is the **estimated** costs for the events based on 2011/2012 events. Final costs will be on the event registration forms for each event to be made public when the information packet becomes available.

****Costs below are subject to change.****

Leader Trainings	$5/person
Parent and Pal (Fall and Spring)	$10/person
Crowder College MBU	$10/youth
Adult Recognition Dinner	$15/person
Life to Eagle Campout	$7/person
Merit Badge Univ.	$25/youth
Klondike Derby	$6/person
Beltloop-a-palooza	$10/youth
Rendezvous	$6/person
Pinewood Derby	$3/youth
Cub Scout Day Camp	$35/youth

Nih-Ka-Ga-Hah District Event Registration Procedures (only NKGH District events, not Council events)

The 5-P's: These procedures are being put into place because the volunteers that are providing our programs want to put on a great program for your youth and the only way that we can do that is to operate in a 5-P manner:
Prior **P**lanning **P**revents **P**oor **P**erformance. If your unit operates in the same manner, our events will run a lot smoother and will allow our event staffs to better prepare for the event.

Dates for events will be available by/at May Roundtable for the upcoming program year (August-July) for calendar building purposes, on the district website, in printed program calendars, in emails, posted at the Joplin Scout Shop, and in the handouts at Roundtables.

Information packets for events will be out 60-90 days prior to the event on the district website, in emails, posted at the Joplin Scout Shop, and in the handouts at Roundtables.
Information will include location, program schedule (sometimes tentative), fees, and contact information.

Registrations deadlines:
Early Bird Registration: Two weeks prior to the event on Friday at 2 PM (base fee)
Late Registration: Thursday just before the event at 2 PM. (base fee +50%)
Walk-Ins: A "walk-in" is considered someone that registers the Friday before an event or on Saturday of the event (base fee +100%)
Only registrations that are in by the <u>Early Bird Deadline</u> are guaranteed to get a patch at the event.
Newly formed units or newly registered youth, after an Early Bird Deadline, would be exempt from the appropriate late fees

Example 1 (left calendar): Crowder College MBU Saturday November 17th. Early Bird Deadline is November 2nd.

Example 2 (right calendar): Fall Parent and Pal September 14-15 Early Bird Deadline is August 31st.

Fees:
<u>Fees for events are based on the budget for the event. All events are budgeted to break even.</u>
<u>If you register for an event after the Early Bird Registration Deadline, you will pay a late registration fee of 50% of the Early Bird Registration fee. If you register as a "walk-in" (a "walk-in" is considered someone that registers the Friday before an event or on Saturday of the event) will pay a late registration fee of 100% of Early Bird Registration fee.</u>

To ensure that your registration is in by the Early Bird Deadline mail the registration **3-5 days prior** to the deadline (to the Joplin Scout Shop at 2702 Richard Joseph Blvd. Suite 113 Joplin, MO 64804) or drop it off at the Joplin Scout Shop remembering that we are open on Monday and Tuesday 12-6 and Thursday and Friday 10-2.

<u>IT IS NOT RECCOMENDED to register for Nih-Ka-Ga-Hah District Events near a deadline at the Springfield or Rolla offices. Inter-office mail does not run daily and it is imperative for registrations to get to the Joplin Scout Shop in a timely manner.</u>

Refunds: Refund requests should be made within 30 days, per Council policy, of an event by completing the council refund request form found on the Council website at www.ozarktrailsbsa.org in the Resources and Forms section. These should be turned in to the Joplin Scout Shop for consideration. The District Director/Executive will determine whether a refund is granted. The requestor will be notified whether their request has been granted or not. The Council Refund Policy (stated on the form) will be followed with regards to the refunding of the money.