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Important Reminders:

The August membership/Training Roundtable on August 9th should have two representatives from your unit as well as a one-page calendar and budget to turn in. Please also remember to have your 2019 Friends of Scouting Presentation date on your unit calendar as well.

Youth Protection Training! Just a reminder that the new youth protection training is available on my.scouting.org. EVERYONE who is registered needs to retake the course since it has updated. The only exception is if you completed youth protection training since Feb. 1, 2018 because you would have already taken the new training. This needs to be done by Oct. 1st. Contact us if you are having any trouble.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Help Wanted! Looking for volunteers to help us run a booth out at the Sidewalk Arts Festival at the Pavilion on September 8th. If you are available for all or even part of the time, please let [Shaina](#) know! We will supply you with everything you need. What a great way volunteer!

Does your unit plan to sell popcorn this Fall?! Popcorn commitments are needed! Please send who your popcorn kernel is and their contact information to [Sandy](#) or [Char](#)! Please also send your unit's kick-off date and if you plan to do show'n'sell.

Who is your Unit Commissioner? Click [here](#) to see who is assigned to your unit! Remember, the commissioner is your first contact with questions. They are the liaison between our units and the district staff. Make sure to contact them today!

Scout Night with the Canaries is coming up on August 10th at 7:05 PM. Enjoy a fun evening with post-game fireworks and movie on the field! The group that brings the most youth will get to pick someone to throw out the first pitch! Scouts can also participate in the games during time-outs, just check-in at the white gazebo if interested! For ticket information, go to sioux council.org or click [here](#).

DIY Volunteer Project Opportunity! Make pet toys and deliver them to your local Helpline Center Office! To make these pet toys, you will need Material (felt or old clean t-shirts) and Scissors! Steps to complete: 1) Cut or tear material into thin strips (2-3 in.); 2) Tie cut material together, leave extra material to create tassels; 3) Divide strips of material into thirds; 4) Braid material and tie at the end! Pretty simple and great service hours!

Does your unit have a succession plan in place? If not, please contact your unit commissioner or district executive today!!

Parent/Leader Orientation Night! This will be offered this Fall after the School Night for Scouting to orient and help new leaders, current leaders, new parents, and current parents! This will be held at the Center for Scouting on September 20th! Keep checking back for more information.

Augustana University's homecoming parade is offering for any units to be a part of their parade this fall. The parade is Saturday, October 20th at 10:30 am. If your unit is interested, please email Natalie at nkferris16@ole.augie.edu, Aggie at arsalzwedel16@ole.augie.edu, or Danielle at degraham16@ole.augie.edu.

SAVE THE DATE! Scout Night with the Stampede is scheduled for January 12th, 2019 at 7 pm. This game is against Sioux City (A RIVAL!!!!). More information will be available as we get closer.

Discounted Disney on Ice and Monster Jam tickets!! Feld Entertainment has so graciously offered discounted tickets for Scouts and Families! To purchase tickets, please call 866-248-8740 and choose option 4. For questions, email felddirectgroups@feldinc.com.

**Monster Jam Scout Night is Oct 5th at 7 pm. Price is \$10 and Scouts receive a free patch! There is a pre-event Scout clinic that you can arrive at 5 pm for. Deadline to order is October 1st at 11 am.

**Disney on Ice discounted tickets for Scouts and Families are offered for the November 30th 7 pm show and the December 1st 7 pm show. Tickets are \$15 and \$10 for different seat levels and Scouts received a free patch! Friday Only—after the show, scouts are invited to a special behind-the-scenes clinic! Deadline to order is November 26th at 11 am.

ROUNDTABLE SCHEDULE! Plan now to attend Roundtable EACH MONTH, 7 pm, on the 2nd Thursday of the month. Roundtable is a meeting that is open to all Scouting volunteers and parents!

Council Office Closed: September 3rd for Labor Day. Scout Shop is also closed.

District/Council Calendar

District Committee/Commissioner,
Aug 2nd

Disability Awareness Challenge Day,
Aug 4th

Popcorn/Membership Roundtable,
Aug 9th

Scout Night with the Canaries, Aug
10th

Boy Scout STEM Lock-in, Aug 17-18th

Council Office Closed (Labor Day),
Sept 3rd

District Committee/Commissioner,
Sept 6th

School Night for Scouting, Sept 13th

Fall Camporee, Sept 14-16th

CUB SCOUTS:

Parent/Leader Orientation, Sept. 20th

Disability Awareness Challenge Day is coming up on August 4th. Plan for your Pack to attend! This event will be at Frank L. Boyce Miracle Field at Terrace Park. Registration is available! Go to sioux council.org or click [here](#)!

Fall Recruitment Is Coming! Are you ready for Fall Recruitment? Remember, we are accepting FULL FAMILIES this fall and we couldn't be more excited! Get ready for a big recruitment push. School Night for Scouting is Sept. 13th 6:30-7:30 pm. Please remember to have a representative from your pack at your school! For any new scout that joins, they will get a "golden ticket" that gets them into our Free Fall Fun Day that is happening directly after Fall Day Camp!

Fall Day Camp is coming up on Sept 22! This will be out at the Outdoor Campus. Don't miss it! Registration available soon!

BOY SCOUTS:

Boy Scouts STEM Lock-In is coming up on August 17-18. Register now for a great event for all Boy Scouts and Venture Scouts that is full of STEM! Early bird fee applies if you register before August 10th at is \$15 for Scouts and \$5 for leaders. The regular fee is \$20 for Scouts and \$10 for leaders if you do not register before August 10. Go to sioux council.org or click [here](#) to register!

Fall Camporee registration is open! This event is coming up on September 14-16. The theme is Leave No Trace and Outdoor Ethics! This camporee will be held out at Newton Hills and you don't want to miss it! There is an Early Bird Rate if you register before September 3rd. This is \$10 for Scouts and Leaders. The regular fee goes up to \$15 for Scouts and stays at \$10 for leaders. 14+/Adult Leave No Trace Trainer Course is a \$30 additional fee. Optional LNT T-shirt is another \$15 additional charge. Registration is open until September 10th. Don't forget to register! Go to sioux council.org or click [here](#)!

Philmont Trek! There are still spots open! The 2019 Philmont trek is from July 1, 2019 to July 13, 2019. The three treks will depart on or around June 30, 2019. The fees are \$1950 for the trip which includes transportation, shirt, food, Philmont fees and the BSA insurance. To sign up go to www.siox council.org/philmont.

SCOUT SHOP NEWS:

- Need your patches sewn on? Stop in to the Scout Shop or call us we will take care of it for you. The cost is \$2.50 per patch and \$10 for hemming pants.
- We are hiring! Part-time Sales Associate position available. Contact Marie at the Scout Shop if interested.

[Contact Marie at the Scout Shop for more information.](#)

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