Winner of the Disney World Drawing

Congratulations to Paul Bauman of Troop 72 in Mitchell, who earned a Trail’s End College Scholarship and won the family trip for 4 to Disney World in Orlando, FL. Every Scout who sold over $2,500 in gross sales this fall was eligible for the Trails End Scholarship program and was entered into a drawing for the trip to Walt Disney World. Every additional $250 a Scout sold over the $2,500 earned them an additional entry in the drawing. There were 299 entries in the drawing. Eighty-nine Scouts throughout the council earned these entries and more importantly, money for higher education.

Top Sellers in the Sioux Council

Congratulations to Carter Barren from Pack 192 in Gayville, SD, who is the 2018 top popcorn salesman in the Sioux Council. Charlie Steever from Pack 682 in Sioux Falls, SD is the 2nd top seller.

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Congratulations to the following 6 Scouts who earned the Top Seller awards for their district. Each Top Seller receives a $150 Gift card from Walmart:

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Tuesday, January 1st, 2019
Monday, January 21st, 2019
Monday, February 18th, 2019

**Scout Shop:**
Tuesday, January 1st, 2019

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**We are on Instagram!**

The Sioux Council has created an Instagram account to connect with more Scouters, family members, friends and supporters of Scouting. Follow us at: @siouxcouncilbsa to see what we are up to!

“LIKE” our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/siouxbsa](http://www.facebook.com/siouxbsa).

Follow your District’s pages too!

Lewis and Clark: [www.facebook.com/lewisandclarktrailbsa](http://www.facebook.com/lewisandclarktrailbsa)
Prairie Hills: [www.facebook.com/prairiehillsbsa](http://www.facebook.com/prairiehillsbsa)

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Get Ready for Scouts BSA!

As we close in on the launch of Scouts BSA female troops, be sure to follow these “do’s and don’ts” from our National Office.

Do … reiterate that as our organization welcomes families, boys and girls to our programs, the name of our organization remains the same. We are the Boy Scouts of America (BSA). Our mission — preparing young people for life — hasn’t changed and is found in all our programs:

- Cub Scouts
- Boy Scouts (becoming Scouts BSA on Feb. 1, 2019)
- Venturing
- Sea Scouts
- STEM Scouts
- Exploring
- Learning for Life

Do … use only official Boy Scouts of America (BSA) materials, which are located on the BSA Brand Center. We’ve seen some well-intentioned assets developed by Scouters as they prepare to welcome girls that include problematic phrasing like “we’re starting a girl Scouts BSA troop.” Instead, you’re asked to use the downloadable email templates, flyers, postcards, posters, social media images, troop cards, videos, web banners and more available on the BSA Brand Center.

Don’t … use names, programs, marks, logos or images of the GSUSA or combine them with those of the BSA.

Don’t … use the word “girl” in front of “Scout.” Don’t say, for example “girl Scouts BSA troop” or “girl Scouts.” This includes in flyers, conversation, social media, etc.

Do … say things like:
- Join Troop 123 for girls.
- Our church has a boy troop and is forming a girl troop.
- Join the BSA. Find a troop for girls near you at BeAScout.org.

Do … remember that the BSA and GSUSA are separate organizations. The BSA is a member of the World Organization of the Scout Movement. GSUSA is a member of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts. If those around you say or suggest otherwise, politely correct them!

Don’t … disparage other youth-serving organizations in any way. We want all youth-serving organizations to succeed in their efforts to help make the world a better place.

Do … refer ALL media inquiries (TV, radio, newspapers, online) to the BSA PR team by email at pr@scouting.org.

Do … refer all questions about GSUSA programs to the local GSUSA council or Girl Scouts.org.
A Name is Changing; Long Live the New Name!

Beginning February 2019, Boy Scouts of America is changing the name of troops. Instead of being known as Boy Scout Troops, all troops will be known as Scouts BSA troops. This is to accommodate the recruitment of girls into new troops. Therefore, troops will be known as Scouts BSA boy troops or Scouts BSA girl troops. No other names are changing, and the organization is, and will be, still known as the Boy Scouts of America.

IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS FOR FEMALES ENTERING SCOUTS BSA

Temporary Transition Rules

One of the characteristics of Scouting—for over a hundred years—is that no matter when you join, however long you stay, or the rank you attain, the Scouting experience prepares you for life. And for some, the pinnacle of their Scouting experience is achieving the highest rank of Eagle Scout. The policies of the BSA indicate that, except in extraordinary circumstances, a youth desiring to achieve the rank of Eagle must do so before the youth’s 18th birthday. This will continue to be our policy.

It is in the interests of the entire BSA, and in fact our nation, that all girls who join the BSA in 2019 should have an opportunity to earn their Eagle badge should they diligently and promptly complete all requirements. Accordingly, after carefully considering recommendations from stakeholders, including feedback from volunteers and professionals at the 2018 Top Hands Meeting, the National Executive Committee of the Boy Scouts of America has approved the following temporary transition rules regarding extensions for youth over 16 but not yet 18 years of age on February 1, 2019 to complete the requirements for the Eagle Scout award.

To preserve the integrity of the Eagle Scout Award, no exceptions to or waivers of any of the requirements for the Eagle Scout Award are permitted under this limited exception, and all requirements must be completed while the individual is a registered member of Scouts BSA, or after achieving the First-Class Rank in Scouts BSA (as specified in the BSA Guide to Advancement). Since the BSA has determined that the minimum period of elapsed time to complete the requirements of the Eagle Scout rank is approximately 19-20 months, the extension is not available to any youth who is under 16 years of age on February 1, 2019 (as they will have adequate time to earn their Eagle before turning 18) nor to any youth who has already turned 18 years of age on February 1, 2019 (as they will be ineligible to join Scouts BSA). (cont’d on Page 14)
Eagle Extensions

1. Youth 16 years of age or older, but not yet 18, on February 1, 2019 who register as members of Scouts BSA on or before December 31, 2019, may request extensions to complete the Eagle Scout Award requirements after they turn 18 years of age.

2. Requests for extensions must be received no later than thirty (30) days after turning 18 years of age. Extensions must be in writing by submitting the designated form to the National Service Center and the form must be received no later than January 7, 2020. Only the National Council may grant extensions. The actual extension will be based upon the individual’s registration date and age at the time of the request and will provide not more than twenty-four months from the date of initial registration to complete all requirements.

3. In the interest of fairness, these temporary transition rules apply to all youth joining Scouts BSA during 2019—both girls and first-time joining boys

Recognition

In keeping with established policy, the Eagle Scout rank is earned when the candidate’s award has been approved by the National Council.

The BSA will not recognize a first female Eagle Scout to avoid potentially introducing incentives for leaders, troops or Scouts to prioritize expediency or engage in behavior counter to Scouting’s values.

Instead, the BSA will officially recognize our Inaugural Class of Female Eagle Scouts in the fall of 2020, providing young women who join Scouts BSA the needed time to complete all requirements. This Inaugural Class will be celebrated nationally and collectively commemorated.

Scoutbook and Advancement Reports

We have come a long way for reporting advancement - from paper copies to printed copies to internet advancement and now to Scoutbook! What a great day it is to be advancing in BSA!

If your unit is syncing Scoutnet with your Scoutbook, good for you! It makes everyone’s job MUCH easier. However, you still need to print and turn in an advancement report when you purchase items from the Scout Shop. This ensures that your unit is purchasing what it needs. It also allows us to ensure that the sync got everything it is supposed to.
Lewis and Clark Scout Camp and MRHAB

NEW ALL-INCLUSIVE PRICING!!: The Sioux Council Camping Committee is excited to announce a new pricing structure that will make it easier for signing up for camp as you won’t have to worry about the cost of each extra activity or program. The only thing our new pricing won’t cover is the cost of our pebble patches as this will still be an optional choice for units to purchase in the trading post.

The cost of camp this year will be $275 if paid by May 1 and $300 after that. This fee increase is intended to allow us to better serve your scouts and to give us the ability to increase compensation opportunities for our staff. The fee for MRHAB for adults and scouts will be $275 each.

Here are some other Program changes meant to better serve you:
1. We will be doing a block schedule to cut down on trips between program areas. The leader guide is on-line at www.siouxcouncil.org/lcsc-summer-camp. Click on “leader guide” on the right side.
2. The Cardiac Bypass will be revamped to allow leaders to get around easier at camp.
3. To allow us to focus on the canoe trek of MRHAB we are discontinuing our sailing program.
4. New Kitchen Management with more home-style scratch cooking.
5. One new program feature we’re hoping to introduce is an optional merit badge program in the evening. This plan is the preliminary stages – and we will share more info with troops when we get closer to camp.
7. MORE and NEW items in our trading post this summer.

Lewis and Clark Camp Staff and CIT Staff Application is live and only online. We are looking for individuals that want to make a difference and huge impact on our scouts lives as they grow as individuals. Tamara Pease will be our Camp Director this year and she is excited for the year to come. Please go to www.siouxcouncil.org/lcsc-summer-camp for the application and let us know what you are interested in doing.

New CIT Incentive: any scout that attends NYLT and serves at least two weeks as a CIT at Lewis and Clark Scout Camp will have their NYLT fee reimbursed by camp. Go to the website above to apply and start your adventure as a staff member at camp.

Are you moving or planning to move?

Don’t forget to contact the Sioux Council, Boy Scouts of America office with any address changes, so we can continue to keep in touch with you and make sure you are receiving the latest information!!
Cub Camping

**Adventure Day** (Formerly Day Camp): The cost of Adventure Day will be $20 per scout, down from $30!!! The dates for this summer are below. Look for the leader guide online in January, and more information in the next issue of the Sioux Trails. Earning advancement will still be a key feature at camp.

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**Cub Family Weekend** (Formerly Akela Camp): As we move forward with program development we are looking at bringing more family centered programming to get cubs in the outdoors and ready for Scouts BSA. The price this year will be $75 per scout/sibling and $60 for adults. The price includes a t-shirt if you sign up two weeks before camp, and is all inclusive. Below are the dates and locations. Look for the leader guide online in January.

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**Webelos Camp:** Webelos camp will be $120 per scout and $80 per adult in 2019. The fee includes all program, food and the camp shirt (if paid at least 2 weeks prior to your week of camp). We are also adding more options for advancement and other dynamic programing. Look for the leader guide online in January. Please note the dates for sessions 2 and 3 are a week earlier this year, below are the dates:
Lock-In the Fun with Your Cub Scouts!

The Buffalo Ridge/North Star Cub Lock-In will be held Friday night, March 1st. Come to the Brookings, SD, Days Inn to swim, float the lazy river, eat pizza, and then... Race Your Car in the District Pinewood Derby! The top 3 racers in each rank for each District will be recognized with trophies! And if that weren’t enough, then spend the night inside in the hotel conference room, wake up to donuts, and still have all of Saturday to do your thing!

Not the same old Klondike

During the real Klondike Gold Rush, the Canadian government required approximately 4,000 pounds of supplies on hand for miners to gain entrance to the Klondike. That’s why this year’s Buffalo Ridge/North Star Klondike will require our “miners” (Scouts) to bring a list of supplies for each sled. In addition, the Canadian Rocky Mountain Police may be on hand performing inspections. Forgot something? You may have to buy it on site. Then, of course, you will need to purchase a Gold Mining Claim. Sleds can earn gold nuggets at each station. Stations may include panning, sluicing, setting up camp, fire building, maintaining a bear bag, and wilderness first aid. But be prepared; surprises always await in the Klondike. Then nuggets can be converted to coins at the bank. The conversion rate of nuggets to coins will vary throughout the day as supply and demand dictates. After the bank closes, while scores are tallied, we will have our traditional sled race.

This event will be a competition but, with a twist. Skills will be tested, but the key to winning will be reading the Sled Captains’ Guide. Adults are encouraged to remind the youth to read the instructions. However, please don’t give away any clues. The point will be for the scouts to learn some lessons—and test some skills. Look for online registration at the Council website, read the Leader’s Guide, and get your youth ready for the Klondike!

Where: Hole in the Mountain County Park. David

It’s Adult Recognition Time

It is that time of year to nominate your unit’s volunteers for a District Award. The District Committee is finalizing nomination forms as I write this article. By the time you see this newsletter Nomination Forms will be available. I know we all appreciate the efforts of the Scouters we know. This year let’s show them we no-

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District Calendar:

January:
4-5 OA Winter Banquet
8 Roundtable - Fireside Chat with Tom Smotherman, Scout Executive
12 Scout Night with the Stampede

February:
3 Traditional Scout Sunday
9 District Planning Meeting
12 Roundtable

March:
1-2 Cub Lock-In in Brookings
1-3 Klondike
12 Roundtable
21 District Committee Meeting

http://www.siouxcouncil.org/buffalo-ridge
Scouting for Food in the Five Rivers District 2018

The Pierre Scout units had a very successful Scouting for Food program in 2018. The Pierre units, Pack 127, 273, and 391, and Troop 27, collected a total of 4,861.54 pounds of food, which went to the Pierre Food Pantry. This was a significant increase over the amount that was collected in 2017. By way of comparison, in 2017 the Pierre units collected 2,677.66 pounds of food. The amount collected in 2018 was nearly double the amount collected in 2017. The adults and youth who participated contributed a lot of time in this project.

Adults and youth from other Scout units in the Five Rivers District also collected food donations in the Scouting for Food program. Thank you to all adults and youth in the Five Rivers District who contributed their time and effort to the project as well as those who donated food!

Popcorn Donated in Pierre

Members of Troop 27 pose with members of the 152nd Combat Sustainment Support Battalion and the 200th Engineer Company of the South through military sales in the fall 2018 popcorn campaign.

Included in the picture amongst the members of the National Guard are Gavin Jacobson (first from left) and Griffin Gates both scouts with Troop 27, Lisa Gates, Scoutmaster for Troop 27, Mike Jacobson the next Scoutmaster for Troop 27, and Steve Harding the Deputy Secretary of the South Department of the Military and also the Mayor of Pierre.

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District Calendar

January
7 District Committee
19 Klondike - Oahe YMCA, Pierre

February:
4 District Committee
11 Roundtable—Pierre (also via Zoom)

http://www.siouxcouncil.org/5rivers
(Check the Website for calendar information and updates)
It is cold out there! As I write this, we are finishing up our year. Lewis & Clark Trail District has kept on in its steady ways. Good volunteers, great youth, a great camp, outstanding program and positive attitudes make Scouting great in our district.

**We have a GREAT program!**

I’ve visited with many of you about advancements, training and unit service regarding our Journey to Excellence. While Journey to Excellence is our metric that measures program, it is important we remember the product of our program are the Scouts and their families. The badges themselves, the advancements and service are not the GOAL, they simply represent the true goal which is our Scouting family learning, spending time together, learning, being leaders and contributing to their community. Our district is a leader in adult training. Are the % of leaders trained important? Only in that it represents how serious Dr. Tamara Pease was in helping so very many of our leaders get trained. It also represents the effort our leaders have put into making sure they are trained to deliver the Scouts the very best program possible. In making these calls this year we are not only ahead of last year, but our leadership seems to put together the fact that Journey to Excellence is a measurement tool it’s a great road map to success for our leaders, Scouts and district. It is a GREAT thing to see so many invested volunteers putting forth the effort.

**Winter is coming…. And so is the Klondike**

Jason Anderson has stepped in to ramrod the 2019 Klondike Derby. In memoriam of our fallen friend, Scout Leader and former Klondike Chair Greg Pirak, we will be using Greg’s format this year at the first ever “Greg Pirak Memorial Klondike Derby”. The derby will take place January 19th with the option to camp over the 18th. For more information please contact Jason at hacekids@gmail.com

**Ladies and Gentlemen start your ENGINES!**

Kyle Tjeerdsma and Pack 261 will be hosting the District Pinewood derby April 13 in Wagner. Let’s work hard to rebuild the district race! More details are coming as we iron things out.

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**District Calendar**

**January:**  
8 District Committee  
10 Roundtable  
19 Klondike Derby, Lewis and Clark

**February:**  
5 District Committee  
7 Roundtable**
Polar Days
If you are interested in some exciting winter activities come to Camp Iyatanka for Polar Days. There will be sledding (bring your own sleds), cross country skiing, snow shoeing, and other scouting skill activities lead by the OA youth. Packs are asked to bring one or more cardboard sled for the sledding contest. Lunch will be provided along with all the Hot Coco you can drink. Bring you family and sleds for a winter day of fun.

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District Calendar
January:
3 District Committee Meeting
10 Roundtable w/Zoom
TBA NS Retreat

February:
1-3 OA Retreat
2 Polar Days
3 Scout Sunday
14 Roundtable w/Zoom

March:
1-2 BR/NS Cub Lock-in at Brookings
1-3 BR/NS Klondike
7 District Committee Meeting
14 Roundtable w/Zoom

http://www.siouxcouncil.org/north-star
Welcome to New Units!

I wanted to start off by introducing our new units! Everyone please welcome Wessington Springs and White Lake into our Cub Scout family! Both of these new units have hit the ground running and are a wonderful addition to our growing family! We also have some high hopes in the works with DeSmet and Alexandria! Let’s welcome them all and help Pheasant to continue to grow!

Klondike Is Coming!

Klondike is coming up in February! We will be meeting at the 4-H grounds in Mitchell to hold some good old-fashioned winter fun, so bring your warm clothes and join us! We are looking forward to a fun filled day in the snow, but we need adults and youth alike to come out and enjoy the day with us!

Help Wanted!

I am happy to say we are bringing in some new volunteers and finding some fresh ideas! We look forward to bringing in more new individuals as we move forward to continue to get new ideas and get the help needed to find the right people to fill our open positions and help in our success of 2019! We have filled some important spots and are already getting good feedback!

Thank You!

I wanted to give a HUGE thank you to all the volunteers in Pheasant! Without you and your hard work all year, we wouldn’t have had the successes that we did this year! It has been a very eventful 8 months since I started and all of you have made a difference and helped me learn as we go. I really could not do this

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**Roundtables will still be held at the Woonsocket Community Center. Remember, Roundtables are our best and easiest way to communicate and share our ideas and to keep everyone on the same page as we start the New Year! Your thoughts and ideas are all valuable and appreciated!
Prairie Hills
Serving Minnehaha, SD; Lincoln, SD; Turner, SD; Rock & Nobles, MN; Lyon, IA Counties

Rechartering:
Thank you to all of the Recharter Commissioners that have helped with the HLS recharters! We definitely appreciate this, and your dedication has had a very positive impact. Recharters have been submitted much more quickly and efficiently this year.

Roundtable Topics:
Roundtable will be here soon! We encourage everybody to attend. You do not have to be a Leader, Commissioner, or Committee member. We would love to see more parents attend our Roundtable meetings! This is a great opportunity to network and ask questions.

January’s Roundtable topic will be “Fireside Chat” with Tom Smotherman. This is a great opportunity to give our District and the Council feedback and suggestions. Please plan to attend. January 10th, 2019, 7 p.m. CFS.

February’s Roundtable will be our “District Night of Planning”. This is an extremely important Roundtable, as we will plan all of HLS events for the upcoming year. We need, and very much appreciate your attendance. Without volunteers, these events would not be possible. February 7th, 2019, 7 p.m. CFS.

January 17th offers a great opportunity for parents, as well as for Leaders. A Parent/Leader Orientation 2 session will be conducted at the CFS. Please plan to attend. This is a wonderful opportunity to ask questions, gain insight, as well as meet other leaders and parents.

Shaina will continue to be on leave until the end of January. If you need any assistance, please contact Char Faulstich (605) 323-0740 or Jason Cruise (605) 323-0713.

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January
3 Friends of Scouting Presenter Training
10 Roundtable (with Tom Smotherman)
12 Scout Stampede Night
14 Scout Tubing Night at Great Bear
17 HLS Parent/Leader Orientation 2
26 CLT

February
7 District Night of Planning/(in place of Roundtable and District Committee
23 Cub Olympics

March
1-2 Scout ZooZnooze
4,11,18 Aviation Merit Badge
7 District Committee
14 Roundtable
24 Bear Cub Scout Adventure/ Great Plains Zoo

http://www.siouxcouncil.org/prairie-hills
(Check the Website for calendar information)
Webelos to Scout Transition (WTS)

“Studies show that the longer a Scout stays in the Scouting program, the more likely he or she is to demonstrate those behaviors and attitudes associated with good citizenship, character and fitness,” explained Bob Scott, BSA’s Cub Scout experience manager. “For Scouts to benefit fully from the Scouting program, they need to experience not only the fun of Cub Scouting but also the skills and leadership opportunities of Scouting.”

The BSA’s guidelines recommend the Webelos transition passage from Cub Scout pack to Scout troop be smooth, with no time lost in between. To help Cub Scout parents and leaders ensure an effective transition into Scouting, we’ve compiled the following tips:

The first step in a successful Webelos (Webelos-to-Scout) transition is finding the right Scout troop to join. Some packs, like those sponsored by many churches, are already “feeder” packs for specific troops, which makes this step easy. Parents and Webelos Scouts, with help from their pack leaders, should do some homework in preparation for the move by learning about all of the options available in their local area. We recommend you visit at least three Troops if there are 3 within a practical distance.

Second, invite the Troops to visit your Pack. Regular Den meeting are fine but, also consider inviting them to Blue & Gold, outings, and Crossover Ceremonies.

And lastly, when invited join in on Troop activities. The main thing is to let the Pack and Troop boys meet each other long before your 5th graders are ready to cross over. For more info, google BSA Webelos to Scout Transition.

Friends of Scouting 2019 -Families Scout Together

It’s that time of the year when you’ll start hearing the phrase “Friends of Scouting” at unit meetings and district roundtables. What is Friends of Scouting? What does it mean to be a Friend of Scouting? And why should you consider becoming one?

First, the basics: Friends of Scouting is your council’s annual giving campaign. In our council, Friends of Scouting (or FOS) represents one of the council’s largest sources of income. During the The Friends of Scouting campaign a volunteer will visit your pack meeting or troop court of honor to explain the campaign and make an appeal for your support. You’ll be asked to make a tax-deductible pledge to your local council.

The natural next question is: Why should I give money to the council? One answer is called “The Iceberg Analogy.” The thinking here is that Scouts and volunteers see only 20 percent of what councils provide to members. There’s a whole lot more beneath the surface.

I know this well. When I first became a Boy Scout, I had no idea that there were council professionals working behind the scenes to make the Scouting magic happen. I just assumed those silver-looped Scouters were other volunteers. What do councils provide? In other words:

What’s beneath the surface?

Volunteer and staff training, Insurance
Program Planning—April 2019

Mark your calendars for the April roundtable.
April 8: Five Rivers
April 9: Buffalo Ridge
April 11: Prairie Hills, Lewis and Clark Trail, North Star, Pheasant

Notice of Annual Meeting

The Sioux Council Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, May 20th at the Center for Scouting in Sioux Falls. The meeting will begin at 4:00 p.m. During the annual meeting, current Executive Board Members, Members-at-Large, and Chartered Organization Representatives will gather (in person or via video conference) for the Council’s annual business meeting including the election of Board Members and Officers.

Nominations to serve on the Council Board, as a Council Officer or a Member-at-Large must be submitted in writing to the Council Nominating Committee. Please address nominations to: Sioux Council Nominating Committee, 800 N. West Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD 57104. Nominations will not be taken from the floor, and must be submitted at least 30-days prior to the Annual Meeting.

Silver Beaver Nominations Being Accepted

Established in 1931, the Silver Beaver Award is presented to Scouters for noteworthy service of exceptional character to youth by the local council. It recognizes efforts above and beyond the expected for a given position and goes beyond tenure alone. Do you know a Scouter that is deserving of the Silver Beaver Award? Now is the time to start working on the application. Applications are due to the Sioux Council Center for Scouting by March 1, 2019. You can download the Silver Beaver Nomination Form at www.siouxcouncil.org.
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DISTINGUISHED EAGLE SCOUT
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Please go to the Advancement section of the Sioux Council Website to get the Application. All applications must be received by March 3 for consideration. All applicants will be informed by April 21 if they will be receiving the Scholarship.

Grants of at least $500 (one-time grant, nonrenewable) are made available by the Sioux Distinguished Council Eagle Scout Scholarship Fund through gifts by individuals, foundations, and corporations.

The applicant must:

1. Be currently registered in the Sioux Council, Boy Scouts of America.

2. Have been granted the Eagle Scout Award. Applicants must ensure that they have been certified by the National Office as an Eagle Scout prior to submission of the application. Attach a copy of the Eagle project if desired.

3. Be a graduating high school senior and an entering post-secondary school freshman in the year he is applying for a scholarship. Example: 2015 grants are awarded only to high school seniors graduating in 2015 and entering a post-secondary school in the fall of 2015. Any requests for exceptions (e.g., military training) must be submitted in writing with the applications.

4. Submit photocopy of SAT score and/or ACT score. (Applicants must have taken the SAT or ACT in time to submit the results with this application. Scores may be secondary to Scouting/community involvement in the selection process.)

5. Have demonstrated leadership ability in Scouting and a strong record of participation in activities outside of Scouting.

6. Possess some financial need (secondary to achievement in the selection process).

7. Have the endorsement of a volunteer or professional Scout leader who knows the applicant personally.

8. Attach a brief statement of 50 to 100 words entitled, "What receiving this Eagle Scout Scholarship would mean to me."
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