Please Welcome David Haen to Five Rivers!

Hi, my name is David Haen. I am thrilled to be joining the Five Rivers District as the District Executive. I have been the Scoutmaster of Troop 30 in Minneota, MN since 2011, and have been involved with scouting since I was in first grade. I earned my Eagle rank at age 17. I have a degree in Music Education from Southwest Minnesota State University.

I have always enjoyed turning strangers into friends and collaborating with others to achieve a common goal. Luckily, there will be many opportunities to do just that in this role! Scouting played such a big role in shaping who I am, and it is my hope that all our youth have the chance to get involved - and adults too! Our program has fantastic opportunities to positively impact the life of a child.

My fondest scouting memories are from my trips to Philmont. Please ask me sometime, I’d love to share!

My wife, Lisa, and I have been married for 24 years. We are the proud parents of Olivia (20), Taylor (19), and Jacob (17). Jacob is currently working on his Eagle rank. As a family, we enjoy camping, hiking, and playing games. My hobbies include photography, hunting, and wood carving.

Please reach out to say hi anytime. I can’t wait to meet you and look forward to serving you in this role.
Deep in the Heart of…Membership!

You know it! We are deep in the heart of membership season! Sign up dates are coming at us fast and furious! We still have two more to go: September 10 and September 16. Plus, October pack meetings. The time is now to sign up new Cub Scouts!

Don’t forget—we’ve made it easier than ever to earn free Pinewood Derby cars for your pack. First, actively participate in your pack’s school night for scouting. Second, hold a second-round sign-up event at your October pack meeting. Finally, show growth in your pack from December 31, 2018 to October 31, 2019. You still have plenty of time to have your pack grow! Talk to your district membership team to make sure you stay on track!
Council Office/Scout Shop Closed
Monday, September 2, 2019
Monday, October 14, 2019
(Scout Shop Open October 14th)

New Scout Shop Hours:
Mon-Fri 10am—5:30pm
Sat 10am—2pm

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.

Follow your District’s pages too!
Lewis and Clark: www.facebook.com/lewisandclarktrailbsa
Buffalo Ridge www.facebook.com/BuffaloRidgeBSA

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Popcorn Sale Dates

9/10 - Popcorn Pre-orders Due  
9/26 - Popcorn Pre-Order Pickup  
9/27 - Popcorn Sale Starts  
9/27-28 - Popcorn Blitz Weekend  
10/23 - End of Unit Transfers  
10/24 - Popcorn Sale Ends  
10/28 - Final Popcorn Orders Due  
10/28 - Prize Orders Due  
11/15 - Final Order Popcorn Pickup/Pre-order Payment Due  
12/6 - Final Popcorn Payment Due

2019 Unit Incentive Levels & Criteria

In 2019, units will earn up to 7% bonus commission for completing the following over the base commission of 23%:

2% Bonus Commission

Attend the April Program Planning & Budgeting Seminar.

2% Bonus Commission

Bring at least two people (one for popcorn training and one for membership) to the August Popcorn and Membership Training Seminars and turn in Calendar and Budget.

3% Bonus Commission

All active/selling Scouts registered in the Trails End App. Trails End App Tech Support- teappsupport@trails-end.com
2019-2020 Sioux Council Trainings

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What is it?

**BALOO:** Every pack that does an overnight campout is **required** to have at least one **Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation** trained person. This training gives them basic camping skills, planning knowledge and cool ideas of things to do. There is an online portion that you have to take before you attend.

**IOLS:** To be considered trained as a Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster this is a **required** training. **“Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills”** will take you through Scout to First Class outdoor skills that you will be teaching your scouts. It also focuses on youth led programing – the keystone of the scouting program.

**Wilderness First Aid:** Any unit going to a high adventure base or that does their own outdoor high adventure is **required** to take this. For national high adventure bases it is required. You also have to be First Aid and CPR certified.

**Outdoor Ethics:** The outdoor ethics guide is a troop position of responsibility that counts for the leadership requirement for Star, Life, and Eagle ranks. The course also includes how to be successful in the role of Outdoor Ethics Guide and time to practice leading games and discussions related to BSA Outdoor Ethics. We will also discuss the Outdoor Ethics Awareness Awards and others.

**Trainers Edge:** Formerly known as Train the Trainer, this course provides the knowledge and skills to leaders who wish to help train additional leaders. Whether you're interested in leading an IOLS course, teaching outdoor leadership skills, helping new den leaders, or other training, this course is for you!

**Sioux Training Academy:** All Pack and Troop Leaders are invited to come for training like Rangemaster (BB guns/Archery), CPR First Aid, Outdoor skills, outdoor cooking, STEM Focused, cub leader trainings, youth tot lot (10 and younger) and working with scouts with extra needs a full list of trainings will be published by October.

**Wood Badge:** Wood Badge is a Scouting leadership program. The related award for adult leaders is recognized by Scout associations throughout the world. Wood Badge courses aim to make Scouters better leaders by teaching advanced leadership skills, and by creating a bond and commitment to the Scout movement.

**NYLT:** This is Wood Badge for Youth and will help your troop become truly youth led and give your scouts leadership skills that will help them in their daily lives. The **“National Youth Leadership Training” full reimbursement for being a Counselor in Training (CIT) at Lewis and Clark Camp will continue for 2020 Camp Season – both have to be completed in full and without incident.**
Dates for 2020 Summer Cub Events

Cub Family Weekend
May 29-31 – Madison Area
June 5-7 - Lewis and Clark Scout Reservation
June 12-4 – Newton Hills Scout Camp
June 19-21 - Pierre Area

Adventure Day
Saturday May 30 – Lewis and Clark Scout Camp
Saturday June 6 - Pierre Area
Saturday June 6 – Watertown Area
Saturday June 6 – Sioux Falls
Saturday June 13 – Mitchell Area
Saturday June 13 – Pipestone Area
Monday June 15 – Huron Area
Saturday June 20 – Newton Hills Scout Camp
Saturday June 20 – Milbank Area
Monday June 22 – Brookings Area

Change to Merit Badge Counselor Form

The Sioux Council Advancement Committee has updated the “Merit Badge Counselor Summary Sheet” that volunteers use to apply to be a merit badge counselor. The main change that is that we are requiring the Troop Committee Chair to also sign the form so that the District and Council know the Troop approves that individual to do the merit badge with their scouts. For those that signup to teach at District and Council events ONLY the event Chair acts as the “Committee Chair.” You will also notice on page 2 clarification on our approval process. (Form can be found on page 8)
2019 Scouting for Food

Join thousands of Scouts in South Dakota, Minnesota and Iowa for our annual service project, Scouting for Food. All food collected will go directly to your local food pantry, which in turn, will help people in your local community. This is a great way to involve your Scouts in a community service project and showcase the Scout program in your area!

Instructions:
Door hangers should be placed on doors no more than one week before the collection day. We recommend you start picking up food at 9:00 AM. Food should be taken directly to your local food pantry. Please contact your local food pantry to arrange a drop off time.

Please remember to turn in the cut off below to order patches. If patches aren’t ordered, please report the amount of food collected (# or lbs), number of volunteers (youth/adults) and hours worked to the Center for Scouting no later than Monday, November 25th, 2019.

These service hours qualify for “Good Turn for America”. Please log onto http://www.scouting.org/scoutsorce/Awards/JourneyToExcellence.aspx and record your service hours.

Scouting food Pickup date: October 26
Pheasant District, Prairie Hills, Five Rivers, North Star, Lewis & Clark Trail, Buffalo Ridge

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Scouting for Food - Patch Order Form and Collection Information

Unit #____________________________ (Pack, Troop, Team, Crew, Post)
# of pounds collected ______
# of youth involved _____  # of adults involved______
Total hours worked ____________________

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Number of patches _______ @ $2.00 = $ _________
□ Check Enclosed  □ Charge Unit Account

We entered our hours for Journey to Excellence? (____) Yes (____) No

Ship patches to: Name________________________ Phone________________________
Address________________________
City, State, Zip_____________________

Mail to Sioux Council BSA, 800 N. West Ave., Sioux Falls SD 57104
Email forms to sioux.council@scouting.org if the unit account is being charged

*No phone orders will be accepted*
Boy Scouts of America
MERIT BADGE COUNSELOR INFORMATION

(Please type or print legibly.)

Name* ___________________________ Primary phone* ____________ □ Home □ Cell □ Work
Address* ___________________________ Other phone ____________ □ Home □ Cell □ Work
City/state/zip* ___________________________ Other phone ____________ □ Home □ Cell □ Work

Email address* ___________________________ □ I do not have email. Age________

□ I am not affiliated with a district. □ I am not affiliated with a unit.

*Required field. Primary phone and email address indicate how Scouts should contact you.

To qualify as a merit badge counselor, you must
• Be at least 18 years old and of good character.
• Be registered with the Boy Scouts of America (position code 42).
• Complete Youth Protection training.
• Be recognized as having the skills and education in the merit badge subjects covered and hold any required qualifications and training as outlined in the Guide to Safe Scouting or the Guide to Advancement—or use others so qualified.
• Be able to work with Scout-age boys.

As a merit badge counselor, I agree to

• Follow the requirements of the merit badge, making no deletions or additions, ensuring that the advancement standards are fair and uniform for all Scouts.
• Have a Scout accompanied by his buddy during all instructional sessions.
• Keep my Youth Protection training current.
• Renew my registration annually if I plan to continue as a merit badge counselor.

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A = Adding a new merit badge that you will counsel to the roster. D = Removing your name from the roster for this merit badge.

Complete the following:

☐ This is a new application (first time to register as a merit badge counselor).
☐ Attach this form to the BSA Adult Application, indicating position code 42.
☐ This is an update to an existing list of merit badge subjects.
☐ I no longer wish to serve as a merit badge counselor.

Youth Protection training date ___________________________
(Assertion training certificate.)

I agree to work with:
☐ All Scouts
☐ All Scouts in these districts: ___________________________
☐ Only with Scouts in these units (indicate whether troop, team, or crew): ___________________________

Counselors are encouraged to be available to work with any Scout in any unit.

☐ I plan to serve as a merit badge counselor for this event or outside organization: ___________________________

Troop Approval: (if registering with a troop)

Committee Chair Name: ___________________________
Signature: ___________________________
Date: ___________________________

District Approval:

Signature: ___________________________
Date: ___________________________

Signature: ___________________________
Date: ___________________________
INSTRUCTIONS FOR MERIT BADGE COUNSELORS

Steps to Register
1. Fill out this form – if you are just acting as the registered counselor and are bringing in professionals to teach please include that plan with this form. If you’re already registered as a merit badge counselor you do not need to fill out the adult application.
2. Fill out a BSA Adult Application (this is to be signed by district Advancement Chair or Professional in lieu of Chair
3. Complete Youth Protection Training Online at www.my.scouting.org
4. Complete Online Merit Badge Counselor Training at www.my.scouting.org
5. Have your Troop Committee Chair Sign this form
6. The Adult Application, this form, YPT Certificate and Merit Badge Training Certificate are turned into the Sioux Council Office
7. You will receive approval email from District Advancement Chair or Professional with 30 days if they need more information and if your application has been approved. If you do not hear back within 30 days please email the office via the website contact.

Learning to Be a Merit Badge Counselor
All merit badge counselors should seek training. It is important that they have a full understanding of their responsibilities and also of the recommended practices for quality counseling. The presentation “The Essentials of Merit Badge Counseling” has been designed for this purpose and covers the following topics:

- Scouting overview: mission, aims, and methods
- Merit badge counselor qualifications
- Merit badge counseling process
- Effective counseling
- Merit badge program role and benefits
- How to become a counselor
- Merit badge requirements
- Group instruction and camp settings


Another resource is the Guide for Merit Badge Counseling, No. 34532. This resource can be found online at www.scouting.org/BoyScouts/GuideforMeritBadgeCounselors/MBCounselorGuide.aspx.

Processing This Application
Merit badge counselors must register as adult Scouters and be approved by the council advancement committee for each merit badge listed on this Merit Badge Information form. A merit badge counselor does not have to pay a registration fee, but must complete an Adult Application for position code 42, fill out this form, and complete BSA Youth Protection training. Submit the Adult Application with the Merit Badge Counselor Information form to your council. Counselors may wish to associate with a particular unit but are encouraged to serve any Scout from any unit.

Special Qualifications and Guidelines for Merit Badge Counselors
A number of merit badges involve activities that are restricted or require certification or special training for those supervising these activities. See the Guide to Advancement, topic 7.0.1.1, “Qualifications of Counselors.” Merit badge counselors may personally meet these required qualifications, or they may use others so qualified. Additionally, the BSA Guide to Safe Scouting has specific requirements and procedures for shooting sports and for aquatics, winter, and other activities. These policies apply to all BSA activities, including merit badge instruction. For other merit badges where specific BSA requirements do not exist, counselors should have sufficient depth of knowledge and experience to understand how to safely present the material.

Instructions to Counselors
- The unit leader (Scoutmaster, Varsity Coach, crew Advisor, or Skipper) recommends and provides the name and contact information of at least one merit badge counselor to each Scout desiring to work on a merit badge. Before beginning to work with a youth, counselors should check the boy’s merit badge application (blue card) to ensure it is signed by the unit leader.
- Every Scout must have a buddy with him at each meeting with a merit badge counselor. This buddy could be another Scout, a parent or guardian, a brother or sister, or a relative or friend. There is no one-on-one contact allowed with Scouts and counselors—the buddy requirement is mandatory.
- Counselors may not add to or delete any merit badge requirements. Group instruction is allowed where special facilities and expert personnel make this most practical, or when Scouts are dependent on a few counselors for assistance. However, any group experience must provide attention to every individual candidate’s projects and progress, and assure each has actually and personally fulfilled all the requirements. If, for example, a requirement uses words like “show,” “demonstrate,” or “discuss,” then every Scout must individually do so. It is unacceptable to award badges on the basis of Scouts sitting in classrooms and watching demonstrations or remaining silent during discussions.
- When a Scout begins working on a merit badge, the current-year Boy Scout Requirements book lists the official requirements in effect at that time. If requirements change after a Scout has started working on a merit badge, he may stay with the requirements in effect when he started unless the BSA’s National Council places a specific timeline on the implementation of new requirements.

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
Popcorn

By the time this newsletter arrives I hope all the Buffalo Ridge units are geared up and ready for their Popcorn sale! The sale starts September 26th and runs thru October 24th. Remember the following tips are proven sales boosters:

- Have a unit kickoff.
- Have a per Scout goal.
- Have a unit goal for an exciting event—Vikings football game, white water rafting, etc.
- Promote weekly, small prizes for weekly sales.
- Train your Scout on what to say! For example, “Hi, my name is Gavin and I’m trying to earn my way to camp. Can you help?” while handing the menu to the customer.
- Door to door sales are the best. Store fronts are great additions.
- Share your success stories!

It’s that time of the year – Re-charter is almost here!

The online system to re-charter units will open by November 1st. Re-charters are due December 13th. Re-charter is the process where a Scout unit renews its charter as an official part of the Boy Scouts of America. Re-charter packets will be available soon, but you don’t have to wait to get started! You can start by setting a date to verify your roster (be sure to get applications for new youth and adults) check and update records for Youth Protection Training to be sure registered Adults have the new YPT—This includes Scouter Reserve and College Scouter Reserve With these steps done, re-charter will be a breeze. Remember they are due December 13th.

A Commitment to a Strong Program

One part of a strong program is participation in District Events. We strongly encourage you to sign up as a unit. Promote events in your meetings. Al Lambert once said, “A well planned program, delivered by trained leaders, with a strong outdoor program, supported by a good commissioner, attracts and retains youth!”

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District Calendar:

September:
3—District Committee Meeting, 7pm
10—No Roundtable
10—2nd School Night for Scouting
20-22—Fall Camporee & Fall Cuboree

October:
1—District Committee Meeting, 7pm
8—Roundtable
24—Popcorn Sale Ends
26—Scouting For Food

http://www.siouxcouncil.org/buffalo-ridge
(Check the Website for calendar information and Updates)
Five Rivers Revs up for Fall Program

Summer seemed to start slowly but end like a freight train. One of the biggest changes we saw in Five Rivers was our friend and District Executive Kelly Ford moving on. As we all know, Kelly loved her job but out of the blue was offered a position continuing the research she did in college. This was a tough choice for Kelly. While we will miss her, we wish her the best. The Sioux Council understands Kelly left big shoes to fill and immediately started the hiring search. We are happy to say we have hired Dave Haen has stepped up to the plate and will be starting in early September.

Five Rivers has a LOT firing up for the fall. In this edition of Sioux Trails there is more information on both the popcorn sale and the new (and we think improved) Cub recruitment. This year’s recruitment is all about youth obviously but also all about finding new volunteers. Parents who bring their youth to find out about Scouts will find out immediately what we all know already. Scouts is a family program!

Popcorn will also see the all new Trails-End app roll out this fall. This app has been very well received as well as tested nationwide. Look for ease of use, inventory control and even better prizes!

Upcoming in Five Rivers is a Cub Fall Adventure Camp on September 14th. We will once again partner with the Oahe YMCA for a fun Cub program. October 26th will see us rallying the units to help those in need with our Scouting for Food event. Last year we saw outstanding growth in our collection numbers and it made a huge difference.

Contacts

| District Chairman: | Vacant |
| District Commissioner: | Vacant |
| District Executive: | Vacant |
| District Director: | Will Kennedy (605) 670-8606 will.kennedy@scouting.org |

District Calendar

**September:**
- 9—District Committee Meeting
- 14—Fall Cub Adventure Day, Pierre YMCA

**October:**
- 7—District Committee Meeting

[http://www.siouxcouncil.org/5rivers](http://www.siouxcouncil.org/5rivers)

*Check the Website for calendar information and updates*
Late Summer in Lewis & Clark Trail

As this is written we have finished up a GREAT Cub Adventure Day at Lewis & Clark Scout Camp. Thanks to Dr. Trail and his “Dream Team” for making great memories for the Scouts. Dr. Tamara Pease, L&C Camp director also shared some resources to make things flow smoothly. We had a little different format to camp this year and it was very well received. Pack 261 out of Wagner again took top honors for most members attending. This pack is new but capitalized on great recruiting and a great popcorn sale to make sure their members could have these great experiences. Cub Family weekend will have been completed also. If you haven’t checked these events out, be sure to do so next spring!

How do we share these great programs with everyone? First is inviting new members at any opportunity. The fall membership plans this year is a little different. We’ve moved the school night dates up as the feedback requested. We’ve also added a huge emphasis to recruiting new leadership as well as new youth. We know we have great volunteers in LCT. We also know you can never have enough great volunteers. We are also hearing from parents that they’d love a chance to help, they just aren’t sure how it all works. What an outstanding way to ensure parents or grandparents can maximize the short time their youth are “Little Cubs”.

The other half of that Pack 261 success story? The pack went door to door in their community and sold lots of popcorn. They then road tripped to neighboring communities who don’t have Scouts. The Cub Master not only sings the praises of what opportunities the sale funds but also what it teaches the Scouts. Talking to people, setting a goal, working hard to reach that goal and then enjoying the success. Pack 261 is proof positive that Scouting WORKS in communities of all sizes!
Fall Camporee

This year the Fall Camporee/ Cuboree on September 20-22 will be held at Fort Sisseton. There is a fun program planned with activities for Cub Scouts and Scouts BSA youth and adults. If you have questions contact Angie Leadabrand 605-880-9520

Re-charter

Re-charters are due on December 13th. Each Unit has been assigned a Commissioner to help them through the process. It is important to remember that each new Adult will need Youth Protection completed to be registered with the Unit. Hazardous Weather will also be required this year. This training can be found on the My.Scouting.org website.

Journey to Excellence

Make sure you are reporting service hours, camping, and updating your advancements for JTE. If you are having trouble with entering that data let Angie or someone in the Sioux Falls office know.

Service Hour Ideas

Service hours are an important part of Scouting. Not only do Service hours give back to the communities but they help build character and a good work ethic. Sometimes it can be a challenge to find new ways to get Service Hours. Some new idea includes: Making cards for Soldiers, a Book Drive, spending time with residents at nursing homes, have a garage sale and donate the funds to a local charity, secretly rake leaves for neighbors, or make center pieces for nursing homes and assisted living facilities. Once your service projects are done remember to report those hours.

Den Leader Training/ October 5th 1-4pm

This year the Training Committee will host a Den Leader Training in Watertown at the Public library on October 5th from 1-4pm.

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District Calendar

September:
5—District Committee Meeting
12—Roundtable
20-22—Fall Camporee/Fall Cuboree
27—Popcorn Sale Starts

October:
3—District Committee Meeting
5—Den Leader Training
10—Roundtable
14—Native American Day, Council Office Closed
24—Popcorn Sale Ends
26—Scouting For Food
28—Final Popcorn Orders Due

http://www.siouxcouncil.org/north-star
(Check the Website for calendar information and updates)
Are you ready for some popcorn?!

Fall is in the air! Leaves are falling, kids are back in school, football, and POPCORN! Get your unit excited to sell popcorn. Every pack, every troop in EVERY community should be out selling lots of corn. Here’s a tip—go door to door on Saturdays right before football games start. What a great game day snack! Load up your wagons and get going!

New and Returning Cubs—Let’s Go Fishing!

Pheasant District will have a Cub Fishing derby on September 21. We are still working out a location. But it will only cost $5 per person! Bring your fishing gear and snacks. Come join us for a fun morning fishing and get a special patch for the event! And thank you to Terry Sabers for putting this event together.

Get Out Your Bicycles!

The fall camporee is returning to the Pheasant district. September 13-14, at Lake Mitchell. Friday night, join us for a cracker barrel, leader meeting, a social time. Saturday morning, get your bikes ready, bring your helmet, and let’s ride! The Palace City Peddlers will be on hand to help tune up your bike and go through safety. This will be a great start to the Cycling merit badge. Registration is on-line at www.siouxcouncil.org under “events”.

Recruitment nights are coming

Recruitments start August 29, and continue on September 10 and September 16. We are focusing on adults—recruiting parents to be a part of their scout’s life in the pack. Your district leadership is working with schools to set up times to talk to students, followed by the sign-up night. Let’s make this a great fall!
Yee-Haw! It’s Time for the Fall Camporee!

September 20-21 at Newton Hills, get ready for the Wild Wild West! Events, activities, and advancement. Registration is online at the council website, www.siouxcouncil.org, under the events section. The fee for the event is $10 for both youth and adults. This is for ALL Scouts BSA members (troops only!). Y’all come join the fun!

Scouting for Food

We are fast approaching that time of year when we perform our greatest service project—scouting for food. Every unit, in every community, should plan to participate. Our communities have families who need this service. Scouting for food represents the biggest event to help local food banks bridge from summer to fall. Information and sign-ups will be available at the September and October roundtables.

Fall Stands for…POPCORN!

We’ve had a great fall popcorn seminar and now it’s time to sell! Hillary Onnen, district kernel, is going to help you set up storefronts. Meanwhile, use the new Trail’s End app to track your sales, schedule storefront times, and sell more corn. Finally, every unit this year is given one free Square reader, so you can take credit and debit cards! Sales history shows that units that use square readers generally sell 30% more corn, or higher! Watch your emails for kernel communications!

Membership, Membership!

Most of the schools are secured and membership recruiting is underway. October pack meetings will be a key feature for earning FREE PINewood Derby Cars! We want every pack to earn their free cars! Register your youth, and plan for a fun fall recruitment.

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District Calendar

September: 
5—Committee/Commissioners Meeting  
12—Roundtable  
20-21—Fall Camporee

October: 
3—Committee/Commissioners Meeting  
10—Roundtable

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(Check the Website for calendar information and updates)
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