Please Welcome Micah Noteboom to Prairie Hills!

I was born in Armour, SD and raised in Corsica, SD. I attended school in my hometown of Corisca. In high school, I played football, basketball, track, baseball, and spring baseball. I was also involved in oral interpretation, FCCLA, and theater.

After high school, I attended the University of South Dakota to further my education. I graduated with a bachelor's degree in strategic communication, with a minor in business administration. After graduating I moved to Sioux Falls to be closer to my family members that have moved from Corsica and also to pursue new opportunities. I am blessed to have the opportunity to work for the Boy Scouts of America. I look forward to living here and working with all the great volunteers in Prairie Hills.
Council Office Closed:
Wednesday, January 1st, 2020
Monday, January 20th, 2020
Monday, February 17th, 2020

Scout Shop Closed:
Wednesday, January 1st, 2020

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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Dates for 2020 Summer Cub Events and Camping

**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 $80 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.

- May 29-31 – Prairie Village
- June 5-7 – Lewis and Clark Scout Reservation
- June 12-4 – Newton Hills Scout Camp
- June 19-21 – OaHe Downstream

**Adventure Day (Formerly Day Camp):**
The cost of Adventure Day will be $25 per scout!!! 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.

- 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 – Camp Iyataka
- Monday June 22 – Brookings Gun Club

**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:

- Lewis and Clark Scout Camp and MRHAB

**ALL-INCLUSIVE PRICING Continues!!:** The Sioux Council Camping Committee is excited to announce the continued 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 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. The fee for MRHAB for adults and scouts will be $275 each.

**Here are some other Program updates:**
1. We will continue doing a block schedule that cut down on trips between program areas.
2. Steak for all on Wednesday Night at camp!
3. Program enhancements and opportunities for MRAHB
4. GREAT FOOD!
5. Metal Working and Welding Merit Badge
6. A NEW Open day schedule on Wednesday to allow exploring around town and at camp
7. Troop sailing on Wednesday!
8. Cowboy Action Shooting for 14years and older scouts.
9. See the leader guide online for complete details.
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. Gene Fuller will be our Camp Director this year and he is excited for the year to come. Please go to [https://www.siouxcouncil.org/scout-camp-high-adve](https://www.siouxcouncil.org/scout-camp-high-adve) for the application and let us know what you are interested in doing.

**CIT Incentive:** any scout that successfully attends NYLT and serves at least two weeks as a CIT at Lewis and Clark Scout Reservation 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.

This is the 3rd consecutive year that the Sioux Council has hosted STA in its current form. This year we continue to partner with Mitchell Technical Institute in Mitchell and several local and state-wide groups.

Our goal is to provide all Scouts and leaders with more training and expanded learning opportunities. In 2019 we had over 300 scouts attend 21 different merit badge courses. For Scouts this year, we are offering 30 merit badges and two awards: Scuba BSA and Outdoor Ethics Awareness.

We will be providing a youth program for ages 6 to 10 for leaders that want to attend training but need something for their young scouts to do. Our youth program will be tailored to the registered participants and oversight of your youth will not be a problem. Lunch will be served by the Order of the Arrow Tetonwana Lodge. Lunch and a t-shirt are included with your registration fee if registered prior to April 1, 2020. If your troop wants to camp the night before you can contact the local camp ground areas to set that up.

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**New Annual Medical Record Form for 2020**

“A. Over the last five years we have compiled and reviewed your comments, as well as those of camp health officers, council health supervisors, and the medical community. Updates to the AHMR form include a new user-friendly format and minor changes to the medical questions.”

The good news, if a scout or adult has the old form, it’s good until it expires (12 months from the date of their physical). Once it expires, they must use the new that can be found via our website or nationals. Here is the link to the national website that we use: [https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/ahmr/](https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/ahmr/). You will also find at this link good information for the do’s, don’t, how’s and why’s of health forms.
2020 Scout Anniversary Week Award
February 9th (Scout Sunday) - 8th (Scout Sabbath)

Requirements:
(Unit leader, please initial)

_____ 1. Attend Scout Sunday or Sabbath in uniform, preferably with your Unit at your place of worship. Cubmaster/Scoutmaster should verify attendance at services.

_____ 2. Do two of the following:
   A. Help promote Scouting through setting up a window display or making a poster and displaying it at a local business, school or chartering organization.
   B. Wear your uniform to school on your meeting day during Scout Week.
   C. Participate in a service project for a minimum of one hour during Scout Week.
   D. Bring a friend to a Pack, Den, Troop or Crew meeting (you can get a recruiter patch when they join).
   E. Write an article for the newspaper or a letter to the editor promoting Scouting.

2020 Scout Week Patch Order Form

Pack, Troop, Team, Post or Crew #: __________
Number of patches requested _______ @ $1.50 = _______ ( ) Check Enclosed ( ) Charge Unit Account
Ship to: Name ____________________________
        Address ____________________________________________
        City, State Zip ________________
        Telephone ________________________

Please submit orders by one of the following:
1. Mail to: Sioux Council, BSA
           800 N West Ave.
           Sioux Falls, SD 57104
2. Fax: 605-361-2381
3. Email: SiouxCouncil@scouting.org
(Please do not mail original if you have faxed or emailed)

300 patches are available on a first come, first serve basis. Patches will be mailed to the address listed above.
What is Wood Badge?

Reflecting the best of nearly a century of Scouting experience, Wood Badge draws upon the most current leadership models used by corporate America, academic circles and successful organizations throughout the country.

Wood Badge training was begun by Baden Powell in 1919 as a way to ensure that the leaders of Scout troops were properly trained. Since then Wood Badge has been held worldwide, providing advanced leadership training to thousands of Scout leaders.

Wood Badge builds upon the best traditions and experiences of the Boy Scouts of America and also draws from a wide range of courses within and beyond the bounds of Scouting to present the latest in leadership theory and team development.

By taking Wood Badge, Scouters will acquire valuable tools such as listening, communicating, conflict management, project planning and leading change. Participants will better learn to understand and appreciate diversity and differences in our society. They will learn skills that will make them a better Scout leader. Units with trained leaders are able to deliver an improved program and a more meaningful experience for the youth Scouting serves.

By attending Wood Badge, the participants will internalize the 5 themes of Wood Badge: Living the Values, Growing, Connecting, Guiding, Empowering.

Summer Camp Jobs Exposed

Working in the Camp Environment Cultivates…

- **ORAL COMMUNICATION SKILLS**
  You will be required to communicate effectively with people at every level of the organization – campers, fellow staff, camp directors and parents

- **CRITICAL THINKING AND PROBLEM SOLVING**
  You will be challenged to think on your feet to resolve issues from the health and safety of children to how to get campers to get their projects completed

- **INTERPERSONAL AND LEADERSHIP SKILLS**
  You will model professionalism and compassion by managing a group of campers, while contributing to the growth and development of each individual participant.

- **COLLABORATIVE SKILLS**
  You will receive on-the-ground, practical, real life training in how to work with a team and help build the culture of your camp community

- **CREATIVITY**
  You will develop innovative and fun ways to engage an audience
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 1st for consideration. All applicants will be informed by April 21st if they will be receiving the Scholarship.

Applications will only be considered if received by 5:00 p.m. on March 1st, of every year. The application must be addressed to: the Eagle Scout Scholarship Committee, Sioux Council Center for Scouting, Boy Scouts of America, 800 N. West Ave., Sioux Falls, SD 57104.

The Eagle Scout applicant must complete this application personally.

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 or she 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."
Lewis and Clark Scout Reservation
2020 Program Highlights

Wednesday Night is Steak Night (NEW)
♦ Campers and leaders will get to enjoy a Steak meal while the SPL and SM enjoy Steaks with our Scout Executive to let us know how we’re doing

Schedule Update - “OPEN DAY” (NEW)
♦ Enjoy the local activities our area has to offer, Camp Troop Activities will also be offered. See the weekly schedule for the times of everything and pg. 26 for what your Troop could do in the area. A sack lunch is provided. Note that any activities outside of camp offered program is NOT covered with your fee.

“Open Day” Merit Badge (NEW)
♦ 10 Scouts each week will be able to earn the Metal Working and Welding Merit Badges on Wednesday. This will take the entire “Open Day” schedule.

Added Program to PWC Class (NEW)
♦ We are adding spots to this class so more scouts can take it while adding the opportunity to earn the paddle boarding award.

Canoeing & Kayaking Merit Badge (NEW)
♦ Earn both at the same time.

NEW Merit Badges this year

Sailing Troop Activity (NEW)
♦ Limited to 16 ppl per session.

Climbing Merit Badge (Change)
♦ Scouts taking this merit badge will do ground work and practicing on our small climbing wall by the gagaball pit. They will take a field trip to a local College to complete their climbs - Drivers Needed.

All Inclusive Reg. Fee Continues!
♦ Your Registration includes ALL program and Merit Badges costs.

ATV Program to continue for 2020
♦ The trail will be longer then previous years.

2020 Registration

Camp Dates:
Week 1: June 7-13
Week 2: June 14-20
Week 3: June 21-27
Week 4: July 5-11
Week 5: July 12-18

Scout Fees:
   Early Bird $275
   Regular $300

Adult Fees:
   $125/Week or
   $25/Day

Fee Deadlines
   April 15th—Early Bird Deadline
It’s time to Nominate! District Awards

Each adult volunteer who serves enjoys — and deserves — a heartfelt "Thank You" for a job well done. Please help us recognize those Buffalo Ridge leaders who help make the pack go, the troop work, or district the function. We’re all wired to respond to stimuli. When it comes to motivating factors, we want to feed our self-worth, self-confidence and we want to feel good. When we’re recognized and appreciated, those needs are met. When it happens in public and in front of our peers, those needs are exceeded. Robert Baden-Powell created the Scout Movement with the idea that all participants would be actively engaged in the program. So, let’s recognize the people you know who deserve it. Nominate them today! The nomination forms can be found on the Buffalo Ridge page of the Sioux Council website. A list of District Awards follow:

1. Spark Plug Award-entry level award for registered Volunteers
2. Extra Miler Award-Scouter or parent that gives 110% to Scouting
3. Tooth of Time Award-Should have 10+ years of scouting and active in current position
4. District Award of Merit-see nomination form for qualifications
5. Den Leaders of the Year
6. Webelos Leader of the Year
7. Asst Scoutmaster of the Year
8. Scoutmaster of the Year
9. Unit Committee Member of the Year Unit
10. Unit Commissioner of the Year
11. District Committee Member of the Year

Nominations are due by March 15th. The nominations will be reviewed by the Awards committee. Winners will be recognized at the April Roundtable. Let this be the year all your deserving volunteers are nominated!

Scout Sunday, A Scout is Reverent

This year Scout Sunday is February 9th. An individual church also has the option of celebrating on a different Sunday. This is completely acceptable to the BSA. Scout
Scouting For Food this year in Five Rivers was amazing! Not only were we blessed with a beautiful day but, also, blessed with communities that were willing to give! This year District-wide Scouts collected over 4,500 pounds of donations to overflow the shelves at the local food pantries. The Pierre Packs and Troop bought in over 3,700 pounds, Winner totaled over 250 pounds, and Eureka over 500 pounds! Great job, Scouts! Pierre’s retired teachers deserve a big “Thank You” for volunteering their time at the pantry to help sort and stock the shelves!

This year’s Klondike Derby will be at the Oahe YMCA in Pierre. It is for WEBELOS and Boy Scouts. In the morning, Scouts will have the opportunity to start on Physical Fitness, Citizenship in the Community, Engineering, and Swimming merit badges. WEBELOS can work on Readyman, Citizen, Engineer, and Aquanaut activity pins. In the afternoon participants can take part competitive activities like dodgeball, swimming relays, and even show off your basketball skills in a game of HORSE! It’s going to be a great day and a lot of fun! Don’t miss it!

http://www.siouxcouncil.org/5rivers
Check the Website for calendar information and updates)
Here we go! 2019 was a great year in Lewis & Clark Trail. We continued the tradition of doing well in the Journey to Excellence scoring which is a true indicator of the quality program you are offering your Scouting families. So often we find ourselves doing these metrics just to check off boxes but the JTE scoring really does reflect a quality program.

We also knocked it out of the park in membership under the leadership of Jamie Tjeerdsma, our Membership Chair. Jamie was a constant fixture at the Council Membership meetings and helped revamp the membership plan into what we used in 2019. The new plan that offered more flexible dates and most importantly, the recruitment of volunteers the first night was a game changer. Many of our units were under new leadership and they sang the praises of District Volunteer leadership being on hand to help set the tone of Scouting being a WHOLE FAMILY activity rather than a drop and go for the kids. What a great opportunity to get new parents involved but also for the veteran leadership to form friendships with the new leaders. Scouters are always ready to help others and share their knowledge. Jamie is finishing up her tenure as membership chair. Thanks to Jamie for all you have done for the Lewis & Clark Trail District Membership.

It seems like there is never enough time to enjoy our success. I’d ask that each of you take a bit and be proud of the good your involvement with Scouting did 2020 will be another year of busy times and even busier Scouts. Keep the real reason for what we do in sight and enjoy!

With such an influx of new leaders I have included an excerpt from the Buffalo Ridge Submission to the Nov/Dec issue of Sioux Trails. Its important we all do our part for the upcoming Friends of Scouting campaign. Brandon Kirchner will be ramrodding this effort and we thank you in advance for your help.
WOW, what a Fantastic Fall Membership Recruitment Season North Star had. We saw more Cub Scouts join in the fall then we saw in previous years. Thank you so much for your hard work with recruitment events and welcoming new families.

Now is time to start looking at Webelo to Scout Transitions.

**Why is the transition so crucial?**

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. 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 found in a Scouts BSA Troop.

**What is Your Roll in the Transition?**

**Webelos Leaders**

These leaders are the most influential in the Cub Scouts’ preparation for a Scouts BSA Troop. Webelos leaders should be fully trained to help understand the Scouting programs. This training is found on My. Scouting.org

- They should continue with Scoutmaster Leader-specific Training and Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Training. This is an in-person training held multiple times a year in different districts. In North Star the next BLOO and IOLS training is in April.
- Ensure the Cub Scouts attend camp, ideally between fourth and fifth grade
- Attend Roundtables and get to know Scoutmasters
- Recruit a Den Chief
- Plan a year-round, two-year program to complete requirements
- Plan the Crossing Over Ceremony and promote troop summer activities
- Have knowledge of outdoor skills, fire building, cooking, wood tools and knots, camping, sanitation, tents and equipment.

**Cubmaster**

- Encourages prospective Webelos leaders to obtain training early
- Searches for Scout BSA troops and develops point(s)-of-contact
- Encourages visitation to Troop meetings
- Confirms the Crossing Over Ceremony, and invites the Scoutmaster(s), SPL(s), and ASPL(s) to the graduation ceremony
- Conducts a memorable graduation ceremony.

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### District Calendar

**January:**
1—New Year’s Day: Council Office/Scout Shop Closed
2—District Committee Meeting
NO ROUNDTABLE IN JANUARY
11—NS Retreat/Planning
17-19—Klondike

**February:**
1—Cub Winter Event, Watertown
6—District Committee Meeting
13—Roundtable, Zoom Only
29—Cub Winter Event, Aberdeen

**March:**
5—District Committee Meeting
12—Roundtable (Zoom), Webster

http://www.siouxcouncil.org/north-star

(Check the Website for calendar information and updates)
Rechartering

For those of you that have turned in your annual recharter, THANK YOU!!! For those of you that have not yet done so, it is very important that they are completed as soon as possible. If you need help or have questions, please reach out to Gordon Foss, District Commissioner or Assistant Scout Executive, Bryan Knoblich so they can help you through the process. Don’t forget to include the new Background Authorization Forms for your adults!

Friends of Scouting

Friends of Scouting is a vital function of Scouting, without the financial support of businesses, families and support of Scouting Units, the program can’t exist. These funds are used to provide and maintain camp properties, provide liability insurance, program planning materials, membership recruitment materials, support staff to maintain records and professional staff to help guide in unit needs, and these are just a few of the many resources that are provided. Without the unit’s support, these functions and many more will not be possible. With that, Blue & Gold and Court of Honors are right around the corner. Please let Assistant Scout Executive, Bryan Knoblich know when your Pack and Troop are scheduled to have these take place so a Friends of Scouting Presenter can be lined up to conduct the presentation.

Popcorn Sales

While the district popcorn sale fell short of goal, there were some good success stories. Congratulations to Pack 75 for being the top selling unit in the district with $16,943 and to Troop 72 for coming in second place with $11,768. The top selling unit in the council, which may be close to being on the top in the county, sold $101,369.

Pinewood Derby Race

While details are still in the works, the District Pinewood Derby Race is scheduled to take place on Saturday, April 4th. Amy Steele of Mitchell has agreed to chair the event. Once more information is known, it will be passed on.

New Scouts BSA Girl Troop

Welcome to Pheasant District’s newest and FIRST Scouts BSA Girl Troop… Troop 249G. Welcome to the District and GREAT JOB to all the volunteers in Chamberlain for making this happen. Without all the work you have done in talking to youth in schools, talking to parents and keeping the focus, this would have never happened.

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District Calendar

January:
9—Roundtable

February:
13—Roundtable

March:
12—Roundtable

***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!

http://www.siouxcouncil.org/pheasant
(Check the Website for calendar information and updates)
Prairie Hills
Serving Minnehaha, SD; Lincoln, SD; Turner, SD; Rock & Nobles, MN; Lyon, IA Counties

Lead Popcorn Sales
Congratulations to the units in Prairie Hills with the most popcorn sales. Thank you everyone participating in popcorn sales.
1. Pack 162 - $101,369
2. Pack 46 - $39,125
3. Pack 47 - $38,770

Top Pack Recruitment
Prairie Hills District Congratulates all your packs for the efforts you have made this year in membership recruitment. You have all helped the council reach membership growth and have helped us serve more families and youth. A special Congratulations to pack 162 who had an increase in membership of 66 youth this fall, pack 155 with 42 youth, and pack 53 with 49 youth. Once again, thank you so much to everyone for making scouting happen and for the incredible efforts you have made.

New Female Troops
In 2020 we are welcoming 5 new Female troops to Scouts BSA. Troop 99 G from Tea SD, Troop 216 G from Sioux Falls SD, Troop 711 G from Harrisburg SD, Troop 280 G from Luvern MN, and Troop 134 G from Worthington SD.

Klondike Derby
Thank you Troop 371 of Sioux Falls for their leadership in this year’s Klondike Derby. This year will be held on February 21-22, 2020. Early bird registration costs $15 and ends on January 31, 2020. After January 31 the price will increase to $20. To learn more and sign up please visit the Sioux Council website.

New Background Authorization Forms
The Boy Scouts of America Nationals is requiring new background Authorization forms. Please try to make sure you have submitted the new form before your unit's recharter. The new background authorization form can be found on Sioux Council website.

Family Court of Honor
A reminder to all of the packs and troops to please send to us as soon as possible your blue and gold and the court of honor dates, times, and locations.

Even if you have already sent one of the items listed above, please make sure you send all of them together to Dan Johnson or Erick Mendez. We are currently missing a lot of locations and times.
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District Calendar
January:
1—New Year’s Day (Council/Scout Shop Closed)
2—Committee/Commissioner’s Meeting
9—Roundtable

February:
6—Committee/Commissioner’s Meeting
13—Roundtable
21-22—Klondike Derby

March:
5—Committee/Commissioner’s Meeting
12—Roundtable

http://www.siouxcouncil.org/prairie-hills
(Check the Website for calendar information and updates)
Scout Sunday and Scout Sabbath honor the contributions of boys and adults to Scouting. Recently, the National Association of Muslim Americans on Scouting began celebrating Scout Jumuah, which honors the contributions of young people and adults to Scouting within the Muslim community.

Celebrating Scout Sunday can help introduce the Scouting program to congregation members who may not know about it. Because most Scout units are chartered to faith-based organizations, Scout Sunday also give the boys an opportunity to give back by performing acts of service. Whether with your pack, troop, crew, or with your family, commemorating one of these important days will show your Scout spirit to your community.

Below are just a few of the ways your pack and troop can celebrate Scout Sunday.

1. Wear your Scout uniform and sit together.
2. Serve as ushers or hand out church bulletins.
3. Conduct a flag ceremony at the beginning of the service.
4. Recite the Scout Oath and Law during the service.
5. Lead a prayer.
6. Serve as the liturgist.
7. Collect the offering.
8. Provide refreshments.
9. Set up a Scouting display in the lobby or foyer.
10. Ask members of the congregation who were Scouts to stand up. Then ask those who have served as a Scout leader to stand up.
11. Formally present your unit's charter to the church.
12. Award any religious emblems that your Scouts have earned.
13. Work on a service project for the church after the services have concluded.
14. Hold your troop's Court of Honor or your pack's award ceremony immediately following the service.

PLANNING YOUR SCOUT SUNDAY CELEBRATION

Many congregations charter more than one BSA unit. For example, we have a Cub Scout pack, a Boy Scout troop, and a Venturing crew that are chartered to the same congregation. As early as possible, contact the leaders of the other groups to make joint plans. Often, congregations will host Girl Scout meetings, so include their leaders too. You may want to designate one leader to contact the pastor and report back to the rest of the group.

The first thing you'll want to do when contacting the pastor is to decide on a date for the celebration. If the designated Scout Sunday date don't work, choose a date that does. Second, ask the pastor how your Scouts may contribute that day. Third, offer some suggestions of things your Cub Scouts would like to do. When you have reached agreement on the activities, work with the other Scout groups to ensure that as many Scouts as possible are involved in the celebration. And remember, A Scout is Reverent!

What has been your favorite Scout Sunday activity or story? Have photos? Please share them with Carl Clayton at carl.clayton@scouting.org.

Upcoming District Events

The BR Klondike is February 8th with optional camping on Friday, February 7th. This year the event is at Hole in the Mountain Park in Lake Benton, MN. For Scouts BSA and Webelos, earn the Snow Sports Merit Badge, enjoy snow shoeing, learn about avalanche safety and precautions, cook lunch on the trial, and much more. For Cubs, we have activities followed by lunch. And of course we will have an actual Klondike sled race. There are several extra sleds around the District. If you need one, let us know and we will help you find one. Online registration is open, the leaders guide is available.
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The **Cub Lock-In and District PWD Race** is at the Madison Community Center this year on March 6 and 7. John Bame has put together a great program including swimming, BB guns, gaga ball, games, pizza, our District Pinewood Derby race, a movie, and much more.

Below is a rough schedule:

6:30 p.m.—Lock inn & Derby Registration
6:30 – 8:00 p.m.—Swimming
7:00 - 10:00 p.m.—BB gun range/open gym/ Gaga Ball/ Games
10:00 – 10:30 p.m.—Pizza
10:30 p.m.—Pinewood Derby
12:00 a.m.—Games, Movies, sleep
7:00 a.m.—Wake up / clean up/ pack up
8:00 a.m.—Depart for home with breakfast to go

Register Online and download the leader guide.

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The Friends of Scouting campaign begins in November and ends in March. During the 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 Iceberg Analogy The natural next question is: Why should I give money to my local council? Here just some of the reasons 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 we first become Scouts, we have 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. As we volunteer in Scouting, we start to understand how much is involved in supporting our Scouts and units. Council operations support you, the volunteer, so you have more time to enjoy the life-changing fun of Scouting. What do councils provide? In other words: What’s beneath the surface?

*Volunteer and staff training  *Insurance coverage  *Support staff for registration, publications and other program support  *Camp promotion for Cub Scout day camps, Scouts BSA summer camps, high-adventure bases and more  *Camp rangers to keep the council camps up-to-date and ready for Scouts and families  *Camp equipment, like tents, cooking equipment, camp vehicles, building repairs, canoes, equipment replacement and repair, and general upkeep of council camps  *Recognitions for leaders who complete training, volunteer for special projects and help in many Scouting roles  *Professional staff to work with volunteers to organize new units, manage fundraising programs, conduct training, assist membership recruitment, provide counsel and direct support for district, camps and programs  *Administrative needs, including postage, computers and links to the National BSA computer system, copy machines, folding machines and a printing shop  *Service centers to provide additional support to volunteers  *Audio-visual supplies used in training, at camps and in volunteer meetings  *Postage to mail materials to leaders, parents and youth members  

A council website to keep you informed  *Reference publications and resources, including program planning kits and to camping cookbooks  *Camp scholarships, uniforms and registration fees for disadvantaged young people  *Flyers, marketing materials, social media advertising  *And More…

As you can see, there’s more happening at your council than the average volunteer sees. And it can’t happen without the support of volunteers like you.
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**Scoutmaster**
- Include the Webelos in summer camp reservations
- Have Webelos and their parents attend troop meetings
- Become part of the Pack graduation ceremony
- Assist in finding Den Chiefs for Webelos Dens
- Invite the Webelos Den Leader to become part of the troop

**Den Chief**
- A resource for scout skills
- Sets a good Scouts BSA example
- Helps form the patrol and patrol spirit
- Helps the Webelos Den Leader to operate the patrol
- Assists in the Arrow of Light and Crossing Over Ceremonies
- Counts as leadership time for Scouts BSA advancement

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Thank You Scouts
Thank you to all the volunteers who have dedicated so much of their time throughout 2019. You all help make scouting possible and are giving so much to the communities by making this happen. We are all very thankful for everything you do and hope we can continue to be successful together.

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**Akela, Make Me an Eagle**
by Harlan G. Metcalf, adapted by Merl Whitebook

Give me the strength to stand for right
When other folks have left the fight,
   Give me the courage of the eagle
   Who knows that if he will, he can.
   Teach me to see in every face
   The good, the kind, and not the base.
Make me sincere in word and deed,
Blot out from me all shame and greed,
Help me to guard my troubled soul
   By constant, active, self-control.
Clean up my thoughts, my speech, my play,
   And keep me pure from day to day.
   O, Akela, make of me an Eagle!
## Recent Eagle Scouts

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