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And we have a winner!

The Sioux Council Popcorn Committee would like to congratulate Ethan R from Troop 152 in Sioux Falls. Ethan sold over \$5000 in popcorn this year and was the lucky winner of the Disney Trip! 2020 was a challenging year in a lot of ways. Many of our Scouting families took advantage of great weather and an outstanding new product to pave their way to pre-paid programming. We applaud all of our families and wish them the best in 2021!

Save the Date: Inaugural Class of Female Eagle Scouts

Mark your calendars for a special event celebrating leadership with America's First Female Eagle Scouts. On the evening of February 21, 2021, the BSA will mark this historic milestone by celebrating young leaders who are making positive change in our communities and making our country better. Plus, we'll invite the Scouts across the nation to join a national call to service in 2021 to be the change in their own communities.

To help make the event possible, we are asking families of the members of the Inaugural Class of Female Eagle Scouts to provide us with some details about their Scout's journey, including:

- Why did they join Scouts BSA?
- What inspired their Eagle Scout project?
- What was the outcome/impact of their Eagle Scout project?

Please also share videos and photos from the Scout's journey, including a photo of each Scout in her uniform. These details will be used to make a commemorative gift for the members of the Inaugural Class.

In addition to helping us ensure each member of the Inaugural Class is included in the commemorative package, sharing this information will also help us identify amazing stories to share within and beyond our Scouting family. Go to the link provided to share your scouts journey!

<https://www.scouting.org/inauguralclass/>



Council Office Closed:

Friday, January 1st, 2021
Monday, January 18th, 2021
Monday, February 15th, 2021

Scout Shop Closed:

Friday, January 1st, 2021



Scout Shop Hours

Mon - Wed 10am—5:30pm
Thurs CLOSED
Fri 10am—5:30pm
Sat 10am—2pm
CLOSED M-F 1:30-2:00

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And Down the Stretch They Come!

What a race it! Several individuals took the contest for District and Council High Seller, it was right down to the wire. All of you should be proud of yourselves for finding safe, innovative, and ambitious ways to sell.

Top Sellers by District (Council High Sellers not Eligible)

Arrowhead- James C, Troop 45, \$6574.

Missouri Valley- Avery K, Troop 72, \$6508.

Red Rock- Noah L, Pack 162, \$7219



Drum roll please!!

Council Top Seller! Jonathan W, Pack 46, \$9035

Council Reserve Top Seller!, Landon N, Troop 45, \$7530

Congratulations to all of our hard working, hustling Scouts!



OA Winter Banquet Postponement

Due to COVID-19, we are postponing Winter Banquet in the hopes that we'll be able to hold it in person in Milbank. We will move it to March 8-9. We are moving the LEC/LLD up to January 9 and that will be held virtually—all Chapter officers, along with the Lodge Officer team, are strongly encouraged to attend. Anyone interested in leadership in the Lodge/chapters is welcome to attend. More information will be forth coming –this is to keep everyone current as things continually flex.

Nathan Loutsch Lodge Chief

Sheryl Oliver Lodge Advisor

Dates for 2021 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 active 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. Cub Family Weekend is all inclusive. Below are the dates and locations. Look for the leader guide online in January.

Madison Area: May 28-30

Camp Iyatoka: June 18-20

Lewis and Clark Scout Reservation: July 30-August 1

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.

Watertown: Saturday June 5

Sioux Falls: Saturday June 5

Mitchell: Saturday June 5

Brookings: Monday June 7

Vermillion: Tuesday June 8

Aberdeen: Saturday June 12

Slayton: Saturday June 12

Pierre: June Saturday 12

Webelos Camp:

Webelos camp will be \$120 per scout and \$80 per adult in 2021. 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 programming. 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:

Session 1: July 6-9

Session 2: July 26-29



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 will not 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 \$300 if paid by May 1 and \$350 after that. The fee for MRHAB for adults and scouts will be \$350 each.

The Sioux Council will also be putting together a contingent this year the MRHAB canoe trek. We will provide the leaders, the Scouts (and parents if they want to come too) just need to bring their personal gear. Please look at our website by the end of January for more details. The cost of the Trek is the same at \$350

NEW INCENTIVE FOR 2021!!!

If 50% of your unit attends Sioux Council Summer Camp at Lewis and Clark Scout Reservation or Cub events (Webelos Camp, Cub Family Weekend or Adventure Day) you will qualify for one free al-a-cart rental per month at Lewis and Clark Scout Reservation, the Center for Scouting or Camp Iyataka from June 1, 2021 to May 31, 2022. The free rental will be refunded upon the unit completing the online reservation and attending the camping weekend. The Council will refund the camping fee to the unit account. For out of Council units we will refund the money in the manner in which it is received. This incentive cannot be applied to an entire camp property rental. In addition, for Troops that have already made a deposit at another Council's long-term camp, we will be happy to negotiate a credit to offset those fees.

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/Camp-Staff> 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 4th consecutive year that the Sioux Council has hosted STA in its current form. This year however, we are moving the event to be at Lewis and Clark Scout Reservation due to the pandemic so that we can mitigate exposure by having things outdoors. With this – we are also moving the date to May 7 and 8, 2021 and will be offering camping options for troops.

Our goal is to provide all Scouts and leaders with more training and expanded learning opportunities. Scouts this year, will have the opportunity to take advantage of ATV's , Cowboy Action Shooting and more outdoor activities since we will be at Lewis and Clark. There will be many options for merit badges, but we will be offering Communications this year since it will not be offered at camp.

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 will be able to make your reservation online. The cost this year will be \$35 per Scout and Adult that takes training. There will be a \$10 registration fee for those adults not taking training to pay for lunch and a patch.

National Youth Leadership Training

WHO: Current/future youth leaders in your unit

WHERE: Lewis and Clark Scout Reservation

WHEN: June 6-12, 2021

WHY: Worthwhile leadership training experience, great opportunities, and to HAVE FUN!!!!!!

*** Any Scout that attends, pays and completes NYLT and then successfully completes a minimum of two weeks as a CIT at Lewis and Clark Scout Camp will have their registration fee reimbursed. CIT application can be found on our website. There is no limit every Scout that attends NYLT is eligible!

Course Registration Details \$300 — If registered by April 30. If registered May 1st and after, you will not receive a shirt, hat, mug or other specialty items. Deadline for registration is May 15, 2020 or when full

www.siouxcouncil.org/current-events

Home units are encouraged to provide Scouts assistance in paying the fees.



<p>2021 Missouri River Canoe Trek July 11-17, 2021</p> 	<p>2022 St Thomas Eco-Sailing June 13-21, 2022</p> 	<p>2022 Philmont 12-Day T June 25-July 9, 2022</p> 
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ For scouts and adults wanting a river adventure ➤ Test your canoeing skills and build new skills for future adventures ➤ Experience over 60 miles of scenic Missouri River ➤ Limit of 32 participants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ For scouts wanting an adventure with purpose ➤ Combines Sailing, Snorkeling, and Conservation Research ➤ Must be a strong swimmer ➤ Visit Virgin Island National Park ➤ Limit of 8 participants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ For scouts wanting an unforgettable adventure backpacking the rocky tra ➤ Experience the Old West ➤ Challenge yourself ➤ Must be able to hike with at least 10 miles per day ➤ Limit of 12 participants

JOIN US FOR A ZOOM MEETING JAN 7, 2021

7PM CENTRAL TIME – REGISTER BY GOING TO

[HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/MEETING/REGISTER/TZULFUUSPJIIGDPBAL9DWA5AEIC_MDUKYOTP](https://us02web.zoom.us/joining/register/tzulFUUSpJIIGDPBAL9DWA5AEIC_MDUKYOTP)

MEET THE ADVISORS

Q&A

FIND OUT HOW TO REGISTER

OPEN TO LEADERS, SCOUTS, AND PARENTS

Arrowhead District

The last year had not been easy for anyone. However, I was reminded at how Scouting can continue in even the toughest of situations. We saw Troops find that a meeting can happen on Zoom, Cub Scouts found unique ways to meet outside, and unit leaders persevered and planed a program with new obstacles. This perseverance is a wonderful thing to witness and I want to commend everyone for your hard work. I know we will see the light at the end of the tunnel soon but until then keep working to keep Scouting alive.

Bowling

On November 8th was Arrowhead's Bowling event in Redfield. It was a fun event and we saw Troop 45 won the Troop Trophy and Troop 188 leave with the Adult Trophy. Thanks go to Starter Lanes in Redfield for hosting the event.

Popcorn

What a great year selling popcorn. We saw some great Scouts meeting their goals and making new goals. There was not a weekend that did not go by that I did not see a Scout sitting at a table with Popcorn tins piled high. Now the Units have the ability to fund a WoW program for Scouts this year.

Klondike

This years Klondike will be held on January 15th-17th at Camp Iyataka. Come ready to earn gold nuggets with a Sled Race that will test your Winter and First aid Skills. Scouts will also have the chance to Sled or try their hands at fun activities on the ice. Units will also have the opportunity to show of their Chili making skills in a Chili cookoff. May the best Chili Win.



Troop 209 in Watertown participated in the Local Library's Christmas tree fundraiser in December.



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District Calendar:

January:

5—Committee/Commissioner's Meeting

12—Roundtable

15-17—Klondike

February:

2—Night of Planning

9—Roundtable

March:

2—Committee/Commissioner's Meeting

9—Roundtable / Fireside Chat

Missouri Valley District

Another year, an interesting year, to say the least, has come and gone! Although it may have seemed a continuous up hill battle thanks to COVID-19, Scouting is still alive and we have the proof!

Thanks to our new vender, Pecatonica River, popcorn sales were successful. We have heard nothing but great things about the new product and people were glad to see our youth out and about selling. Great job to everyone, adult and youth, that made this year's sales successful!

Scouting For Food (with a twist), also, was a success! Thanks for getting the door hangers out so people in your community could contribute and help those in need! Without everyone's help our food pantries are stocked, way to go!

The Klondike Derby, February 5th-6th at Pierson Ranch Campground is just around the corner. Look forward to a fun and exciting weekend! The Leadership Guide and registration will be posted on the Council website soon; keep your eyes open! Make sure you take advantage of the online registration to receive your Klondike Derby beanie!

The Scout-O-Rama taking place in March is going to be a tad bit different this year. Instead of having one large event in Mitchell, like in the past, we will be asking that each unit find a place in your own community to show off Scouting. There are probably people that aren't even aware that scouting exists in their community. This is the prime time to get out and show everyone what scouting is all about. Also, a great time for Spring recruiting. There will be more details coming out soon!

Well, we all know that COVID isn't over and it may throw a few wrenches in the gears again, but the best thing is to stay safe, be smart, stay positive, and continue meeting even if that means going virtual.

Remain healthy and safe and Happy Holidays!

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District Calendar

January:

5—District Committee/Commissioner's Mtg
14—Roundtable

February:

2—District Committee/Commissioner's Mtg
5-6—Klondike Derby
7—Scout Sunday
11—Roundtable

March:

2—District Committee/Commissioner's Mtg
6—Scout-O-Rama
11—Roundtable / Court of Honor

Red Rock District

Klondike Derby

Join us for this year's Klondike derby on February 19-21. Troop 371 has chosen to again take the lead and help coordinate the event. The theme this year will be Star Wars Ice Planet of Hoth! The event will be held at Lake Pahoja Recreation Area. We had such positive feedback at Lak Pahoja we decided to have the event at the same location. Make sure you mark your calendars because this will be an event you won't want to miss. Early Registration will be from December 1st to January 1st and will be \$15. After January 1st it will be \$20 and the sign up will close on February 5th.



Re-Charter

There are still a few units that have not got all their recharter paperwork into the office. If you are one of these units, please get this in as soon as possible. If you are unsure if your recharter is complete, please contact Steve Schempp.

New District Committee Members

We added some new members to the District Committee this month. Dan Brandt will be our short-term camp administrator. The BSA has just added this position this year but it is key to keeping our scouts safe. Reid Jensen will be the Sioux Falls metro area Eagle Chair. John Karn will be the Training Chair. Thank you, Dan, Reid, and John, for joining the Committee

Popcorn

This Year's popcorn sale has come to an end and we just want to thank all the youth and volunteers who took part in the Popcorn sale. This year had its own set of challenges with the pandemic, but overall, it was still a successful one! Lastly, congratulations to this year's top 3 sellers: 1) Pack 162 \$65,130 2) Pack 46 \$44,536 3) Pack 171 \$39,265.

Red Rock District Planning Conference

Join us on January 9th for the District Planning Conference and help us decide next year's district calendar. This event will be held threw Zoom and in person at the scout office. We encourage everyone to attend this event so they can share their ideas with the district!

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January:

7—District Committee/Commissioner's Meeting

14—Roundtable

February:

4—District Committee/Commissioner's Meeting

11—Roundtable

13—Trainer's Edge

19-21—Klondike Derby

March :

4—District Committee/Commissioner's Meeting

11—Roundtable

Recent Eagle Scouts

Evan Cyphert	Troop 1	Brooking SD	Methodist Men of Brookings
Jordan Mofle	Troop 1	Brookings SD	Methodist Men of Brookings
Jonah G Paulson	Troop 109	Lennox SD	American Legion #174 Bret./ Burma—Lennox
Daniel Thomas McGarry	Troop 48	Sioux Falls SD	Sertoma Club of Sioux Falls
Evan Mychael Greenfield	Troop 320	Marshall MN	Cornerstone United Methodist Church—Marshall
Jacen Dekker	Troop 320	Marshall MN	Cornerstone United Methodist Church—Marshall
Aidan Jacob Greenland	Troop 152	Sioux Falls SD	Zion Lutheran Church
Daniel Joseph Esche	Troop 60	Canton SD	Canton Rotary Club
Carter Douglas Friske	Troop 371	Sioux Falls SD	Gloria Dei Lutheran Church
Joseph Angelo Picconi	Troop 48	Sioux Falls SD	Sertoma Club of Sioux Falls
Samuel Alen Tejral	Troop 102	Yankton SD	Trinity Lutheran ELCA—Yankton
Henry Frederick Haft	Troop 216	Sioux Falls SD	Peace Lutheran Church
Luke Patrick Meyer	Troop 48	Sioux Falls SD	Sertoma Club of Sioux Falls
Ryan Anthony Motl	Troop 371	Sioux Falls SD	Gloria Dei Lutheran Church
Kaiden Paul Hinton	Troop 357	Eureka SD	American Legion #186 Eureka
Kyler Jade Bechtold	Troop 216	Sioux Falls SD	Peace Lutheran Church
Aidan Patrick Moore	Troop 53	Dell Rapids SD	Lions Club of Dell Rapids
Evan Joseph Crismon	Troop 209	Watertown SD	Holy Name Catholic Church of Watertown
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