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EARLY BIRD RATES EXTENDED TO MAY 17th!

Cub Family Weekend

As we move forward with program development, we are looking at bringing more family centered programming with outdoor activities to get Cubs ready for Scouts BSA troops. Each location will feature a service project to teach Scouts the importance of giving back. The registration fee is \$80 per scout/sibling and \$60 for adults before May 17th. This includes a t-shirt if you sign up by May 17th. The registration fee is \$90 for youth and \$70 for adults after May 17th.

Camp Lakodia: May 28-30 - Camp Lakodia Cub Family Weekend families will be able to rent their cabins. Families can combine and split the cost if needed. There is a limited ability for families to stay in the bunk house for an extra cost of \$5 per person. As always, families wanting to tent will have that option at no extra cost.

Camp Iyataka: June 18-20 - Camp Iyataka will be re-introduced for the home of Cub Family Weekend in the northern part of the Council. We will be excited to talk to those in attendance about the projects and improvements coming to the camp. Tent camping will be the only option for this camp but the scenery and naturally cooler temps in the area will be another great option for our Scouting family.

Lewis and Clark Scout Reservation: July 30-August 1 - For the Cub Family Weekend at Lewis and Clark Scout Reservation. Most of the programs this year will take place up top of the hill. Families will have the option to rent our staff housing cabins (sleep 4) for a \$20 fee in addition to tent camping this year. All cabins have air conditioning and will be first-come-first serve.

Adventure Day: PRICE REDUCED!

The cost of Adventure Day will be \$10 per Scout (except Watertown location) by May 17th and \$15 after May 17th, there will be no charge for adults. Note the Watertown Adventure Day will be \$15 by May 17th and \$20 after as it includes a Zoo pass for the day. We will be providing a half-day program for families. There will be BB guns, archery, games, a keystone take home project and more fun stations for the entire family. We encourage families to picnic for lunch and explore other activities in the community after. Lunch is not provided by camp.

Watertown: Saturday, June 5

Sioux Falls: Saturday, June 5

Mitchell: Saturday, June 5

Brookings: Saturday, June 5

Vermillion: Tuesday, June 8

Aberdeen: Saturday, June 12

Slayton: Saturday, June 12

Pierre: Saturday, June 12

Webelos Camp:

Webelos camp will be \$120 per scout and \$80 per adult. The fee includes all program, food and the camp shirt (if paid prior to May 17th). The fee after May 17th is \$130 for Scouts and \$90 for adults. We have added more options for advancement and other dynamic programming.

Session 1: July 6-9

Session 2: July 26-29

What is a Commissioner?

A Commissioner plays several roles, including friend, representative, unit “doctor,” teacher and counselor.

The Commissioner is a **friend** of the unit. Of all their roles, this one is the most important. It springs from the attitude, “I care, I am here to help, what can I do for you?” Caring is the ingredient that makes commissioner service successful. He or she is an advocate of unit needs. A Commissioner who makes themselves known and accepted now, will be called on in future times of trouble.

A Commissioner is a **representative**. The average unit leader is totally occupied in working with kids. Some have little if any contact with the Boy Scouts of America other than a Commissioner’s contact. To them, the Commissioner may be the BSA. The Commissioner helps represent the ideals, the principles, and the policies of the Scouting movement.

The Commissioner is a unit **“doctor.”** In their role as “doctor,” they know that prevention is better than a cure, so they try to see that their units make good “health practices” a way of life. When problems arise, and they will even in the best unit, they act quickly. They observe symptoms, diagnose the real ailment, prescribe a remedy, and follow up on the patient.

The Commissioner is a **teacher**. As a Commissioner, they will have a wonderful opportunity to participate in the growth of unit leaders by sharing knowledge with them. They teach not just in an academic environment, but where it cuts most – as an immediate response to a need to know. That is the best adult learning situation since the lesson is instantly reinforced by practical application of the new knowledge.

The Commissioner is a **counselor**. As a Scouting counselor, they will help units solve their own problems. Counseling is the best role when unit leaders don’t recognize a problem and where solutions are not clear-cut. Everyone needs counseling from time to time, even experienced leaders.

We have a fantastic group of Commissioners in the Sioux Council. If you have any questions, please reach out to your District Commissioner, or your Unit Commissioner. We’re here to help!



Council Office / Scout Shop
Closed:

Monday, May 31, 2021

Monday, July 5, 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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<https://www.facebook.com/North-District-Boy-Scouts-of-America-105587877624980/>

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<http://www.facebook.com/lewisandclarktrailbsa>

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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 to sign 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. They 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 by May 1 and \$375 after.

The Sioux Council will also put together a contingent this year for 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 if registered by May 1 and \$375 after.

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 and 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. This incentive cannot be applied to an entire camp property rental. In addition, Troops that have already made a deposit at another Council's 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. 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 and to HAVE FUN!!!!!!



opportunities,

*** 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, 2021 or when full

www.siouxCouncil.org/current-events

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

Arrowhead District

Arrowhead Friends of Scouting Campaign Exceed Expectations

THANK YOU to everyone that has been involved with this year's Arrowhead District Friends of Scouting Campaign. Because of everyone's support and help, we are able to announce that the campaign achieved its goal before the end of March. Please join me in thanking the following people for their outstanding leadership:

- * Mary Hall, District Friends of Scouting Chair
- * Loretta Crapser, District Family Friends of Scouting Chair
- * Dan Cybulski, Aberdeen Friends of Scouting Chair
- * Loni Haar, Brookings Friends of Scouting Chair
- * Kurt Johns, Huron Friends of Scouting Chair
- * Mike Butts, Watertown Friends of Scouting Chair

In addition to this great team, there were another 22 people helping with the Community Friends of Scouting campaigns and another 21 people willing to help with the Family Friends of Scouting campaign as presenters, and this doesn't even include all the family clean-up volunteers. ALSO, every Pack and Troop in the District allowed us to conduct a Family Presentation of some sort... THANK YOU Cubmasters, Scoutmasters and Committee Chairs!!! It was truly a team effort. Not only were we the first District to Achieve Goal but it's the fastest it's ever been done, and during a pandemic!

Summer Programing

The National Summertime Pack Award features many different prizes for the Units and Scouts. The Unit receives a ribbon for the Pack Flag if the Unit holds an activity once a month for the 3 months of summer and at least half of the Scouts attend each event. There is also a pin that is available for Cub Scouts to wear on their right pocket flap of the Cub Scout Uniform.

Summertime programing is usually a fun activity or service project that usually are more relaxed than Pack meetings. Some examples are meeting up at a park for a Pack and Family picnic/ clean up day or a afternoon at the local swimming pool. This is a great opportunity to keep Scouts engaged in the program and get to know your families. If you are interested is starting a summer program or you have had a summer program in the past but COVID prevented it last year, consider making plans to Bring the Fun this Summer.



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District Calendar:

May:

Apr 30-May 2—Spring Rendezvous

4—Committee/Commissioner's Meeting

7-8—Sioux Training Academy (L&C)

11 — Roundtable

June:

5—Adventure Day (Brookings)

5—Adventure Day (Watertown)

12—Adventure Day (Aberdeen)

18-20—Cub Family Weekend (Camp Iyatata)

Missouri Valley District

Wow! Is it really Spring already! How time flies... Only a couple months left of school and back to all the summer fun! Scout meetings can move back outdoors. This is a bonus for units that have struggled to find a place to meet during the winter months.

Before all the summer activities get highlighted, I would like to thank all the units that participated in the Scout-O-Rama. Great job to Troop 180 on their set-up and recruiting at their local bank! I know several units postponed the Scout-O-Rama event until warmer temps; don't forget about it. This still a prime opportunity to get seen in your community and do some recruiting before all the great summer Scout activities begin.

Speaking of Scout activities, don't miss out on everything happening within Missouri Valley District and Sioux Council this Spring and summer. The Sioux Training Academy is just around the corner. Make sure you and your Scouts are get signed up!

Also, the end of May kicks off the first of three Council Cub Family Weekends followed by the Cub Adventure Days in June. If the dates in Missouri Valley don't fit into your schedule, check the Council calendar and see the dates for the other Districts. Make sure you take advantage of these great events to keep the Pack active over the summer months.

Troops, if you haven't already, make sure you get your week reserved for summer camp at Lewis and Clark and MRHAB!

Check the Council webpage at sioux council.org for all the registration information, deadlines, and latest updates.

Summer is within our grasp! Time to get back to camping, hiking, canoeing, or whatever your unit enjoys! Let's all make the most out of everything being offered and have make 2021 the best year of Scouting!



Derek and Brett from Troop 180 finished up Eagle Projects

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District Calendar

May:

4—Committee/Commissioner's Meeting
7-8—Sioux Training Academy
13—Roundtable/Court of Honor

June:

5—Adventure Day (Mitchell)
8—Adventure Day (Vermillion)
12—Adventure Day (Pierre)

Red Rock District



Klondike 2021

On February 10, Red Rock had its annual Klondike Derby, and it was a smashing success! The theme of the event was Star Wars. There were 155 total people at the event,

and we were fortunate to have beautiful weather. This event was organized by Troop 371, and we want to thank them for organizing such a fun day. If your unit is interested in coordinating or helping at an event, please contact Micah Noteboom micah.noteboom@scouting.org.

Adventure Day

Red Rock District is Planning on having two Adventure Days this year. Our first Adventure Day is in Sioux Falls on June 5th and the other will be held in Slayton, MN, on June 12th. The Sioux Falls Adventure Day will be held at Elmwood Park, and Slayton's Adventure Day will be held at Shetek Lutheran Ministries. Thank you, Marie Dunn, from Marshall, who will be the chair for MN adventure day. We are currently meeting with volunteers interested in taking a lead in the Sioux Falls event, and we will need plenty of volunteers for stations for both dates.



Keep On Trucking

This is a Save The Date for the Red Rock "Keep On Truckin" event on Saturday September 18th. It will be an event for both Cub Scouts and Scouts BSA members to attend. The scouts will be completing

their Truck Transportation merit badge, while the Cub Scouts will be doing fun transportation-related activities. Please keep a lookout for details and the leader guide in the months to come. It is going to be awesome!



The Cub Scout Summertime Pack Award is simply earned by participating in one activity per month in June, July, and August. It is strongly encouraged that 50% of youth attend each event. To apply for this award, please go to Nationals website under awards.

<https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/33748.pdf>

Your pack will get a streamer for your pack flag. Youth and adults that participate in all three events can earn a neat pin.

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May:

6—Committee/Commissioner's Meeting
13—Roundtable
28—Cub Family Weekend (Madison)
31—Memorial Day: Council Office/Scout shop closed

June:

3—Committee/Commissioner's Meeting
5—Adventure Day (Sioux Falls)
12—Adventure Day (Slayton)

Recent Eagle Scouts

Dakota Parry Buck	Troop 72	Mitchell SD	Holy Family Parish
Mason Andrew Wieneke	Troop 280	Luverne MN	Luverne United Methodist Church
Jasper Thomas Carrette	Troop 53	Dell Rapids SD	Lions Club of Dell Rapids
Matthew William Sims	Troop 346	Sioux Falls SD	St. Michael's Parish
Andrew Thomas Sharples-Schmidt	Troop 711	Sioux Falls SD	Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church
Ethan Andrew Gullickson	Troop 48	Sioux Falls SD	Sertoma Club of Sioux Falls
Tye Owen Briggs	Troop 102	Yankton SD	Trinity Lutheran ELCA—Yankton
Andrew Thomas Jones	Troop 5	Madison SD	Trinity Lutheran Church—Madison
Elijah Ray Olson	Troop 5	Madison SD	Trinity Lutheran Church—Madison
James Alvin Schoenberner	Troop 180	Gayville SD	Rudolph Christensen Post #237
Triton William Grajczyk	Troop 357	Eureka SD	American Legion #186 Eureka
Stan Wayne Hodne	Troop 27	Pierre SD	First United Methodist Church—Pierre
Edmund Patrick DeVaney	Troop 27	Pierre SD	First United Methodist Church—Pierre
Tanner Jordan LeSage	Troop 13	Brookings SD	St Thomas More Catholic Church
Jacob Alan Hemmingson	Troop 60	Canton SD	Canton Rotary Club
Nolan Vernon Cowles	Troop 112	Sioux Falls SD	Morrell Club
Brady Robert Simons	Troop 212	Brandon SD	Faith United Presbyterian Church
Dillon Richard Schroeder	Troop 209	Watertown SD	Holy Name Catholic Church of Watertown



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