



Raccoon River Valley District Roundtable Notes

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Agenda, September, 2014:

Opening and Welcome	Fred Frye	7:00 – 7:02
Announcements		7:02 – 7:20
Break-outs:		7:20 – 8:45



Cub Scout leaders

Responsibility
Dollars and Sense



Webelos

Showman, Citizen



Boy Scout leaders

Engineering

October Themes

Training Dates

Cub Leader Specific Training:

Cost \$5
All CLST time: 8:00 - 12 Noon

- September 27, Maytag Scout Center
- December 6, Maytag Scout Center

OWL (Outdoor Webelos Leader Training)

- October 18 - 19
- Camp Akela 8:00 AM Saturday - 1:30 Sunday Cost \$20
- ## BALOO (Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation)
- October 11



Boy Scout Leader Basic Training, Sessions 1, 2 & 3

- Saturday, September 27, Maytag Scout Center, 8:00 - 5:00

Introduction to Outdoor Skills

- Friday October 17 - Sunday, October 19
5:00 PM Friday - 2:00 PM Sunday
Camp Mitigwa



Venture Introduction to Leadership Skills for Crews

- November 15



Leave No Trace/Outdoor Ethics Trainer Weekend Course:

- October 17 - 19 5:00 PM Friday - 12:00 Sunday
Camp Mitigwa Cost \$25 Unit Resource Kit - \$10

Register for all training online at:

www.midowacouncilbsa.org→calendar→interactive calendar→training and click on the specific date/training for which you want to register.

CHAIRMAN'S MINUTE: What a Wonderful District It Is!



What a great district of which we are all lucky to be a part. I realize this every time I talk to an RRV Scouter, or see that RRV has another Eagle Scout, or that 50 new families have signed up to be a part of scouting in our District in one night. While I visit with Scouters and witness all of these things, it makes me equally aware that our new Eagles have gotten there in part because of dedicated troop leaders and our Cubs are getting to experience the wonders to be found along Scouting's trail, because of parents who have stepped up and said, "We want a program for our son where he can build character, learn skills he will use throughout his lifetime, and learn to honor and respect those who may be younger or older or weaker than he is".

To do all of this we have to have adults who will step up and do their part...Committee members, Cubmasters and Scoutmasters, Venture crew leaders, Den Leaders and all their assistant leaders. Without adults there is no Cub Scout program, no Scouting

program and no Venture program. And without trained leaders, there is not a quality program for the young men and women in the Raccoon River Valley. The District Training Committee is ready and willing to train and mentor Pack and Troop Leaders. All you have to do is attend the training sessions. Our first Cub training of the year was this past Saturday. One of the participants commented afterwards that "he got a lot out of it and was impressed by the enthusiasm". Check out the upcoming training dates shown throughout this newsletter.

Saturday, I watched the "Rocket's red glare", or at least their white smoke as Dave Ducey and his troop put on a spectacular Fall Camporee for over 200 RRV Scouts and Scouters. The rockets filled the sky for over an hour in the afternoon and the evening featured a camp wide "Yummy in the Tummy" buffet. What an amazing event and what wonderful weather. If you missed this one make sure your troop is signed up for the Klondike Derby this winter and the Railroad Camporee this coming spring. Both promise to be full of fun and educational opportunities. At the Railroad Camporee you may get to appreciate just how many trains run through central Iowa in a 24 hour period.

Cub Scouts and their parents want to be sure to mark their calendars and plan on participating in the Cub Scout Fun Day on Saturday October 11 at Camp Mitigwa. A great time for Cubs and the entire Cub Family. An activity not to be missed. See the details in this newsletter.

What a great time to be in Scouting and what a wonderful district to be a part of. Thanks to all the volunteers who make our packs and troops and crews run so well and a special THANK YOU to the District Committee for "keeping the ship afloat".

Until our paths cross again,

YIS

Alan Strohmaier, Alan.Strohmaier@gmail.com



Good Turn for Goodwill

Saturday, April 18 & Saturday, April 25, 2015.

Scouts and community volunteers will be distributing bags and informational flyers about the project on April 18. Community members will be asked to donate clothing and small household goods in the bags to be picked up from the curb on April 25, 2015.

Goods will be delivered to a drop-off location in your area. Scouting units interested in participating can register at www.midiowacouncilbsa.org and leader guides will be available on the district web page.

ZOMBIE A POP A LIPS

2014 Popcorn Sale



Sign up at <https://mid-iowacouncilbsa.doubleknot.com/form/formjump.asp?bidx=0&surveyID=37290&OrgKey=1935> to sell popcorn in 2014!

Popcorn Show and Sell Distribution will be Friday, September 19th and Saturday, September 20th, at Centennial Warehousing Corporation, 10400 Hickman Rd, Clive, IA 50325.

As in past years we will start breaking out the orders Friday starting at 9:00 am (this time is flexible depending on the manpower available). An extra benefit for units that help with sorting is that they can get their order early on Friday and not have to come back on Saturday. We will also provide drinks, snacks and lunch for everyone on Friday and Saturday (hope everyone likes Pizza).

Come have some fun with us if you can! Please forward this information to your entire units, you never know who is looking for a good work out while the kids are at school!

Please email me if you want to help and if you think you will have more from your unit, give me a ball park number. Thanks!

Limited Edition 2014 Zombie Ah-Pop-A-Lips t-shirt sales:

Register to complete your online t-shirt order by midnight on November 6, 2014.

<http://mid-iowacouncilbsa.doubleknot.com/event/2014-zombie-ah-pop-a-lips-t-shirt-sales/>

No orders will be accepted after midnight on November 6, 2014 so DON'T MISS OUT!

Sizes available are:

- Youth Small to X-Large @ \$10 each
- Adult Small to X-Large @ \$15 each
- Adult 2X-Large to 6X-Large @ \$20 each

T-Shirts will be available for pickup on three dates:

- Saturday, September 20, at Centennial Warehouse, 10400 Hickman Road, Clive. (those that were ordered by Aug 25)
- Friday, December 5, 8:30 Am - 7:00 PM, Maytag Scout Center
- Saturday December 6, 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM, Maytag Scout Center

Your popcorn invoice and t-shirt order must be paid in full to receive your shirts!

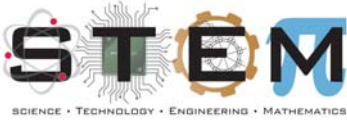
Make checks payable to: Mid-Iowa Council, Boy Scouts of America.



Popcorn Blitz Week:

Friday, September 26 -
Saturday, October 5, 2014.





Overnight Adventures in Science!

Friday, September 19

Registration opens August 16 at
www.midiowacouncilbsa.org

We have an action packed night of adventure for \$25 per adult, \$45 per Scout

Cub Scouts will spend an overnight at the museum exploring SCI after hours! Experience science behind the scenes for an evening of education and FUN. The program that SCI has put together for the Mid-Iowa Council will focus on requirements to earn the new NOVA STEM award. **Tiger Cubs are not eligible to earn the NOVA STEM award.** There will be opportunities to work on belt loops for all ranks.

Your Scout will have the opportunity to earn the **Science Everywhere** portion of the new NOVA STEM award. All awards earned at this event will be purchased by your pack.

Arrive with all necessary items, including sleeping bags, sleeping pads, pillows, toiletries and comfortable sleeping clothes.

Temperatures fluctuate in the building so be prepared for anything. You may bring a twin-sized air mattress but we kindly ask that you **do not bring cots.**

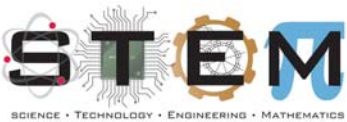
There will be complimentary popcorn with the IMAX movie and light, healthy breakfast available, so please indicate on your registration if you or your Scout has special dietary needs. **Outside food or drinks are not allowed.**

Driving directions are available at www.sciowa.org and discounted parking passes for the handicap accessible ramp north of SCI can be purchased at the Box Office upon arrival when you sign in. If you are running late, please call the Box Office at (515) 274-6868 Ext. 228.

Each Tiger Cub (1st grader) must be accompanied by an adult. Wolf, Bear and Webelos are required to have a 6:2 Scout to adult ratio per pack (dens may be mixed, Tiger adults cannot double as a Wolf, Bear or Webelos leader).

For additional information contact Jason Godfrey at cubscoutfun@hotmail.com or 515-250-9625

NOVA STEM award guide books are available for purchase at the Scout Shop.



Overnight Adventures in Technology

Friday, November 22

Registration opens October 18 at 10:00 AM
www.midiowacouncilbsa.org

This Science Center overnight experience will focus on the TECH TALK portion of the NOVA STEM award. Costs and information are the same for TECH TALK as for the Science Everywhere event in September.



Fall Cub Scout Fun Day

Saturday, October 11

9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Camp Mitigwa

Come and enjoy the outdoors and watch Scouting come alive with your boys. Cub Scouts at all grade levels are invited to attend.

All NEW Scouts signing up this fall are free - all other Scouts will have a nominal fee (see below)

Bring a new Scout buddy and check out the fun.

Program areas include:

- BB Guns
- Archery
- Sports and Games
- Craft activities
- and much, much more

Cost: \$8 per youth, \$5 adult
\$20 family pass



Featuring

Cub Scouts: BB Guns, Archery, and Wrist Rockets held at Grinnell Scoutland and Camp Akela.

- These open shooting events are conducted by trained and certified staff. Session begins at 1 pm and ends at 4 pm. Please plan to arrive and check-in before the session starts.
- Individual participants need to be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Units participating need to provide at least two-deep adult leadership. All participants need to bring Annual Health and Medical Record.
- These are all fun shoot activities with open range for all Cub Scouts. A 15 to 30 minute briefing will be provided prior to each shooting session.

You must pre-register no later than the Wednesday before the event you plan to attend at: www.midiowacouncilbsa.org/outdooradventure/shootingsports



Mid-Iowa Council

Shooting Sports Committee Presents:

Cub Scout
Shooting Sports Saturdays
2014-15
at:
Camp Akela and Grinnell
Scoutland

Open Shoot Program Fees

Cub Scouts: \$8 per Shooter

No Charge for non-shooting youth or Adult

Number of participants is limited: Minimum 8 youth, Maximum 36 youth

Saturdays 1 pm to 4 pm	Grinnell Scoutland	Camp Akela
Sept 13, 2014	Cub Scouts	Cub Scouts
Oct 18, 2014	Cub Scouts	Cub Scouts
Apr 11, 2015	Cub Scouts	Cub Scouts

Shooting Sports Saturday programs are available to registered Cub Scouts and their leaders. Registering is easy and available online. Registrations are made on a first-come basis. Reservations canceled at least 30 days prior to the first day of an event will receive a 90% refund. Cancellations within the 30 days, but still prior to the first day, will receive a 50% refund. No refunds will be made for cancellations made the day of an event. All cancellations must be made directly to the Maytag Scout Service Center in writing or by calling (515) 266-2135 or toll-free (800) 999-7268 and then confirmed in writing. Fees paid are not transferable to another date. Availability for each program is listed on the registration page. Camping is available at both locations for additional fees.

For more info contact the Mid-Iowa Council office at 1-800-999-7268



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Frontier

Heritage Day



November 1, 2014

Mitigwa Scout Reservation

All Boy Scout Troops & Crews invited

Cost \$12 per person in advance

(Youth & Adults)

\$15 per person on event day



Check-in begins at 9:00 AM

What's happening?

- **Blacksmithing demonstrations**
- **Woodworking shop demonstrations**
- **Buckskinners**
- **Civil War Re-enactors**
- **Wood Carvers**
- **Flint Nappers**
- **Dutch Oven cooking demonstrations**
- **Black Powder shooting**
- **Museum tours**
- **Western Jambalaya and cobblers for lunch included with registration fee**
- **Closing campfire at 5:00 PM**



All campsite and cabin reservations will be on a first come, first served basis, reserved through the Mid-Iowa Council office only. Campsite/cabin use fees apply in addition to event cost. Call Nancy, 515-266-2135, during normal business hours for Mitigwa camping/cabin reservations.

More information - Contact Bob Korte iowarep@cs.com 515-321-0858. A leader guide will be issued soon.



Klondike Derby

Please put it on your calendar. It is scheduled for February 6 and 7 at Chichaqua Bottoms, near Elkhart. An event without bugs!

Theme and events will be available by the October Roundtable. Getting those pesky details ironed out now...



Saturday, January 24, 2015, 9:00 am to 4:00 PM
(Check-in: 8:30 AM to 8:55 AM; Lunch: Noon to 1:00 PM)
Iowa State University Armory
Pammel Drive and Russell Road
Ames, Iowa

This annual Mid-Iowa Council event brings to Boy Scouts, Varsity Scouts, and adult leaders an opportunity to receive knowledge in how to survive under winter conditions.

The training event will host as many as 300 participants and is being conducted by the Army R.O.T.C. Staff and cadets at Iowa State University. This will be the 28th year they have provided this training.

Instructors will cover such subjects as:

How to find your way
Building fires and finding food
Making shelters
Signaling
Games and a lot more

Come dressed for the weather outside! This training includes both morning and afternoon sessions of classroom instruction and outdoor workshops. Scouts not properly dressed may be asked to stay inside.

The fee for this event is \$20.00 per Youth Member or Adult Leader attending. The fee includes a continental breakfast, lunch, coffee for adults, and patch.

ADULT PARTICIPANTS – Adults will be permitted to attend the event and will be asked to attend both the indoor and outdoor sessions, and help provide assistance in keeping Scouts orderly and attentive. By doing this, leaders will be able to get the same tips the Scouts get, and help with the quality of the training.

WEBELOS SCOUTS are asked not to participate in this training. It is age and rank appropriate for Boy Scouts; Webelos will have the opportunity to participate after they become Boy Scouts.

SPACE IS LIMITED TO THE FIRST 300 PAID PARTICIPANTS REGISTERED! REGISTER ON-LINE AT www.midiowacouncilbsa.org

MAKE YOUR RESERVATION EARLY – NO LATER THAN JANUARY 20, 2015.

ROUNDTABLE FOR FUN AND KNOW-HOW

Give your program a lift! Let's get our leaders trained. How to do that? Many options for you include attending a District Training event, complete the training online, OR go to a Roundtable. Roundtables are the 2nd Thursday of each month. We are offering the following trainings to those attending.

Here is the schedule for the training opportunities at Roundtable:

September	Youth Protection	January	Bear Leaders
October	Rechartering Help	February	Youth Protection
	Cubmaster	March	Cubmaster
November	Webelos Leader	April	Pack Committee Members
December	Eagle candidates, parents, and unit leaders		
	Tiger and Wolf Leaders		

You will see two special trainings. First will be Rechartering Help. Do you have someone assigned to complete the form but has never done it and needs a word of encouragement? October is the time to get your answers!

Also, those nearing the end of the Eagle Trail but unsure of the Eagle Project and what it entails will have a chance to ask someone from the Eagle Board for answers. Open to all, Scouts, parents, and Scout leaders who are guiding the unit's youth. That program will take place in December.

Program Updates - 2014 and Beyond

Stay on top of the latest changes to Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting and Venturing by visiting:

www.scouting.org/scoutsorce/programupdates.aspx

- Venturing award requirements and program overview
- Updates Venturing Frequently Asked Questions
- Updates from the National Annual Meeting
- Cub Scout youth handbook sampler
- Den leader meeting plans for youth handbook sampler adventures



FINANCE

Reminders and Updates

Popcorn

- Sales begin 9/26 and end 10/26
- Blitz week 9/26 - 10/5
- Show/sell orders due 9/9 with distribution 9/19 and 9/20
- Help needed for distribution days

Camp Cards

- Remit collected funds for 2014 campaign if not already done
- Begin planning for 2015 campaign (Feb - Apr)

Friends of Scouting

- Let us know by 12/15 when and where you have scheduled your FOS presentation, and whether you would like help presenting at the meeting
- Provide us with names of community contacts that can help make our 2015 more successful than ever





SAVE THE DATE!!

First Ever...

Mid-Iowa Council

Wood Badge Reunion Dinner

Saturday, October 4

5:00—8:00pm

Fred Maytag II Scout Center
6123 Scout Trail, Des Moines

\$20 per person or \$35 per couple

This is a Class A uniformed event (with Wood Badge regalia)

The first 100 paid registrants will receive a special commemorative Wood Badge patch.

Enjoy Scouting Fellowship, dinner, and a special campfire featuring a beading ceremony for any new Wood Badgers

RSVP to Darla Hunzelman,
darla.hunzelman@scouting.org or 515-266-2135
or register online by October 2nd





We've been working on the railroad

Camporee that is!

MAKE PLANS NOW TO HAVE YOUR TROOP ATTEND THE 2015 SPRING RAILROAD CAMPOREE

MAY 8 - 10, 2015

BOONE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS, BOONE, IOWA

THE CAMPOREE WILL PROCEED RAIN OR SHINE AS WE HAVE THE USE OF SEVERAL BUILDINGS AT THE FAIRGROUNDS.

COSTS:

CAMPOREE	\$22	
T-SHIRT	\$12 (ADULT SMALL - XL)	\$14 (XXL - XXXL)

ACTIVITIES INCLUDED:

- CAMPING AT THE FAIRGROUNDS
- CAMPOREE PATCH
- LUNCH AT THE FAIRGROUNDS
- RAILROAD MERIT BADGE ACTIVITIES SO THAT SCOUTS CAN WORK ON THE REQUIREMENTS FOR RAILROADING MERIT BADGE
- AND MUCH MORE

Watch for more information and updates from the Mid-Iowa Council.

Contact: Bob Folkmann, Event Chairman, rfoikmann@mchsi.com or whitjohnson@mchsi.com

WE NEED YOU AS A 2017 JAMBOREE LEADER!!!

The 2017 National Scout Jamboree will once again be held at the new high-adventure base for the BSA in West Virginia called The Summit. This exciting Scouting event will be held July 17-26, 2017. Although July of 2017 may look to be in the distant future, important planning steps need to be taken, in order to prepare for this large-scale event. The Mid-Iowa Council has already formed a selection committee for the adult leadership positions for the Mid-Iowa contingent to the 2017 National Scout Jamboree.

Out of our entire council **only 12** adult leaders and up to 4 alternates will be chosen to guide inspire and mentor our troops and crew to and from this once-in-a-lifetime event!

If you are interested in interviewing for an adult leader position on the Mid-Iowa Council Jamboree Contingent, please submit a one-page resume

which needs to include:

- Your Scouting background
- Professional history
- Additional volunteer efforts you may have
- A short paragraph explaining why you would like to be a jamboree leader.

Please note that selection as a Jamboree adult leader will bring the following responsibilities:

- Required attendance of planning meetings in advance of the Jamboree
- Full participation in a pre-Jamboree Shakedown event to be held during June of 2017.
- **Recruitment of Scouts and Crew members to fill out our jamboree troops and crew**
- **Participation in the entire Mid Iowa Contingent Jamboree tour which will begin approximately July 13, 2017 and will run through July 27, 2017.**

The deadline to submit resumes is: August 31, 2014. Resumes should be sent to the address below. Interviews will take place during the next month or two. If you have any questions about these positions please contact Alan Strohmaier, Jamboree Committee Co-Chairman at: Alan.strohmaier@gmail.com

Jamboree Resumes should be sent to: Sam S. Hawk, Mid Iowa Council, Boy Scouts of America, 6123 Scout Trail, Des Moines, Iowa



The revised Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook, #512-927 was published electronically on www.scouting.org/advancement on May 20, 2014. The previous workbook was deleted and can no longer be accessed.

Scouts who have already downloaded the previous workbook must be allowed to continue using it. They may also opt to use the "Final Plan", the "Fundraising Application" and the "Project Reports" sections of the revised version.

Changes include:

- All the general information has been moved to the front of the book.
- The "Contact Information" page is included with the proposal.
- Functionality has been added to auto-populate fields elsewhere.
- Tables have been added to expand appropriate text.
- A "Project Description and Impact" section has been added.
- "Navigating the Eagle Scout Service Project, Information for Project Beneficiaries" has been added at the back of the book. There is a checkbox for the beneficiary to indicate that a copy of the document was received.

Mini-Camp Program for Boy Scouts Mitigwa Scout Reservation



This is the schedule of available programs for Mini-Camps. The numbers in the chart indicate the maximum number of participants that can register for each program. This program is designed as an activity for familiarization and is not intended to be a merit badge instruction course, although participants will have the opportunity to continue with incomplete merit badges.

Plan to check-in at the Mitigwa Scout Reservation Camp office between 12:30 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. All programs run from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

	Climbing	Rifle Shooting	Shotgun Shooting	Archery	Canoeing	Kayaking
Sept 13, 2014	10	12	8	12	10	8

Each Mini-Camp program costs \$20. Registering for Mini-Camps is available online only. Visit www.midiowacouncilbsa.org to sign-up and to check for current openings. Event availability is subject to change. Registrations are made on a first-come basis. A participant can only register for one event. Full payment is required at the time of registration. Bring your Annual Health and Medical Record, Sturdy Shoes/Boots, Leather Work Gloves, Rain Gear, and a Water Bottle.

We will provide trained instructors and all supplies for a safe and successful event. Scouts will have the opportunity to complete some merit badge requirements. Bring a Blue Merit Badge Card with participant information completed.



Climbing Program Notes:

This program is designed to offer instruction and practice for Scouts wanting to learn the basics of climbing and rappelling.

Archery Program Notes:

This program is designed to help your youth enjoy the sport of archery.



Shooting Sports Program (Shotgun and Rifle) Notes:

This program is designed to help your youth enjoy shooting sports. Please specify Shotgun or Rifle.

- Shotgun program – the first 25 rounds are included in the cost; additional rounds are \$10 per 25 rounds.



Lakefront (Canoeing and Kayaking) Program Notes:

This program is designed to help your youth enjoy the sport of paddle craft.

- Lakefront program – must be able to complete BSA swimmer test



A few good men and women to:

- Advise 2 - 4 units
- Visit their meetings a few times a year
- Give a helping hand when needed



**JOIN THE UNIT
COMMISSIONER PROGRAM**
Call: Dennis Rosauer
276-8706

Outdoor Webelos Leader

OWL Skills Training is for all Webelos leaders. This training course covers the skills & resources needed to teach the outdoor activity badges and helps to provide good & safe outdoor experiences. Completion of this training is required before a Webelos den can go on a campout.

Why OWL Training?

The type of outdoor program a boy receives as a Webelos Scout will determine, to a large degree, his interest in moving into a Boy Scout troop. It is our challenge to provide him with exciting and interesting outdoor activities that meet the purposes of Cub Scouting and the aims of the Boy Scouts of America.

This is your opportunity to learn the ways to accomplish those goals, to ensure your Webelos Scouts have a great outdoor experience!

OWL training is NOT just for Webelos leaders!

It is for all Cub Scout leaders who may at some point be leading a Webelos den or helping a Webelos leader. If you are a Bear leader, now is the perfect time to go!

You will experience the training as a Webelos Scout. The training does not cover advanced outdoor skills, but rather it covers the basic skills you will need when working with Webelos.

Since a big part of Scouting is **Outing**, you will learn the necessary information and skills to be comfortable in the outdoors, and the training will allow you to be successful in providing a Webelos outdoor program.

It is best if you have already completed Cub Scout Leader Basic Training. There is very little overlap between OWL and Cub Scout Leader Basic Training, and it is essential that all leaders understand the basic policies, methods, and procedures of Cub Scouting. There is still time to pick up Cub Scout Leader Basic Training. Please note that all registered leaders must now complete Youth Protection Training.

Note: This training is offered in the Spring and the Fall.



Join us this fall, October 18 - 19, 2014 for our next OWL Training at the Mitigwa Scout Reservation!

Trained leaders are successful leaders!

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Training

Hands-On Program

This hands-on program gives adult leaders the practical outdoor skills they need to lead Scouts in the out-of-doors. Imagine having hands-on knowledge of setting up a campsite, pitching a tent, hiking, outdoor cooking—all the skills necessary to see the outdoor program of the Boy Scouts of America come to life.

The skills sessions presented in Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills closely follow the Boy Scout Handbook and are meant to serve as an adult training outline. By using these skills sessions in conjunction with the Boy Scout Handbook, trainers can be sure new leaders are proficient in the basic outdoor skills through First Class rank. Each skills session references specific chapters in the handbook. Hands-on participation makes the best learning tool, so participants should leave the training experience knowing they can show their Scouts how to accomplish outdoor skills while fulfilling rank requirements. Back home, we want leaders to feel comfortable working with and instructing their Scouts. From pitching a tent to starting a cooking fire, they should feel confident in helping their youth leaders plan and carry out their own unit campouts and exciting troop programs using these skills. With that comes great satisfaction.

Every Scout Needs and Deserves Trained Leaders

Leaders should understand their responsibilities, the aims of the program, and how to deliver it with enthusiasm and fun. In short, a Scout's participation in the program should have a positive influence on his life. Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills training helps leaders gain confidence in their ability—through hands-on, practical application of skills and proven



methods—of influencing growth in positive ways to achieve the purposes of the Boy Scouts of America. As leaders help their Scouts grow physically, mentally, emotionally, and morally, they gain satisfaction in knowing their efforts are truly worthwhile. The program structures participation much like a Boy Scout troop. From the buddy system (as explained in the Boy Scout Handbook) to the patrol method, the course uses familiar techniques to help convey the fun and fellowship of Scouting, to demonstrate the knowledge leaders need to fulfill their roles successfully, and to reinforce safety issues. Scouters delight in sharing their personal experiences, and each individual benefits from the interaction and group enthusiasm.

Who Should Attend?

Webelos leaders who have Scouts transitioning to the Boy Scout program from Cub Scouts, any adult Boy Scout leader who wants a thorough understanding of the Boy Scout program and any adult leader that is planning on going on any outing with youth.

Please note that this is the final portion of the training required to be Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster or Venture Leader "Trained". You must first complete the indoor portions of the training prior to attending the Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills session. The Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills and the Indoor sessions of Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster and Venture Leader are offered in the Spring and the Fall every year. Please see the Training calendar for the indoor sessions in your area.



Join us this fall, October 17 - 19, 2014, for our next Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills Training at the Mitigwa Scout Reservation.

Trained leaders are successful leaders!



BOY SCOUT CUSTOM LICENSE PLATES NOW AVAILABLE

For the first time, Scouters and Scout supporters can purchase an official Iowa license plate honoring the Boy Scouts of America. Here's how:

1. Print the application from our website or pick one up at the Maytag Scout Center.
2. **Return your completed application to the Maytag Scout Center with:**
 \$35 for a numbered plate, or
 \$60 for a personalized plate
3. Make checks payable to "Boy Scouts of America"
4. **Do not send to the Iowa DOT at this time!**
5. When the minimum number of 500 paid applications (from the entire state) is received the applications will be filed and the plates produced. If 500 applications are not received 100% of your money will be refunded. After we receive the first 500 paid applications the process will become automated via Iowa DOT. Plates may be ordered for automobiles, motor homes, multipurpose vehicles, trucks (3, 4 & 5 ton), travel trailers, and motorcycles. The annual renewal fees for these plates are \$10 for a numbered plate and \$15 for a personalized one and is due at the time you pay your annual vehicle

Mitigwa Scout Reservation Online Trading Post



Looking for camp-related apparel?

Look no further as the Online Trading Post is now open for business. Need that new hat or hoodie? Select your color and logo to customize. Also available are jackets, vests, bags, polos, shirts, and sweatshirts. Don't wait for camp, direct delivery to your home year-round so you can start wearing your camp apparel immediately. Select items also available in youth sizes. Order today!!

Select from 4 different logo options. Each custom embroidered



The 2014 Mid-Iowa Council Sporting Clay Competition committee is working on making arrangements for the shoot on Saturday, Oct. 4 at the New Pioneer Gun Club in Waukee. They are looking for 20-30 people (youth & adults in uniform) to assist them with the 10 shooting stations, mainly to helping with 'pulling' for the clays. They will treat these volunteers to a special 'clays' t-shirt as well as providing lunch, if they are willing to join the fun.

The committee will provide training for what's needed the day of the shoot, so they would need the volunteers to arrive by 7:00am to be ready for the 8:30 flight. If we have enough shooting teams, we will also have an 11:30 flight. (10 stations per flight). Scout/adults will need to bring eye and ear protection if you have it, there will be some on hand if you don't have any. They have also asked that Scouts are well behaved and responsible, as this is an event that shooters have paid to attend.

Please contact Darla to sign up, she will need t-shirt sizes, they will only take the first 30, so sign up fast! Darla Hunzelman | darla.hunzelman@scouting.org

5th Annual Sporting Clays Invitational & Auction October 2nd & 4th, 2014



WHAT: Teams of five follow a course of ten stations where each team member shoots at a variety of fun and challenging presentations, such as "Springing Teal", "Flushing Pheasant", and "Running Rabbits". Since pairs are shot at several stations, a shotgun that will load two shells is required. 12 gauge shells are provided. Using the Lewis Scoring System, shooters of different skill levels all have an opportunity to win.

PROGRAM: "Call of the Wild" Auction – Thurs. Oct. 2, 2014
Maytag Scout Center
6123 Scout Trail, Des Moines, IA
The fun begins on Thursday night at 6:00pm with the "Call of the Wild" auction.

Complimentary beverages and hors d'oeuvres

Sporting Clays Competition – Sat. Oct. 4, 2014
New Pioneer Gun Club
31454 312th Place, Waukee, IA

First Flight: Continental breakfast available at 7:30am followed by the mandatory safety talk at 8:15am. Competition begins at 8:30am. First flight awards will be presented during lunch.

Lunch at Noon for participants of both flights.

Second Flight begins at 1:00 with a mandatory safety talk, shooting begins at 1:15pm. Awards for second flight following shoot.

DEADLINE: Final team registration, T-Shirt size, and participant list due to Darla Hunzelman (darla.hunzelman@scouting.org) by **Sept. 12, 2014.**

QUESTIONS: Call 515-266-2135, or email

Curt Baker – 2014 Chairman – cbaker@waldinger.com
Anne Herriage – Sr. Development Dir. - anne.herriage@scouting.org
Darla Hunzelman – Fundraising Asst. - darla.hunzelman@scouting.org

SPECIAL THANKS TO THE 2014 SPORTING CLAYS COMMITTEE:

David Casten	Richard Bergez	Dutch Koch	John Kinter
Mike Kinter	Mark Romano	Roger White	Jay Coon
Terry Lebo	John Yassenko		

Event Sponsor

- Company logo on event T-shirt
- Complimentary attendance for the "Call of the Wild" auction October 2, 2014
- Breakfast, lunch, and beverages – October 4, 2014
- Company logo on event signage at shoot & auction
- Prizes, awards, and gifts for sponsored team participants
- Your company logo and promotion featured on Mid-Iowa Council's website and monthly mailer, Scout Shorts

Team Sponsor

- Complimentary attendance for the "Call of the Wild" auction October 2, 2014
- Breakfast, lunch, and beverages – October 4, 2014
- Prizes, awards, and gifts for team participants

Station Sponsor

- Complimentary attendance for the "Call of the Wild" auction October 2, 2014
- Sponsor signage at single shooting station & recognition at event

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From I-235 in Des Moines, go south on Hwy 28 (63rd Street exit) about 4 miles. The Center is on the left side of the road.

From Hwy 5, go north on Hwy 28 about 3 miles. The Center is on the right side of the road.

Register online at
www.midiowacouncilbsa.org

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 Popcorn Blitz Week 	2 Popcorn Blitz Week 	3 Popcorn Blitz Week 	4 Popcorn Blitz Week Sporting Clays Event Woodbadge Reunion
5 Popcorn Blitz Week 	6	7 District Committee Meeting District Commissioners Meeting	8	9  Roundtable	10	11  Cub Scout Fall Fun Day at Camp Mitigwa BALOO Training
12 Venture Officers Meeting 	13 COLUMBUS DAY	14	15	16	17  Intro to Outdoor Leader Skills Training Outdoor Ethics (Leave No Trace)	18  Outdoor Webelos Leader Training Intro to Outdoor Leader Skills Training Outdoor Ethics (Leave No Trace) CS Shooting Sports
19 Outdoor Webelos Leader Training Intro to Outdoor Leader Skills Training Outdoor Ethics (Leave No Trace)	20	21	22	23	24	25 OA Lodge Leader Development 
26 Popcorn Sale Ends 	27	28 Popcorn orders due 	29	30	31	