



# THE NORTHEASTER

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## CAMP CARDS ARE BACK

## Northeast Iowa Receives Gold Status for 2012



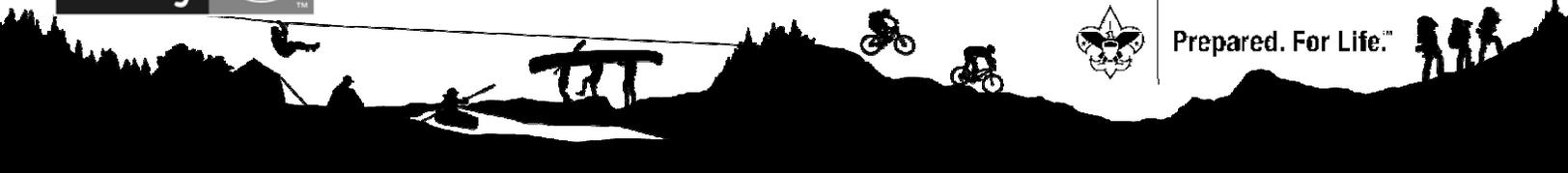
Beginning in March, you will have the opportunity to check out camp cards to sell. This is the easiest fundraiser that you will participate in. There is no cost to you and you will receive 50% of everything that you sell. The other 50% of the sales go to support our dredge project at Camp Klaus. Last year our Council sold over \$40,000 of camp cards. We have come up with a great line up of coupons for the card this year that will be very popular in the communities that we serve. If you are interested in participating in the sale please contact Dee Heim at [dee.heim@scouting.org](mailto:dee.heim@scouting.org). A big thank you to all of our vendor partners this year.



The Northeast Iowa Council has received the prestigious gold ranking from the National Office. This ranking is due to the quality program and fantastic volunteers, and staff that serve the Scouts in the Northeast Iowa Council. We all should be proud of this ranking, as this is a top benchmark used to gauge the quality of program in each Scouting Council in the Boy Scouts of America. You will hear more about this award at the Scouter Appreciation Dinner on March 2, 2013.

<p><b>\$5 OFF</b> your purchase of \$50 or more One time use. Expires December 31, 2013 Excludes gift cards, layaways, rainchecks, hunting &amp; fishing licenses, special orders, and previous purchases.</p> <p><i>More For You!</i></p> <p><b>THEISEN'S</b> HOME • FARM • AUTO VALID AT: Theisen's of Dubuque 2900 Dodge St. Hwy 20 563.557.8222 Theisen's of Dyersville 13th Avenue &amp; Hwy 136 563.875.8382</p>	<p>We do more than <b>CAMP!</b> By purchasing this card you are helping Scouts earn their way to camp, and helping the Northeast Iowa Council dredge our lake at Camp C.S. Klaus.</p> <p>MADE IN U.S.A.</p> <p>ONLY <b>\$5.00</b> <b>CAMP C.S. KLAUS</b> <b>CAMP CARD</b></p> <p>BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA Northeast Iowa Council 10601 Military Road Dubuque, Iowa 52004-0732 PH: 563-556-4343 <a href="http://www.ScoutsIowa.org">www.ScoutsIowa.org</a></p> <p>Prepared. For Life.™</p> <p><small>CARD OFFERED FOR FUNDRAISING PURPOSES ONLY. SUPPORTS SCOUTING PROGRAM. TROOP OR CREW MEMBERS MAY RECEIVE FINANCIAL BENEFIT.</small></p>	<p><b>yo so sweet.</b> yogurt bar</p> <p><b>Buy One Get One FREE!</b> (up to \$10.00)</p> <p>One time use only. Present at time of purchase. EXPIRES: 12/31/2013</p>	<p><b>HyVee</b> EMPLOYEE OWNED</p> <p><b>\$5.00 OFF</b> your purchase of \$75.00 One time use only. Expires December 31, 2013 Excludes gift cards, layaways, rainchecks, hunting &amp; fishing licenses, special orders, and previous purchases.</p> <p><i>More For You!</i></p> <p><b>THEISEN'S</b> HOME • FARM • AUTO VALID AT: Theisen's of Dubuque 2900 Dodge St. Hwy 20 563.557.8222 Theisen's of Dyersville 13th Avenue &amp; Hwy 136 563.875.8382</p>
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# Message From Key 3

Dear Scouters,

Our position as a council is to follow the rules and regulations of the National Council, BSA. You may have seen the national/local media coverage surrounding the BSA's membership standards. Currently, the BSA National Board is discussing the possibility of removing the national membership restriction regarding sexual orientation.

At this time, the policy is under review and will be under discussion at the National board meeting on February 5, 2013. Out of respect for the diverse beliefs of our chartered organizations, BSA leadership is discussing the possibility of removing the national membership restriction regarding sexual orientation. While there would be no national membership policy regarding sexual orientation, the chartered organizations that oversee and deliver Scouting will continue to accept membership and select leaders consistent with each organization's mission, principles, or religious beliefs. This revision allows Scouting's members and parents to choose a local unit, chartered to an organization with similar beliefs that best meets the needs of their family. Under this proposed policy, the BSA would not require any chartered organization to act in ways inconsistent with that organization's mission, principles, or religious beliefs. If your local unit that is chartered locally chooses to have a membership standard, it will be accepted by the council. If you have any questions about the proposed policy change please email Scott at [scott.seibert@scouting.org](mailto:scott.seibert@scouting.org).

Above all, the mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law. Our role is to ensure that we are providing a quality Scouting program for the more than 4028 youth served in the Northeast Iowa Council.

Sincerely,



**Dave Wagner**  
Council President



**Rick Leute**  
Council Commissioner



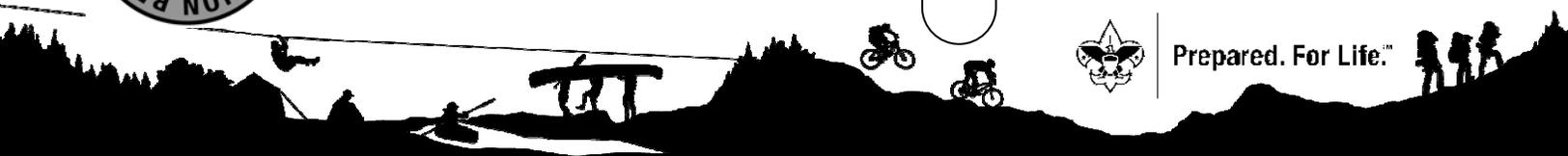
**Scott Seibert**  
Scout Executive/CEO

## Annual Meeting Notice

On Saturday, March 2, 2013 the Northeast Iowa Council will hold its Annual Meeting in conjunction with the Scouter Appreciation Dinner at Johnson's Conference Center in Elkader, IA. The meeting is open to all Scouters. Those eligible to vote are all currently registered Chartered Organization Representatives, representing chartered organizations within the Council geographic boundaries, and registered duly elected Council Members-at-Large. Invitations with more information will follow. See the reservation sheet on page 5.



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## NEW EAGLE SCOUTS

Craig Cannon—Troop 69  
Jacob Manternach—Troop 29  
Nicholas Arlen—Troop 91  
Michael Taylor—Troop 94  
Taylor Breitbach—Troop 32  
John Stavroplus—Troop 32  
Kody Blake—Troop 64  
Benjamin Guthrie—Troop 30  
John Kruse—Troop 91  
Casey Link—Troop 91  
Alex Johl—Troop 94  
Drew Wagner—Troop 94  
James Tunnell—Troop 94

## Memorial/Tribute Fund

Words too often do not express the sentiment we feel at the death of a friend. No finer tribute can be paid than to encourage some boy to live the life of a Scout, and thus perpetuate the high principles you admire in your friend. A contribution to the Boy Scout Permanent Endowment Tribute Fund is the perfect tribute.

Your gift to the Permanent Endowment Tribute Fund of the Northeast Iowa Council, Boy Scouts of America is:

- \* *A gift that will live on forever for the future of Scouting in the Northeast Iowa Council permanent endowment fund*
- \* *A Tribute to the one whom you wish to honor*
- \* *Promptly acknowledged with a tribute certificate*
- \* *A convenient way of expressing your feelings*
- \* *A tax deductible contribution and a private expression*

Remembrance can have no finer expression than through a living gift to the Boy Scout Permanent Endowment Tribute Fund. The Permanent Endowment Tribute Fund crosses all lines of religion and wealth. It warms the hearts of all involved.

### Mail your gift to:

Permanent Endowment Tribute Fund  
Northeast Iowa Council, BSA  
P.O. Box 732, Dubuque, IA 52004-0732

## Ad Altare Dei Retreat



The Ad Altare Dei Retreat will be held on April 20, 2013 at Divine Word College in Epworth, IA. Check-in is at 8:45am, retreat will conclude at 4pm. Cost is \$8.00 which covers food and supplies. Each participant will need to bring an Ad Altare Dei workbook (available at Council Trading Post), pens/pencil and paper. Please wear Class A uniform. Each unit needs to have an Adult with each group of Scouts, Adult would most likely be the regular Ad Altare Dei counselor. Scouts should be finishing

Sixth grade but not yet 18 years old.

Contact Curtis DeWulf cell 563-543-9298 e-mail [dskatte2@aol.com](mailto:dskatte2@aol.com)

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Thank you to Tri-State Shred for donating their services to the Northeast Iowa Council. We had several years of documents that needed to be shredded, and Tri State Shred did it for nothing!

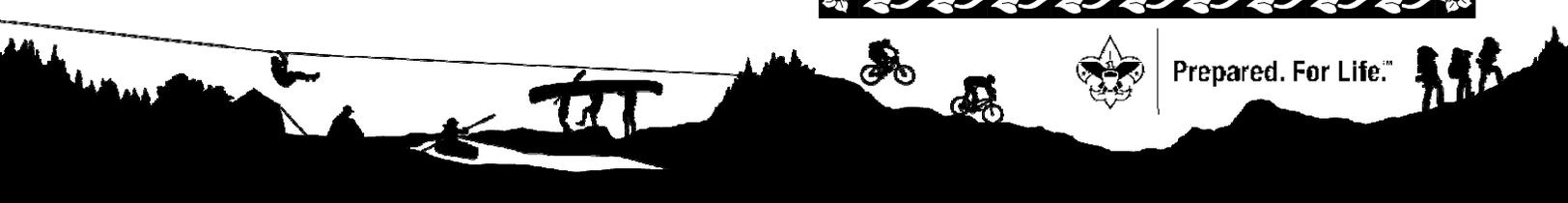
In Memory of Mary Jane Axtell  
The Northeast Iowa Council  
Jim Vosberg  
Paul Lewis  
Dick & Arlene Elliott  
Tom & Darleen Sarvis  
Roger & Judy Westemeier  
Troop 91 Eagle Scouts  
Francis Reinert

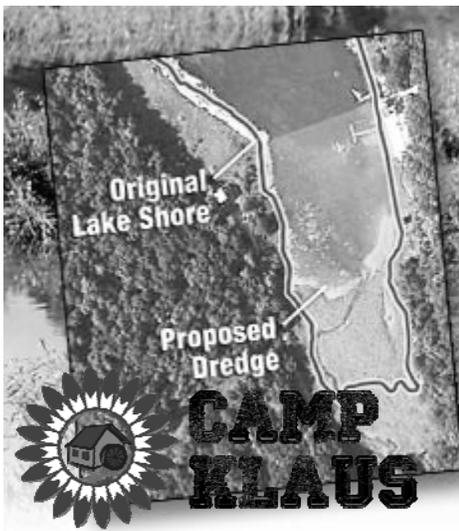
In Memory of Mary E. Lau  
Dick & Arlene Elliott

In Memory of Darrell Allman  
Dick & Arlene Elliott



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# We've had our fill...

## Help Dredge Lake John Deere



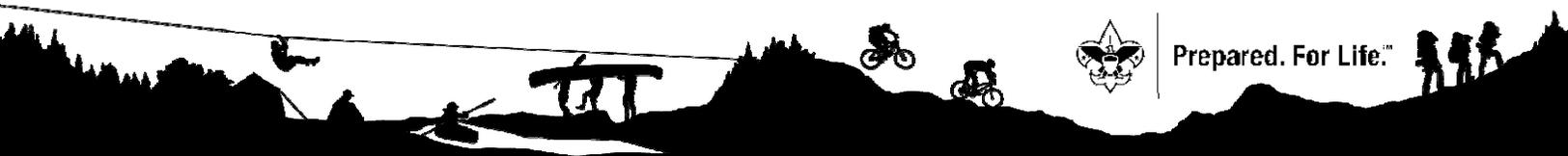
Currently, Lake John Deere continues to dewater in order for the council to economically remove 60-80,000 cubic yards of silt. It has been a warm winter so the conditions have not been ideal. We have had several wins in the project as we were able to repair our dam gate. We now will be able to maintain our flow once the lake is done. The lake committee has been busy making decisions on the silt sediment site, and working with the IDNR on making sure that our project meets all of the rules and regulations that we need to adhere to.

There is not a week that goes by that our committee does not have communication. They are hard at work to ensure that everyone in the council is able to enjoy Camp C.S. Klaus and Lake John Deere.

Currently we have raised **\$251,107** for the project! If you would like to support the project please contact Scott Seibert at [scott.seibert@scouting.org](mailto:scott.seibert@scouting.org). Thank you to everyone that has pledged their support for the lake already. You are impacting the next several generations of Scouting at Camp Klaus with your support. If you can't help financially, we ask that you support the lake by participating in our camp card sale beginning in March.



**DID YOU KNOW?** *The Northeast Iowa Council can accept mutual funds or shares of stock. Donating shares that have increased in value is a good way to avoid capital gain taxes. Please contact Scott Seibert at [scott.seibert@scouting.org](mailto:scott.seibert@scouting.org) or 563.556.4343 if you would like more information.*



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# 2013 Scouter Appreciation Dinner & Annual Meeting



March 2nd, 2013  
Johnson's Banquet Hall, Elkader, IA

Social Hour: 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.  
Dinner: 6:30 with program to follow  
Cost: \$15/person

Reserve your seat today by mailing a copy of this sheet along with payment to Scouter Appreciation Dinner & Annual Meeting, Northeast Iowa Council, BSA, P.O. Box 732, Dubuque, IA 52004-0732.

***\*\*Reservations cannot be made without payment and will not be taken after Friday, February 22nd.***

**Scouter Appreciation Dinner & Annual Meeting Reservation Form**  
(Return by Friday, February 22nd, 2013)

Enclosed is a check for \$\_\_\_\_\_ for  
\_\_\_\_ reservations at \$15/person for  
the Scouter Appreciation Dinner &  
Annual Meeting on March 2, 2013.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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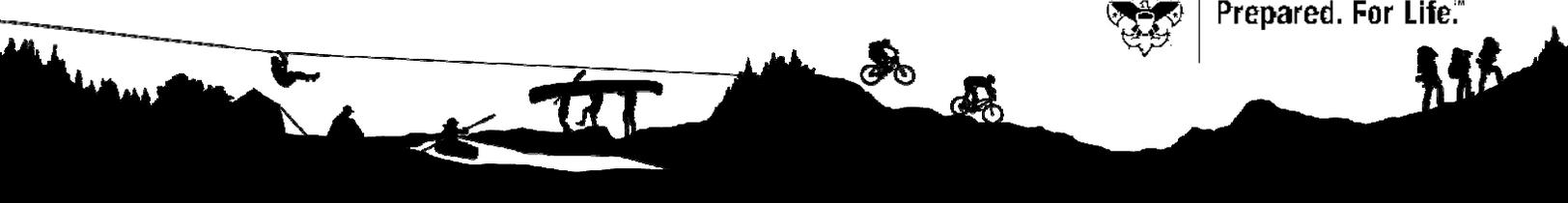
Visa or Mastercard # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Return to: Scouter Appreciation & Annual Meeting Dinner, Northeast Iowa Council, BSA, P.O. Box 732, Dubuque, IA 52004-0732

*For more information visit the Council Calendar at [scoutsiowa.org](http://scoutsiowa.org).*



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## 2012 Eagle Scout Brunch



The 2012 Eagle Scout invitations have been sent out for the Eagle Scout Brunch on February 24, 2013 at noon held at the Grand River Center in Dubuque.

This is the councils hallmark event to honor the 2012 Class of Eagles. Each Eagle that attends will receive a one-of-a-kind special memento for his achievement.

We would like you or your business to help sponsor an Eagle Scout. The sponsorship covers the Eagle Scout, parents, Scoutmaster, and sponsor to attend the brunch. What a great way to commemorate the class of 2012 Eagle Scouts on a once in a life time achievement.

Contact Colin Earl at the Council Service Center at 563.556.4343 [colin.earl@scouting.org](mailto:colin.earl@scouting.org) for more information on sponsorships.

## Catholic Scouters Recognized



Two local Scouters were recognized recently at the *Archbishop's Mass for Scouts*, sponsored by the Archdiocese of Dubuque Catholic Committee on Scouting.

**Curtis DeWulf**, from Troop 91, was presented with the *Bronze Pelican* award by the Archbishop. The Bronze Pelican award is awarded by the diocese to individuals who are involved at the diocese level and provide unselfish contributions in support of Catholic Scouting as one of the church's ministries to youth. He is only one of 6 individuals from the Dubuque diocese to ever be presented with this award.

**Peter Roth** from Troop 25 was awarded the *St. George* award. The National Catholic Committee on Scouting, acting through the local diocese, can award the St. George emblem to an adult who has made outstanding contributions to the spiritual development of Catholic youths through Scouting.

### 2012 National Youth Leadership Training

National Youth Leadership Training is a six day training course that provides youth leaders with the opportunity to enhance their leadership skill, in an exciting outdoor environment. Scouts who earn the NYLT shield are prepared to meet the challenges ahead and are better prepared to work with adult leaders. Registration is on our website and Facebook page!

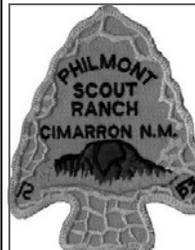


To be eligible to attend, a Scout must meet the following requirements:

- Be the minimum age of 13 years old before the first day of the course.
- Have attended long-term Boy Scout camp, attending a minimum of ten days of camp.
- Be a member of a troop whose Scoutmaster has completed the adult Boy Scout Leader Basic Training or Scoutmaster Fundamentals course.
- Be a current or prospective youth leader recommended by his Scoutmaster.
- Be able to attend the entire course and orientation meeting.

Contact: Mark Niemer at [markniemer@gmail.com](mailto:markniemer@gmail.com) or (563) 590-2751.

### Council Philmont Trek 2014



Apply for the Council Philmont Trek! There are only 20 youth spots in the Northeast Iowa Council 2014 Philmont Contingent. Revered as being the "ultimate" Scouting adventure, Philmont promises breathtaking scenery, personal challenges and many team building experiences. It is considered by many to be a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity and the epitome of Scouting adventures.

The trip is open to male and female youth and adults. Youth will be accepted into the contingent on a first come, first served basis. Up to five youth can apply as a group.

The 2014 NEIC Contingent trip is ideal for youth from small units that do not have enough interest to arrange its own Philmont trip.

Youth participants must, be at least 14 years old or 13 and entering 9th in the fall of 2014. Youth applications must include the completed recommendation from your Scoutmaster or Crew Advisor.



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# 2013 CUB SCOUT SUMMER CAMP DATES :

## Council Day Camp Dates:

- June 8-Dubuque Site- Camp Albrecht Acres
- June 15-Dyersville Site- Dyersville Sportsman's Club
- July 27-McGregor Site Bloody Run County Park

## Cub Scout Overnight 1

- June 22-23-Camp C.S. Klaus

## Cub Scout Overnight 2

- July 13-14-Camp C.S. Klaus

## Cub Resident Camp

- July 20-22-Camp C.S. Klaus

## Webelos Camp

- June 29-July 1-Camp C.S. Klaus



**Registration:** Registration materials will be mailed to each individual family for this event.



Elks Club  
Scholarship  
Recipients

We are pleased to announce the winners of the Elks Club Scholarship:

Wyatt Burger—Troop 69  
Robert Schroeder—Troop 37  
Robert Klinkhammer—Troop 69  
Jacob Hansen—Troop 69  
Ryan Strauss—Troop 7  
LeRoy Busch—Troop 11

And a big Thank You to the Elks Club for their support of Scouting!

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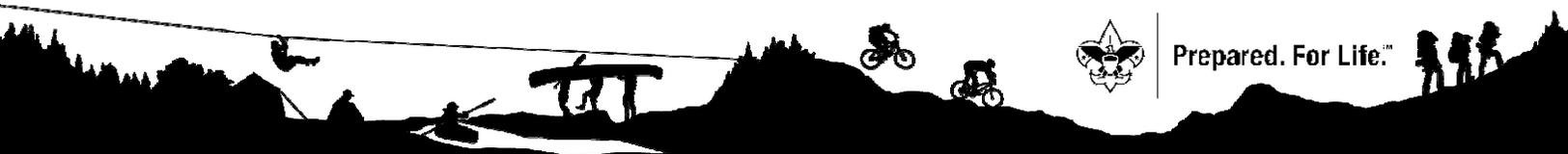
It's time to schedule your units Friends of Scouting presentation. Please email your District Executive with a date that will work for your unit. Thank you for supporting the Council Friends of Scouting campaign.

**Family Friends of Scouting Recognition Program**  
\$85.00-Limited edition collectible pen

\$125.00-Limited edition "KIND" Council Shoulder Patch

\$300.00-Limited edition "KIND" framed print and CSP.

**Unit Recognition**-If your unit reaches their FOS goal, you will receive cloth rank advancements free from the Scout Shop from May 1, 2013 to April 30, 2014.



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# DUBUQUE DISTRICT

District Chairman—Deb Siegworth (563) 589-2026; dsiegworth@dubuquebank.com  
 District Commissioner—Laura Bies (563) 451-2011  
 District Director—Colin Earl; colin.earl@scouting.org 563-556-4343 or 920-540-8015(cell)



## DISTRICT CALENDAR

### February

- 6.....Scout Ski Night Sundown
- 7.....District Committee/Roundtable
- 16.....Cubsicle, Swiss Valley
- 25.....Scout Ski Night Sundown
- 27.....District Committee Meeting

### March

- 2.....Scouter Appreciation Dinner
- 3.....Klondike Derby, St. Mary's East Dubuque
- 7.....District Committee/ Roundtable
- 7.....Camp Card Sale Begins
- 20.....District Committee Meeting
- 23.....Scouting for Food

### April

- 4.....District Committee/ Roundtable
- 7.....NYLT Orientation
- 12-14.....NYLT Weekend 1
- 14.....District Pinewood Derby Farley Speedway
- 20.....Leader Show and Do
- 26-28th.....NYLT Weekend 2

It's my pleasure to serve the Dubuque District as I have been over the last two years. I'll be working with you more closely with my new role. I've served Learning for Life and Exploring the last four years and look forward to preparing Laura as she takes the helm with Exploring.

We're going to have a fun year with much going on. Take a look at the calendar with the many fun Scouting activities we have scheduled in the Dubuque District. I urge Scouters to participate in the many activities and fundraisers, while gaining leadership, character, and citizenship.

Be sure to earn money toward camp with our camp card sale. Cub Scouts on April 14th bring your pinewood derby car and mom & dad to the district pinewood derby at the Farley Speedway.

Lets make it a fun and memorable year!

## Winter Cubsicle



Cub Scouts mark your calendar for Saturday, February 16th, Winter Cubsicle at Swiss Valley Park. The event will run from 9:00-3:00. Cost \$5 in advance, \$7 at the door. Contact the Council Service Center (563)556-4343 to register.

- BB Guns
  - Archery
  - Ultimate Frisbee
  - Arctic Volleyball
  - Snowshoeing
- \* All that you are asked to bring is your own foil packet filled with your favorite meat, potatoes, and veggies.

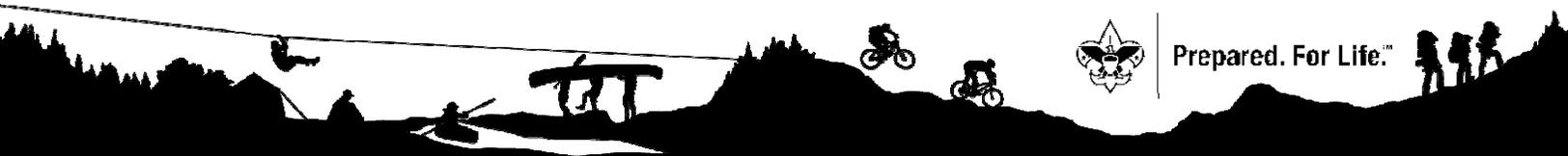
### 2013 Friends of Scouting

Our District's 2013 Friends of Scouting campaign is underway . We have a \$50,000 goal to achieve. **If you are a unit leader and have not yet signed up for your presentation date, please contact Matt Tompkins (588-1151) or Colin Earl (556-4343) [colin.earl@scouting.org](mailto:colin.earl@scouting.org) as soon as possible.**



Have you visited the Dubuque District web page lately? For up-to-date information on what is happening in the district go to:

<http://www.scoutsiowa.org/districts/dubuque-district>



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# LEARNING FOR LIFE DIVISION



Laura Cornelis, Exploring Executive 563-556-4343,  
(cell)309-798-4460 or email: [laura.cornelis@scouting.org](mailto:laura.cornelis@scouting.org)

Michele Malone—District Chair



## Spring Exploring Programs

**Loras College Computer Science:** Learn about computer programming, computer functions, robotics, and cloud computing. Last year, Explorers were able to tour IBM and learn about the many services they provide. The first meeting will be Monday, March 4th, 6:30 p.m. at Loras College Hennessey Hall, 1450 Alta Vista St.

**FEH Engineering & Architecture:** Learn and understand general art and structural design of building designs. Take part in activities and construction. The first meeting will be Tuesday, February 26, 4:00 p.m. at 1030 Main Street, Ste 101.

**Mercy Pharmacy:** In-depth program that take a look into pharmacy careers. Learn what a pharmacist does and what schooling is needed for the profession. Get hands on experience understanding dosage and measurements of medications. Stay tuned for meetings dates and times!

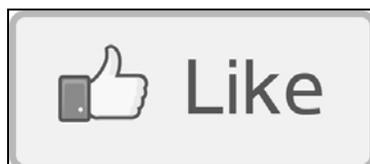
## [ExploringDubuque.org](http://ExploringDubuque.org)

Exploring has a brand new website!

[www.Exploringdubuque.org](http://www.Exploringdubuque.org)

You can learn about each program, signup, and even start a post.

Also be sure to like us on Facebook!



## District Year In-Review

2012 was yet another growing year for Exploring, and Learning for Life. Membership saw an increase in all programs.

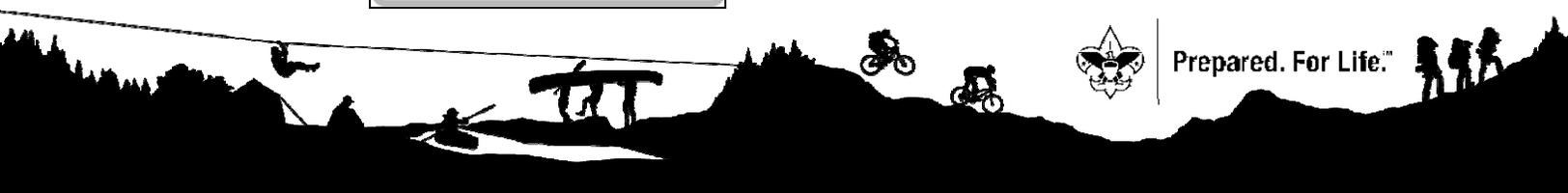
Learning for Life grew with schools participating at Camp C.S. Klaus COPE program. The program allows schools to benefit from the great high and low COPE course offered at Camp Klaus.

Learning for Life also served the entire 8th grade of Dubuque County. The 8th Grade Career Fair services over 1,400 boys and girls. Dubuque Area Labor Management and NICC along with Learning for Life help organize the career fair. Over 18 different speakers representing a variety of careers come and talk with the students about their profession.

Exploring saw a 7% increase in total membership for 2012. Four Hundred and forty-four boys and girls took part in the Exploring program!



Cattfish Charlie's Culinary Explorers prepare dinner for their parents.



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# DELLAYKEE DISTRICT

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District Commissioner—Jeremy Smerud

District Executive—Dave Langlois—563-556-4343  
dave.langlois@scouting.org or 847-812-0438 (cell)



## DISTRICT CALENDAR

### February

- 5.....District Committee/Roundtable
- 9.....Dellaykee Klondike Derby, Lansing

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- 27.....Dellaykee Pinewood Derby

### Merit Badge University Wrap-Up

Merit Badge University was held on January 12th, 2013 in Earlville, IA. This years event had classes in Auto Mechanics, First Aid, Law, Collections, Engineering , Citizenship in the World, and Adult Leader Training. The Dellaykee District would like to thank Craig Carton and Troop 39 for hosting another successful Merit Badge University. Thanks also goes out to all of our leaders who volunteered their time to teach and to all of the Scouts for attending. Until next year!



### Got Training?

Does your unit need more trained leaders? The Dellaykee District will be offering customized unit training this year.

*Youth Protection, IOLS, Scoutmaster Specifics, BALOO and much more!*

Contact the District's Training Chair **Tim Smith** at (563) 794-1260 to arrange your unit's custom training course. Don't delay call today!

### New Path to Serve

One of the most rewarding experiences I have had working for the Northeast Iowa Council is the opportunity to work with the outstanding leaders in this council. Board members, district leaders, and of course the ones who serve the youth directly all give so much to make the council what it is. They are all truly unmatched. For the second time, Northeast Iowa has not only achieved a gold status in its Journey to Excellence, but has ranked among the top placing councils in the nation. What amazes me about this feat is that the people of this council, the adult leaders in particular, bring a grounded humility to how they serve. Little is there any boasting or deceitful pride. There is only a plaque, and perhaps the opportunity to wear a patch on a uniform sleeve. In reflection on this observation, there are two lessons from the last two years in the Dubuque District that have been important to me. First, providing service is very similar to being a recipient of an reward. The principles of the Order of the Arrow namely, brotherhood and cheerful service ring true to this lesson. To me, this is why the OA is an honor society, it's not so much an honor to be a part of this fraternal order, as it is an honor to serve within it. My second lesson is that for any success one's integrity of character is shown by an unassuming nature. Sometimes in life change comes unexpected. Also as in life, working for the Boy Scouts we all have a finite amount of time to serve; within this time given, change is inevitable. The reframe to Marcus Mumford's "Below My Feet" brings this point home for me.

Keep the earth below my feet  
For all my sweat, my blood runs weak  
Let me learn from where I have been  
Keep my eyes to serve, my hands to learn

I welcome this change and my new roll in the Dellaykee District. I hope to bring with me the lessons of humility and cheerful service to the farthest reaches of the Driftless Region, or "God's Country." I look forward to the challenges faced ahead and getting to know you and the communities you reside in. Please feel free to drop me a line or invite me to your next meeting. - Dave

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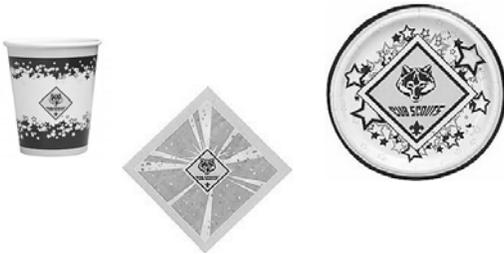
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## Blue & Gold Banquet

Dress up your Blue & Gold Banquets with the Cub Scout napkins, placemat, cups and plates. Stop at the Council Trading Post and see these great items.



## Pinewood Derby Race Day



Pinewood Races will be coming up in the next few months. Make sure you have your patches, trophies, medals and ribbons on hand. These items go fast. Place your order with the Council Trading Post (563-556-4343) and we will set the items aside until you need them. Don't disappoint your Scouts—Be Prepared!

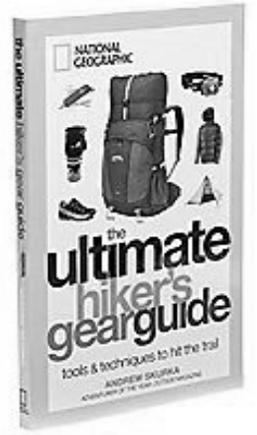


## 2013 Requirement Book

The Council Trading Post has the 2013 Requirement Book in stock. Keep your troop library up-to-date with all the requirements for the merit badges, including the badges just released. \$4.99

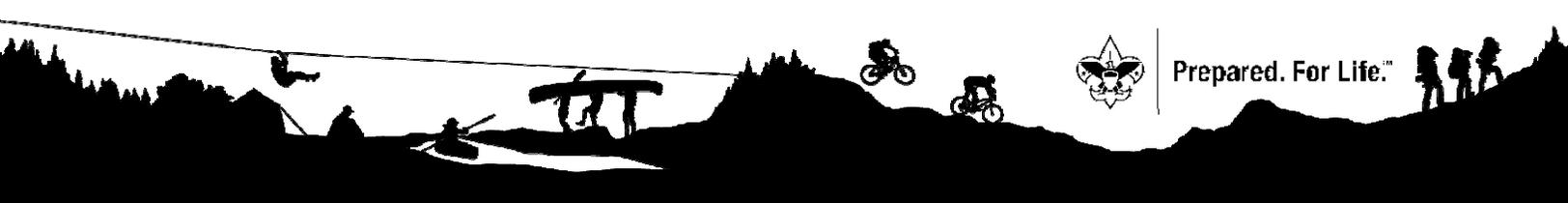
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Need an extra car, or weights, graphite, decals, colored wheels, we can help. Stop at the council trading post and check out the car alignment tool for only \$5.49, or how about the Pro Hub Tool for \$9.99 along with the Pro Axle Guide for \$8.99 or the new Tungsten Incremental Weight Kit for \$13.99. The Pinewood Derby Axle Guards will keep wheels aligned and secure for only \$3.49. We are also carrying the new Pinewood Derby Pro Tungsten Putty for \$7.99. This putty is formulated to be the richest tungsten putty available for greater weights in a smaller piece. This heavy putty is moldable and shapeable to any cavity or design feature needed allowing weight to be easily added to your racer when building or as a quick final weight solution on race day.



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## Current Resident

## CATHOLIC COMMITTEE ON SCOUTING HAS A NEW WEBSITE.

Do you need to know when the next Parvuli Dei workshop is, or details on Archdiocesan Scouting Mass? How about how much the medals for the Light of Christ or Parvuli Dei cost and where to send the order? The Catholic Committee on Scouting new website will answer these questions and more.

See their upcoming calendar, and find the order sheet to order the medals—all online at [www.dbqarch.org/catholicscouting](http://www.dbqarch.org/catholicscouting).



## A Scout is Reverent

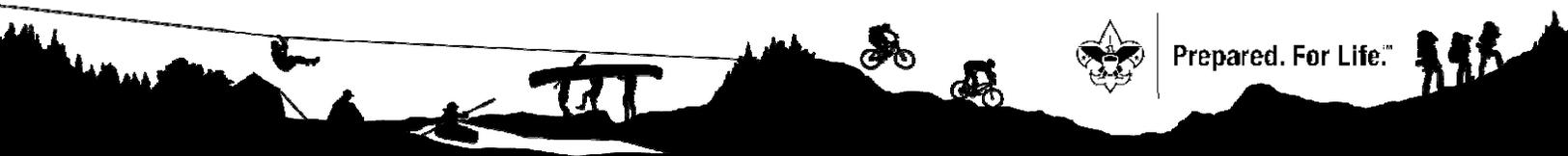
The first point in the 3 parts of the Scout Oath is "to do my duty to God and my country". The 12th point of the Scout law is "A Scout is Reverent". Many religious denominations have developed awards that youth can work on to enhance their faith.

For Protestants and independent Christian churches, several awards can be earned:

- God and Me:** Grades 1, 2, & 3
- God and Family:** Grades 4 and 5
- God and Church:** Grades 6, 7, and 8
- God and Life:** Grades 9-12

The Senior Pastor and the youth pastor at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church (the location where the Dubuque District Roundtable meetings are held) have agreed to work with Scouts who wish to earn their faith-based award. An initial meeting will be held in April. The date and time will be announced once the level of interest is determined.

Please contact Paul Lewis at (563) 556-3198 or at [plewis@mchsi.com](mailto:plewis@mchsi.com) for Scouts that wish to participate. Further details will be provided once I know the number of interested Scouts for each age group.



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