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WELCOME from your Scout Executive

Welcome to the final issue of the Nor'Easter for 2017. The Scouting year was filled with successes, challenges and some major announcements pertaining to the program.

As we end the year, someone will probably ask for your unit's Journey to Excellence scorecard. You may think of it as "just another recognition" or that it "just doesn't matter". However, this scorecard can be a very valuable tool for your unit.

The items measured on the scorecard are not just part of a way to recognize units", they are measurements that can help you determine what your unit does really well, and what you can do to improve. Even the highest scoring units are not perfect and in many instances, have areas that are lacking.

Our National office has put together a nice "one-sheeter" on "What Journey to Excellence Brings to Your Unit" (https://www.scouting.org/filestore/mission/JTE_What's_in_it_for_me.pdf) It touches on areas that may not be as visible as others, such as planning and benchmarking.

As you complete the scorecard for 2017, please take the time to share with other leaders your strengths and challenges and see what can be done in the future to improve them.

We wish all of you a safe and happy holiday season and thank each and every one of you for your continued support of Scouting in the Northeast Iowa Council, BSA.

Yours in Scouting,
 Matt Klutzaritz
 Scout Executive/CEO



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UPCOMING EVENTS

December 9

Boy Scout Troop 11 Breakfast with Santa

December 15

High Adventure Scholarship Application Due

December 22-January 1

Council Office and Trading Post Closed

December 27-January 1

OKPIK

January 3 and 22, February 14, and March 5

Scout Ski/Snowboard Nights at Sundown!

January 6

OA Winter Banquet

January 16

Troop 91 Open House

January 20 or January 28

2018 Regional Outdoor Conferences

January 26-28

Dubuque District Klondike Derby

January 28

Annual Scout Recognition Mass with Archbishop Michael Jackals

For complete event information check out the Council calendar at
www.scoutsiowa.org/calendar



COUNCIL NEWS

Appreciation Dinner

Registration for the Annual Meeting and Appreciation Dinner will open January 1st! To prepare for the evening, be sure to do these three things:

- » **Mark your calendar for March 10, 2018.** The Annual Meeting & Appreciation Dinner will be held on March 10, 2018 at the Edgewood Locker Event Center. What could be better than a night with fellow Scouters looking back at the great year of Scouting and honoring those very generous and dedicated volunteers?
- » **Nominate some great deserving Scouters.** Be sure to nominate your top choices for awards such as Award of Merit, Cub Scout/Boy Scout/Venturer of the Year, and Silver Beaver. If you have a recommendation for the Jeanne Burkart award, be sure to pass that on to a staff member as well. You know who deserves these awards, so be sure to nominate them to ensure they get the recognition they deserve! Nomination forms are found on the Council website (click the banner on the home page).
- » **Send in Photos.** Gather any Scouting photos you have of the last year (such as: camp, camporees, meetings, service projects, go-sees, pinewood derbies, crossovers, etc.) and send them to Melissa at Melissa.Neuhaus@scouting.org. A Year in Review video is one of the highlights of the dinner; submitting photos is the best way to make sure your unit is represented!

2018 Eagle Recognition Lunch

The 2018 Eagle Scout Recognition Lunch is scheduled for February 25, 2018 at the Grand River Center in the Port of Dubuque. The Eagle Scout Recognition Lunch celebrates the achievements of the Eagle Scout Class of 2017.

This year, we are inviting all Eagle alumni to help us celebrate and welcome the Eagle Class of 2017! Know an Eagle Scout in the area? Invite them to attend this great event!

More information on how you can be involved in this event will be available in January, or check it out online: www.scoutsiowa.org/eaglelunch.

Thinking about a summer job? How about working in the great outdoors?

The Northeast Iowa Council is looking for individuals who have an interest in working at our beautiful Boy Scout Camp, Camp C.S. Klaus this upcoming summer. Many positions start mid-June and are finished by late July/early August. Several management positions are available; descriptions are available at: www.scoutsiowa.org/ckstaff/. Air conditioned residence and meals are included, in addition to a seasonal employee salary. Scouting experience is a plus, but not mandatory.

Contact Serica Rowley at 563.556.4343 or serica.rowley@scouting.org for more information. Camp Klaus is located in Colesburg, Iowa. For more information on the Northeast Iowa Council, Boy Scouts of America, please visit our website: www.scoutsiowa.org.

High Adventure Scholarship

Applications for the High Adventure Scholarship are now being accepted. The High Adventure Scholarship provides two \$250 scholarships to Scouts who exemplify the Scout Oath and Law. Applicants can be Boy Scouts or Venturers participating in a high adventure in 2018 or 2019. High Adventure trips include Philmont, Northern Tier, Sea Base or a unit's own trip.

Applications are due **December 15, 2017** and can be found at: <http://www.scoutsiowa.org/youth-resources/>.



QUICK NEWS

Be Prepared - Advancement

As a reminder, the Council Service Center and Scout Shop will be closed from December 22 - January 1. Please get all your advancements in by this date.

Golf Outings - Save the Date

Are you or do you know an avid golfer? Be sure to have any golfer you know mark their calendars for either of the Northeast Iowa Council's Golf fundraisers. The Camp C.S. Klaus Golf Outing will be held on June 18, 2018 at the Lone Pine Country Club in Colesburg, IA. It is a 9-hole golf course that is full of fun games. Golf is followed by a delicious steak dinner and lively auction.

The Boy Scout Golf Classic is held on July 16, 2018 at the Thunder Hills Country Club in Peosta, IA. It is a beautiful 18-hole course played by some serious golfers, and some not so serious golfers, and followed by a great steak dinner and auction. Don't miss out!

Fighting Saints Scout Night

The Saints Scout Night was held on December 2, 2017. Over 500 Scouts and Scouters joined in cheering on the Saints team to victory! Thank you to singer, David H from Troop 48 for representing the Boy Scouts by singing the National Anthem before the game. A special thank you goes out to the Dubuque Fighting Saints for providing us a great family activity for our Scouts!

20 tips for planning and hosting the best Pinewood Derby

As Packs begin thinking about holding their Pinewood Derbies, we would like to share this resource on how to make your Pinewood Derby event something the Scouts will continue to talk about.

For the full story visit: <https://scoutingmagazine.org/2015/12/20-tips-planning-hosting-best-pinewood-derby/>

Before Race Day

1. Maintain Perspective
2. Delegate Responsibilities
3. Establish Rules
4. Host a Car-Making Workshop
5. Hold an Inspection Event
6. Gather Materials
7. Establish a Timing System
8. Use Racing Software
9. Determine Award Categories
10. Recruit Judges
11. Find Some Boy Scouts
12. Buy (or make) Awards
13. Encourage (the right amount of) Parental Involvement

On Race Day

14. Decorate the Space
15. Recruit Last-Minute Volunteers
16. Have Spare Parts on Hand
17. Serve Food
18. Don't be Too Strict
19. Keep it Moving
20. Watch for Ultra-Competitive Parents



QUICK NEWS

Camp Klaus Campsite Reservations

Units may sign up for the 2018 Boy Scout Summer Camp Season. Reservation forms are available at www.scoutsiowa.org and at the Scout Service Center. (A \$200 deposit will hold a campsite for your unit and will pay for your first two registered adult leaders.)



2018 CAMPSITE RESERVATION RESERVED

CAMPSITE SIZE	WEEK 1 JUNE 18-24,	WEEK 2 June 25-July 1	WEEK 3 July 9-15	WEEK 4 July 16-22
BALANCED ROCK (24)	Troop 25	Troop 50 (OC)	Troop 69	
BLOODY RIDGE (26)	Troop 91	Troop 834	Troop 894 (OC)	
MAPLE GROVE (24)		Troop 51	Troop 32	
OWL HOOT (30)	Troop 34	Troop 48		
TWIN CRATERS (40)	Troop 86	Troop 14 Troop 39	Troop 170 (OC) Troop 168 (OC) Troop 209 (OC)	Troop 5
DEER RUN (30)	Troop 22	Troop 64		
TRAILS END (56)	Troop 60	Troop 168 (OC)	Troop 94	Troop 11
COMMENTS				HANDICAP CAMPSITE

Camp Burton and Camp Klaus Closed in December

Always mindful of our Scouts SAFETY we close our camps due to deer hunting season along the property lines near Camp Klaus and Camp Burton during the month of December.

Due to the steep hill into Camp Klaus, once the snow flies, the road into Camp Klaus will be closed to all traffic.

Inclement Weather

When the Dubuque School District cancels classes because of snow and ice, the Council Service Center and Trading Post will also be closed. This is due to our steep driveway and rural conditions.

If weather turns bad during the day, please call to make sure we have not closed early.



EAGLE SCOUTS



New Eagle Scouts

Andrew Buelow | Troop 34

Keaton Bockenstedt | Troop 24

Joseph Link | Troop 51

Jacob Hoyne | Troop 94

Jared Hoyne | Troop 94

MEMORIAL TRIBUTE

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 Permanent Endowment Tribute Fund of the Northeast Iowa Council, Boy Scouts of America is the perfect tribute.

Your gift is a gift that will live on forever for the future of Scouting, a tribute to the one whom you wish to honor, a tax deductible contribution & a private expression, a convenient way of expressing your feelings, and will promptly be acknowledged with a tribute certificate.

Mail your gift to: Permanent Endowment Tribute Fund,
Northeast Iowa Council, BSA
P.O. Box 732, Dubuque, IA 52004-0732



In Memory of

Arthur Winne

Janice & Sidney Scott
Mary & Albert Cinto, Jr.
Beverly & Michael Curtiss
Donna & Jeffrey Haun
Margie & Paul Grevas
Linda Judge

Bird Chevrolet Company
Harriet Heitzman

Jeanne & Brendan Quann
Kathleen Klein

Patricia & Mark Miller
Geraldine & James Walsh

Diane & Douglas Brotherton
Maureen Quann

John McLaughlin & Patricia Wasek
Elizabeth & Ronald Miller

Nancy Wilson & the Winne Family
Heartland Financial

Carol & Arthur Senn, Sr.
Mandy Smith

Jane & Joseph Bowerman

John Lampers

Boy Scout Troop 48

VIDEO SPOTLIGHT

Since February 8, 1917 the Northeast Iowa Council, Boy Scouts of America strives to follow its mission by improving our youth membership, educational programming, and council owned facilities. The council has impacted numerous lives over the past 100 years. Check out the stories below to know what impact Boy Scouts can have on an individual, a family and whole communities.



Jim Vosberg

"I'm very impressed with the amount and the quality of the Eagle Scout projects."



Ruth and Steve Arlen

"We've seen so many young gentlemen come in, they're shy, and they don't know what they want in life. And with these merit badges they've found that maybe canoeing will get them to the Boundary Waters. And all of a sudden they decided they liked that program and they keep working toward that."

Check it out on the Council Website:

www.scoutsiowa.org/noreaster/100th-anniversary/

TRAINING CORNER

Training Survey

At the November Dubuque roundtable, much discussion was held on training. In order to better serve our unit leaders, we ask that you take a few minutes to complete the training survey found at:

<https://goo.gl/forms/LjjYRmXP8k7tVleF3>

The results of the survey will help determine our path moving forward.

Top Trained Units:

(Highest Percentage of fully trained leaders)

Packs:

Pack 32	Dellaykee	83%
Pack 65	Dubuque	63%
Pack 342	Dubuque	50%
Pack 40	Dellaykee	50%

Troops:

Troop 94	Dubuque	92%
Troop 14	Dubuque	80%
Troop 39	Dellaykee	71%

Top Crew: Crew 61 88%

Contact your district executive to see how your unit stacks up!



DELLAYKEE DISTRICT UPDATE

Friends of Scouting Campaign Kick-Off!

With the month of January coming up, the start of the 2018 Friends of Scouting (FOS) Campaign is also approaching. The Annual FOS Campaign is one of the best ways that your unit and families can help support Scouting in the Northeast Iowa Council. The FOS Campaign helps the council provide many services to our volunteers and Scouts such as: maintenance, programs, and camperships for Camp C.S. Klaus; leader training; activities like Camporees, Lego Night, Pinewood Derby's and other activities; advancement and unit records; and much more!

It is vital to Scouting that all units have an FOS presentation this spring with their Scouting families. To schedule an FOS presentation at your Unit Meeting, Blue & Gold Presentation or Court of Honor, please contact your District Executive, Serica Rowley.

Application and Charter Reminder

Please remember that charter paperwork is due to the Scout Service Center by December 15th. If you have any questions regarding the re-chartering process, please contact your District Executive, Serica Rowley.

Also, Cubmasters and Committee Chairs, if you have any new applications still in your possession, please turn them in! Thank you for a great recruitment season! Let's finish strong!

Training Reminder

Reminder that all adult leaders need to be trained for their specific roles such as, Cubmaster or Den Leader, etc. by December 15th. Training can be completed online at <https://my.scouting.org/> or taken in person.

To organize face-to-face training please contact your District Executive, Serica Rowley, or your District Commissioner, Alena Toberman. To find out what training you still need to take, please contact your Cubmaster or Scoutmaster.

Year End Review

It's hard to believe that we are almost done with 2017 and I would say that it has been such a successful year within the district! We hosted over 20 district events such as the Spring and Fall Camporees, the Merit Badge University, Cub Scout Day Camp, and District Training Events. Not to mention that our Membership and Friends of Scouting season has gone well! Here's to looking ahead at all the exciting things that will be taking place in the coming year!

During the Holiday season, the Key 5 of the Dellaykee District would like to say thank you to all the volunteers of the Northeast Iowa Council for your continued support in both the district and also the Scouting program! As we look forward to the future, we know that with your help, the district is and will always be in great hands!

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DUBUQUE DISTRICT UPDATE

Welcome New Scouts!

I would like to say thank you to all our pack leaders and volunteers for their work this Fall. Together, we have worked to recruit over 250 new boys to our Scouting Program! Please let me know how I can continue to help your unit bring the fun of our program to as many boys in your community as possible!

If you have any outstanding applications for new Scouts or adult leaders, please contact me. It is very important to the re-chartering process to have all new applications in before the end of the year. Remember, recruitment is not a seasonal event; we should be thinking about and welcoming new Scouts into our units all year round.

Thank you to everyone who made our District's Fall Recruitment successful. Also, if you have any questions on the charter paperwork or need assistance to complete it, please ask me! All charters expiring December 31st are due to the office before Monday, December 18th.

Youth Protection Training

The Dubuque District has 93% of our adult volunteers Youth Protection trained. Excellent job volunteers! We will be focusing on adult specific position training sessions this winter and spring.

Cub Scout Fun Night and Boy Scout Lock-In

On Saturday, November 18th, the Dubuque District held their annual Cub Scout Fun Night and Boy Scout Lock-In at the Boys and Girls Club in Dubuque. Scouters participated and enjoyed many activities such as dodge ball, archery, games, movies, pizza and much more. We had over 120 youth and adults participate!

Thank you to the Boys and Girls Club for hosting us and the key volunteers for the night; Jon Uzel, Amanda Wloch, Chris Erschen, Tammy DeWulf, Alan Ensign and more!



Klondike Derby

Join your fellow Scouts as you enjoy a day filled with winter-time outdoor activities including log sawing, snowball throwing, snow sculptures and much more! Boy Scouts are invited for the overnight experience, while all Cub Scouts are encourage to attend Saturday's activities!

Date: Saturday, January 27th

Location: Children's Zoo in Dubuque

Cost: \$10 and a can of soup

Check-In (Overnight): Friday, January 26th at 5:00PM

Check-In (Day Activities): Saturday, January 27th at 9:00AM

Check-Out: Sunday Morning

Please bring a dog sled, warm clothes, boots, tent, water bottle and camera.

For more information, check out the Council Calendar!



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EXPLORING UPDATE

Exploring Programs

We've had a great amount of student participation this year; close to 200 students! While all of our fall programs have begun, there are a few programs that still have some spaces open: Diesel Mechanics, Civil Engineering, and Conservation & Wildlife Management. We are also trying to round up several more students for the new Hotel Management program.

We are excited to have a few Posts kick-off their programs in January. IJW's Civil Engineering Post is returning, as well as Capri College's Cosmetology Post. We are also anticipating the return of a Computer Science Post. There is lots to look forward to in 2018!

Additional Session

Cottingham & Butler will be holding a Sales & Business Exploring session on December 7th from 6:30-8:00 PM. All current Exploring participants are invited to participate in the free event.

MARKETING UPDATE

Giving Tuesday

November 28, 2018 was Giving Tuesday, the global day of giving fueled by the power of social media and collaboration. Observed on the Tuesday following Thanksgiving and the widely recognized shopping events Black Friday and Cyber Monday, #GivingTuesday kicks off the charitable season, when many focus on their holiday and end-of-year giving.

While Giving Tuesday has come and gone, we know the giving spirit of our Scouters continues beyond a specific date. As such, we want to share with you some of the many ways you can support Scouting. Through your support of Scouting, you're helping young people grow to become citizens who are trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent.

Beyond supporting Scouting financially, there are many ways that you can give to Scouting.

- » Contact your Human Resources representative to see if they will match your Friends of Scouting donation.
- » Volunteer some of your time with your Pack, Den, Troop, Crew, or Council.
- » Thank a leader, after all, all leaders are volunteers.
- » Share your love of Scouting on social media.
- » Ask another family or family member to join Scouting. (<http://www.scoutsiowa.org/join/>)
- » Fulfill your 2017 Friends of Scouting pledge.
- » Donate items to be used as auction or raffle items in the council's Golf fundraising events.
- » Assemble a team to participate in a council golf fundraiser.
- » Check with your employer if they donate to charities that you donate your time to.
- » Post a picture of your Scouts recent Scouting adventure.
- » Donate any old or used uniforms to your unit.
- » Congratulate an Eagle Scout. (<http://www.scoutsiowa.org/eagle-scouts-corner/>)
- » Nominate a volunteer for an award. (<https://scoutingevent.com/178-AppreciationDinner>)
- » Support local Scouting units fundraisers.
- » Sponsor an Eagle & his parents at the Eagle Recognition Lunch (<https://scoutingevent.com/178-EagleLunch>)



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Phone & e-mail orders are always welcomed!

Holiday Gifts

A Great Hit with Scouts

The stocking hats with the built-in lights are one of the most popular Christmas gifts for Scouts. The hat has Ultra Bright LED technology to provide you with the perfect hands-free flashlight for camping, fishing, hunting, walking, reading, auto and home repair, and so much more. One size fits all. We have a Cub Scout version and a Boy Scout version.



\$21.99 ea.

Decorating the House for Christmas

Adding the Lighted Tent to your Christmas village will remind you year after year what a great time you had camping with the Scouts. The tent can also be used at Court of Honors, Eagle Ceremonies or Blue & Gold Banquets as table decorations.



\$14.99

PINEWOOD DERBY

Official and Pit Crew Only!

Organization and crowd control is the key to a great Pinewood Derby Race. We can help! We have caution tape that will wrap around event areas to create a fun, "official" race-day look. It's a great way to attract people to certain areas and restrict access to others. Roll of yellow caution tape features Pinewood Derby® logo and "Officials and Pit Crew Only!" lettering repeated along its 75' length. Made of polyethylene material.

\$3.99

Pinewood Derby Participation Ribbons

Recognize everyone for participating in the Pinewood Derby!

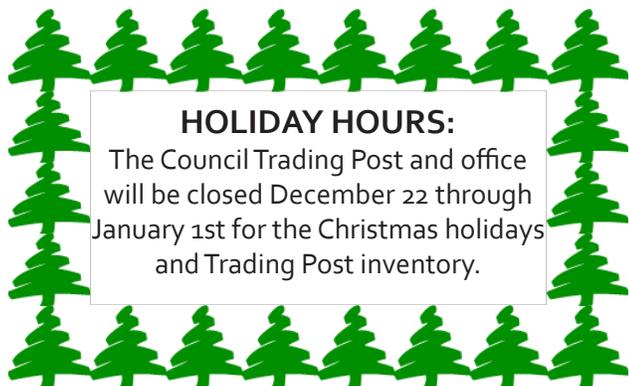
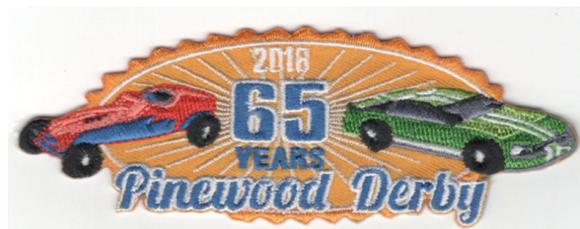
These award ribbons are printed with the Cub Scout™ Pinewood Derby® logo and "PARTICIPANT" lettering on a vibrant, multicolor background. Each piece is pointed, strung with a tassel, and includes an event card on the back.



\$6.99/PKG of 10 ribbons

65th Anniversary of the Pinewood Derby

We commemorate the 65th Anniversary of the Pinewood Derby with a special 2018 Pinewood Derby patch. Call Dee in the Trading Post and place your order early \$1.79 each.



HOLIDAY HOURS:

The Council Trading Post and office will be closed December 22 through January 1st for the Christmas holidays and Trading Post inventory.

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10% off All Spiral Handbooks in Stock

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10601 Military Rd., Dubuque
Not valid on previous sales.

Expires December 21, 2017

May not be used in conjunction with any other coupon.
Must bring coupon or mention the coupon to receive this discount!

