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Important Dates

January 2015

- 1 - Scout Shop & Office closed for New Year's
- 2 - Scout Shop & Office closed for Inventory
- 2-4 - Winter Camporee
- 8 - Tanana Valley Roundtable
- 15 - Lodge Executive Committee Meeting
- 16 - Scout Shop & Office closed for Annual Staff Conference
- 19 - Scout Shop & Office closed for MLK, Jr. Day

ROUNDTABLE REMINDER



This month's Roundtable will be held on January 8th starting at 7:00 p.m. at the Council Office. Please contact David Wilcox with any questions at david.wilcox@scouting.org.

WINTER CAMPOREE



Winter Camporee starts tonight at 7:00 p.m. at Lost Lake. It will run until Sunday. The cost is \$25 per person. The theme this year revolves around the Yukon Quest! Please contact the Volunteer-in-Charge: Morgan DesOrmeaux at 907-370-7311 or Staff Adviser David Wilcox at the Council at david.wilcox@scouting.org with any questions, or to sign up as a volunteer.

[Winter Camporee Leader's Guide](#)

RED CROSS WILDERNESS AND REMOTE FIRST AID A SUCCESS!



The week before Christmas holiday the Midnight Sun Council certified 16 Scouts and Scouters in Wilderness and Remote CPR and First Aid. Members of Troops 2, 42 and 92 as well as venturers of Crew 00 all learned skills and techniques to help them save a life if professional help is far away. Lots of fake blood was spilled, pizza eaten, knowledge gained, and comradery had by all! Special thanks to Lost Lake Program Director, Jude Monte for leaving his warm Louisiana home and helping us start what we hope will become a new tradition of service in the Midnight Sun Council!

20 - Eagle Application or Project Books due by 6:00 p.m.

21 - Delta Roundtable

22 - Tanana Valley Commissioners Meeting

27 - Eagle Board of Review & Project Reviews by appointment only

29 - Tanana Valley District Meeting

February 2015

5 - Tanana Valley Roundtable

7 - Annual Dinner & Eagle Recognition Banquet

8 - Scout Sunday

12 - Lodge Executive Committee Meeting

14 - Scout Sabbath

16 - Scout Shop & Office closed for President's Day

17 - Eagle Application or Project Books due by 6:00 p.m.

18 - Delta Roundtable

19 - Tanana Valley Commissioners Meeting

24 - Eagle Board of Review & Project Reviews by appointment only

26 - Tanana Valley District Meeting

28 - Board & District Retreat

March 2015

5 - Tanana Valley Roundtable

12 - Lodge Executive Committee Meeting

ANNUAL DINNER & EAGLE RECOGNITION BANQUET



*Join Us for the
Midnight Sun Council
Annual Dinner & Eagle
Recognition Banquet!!*



The Council Annual Dinner will be held on Saturday, February 7 at Pike's Waterfront Lodge. The Council will honor the 2014 Eagle Scout Class, award 2 Silver Beavers and 2 District Award of Merit along with a Heroism Award. The price is \$38.00 for a prime rib and seafood buffet. Please come and join us! [Click here](#) for the registration form. R.S.V.P. is requested by January 30, 2015.

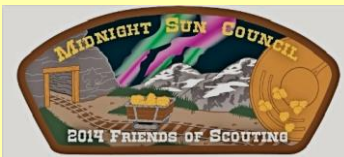
SCOUT SUNDAY



Churches throughout the Council will use Sunday, February 8 to celebrate Scouting in their congregations. Jewish Scouting celebrate the Scout Sabbath on Saturday, February 14. Scouts are encouraged to wear their uniform that day in church, participate in an opening flag ceremony, hand out programs and generally be visible. Some congregations will have more elaborate celebrations. Watch the Council newsletter and website for more information. Patches for participation are available in the Scout Shop for those interested.

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2015 FRIENDS OF SCOUTING



2014 FOS Patch

The Tanana Valley District will begin FOS Presentations to Units for 2015 starting February 1! The District will make 5-10 minute presentations at Pack and Troop meetings, Courts, etc. to make your job easier! The key to a successful

FOS drive in your Unit includes:

- * Advance information to your leaders and parents that the presentation will be conducted
- * Proper introduction of the FOS team with a statement of support from the Unit
- * Helping gather the FOS pledges from the audience
- * Follow up with those not present

14 - Super Saturday Training

19 - Tanana Valley Commissioners Meeting

24 - Eagle Application or Project Books due by 6:00 p.m.

25 - Delta Roundtable

26 - Tanana Valley District Meeting

31 - Eagle Board of Review & Project Reviews by appointment only

Goals are based on chartered youth from January roles (after Charter drops), with input from the Unit. Achievement of your goals guarantees discounts at camp (15%) and use of Lost Lake facilities for overnight camp-outs if you go over your goal (complete information will be in the FOS brochure). **Watch a sample presentation at the February 5 Roundtable!**

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SUPER SATURDAY TRAINING



Super Saturday Training will be held on Saturday, March 14 at the Council Office starting at 9:00 AM. All Cub and Boy Scout leaders are encouraged to attend. **There is no cost for this event!** Snacks will be provided. Please register with Michelle Pope at mlpope@alaska.edu or at the Council Office at 907-452-1976 by Monday, March 9. If there are not at least two people registered by this date the class will be cancelled.

Completion of Fast Start and New Leader Essentials, while optional, is highly recommended. Look online at www.scouting.org for more information.

MY.Scouting INFORMATION



MyScouting.org is changing to My.Scouting.org. The new system will eventually completely replace the original online system. The new system includes features for all Scouters and Units. Sign on to the site with your membership number (see office or your Unit leader for your number) and create a personal site (this will be with you for your entire life). You can keep track of training, notes, send out emails to your Unit (depending on your position) and more! More functionality is being added monthly. Come on and get connected! More information will be covered at Roundtable on the 8th and you can check it out at my.scouting.org!

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE EAGLE SCOUT CLASS OF 2014!





Troop 007
LDS North Pole
Christian Clifford

Troop 16
LDS 6th Ward
Dallin Wilson

Troop 42
North Star Vol. Fire Dept.
Cameron Stevenson

Troop 78
Chena Kiwanis Club
Eric Cater
Norman Rockwell

Crew 1000
Friends of Lost Lake
(Multiplied with Troop 92)
Stan Rogers

Troop 9
Am. Legion Con Miller Post 30
Ethan Fletcher

Troop 38
Knights of Columbus
Joseph Balko
Koa Land Lei Miguel Widell
Noah Tsigonis

Troop 49
North Pole Rotary
Kelsey Nore

Troop 92
Kiwanis Club of Fairbanks
Morgan Ray DesOrmeaux
Garrett Sheets

TIME TO PLAN FOR SUMMER!



Summer camp at Lost Lake is closer than you think! We've got new options available for Scouts this year, including a new Ethics and Citizenship section at camp and opportunities to work the Science Technology Engineering and Math (STEM) based NOVA awards. Regular resident camp weeks will be July 6-11 and July 13-18. A rate schedule is available at www.midnightsunbsa.org/boy_scout_camp.html. Sign up soon as available campsites are filling up fast!

Magnet Week at Lost Lake!!

Lost Lake Camp will also have a Magnet Week available this year. We will be offering a third week of focused program for Scouts and Venturers this year! Scouts can come on their own provisionally without their Troop and choose either a shooting sports or aquatics program track to follow for the week! This is a great opportunity to spend time at the range honing your sharpshooter skills or getting your Red Cross and BSA lifeguard certifications! Magnet week will be June 29-July 3. A rate schedule is available at www.midnightsunbsa.org/boy_scout_camp.html. There is a



discounted fee if your Scout is attending both Magnet week and one of the regular camp weeks with their Troop. For more information, please contact Tyler Brooks at 907-452-1976 or attyler.brooks@scouting.org.

High Adventure in Alaska



Nobody offers more exhilarating or a wider variety of high adventure for young people than the Boy Scouts of America. No place is better than Alaska. Through high adventure experiences, the Boy Scouts of America leaves lasting

memories of youth and foster development in character and leadership. We'll pack the food and handle transportation so you don't have to.

The cost starts at \$195 per Scout registered in the Midnight Sun Council (a steep discount!). If you are interested in joining the Midnight Sun Council High Adventure Committee, or for more information please contact David Wilcox at david.wilcox@scouting.org.

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MERIT BADGE POWWOW!!



There will be a Merit Badge Powwow hosted by Troop 2 on Saturday, Feb. 28 and Saturday, Mar. 7 starting at 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Event will be located at 1500 Cowles Street; cost is \$15 per Scout and \$5 per Adult. The fee includes two lunches and a patch. Please contact Staff Adviser

David Wilcox at the office at 907-452-1976 or Volunteer-in-Charge Tyson Forbush at 208-351-8991 with any questions.

[Merit Badge Powwow Flyer](#)

THANK YOU TO OUR 2014 GOLDEN EAGLES



The Golden Eagle Club is a group of Scouting benefactors who contribute \$1000 or more annually to the general operations fund of the Midnight Sun Council. **A special thank you to our**

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