



MIDNIGHT SUN COUNCIL

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Important Dates

- May 2015**
- 2 - Be My Neighbor Day
 - 7 - Tanana Valley Roundtable (FOS Celebration!)
 - 9 - Clean Up Day
 - 14 - Lodge Executive Committee Meeting

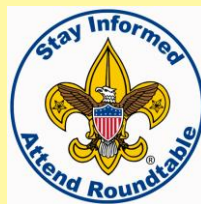
Friends of Scouting Celebration!



Come join us at the FOS Celebration, held May 7th at 6:00 pm (before Roundtable) at the Council Service Center. This is a congratulations party for the Troops and Packs that have met their Friends of Scouting goal. There will be food, prizes, and fun for all! Below is a list of the Packs, Troops and Crews that have made their goal.

Pack 1002	Pack 1003	Pack 1016	Pack 1092
Pack 1551	Pack 2011	Pack 2075	Troop 1002
Troop 1003	Troop 1009	Troop 1016	Troop 1042
Troop 1047	Troop 1092	Troop 1392	Troop 2011
Troop 2075	Crew 1003	Ship 1776	

Roundtable Reminder



This month's Roundtable will be held on Thursday, May 7th starting at 7:00pm. This month's themes are about health, fitness and camping! For more information, contact Jack or [Cat DeFabio](#).

District Picnic



The Tanana Valley District Picnic is our annual gathering of District and Unit Volunteer staff. We gather to celebrate a great year of Scouting, learn about summertime activity ideas

- 15-17 - Spring Camporee
- 19 - Eagle Application or Project Books due by 6:00pm
- 20 - Delta Roundtable
- 21 - Tanana Valley Commissioners Meeting
- 22-23 - OA Spring Ordeal
- 25 - Scout Shop & Office closed in observance of Memorial Day
- 26 - Eagle Board of Review and Project Reviews by appointment only
- 28 - Tanana Valley District Meeting
- 29-30 - Lost Lake Work Weekend
- 29-30 - Outdoor Leadership Skills Training

June 2015

- 3-6 - Cub Scout Day Camp
- 11 - District Picnic
- 11 - Pre-Camp Leader's Meeting
- 15-20 - National Youth Leadership Training
- 22-27 - Staff Week at Lost Lake Camp
- 23 - Eagle Application or Project Books due by 6:00pm
- 29-July 3 - Magnet Week at Lost Lake Camp
- 30 - Eagle Board of Review and Project Reviews by appointment only

July 2015

- 3 - Scout Shop & Office closed in observance of Independence Day
- 6-11 - Week 1 of Boy Scout Summer Camp at Lost Lake
- 13-18 - Week 2 of Boy Scout Summer Camp at Lost Lake
- 21 - Eagle Application or Project

and enjoy some great food. All Midnight Sun Council Scouting families are invited to join us at our annual celebration! **The District Picnic is being planned for June 11th (followed by the Pre-camp Leaders Meeting).** Location and Time: TBA. Please bring a side or dessert to share. The District will provide meat, condiments and drinks. Please call the Council Office to R.S.V.P.

Be My Neighbor Day!



We need volunteers tomorrow, email [Tasmine](#) if you can help! We are working with some incredible partners to make this big day possible! Please thank The Fred Rogers Company, KUAC Kids Club, Fairbanks Community Food Bank, Calypso Farm and Ecology Center, The North Star Council on Aging/Fairbanks Senior Center, and Green Star of Alaska!

Join us all to welcome a very special guest, Daniel Tiger! Bring the entire family to the Food Bank at 725 26th Avenue from 1:00-4:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 2nd. Everyone will learn about things kids of all ages can do to help out in our Fairbanks Community!

Don't forget to gather one or more new or lightly used backpacks and pick up some shelf-stable kid friendly snacks for the Food Bank on the day of the event! Daniel Tiger says "See you soon, Fairbanks!"

Clean Up Day is Right around the Corner



Volunteers are needed to help hand out bags at the Scout Service Center now until May 8 during office hours (10am to 6pm) in preparation for Cleanup Day on Saturday, May 9. The Council Service Center is serving as the distribution and signup point for the community-wide event. Bags and area signups are available now and at Roundtable May 7. Community Service Vests are available for checkout, first come first served at the Council Office. We are also helping to organize the Trash Bash (a fun thank you to the community) from 11am to 2pm on May 9. We will need help setting up, serving food and cleaning up afterward. Please contact [Tasmine Stebbins](#) at the Council Office to sign up.

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Youth Protection Methods Reinforced



Books due by 6:00pm

28 - Eagle Board of Review and Project Reviews by appointment only

28-Aug. 8 - Boy Scout World Jamboree in Japan

Congratulations to our Newest Eagle Scouts!



Joseph Lee Stone
Troop 2 - LDS 2nd Ward

Jonathan David Gates
Troop 42 - North Star Vol.
Fire Dept.

Tyler Kekoa Staley
Troop 35 - LDS Salcha Branch

OA Spring Ordeal

The Order of the Arrow Ordeal will take place at the same time as the Lost Lake work weekend (May 29-31). Call out will be at Spring Camporee and letters are in the mail to notify all the candidates.

New Sea Scout Ship Organized

A Sea Scout Ship was organized in Fairbanks for those youth interested in boating as a hobby or career. For more information contact Jack DeFabio at 540-908-5326. Youth ages 13 to 20 may apply.

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Midnight Sun Camperships

The Council maintains a campership fund that distributes funds to campers needing financial assistance to any of the Council camps.

The Midnight Sun Council Board voted at the April Board Meeting to make **Youth Protection Training required for all adult positions yearly**. The BSA, over 25 years ago, started one of the most comprehensive and first efforts by youth agencies to set up guidelines and training to protect our youth. Many of those guidelines have been duplicated in other organizations and continue to protect our youth. Guidelines such as 2-deep leadership, no one-on-one boy/adult associations, training for parents, youth and leaders, approval of all adults working with youth by Chartered Partners, criminal background checks, all have been valuable in watching over our youth as well as protecting adults. **The Council is striving for 95% Youth Protection Trained Leaders. A person's registration in the Council will be under question without the training. All new leaders need to submit the Certificate of Completion with their new adult form.** To complete this training, go to my.scouting.org.



Cub Scout Day Camp

This year the theme for Cub Scout Day Camp is *Cub Scouts on the Go!* There is an exciting program planned for June 3rd-6th at Birch Hill Recreation Area. Sign up is available at the Council Office, along with the Leader's Guide. Registration is requested by May 1st to receive the early-bird discount. **Cost per Cub Scout is \$75 before May 1st! The fee after May 1st will be \$85 per Cub Scout.** Contact [Tammy Illguth](#) for additional information.

[Day Camp Leader's Guide](#)



Spring Camporee

Spring Camporee is set for May 15-17. This event will be held at Harding Lake Campground, cost is \$17.25 per Scout and \$5.75 per Adult (with FOS discount it is \$15 per Scout and \$5 per Adult). **Camporee will begin with a capture the flag event using Nerf swords and axes, followed by a cracker barrel. The following day will include a golden skillet competition, a bonfire classic, and catapult construction! Come prepared to have tons of fun!** Below is the flyer and signup form. For more information, contact volunteer chair [Jeff Rogers](#) at 328-8044, or staff adviser [David Wilcox](#).

[Spring Camporee Signup](#)

Help Out at the Hospice Plant Sale

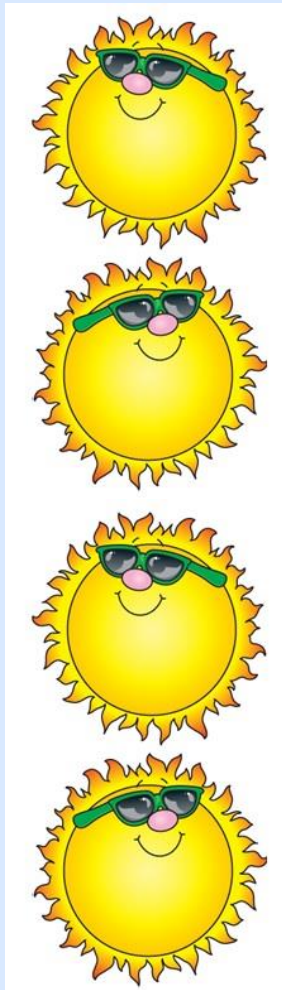


Every year Hospice holds a plant sale on Memorial Day weekend to raise money for hospice services. This year the sale

Donors add to the fund yearly and the interest is used for camperships. A youth may apply for all or part of any Day Camp or Scout Camp registration fee. Deadline this year for the volunteer selection committee is June 5. Applications are available at www.midnightsunbsa.org.

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will be on Saturday, May 23rd from 9 to 4 pm.

We would like to have a Boy Scout troop help with the plant sale. Duties would include helping people carry plants to their cars and helping with other light duties throughout the day.

If your troop is interested, please contact Monte Landis at hospiceplantsale@gmail.com or at 978-9160.



Lost Lake Scout Camp

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 on 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. **Sign up soon, available campsites are filling up fast! Week one is full! Staff applications are still available at www.midnightsunbsa.org.**



Lost Lake Magnet Week

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 some 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. Cost for Magnet Week is \$175 per Scout! 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 the Council Office.

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Outdoor Leadership Skills Training



This is required training for Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters that will teach all of the outdoor requirements from Tenderfoot to 1st Class. The course is scheduled for May 29-30 at Lost Lake Camp. **The cost is \$25 per person.** Contact Jack DeFabio at 540-908-5326 for more information.

National Youth Leadership Training



National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) is an exciting program designed to provide Scouts, Venturers and Sea Scouts with leadership training and experience. This program is offered June 15-20 at Lost Lake Camp. **The cost is \$225 per person (with FOS discount price is \$195 per person).** Sign up is available at the Council Office.

Call to reserve your spot at 907-452-1976!



Lost Lake Work Weekend

The Lost Lake Work Weekend is approaching May 29-30. The Council will provide Breakfast and Lunch on Saturday, units may camp in the unit sites (Cabins and Coldfoot are taken by the JROTC

Camp going on concurrently). Lists of projects and fun things to do are being prepared and food is being arranged. You may camp overnight for one or two nights or come for the day. **Projects can be viewed with Gary at the Council Office or Ranger at Camp. Projects are from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm.** Hikes to Inspiration and Mitchell Points are always a highlight. **There is no charge for this event.** Some of the projects available for work on the weekend include:

- Groseclose Trail - adopt a trail program, vista trails and benches
- National Youth Leader Training Shelter and fire pit
- High Adventure Cabins - Foundation construction
- Painting - Shooting Sports
- Painting - Scoutcraft Area
- Cabin painting



Council Service Center Help Needed

The Council has an office work day on May 5th. There will be need for some landscaping, painting, cleaning and overall "freshening up" of the Service Center. **We**

will be starting at 10:00 a.m. and go to 5:00 p.m. for a BBQ. Lunch will be provided. Call Gary at the Office at 907-452-1976 for tools, dress and available projects.

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Scout Family Camp

Family Camp is being planned for August 14-15 at Lost Lake Scout Camp. Family Camp is a weekend camp that will handle all the food and program necessities, while still having plenty of time for all Scouts (both Cub and Boy Scouts) and their families to go hiking, fishing, etc. Cost is \$38.50 for Scouts and \$25.00 for adults and siblings. Yes the 15% FOS Discounts apply. All food is

supplied for the 2 ½ days. Contact [Tyler Brooks](#) at the Council Office for more information.

2015 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 2015 Golden Eagle Club members:

Stephen Adamczak	Alaska Riverways	Bill Beistline
Albert Bell	Larry Bennett	Bower's Office Supply
Tim Cline	Jeff Cook	Skip Cook
Conoco Phillips Alaska, Inc.	Wallace Cox	Design Alaska, Inc.
Shane Duval	Fairbanks Gold Mining	Robert Groseclose
GVEA Goodcents Foundation	Vince Haneman	Rodger Hughes
Robert Hull	Gary Lewis	Travis Lewis
Ben Lomond, Inc.	Jim Lund	Drena McIntyre
NRA Foundation, Inc.	Optimist Club of Fairbanks	Nicole Pittman
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