

**Subject:** Midnight Sun Council October News - Freeze Up Canoe Race, Popcorn Orders, and Super Saturday!

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### Important Dates

#### October 2015

- 1 - Tanana Valley Roundtable
- 3 - Freeze Up Canoe Race

### Roundtable Reminder

This months Roundtable will be held on Thursday, October 1st starting at 7:00pm. The theme for this roundtable is transportation safety. For more information, or any questions you have, contact the Council Office at 907-452-1976.



**For the School Year (Aug.-May), the Scout Shop will be open on Roundtable nights (1st Thursday of the month) from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm.**

### Recharter Training!

Recharter training for the Tanana Valley District will start at 7pm, at the same time as the October 1st **and** the November 5th Roundtables. A representative from each Charter Partner or Unit should be present for the 45 minute training. **Recharter packets will be available for pickup on Thursday October 1st from 6:45-7:00 p.m. for those already trained. If you have any questions please contact the Scout Office at 452-1976.** After the training you will have time to sign out your packets, ask questions. Included in the packets this year will be an email request form. This is to assist in updating the Council's records so that leaders and parents can receive up-to-date information.



8 - Lodge Executive Committee Meeting

9 - Unit popcorn orders due via Trails-end.com

**13 - Scout Shop and Office will open late at 2:00 p.m.**

15 - Tanana Valley Commissioners Meeting

17 - Introduction to Leadership Skills

19 - Scout Shop and Office closed for Alaska Day

20 - Eagle Application or Project Books due by 5:00 pm

21 - Delta Roundtable

22 - Tanana Valley District Meeting

24 - Super Saturday Training

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

28 - V.O.A.

30-31 - Tentative Popcorn Pickup  
**November 2015**  
5 - Tanana Valley Roundtable

12 - Lodge Executive Committee Meeting

12 - Tanana Valley Commissioners Meeting

18 - Delta Roundtable

19 - Tanana Valley District Meeting

20-21 - Lodge Leader Development

25 - V.O.A.

26-27 - Scout Shop and Office closed for Thanksgiving

27-28 - OA NLS Seattle

30 - Popcorn Money due by 5:00pm

**December 2015**

## Advancements

Unit Leaders - It is extremely important that all awards have been properly documented. In the Recharter packets are the advancement reports for all the youth. Please review them carefully and if there are any problems (i.e., missing ranks, merit badges, etc), please bring them in to the Council Office so that they can be entered promptly.

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## Freeze Up Canoe Race

The Freeze Up Canoe Race will be held on Saturday, October 3 starting at 10am until Noon. Registration begins at 9am at the Chena Wayside Camp Ground off Geraghty Street. The ending location will be at Pike's Landing. Contact the Council Office for more information.



## Tanana Valley District Committee

We've taken the jumper-cables to the district committee and it's off and running! Many key positions have been filled but there are still some vacancies as well as much more room for committee members at large. We'd like every unit to send a delegate to the district so everyone can have a say in what happens!  
(If you are reading this call 452-1976 and say "Every Scout Deserves A Trained Leader!" You will be entered into a drawing for the \$25 Amazon gift card).



### Tanana Valley District Committee Officers:

District Chair: Collin Cogley  
District Vice-Chair: Heidi Giles  
District Commissioner: Tyson Forbush  
District Membership Chair: Cindy Mascadri  
District Finance Chair: **VACANT**  
District Program Chair: Jeff Rogers  
District Training Chair: Pat DeMerritt  
District Camp Promotions Chair: Paul Hoff  
District Awards and Advancement Chair: **VACANT**  
District Activities and Service Chair: **VACANT**

## Super Saturday Training

The date for Super Saturday has been changed by the District Committee. Super Saturday Training will now be held on Saturday, October 24th at the Council Office starting at 10:00 AM. All Cub and Boy Scout leaders are encouraged to attend. **Eagle Scout Training will be offered at 9:00 a.m. on Super Saturday with Teresa. All Boy Scouts and Scout Leaders are encouraged to attend this training to learn the stages of**



- 3 - Tanana Valley Roundtable
- 3 - Rechartering Due
- 8 - Eagle Application or Project Books due by 5:00 pm
- 9 - Distinguished Citizens Banquet
- 10 - Lodge Executive Committee Meeting
- 10 - Tanana Valley Commissioners Meeting
- 15 - Eagle Board of Review and Project Reviews by appointment only
- 16 - Delta Roundtable
- 17 - Tanana Valley District Meeting
- 24 - Scout Shop and Office closes early at 3:00 pm - **Scout Bucks Expire!**
- 25 - Scout Shop and Office closed for Christmas
- 28 - Scout Shop and Office closed for Christmas
- 28-30 - Red Cross & Wilderness 1st Aid Course
- 29-31 - Scout Shop closed for Inventory
- 30 - V.O.A.

### Council Rock Follow Up

Council Rock was an amazing weekend with cooking, crafts, shooting sports and a polar plunge! There were over 100 people in attendance. The Council would like to thank ALL the volunteers that helped run this event.



### Fall Camporee Follow Up

**Eagle Rank. Make sure that your Scouts are on the right track and get this training!** There is no cost for this event! Snacks will be provided. Please register at the Council Office at 907-452-1976 by Tuesday, October 20th. If there are not at least two people registered by this date the class will be cancelled. The online registration is now available at <http://goo.gl/forms/IXK1RT5oe1>

### Training Courses and Times:

- Eagle Training - 9:00 am - 10:00 am
- Scoutmaster Training - 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
- Troop Committee Training - 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- Cubmaster Training - 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
- Den Leader Training - 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
- Pack Committee Training - 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
- Youth Protection Training - 9:00 am - 10:00 am

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### Introduction to Leadership Skills

This training is being offered to Troops, Crews, and Ships on Saturday, October 17th starting at 9:00am. Any youth leaders who need this training are welcome to attend. Finishing this course is a prerequisite to NYLT.



For those interested, there is a lock-in on the Friday night before for any youth interested at the Council Office. Doors will open at 6:00pm, cost for lock-in is \$10 per person. This fee is to help cover the cost of dinner. Contact [Tyler Brooks](#) for more information.

[Intro. to Leadership Skills Flyer](#)

### Popcorn

Lots of Scouts have continued to come into the office to claim their prizes! Patrick with Troop 56, pictured, came in today to pick up prizes and drop off his scholarship application. He has \$4915 in sales! Here are a few things to remember. Unit sales are due to me by 5:00pm through the Trails End Website on October 9<sup>th</sup>. Please make sure that you have the correct date that your sales are due to your popcorn Kernel. They will need time to input sales so they can tabulate their Unit orders. Also, make sure that Kernels have prize information. If your Scouts have not been picking up their prizes as they earn them, ALL prize info is due to me on October 9<sup>th</sup>. This includes Scout Bucks. I will be ordering Scout Bucks the following Monday so that I can have them available for Kernels to pick-up when Unit Money is due! Kernels, if you have any questions, please email me at [Tasmine.bennett@scouting.org](mailto:Tasmine.bennett@scouting.org).



One more reminder about payments. If you are collecting checks and cash for prepayment of popcorn and you do not have a Unit checking account to deposit those funds please deposit them into

Fall Camporee was a fun weekend (Sept. 18-20) with a kayaking theme. Due to the weather, staff modified the EPIC game to a land version. There were over 50 people in attendance at Lost Lake Scout Camp.



your Unit Fund at the office. Do not hold onto cash and checks for long periods of time!

### Office Work Day

The Council has an office work day on Tuesday, October 13th. The staff is requesting volunteers to help with cleaning, organizing and overall "freshening up" the Service Center. **We will be starting at 10:00 a.m. and go to 5:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided.** Call Tasmine at the Office at 907-452-1976 for more information.



**The Scout Shop will open at 2:00 p.m.**

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### Word Search for Scouts!

#### Boy Scout Law Word Search

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COURTEOUS  
KIND  
REVERENT  
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### Venturing Officers' Association

Midnight Sun Council has recently brought back Venturing Officers' Association (VOA)! The purpose of VOA is to strengthen and facilitate communication between the various Venturing Crews, Sea Scout Ships and Explorer Posts in the area. VOA plans on running at least one event exclusively for the Venturing age group (13-21) as well as any trainings for units as needed. They are also planning on running the upcoming Winter Camporee with a disaster survival/zombie apocalypse theme! Contact [Tyler Brooks](#) for more information.



### Midnight Sun Council VOA Cabinet:

Council Venturing President: Sylvia-Lei Arenas  
Vice President of Administration: Eric Cater  
Vice President of Program: Honor Mealey  
Vice President of Communications: Scott Taylor

### Order of the Arrow

Toontuk Lodge has just come back from NOAC and are filled with energy! The Lodge has big plans for this Winter with a trip to Nanook Lodge's Fall Fellowship this month in Anchorage, Lodge Leader Development in November, and the lodge banquet in January! Also at the Fall Ordeal in August the lodge elected new officer for 2015-16!



### 2015-16 Lodge Officers:

Lodge Chief: Aaron Weiss  
Lodge Vice Chief: Scott Taylor  
Lodge Secretary: Wyatt Foose  
Lodge Treasurer: Eric Cater

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### Distinguished Citizen Banquet

The Midnight Sun Council is excited to honor Bert and Becky Bell as this year's recipients of the Distinguished Citizen Award.

Both raised in Fairbanks, they have continued to support the community, while building a strong family. Please join us on Wednesday, December 9 as we celebrate "*A Life Well Constructed*". Tickets can be purchased by contacting the Council Office at 907-452-1976.



### Red Cross Wilderness CPR & First Aid Training

The Council will be offering this excellent and pertinent course to its members December 28th-31st. The fee will be \$75 per person (course costs in the private sector can be 2 to 3 times the amount). Please contact [Tyler Brooks](#) 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:

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| <b>Stephen Adamczak</b>             | <b>Alaska Riverways</b>      | <b>Bill Beistline</b>             |
| <b>Albert Bell</b>                  | <b>Larry Bennett</b>         | <b>Bower's Office Supply</b>      |
| <b>Tim Cline</b>                    | <b>Jeff Cook</b>             | <b>Skip Cook</b>                  |
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| <b>Design Alaska, Inc.</b>          | <b>Shane Duval</b>           | <b>Fairbanks Gold Mining</b>      |
| <b>Fullford Electric, Inc.</b>      | <b>GHEMM Company</b>         | <b>Robert Groseclose</b>          |
| <b>GVEA Goodcents Foundation</b>    | <b>Vince Haneman</b>         | <b>Rodger Hughes</b>              |
| <b>Robert Hull</b>                  | <b>Gary Lewis</b>            | <b>Travis Lewis</b>               |
| <b>Ben Lomond, Inc.</b>             | <b>Jim Lund</b>              | <b>Drena McIntyre</b>             |
| <b>Nenana Ice Classic</b>           | <b>NRA Foundation, Inc.</b>  | <b>Optimist Club of Fairbanks</b> |
| <b>Nichole Pittman</b>              | <b>Prospector Outfitters</b> | <b>Ravn Alaska</b>                |
| <b>Warbelos Air Ventures</b>        | <b>Wells Fargo</b>           | <b>Wilson &amp; Wilson, CPA</b>   |

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| Scout Executive                           |                  |  |
| District Executive                        |                  |  |
| Sr. Learning for Life Executive           | Tasmine Stebbins | <a href="mailto:tasmine.bennett@scouting.org">tasmine.bennett@scouting.org</a> |
| Office Manager (Accounting)               | Stacy Brandon    | <a href="mailto:stacy.brandon@scouting.org">stacy.brandon@scouting.org</a>     |
| Outreach Director (Camp Director)         | Tyler Brooks     | <a href="mailto:tyler.brooks@scouting.org">tyler.brooks@scouting.org</a>       |
| Lost Lake Camp Ranger                     | Richard Baumfalk | <a href="mailto:lostlakeranger@gmail.com">lostlakeranger@gmail.com</a>         |
| Council Registrar<br>(Scout Shop Manager) | Teresa Knapp     | <a href="mailto:teresa.knapp@scouting.org">teresa.knapp@scouting.org</a>       |

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