



MIDNIGHT SUN COUNCIL - APRIL 2023 NEWS!



United Way
of Tanana Valley

As a United Way agency the Midnight Sun Council has various resources at their disposal to help with food, shelter, and other needs. Here is their website: <https://unitedwaytv.com/>

[To see more upcoming events and activities, please visit our website](#)

Midnight Sun Council News April 15, 2023

IMPORTANT DATES

See what's happening!
([click here for complete calendar](#))

April 2023

- Apr 15 - Board Retreat and Executive Board Meeting
- Apr 18 - Eagle Books due
- Apr 19 - Bush District Roundtable @ 6:15 pm followed by District Committee Meeting
- Apr 21-23 - Spring Camporee
- Apr 25 - Eagle Board (by appointment only)
- Apr 27 - TV District Committee Meeting at 6 pm

May 2023

- May 4 - TVD Roundtable at 7pm
- May 6 - CLEAN UP DAY
- May 10 - Legends and Heros Banquet @ Pioneer Park Civic Center
- May 17 - Bush District Roundtable @ 6:15 pm followed by District Committee Meeting
- May 20 - Aviation Day
- May 21 - OA Spring Induction
- May 23 - Eagle Books due
- May 24-26 - Cub Scout Day Camp @ Birch Hill
- May 30 - Eagle Board (by appointment only)

June 2023

- June 1 - TVD Picnic
- June 3 - Beaver Day @ Lost Lake Camp
- June 19 - Council Office and Scoutshop CLOSED in observance of Juneteenth
- June 20 - Eagle Books due
- June 21 - Bush District Roundtable @ 6:15 pm followed by District Committee Meeting
- June 27 - Eagle Board (by appointment only)

CLEAN UP DAY! May 20th, 2023



[click here or on image for more information](#)

The Midnight Sun Council is looking for volunteers to help hand out CLEAN UP DAY Bags.

Please contact Tasmine at tasmine.bennett@scouting.org, via phone at (907)452-1976 or visit our website at <https://www.midnightsunbsa.org/> for more information

2023 Scouts BSA Aviation Merit Badge Day



Saturday, May 20, 2023
7:00am-3:00pm
Fairbanks Aviation Day, UAF CTC Hangar –
Fairbanks International Airport

Pre-Registration is required and space is limited!

Sign up at the Scout Office

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH!

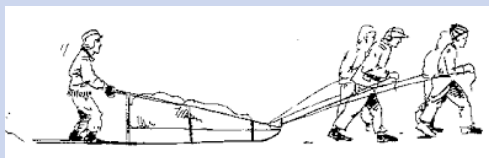


We met Amanda Foley when she contacted our office last year saying she'd like to revive Pack 6. She was a Lion Den Leader and she wanted to keep her kids in their Pack.

She took over as Committee Chair and got busy recruiting. By fall, she had recruited plenty of adults to invigorate their Pack and add over 30 kids into their program. She loves planning so she joined the district committee and volunteered with Haunted Trail, Cub Scout advancement and now she's on the Day Camp planning committee.

She has two kids, works as a kindergarten aide and she's a Girl Scout leader. We've loved working with her and we'll miss her as her family PCS's right after Day Camp. Thank you, Amanda, for everything you have done for Scouting and good luck on your move South.

2023 Spring Camporee



Klondike Derby
April 21-23rd
Lost Lake Camp
Hosted by Troop 20 & 20G

Video for Troops and Leaders:
<https://youtu.be/TuXiW0o4zAA>

[click here for flyer](#)

Link to Google Site:
<https://sites.google.com/view/msc2023springcamporee-klondike/home>

BEFORE May 6th, 2023!

[click here for more information](#)

CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP 2023!

Derby cars, boat races, crafts, BB's, archery, and more!

MIDNIGHT SUN COUNCIL
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

OFF TO THE RACES

CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP 2023

MAY 24 - 26TH

Birch Hill Recreation Center
8:30am - 3:30pm

\$100 Early Registration
After March 24th - \$125

SCAN ME
<HTTPS://SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/696-69247>

REGISTER LINK (OR SCAN QR):
<HTTPS://SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/696-69247>

+ 5pm Late pickup available for \$15/day
+ Camperships available at MSC Office
+ Discounts given for volunteering adults

Contact:
Jodi Tansky, Camp Director: 907.696.4629 / jpack201a@gmail.com
MSC Office: 907.452.1976

[CLICK HERE OR ON IMAGE FOR MORE INFO](#)

NATIONAL JAMBOREE 2023

July 19th-28th, 2023



The Midnight Sun Council is hosting a Jamboree Troop to attend next year's National Jamboree at the Summit in West Virginia. Current plans would be to tour Washington D.C., visit various museums and then head to the Summit for a week of exciting fun with other Scouts from all over the country and world. [click here for more detailed information and registration!](#)

Midnight Sun Council
Lost Lake Scout Camp
Scouts BSA Summer Resident Camp
July 9 - 15, 2023



Are you interested in camping, hiking, or just learning about the great outdoors? Do you have an interest in science or technology? How about engineering or surveying? Would you like to learn to sail or scuba dive? At Lost Lake Scout Camp summer resident camp you could explore all these things. Visit your local Troop or call 907-452-1976 for more information.

3rd ANNUAL LEGENDS AND HEROES AWARD BANQUET



Midnight Sun Council, Boy Scouts of America

Salute

Dr. Mishelle Nace, Dr. Laura Brunner,
Dr. Mark Simon & Dr. Angelique Ramirez



For their many years of care, dedication, leadership and continued efforts toward healing and bettering our community

Please Join us

Wednesday, May 10th, 2023

Civic Center (Pioneer Park)

2300 Airport Way, Fairbanks

6pm is Social hour - 7pm dinner

Information and RSVP by contacting (907) 452-1976 or Stacy.Brandon@Scouting.Org



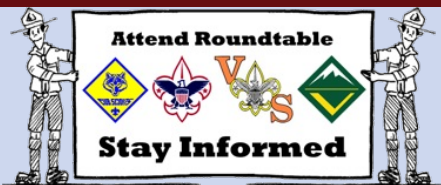
Mark Smurda from Troop 20 has been asked to provide color guard for the Senior Recognition Day, May 11th at the Carlson Center.

This is a "school day" during "school hours", so he is looking for any Homeschoolers who are interested in participating.

Uniforms required.

For more information contact Mark Smurda at troop20ak@gmail.com

CLICK ON IMAGES OR LINKS FOR MORE INFORMATION



The **next** Bush District Roundtable will be held **in-person** on **April 19th, 2023** starting at **6:15 pm** at the Mt. McKinley Bank in Delta Junction. Please come and join us.



The **next** Tanana Valley District Roundtable will be at the Council Office on **May 4th, 2023** at 7:00pm. The theme this time is "May the 4th be with you". **Food will be ready at 6:45pm**. Roundtable will also be available **online** through Zoom. Please join us by visiting the link below or downloading the Zoom app and entering this information:

Meeting ID: 845 4672 9933 Passcode: r26DUw
TVD: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84546729933?pwd=WmlmRzdUYng3MllxeCt4RUtWanVldz09>

Bring your kids to Roundtable!

There will be fun activities for them to participate!

FRIENDS OF SCOUTING

Congratulations to Troop 1047 for surpassing their 2023 FOS goal!

What is a family Friends of Scouting presentation and why is it something you don't want to miss? Courts of Honor and Blue & Gold Banquets will be here before you know it! What goes hand-in-hand with those events is the Family Friends of Scouting presentations at your unit. As Scouts, we all know the quality of the program, but we don't all know how we are able to offer it to any family who wants to participate. One of the answers to how we provide a quality program is Family Friends of Scouting (FOS).

These presentations are a chance for a District level volunteer to visit with your unit, often at a Blue & Gold Banquet or Court of Honor. This works well because units celebrate the Scouts

success, it gives a chance to also share the good news of Scouting through the Midnight Sun Council. Funds raised in FOS go to help provide training, insurance, lower camp fees, and better facilities. All funds raised through FOS stay with the Council.

If you are a unit leader and have not yet submitted a presentation date, please contact your district leadership to do so. Thank you!

For comments, questions or to donate contact the Council Service Center at (907) 452-1976 or email CJ at Clinton.Stewart@Scouting.Org or Tasmine at tasmine.bennett@scouting.org



Each year many of the Midnight Sun Council supporters contribute their Friends of Scouting donations through the [Pick Click Give](#) option. This is just another option which allows Alaskan residents to pledge and pay a portion of their Permanent Fund Dividend (PFD) in support of the youth, volunteers, and Scouting. Below is a link that takes you right to the [Councils summary on the PFD webpage](#). This is a great way to pledge now and pay later. The deadline to make adjustments for donations from the 2023 PFD is August 31, 2023.

<https://www.pickclickgive.org/index.cfm/pfdorgs.info/Midnight-Sun-Council-Boy-Scouts-Of-America>

SCOUT SHOP NEWS

SCOUT SHOP AND COUNCIL OFFICE OPENING HOURS:

MONDAY: 9 am - 5 pm

(closed from 2 pm-3 pm)

TUESDAY - THURSDAY: 9 am - 5 pm

FRIDAY: 10 am - 6 pm

(closed from 2 pm - 3 pm)

SCOUT SHOP AND COUNCIL OFFICE **CLOSED** ON

May 29th, 2023: Memorial Day

June 19th, 2023: Juneteenth

July 4th, 2023: Independence Day

GET YOUR MIDNIGHT SUN COUNCIL LOST LAKE CHALLENGE COIN! (LIMITED EDITION)!



Introducing our new
Challenge Coin.
Our logo is on the front, and a
picture of Lost Lake is on the
back.



These coins are limited edition and only 100
were made.

We are selling them for \$10 each. A perfect
gift for that scout who does a good turn, or for
achieving a goal.

Stop by the office or call 907-452-1976 to get
yours today.

**Congratulations to all our 2023 Eagle
Scouts**

Isabel Brown

Lone Scout

Denali Park, AK

McKinley Rhoades

Troop 1042

Vol. Fire Department, North Pole



*Midnight Sun Council Eagle Scout
Candidate Checklist*

*Trail to Eagle
workbook*

Visit the [Distinguished Eagle Scout Awards page](#) for more information. Updated timeline and FAQ attached.



THANK YOU! to our 2023 Golden Eagle Sponsors



Steve Adams	The Optimist Club of Fairbanks
Carol and Steve Adameczak	Cathie Tordoff
Fairbanks Gold Mine	

Stephen Smith



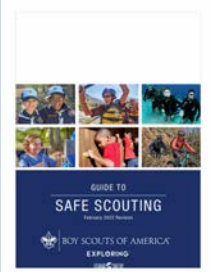
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SAFETY CORNER!

GUIDE TO SAFE SCOUTING

Few youth organizations encompass the breadth, volume, and diversity of



physical activity common to Scouting. The *Guide to Safe Scouting* (GTSS) is an overview of Scouting policies and procedures, gleaned from a variety of sources and designed to make the program safer. As the camping season is around the corner take a moment to review the current Guide to Safe Scouting. <https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/safety-moments/gss/>

[Click for Training Opportunities](#)

Did you know that there are training plans designed specifically for your position on [My.Scouting.org](https://www.scouting.org/my-scouting)?

Every Scout deserves a trained leader, and you can complete these courses at your own pace!

Please log into [My.Scouting.org](https://www.scouting.org/my-scouting) and follow the steps (Menu>My Training>Training Center) to see what kinds of training plans are available that relate to your position.

NORTHERN LIGHTS HIGH ADVENTURE TREKS ARE BACK! CLICK HERE AND BOOK YOURS NOW!!



BOOK YOUR 2024 TREK NOW!

Slots are still available for 2023.

Our Alaska High Adventure website is currently undergoing some changes and updates. Therefore it might not open for you or just partly open up. We apologize for any inconvenience this might cause.

For questions please contact Phil at phil.burkett@scouting.org, or call the office at 907-452-1976 or find us on Facebook [@NorthernLightsHighAdventureBase](https://www.facebook.com/NorthernLightsHighAdventureBase)

Birding Challenge

Did you know that members of Scouts BSA can earn the [Bird Study Merit Badge](#), and that the Birding Challenge might be a great way to get scouts started.

The Alaska Songbird institute also have experts who can help Scouts with the other aspects of the badge. Here is a link to the [Birding Challenge website](#).

If you would like additional information please contact

Noel Wein Library Need Help

The Fairbanks Library Foundation is looking for volunteers **April 17-29** (lots of different shifts available) to help make boxes in preparation for the upcoming move of materials out of the Noel Wien Library in May, due to renovation/expansion construction project.

North Pole Grange 4th of July Festival

Is offering the opportunity to **purchase a booth at the event for \$50** to sell merchandise or information to join the Boy Scouts of America (Midnight Sun Council) OR **for Scouts to come to volunteer and receive a 10x10 space for a booth at no charge!**

The volunteer positions are

their educator, Georgia Houde, at (907) 888-2121.

To sign up or to get more information please visit <http://tinyurl.com/LovetheLibraryNWL> or call 907-459-1020.

cotton candy machine, run kids games, serve food (hotdogs, drinks), clean up and possibly but not totally certain, help with the petting zoo 😊
If interested, please contact Heather Pierce at 907-371-8095 or the Vice President of the North Pole Grange.



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UPDATED Youth Protection and Barriers to Abuse



As Scouting continues to improve the safety of our youth, please visit the links below check for updates. The Barriers for Abuse FAQs were last updated 3/11/21

[Youth Protection and Adult Leadership | Boy Scouts of America](#)

[Youth Protection and Barriers to Abuse FAQs - Boy Scouts of America](#)

DON'T FORGET! **The Midnight Sun Council, BSA requires ANNUAL YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING!**

- Youth Protection training is required for all BSA registered volunteers and is a joining requirement.

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