

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 - JULY 2021 NEWS!

July 15, 2021

IMPORTANT DATES

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

July 2021

Jul 11-17 - Summer Camp Jul 20 - Eagle Books due Jul 21 - Bush District Roundtable @ 6:15 pm followed by District Committee Meeting Jul 24 - Golden Days Parade Jul 27 - Eagle Board (by appointment only)

August 2021

Aug 5 - TVD Roundtable @ 7 pm <u>Aug 7 - MSC Annual Shooting Clays Tournament</u> Aug 13-15 - Toontuk NLS @ Lost Lake Camp Aug 24 - Eagle Books due Aug 31 - Eagle Board (by appointment only)

September 2021

Sep 2 - TVD Roundtable @ 7 pm Sep 6 - OFFICE AND SCOUT SHOP CLOSED - LABOR DAY Sep 15 - Bush District Roundtable @ 6:15 pm followed by District Committee Meeting Sep 17-19 Fall Camporee Sep 21 - Eagle Books due Sep 28 - Eagle Board (by appointment only)

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

LANI WIDELL



This month we are excited to recognize a special volunteer for her efforts to support Scouting! Lani Widell has been with her husband Mike for 30 years, and they have been married for 27 years. Lani began her Scouting journey in 2002, when her son Koa joined Cub Scouts. The Scouting adventure continued into what is now Scouts BSA, with Koa earning the rank of Eagle Scout in 2014. Lani has served as a Troop 1138 Committee Member for many years, and also serves as the District Activities Chair for the Tanana Valley District. The above picture shows Lani and her husband Mike at the 2020 Annual Dinner, where she was presented with the District Award of Merit by the Tanana Valley District! Lani played a big part in our successes last year with the Golden Days Reverse Parade and with the first Annual Drive Through Haunted Trail. We want to thank Lani for her work to repeat those successes this year and are excited about what events she will be

CLICK ON IMAGES OR LINKS FOR MORE INFORMATION



The **next** Bush District Roundtable will be held **online and in-person** on **July 21**, **2021** starting at 6:15 pm at the Mt. McKinley Bank in Delta Junction. Please join us by visiting the link below or downloading the Zoom app and entering this information:

Meeting ID: 892 2927 5711 Passcode: 55163

BD: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89229275711?pwd=Z29UTnJaeFZ5Tzc4SENZZXJzbjFvQT09

The next Tanana Valley District Roundtable will be **online** through Zoom and **in-person** at the Council Office **on August 5th, 2021** at 7:00 pm. Please join us by visiting the link below or downloading the Zoom app and entering this information:

Meeting ID: 893 0165 6441 Passcode: 55157 TVD: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89301656441?pwd=V2F5ZE9vK2JLaXhETIFZd0ZKVVNhdz09

July 11-17, 2021





<u>Click here or image for more pictures and to</u> <u>see what's happening at camp!!</u>



Membership Fee increase 2021

National will be raising its registration fees starting August 1st. For anyone needing assistance, families or unit leaders should contact the Scout Office. We have a small reserve to help with registration fees and we do not want any youth to miss out on the Scouting experience due to financial needs. In addition, anyone wishing to make a donation to that restricted fund can contact the office directly at 907-

click here for more information about Summer of Service



Each year many of the Midnight Sun Council supporters contribute their Friends of Scouting donations through the <u>Pick</u> <u>Click Give</u> 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 <u>Councils summary on the</u> <u>PFD webpage</u>. This is a great way to pledge now and pay later. You can choose to add pledges through August 31. For more information, please contact CJ at <u>Clinton.Stewart@Scouting.Org</u>

https://www.pickclickgive.org/index.cfm/pfdorgs.info/ Midnight-Sun-Council-Boy-Scouts-of-America 452-1976.

More information as to why, etc can be foundhere. Click here to view the graphic for a summary version.



<u>í Oth Annual</u> porting Clays

Come out and test your aim at the Midnight Sun Councils 10th Annual Sporting Clays Event!

You and 4 friends team up and come outAugust 7th, 2021 at the Fairbanks Trap Club. You will shoot round robin style and compete for first place against other teams for bragging rights.

Various door prizes and raffles will be conducted throughout the event. The VFW Post 10029 from North Pole will draw the three winning tickets for their Buffalo Hunt Raffle. Make sure to get your tickets before they are sold out!

Event/Ammunition/Food sponsorships are available. The event committee is looking for more help! If interested please contact CJ. Shooting Team fee of \$500 includes lunch, pigeons, and shells. Team Captains can also sign up by contacting CJ at Clinton.Stewart@Scouting.Org or calling (907) 452-1976.





VFW POST 10029 BUFFALO / HALIBUT RAFFLE TICKETS: \$50 EACH DRAWING: AUGUST 7, 2021 Drawing held at the Fairbanks Trap Club

wing is for one **2.5 Year Old Bull Buffalo** at the Alaska rior Game Ranch, Delta Junction (or \$2000 cash).

2nd Drawing is for a 2.5 Year Old Cow Buffalo at the Alaska Interior Game Ranch, Delta Junction (or \$1000 cash).

3rd Drawing is for 1 full day of Chartered Halibut fishing for 2 (or \$500 Cash).

tact C.J at (907)888-7368 for tickets. Only 400 tick rs must be physically and mentally fit. Must be able and willing to walk long distances and carry a heavy pack. ust possess all required licenses and permits from ADF&G and from locations is the responsibility of the ds will benefit the Mic



Venturing Crew Interest!

Here in the Midnight Sun Council we are excited about plans to form a Venturing Crew in the near future! Venturing is an inclusive



program through the Boy Scouts of America for males and females aged 14-21 (or 13 and completed the 8th grade.) Find some Fast Facts about Venturing here:

https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/venturing/ pdf/523-507.pdf

Please reach out to robert.stewart@scouting.org if you are interested in serving in a leadership role or have youth who may be interested in learning more!

Huge Thank you

to Fairbanks Tired Iron and Alaska Vintage Sleds for their generous donation to the youth and volunteers of the **Midnight Sun Council Boy Scouts of** America



Give Ranger Rick a wave when you see him in the new wheels!





Has your Unit thought about fundraising yet?

Have you Identified a **Unit Popcorn Kernel?** It is time to register for the fall popcorn sale! Use the link below to register your unit to stay up to date on current promotions and the best opportunities to fundraise! https://sell.trails-end.com/

Bush District Kernel Training and Kickoff is scheduled for **August 18th, 2021** during the district round table (Mt. McKinley bank) at 6pm

Tanana Valley district Kernel Training and kickoff will be **August 19th, 2021** (Council Service center basement) at 6pm

For further Information please contact CJ at <u>Clinton.Stewart@Scouting.Org</u> or by calling the Council Service Center at (907) 452-1976



Golden Days Grande Parade July 24th, 10 am – 1 pm

This year the Greater Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce is once again putting on a **REVERSE PARADE**, which means instead of lining the streets of the parade route, attendees will cruise safely through the Tanana Valley State Fairgrounds and drive by float displays.

We are looking for Scouts and Scouters to help with this event and show the community some of the activities we enjoy in the Midnight Sun Council! Everyone is invited to attend a planning meeting Thursday, July 22nd at 7:15 pm at the council office. Contact <u>4koa@alaska.net</u> if your Troop or Pack is interested in participating!



We are grateful to GVEA Good¢ents Foundation for their financial support to us in acquiring the urgently needed maintenance truck. The truck will be used to support Scouting programs like Summer Camp & Day Camp as well as be used for the maintenance requirements that go along with keeping the camp and the Service center open year-round. Thanks, GVEA and the local community for

donating!



Philmont Scout Ranch 2022 High Adventure Trek!

Are you interested in learning more about a 2022 Philmont Trek?

To find out more <u>click here</u>.

Youth Protection Reminder





FRIENDS OF SCOUTING RECOGNITION

Friends of Scouting Board Campaign 2021

The board has been hard at work finding "fuel" to power the Scouts rocket to the moon.



This STEM themed fundraiser started early in December 2020 with a Scout rocket launch date of 1 August....Well we are all finding out that fuel caches are hard to find! The Scouts are not discouraged as they have some pre-launch glitches to solve before they can launch anyway (something about a faulty fuel gauge).

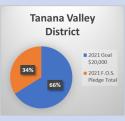
The board campaign is currently at 74.24% of the fuel we need which is 40,833.82 gallons out of 55,000 gallons. Congratulations to all teams for the hard work they are putting in. Thank you so much for supporting our youth and volunteers!

Questions and Comments to CJ at Clinton.Stewart@Scouting.Org



Friends of Scouting Family Campaign Update

Our 2021 FOS Campaign is already under way! Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the 2021 Friends of Scouting Family Campaign, and **congratulations** to Pack 1551, Troop 1042 B, 1047 B, 1078 B, 1084 G, and 1138 G for achieving their 2021 F.O.S. Goal!!



The **Tanana Valley District** has raised \$6,778 towards the District Goal of \$20,000



The **Bush District** has raised \$976 towards the District Goal of \$4,000

We understand that this was a difficult year financially for our families and thank you for your support both financially and through your time! Unit Leaders, please begin thinking about the 2021 campaign and the best ways for presenters to connect with your families. We are happy to work with each unit to match whatever method of meeting is taking place.

Contact<u>robert.stewart@scouting.org</u> to share your presentation time and to pick up FOS materials.



Hey Scouts, would you like to have a say in National

Jamboree? The Jamboree department is interested in our youth members' opinions about the future of the Jamboree. Please visit the Jamboree site and take the survey.

From the Registrar

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

<u>Effective July 12, 2021</u> all merit badge counselors who are not officially approved by their council to counsel a badge will have that badge removed from their approved list of badges to counsel in Scoutbook.

SCOUT SHOP NEWS

Exciting news – you can now buy digital handbooks and merit badge pamphlets directly

Read more

Online Transfer between Councils

NEW! The ability to transfer between councils using the online registration system went live this week. click here to view the user guide for how it works

Digital Downloads Are Now <mark>Available</mark> from ScoutShop.org!







The Tanana Valley District is looking for volunteers to serve as Unit Commissioners!

These individuals play a key role in supporting our units with focused attention and serve as a bridge between the unit and available District or Council Resources.

Please reach out to Robert Stewart at robert.stewart@scouting.org to learn more!

NORTHERN LIGHTS HIGH ADVENTURE TRECKS ARE BACK! CHECK IT OUT!



2021 Marks the reopening of the <u>Northern Lights</u> <u>High Adventure Base</u>, bringing Scouts from California to as far away as Delaware. Our most common trek this year is our famous week-long float down the Yukon River. Other treks include hikes on Kesugi Ridge, Sea Kayaking, and hikes on Pinnell/Prindle Mountains. Reservations are already being taken for the 2022 and 2023 seasons.

Contact Phil at <u>phil.burkett@scouting.org</u> with questions or call the office at 907-452-1976

THANK YOU! to our Golden Eagle Sponsors



Steve Adamczak Fairbanks Gold Mine Nenana Ice Classic Stephen Adams Bob Groseclose **Riverboat Discovery** GVEA Goodcents Foundation Stephen Smith Larry Bennett Mary Binkley Cathie Harms-Tordoff Technica, LLC Mick Braun Kal Kennedy The Optimist Club of Fairbanks Skip Cook Ben Lomond Tired Iron Matt Cooper Jim Lund Brad Tilden Wayne Miller

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<u>Scouting.org is on</u> <u>Workplace!</u>

Click for Training Opportunities

Did you know that there are training plans designed specifically for your position on My.Scouting.org?

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

Please log into <u>My.Scouting.org</u> and follow the steps (Menu>My Training>Training Center) to see what kinds of training plans are available that relate to your position.

Section W-1N - Order of the Arrow

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In 100 days, the National Leadership Seminar (NLS) will be hosted at Lost Lake Scout Camp in Fairbanks Alaska, August 13-15!

NLS is a premier leadership training led by the Region Chief and their handpicked staff of top youth leaders.

All Arrowmen looking to hone their leadership skills are encouraged to attend. Section W-1N will be providing half-scholarships for youth Arrowmen within the section to attend NLS!

Adults looking to hone their advising skills should attend the Developing Youth Leadership Conference (DYLC) held concurrently to NLS.

Learn more and register for NLS and DYLC at: <u>https://registration.oa-bsa.org</u>

<u>#WeAreTheWask</u> <u>#TakeTheLead</u> <u>#OABSA</u> <u>#Scouting</u>



What is new in Cub Scouting? Find out by tuning in every Friday at 2 p.m. Central to Cub Chat Live. The next six episodes of Cub Chat Live will focus on membership. Join the conversation live or watch it later at your convenience. Click here to read more and for chat schedule





<u>Changes to</u> <u>My.Scouting.org</u>

A new Position Manager tool, found on the Organization Manager page of My.Scouting, will be rolled out in the next few days.....

Read more



Trail to Eagle workbook

SAFETY CORNER!

Hammock Safety

Have you been hammock camping? <u>Check this</u> <u>Safety Moment to ensure a SAFE experience.</u>

Congratulations to all our 2021 Eagle Scouts

Ramon Leon Gloria *Troop 1138* Catholic Schools of Fairbanks

Sarah Coss *Troop 1138 G* Catholic Schools of Fairbanks

Gabriel Stewart *Troop 1042* North Star Vol. Fire Dept.



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