



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](https://unitedwaytv.com/)

MIDNIGHT SUN COUNCIL - October 2021 NEWS!

October 15, 2021

IMPORTANT DATES

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

October 2021

- Oct 19 - Eagle Books due
- Oct 20 - Bush District Roundtable @ 6:15 pm followed by District Committee Meeting
- Oct 26 - Eagle Board (by appointment only)

November 2021

- Nov 4 - TVD Roundtable @ 7 pm
- Nov 17 - Bush District Roundtable @ 6:15 pm followed by District Committee Meeting
- Nov 18 - TV District Commissioner meeting @ 6:00 pm followed by TV District Committee meeting @ 7:15 pm
- Nov 25-26 - OFFICE AND SCOUT SHOP CLOSED - THANKSGIVING
- Nov 30 - Giving Tuesday

December 2021

- Dec 2 - TVD Roundtable @ 7 pm
- Dec 13 - Eagle Books due
- Dec 14 - Eagle Board (by appointment only)
- Dec 15 - Bush District Roundtable @ 6:15 pm followed by District Committee Meeting
- Dec 16 - TV District Commissioner meeting @ 6:00 pm followed by TV District Committee meeting @ 7:15 pm
- Dec 20-31 - SCOUT SHOP CLOSED - INVENTORY
- Dec 24-27 - OFFICE/SCOUT SHOP CLOSED - CHRISTMAS

January 2022

- Jan 3 - CLOSED - NEW YEARS DAY
- Jan 4 - Open - Normal business

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH



This Month's volunteer spotlight features a quiet professional that prefers to stay behind the scenes.

Sonny Linder is a prime example to all the Youth and Volunteers as a "Helpful" role model.

He continues to set the example for our every Scout but especially for our Toontuk Lodge members by living their motto of "Cheerful Service".

For many years Sonny has served on all various committees serving the youth of our Council. I would like to highlight his service in this article, for his valuable time building and repairing buildings at camp, or fixing lights and trailers for our High Adventure Base. He provides the knowledge and most of the time the tools and repairs the bits and pieces we desperately need to make our High Adventure Base operational. A few fun facts about Sonny, the Council awarded him an NOESA in 2017. After almost half a century he did his Brotherhood with Sam his son in May of 2018.

Sonny, Thank you very much for all you do, It doesn't go unnoticed or unappreciated!



The next Bush District Roundtable will be held **online and in-person** on **Oct 20, 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> (Please note the change in time)

The next Tanana Valley District Roundtable will be **online** through Zoom and **in-person** at the Council Office on **November 4th, 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>

Drive Through Haunted Trail



We are looking forward to a second successful year of this event!

This is an excellent opportunity for your Troop or Pack to fundraise, recruit, and to **HAVE FUN!**

We will be open four nights this October from 5-9 pm. October 16th, 23rd, 29th, and 30th.

Contact Stephen at stephen.smith@scouting.org to sign your Pack or Troop up for some or all of these nights!

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](#)

Age-Appropriate Guidelines for Scouting Activities Update

The Age-Appropriate Guidelines for Scouting Activities have received an update and now include Age-Appropriate Guidelines for Camping. That change will align with the upcoming update to the Guide to Safe Scouting—occurring Fall 2021. (see **safety moments below**)

Age- and rank-appropriate guidelines have been developed based on many factors. Anyone planning activities outside of program materials or handbooks should ask this question: Is the activity appropriate for the age and for Scouting? Not every activity needs to be conducted.

Please review the Age-Appropriate Guidelines for Scouting Activities.

Found: <https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-685.pdf?.....>

FRIENDS OF SCOUTING RECOGNITION

Friends of Scouting Board Campaign 2021

The Friends of Scouting Board Campaign continues.... While we are still short fuel to make the trip to the moon and back, the Scouts continue to be optimistic and ready to launch their rocket. Let's finish up getting the fuel needed and let these Scouts launch their rocket!

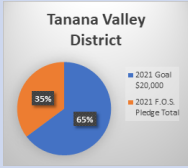
Questions and Comments to CJ
at Clinton.Stewart@Scouting.Org

2021 Board Campaign Summary				
	Pledge	Payment	2020	2021 Project Sales
Blast off for Big Bucks	\$ 6,650.00	\$ 6,650.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$10,653.40
Over the Moon	\$11,900.00	\$ 8,600.00	\$ 22,550.00	\$1,098.50
To Infinity and Beyond	\$ 8,900.00	\$ 8,700.00	\$ 3,900.00	
Lost in Space	\$13,483.82	\$ 10,874.82	\$ 20,776.00	\$1,084.00
Grand Totals:	\$40,933.82	\$ 34,824.82	\$ 57,226.00	\$12,835.90
			Goal: \$55,000	
\$55,000				
\$50,000				
\$45,000	\$40,693.82 As of 6/28/2021			
\$40,000	\$35,883.82 As of 5/27/2021		74.43%	
\$35,000	\$31,541.00 As of 4/23/21			
\$30,000	\$25,791.00 as of 4/19/21			
\$25,000	\$23,541.00 as of 4/9/21			
\$20,000	\$17,052.36 as of 3/12/21			
\$15,000	\$16,499.86 as of 2/26/2021			
\$10,000	\$12,199.89 as of 2/1/2021		Time extended lets use it!	
\$5,000	\$10,950.00 as of 1/28/2020			
	\$3950 as of 1/22/2021			

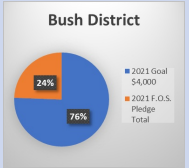


Friends of Scouting Family Campaign Update

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 **\$7,039** 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 2022 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. Please turn in the FOS form in your re-charter packet.

Contact the Services Center at (907) 452-1976 for any questions.

From the Registrar

SCOUT SHOP NEWS

ONLINE REGISTRATION
The Boy Scouts of America offers on **online application process** for youth and adults that can be completed from start to finish without a single piece of paper changing hands. This allows prospective members and leaders to register and pay in a way that's convenient for them, and it creates a more efficient and user-friendly registration experience for units, districts, and councils. Use these resources to help you manage online registration for our **unit** or **council**.
[Information About Online Registration for](#)

UPDATE!!

Den Leader Guides for Tiger, Wolf, Bear, and Webelos will no longer be reordered. Once we no longer have a specific title in stock, customers are advised to visit the BSA online resources ([available by clicking here](#))

**REMEMBER!!
2021 JOTA &
JOTI Emblem
Now Available**



The annual JOTA & JOTI virtual event runs from **Friday, October 15 through Sunday, October 17**. Scouts

will want to pick up a 2021 JOTA & JOTI patch to remember this year's event. Contact the Scoutshop to order your patches!



[Be Sure to Update BeAScout Pins to Reflect Status!!](#)



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 Leanne Bulger at leanne.bulger@gmail.com to learn more!

Congratulations to all our 2021 Eagle Scouts



Trail to Eagle
workbook

Nelson Edwards

Troop 1020
Goldstream Lions

Ramon Leon Gloria **Trevor Gilmore**

Troop 1138
Catholic Schools of Fairbanks

Sarah Coss

Troop 1138 G
Catholic Schools of Fairbanks

Gabriel Stewart

Troop 1042
North Star Vol. Fire Dept.

THANK YOU! to our Golden Eagle Sponsors



Steve Adamczak

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[Scouting.org is on
Workplace!](#)

[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 [My.Scouting.org](#) and follow the steps (Menu>My Training>Training Center) to see what kinds of training plans are available that relate to your position.

SAFETY CORNER!

Safety is a value in Scouting! Safety as a core value treats safety as the most important item.

Thank you for being part of delivering this value to our Scouts and Scouters.

Resource Links:

- Safety Moment – Youth Suicide Prevention [Link](#)
- Youth Protection Website [Link](#)
 - Barriers to Abuse [Link](#)
 - Barriers to Abuse FAQs [Link](#)

- Barriers to Abuse Youth Safety Infographic [Link](#)
- Barriers to Abuse Safety Moment [Link](#)
- Social Media Guidelines [Link](#)
 - Bryan on Scouting Blog “Can BSA youth members discuss Scouting in private digital groups?” [Link](#)
- Understanding and Preventing Youth on Youth Abuse Training Materials Links
 - PPT Deck [Staff Understanding and Preventing Youth on Youth Abuse for Unit Leaders and Staff 20181217](#)
 - Facilitator Guide [Understanding and Preventing Youth on Youth Abuse for Unit Leaders and Staff Facilitators Guide 430-149 \(Updated 6/28/21\)](#)
 - [Camp Leadership – Youth Protection Begins With You Brochure](#)
- Preventing Bullying Resources [Link](#)
- Appropriate Attire – Swimsuits Comment from National Outdoor Programs Team:
 - Q: Is there an official swimsuit policy in the BSA?
 - A: Our policy is based on Scouting’s Barriers to Abuse: Put simply, “Appropriate attire is required for all activities.” Our additional guidance is that swimsuits should be comfortable, functional, and appropriate for the specific activity. We strongly encourage local council policies to be equitable regardless of gender
- Guide to Safe Scouting [Link](#)
- Incident Reporting [Link](#)

Reminder: Safety Alert: Portable Generator Use

Portable generators are a common tool when temporary or remote power is needed. In Scouting, these could be used at large district or council events, or at summer or winter camps or as support in a storm. Generators can be incredibly helpful but do have some inherent dangers, review these portable generator safety tips:

- Never use a portable generator inside a structure, building, or trailer.
- If you experience Carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning symptoms (e.g., dizziness, headaches, nausea, etc.), get to fresh air immediately.
- Store fuel outside in a locked area and away from heat sources such as fuel-burning appliances.

Portable Generator Safety Moment:
<https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/safety-moments/generators/>

Fire Prevention Week

In a fire, mere seconds can mean the difference between a safe escape and a tragedy. Fire safety education is essential for every member of our Scouting community. Every October during Fire Prevention Week (Oct. 3-9), we have an opportunity to understand how to stay safe in case of a fire.

The 2021 Campaign is “Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety!” So, what is your alarm telling you? When an alarm makes noises, you must take action. A continued set of three loud beeps—beep, beep, beep—means smoke or fire. Get out, call 9-1-1, and stay out. A single “chirp” every 30 or 60 seconds means the battery is low and must be changed.

For more information: <https://www.nfpa.org/fpw>

Cannon Prohibition Announcement

Effective **September 21, 2021**, there is no longer an exception for the use of cannons at council camp ceremonies. The use of cannons is prohibited at all Scouting activities. The Guide to Safe Scouting [Prohibited Activities](#) listing has been updated to reflect this change. A revised version of the BSA Shooting Sports Manual will be released in January 2022, reflecting this updated BSA policy. Questions? Email shooting.sports@scouting.org.

Update to the Guide to Safe Scouting

The update to the Guide to Safe Scouting is now available in PDF [here](#) and online [here](#). The Fall 2021 updates include:

- Aquatic Policy
 - Update to the Scuba Policy.
 - Prohibiting the use of Full-Face Snorkels.
 - Lifejacket language to reflect performance levels.

BSA’S Commitment to Safety
 - Update to the BSA’S Commitment

[Read more](#)

NORTHERN LIGHTS HIGH ADVENTURE TRECKS ARE BACK! BOOK YOURS NOW!!



BOOK YOUR 2022 OR 2023 TREK NOW!

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



Philmont Scout Ranch 2022 High Adventure Trek!

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

To find out more [click here](#).



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