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Have you seen all the new material on the Cub Scout page of [Scouting.org](https://www.scouting.org)?



[New Leader Welcome](#)

This is "New Leader Welcome" by Boy Scouts of America on Vimeo, the

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United Way
of Tanana Valley

As a United Way agency, members have various resources at their disposal to help with food, shelter, and other needs.

Here is their website:

<https://unitedwaytv.com/>

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Important Dates

[\(click for complete calendar\)](#)

September 2020

Sept 3 - TVD District Roundtable @ 7:00 pm

Sept 7 - Office and Scout Shop closed - Labor Day

Sept 16 - Bush District Roundtable @ 5:45 pm

Sept 22 - Eagle books due

Sept 29 - Eagle Board - by appointment

October 2020

Oct 1 - TVD District Roundtable @ 7:00 pm

Oct 2-4 - Vigil Weekend @ Lost Lake Camp

NATIONAL RESOURCES:

BSA's national cub scout staff have put together some fun activity videos that can be useful Cub Scout recruiting tools. The YouTube videos are short, 2 to 5 minutes, with a purpose and an activity. Activities are all requirements found in our program. They are not branded as BSA or Cub Scouts.

[Here is the link](#) to a YouTube playlist for K-2 nd grade

[Here is the link](#) to a YouTube playlist for 3 rd-4th grade

The national Scouting at home site is here to help members and nonmembers engage in Scouting while we shelter in place. Lots of good resources are included.

<https://www.scouting.org/scoutingathome>

Tools and resources to strengthen your units can be found here, including some timely webinars on zoom meetings, digital recruiting, school access during covid, and much more.

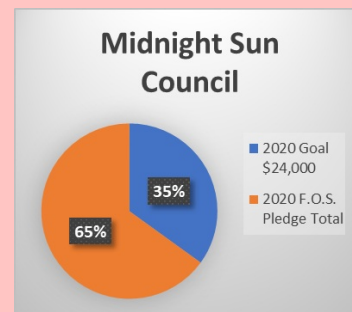
<https://scoutingwire.org>

Bryon on Scouting has also published some of the best digital scouting resources from around the country:

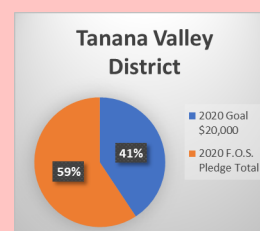
<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2020/06/24>

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Friends of Scouting Family Campaign Update



Thank you to everyone who has helped get the 2020 Friends of Scouting Family Campaign off to a strong start, and **congratulations** to Troop 1138 B, Troop 1138 G, Troop 1047 and Pack 1551 for achieving their F.O.S. Goals!!



The Tanana Valley District has raised **\$ 11,854** towards the District Goal of **\$20,000** and the Bush District has raised **\$ 3,750** towards the District Goal of **\$4,000!**

Oct - 3 - Freeze up Canoe Race

Oct 12 - Scout Shop and Office closed -
Indigenous People Day

Oct 20 - Eagle books due

Oct 21 - Bush District Roundtable @ 5:45 pm

Oct 27 - Eagle Board - by appointment

Oct 31 - POPCORN Distro & Pickup

November 2020

Nov 5 - TVD District Roundtable @ 7:00 pm

Nov 18 - Bush District Roundtable @ 5:45 pm

Nov 25 - Office and Scout Shop closed @ 1 pm

Nov 26-27 Office and Scout Shop closed-
Thanksgiving

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BeAScout.org: The smart and simple way to recruit Scouts during COVID-19

Fortunately, you don't need to be a master of search engine optimization to recruit new families to your pack, troop, crew or ship. You just need to update your [BeAScout pin](#). And thanks to some volunteer-focused changes to this process, it's now easier than ever to do so....

[Click here for more information](#)

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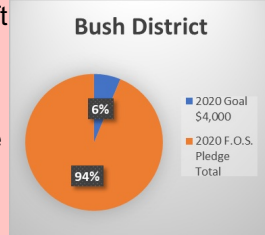


Board/Community Campaign

Let's pick back up where we left off with this campaign!

Unit Leaders or F.O.S.

Coordinators, please continue to plan to hold an F.O.S. presentation once your Troop or Pack resumes meeting in person and email robert.stewart@scouting.org if you need a packet or a guest presenter.



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Popcorn



Popcorn sales kicked off this week. If your Unit missed out, contact Clinton.Stewart@Scouting.Org to get your Unit on the right track.

[Click here for the 2020 Popcorn Sale information](#)

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Roundtable



The next Tanana Valley District Roundtable will be **online** through Zoom and **in-person** at the Council Office on Sept. 3rd, 2020 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** and Passcode: **55157**

TVD: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89301656441?pwd=V2F5ZE9vK2JLaXhETIFZd0ZKVVNhdz09>

The next Bush District Roundtable will also be held **online** on Aug 19th, 2020 starting at 6:15 pm and **in-person** 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** and Passcode: **55163**

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

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Online Registration

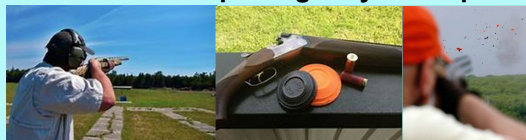
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Fishing For Funds	\$ 11,111.92	\$ 11,111.92	\$ 10,825.00
Catch & Keep	\$ 23,050.00	\$ 18,650.00	\$ 22,850.00
Smokin' Salmon	\$ 5,719.69	\$ 5,019.69	\$ 4,383.84
The Mighty Lemmings	\$ 17,529.57	\$ 14,729.09	\$ 25,490.83
Grand Totals:	\$ 57,411.18	\$ 49,510.70	\$ 63,549.67
Goal: \$55,000			
\$55,000	\$53,661.18	As of 7/27/2020	
\$50,000	\$48,481.42	As of 7/1/2020	
\$45,000	\$44,361.50	As of 6/2/2020	
\$40,000	\$39,461.51	As of 5/26/2020	
\$35,000	\$34,772.00	As of 4/28/2020	
\$30,000	\$29,625.00	As of 4/13/2020	
\$25,000	\$25,525.00	As of 4/7/2020	
\$20,000	\$20,925.00	As of 3/26/2020	
\$15,000	\$15,125.00	As of 2/13/2020	
\$10,000			
\$5,000			

104.38% of goal

Outstanding Job!

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9th Annual Sporting Clays Recap



This fundraising event was cancelled due to the Covid 19 pandemic. While we were not able to hold the event, ALL our sponsors were very generous and allowed us to retain all donations.

Huge shout out and thanks to Doyon Utilities, Rods Alaskan Guide Service, Bennett Engineering, Iron & Wood Vintage Firearms, Sportsmen's Warehouse, Frontier Outfitters, Pikes, Arctic Fire & Safety, Big Rays and Independent Rental.

We urge everyone to visit these local businesses that support the development of youth in our community.

Questions/comments to CJ at Clinton.Stewart@Scouting.Org or calling (907) 452-1976.

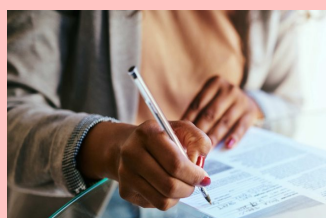
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Advancement Updates



[click here to view COVID-19 update pdf](#)

Cub Scout Adult Leader Training



The Online Registration Training site is completely updated now. There are training videos for unit volunteers and for councils. The Unit Guidebook has also

been updated so that it reflects all of the changes. Go check these resources out!

<https://www.scouting.org/resources/online-registration/>

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FROM THE REGISTRAR!

Re-Chararters are coming up!

Please check with your members to make sure their most current information is listed so our records stay up to date.

New Background Check Forms came out last year. Please make sure that your adults all have turned in the new form, as registrations cannot be processed without them.

Youth Protection is a serious part of scouting and our council requires all adults to renew their certification each year. Registrations cannot be processed without a current certificate.

Merit Badge Counselors- Please turn in new applications with a 2019 updated background check form and current YPT certificate as we are redoing our records. We are sorry for any inconvenience.

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2020 Midnight Sun Council Family Camping Program



In order to share Scouting with more families and support "peer to peer" recruitment efforts by our units, the Midnight Sun Council is pleased to announce our Family Camping program for 2020!

Families will be encouraged to visit the facilities we have to offer at Lost Lake Scout Camp on a weekend that works with their schedules, rather than through their Pack or Troop. Families are asked to share the Scouting adventure with a non-Scouting family by bringing them to camp and giving them a taste of all



The Cub Scout English E-Learning and Facilitated Adult Training have been updated to match current Cub Scout Program changes and updates to include using Scoutbook - especially in relation to conducting a Cub Scout Den Meeting using the Den Leader Experience.

The new modules are available in the BSA Learn Center, and the following modules have been updated:

- Conducting a Cub Scout Den Meeting
- Annual Program Planning
- Cub Scout Uniforms
- Conducting a Cub Scout Pack Meeting
- Resources
- Involving Adults in Cub Scouting
- Conducting a Cub Scout Pack Committee Meeting
- The new English Facilitated materials can be downloaded from the

scouting.org/training/adult page or by [clicking here.](#)

We encourage even those already position trained to accomplish the new modules so they are current with the latest program changes.

[Cub Scout-Leader-Training-Facilitator-Guide](#)

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How to earn the James M. Stewart Good Citizenship Award



We could use a few more Jimmy Stewarts in the world. The Oscar-winning actor, philanthropist and military officer was a Scout in Troop 3 of Indiana, Pa. - about an hour east of Pittsburgh....

[click here to read more](#)

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ATTENTION PACK LEADERS!!!

the opportunities Scouting has to offer.

We hope you'll help spread the word that families in the Council should come on out to Lost Lake and bring a friend! Contact the Council office at 907-452-1976 to check on campsite availability.

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FALL RECRUITMENT STRATEGIES

With the postponement of the start of in-person schooling, we will need to try new ways to recruit. The bottom line is to keep Scouts active, in person or virtually. Please follow the links below for some virtual recruitment ideas:

Use This Virtual Rally Plan to Recruit Scouts During COVID-19



Because of COVID-19, parents simply aren't involving their children in as many in-person group activities as they otherwise would have.

Many of those activities, like youth sports, for instance, are largely impossible to conduct safely in some communities. Scouting, on the other hand, can conduct much of its programming through virtual means.

[click here to read more](#)

Using Tools Like Geofencing and Nextdoor Events to Promote Scouting



Article Submitted by David Rico, Southern and Central Region Membership Growth Coach Using tools like Facebook geofencing and Nextdoor events can be useful in the promotion of Scout recruiting events like Join Scouting nights - even if those events are virtual. In this article, we'll discuss some best practices when utilizing those tools.

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[Click here to view the new
**WELCOME
CUB SCOUT FAMILIES brochure**](#)

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Truck Needed!!



Ranger Rick's famous blue 1997 GMC 2500 is starting to show its age and the repairs are starting to add up.

If anyone has a truck they'd like to donate that is in good condition, but wants to try out a new life by serving Lost Lake and our Scouts, please contact Matt at the office at 907-452-1976.

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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 District Commissioner Mike Galloway at mikegalloway55@gmail.com to learn more!

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Online Position Specific Training



Did you know that there are training plans designed specifically for your position on

Fall Camporee "LAW AND ORDER: LL"



The Tanana Valley District Camporee Committee and Troop 1138 are continuing plans for the Fall Camporee!

This will take place **September 18-20** at Lost Lake Scout Camp.

The theme is centered around completing requirements for the Law, Traffic Safety, Fingerprinting, and Crime Prevention Merit Badges and is bound to be a great experience for new and experienced Scouts!

Adults will be charged \$5 and Scouts will be \$10.

Everyone who attends will receive a Camporee Patch. Unit Leaders should contact the Council Office to register at 907-452-1976

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Drive Through Haunted Trail



The Tanana Valley District Committee is making plans for a District-wide Haunted Trail fundraiser and Recruitment event.

This event will take place this **October** at the **Ice Park** in Fairbanks, where units will be able to sponsor sections of the trail through the "single-block" section.

We need units to be willing to participate in order for this to be a success!

Unit Leaders should contact TVD Activities Chair Lani Widell at 4koa@alaska.net or 907-987-0011 for more information and to communicate preferences for dates.

[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 below to see what kinds of training plans are available that relate to your position.

Menu>My Training>Training Center

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Youth Protection Reminder

It's critical that we all continue to keep youth protection top-of-mind whether our Scouting activities are taking place in person or through a digital platform.

Of note, remember that BSA prohibits any one-on-one interaction between an adult leader and a Scout - in person, online, through a web conference, over the phone, via text, or in any other form.

Detailed youth protection information is [available here](#). To ensure you are following safety standards for all Scouting activities, please reference the [Guide to Safe Scouting](#).

The [BSA's Social Media Guidelines](#) serve as a complement to our youth protection policies.

Please remember that the Midnight Sun Council requires YPT to be renewed annually to be considered current!

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Advancement during COVID-19: Official details about Eagle extensions and more



The BSA has a message to young people concerned that the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak will prevent them from completing Eagle Scout rank requirements before their 18th birthday: Don't worry; we've got your back.

[Click here for more information!](#)

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THIRTY EIGHTH ANNUAL DISTINGUISHED CITIZENS AWARD BANQUET

Midnight Sun Council, Boy Scouts of America



Please save the date:
Wednesday December 9th, 2020. While we work through pandemic guidelines and coordination



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VFW POST 10029 BUFFALO / HALIBUT RAFFLE RECAP



THIS WAS THE 2ND ANNUAL RAFFLE WHERE ALL THE PROCEEDS COME TO THE MIDNIGHT SUN COUNCIL.

HUGE THANKS ARE DUE TO THE GENEROSITY OF THE POST

THIS YEAR WE SOLD 320 TICKETS OUT OF 400.

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Flag Retirement Ceremonies



We have old flags for units to use to teach scouts how to respectfully retire a flag.

They are available for pick up at the scout office during

TRAIL TO EAGLE

We are proud of our prospective Eagle Scouts. Workbooks are available online. If you have questions please note that appointments are needed as people you may need to talk to are not always available.



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Congratulations to our 2020 Eagle Scouts



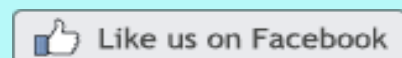
Samuel Bangerter
Troop 5
LDS 5th Ward

**Noah Connolly and
Simon Connolly
Dawson Freeman
Caleb Snell**
Troop 14
North Pole Community

Kaleb Johnson
Troop 42
North Star Volunteer Fire Dept.

Wesley Patton
Troop 56
Delta Lions Club

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Are you a friend of the Midnight Sun Council's Facebook page? If the answer is no, then you

regular business hours.

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SCOUT SHOP NEWS

Please let us know if you are planning an event that will require a large number of an individual award so we are sure to have enough on hand for your scouts.

Uniform bottoms will be 20% off with the purchase of it's matching top
August 17-October 10, 2020.

See the council website for more items and specials.

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THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR 2020 GOLDEN EAGLE SPONSORS

Steve Adamczak	Steve Adams	Carol Adeamczak
Alaska Riverways, Inc	Hank Bartos	Ben Lomond
Andrew Bennett	Larry Bennett	Mary Binkley
City of Fairbanks	Dennis "Skip" Cook	Jeff Cook
Matt Cooper	Doyon Utilities, LLC	Fairbanks Gold Mine
Bob Groseclose	Kal Kennedy	Cindy Mascadri
Nenana Ice Classic	The Optimist Club of Fairbanks	Rasmuson Foundation
Stephen Smith	Rob Taylor	Rod's Alaskan Guide Service
Tired Iron	Dennis Wise	VFW Post #10029

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are missing out on all of the important updates and announcements that we share via Facebook, like our meeting announcements, upgrades at Lost Lake, changes in program, and more! Come check us out, "LIKE" the page and "SHARE" the stories with your friends.

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