March 20, 2019

***Council News***

The Midnight Sun Council welcomes its first two Scouts BSA all girl troops!

Troop 84, chartered to the North Star Volunteer Fire Department in North Pole, and Troop 38, chartered to Monroe Catholic School in Fairbanks.

Seen in the photos are members of Troop 84 learning the ropes of opening and closing meeting ceremonies, with the assistance from Troop 42 of North Pole.

Troop 84 recently went out to Lost Lake for a weekend winter campout and did some snowmachining while they were there.

Troop 38 just started and is looking forward to their first activities.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW REGISTRAR!
Mar 26 - Eagle Board - by appointment only
Mar 28 - Tanana Valley District meeting NOON BSA office
Mar 28 - Tanana Valley Commissioners meeting 6 pm
Mar 29 - All Cub Scout Day Camp Applications due at Early Bird Fees
Mar 30 - OA Elections finished

**SPRING RECRUITMENT BOTH DISTRICTS**

**April 2019**

Apr 1 - High Adventure Committee Meeting 7 pm
Apr 4 - TVD Roundtable, 7 pm at BSA office
Apr 11 - Toontuk Geeral Lodge Meeting 7 pm
Apr 13 - BALOO Training #2 in Classroom/Location BSA office at 0900-1300
Apr 13 - Council/District Annual Board Training at Lost Lake 0800-1400
Apr 17 - Bush District Delta Junction Roundtable - Mt. McKinley Bank Delta Junction @ 5:45 pm
Apr 17 - Delta District Meeting @ 6:45 pm - Mt. McKinley Bank
Apr 18 - Spring Camp-0-Ree Early Bird Fee due (see BSA website for flyer)
Apr 19 - Office and Scout Shop closed - Good Friday
Apr 23 - Eagle books due
Apr 25 - Tanana Valley District meeting NOON BSA office
Apr 25 - Tanana Valley Commissioners meeting @ 6 pm
Apr 26 - (Friday - Saturday) Outdoor Leadership Skills Training (see flyer)
Apr 30 - Eagle Board of Review (BSA office by appointment)

**Spring Recruitment in Tanana Valley and Bush Districts**

**May 2019**

May 2 - TVD Roundtable, 7 pm at BSA office

The Midnight Sun Council is proud to announce that Tammy Illguth has agreed to be our new Registrar and Scout Shop Manager. Tammy has been involved in Scouting since 1989, serving various positions throughout Cub Scouting. She currently serves as our Day Camp Director.

Tammy has been happily married to her husband Erik for 39 years. Tammy is a mother of 8 children, 4 boys and 4 girls, as well as a grandmother of 19. She has 2 cats and 3 dogs. Tammy considers herself a Sourdough, arriving in Alaska in 1976. Her Grandparents arrived in Alaska in 1959 as we became a state.

Please join us in welcoming Tammy to her new position!

**Roundtable**

The next Tanana Valley Roundtable will be held on April 4, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the Earl and Pat Cook Service Center.

The Delta Roundtable will be held on April 17, 2019 starting at 5:45 pm followed by the Bush District Meeting at 6:45 pm, Mt. McKinley Bank, Delta Junction.

**"Baloo" Training for Cub Scout Leaders (registration required)**

**Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation "BALOO" (see BSA website for info and view/download flyer)**

Two dates are selected for the Cub Scout Leaders to learn about "How to take your Cub Scout Program Family Camping".

You only have to attend one of the following dates: March 23, 2019 or April 13, 2019.
May 11 - CLEAN UP DAY
May 15 - Bush District Delta Junction Roundtable - Mt. McKinley Bank Delta Junction @ 5:45 pm
May 17-18 - BALOO Training
May 17-19 - Tanana Valley District Spring Camp-0-Ree
May 23 - Delta District Meeting @ 6:45 pm - Mt. McKinley Bank
Apr 18 - Spring Camp-0-Ree Early Bird Fee due (see BSA website for flyer)
Apr 19 - Office and Scout Shop closed - Good Friday
Apr 23 - Eagle books due
Apr 25 - Tanana Valley District meeting NOON BSA office
Apr 25 - Tanana Valley Commissioners meeting @ 6 p

OFFICE AND SCOUT SHOP OPENING HOURS!
Monday - Friday
9AM - 5PM
Saturday/Sunday: CLOSED

PICK.CLICK.GIVE

As you apply for your Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend please remember to
Pick.Click.Give!

The Midnight Sun Council, Boy Scouts of America will be listed as an option

If you choose to Pick.Click.Give to the Council please let us know about it on your Friends of Scouting pledge card.

YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING ON DVD

The Outdoor portion will take place at the Tanana Valley District Spring Camp-O-Ree located at the Ice Art Park & RV Campground, 3574 Phillips Field Road.

An online course (Baloo Prerequisite Training) is also required through My.Scouting.org. Completion of all three courses either in person 3/23 or 4/13/19, and the attendance at the spring Camp-0-ree on 5/17 and 5/18/19 and online Prerequisite Baloo will qualify Scouters to be certified to take their scout units family camping.

Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills at Lost Lake Scout Camp:

When: April 26-27, 2019

This hands-on program gives adult leaders a practical introduction to the patrol method of a Scout-led troop by teaching many of the practical outdoor skills they need to lead Scouts in the out-of-doors. In addition, the teaching methods, activities, and games model the variety of teaching used in effective and engaging Scouting programs.

Participating troop leadership should include the Scoutmaster, all assistant Scoutmasters, interested troop committee members, and new adult leaders from Webelo's graduation and round-ups (click here to view Participant Registration Form)

This course is REQUIRED to be considered fully trained in a Scoutmaster/Assistant Scoutmaster position, in addition to the specific leader training for your position.

Cost is $45.00 and includes all course materials, food, camping fee.

Course Director is Phil Lazzaro, email: Phil9090@hotmail.com

Spring Camporee

When: May 17-19, 2019
Where: Ice Art Park & RV Campground, 3574 Phillips Field Road

The theme for this year's Spring Camporee is climbing where patrols will enjoy numerous, related challenges.

We are very excited to be joined by the Community, Climbing Volunteers, Ascension Rock Club, and the
The Midnight Sun Council has DVD videos to check out for Youth Protection Training. Please call the BSA office and we will be glad to reserve a DVD for you and your unit. Remember that the Unit can HOST at Youth Protection Training on any night and many members can view the DVD Youth Protection Video as a group. Send the BSA a list of those BSA volunteers and adults who have taken the course and we will credit your account.

The Midnight Sun Council is looking for Summer Camp Staff to work at the Lost Lake Camp in 2019! We need a C.O.P.E Director ASAP so we are able to coordinate out of State training.

If you are interested in getting outdoors and working with today's youth, please click on and follow this link: http://www.midnightsunbsa.org drop down to "Camp Staff" under the Lost Lake tab and open the staff application at the bottom of the page.

E. K. Fretwell Outstanding Educator Award

Units Leaders: In 2017, the Boy Scouts of America established the E. K. Fretwell Outstanding Educator Award. The award recognizes school and school district personnel for modeling the values of Scouting in their professional life. This is an excellent opportunity for Scout Units to recognize valuable Educators within their schools where they recruit youth to join Scouting. This award can be given out anytime of the year. (see website below)

University of Alaska, Fairbanks who are volunteering their time and expertise to help insure our success. We are certain you'll enjoy this year's event if you prepare.

* Register your unit by April 18, 2019 to enjoy the Early Bird Fee ($30.00) and to receive ‘3’ additional bonus patches for your Troop

Tanana Valley Day Camp 2019 "North to Alaska" Cub 49ers Theme

When: May 29-31
Where: Birch Hill Recreation Area
June 1 Family Day at Chena Lakes Recreation Area

Camp fee for Cub Scouts and children 5 years old and older is $75 Dollars (includes shirt)
Payment is due March 29th. After March 29th the fee is $100. (click here to view BSA website for details)

Safety Moment - Campout Safety Checklist

As the winter months come to a close, many units are preparing for upcoming campouts.

Remind them of what they'll need using this safety moment: https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/safety-moments/campout-safety-checklist/

Summer Camp Leaders Meeting Video Teleconference

Summer Camp Leaders Meeting Video Teleconference or call in information!
New Online Den Chief Training Now Available

The new online Den Chief Training is now available for Scouts who are registered in troops, crews and ships.

The new online course identifies den chief responsibilities and tasks and describes the den chief's relationship with supporting den leaders and how it relates to the den chief's activities with the den.

At the end of the online training module, den chiefs can print their certificate of completion signifying they are trained for their position and fulfilling a requirement toward their Den Chief Service Award.

The training is available at https://www.scouting.org/youth/den-chief-training/.

Pioneer Park Fairbanks Alaska Rentals

Pioneer Park has rental space available for pack/troop events, and they take reservations up to 24 months in advance with a paid deposit.

If you are interested, please email pioneerpark@hbsb.us or contact the Park Office by phone at 907-459-1087. Contact Sandy Harrington at Pioneer Park.

Scouts, BSA Summer Resident Camp news!

We hope everyone is as excited to go to camp as we are!

2019 season is fast approaching, and the signup sheets are filling!

Week 1 signups: due to the high demand for the first week we had to close week 1 signups until further notice.

Week 2 signups: Don’t worry though, there is still plenty of room available for week 2.

Training Committee Wants YOU!

As promised here is the teleconference information for the Summer camp leaders meeting for any troop leadership that cannot make the meeting in person.

When: 21 March 19, 2019

Where: In Person at
Midnight Sun Council Service Center,
1400 Gillam Way, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701

Topic: Summer Camp Leaders Meeting

Time: Mar 21, 2019 7:15 PM Alaska

Join Zoom Meeting

https://zoom.us/j/5477042083

One tap mobile

+14086380968,,5477042083# US (San Jose)
+16465588656,,5477042083# US (New York)

Dial by your location

+1 408 638 0968 US (San Jose)
+1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

Meeting ID: 547 704 2083

Find your local number: https://zoom.us/u/axJtxGr24
The Midnight Sun Council is seeking knowledgeable volunteers to work on the Training teams for Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Venturing and Exploring.

As the Scouting programs open their doors to the opportunity to serve more youth, including the addition of young women into the BSA program, it is important we prepare for the influx of new leaders who will want to learn about Scouting and lead our youth.

Join the team and make an impact, contact the Council office 452-1976

ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE!

The Midnight Sun Council is looking for some volunteers to be on the advancement committee. We are looking for a motivated individual to chair the committee as well as 3 to 6 people to participate in the committee and represent the different levels of scouting (Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts & Venturing).

These roles will help build a strong scouting program as well as strengthen the advancement to Eagle Scout or the Summit award for Venturing (the highest rank Scouts or Venturers can earn).

Volunteers are a vital part of any scouting organization. As everyone is aware, more hands make less work and even more hands make the small amount of work even easier. If you are interested in helping the youth of tomorrow and giving back to the scouting organization, email CJ at Clinton.Stewart@Scouting.Org or call the council office at (907)452-1976

Northern Lights High Adventure Base

2019 Signups are now finalized. This year is going to be a busy season and hold many adventures for scouts from across the United States.

We have Troops or Crews from as far away as Florida and Connecticut traveling this summer to experience as much of Alaska as possible! Some are headed down the Yukon River and others are hiking around Denali. Others still are trying their hand at catching Salmon and Gold panning. They run a serious risk of filling their tummies and possibly striking it rich!

Whatever adventure and thrills they are seeking. The High Adventure Base treks really get out and around this year as well. We will be visiting the villages or cities of Homer, Valdez, Denali, Eagle, Circle, Anchorage and Fairbanks as well as throughout the Alaskan, Chugach, Yukon and White Mountain Ranges.

We are confident they will have memories of this years visit to Alaska for the rest of their lives!

Contact clinton.stewart@scouting.org with any questions.

That big?

Youth Preparedness Camp

Do you know a teenager who's ready to learn about safety & preparedness?
Are you a friend of the Midnight Sun Council's Facebook page? If the answer is no, then you 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.

FEMA Region 10 is seeking 40 high-school aged youth representing Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Alaska will be selected to attend a Youth Preparedness Camp in Stanwood, Washington in August 2019.

This will be an engaging and empowering way for teens to learn about and practice emergency preparedness. There will also be a variety of exciting leadership opportunities, team building, and of course, traditional camp activities to ensure for a fun week for all.

If they are selected, all transportation, lodging, & meals will be covered.

For more information on how to apply, go to www.fema.gov/region-x/community-preparedness

1400 Gilliam Way, Fairbanks, AK 99701

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Position</th>
<th>Email</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Stephen Smith</td>
<td>Scout Executive</td>
<td><a href="mailto:stephen.smith@scouting.org">stephen.smith@scouting.org</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tasmine Stebbins</td>
<td>Senior Learning for Life Executive</td>
<td><a href="mailto:tasmine.bennett@scouting.org">tasmine.bennett@scouting.org</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C.J. Stewart</td>
<td>Director Camping Services</td>
<td><a href="mailto:clinton.stewart@scouting.org">clinton.stewart@scouting.org</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tammy Illguth</td>
<td>Registrar/Scout Shop</td>
<td>TBA</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Richard Baumfalk</td>
<td>Lost Lake Camp Ranger</td>
<td><a href="mailto:lostlakeranger@gmail.com">lostlakeranger@gmail.com</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Stacy Brandon</td>
<td>Office Manager (Accounting)</td>
<td><a href="mailto:stacy.brandon@scouting.org">stacy.brandon@scouting.org</a></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>