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Important Dates

January 2020

Jan 9 - Toontuk General Lodge Meeting
Jan 11 - Unit FOS Presenter Tng Breakfast 8-9 am - place TBD
Jan 15 - Bush District Roundtable @ 5:45 pm
Jan 15 - Bush District Annual Meeting @ 6:45 pm
Jan 18 - Lost Lake Scout Camp Work Party
Jan 20 - Office and Scout Shop CLOSED - Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday
Jan 21 - Eagle Books due
Jan 27 - CLOSED for training
Jan 28 - Eagle Board (by appointment)

February 2020

Feb 8 - Annual Meeting/Dinner at Pike's
Feb 17 - Office and Scout Shop CLOSED - Presidents’ Day
Feb 18 - Eagles books due
Feb 22 - Toontuk Banquet
Feb 25 - Eagle Board - (by appointment)
OFFICE AND SCOUT SHOP
OPENING HOURS!

Monday - Friday
9AM - 5PM

Saturday/Sunday: CLOSED

JAN 20, 2020 - OFFICE AND SCOUT SHOP
CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF MARTIN
LUTHER KING JR. BIRTHDAY

***REMINDER***
The Midnight Sun Council Office will
automatically be closed if the temperature
hits -50 F by 8:00 AM.
Temperature reading can be checked by
calling 907-488-1111.

February 8, 2020
Reception - 6:00 pm, Dinner - 6:30 pm
Binkley Room, Pikes Waterfront Lodge
$45.00/person

Please RSVP by February 1st, 2020.

All 2019 Eagle Scouts along with various award
recipients will be recognized at the Annual
Dinner.

2019 Eagle Scouts should be receiving an
invitation in the mail soon. All Eagle Scouts are
requested to provide information about their
project to the Council office, including Service
hours, even if they are unable to attend.

Please contact Rob Stewart at
robert.stewart@scouting.org

Click here for 2020 Annual Dinner Flyer and
RSVP Form

Make your reservation now to meet the new
2020 Board members and enjoy the guest
speaker Mayor Bryce Ward.

District Annual Meetings

The Tanana Valley and Bush Districts recently
held their District Annual Meetings. Special
thanks to all our new and returning District
Volunteers!!

Tanana Valley District

Committee Chair: Hank Bartos
District Commissioner: Mike Galloway
Members-at-Large: Elad Levy, Kenny Grant,
Ethan Kahl, Linda Anderson, Kehaulani Widell,
and Tom Schneider, Nathan Platt

Bush District

Committee Chair: Don Frazier
District Commissioner: Mark Smith
Members-at-Large: Brad Kilburn, Dean Jazzo,
Ryan Capporelli, Rick Stillie Jr., and Tony
Thacker
**Re-Charter packets**

Included in your Re-Charter packet is a request form for your Family Friends of Scouting campaign. Please be sure to fill out that form with your requested presentation date and time and turn to the office as soon as possible in order for those presentation dates to begin to be scheduled.

You can email Robert Stewart with the information.

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**Kid Fest at Carlson Center**

**When:** January 17-19, 2020
8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

**Where:** Carlson Center, 2010 2nd Ave,
Fairbanks, AK

**Price:** Tickets $20 per Child. $35 Weekend Pass, $100 Family Pass

[Click here for Flyer and more information.](#)

Love Inc. is looking for some Scouts to help run different stations and oversee some bouncing activities during kid fest. All information is below, please contact the Council office to sign up. (907)452-1976

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**New Annual Health and Medical Form**

There is a new medical form for our Scouts and Scouters to use. It is available [here](#) on the National site as a fillable PDF.

You'll notice that the site offers other valuable information in addition to the form, including the Guide to Safe Scouting and Risk Factors for participation.

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**Roundtable**

The next Bush District Roundtable will be held on January 15, 2020 starting at 5:45pm at Mt. McKinley Bank in Delta Junction.

The next Tanana Valley Roundtable will be held on February 6, 2020 at 7:00pm at the Earl and Pat Cook Service Center. Come welcome Nathan Platt as the Roundtable Commissioner.

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**Interested in Fundraisers**

For 2020, we are researching fundraising opportunities for the Spring to help with next year's rechartering cycle. If you have ideas or would like to be on the committee, contact CJ Stewart at clinton.stewart@scouting.org.
Can a den chief work with a Cub Scout den of the opposite gender?

Let’s give a giant Scout salute to the den chief. When entrusted with enough responsibility, this young person can be a Cub Scout leader’s best friend. A den chief is a Scout, Venturer or Sea ...

click here to read more....

2020 Presidential Youth and Educator Awards

The Presidential Environmental Youth Awards (PEYA) recognizes outstanding environmental stewardship projects from grades K-12, by promoting environmental awareness and encouraging community involvement. The application and eligibility information are available at: https://www.epa.gov/education/presidents-environmental-youth-award

The Presidential Innovation Award for Environmental Educators (PIAEE) recognizes outstanding teachers for K-12 who employ innovative approaches to environmental education. The application and eligibility information are available at: https://www.epa.gov/education/presidential-innovation-award-environmental-educators

Winners of next year’s awards will be invited to participate in an awards ceremony and poster session in Washington, D.C. in mid-2020, and their projects will also be highlighted on EPA’s website.

Applications for both awards programs are due no later than January 15, 2020.

Youth Protection Training Reminder

Remember, every volunteer in the Midnight Sun Council must complete the BSA’s Youth Protection annually.

Lost Lake Scout Camp Beaver Day

Beaver Day is an important time each year at Lost Lake Scout Camp to help prepare them for the summer and make sure they are in great shape.

This can’t be done without lots of hands. Older Scouts, Scouter, and Parents are invited to participate in Beaver Day events. Scouter with skills in carpentry, electrical, plumbing, or other trades are especially encouraged to attend.

Help make sure Lost Lake Scout Camp is ready for summer! Sign-up today to lend a hand at our upcoming Beaver Day!

Beaver Day participants will need to bring and turn in a copy of their BSA Health and Medical Record Parts A & B when they check in.

Forms will be returned at the end of the event. Forms that are not picked up will be destroyed.

When: June 26 - 28, 2020
Work will begin at 8:30 a.m. Saturday.

Individuals and units planning to camp for the weekend will need to provide their own camping equipment for the entire weekend.

There is no fee for the campsites, but contact the office to reserve a site. They are available on a first come first serve basis. Cub Scout units will have priority on cabin assignments. Contact Matt at matthew.banaszewski@scouting.org

Friday cracker barrel, Saturday meals, and Sunday breakfast will be provided. Participants may come camp for the weekend free of charge or just come for the day Saturday to lend a hand.

The Midnight Sun Council is looking for Summer Camp Staff to work at Lost Lake Scout Camp in 2020!
We appreciate your service to Scouting and want you to stay involved! Please help protect our Scouts by completing this training at the link below.

https://www.scouting.org/training/youth-protection/

If you are currently registered with the Midnight Sun Council, please contact Tammy to get your Member number before creating an account on my.scouting.org.

Once completed, print the certificate and forward to the office.

**YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING ON DVD**

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 a 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.

**New Position? - New Application!**

Different positions are approved in different ways and individuals need to be approved for their new or additional position.

So remember to turn in a new application.

**Midnight Sun Council’s Annual Family Camp**

Midnight Sun Council announces our Annual Family Camp Held at the Lost Lake Scout Camp.

Take part in some family fun: swimming, canoeing, fishing, BB shooting, archery shooting

Enjoy dining in the newly renovated Honor lodge with all meals prepared by the camp cooking staff.

**When:** July 26 - July 29, 2020  
**Where:** Lost Lake Scout Camp  
The four-day experience is $100 dollars per adult and youth are $75.

A deposit of $100 dollars per family is due no later than 15 April 2020, with the full balance due 1 June 2020.
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/.

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**Internet Advancement 2.0**

The new tool to quickly input advancement data, Internet Advancement 2.0 (previously known as Scoutbook Lite) is now live.

This free solution replaces the previous Internet Advancement platform, which will be retired (for all programs except Exploring) on June 10, 2019.

Internet Advancement 2.0 will feature a clean, new user interface and will be optimized to whatever device you use: desktop, tablet or smartphone.

Internet Advancement 2.0 will offer optimized functions for everything found in the current Internet Advancement platform and can be accessed by Unit Key 3 users, Unit Key 3 delegate users and Unit Advancement Chairs.

End users will access Internet Advancement 2.0 via one of the following locations using their my.Scouting credentials:

- Scoutbook.scouting.org
- From the Legacy Tools menu in my.Scouting.org
- A link in Scoutbook.com
- From the current Internet Advancement Platform

After initial release, the BSA IT team will continue to add additional features on a regular basis. Updates and new features will be communicated with the field as they are delivered.

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Register at the Midnight Sun Council office in person or by calling the office @ 907-452-1976

Questions can be directed to Matt Banaszewski @ the above number or emailed to Matthew.banaszewski@scouting.org

**Distinguished Citizens Banquet**

The Distinguished Citizen Banquet honoring Bernie and Connie Karl was a huge success! Over 350 people attended the event. This year's special project was the establishment of a maintenance endowment. We are excited to start the fund with over $100,000!

Thank you to the 2019 Distinguished Citizen Banquet Sponsors:

- Alaska Airlines
- Bennett Engineering
- Chena Hot Springs Resort
- Denali State Bank
- Everts Air Cargo
- Foundation Health Partners
- I-CHARR
- Lynden
- Wilson & Wilson CPA
- Dennis and Mary Wise
- State Farm Insurance-Dick Randolph

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**POPCORN UPDATE**

If your Scout sold over $350 they will need a Scout Account to claim their rewards through Trails End. Please make sure they have an account and let your then let your Unit Popcorn Kernel know that it has been created. The deadline to for your Unit to order Scout Rewards is December 31st. The Council pays for Scout Rewards even if they are not claimed. Please...
The Midnight Sun Council is proud to announce our 2020 patches!

The Fund the Adventure patch is in recognition of a donation of at least $100 towards our 2020 Friends of Scouting campaign.

The 60th Anniversary patch is on sale for $10.00 and honors our historic move to welcome girls into all of our programs.

Congratulations to our 2019 Eagle Scouts

Graham Wappett
Troop 3
LDS Church

Skyler Gillespie
Troop 9
American Legion Post 30

Matthew Banaszewski
Troop 38
Catholic Schools of Fairbanks

Remember that it's not too late to sell popcorn through the online system. Once your Scout is registered in the system, you can send links to support your Scout through email and social media. The link will direct consumers to an online site where they pay for the popcorn and it's shipped directly to them. Your Unit will still earn commission and your Scout will continue to add to their sale for Amazon gift cards through Trails End. Most of our online sales last year were from October to December.

If you have a Scout that missed the paper order deadline, the council will have a limited amount of extra product. Contact your Unit popcorn Kernel immediately if this happens. There will be a wait list for product, and we'll fill the order based on the extra that is available.

In January we will announce the 6 top Cubs that earned Summer Day Camp and the 3 top Scouts that earned Lost Lake Resident Camp for the 2020 camping season.

Winter Activity | Boy Scouts of America

SUMMARY
There is magic to camping in winter. It is one of the most challenging outdoor adventures. However, potentially extreme weather conditions, cold temperatures, and unique hazards associated with outdoor winter activities require careful planning to ensure safety.

GENERAL INFORMATION
Eating the right type of food when camping or playing in the... click here to read more

Thank you for your patience while we were closed conducting our annual inventory.

We are happy to return to our normal hours...
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.