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Friends of Scouting

We need your help to provide a quality program. Friends Of Scouting is used to help fund scouting activities and programs throughout the year. It represents 20% of the budget.

The Friends of Scouting Family campaign has kicked off this year. The Family Campaign asks families to consider a contribution to the Midnight Sun Council BSA. A limited edition 2018 Council Shoulder Strip Patch will be given to those who contribute $100.00 to the campaign. If a unit meets its goal by May 3, 2018, the unit receives discounts at the Midnight Sun Council Summer Camps. If they achieve 10% increase above their goal, they receive a free cabin rental for one night at Lost Lake camp.

With years of scouting experience and raising an Eagle Scout, Bill & Cindy Wright are Co-chairs for the Family Campaign. The Family Campaign has a goal of $56,000. It has reached 21% of that. The Board of Directors has their own Board Campaign. They have achieved 35% of their goal.
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Important Dates

May 2018

3 - Roundtable Tanana Valley 7PM @ BSA
5 - CLEAN UP DAY/OFFICE OPEN 8AM - 12 PM For Bag Distribution ONLY
7 - High Adventure Committee Mtg 7PM
10 - Toontuk General Lodge Meeting 7PM
10 - TVD Day Camp remainder of fee's due BSA Office
11 - 12 - BALOO Taining Outdoor Experience at BSA Camp-o-ree
11-13 - Spring Camp-o-ree
15 - MSC Executive Committee - 7AM
16 - Roundtable Delta/District Meeting 5:45PM
16 - Bush District Meeting 6:45 pm @ Mt. McKinley Bank Community Room
18-20 - OA Spring Induction Weekend
19 - Aviation Day
19 - BALOO Training @ BSA Office (Part 1) 9AM
21 - MSC Properties Committee 7PM
22 - EAGLE BOOKS DUE
24 - TVD Commissioner Meeting 6:45PM
24 - TVD Meeting 7PM BSA Office
25-27 - Work Weekend

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Friends of Scouting 2018
Family Campaign (FOS)

Units meeting 100% FOS Goals as of April 26, 2018

Packs/Troops/Crews
Tanana Valley District

Pack 25
Rotary Club of Fairbanks

Troop 38
Catholic Schools of Fairbanks

Troop 42
North Star Vol. Fire Dept.

Troop 47
Fairbanks Host Lions Club

Crew 1000
Kiwanis Club of Fairbanks

Bush District

Troop 75
Tok Lions Club

To schedule an FOS presentation, contact Bill Wright at 907-450-9889 or email: bill.wright@unitedwaytv.com
### Changes for the 2018 Boy Scout Camp Season

#### Clarification on Adult Registration Requirement Beginning with 2018 Boy Scout Camp Season

The BSA’s new adult registration requirements - which mandate that all adults accompanying a Boy Scout troop to a residence camp or other Scouting activity lasting 72 hours or more must be registered as a leader, including completion of a criminal background check and Youth Protection Training - will go into effect June 1, 2018, at the start of the BSA’s summer camp season.

This is happening to enhance the "safe space" for overnight Boy Scout activities. While incidents are rare, this will serve as an added layer of protection for our highest risk activities.

### Needed from Units:

Please ensure that your adults attending summer camp have this completed prior to listing them for Summer camp, or signing them up for Summer Camp. The Council will verify compliance to this new policy prior to finalizing a reservation form.

CJ Stewart  
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### OFFICE AND SCOUT SHOP OPENING HOURS!

**Monday:** 9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
**Tuesday:** 9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
**Wednesday:** 9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
**Thursday:** 9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
**Friday:** 9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
**Saturday/Sunday:** CLOSED

The Office and Scout Shop will be CLOSED on May 28th for Memorial Day and July 4th for Independence Day

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### My Grandma's House

My name is Cynthia Erickson, founder of the child advocacy non-profit group, My Grandma’s House. I am working on a Child
This is YOUR Newsletter!!

We would like to hear from your units. Please submit your articles to lynda.o'neal@scouting.org to be included in the newsletter NO LATER THAN the 20th of the Month.

The Midnight Sun council is still looking for Summer camp staff to work at the Lost Lake Scout camp this summer!

We are looking for a Camp Commissioner. We are still in need of staffing positions in various program areas such as nature and handy craft.

If you are interested in getting outdoors and working with today’s youth click here to download application forms or email CJ at Clinton.Stewart@scouting.org for more information.

Training Committee Wants YOU!

Abuse Healing Journey/Walk taking place on June 15, 2018. We are planning on walking in Fairbanks then boating down the Yukon River with a group of 12 youth. It is going to be a healing journey for all involved. I will need all the help I can get in Fairbanks, Minto, Manley Hot Springs, Tanana, Ruby and Galena-boots on the ground! I have confirmed with Fred Meyer West and booked the Pioneer Park Civic Center for June 15. We plan to start gathering at I Dam, beginning the Walk at Noon so others can join in on their lunch hour. I have kids flying in from all over Alaska. I will need to raise funds for airfare, housing, food, vehicles, signs, tee-shirts, fuel for boats, advertising— it is a lot! We will need volunteers, monetary and in-kind service donations, and silent auction/raffle donations.

Would you consider making an in-kind or monetary contribution? I would appreciate any and all assistance! For your donation, you will receive free advertisement during the walk, on our website, and of course a tax deductible receipt. Please text, call or email me if you would like to contribute. If I am not available, you may call or text Mo Duncan in Fairbanks for donation pick up. Her contact is: (907) 388-2479.

We appreciate you supporting the children of Alaska. Sincerely,

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Roundtable

Don’t miss roundtable on May 3, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Council Office.

For any questions, please contact Jack Daly at john.daly@scouting.org.

The Delta Roundtable will be held on May 16, 2018.
WELCOME to Wendy Chase as the new Council Training Chair!!

The Midnight Sun Council is seeking excited and 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 Jack Daly at 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 successful advancement committee.

BALOO Training

With proper planning and a BALOO-trained leader, your pack should be set for a fun and exciting weekend event.

We had a successful session of Part 1 BALOO training. A second session of the Part 1 Training will be held at The Earl & Pat Cook Service Center on May 19th from 9AM - 3PM. Registration for the second session of Part 1 on May 19th has been extended until May 11th.

PRE-REQUISITE

All participants will need to go online to My.Scouting.org to complete the pre-requisite BALOO training. Sign in or create an account and remember passwords for this site. All current registered members can call the BSA office at 907-452-1976 for a member I.D. number and directions to My.Scouting.org.

If you do not have an account, you can create one. Be prepared to save passwords & user name for future access.

The over-night and Part 2 of the session is scheduled during the Spring Camp-o-ree May 11th and 12th.

BALOO candidates will need to complete BALOO
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.

For questions or additional information, please contact Jack Daly at 907-452-1976 or by email: john.daly@scouting.org.

Click here for flyer.

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**FNSB Clean Up Day**

Our Council is proud to be a sponsor of FNSB Clean Up Day on May 5th. There are lots of ways you and your Unit can get involved.

The Boy Scout Office will be the main distribution point for bags. We need assistance passing out bags, getting people registered and answering questions during office hours (Mon-Fri from 9 - 5) from April 23-May 4th. We need help passing out bags during Clean Up Day, May 5th from 8 am to noon. Call us at 452-1976 to sign up for a time slot.

Now is also the time to start planning your Unit's contribution to cleaning up our community. If you don't already have a target area this is a great opportunity to do a joint project with your Charter Partner! If their area is not a safe area for the age group that your Unit serves, please consider cleaning around your meeting place or a local park. There is enough trash for everyone to be involved.

Visit our web page for more information [http://midnightsunbsa.org/programs/council-programs/clean-up-day.html](http://midnightsunbsa.org/programs/council-programs/clean-up-day.html)

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**7th Annual Sporting Clay Tournament**

The Midnight Sun Council will be hosting a Sporting Clay Tournament at the Fairbanks Trap Club on Saturday, August 4, 2018.

Event is limited to 15 teams of 5. Must be at least 18 years of age to shoot. Various sponsorship levels are available. Shells and Clay Pigeons are included in the price for each shooter. A continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. There will be many prizes and awards. Individual shooters cost $125, $500 per team.

Come on out and have a great time and pre-requisite training before attending the "Outdoor Experience". Please bring the pre-requisite training certificate to the Outdoor Experience on May 11th and May 12th.

For questions or additional information, please contact Jack Daly at 907-452-1976 or by email: john.daly@scouting.org.

Click here for flyer.

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**Line of Duty Fallen Eagle Recognition**

The Line of Duty Fallen Eagle Recognition from the National Eagle Scout Association honors those Eagle Scouts who have died while serving as firefighters, police officers or members of the military.

Click here to read more.

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**Tanana District Spring Camp-O-Ree: Chena Lakes May 11-13**
Northern Lights High Adventure Base

The base has a few openings for Treks this summer. If your plans for Summit, Philmont, Sea base, or Northern tier or any other high adventure base trip for that matter didn’t or couldn’t get you in, it is not too late to reserve your spot to trek out in the Brooks Range or even visit Wrangell St. Elias and truly get out in the wilderness this summer.

We can offer various treks and customization so you can get exactly what you dream of doing in the short summer season. Don’t delay! Call CJ at the Midnight Sun Council Service Center (907) 452-1976 or email at Clinton.Stewart@Scouting.Org

If you are interested in being on Staff, click here to download application or contact CJ.

BSA Pin Management

The local council is asking units to go to the Midnight Sun Council Website and view the "Be a Scout" logo at the bottom of the webpage.

Potential youth members visit this web site and look to find out where scout units are located in their town.

If your unit has the most recent contact information, then potential youth will be able to contact your unit directly. If units have contact information that is not current, potential youth could become discouraged to join.

Units will need to manage their 2018 Theme: Cycling/Bicycling

Location: Chena Lakes Recreation Area

Dates: May 11-13, 2018

The fee is $25

The theme for this year's spring camp-o-ree is 'Bicycles' where patrols will enjoy numerous cycling challenges. We are thrilled to be joined this year with employees of Beaver Sports who are volunteering their time and expertise to help insure success. Part 2 of BLOOC training will be joining the fun on the 11th & 12th.

Click here to learn about Bike Safety checks & Bike repair clinics.

Click here for the Leadership Guide.

Contact: Jeffrey Rogers 907-328-8044 or jeffrey_a_rogers@hotmail.com

Cub Scouts Day Camp 2018 (Junior Spy Camp)

When: Wednesday May 30, through Friday June 1 at Birch Hill Recreation area.

Saturday, June 2 Day Camp Family Picnic at Chena Lakes Recreation Area

Forms and Deposit money ($20.00) were due to the Scout Office on March 30, 2018. The remaining balance is due by May 10, 2018

The fee is the same as last year ($75.00)

A Registration form must be turned in for each person attending camp.

PLEASE MAKE PAYMENT TO YOUR PACK, so your pack can turn in all at one time.

More information and Packet can be found here.

Medical forms can be found here.
own account by determining if their unit contact information is correct. Units can find information on how to manage their account by clicking here or contacting the BSA office at 907-452-1976.

PICK.CLICK.GIVE.

It's not too late to 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 you can let us know about it later on your Friends of Scouting pledge card.

You may choose to add or adjust your pledges online through August 31.

Congratulations to our 2018 Eagle Class

This class of Eagles will be recognized for their

BSA Lost Lake Work Weekend 2018

Scout families wanting to experience Lost Lake for Memorial Day weekend are invited to attend the Work Weekend starting on Friday, May 25 and ending on Monday, May 28, 2018. Saturday is Project Day.

While there is NO FEE to camp at the Lost Lake Facility, Scouters are encouraged to bring their tools to help with a variety of Camp projects. Saturday is the work day and all are invited/encouraged to help with one of many projects scheduled. Bring your hammers/tool belts/back braces/knee pads for this one-day event to get some projects off the ground. The rest of the weekend is at your leisure. Please stop by the BSA office to register that you will be in attendance. Campsites are on a first come basis and its encouraged to camp with other families. No official program is scheduled.

Tanana District Picnic June 2, 2018 "Chena Lakes"

The annual Tanana District Picnic will take place in conjunction with the last day of Cub Scout Day Camp. A "Golden Skillet" competition will take place among the district members at noon. While visiting, please visit the Day Camp at Chena lakes. NO SWIMMING WILL BE ALLOWED DURING THE PICNIC DUE TO BSA REQUIREMENTS. SWIMMING WILL BE ALLOWED AFTER THE EVENT IS CLOSED.

BSA Family Camp 2018

CANCELLED
World Jamboree 2019!

SIGN UP TODAY!!

DON'T MISS THE OPPORTUNITY OF A LIFETIME!!

Join us for the 2019 World Scout Jamboree at the Summit!

Applications are still being accepted for the USA Contingent to the 24th World Scout Jamboree, which will be held July 22- August 2, 2019 at the Summit Bechtel Scout Reserve in West Virginia USA. The World Scout Jamboree is the largest Scouting event on the planet.

Join 50,000 Scouts from 169 National Scouting Organizations for twelve action-packed days of meeting new friends, learning about different cultures, service projects and high adventure activities.

To learn more and apply, go to the Contingent website at: http://wsj2019.us

NEW Youth Protection Course MUST be taken by OCTOBER 1st for ALL Registered Leaders

Update Your Training by October 1, 2018

The Boy Scouts of America's updated youth protection training doesn't just talk about the dangers of child predators - it shows how they work to gain access to their victims.

In early February, the BSA introduced newly updated youth protection training that is required for all volunteers before October 1, 2018. Even if they took the previous training prior to the February rollout, it will need to be taken it again.

The updated training, which includes three modules and a test that take a little over an hour to complete, draws on research from experts in the field.
Young men and women age 14 (with completion of 8th grade) through 20 years old are welcome to apply. Post #747 has been exploring all the careers at the Fairbanks Airport including: Pilots, Aircraft Mechanics, Emergency Services and Air Traffic Controllers. Email them at faiexplorerpost747@gmail.com for more information and download the application here!

**Eagle dog sledding veteran posts best result in Iditarod**

Tom Schonberger, an Eagle Scout and National Eagle Scout Association lifetime member got caught in unfavorable conditions while mushing in his first Iditarod sled dog race in Alaska. Read his story here.

He wasn't the only Eagle on the 1,000-mile trail.

Eagle Scout Matthew Failor - in his seventh Iditarod - mushed his way to his best result, crossing the finish line in 13th place after 10 days, 5 hours, 53 minutes and 52 seconds on the trail. It wasn't his fastest time ever (he did it in 9 days, 16 hours, 42 minutes in 2014), but it proved faster than many in the 67-person field.

Spring/Fall Membership Recruitment 2018

Spring is the time to hold a new youth/adult's membership recruitment for your Scout unit.

Before School is out for the summer, units should plan an activity for prospective new youth to attend. Scout units should be planning/or have planned their summer programs and their back to school socials for August.

**Day Camp** - Encourage the youth in your unit to talk to other boys about day camp at Birch Hill.

**Youth Safety Day**, in August is another opportunity for recruitment. More information about Youth Safety Day will be on the Council Website in the future.

**Cub Scout Council Rock**, on September 8th, is another opportunity to bring new youth to Scouting. More information on this program will follow.

Scouting flyers can be distributed at the school (approval by FNSB district is required) where your unit has its meetings or draws youth from can/could be distributed to each classroom. Flyers can also be posted at community locations.

Contact the BSA office (Jack Daly/385-5011 cell) as the council has many created/made flyers for uploading to the school district website for approval.

Thank you to all of our 2018 Golden Eagle Sponsors
Please click [here](#) to read more.

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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.

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