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Let's Get that Popcorn Money Tree Growing ...



Now that you have all of your tools, resources and your sales plan in place it is time to work your plan, because the Popcorn has been delivered, and starting Thursday, September 24, hundreds of Scouts will be on the streets selling...in fact, by the time the weekend is over, some Scouts will have already **sold over \$1000** worth of that delicious popcorn!

Here is a quick check list:

- Have you talked with your Scout's parents?
- Have all of your Scouts received their **prize flyer**? If not, the Council Service Center has more available.
- Did you tell your parents that door to door is one of the best ways to sell popcorn? (Always with an adult) **ALWAYS...**
- Have you called your favorite store to see if you can set up a table and sell popcorn out front? (**Always call ahead**)
- Did you call around and find any craft shows to set up a table? – Tell them that you are a local Scout and most, if not all, **will give you a table for free.**
- Corporate buys – many companies give **Christmas gifts** for their employees "What better than Boy Scout popcorn."
- Have you marked your calendar yet for a **Unit popcorn sales event**? Pick a Saturday or Sunday, go out and sell popcorn **door to door, street by street, block by block** and treat it just like your were setting out Scouting for food bags. Sweep the whole town and split the sales up evenly to the Scouts that were there.
- Make sure to go out into the rural areas. They **ALWAYS** buy. No one usually covers the country roads.
- Have you set any **sales incentives**?
 - Carrots are always good for a salesman, example sale \$1000.00 or more in retail and you get a **brand new \$50.00 bill**, this has worked very well for our unit.
 - For each container sold, give the Den .50 cents. Dens have earned **over \$300.00** to use for projects, field trips or whatever they might need.

Check the Council website weekly for information updates-
www.hawkeyesba.org.

National will raise youth and adult registration fees to \$15.00 beginning January 1, 2010. New fees will apply to all units rechartering with an expiration date of 12/31/2009.

2009 Scouting for Food

The 2009 Scouting for Food Honorary Co-Chairs, UNI Basketball Coach Ben Jacobson and KCRG-TV 9's Bruce Aune, are proud to announce that again this year Scouts in the Hawkeye Area Council will move into action to help fight against hunger in Eastern Iowa.

Last year over 54,000 pounds of food were collected for local food banks and numerous hours were recorded as part of the Good Turn for America and the Scouting for Food drive. This year's food collection will begin at 8:00 AM on Saturday, October 24. Bags will be distributed to households during the week leading up to October 24. In addition, bags will be distributed at area Hy-Vee's in place of regular grocery bags.

This year's designated drop-off locations are:

Coralville

Coralville Central Elementary School

Iowa City and surrounding areas

The River Community Church
Church of Jesus Christ – LDS
St Mark's United Methodist Church

Late drop-offs
Salvation Army
Iowa City Crisis Center

Marion, NE CR, and surrounding areas

Lutheran Church of the Resurrection
(3500 29th Ave)

Cedar Rapids and surrounding areas

Rockwell Collins Sports Complex
(on Collins Road)

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Scout Executive's Minute

One of the fun parts of my job is to meet new families as they join the Scouting movement. With nearly 700 new Cub Scouts joining the Hawkeye Area Council family over the next three months, it will be tough to meet them all! Over the last month, my travels have taken me to all corners of our service area: Solon, West Branch, Anamosa, Washington and Wellman among others, and I can tell you one thing is constant among all of these cities... Scout leaders that care about the youth they serve!

Just stop and think for a minute about who our customers are? Some would say the "chartered organization" that is true on paper in a legalistic way, other would offer "mom" as the prime customer for studies and surveys are showing that Mom is a large

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part in making the decision to join Scouting. I would offer up a third answer and the one that I believe in the most. The "youth member" is the most important customer we have. In this spirit, I need to relay this image to you. I was speaking with a fellow Scouter about recruitment during the fall. He told me a moment he had when a young boy in first grade approached him after he had given a classroom boy talk. The boy had the Scout flyer in his hand and asked this leader "now you PROMISE that I can be a Scout, right?"

What a moving moment!

Do we promise that each boy we have in our Packs, the young men in our Troops and young men and women in our Crews and posts have the opportunity to grow and achieve? I would like to say yes that all 210 Scouting units in our Council are fulfilling the promise. If you need motivation, think about the adventure that flashes through a seven year old's mind when he thinks of Cub Scouts...we can deliver, it is happening, and it is occurring right here!

So where do we go from here? Some random thoughts for you:

- Do you have a fifth grade Webelos Scout? Outstanding! Has he visited local troops yet? If not, make it happen this fall. All of our troops have stories to tell about 2009 summer camp and plans for the future. Make the contact and remember this is two way communication between parents and the Scoutmasters. The benefits of Boy Scouting are numerous and would take up the entire Good Turn!
- Training! To deliver the promise and make Scouting even more fun, I ask "have you been to training?" I am so impressed by Dave Yansky and the District training teams and their dedication to offer leader specific training sessions around the Council. If you need more information, contact the Council Service Center or

your District Executive. Remember, "This is Scouting" and Youth Protection training needs to be completed by all leaders. Conveniently, these are online at www.scouting.org. Click on "MyScouting."

- Rechartering. It is coming up to the time when all units reregister for the coming year. Rechartering does not have to be a chore, it can actually be an exciting time of renewal. Have you met your Unit Commissioner? A Unit Commissioner is a "friend of the unit", available to assist you in rechartering and related information. The drive of these great volunteers who wear the "wreath of service" is impressive. Work with your Unit Commissioner and your unit leaders to make certain that all Scouts renew with the new 2010 recharter. Our Council is leading the way in total youth retained year after year and my answer as to why is simple...great program!

I close with a Scouting salute to our Howard H. Cherry Scout Reservation and our Cho-Gun-Mun-A-Nock Order of the Arrow Lodge. Many of you know I enjoy any opportunity to visit camp. We have the safest, most fun, best organized, and most beautiful camp in the nation. Thanks to our local Lodge, we are able to benefit from the Cheerful Service put forth by its members at the Fall Conclave last month. It is a great sight to see hundreds of people come together to make camp better. Thank you! In 2010, we will have a need for new mowers to continue the welcoming appearance of our camp. Our Rangers have done a great job with the resources they have! Also, we are working on additional storm refuge areas to enhance our high standards of safety.

As we begin October, let's deliver the promise. I will be around the Council as well, be sure to say "Hi!"

Travis Christopher

Hawkeye Area Council *Event, Activity and Meeting Calendar*

A CENTENNIAL QUALITY COUNCIL

October 2009

- 1 All Dist Commissioners and Roundtables
- 1 Wood Badge Staff Meeting
- 2-4 Wood Badge Weekend 1
- 3 Camp Workday
- 4 OA LEC Meeting
- 4 Jamboree Committee Meeting
- 6 Blood Drive - Council Service Center 3-7 PM
- 6 Cub Scout Leader Training
- 9-11 Boy Scout Leader Outdoor Training
- 15 Properties and Maintenance Meeting
- 15 Wood Badge Staff Meeting
- 16-18 Wood Badge Weekend 2
- 17 Veterans Ceremony - Camp Waubeek
- 20 Conservation Committee Meeting
- 22 Finance and Admin. Committee Meeting
- 24 Scouting for Food Collection
- 26 Executive Committee Meeting

Training Corner

by Dave Yansky

By the time you read this article the Council sponsored September training sessions are over. I'd like to personally thank those leaders who took time out of their busy schedules to become trained in their scouting position of responsibility. Your commitment in taking this initiative will pay big dividends in your efforts to provide the best possible program to the boys of your pack or troop.

For those of you who attended September Roundtables the district training chairs announced that National BSA is mandating that adult leaders be trained.

- **Mandatory for 2011: During Re-Charter the top leaders in each Troop / Pack / Crew must be trained. i.e.: Committee Chair, Scoutmaster/ Cubmaster/Venture Crew Advisor.**
- **Mandatory for 2012: During Re-Charter all direct contact leaders in each Troop / Pack / Crew must be trained. i.e.: Assistant Scoutmaster/Den Leaders/Venture Crew Assistant Advisors.**

So, why not get a jump on these dates and sign up for training in your position of responsibility this fall or the spring of 2010. It's easy, fun, and you

meet other great Scout leaders who you can share experiences with.

On a divergent but equally important training matter, **Debbie Mason (319-892-3235)** is again offering Wilderness First Aid, (WFA) training for Scout Leaders and Volunteers who wish to take youth on high adventure activities. The WFA is to be held November 14- 15 from 9 AM - 4 PM at the American Red Cross Center located at 6300 Rockwell Drive NE #1, Cedar Rapids (behind the Blairs Ferry Road Target). The cost of the course is \$75. Please bring your own lunch for each day of training.

I'd also like to plug an excellent youth opportunity that Troops 89 and 555 are sponsoring. The Marion Merit Badge workshop is to be held November 7 at Linn Mar High School with check-in starting at 8 AM. All merit badge classes are lead by adult Merit Badge Counselors registered with the Hawkeye Area Council. There are also ½ day classes available for interested adult leaders. Registration is similar to what was done for MBU last year, so log into www.meritbadge.info and choose the **November 7- Marion Merit Badge Workshop** to register your Scouts. The cost is \$10 per person with lunch and snacks available for purchase during the day. For further information you're welcome to contact **Marcia Nilsen** at (319) 294-1188, neslinc@fmtcs.com or **Linda Merck** at (319) 373-1597.

If you need any training information you are welcome to contact any of the District training chairs or me.

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Fall Training Schedule

Cub Scout Adult Leader Training

Tuesday, October 6, 6:00 PM-9:00 PM
Lucas Elementary School
830 Southlawn Dr, Iowa City

Sunday, November 1, 1:00 PM-4:00 PM
St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, Hiawatha

To be considered fully trained, Cub Scout Leaders must complete: "This is Scouting!" (a new course available through MyScouting.org) and Cub Scout Leader Specific session for their **current position**.

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Camp Staff Jobs

Why would I want to work at Scout camp? The hours are long, the pay is low, there is no time for myself and nobody appreciates what you do. When was the last time you checked on summer camp? The pay is better and the opportunity is there to be appreciated for years to come. The jobs are still long and the times off are minimal, but check out the benefits.

Here are a few of the countless reasons to work at camp that are frequently expressed:

- To make lots of new friends in your area, other states and even other countries
- To spend a summer in the great outdoors where nature prevails
- To acquire experiential education (learning by doing) and new skills that will last a lifetime
- To be part of an effective team and to cooperate with others to get things done
- To learn how to lead others and to apply leadership skills
- To undertake and fulfill meaningful challenges and to earn the satisfaction of doing a job well
- To work with youth and adults of all ages
- To serve others (the most noble and fulfilling pursuit of all)
- To give something back for the opportunities you have received
- To live in a wholesome environment based on the Scout Oath and Law
- To have meaningful experiences
- To have the advice, counsel and support of senior staff who are dedicated to helping you succeed
- To be paid and receive food and lodging in return for something challenging and fun
- To be considered for jobs of greater responsibility and to receive letters of recommendation for other pursuits

Why work at a fast food or retail establishment that focuses on sales when you can have opportunities like these that will prepare you for more meaningful endeavors?

Staff Commitment and Expectations

Camp employment in the Hawkeye Area Council is provided under these guidelines:

1. All camp employees subscribe and commit to live the Scout Oath and Scout Law.
2. All camp employees must be qualified and registered as members of the Boy Scouts of America through our camp staff Venture Crew. Those not currently registered will be upon agreeing to be on staff.
3. All camp employees must furnish and wear the official Venture uniform.
4. All summer camp employees must attend staff training prior to the beginning of camp.

Working on the staff of the Howard H Cherry Scout Reservation is a unique opportunity combining physical and mental challenges, pushing you towards leadership roles in the community while creating friendships and developing character. As a Howard H Cherry Scout Reservation staff member, you have the chance to help build the leaders of tomorrow. For more information, contact David Cunningham at david.cunningham@scouting.org.

Camp Stuff

by Ranger Rick

As of this writing, we are finishing final preparations for OA Fall Conclave, which I'm sure will be a huge success. Our Order of the Arrow Lodge does fantastic things here at camp to improve our facilities! THANKS!!

The August rains caused considerable damage to our trails, roads and waterways. We will be continuing to work to slow erosion, replace culverts and restore check dams and embankments. If you need a conservation project, we have it!

Camp usage is on the increase and we receive more reservations almost daily. If your unit or outside group is considering using camp, please book your reservations early. Also, please remember to check in with one of the rangers or campmaster upon your arrival at camp. If your check-in time is going to be different than on your reservation, please give us a call at (319) 438-6531 so we may better serve you.

Our Veterans Memorial Campfire Ring rededication ceremony is scheduled for October 17 at 11:00 AM. This is always an impressive ceremony. If you plan to attend, please notify the Scout Shop, so we know how many to plan for.

As the weather cools down, we will be shutting down some of the water systems to campsites and some buildings. Water is available at frost free hydrants year-round.

THANKS to Steve Rose for donating the waterline to the OA ring and the crew who helped install this ½ mile of waterline! And THANKS to Spahn & Rose Lumber of Monticello for donating the lumber to make two more of our latrines barrier-free.

Hope to see you all at YOUR CAMP soon!

Firewood for Sale



Contact
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Order of the Arrow



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Brothers,

Mark your calendars! On **October 17**, we will be hosting a **NEW LODGE EVENT!** The first Lodge Ordeal Fun Night will be held at Regis Middle School in Cedar Rapids, from 2-9 PM. This event is open to all Ordeal members in our Lodge, and will be a good way for new members to learn more about OA, meet many new friends, and have FUN with the Lodge! For more information, or if you want to help, check out the Cho-Gun-Mun-A-Nock Lodge website at www.hawkeyebsa.org/oa, or call me at (319)270-5876.

Also, in October is the annual rededication of the Veterans Memorial Campfire Ring at HHCSR, Camp Waubeek. The Order of the Arrow not only provides a five-man color guard for this, but helps to set up and tear down the event. Please come and help out, beginning at 8 AM on Saturday, October 17, with tear-down finishing around noon. If you haven't seen this ceremony before, you'll want to make sure that you don't miss it!

Fall Conclave was a busy weekend for us. Besides inducting over 100 new members into our Lodge, calling out Vigil Candidates, and working hard at our camp, the youth of our lodge elected new lodge and chapter officers for 2010. This means the annual transition of leadership has begun. Stay posted for more information regarding next year. If the youth in your Troop are looking to get more involved in Scouting, encourage them to be thinking about the Order of the Arrow. As any Lodge or Chapter officer can testify, the opportunities to grow through leadership and service are tremendous, and are beneficial to all youth.

Best wishes to you all this fall, and thank you for all the service you give to us youth in Hawkeye Area Council.

Your brother,
Isaac Behrens



Call our toll-free number:
1-877-HAWKBSA
(1-877-429-5272)

Grants Received



United Way
of East Central Iowa

Thanks to *United Way of East Central Iowa* for their recent approval of a \$35,000 Transition/Capacity Building grant for Hawkeye Area Council that will be paid out between

September 2009 and June 2010. Great progress is being made by District Executive John Myers and his team on the first survey to the representative sample. Thanks also to all participants in this sample. Your time and dedication in Scout tracking and survey participation helps makes this progress possible!

Thanks also to *Variety, the Children's Charity* for their recent approval of a \$3,000 grant to help replace the walk-in freezer at Camp Wakonda that was already used when installed in the Troop Service Building in 1964.

Council Blood Drive

Hawkeye Area Council, Boy Scouts of America is hosting a *Give Blood, Share Life* drive on **Tuesday, October 6** from **3:00 PM to 7:00 PM** at the Council Service Center, 660 32nd Avenue SW, Cedar Rapids. To schedule a time to donate, contact David Cunningham (david.cunningham@scouting.org) or at (319) 862-0541 or 877-HAWK-BSA.

It is estimated that 60% of the US population is eligible to give blood, but less than 10% of eligible donors – or about 5% of the population actually give. More donors are needed.

Give Blood, Share Life is a collaboration for blood collection in Cedar Rapids and the surrounding communities of Mercy Medical Center, St. Luke's Hospital and the Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center. For more information, visit www.bloodcenter.org.

Silver Beaver Nominations

Can you think of a Scouter who has provided outstanding service to youth in our Council? If so, please nominate that person for the Silver Beaver Award! This is the highest award a volunteer can receive at the Council level. The award is given for noteworthy service of exceptional character to youth by registered Scouters in our Council. A volunteer can only receive this award if nominated, so please make a nomination today! Silver Beaver **nominations are due by October 30** to the Council Service Center. Nomination forms are available at www.hawkeyebsa.org, and at the Council Service Center. Questions? Contact Joe Sadewasser at (319) 862-0541.

Catholic Cub Scouts Religious Emblems Workshop

The Council Catholic Committee will host workshops for Cub Scouts who are interested in earning the Light of Christ Award (6 to 7 years old) or the Parvuli Dei Award (8 to 10 years old) this fall. The workshops will be Saturday morning November 14 at St. Jude's Parish Center, 50 Edgewood Rd NW in Cedar Rapids. Registration will start at 8:30 am and the programs will conclude before noon. Please pre-register at the Scout office. Cost is \$3.00.

Each participant needs to purchase the appropriate workbook from the Scout office (around \$6.00) and begin work with their family prior to the workshop. A list of the requirements we will complete on November 14 will be available at the Scout office. You also need to determine if your pack will purchase the medal once your son completes the requirements. Cost of the medal is \$10.00 and can be paid on the day of the workshop if you wish to have the committee order it for you.

Contact Aaron Randolph at H) 377-0497 or email aranjr@mchsi.com with questions.

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St. Luke's Surgicare lot
(1st Avenue location)

For more information contact your District's Scouting for Food coordinator:

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Three Rivers:	Mac McCleary	(319)377-3300
Red Cedar:	Dave Wertz	(319)862-0541
Scoutreach:	John Myers	(319)862-0541

This year's Scouting for Food sponsors are Rockwell Collins, International Paper, KCRG and Hy-Vee.

Climbing Tower Rental

Did you know that the charge for use of the climbing tower for Scout groups is only \$50 per half day? However, the BSA requires certified National Camp School trained personnel to operate the tower. Current rate for trained personnel for the tower is \$160 per half day for 12 Scouts. There are ways to save this instructor fee. In April 2010, the Central Region of the Boy Scouts of America will offer a two weekend certification course for COPE or Climbing. For more information, contact David Cunningham at david.cunningham@scouting.org and watch future Good Turns.



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Veterans Memorial Rededication

Please join us for the annual Veterans Memorial Rededication at Camp Waubeek on Saturday, October 17 at 11:11 AM. This year's event will honor all names on the Campfire Ring Wall and involve many of our honorable local Veterans groups. Join us as we pause to remember the Veterans who make our freedoms possible.

Scout Shop News & Notes

by Sandi Friedrich

It's that time of year again when many of the Packs will be handing out their Pinewood Derby cars, Raingutter Regatta boats, or Space Derby kits. We don't want anyone to be disappointed that we didn't have their kits in stock, so please give us at least a 2 weeks notice of when you will need your kits. It makes it easier for us for ordering and assures that you have the kits you need when you need them.

MISSING IN ACTION: we are missing a 3 ring binder with samples of Eagle invitations and programs. If someone picked this up by accident, please return it as soon as possible. Have you seen the new Centennial catalog? It has some really nice items in it and we are stocking some of them in the Scout Shop. If you are interested in anything specific, just give us a call and we can order it for you. Remember, if you get it at the Hawkeye Area Council Scout Shop you don't pay tax and you can receive your Presidents or Gold Award discount as well.

If you are looking for craft ideas for your Pack, we have several kits in stock. We don't have very many of any one kit in stock so if you are interested in some of these, please let us know ahead of time.

We hope this fall is one of excitement and growth for your Troop, Pack, or Crew. Please let us know if we can be of service to you.

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Boy Scout Leader Training

PART III: Friday, October 9- Sunday, October 11
Camp Wakonda - 4521 Boy Scouts Rd., Central City
Registration Begins at 6:00 PM
in the Dakin Dining Hall

Note: To be fully certified as a Trained Boy Scout Leader you must participate in all three training sessions and also complete: "This is Scouting!" (a new course available through MyScouting.org).

Activities Committee

by John Myers

The following Scouters and Staff Advisors for the 100th Anniversary Council Camporee Committee has been set:

- Camporee Chairman – John Myers Staff Advisor – John Myers (DE)
- Physical Services Vice-Chairman – Dave Windisch Staff Advisor – Joe Sadewasser
- Entertainment Vice-Chairman - Paul Swanson Staff Advisor – Mike O'Connor
- Program Vice-Chairman – Tracy Schloss Staff Advisor – Dave Wertz
- Administrative Services Vice-Chairman – Joel Schmidt Staff Advisor – Travis Christopher

The committee has already begun the planning process with a great first meeting. Soon we will be selecting the theme for the conference so watch for that in the November Good Turn.

As you would expect it will take many, many volunteers to plan and organize this spectacular event. If you are asked to participate in one of the many needed volunteer roles, please strongly consider this request. Scouting's 100th Anniversary is a very special event which deserves a joyous, fun and impressive celebration. Your participation is valued.

The committee and I look forward to keeping you informed of our progress toward this September 17 – 19, 2010 festivity.

Sell Products and You Can...

by Paul Stults

- Work on Advancement
- Raise money for gear, treks & summer camp.
- Help a child increase their confidence in themselves as they: "Set a goal...earn their way toward that goal...succeed."
- Earn great prizes this year!
- Win a limo ride and an afternoon at Planet X
- Win tickets to a free movie (Council Event)
- Win \$100 gift cards from local vendors!
- Win a computer!
- Earn gift cards!
- Grow your Own Money Tree!

Please call or email me – if you would like me to visit your Pack or Troop meeting. My email is paul@brandedapparel.net cell (319) 560-6767. Call or email me anytime.



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Cedar Rapids and the West:
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- 1 Commissioners Meeting 6:00 PM,
St. Elizabeth's Church
- 1 Roundtable, 7:00 PM St. Elizabeth's Church
- 2-4 Wood Badge Weekend 1
- 8 OA Chapter Meeting
- 10 Kirkwood Cub College
- 12 District Committee meeting 6 PM
Council Service Center
- 16-18 Wood Badge Weekend 2
- 24 Scouting for Food Collection

Popcorn

We are entering the heart of the popcorn selling season. The greatest thing about selling popcorn is how it helps the youth. Whether it's helping them raise money for Scouting events or giving them the experience to talk to people, Popcorn plays a vital role in their Scouting experience. Our #1 goal is to help your unit have a successful sale. The Scout Shop will be open on **Saturday October 3, 10 and the 17 from 9-10:30 AM to accommodate popcorn pickup.** We will have plenty of popcorn on hand at the Council Service Center so you won't need to keep a lot on hand.

Scouting for Food

Scouting for food bags will be available at the October Roundtable. Please make sure to have someone from your unit pick up your bags. October 24 will be the Food Collection Day. Thank you in advance for supporting the community with Scouting for Food.

District Dinner

The Annual District Dinner will be held at 6:00 PM, November 19 at St. Judes, 50 Edgewood Road, Cedar Rapids. The cost will be \$15 per person.

We have a great time all year doing Scouting with our youth and fellow leaders and this dinner gives us the opportunity to celebrate all of those good

times. This dinner isn't just for adults. Scouting is about families and all members of the family are welcome to come to the dinner.

Plus, we are holding a Wood Badge Course this year we will have more people to stand up and sing the fabled Wood Badge Song. And yes you are welcome to bring your furry stuffed animals to the dinner. We hope to see another packed house on November 19.

Our Mission and Vision

by Dave Airy

I'm very excited and honored to have the opportunity to serve as the Red Cedar District's Committee Chairperson. During my tenure in Scouting I have been active as a unit leader in both Cub Scouting and Boy Scouting. I have experienced firsthand the benefits a strong district can provide a unit. It is my goal to improve the already strong programs and unit services that the Red Cedar District currently provides.

The District Committee is comprised of unit leaders from around the District. These Scouters invest additional time to help plan activities and provide support services for our units. This is time spent above and beyond the time they're already giving to their own unit.

In July, the District Committee met to develop a Strategic Plan for the District. The committee's goal in creating this plan was to clearly define the District's purpose and direction for our programming and unit support services.

The cornerstone of the strategic plan was identifying the district's Mission and Vision.

Our Mission:

To support the units of the District in their efforts to deliver the mission of the BSA.

The Mission of the Boy Scouts of America:

To prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

Our Vision:

To enable and empower the units of the Red Cedar District to provide quality programming through program support, education, training, and unit services.

In future issues of the Good Turn I'll share with you more aspects of the strategic plan. Please feel free to contact me at daveairy@msn.com with any comments or ideas that would benefit the District.



Three Rivers
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October 2009

- 1 Commissioners Meetings 6 PM
Roundtable 7 PM, Marion
Lutheran Church of the Resurrection
- 3 Webelos Wood - Central Park
Jones County
- 13 OA Chapter Meeting
- 11-17 Scouting for Food Bags out
- 24 Scouting for Food Bag Pick up

From the Chairman....

Hello Three Rivers! Just a few unconnected rants this month...As you are reading this we are in the midst of what is shaping up to be a pretty good fall recruiting. Let's make sure we are following through with contacting all those names we gathered at the many events we have hosted the last couple of months. Give every kid the chance to start the Scouting trail.

Popcorn is getting under way along with our fall programs. Camporee is around the corner along with our highly successful Webelos Woods event. Plus with the great weather we have been having I am sure many units are doing thier own program outdoors as well. I am hoping we have another banner year selling popcorn and I know the units who participate are glad they did when it comes time to buy new unit equipment or host that special Blue and Gold or Court of Honor.

One quick challenge. Next year as I am sure you are all aware is Scouting in America's 100th Birthday. I am challenging each unit to do a unit celebration of some type in the months of January and February 2010. Please tell us what you are doing and we will get it posted on the District Website. I am also looking for someone to help units with ideas and to coordinate the District Event Calendar so you if have some interest there please give me a call or shoot me an email. Would it not be awe-

some if ThreeRivers could have 100 events for the 100 years of Scouting?

I want to take this time to thank the greatest volunteers in the world, the Three Rivers Scouters. You never cease to amaze me with the new and fun things I hear about you doing with your units.

See you on the Trail,
 Randy J. Kopecky, Three Rivers District Chair

Commissioner Corner -

How to be successful in your scouting service...

1. Get Trained. To understand your role and mission. BSA offers "Fast Start Training". Call the Scout Shop to get a copy... Next, attend Adult Basic Training, (for Scoutmasters usually involves three weeknights or a Friday night/Saturday day combination). Lastly, come to Roundtable training to refine your skills and stay informed on Council and District Scouting programs.

2. Build a Strong Committee. Leaders who try to run the entire program themselves typically burn out fast and are not very successful. Build a solid and committed troop committee. On a committee, you need a chair and vice chair and several specialists in areas such as advancement, equipment, fund raising, camping and the like. With a committee to five to seven members, who commit to fulfill their responsibilities, the scoutmaster's job becomes to work with the boys first and foremost.

3. Plan and Calendar. Understand the need to plan and calendar events and activities. A general yearly calendar with dates for troop meetings, campouts, service projects and summer camp is important. Successful troops then plan a rolling four month calendar in more detail. Then make sure each Scout's family receives a current calendar.

4. Instill Scout Spirit. Infuse your Troop with Scout Spirit. Wear the Scout uniform and encourage Scouts to do so as well. Repeat the scout oath, Scout law and slogan at each meeting. Perform service as a troop to build teamwork and give of themselves.

5. Hold Scoutmaster Conferences. Scoutmaster conferences help boys advance. Once every month or two, the Scoutmaster should meet with the scout to review his progress and his involvement in the troop.

6. Develop Scouts into Leaders. Understand and practice the concept of "shadow leadership." The boys should for the most part run the troop. The PLC should take the lead in planning and calendar-ing, and should be seen as the leaders by the other Scouts. The program will be most successful when the PLC takes the lead and the scoutmaster and troop committee become the resources.



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A CENTENNIAL QUALITY DISTRICT

October 2009

- 1-31 New Member Recruiting
All Packs, Troops, and Crews
- 3 Commissioner Staff Meeting, 6:30 PM
Roundtable Meeting, 7:30 PM
Church of Jesus Christ- LDS
(570 Dublin Dr, Iowa City)
- 6 Eagle Scout Boards of Review
- 7 Cub Scout leader training, 6:00PM
Lucas Elementary, Iowa City
- 15 Order of the Arrow Chapter Meeting
- 24 Scouting for Food

District Award of Merit

The district award of merit is the highest honor a district can bestow upon a volunteer. It is given for noteworthy service to youth. Nomination forms are available at www.hawkeyebsa.org or at the scout shop. Nominations must be submitted to Joe Sadewasser no later than the start of the October Roundtable. Consider nominating someone today!

“The truth of the matter is that you always know the right thing to do. The hard part is doing it.”
 -H. Norman Schwarzkopf

As Scouting volunteers, you’re not only teaching boys the right thing to do, you are teaching them the importance of doing it. THANK YOU!

Stay up to date with OCV!

Visit the OCV District Online!
www.hawkeyebsa.org/oldcapitolvalley

Stay updated with the current news of the District by subscribing to our email list!
Send a blank message to:

OldCapitolValleyDistrict-Subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Give Every Boy a Chance

Scouting provides wonderful programs that build foundations for boys and the future. Most families get involved with Scouting because someone asks them, and now is the perfect time of year to ask. We have the opportunity, and responsibility, to offer Scouting to every boy. Initial reports show that many packs and troops are putting in the effort to invite EVERY boy to join Scouting. Make sure each boy gets a follow up phone call so they don’t fall through the cracks and miss out on all Scouting has to offer. Through your work today to get boys involved, YOU can truly change their lives for the better.

We are ready and waiting to help you do this. Call membership chair **Scott Cray** TODAY at (319) 351-7579 for ideas or help.

It’s Product Sale Time!

This sale benefits EVERYONE, so get out there and sell that great tasting popcorn and those magazine vouchers! Your customers get great tasting popcorn or an excellent buy on a magazine. Each Pack or Troop can fund all their programs throughout the year; Scouts can pay their way for activities, and the council can keep fees low and provide great facilities and resources.

Have you heard about the great new incentive for your Pack or Troop? The OCV district wants to throw you a pool party complete with pizza and a root beer keg! To earn this, have 85% of your registered members (as of September 1) sell and increase your total sales by 10%... it’s that easy. Your pack or troop will earn more money and the boys will have a great time at their party!

If you have questions or want ideas about how your sale can earn even more money for your pack or troop and be more successful, call popcorn promotions chair **Doug Alberhasky** at (319) 351-3091.

University of Iowa Ushering

Want to reward the boys in your troop? Want them to have fun while providing great community service? Consider taking part in the UI ushering program. Scouts usher at all home football and men’s basketball games. They get into the game for free, and can sit and watch it once the game starts. It’s a blast. Scouts need to be 13 years old or first class. To sign up, or for more information, contact University of Iowa athletic liaison **Larry McConahay** at (319) 351-5009.

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District Calendar

October 12 District Cabinet Meeting

What? No Name?

The "Scoutreach" District is changing it's name. Why? Because Scoutreach does not fully encompass what the district is all about. The District leadership is currently working on developing a vision for the District and will take a name out of this vision.

District Leadership

The District leadership has undertaken a search for valuable individuals to be a part of the District Committee. Many openings are available, so if you have an interest in any of the following areas please contact Nominating Committee Chair, Dave Yanksy or District Chair, Paul Swanson.

- Program Leadership
- Advancement
- Training
- Camping
- Activities
- Fundraising
- Popcorn Sales Promotions
- Membership Recruiting
- Unit Commissioner
- Assistant District Commissioner

Email Dave Yanksy at dyanksy@msn.com or Paul Swanson at pswanson@foundation2.org.

Find us on the web at <http://www.hawkeyebsa.org>

POPCORN. Are you?



Talk to any number of unit leaders and Scouts and they will tell you their secret for success to fund Scouting for the year. **POPCORN!** The 2009 Hawkeye Area Council popcorn sale started on September 24 and continues throughout all of October and November.

Popcorn is available for all units in the Scoutreach district. If you aren't already and would like to sell please contact District Executive John Myers.

Cedar Rapids Police Explorers



Are you interested in a career in law enforcement? Do you want to participate in practical, real, and meaningful hands-on experiences? Then try Law Enforcement Exploring a program of the Boy Scouts of America.

The Cedar Rapids Police Department has restarted Exploring Post 107. The CRPD is currently looking for youth between the ages of 14 (and completed the 8th grade) and 20 to be involved with the Exploring program. Participants in the program will get the opportunity to experience real-life and staged police situations on an ongoing basis under the safety and supervision of trained officers.

Participants in Law Enforcement Exploring programs have the opportunity to gain valuable career skills, have a greater chance for access to internship programs, and have access to plenty of restricted scholarship opportunities!

For more information or to join Cedar Rapids Police Department Post 107 contact Officer Shawn Burke at (319)286-5454 x 6951.

*A man
never stands as tall
as when he stoops
to help a child.*

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Fly like an Eagle ...

These young men have earned the Eagle Scout Award:

- Jacob Hendricks** Lisbon, Troop 54, Cyclops American Legion Post # 109 - James Hendricks, SM
Tyler Hupp Ely, Troop 766, Izaak Walton League - Dennis Walker, SM
Jonathan Jenkins Cedar Rapids, Troop 766, Izaak Walton League - Dennis Walker, SM
Alex Merritt Mount Vernon, Troop 68, St Josephs Catholic Church - Patrick Gibbs, SM
Riley Montuoro Cedar Rapids, Troop 33, - John Stallman, SM
Logan Reisetter Cedar Rapids, Troop 28, Four Oaks; The Bridge - Thomas Cleveland, SM
Jud Schneider Monticello, Troop 66, Monticello VFW Post 1683 - Paul Bagby, SM
Robert Simons Iowa City, Troop 207, Coralville United Methodist Church - Kelly Hayworth, SM
Tyler Warden West Branch, Troop 156, West Branch Lions Club - Antony Nopoulos, SM

In Memory of Mark Taylor
from Loren Jansa

In Memory of George Schoneman
Troop 766 donated four benches for the
Aegon Climbing Center

In Memory of John Buckingham
from Friends and Family

