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## It's Time for Winter Sports!

### Be Sure Your Scouts Are Protected

Now that we're in the heart of the winter sports season, please be sure you're aware of the change to Item 3 of the "Winter Sports Safety" section (<http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/HealthandSafety/GSS/gss13.aspx>) in the *Guide to Safe Scouting*, which includes updated rules and recommendations for the use of helmets.

Appropriate personal protective equipment is required for all activities. This includes the recommended use of helmets for all participants engaged in winter sports such as sledding and other sliding devices. The use of helmets is required for the following activities: downhill skiing, snowboarding and operation of snowmobiles (full face helmets).

The complete *Guide to Safe Scouting* can be found here <http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/HealthandSafety/GSS.aspx>.

## Kaw Lake's Ultimate Eagle Watch

### January 15

Nature lovers are invited to gather at Kaw City for a chance to see the grace and power of soaring eagles during the Kaw Lake Ultimate Eagle Watch. The watch will be held at two locations around Kaw Lake near Ponca City. These locations are: The Kaw City

Community Center and the Kaw Nation Tribal Headquarters, both in Kaw City.

Typically the **Eagle Watch** features:

- Educational programs on the American Bald Eagle by experts from the Iowa Tribe's eagle aviary
- Power point show from raptor rehabilitators Gary and Kathy Siftar
- Biologists Mark Howery from the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation (Wildlife Diversity Program)
- The appearance of a live eagle from the Sutton Avian Research Center
- Luther Pepper with the Kaw presentation on the significance of eagle to Native Americans
- Guided Eagle viewing tours will depart from the Kaw City Community Center and the Kaw Nation Tribal Headquarters at several times throughout the day
- Native American lunch served at Kaw Nation Headquarters

For more information see

<http://www.greencountryok.com/event-view.php?id=2201>

## Sea Base Registrations January 15-February 15

The Florida National High Adventure Sea Base announces the opening of the lottery for all 2012 reservations. Go to the Reservations tab on the Sea Base web site (<http://www.bsaseabase.org/>) to access the lottery.

Your unit must have a unit account to sign up. If your unit does not have an account a leader may create one.

Lottery requests can be made between January 15th and February 15th. There is no priority given



to when you make your requests, and requests can be added, deleted or changed anytime during the lottery period.

Request any adventures that your crew would like to participate in, you can prioritize your requests. Multiple crews can be requested and when you win a reservation, it will be for the number of crews requested. Your unit will be notified by March 1st with what adventure reservation you have won.

A deposit of \$100 will be required within 3 weeks of notification.

## Scout Days at the Oklahoma Aquarium January 17, April 22



The Oklahoma Aquarium hosts quarterly Scout Days to honor all youth organizations and their members such as Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Camp Fire, 4-H, FFA, etc

Members in uniform or carrying a membership card and one accompanying adult can be admitted to the Aquarium at our discounted Education Department group rates of \$7 per youth and \$10 per adult. Hours of operation on Scout Days are 10:00 a.m. until 6:00

p.m. (last ticket sold at 5:00 p.m.)

Junior Biologist Badges may be earned by fulfilling requirements that will be available at the Aquarium on Scout Day. Patches may be purchased for an additional \$3.

Call the Aquarium Education Department at 918-528-1508 for any questions or go to [www.okaquarium.org](http://www.okaquarium.org) for future dates.

## Scouting for Food Bartlesville & Dewey January 22 & 29

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Units should be ready to help with Scouting for Food on the last two Saturdays of January. January 22nd will be the day that door hanger deliveries are made to the area selected, and January 29th will be the morning for food pickup.

This is a great service project for units and has high visibility in the community for a good turn for Scouts. And the most important thing is that it helps the food pantries in the area at a time when the need is at its peak.

Be sure to sign up for your area at the January roundtable.

## Silver Beaver

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If you know a volunteer that has been active at the Unit, District and/or Council and demonstrates the characteristics seen in a quality leader, please take the time to complete a nomination form.



A list of past recipients can be found on the Council's web site

[http://www.cherokeebbsa.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=66&Itemid=226](http://www.cherokeebbsa.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=66&Itemid=226)

The Silver Beaver nomination form is available here

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/92-103.pdf>

**The Silver Beaver committee will accept applications through Friday, January 28, 2011.**

## Eagle Scouts

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Only 5 percent of Scouts achieved the rank of Eagle in a recent year, and historically a total of only 2 percent of the Scouts have achieved Eagle rank. This is a major achievement that requires years to complete a long list of requirements.

Our congratulations go out to the following Scouts who have recently achieved Eagle rank:

- ▶ Chris Sanders – Troop 2
- ▶ Kenneth Sandoval – Troop 5
- ▶ Cameron Spicer – Troop 110
- ▶ Mark Hornbeck – Troop 32
- ▶ Luke Gronemeyer – Troop 3
- ▶ Jackie Woods - Troop 6



Cherokee Area Council is proud of these Scouts' achievement, and ranks above the national average in Eagle rank achievement.

## Dremel Pinewood Derby® Days Program at Lowe's Saturdays in January, February, and March starting January 15th

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Lowe's stores will be conducting Dremel Pinewood Derby® Car building demonstrations in Lowe's stores from 11 am - 1 pm, on Saturday, January 15th, January 29th, February, 5th, February 19th and March 5th.

The Dremel Pinewood Derby® Days program provides a source for all of the materials and learning needed to create a winning Pinewood Derby® car. Participants will receive a 2011 Pinewood Derby® Car patch (while supplies last) who attend in-store demonstrations.



For more information, please visit <http://www.dremelderby.com/>.

## Barons Scout Night January 29

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The OKC Barons are hosting a Scout Night on Saturday, January 29. Tickets are \$15 and include a Barons Boy Scout Puck.



The first five groups registered receive choice of:

- ▶ High-5 tunnel experience (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> periods)
- ▶ Ice-level seating during warm ups in penalty boxes, home and away benches
- ▶ Post-game picture available.

For more information, contact Neal Harvey at 405-232-4625 ext. 115 or Stacie Rathburn at 405-232-4625 ext. 111.

## Scout Sunday February 6

BSA designates the Sunday that falls before February 8 (Scouting Anniversary Day) as Scout Sunday, which is the primary date to recognize the contributions of young people and adults to Scouting. However, each chartered organization can use either of two other options to celebrate this special day.



An organization can adopt a specific Sunday to celebrate. In the instance of the United Methodist Church, Scout Sunday is celebrated on the second Sunday in February. It also is permissible for a local church to celebrate on the Sunday most acceptable to the pastor and congregation.

A suggested observance for Scout Sunday can be found on the BSA web site here

<http://www.scouting.org/scoutsourc/media/relationships/ascoutisrevert.aspx>

Program covers and inserts can be ordered through the Scout Shop

<http://www.scouting.org/scoutsourc/Media/Relationships/ascoutisrevert/ss15.aspx> Orders should be placed soon to ensure receipt in time for your unit's Scout Sunday observance.

## FOS Annual Patron Dinner February 15

The 2011 Friends of Scouting Annual Patron Dinner will be held on February 15 at the Bartlesville Community Center.

To honor all FOS patrons and to encourage new members, the Council is pleased to announce that the feature artist for the 2011 Friends of Scouting Annual Patron Dinner is Nicole Jackson, singer, songwriter, actress, performer extraordinaire.



Nicole Jackson began singing at the age of three. At the age of 10 she began to take her music very seriously by perfecting her songwriting style and vocal abilities as well as listening to and performing various musical genres. Her impeccable vocal skills first became well known and respected locally and she has since shared her gifts in many venues worldwide.

Nicole has performed live on numerous occasions with star studded bands of first-call stellar musicians whose credits include the Isley Bros., Chaka Khan, Rufus, The Gap Band, and other countless top recording acts.

Nicole toured almost 18 months as a singer/actor in a theatrical production written by award-winning Tyler

Perry called "The Marriage Counselor" which received rave reviews worldwide.

Nicole recently performed with Tito Jackson on a European tour opening for Gladys Knight. In addition to being an exceptional recording artist, Nicole Jackson is also a phenomenal live vocalist where she expresses extraordinary soul, passion, vocal range and melodic ingenuity.

FOS patrons giving \$125+ for 2010 constitute the backbone of financial support for Scouting in Northeast Oklahoma. Your FOS patronage and attendance at the Patron Dinner on February 15, 2011, will raise a substantial amount of our local council's operating budget for the year. Over 2,500 youth in Northeastern Oklahoma and leaders are counting on your support to carry on its traditional values.

**For reservations, please call the Scout Office at 918-336-9170 or toll free 888-269-1328 by Tuesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>.**

## Winter Merit Badge Festival

February 26

By Bill Alexander

Be sure to put the Winter Merit Badge Festival on your unit calendar for Saturday, February 26, 2011.

The Winter Merit Badge Festival is designed to promote advancement through Merit Badge Sessions.

Scouts can work on merit badges in four areas. Requirements earned will be recorded on the students schedule sheet only, and units will need to complete any requirements not covered in the sessions.

Adult training sessions and online training will be available during the event.

The registration fee is \$11 per Scout. The fee includes lunch and the first patch of 2011. For adults who plan to



attend an adult training session, eat lunch and want the first patch of 2011, the registration fee is \$6 per adult.

Units register as a unit with an Excel based spreadsheet. All Scouts must be pre-registered, and adults should pre-register for sessions (those not on-line) to ensure materials and space are available.

The class schedule and all necessary registration materials are located on the council web site here [http://www.cherokeesbsa.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=107&Itemid=74](http://www.cherokeesbsa.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=107&Itemid=74)

**Registrations are due in the Scout Office on or before February 16th.** Payment is needed with registration unless arrangements are made with the Scout Office to pay by mail. No late registrations will be accepted. No refunds.

Because space is limited, total Scout enrollment is being restricted to 300 Scouts, so be sure to register early. Four hundred Scouts attended the Merit Badge Festival last year, so it is anticipated that the enrollment will reach the 300-Scout limit on February 1st when enrollment is opened to out-of-council registrations.

Alternate session selections are needed in case a session is full. Alternate session selections should be different from what is selected from other morning or afternoon sessions.

Adult training sessions will be offered this year including a morning Red Cross CPR/AED class for anyone needing certification for high adventure. Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training will be offered, which is a good course for any adult leader who goes on an outing. BALOO will be offered for Cub Scout Leaders.

Packet pickup begins at 7:30 am. Merit Badge sessions begin at 8:00 am and are over by 5 pm.

Registration is "First paid, First Served."

Camp McClintock is available for Friday night and/or Saturday night camping. Reservations **MUST** be made through the Scout Office.

If you need additional information, please contact the Scout office at (918) 336-9170 or toll-free 1-888-269-1328 or e-mail at [registrar@cherokeesbsa.org](mailto:registrar@cherokeesbsa.org)

# National Youth Leadership Training Scholarship

Application Deadline Feb. 28

By Dale Copeland

NYLT is the premier youth leadership training course offered by BSA councils and every Scout and Venturer will benefit from attending it. The council training team has been working to provide this training to our youth leaders and several excellent opportunities are now available so that every unit will have the chance to send their youth leaders to a NYLT course in the near future. Having NYLT trained youth leadership will make any youth led unit run better and help prepare these young leaders for the future.

Earlier plans to conduct a course at Camp McClintock over spring break 2011 encountered several scheduling challenges and has been rescheduled to Spring Break 2012 (dates to be announced once school calendars are



set). This will allow everyone time to get this important activity on their calendars. In addition, construction on several of the Camp McClintock improvements – dining hall construction, Cub Cabin toilet facilities,

pavilion improvements, road repairs and more – should be completed to make our camp even better.

Our council places great value on training and will offer a scholarship program to selected youth to cover \$100 of the cost of course fees and an additional \$100 for staff fees for those selected to staff the CAC NYLT course in 2012. Please see details and the application form for this scholarship at

<http://www.cherokeesbsa.org/activities/NYLT-Scholarship-Application.pdf> . **Submission deadline is**

**February 28, 2011.** This will allow even more of our youth to qualify for staff positions on our upcoming NYLT course.

Circle Ten Council (Dallas) has several NYLT sessions in March, July, and December. More information about Circle Ten's NYLT courses is available here

[http://www.circle10.org/site/c.owL1KgN4LxH/b.1681359/k.9FFA/NYLTNational\\_Youth\\_Leadrship\\_Training.htm](http://www.circle10.org/site/c.owL1KgN4LxH/b.1681359/k.9FFA/NYLTNational_Youth_Leadrship_Training.htm)

Quivira Council (Wichita) will be conducting NYLT at Quivira Scout Ranch May 30-June 4, 2011. More information about Quivira's NYLT course is available here <http://www.quivira.org/Training/NYLT.aspx>

Indian Nations Council (Tulsa) will be conducting NYLT at their Bartlett Training Center near Locust Grove on July 11-16, 2011. This is very convenient for many of our units and Course Director Ron Bender has been most gracious in working with us. More information about Indian Nations' NYLT course is available here <http://www.okscouts.org/resources/training/nylt/>

NYLT is a great way for Scouts to learn new skills and enhance existing ones for use in their units and over their lifetimes. It also qualifies them to participate in the NAYLE program at Philmont each summer.

For more information you may contact the Scout Service Center or Dale Copeland.

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## Wilderness and Remote First Aid March 19-20

Wilderness and Remote First Aid is coming to the Washington County Red Cross once again, March 19 – 20, 2011; the course will be taught by Venture Crew 911.



Wilderness and Remote First Aid, which is now required by BSA for Philmont and other backwoods activities offers, enhanced content to meet OSHA's *Best Practices for Work place First Aid Training Programs*. Wilderness and Remote First Aid training is strongly suggested anytime a group is more than 20 minutes from professional medical help.

This course includes instruction, participant interaction, and training scenarios that allow participants to apply the information and skills obtained during the training course.

The WRFA course is 16 hours and attendance on both days is required to receive certification for the course. To participate in the course you must be 14 years of age. All participants registering for this course must have a current Standard First Aid and CPR certification.

Cost for this course is \$50 and must be paid prior to attending the course. To enroll for the course or for further information, please contact Charles Lewis, WRFA Course Coordinator at [charlielewis@yahoo.com](mailto:charlielewis@yahoo.com).

**Class size is limited to 24 persons with a course enrollment deadline of March 14, 2010.**

## Camp McClintock Rules

1. The Scout Oath and Law will be the basis for personal conduct by all people using the property. All BSA rules and policies and state or local laws apply.
2. Check in with the Campmaster on duty or the Camp Ranger upon arriving, before proceeding to your reserved area. Have your official tour permit, if it is required.
3. Two-deep leadership must be present with the group at all times.
4. All campers must make reservations through the Scout Service Center.
5. Check out with the Campmaster or Camp Ranger prior to departure. Approval of departure will be conditional on a final inspection of facilities used.  
**Deposits and fees for use of facilities must be paid at the Scout Service Center prior to use.**
6. All trash is to be taken away with you. You brought it, so please leave with it.
7. Fires may be built in existing fire rings or in a fire pit, which you dig and then fill in and cover like you found it. Other fires must be approved by the Campmaster or Camp Ranger. The use of charcoal or fuel stoves is encouraged and National BSA policy governs their use. Fire buckets are available from the Campmaster or Camp Ranger.
8. Water faucets are located throughout the camp. Practice conservation — please make certain all faucets are turned off.
9. No firearms, including air rifles, or fireworks, including sparklers, are permitted. Any exception to the no firearm rule is made only by the Council Scout Executive.
10. No alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs are permitted at any time.
11. Please leave all pets at home.

12. Do not disrupt any wildlife or plants. Do not cut any trees. No chainsaws are permitted.
13. Vehicles may not be parked in camping areas and must be parked in designated parking areas. National BSA policy prohibits passengers from riding in open truck beds and trailers.
14. Emergency numbers are posted on the dining hall porch entry door. Please do all you can to consult with the Campmaster of the Camp Ranger before calling for emergency help.
15. Taps at 10:00 pm., lights out at 11:00 pm.
16. A service or conservation project should be carried out while using the property. The Campmaster or Camp Ranger will have a list of projects from which to choose. Other projects may be considered. Please obtain approval before starting any project.
17. Units will be expected to make restitution for any damage to facilities or property.
18. Report all accidents and injuries to the Campmaster or Camp Ranger.
19. Leave your campsite, building, or pavilion as clean as or cleaner than you found it.
20. The suspension bridge is closed and no one is allowed on the structure. Signs are posted announcing this closing. Please be certain your group does not attempt to access the bridge.

The Camp McClintock rules are also posted on the council web site at [http://www.cherokeebbsa.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=76&Itemid=142](http://www.cherokeebbsa.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=76&Itemid=142)

## Philmont Documentary

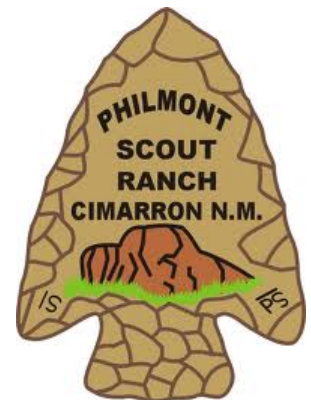
Many of you may be interested in a documentary collection about Philmont which is available on DVD & Blu-ray.

More information, clips and ordering at:

[www.philmontmovie.com](http://www.philmontmovie.com)

or you can read reviews here:

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Philmont-Movie/135612036456562>



This collection is for anyone who has been to Philmont, plans to go, or just wants to understand what all the excitement is about.

For those who wish to revisit Philmont memories, gain more insight into its history and operations, or just want to share the magic with others back home- this is the ideal keepsake.

Filmed over 2 summers, this is the most comprehensive and beautiful collection of videos ever made about Philmont.

## Additional Journey to Excellence webinars

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In order to accommodate volunteers and professional staff who were not able to attend one of the Journey to Excellence webinars in October or November, BSA has expanded the schedule into early 2011 with more dates and times.



The final Journey to Excellence forms are posted online at <http://www.scouting.org/>. They can be accessed by clicking on "Volunteers" and looking under the "Quick Links" heading <<http://www.scouting.org/scoutsorce/Awards/JourneyToExcellence.aspx>> . This is also where the recorded webinars are located.

All times shown below are Central time.

### Council Webinars

- \* Wednesday, January 26 at 9 a.m.
- \* Tuesday, February 1 at 4 p.m.

Council webinar link:

<http://journey-to-excellence.kintera.org/council-staff-volunteers>

### District Webinars

- \* Wednesday, January 26 at 11 a.m.
- \* Thursday, January 27 at 8 p.m.

### Pack Webinars

- \* Wednesday, January 26 at 7 p.m.
- \* Wednesday, February 2 at 10 a.m.

### Troop Webinars

- \* Thursday, January 27 at 11 a.m.
- \* Tuesday, February 1 at 7 p.m.

### Crew Webinars

- \* Thursday, January 27 at 9 a.m.
- \* Wednesday, February 2 at 1 p.m.

District and unit webinar link:

<http://journey-to-excellence.kintera.org/district-unit>

## BSA Joins Forces with the Congressional Medal of Honor Foundation

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In 2011, in celebration of a century of turning "today's readers into tomorrow's leaders," Boys' Life magazine will work with the Congressional Medal of Honor Foundation <<http://www.cmohfoundation.org/>> to give readers the opportunity to help select a Scout or Scouts to receive the foundation's American Spirit Award. It will recognize those who demonstrate extraordinary skill, professionalism, and a spirit of excellence in a challenging situation.

More information will be released in early January on the award's finalists.

## Merit Badges iPhone App

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Beginning in early 2011, Boy Scouts will be able to manage their merit badges with an interactive application for the Apple iPhone. The application which will be available for \$1.99 through the [iTunes Store](http://www.apple.com/itunes/download/) (<http://www.apple.com/itunes/download/>), will let Scouts review merit badge requirements, keep track of their progress by requirement, and even share their success on Facebook.

"Boys are notoriously bad at paperwork and famously good at technology. This app will help Scouts keep up with their advancement and undoubtedly spur them on to achieve even more," said Bob Wiemers, team leader for Publishing & Printing Solutions.

The app's home screen shows the total number of badges the Scout has completed and started. With a few taps, he can check the requirements for any badge, find



links to related websites and resources, and record the requirements he has completed. He can also post his results to Facebook from within the application. If a Scout has already purchased The Boy Scout Handbook – Boy Scouts of America app (<http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/the-boy-scout-handbook/id327240445?mt=8&ign-mpt=uo%3D4>), which appeared in 2009, it will automatically be imported into the new app. The handbook app is also available for purchase through the merit badge app for \$7.99. The merit badge app is about more than just merit badges. It also includes an RSS aggregator that pushes Scouting news to the owner's phone.

## Pinewood Derby App? Yep!

When it comes to pinewood derbies, there's an app for that, just like for about everything else these days.



AppCore LLC, an official licensee of the Boy Scouts of America, has created the Pinewood Derby game for the iPad and iPhone.

The app, which debuted in December, allows Scouters to help Cub and Webelos Scouts test their car-building skills just as they would in real life. Boys can learn basic physics by customizing their cars with a variety of wheel dimensions, weight distribution options, axle types, wheel types, and body styles. Quick-race and tournament-play modes give them feedback on what makes a car go fast. And the more a driver wins, the more features he can unlock.

Find the new app by searching for “pinewood derby” at the App Store on your iOS device.

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## Power From the People

Renewable energy is all the rage—and now, environmentally conscious Scouters and youths can harness their own energy thanks to the nPower PEG (Personal Energy Generator). The device springs from an idea that Aaron LeMieux, founder of Tremont Electric, an alternative energy company, has been working on for several years.

Hiking the Appalachian Trail back in the '90s, LeMieux wished he had a way to recharge his radio and CD player without carrying the extra weight of disposable batteries. “Several days into that three-month trip, I was inspired by the notion that my backpack possessed a significant amount of kinetic energy through the up-and-down movement derived from walking,” LeMieux recalls.

The nPower PEG couldn't be simpler to use. Just put it in your backpack and go. While you hike, jog, or bike, the nPower PEG builds up its power reserve. When it's ready, connect the nPower PEG via USB cable to any mobile phone, MP3 player, or GPS device. (Alas, no laptops.) Users will cut down on environmental waste by eliminating the need for multiple charges and batteries.



LeMieux believes that nPower eventually will spread to many other products such as medical devices, toys, and more. In the meantime, the nPower PEG makes going green even easier. Price: \$149 at [npowerpeg.com](http://npowerpeg.com).

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## Northrop Grumman Presents Geospatial Data to Philmont

**NORTHROP GRUMMAN**

Northrop Grumman Corporation announced the donation of a robust geospatial data set and capability to the Boy

Scouts of America in support of their 100th anniversary and to help further scouting education.

Northrop Grumman presented the data to the Boy Scouts at a ceremony at the GEOINT 2010 Symposium in New Orleans on November 2nd. During this exhibition, Northrop Grumman also used the data to showcase their geo-enterprise on-demand solutions.

The data set, which includes high-resolution Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR) data and electro-optical imagery over the Philmont Scout Ranch and Cimarron, N.M., is representative of Northrop Grumman's complete, end-to-end geospatial capability. The company utilized its airborne collection capability, including sensors and aircraft, its advanced processing capability, and extrapolated key information from the data which will help the Boy Scouts garner a better understanding of their environment while at the ranch. In Northrop Grumman's continued partnership with the Boy Scouts, the company will be expanding the types of data that can benefit the scouts and use the information for research and development.

"Northrop Grumman is proud to use our technology to deliver this important data to the Boy Scouts of America," said John Olesak, Northrop Grumman vice president of integrated intelligence systems. "We congratulate the Boy Scouts on their 100-year anniversary and hope that this data will enhance the Philmont experience for Boy Scouts for generations to come."

The data will be delivered on one of Northrop Grumman's state-of-the-art geospatial appliances. Partners on the project included ESRI and TerraGo.

Northrop Grumman Corporation is a leading global security company whose 120,000 employees provide innovative systems, products, and solutions in aerospace, electronics, information systems, shipbuilding and technical services to government and commercial customers worldwide. Please visit <http://www.northropgrumman.com/> for more information.

## W.R. Case Introduces BSA® 100th Anniversary Large Saddlehorn Limited Commemorative

W.R. Case has introduced a 500 piece limited collection of the Large Saddlehorn pocketknife in a collectible walnut box set commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America.



The 6" x 11" walnut box displays the W.R. Case Rogers jugged Olive Green bone handled pocketknife adorned with a genuine bronze BSA® 100th Anniversary shield. The Tru-Sharp™ surgical steel clip blade is mirror polished and embellished with the BSA® 100th Anniversary logo in 24-karat gold. Each pocketknife is engraved with Case "Long Tail C" serialization and includes a Genuine Case Collectable Medallion.

These and other W.R. Case pocketknives, officially licensed by the Boy Scouts of America, are available from W.R. Case authorized dealers nationwide. To find a dealer, please visit [wrcase.com](http://wrcase.com).

## WRKW Visual Arts Debuts BSA® 100th Anniversary Pocketknife



WKRW Visual Arts announces the release of a limited edition pocketknife honoring the 100th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America. The design is crafted after a 1900's soda fountain knife decorated with 24k gold accents including a Scout on a hillside. The blades are stainless steel and engraved with an individual serial number. Uniquely designed in the logo is a magnifying lens (Stanhope lens) with a picture of William D. Boyce, founder of the Boy Scouts of America.

The BSA® 100th Anniversary Collector Knife is limited to only 25,000 worldwide.

For more information and to purchase this \$49.95 collector knife, visit <http://wkrwknife.com>.

## Get Customized Plaques from Personal Creations!

As part of its expanding line of outdoor décor products, Personal Creations is introducing a basswood plaque with a natural bark border.



The 8" x 10½" (approximate) Boy Scouts of America plaque is laser engraved and can be personalized with any message on one line and up to ten characters. The wooden plaque is suitable for hanging by its saw tooth hanger or natural wood easel for display.

For more information, please visit [www.personalcreations.com](http://www.personalcreations.com).

## Find Scouting near You

BSA has launched a national website [www.BeAScout.org](http://www.BeAScout.org). This web site lets anyone in the US find a Scouting unit in their area. They simply go to the website and put in their address, and a map pops up with the Scouting units in their area.

All units have automatically been put onto the system, though each unit can include more information such as meeting time, place, contacts, etc. The additional information is very helpful to people trying to find a unit to attend.



Units can add their information through [www.scouting.org](http://www.scouting.org). Have someone in the unit sign in to their account, and then click on the BeAScout link on the left side of the webpage which appears under the "Tools" grouping. This will give the unit leader access to the information posted on the national website for the unit, which can be updated to provide more information for users.

It also permits the unit leader to put the phone number and e-mail for people to make contact directly with the unit. Be sure to follow up on these leads, and let the council know if yours is not the right unit so we can connect them to the Scouting program.

This is a great recruitment tool for units.

# *Cherokee Scouter* publication schedule

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Do you have news to share? Please submit your news and information to the Cherokee Area Council. You can e-mail [cherokeesbsa@cherokeesbsa.org](mailto:cherokeesbsa@cherokeesbsa.org)

<b>Issue</b>	<b>Issue Deadline</b>
February	January 21
March	February 18
April	March 23
May	April 20
June	May 24

## Upcoming Key Dates

Check the Council web site (<http://www.cherokeebbsa.org>) for more information about these events.

January 6 – OH Roundtable, Commissioners, Eagle Boards of Review, and OA Chapter meeting

January 8 – OA Lodge Leadership Development

January 8 – OA Winter Banquet

January 13 – GL District Banquet

January 17 – Scout Service Center closed

January 22 – Scouting for Food in Bartlesville

January 27 – OH District Committee

January 29 – Scouting for Food in Bartlesville

February 3 – OH Roundtable, Commissioners, Eagle Boards of Review, and OA Chapter meeting

February 10 – GL Roundtable

February 15 – Friends of Scouting Patron Dinner

February 21 – Scout Service Center closed

February 24 – OH District Committee

February 26 – Winter Merit Badge Festival

March 2 – OH Roundtable, Commissioners, Eagle Boards of Review, and OA Chapter meeting

March 4-6 – Spring Camporee

March 10 – GL Roundtable

March 22 – Council Banquet

March 24 – OH District Committee

March 25-27 – Outdoor Leader Training and OWL

April 7 – OH Roundtable, Commissioners, Eagle Boards of Review, and OA Chapter meeting

April 8-9 – Mom and Me

April 15-17 – OA Section Conclave

April 22 – Scout Service Center closed

April 28 – OH District Committee

April 29-May 1 – OA Spring Fellowship

May 5 – OH Roundtable, Commissioners, Eagle Boards of Review, and OA Chapter meeting

May 26 – OH District Committee

May 30 – Scout Service Center closed

June 2 – OH Roundtable, Commissioners, Eagle Boards of Review, and OA Chapter meeting

June 8-10 – OH Cub Scout Day Camp

June 15-17 – GL Cub Scout Day Camp

June 23 – OH District Committee