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Unit popcorn order, prize order forms (include list of \$1500 and \$2500 sellers) and incentive forms (top seller, camp incentive)

November 5 – OH popcorn pickup

November 6 – GL popcorn pickup

November 29 – Money due

Payments received after November 29 will result in an additional 5% commission loss per week.

Adventure Base 100 October 8-10

Adventure Base 100 is a traveling 10,000 square-foot, hands on, interactive base camp of activity and fun, the ultimate Scouting experience. The experiential campus provides an exciting view of BSA's illustrious 100-year history and influential future.

Adventure Base 100 includes a ropes course, hands-on exhibits, a multi-sensory IMAX-like Go Scouting Dome and much, much more!

Be amazed by today's Boy Scouts of America. Learn about BSA's 100-year history, the high adventure of Scouting, and what it means to be a Scout.

Adventure Base 100 will be at the Tulsa State Fair October 8-10. Check the Adventure Base 100 web site for more details <http://www.adventurebase100.org/>

Planning to visit Adventure Base 100? Avoid the line and pre-register for your e-Passport <http://www.adventurebase100.org/onlineregistration/CheckIn.aspx>

Council Popcorn Sale Dates to Remember

October 8 and 22 – "Fill It Up" Drawing at Noon

Fax (918-512-4789) or mail (520 SE Quapaw
74003) or e-mail (martaylor@bsaemail.org)
Scout's completed form

October 20 by Noon

Fall Camporee

October 15-17

Fall Camporee will be held at Camp McClintock. Cost is \$6.50 per attendee.

Since this year's theme for Fall Camporee is BSA's 100th anniversary, two of the historical merit badges will be offered – Tracking and Carpentry. These merit badges are only available to be earned during BSA's anniversary year (2010). There is a \$6 fee to cover the materials for the Carpentry merit badge.

In addition there will be historic patrol games with awards for the winning patrols. There will also be a drawing for a Centennial & Jamboree patch set.

Units are responsible for their own meals.

Pre-register at the Scout Office as soon as possible.

Webelos & Boy Scout Leader Training

October 29-30

Three different adult leader training courses are being offered at Camp McClintock on October 29th & 30th. None of these are available on-line, so this is the time you should take this training.

If people want to camp Friday and/or Saturday, camping is free. For campers who are taking Saturday only courses, you can get Saturday breakfast and supper for an additional \$6 on the cost of the course.

Webelos Outdoor Leader Skills: This is a new course for Webelos Leaders that replaces the BALOO training requirement. At least one Webelos leader on an overnight campout needs to have this training. This will be taught from 8 am to 5 pm on Saturday, Oct. 30, 2010 at Camp McClintock. The cost is \$10 including lunch.

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills: This is required for SM and ASM training, and is recommended for other Scout leaders on Scout overnight outings. This will be taught from 8 am to 5 pm on Saturday, Oct. 30, 2010 at Camp McClintock. The cost is \$10 including lunch.

Scoutmaster & Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training: This is required for SM and ASM training. This will be taught from 6:30 pm to 10 pm on

Friday Oct. 29, 2010 and 6:30 pm to 9 pm on Saturday, Oct. 30, 2010 at Camp McClintock. The cost is \$6 which includes breakfast and supper on Saturday. This has been setup so that a Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster can get all of the position training that is not offered online on Friday evening and Saturday.

Please contact the Scout Office to register by Oct. 22.

For more information, check <http://www.cherokeebsa.org/activities/2010AdultLeaderTraining.pdf> or contact the Scout Office at 918-336-9170.

Recruiting Opportunity in Bartlesville

November 6

The Cherokee Area Council is pleased to announce a new Scout recruiting event for this year. With the cooperation of the Bartlesville Fire Department, the council will be hosting a last minute sign up for Scouts of all ages. Just head to any local fire station in Bartlesville on November 6th to sign your kids or their friends up for Scouting! While there, check out the fire station and trucks and talk to real firefighters.

Unit leaders and parents: Be sure to remind your current Scouts that by signing up a friend, they get a cool prize from the council prize table and can earn a Recruiter patch, too!

We need volunteers to help to make this event successful. We will have a tent and an information booth set up in front of every fire station in the city. If you are available to help set up tents and work the information booths please let Wes Hurd know at the Scout Office. Pack leaders and Troop leaders are encouraged to volunteer in order to promote their units.

This is a great opportunity to give every youth another opportunity to discover the fun in Scouting!

Volunteer Development Training Conference

January 17-22, 2011

Come escape the cold winter weather for a week in the Florida Keys!

Scout leaders will have the opportunity to attend a Philmont-style training conference at the Florida National High Adventure Sea Base the week of January 17–22, 2011. Each conference will be staffed by experienced, informed Scouters. The conference schedule includes ample time to enjoy the mild climate and natural beauty of the Florida Keys.

The following conferences are scheduled:

- Strictly for Scoutmasters
- The Unit Commissioner—Supporting Units' Needs
- Advancement Policy and Procedures
- The District Key Three
- Geocache and Scouting
- Administration of Venturing

The \$350 conference fee includes meals; dormitory housing, sheets, and towels; and course materials. There is limited space for each conference, so registration will be handled on a first-come, first-served basis. Reservations must be postmarked by December 1, 2010.

More information and the reservation form are available here

<http://www.bsaseabase.org/filestore/seabase/pdf/511-108.pdf>

National Youth Leader Training

March 13-19, 2011

National Youth Leader Training is an exciting, action-packed program designed to provide youth members with leadership skills and experience you can use in your home troop and in other situations demanding leadership of self and others. It is also a requirement to attend NAYLE (National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience) at Philmont Scout Ranch.

National Youth Leader Training (NYLT) is an intense, 5½ day, outdoor leadership training experience for Scouting youth leaders. This course is available to currently registered Boy Scouts, Venture Scouts and Varsity Scouts who have completed the required unit level training [note: Boy Scouts must be at least 13 years old, be a First Class Scout, hold a troop leadership

position and have parental permission.] Its principle function is to help unit leaders by training their top youth leaders in the skills of leadership. This course is a National BSA-developed course that closely parallels the material provided in the 21st Century Wood Badge training for adults. **NYLT** is limited to 48 candidates.

For many years, junior leader training (JLT) was an important part of the leadership training continuum of BSA local councils throughout America. In 2003 and 2004, a task force of leadership experts and hundreds of Scouts in pilot courses across the nation reviewed and tested every aspect of the new NYLT syllabus, which incorporates the latest leadership ideas and presents fresh, vital and meaningful training for today's Scouts.

The NYLT course centers around the concepts of what a leader must BE, what he must KNOW, and what he must DO. The key elements are then taught with a clear focus on HOW TO. The skills come alive during the week as the patrol goes on a Quest for the Meaning of Leadership.

Content is delivered in a troop and patrol outdoor setting with an emphasis on immediate application of learning in a fun environment. Interconnecting concepts and work processes are introduced early, built upon, and aided by the use of memory aids, which allows participants to understand and employ the leadership skills much faster.

Built on the legacy of past JLT successes, the new NYLT integrates the best of modern leadership theory with the traditional strengths of the Scouting experience. Through activities, presentations, challenges, discussions, and audio-visual support, NYLT participants will be engaged in a unified approach to leadership that will give them the skill and confidence to lead well. Through a wide range of activities, games, and adventures, participants will work and play together as they put into action the best Scouting has to offer.

Don't delay; space is limited, so contact the Scout Service Center today to sign up!

Patch sets are still available

Several BSA Centennial Patch sets are still available. The order form is available here

<http://www.cherokeebbsa.org/BSA-Centennial-Patch-Set-order-form.pdf>

The 2010 Jamboree Patch Set will be available next week. The order form is available here <http://www.cherokeebbsa.org/jambo2010/PatchSetOrderForm.pdf>

Centennial Quality Unit

Start looking now for your Centennial Quality Unit goals that were set last winter. Your first opportunity to qualify is November 1, 2010. All awards MUST be earned by December 31, 2010.

Fall 2011 Wood Badge Course

An important part of providing a Scouting program is to have trained leaders. BSA recommends that all adults be trained in their position within 90 days of taking the position, and take Wood Badge within the first two years of being a Scout leader.

Now much of the training needing for your Scouting position is on-line. BSA has just added Cub Leader Specific Training to the on-line courses, making it easier for people to get trained. Check the planning calendar for 2010/2011 on the web page for information for other training classes. An Outdoor Leader Skills has been added for Scouting and Webelos leaders at the end of October.

The course for anyone to take once trained in their position is the Scouting Wood Badge training course. This is offered over two weekends in the fall of 2011. Now is the time to get your position training done, so that you are qualified to enroll in this premier training course.

The application provides more detail <http://www.cherokeebbsa.org/activities/WoodBadge2011.pdf> Enrollment is limited to 48 adults, so be sure to fill out the application and submit with your \$50 deposit so that you are ensured a slot on this fun and rewarding event.

Jamboree on the Air October 16

The Jamboree-on-the-Air, or JOTA, is an annual Scouting and amateur radio event sponsored by the World Scout Bureau of the World Organization of the Scout Movement.



Thousands of amateur radio stations around the world participate. If the conditions are right, it is common to contact a hundred Scouting countries during the weekend.

For more information, click here <http://www.scouting.org/filestore/intl/pdf/130-218.pdf>

Unit Leader Award of Merit

Quality unit leadership is the key to a quality unit program—and it leads to better Scout retention. Statistics show that if young people stay engaged in the program for at least five years, the BSA's influence likely will stay with them for the rest of their lives.

A quality Scouting experience will help keep Scouts in the program, and the Boy Scouts of America created the Unit Leader Award of Merit to recognize the quality unit leaders who make that happen.

The Unit Leader Award of Merit replaces the Scoutmaster, Varsity Team Coach, and Venturing Crew Advisor award of merit programs. This new recognition has revised requirements, and Cubmasters are also eligible for this recognition.

Requirements

The nominee must:

1. Be a currently registered Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Coach, or Advisor who has served in that position at least 18 continuous months.
2. Meet the training requirements for the registered position.
3. Distribute a printed or electronic annual unit program plan and calendar to each family in the unit.
4. Have a leader succession plan in place.
5. Effectively use the advancement method so that at least 60 percent of the unit's youth have advanced at least once during the last 12 months.
6. Cultivate a positive relationship with the chartered organization.
7. Project a positive image of Scouting in the community.

Nomination Procedure

1. The unit committee chair completes the Unit Leader Award of Merit Nomination Form on behalf of the unit committee. For Boy Scout troops, Varsity Scout teams, and Venturer crews, the nomination must include endorsement by the senior patrol leader, team captain, or crew president, respectively.
2. The unit or district commissioner certifies that the form is complete.
3. The unit submits the nomination form to the council for approval by the Scout executive and council commissioner or president.

The Unit Leader Award of Merit, which includes a certificate, square knot with the appropriate device, and a special unit leader emblem. The award may be presented for each program, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Varsity, and Venturing, if the individual meets the requirements in each program. Only one knot is worn with the devices of each program that the award was earned in.



The nomination form is available here

http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/512-003_WB.pdf

The Wolf That Changed America

In 1893, a bounty hunter named Ernest Thompson Seton journeyed to the untamed canyons of New Mexico on a mission to kill a dangerous outlaw.

Fearing by ranchers throughout the region, the outlaw wasn't a pistol-packing cowboy or train-robbing bandit. The outlaw was a wolf. Lobo, as locals simply called him, was the legendary leader of a band of cattle-killing wolves that had been terrorizing cattle ranchers and their livestock. It was up to Seton to exterminate this "super-wolf."

The ensuing battle of wits between wolf and man would spark a real-life wilderness drama, the outcome of which would leave a lasting effect on a new and growing movement in America: wilderness preservation.

View the video in full here

<http://www.pbs.org/wnet/nature/episodes/the-wolf-that-changed-america/video-full-episode/4414/>

Youth Protection Training Requirement Changes

You do not have to be a registered member or have a member ID to take Youth Protection training.

To take Youth Protection training go to MyScouting.org <https://myscouting.scouting.org/> and create an account.

From the MyScouting.org portal, click on E-Learning and take the Youth Protection training.

Upon completion, you may print a certificate of completion to submit with a volunteer application or submit the completion certificate to the unit leader for processing at the local council.

When your volunteer application is approved, you will receive a BSA membership card which includes your member ID number. After you receive your membership card, log back into MyScouting, click on My Profile and update the system by inputting your member ID number. This will link your Youth Protection training records, and any other training, in MyScouting to your BSA membership.

The Boy Scouts of America places the greatest importance on creating the most secure environment

possible for our youth members. To maintain such an environment, the BSA developed numerous procedural and leadership selection policies and provides parents and leaders with resources for the Cub Scout, Boy Scout, and Venturing programs.

Effective June 1, 2010

- ▶ **Youth Protection training is required for all BSA registered volunteers, regardless of their position.**
- ▶ **New leaders are required to take Youth Protection training before submitting an application for registration. The certificate of completion for this training must be submitted at the time the application is made and before volunteer service with youth begins.**
- ▶ **Youth Protection training must be taken every two years. If a volunteer's Youth Protection training record is not current at the time of recharter, the volunteer will not be reregistered.**

Youth Protection Q&A

<http://www.scouting.org/Training/YouthProtection/QA.aspx>

New BSA® Red Boned Pocketknife in Collectible Case



This month, W.R. Case will introduce the red boned pocketknife in a collectible Merit Badge® printed shadow box. The 9 x 14½ " walnut shadow box features the W.R. Case Red Bone Jr. Scout™ pocket knife with the BSA® logo on the blade.

Also, included in the shadow box is a genuine W.R. Case collectible medallion. On the glass cover are 122 color images of merit badges and the quote by the Scouting movement founder, Robert Baden-Powell, "You are now a Scout. So, sleeves up - and tackle your job!"

Mindcrafts™ Cub Scout Activity Series™ Activity Kits

Coming this fall, Mindcraft™, by Revell, will be introducing its Cub Scout Activity Series™ licensed product line in Michael's Craft Stores.

The product line will consist of children's science activity kits designed to turn everyday science into a fun, exciting adventure for ages 8 and up. In total, 11 activity kits will be available including kits in Solar Science, Bubble Art, Eco World, Paleontology, Fishing Lure, Motor Mechanic, Modern Flight, Room Guard, Anywhere Guitar, Crystal Art, and Dino Reconstruction.

Estimated retail prices range from \$5.99 to \$24.99.

For more information, please visit

<http://downloads.hobbico.com/catalogs/2010-mindcrafts.pdf>.

Pinewood Derby® Game iApp

Coming Soon! iApp for Pinewood Derby® fans by Iteration, LLC. Designed to incorporate physics lessons with the thrill of competition, this car racing game will be available for the iPad. Stay tuned for more details



Customized Home Décor Signs and Apparel



Personal Creations, an official licensee, has recently launched a custom apparel and custom home décor sign program. Apparel pieces include both a variety of t-shirts and hoodies where troops and packs have the ability to personalize the garment with their troop/pack number and name.

Also available are home décor metal signs with 3 different designs featuring the BSA® 100th Anniversary and Norman Rockwell's "I Will Do My Best" and "We Too Have A Job To Do" illustrations, all of which can be personalized.

To purchase these products, please visit personalcreations.com or call 1-888-370-6258.

Ladies Venturing® Jewelry



Commemorative Brands will add Venturing® jewelry for women to its product line, to compliment the existing Boy Scout Universal Emblem. Two types of necklaces will be introduced, one of which is a silver chain with a ring holding four silver charms. The other is a leather cord necklace consisting of a trio of round, silver accessories. Also available is a custom silver Venturing® ring. All products will be available at Joyjewelers.com as well as at J.C. Penney stores in the near future.

New BSA® Scrapbooking Products



This November, K & Company will introduce Boy Scouts of America® craft items for creating gifts, decorating paper crafts and making garlands. Among a few of the items being introduced is the Boy Scouts of America® Alphabet Chipbox, containing heavyweight, die-cut, chipboard embellishments making it easy to add sturdy yet stylish dimension to paper crafts.

Also available, will be the BSA® Camp Stitched Adornments which include a collage of 10 embellishments to add dimension and style to all of your paper crafting projects and gifts. Lastly, the BSA® Pinewood Derby® Flip Pack contains a variety of fully-coordinated, mix-and-match embellishments, including chipboard, dimensional and flat stickers.

Look for products to be at Jo-Ann Fabric and other craft stores priced from \$3.99 to \$5.99.

Cherokee Scouter publication schedule

Do you have news to share? Please submit your news and information to the Cherokee Area Council. You can e-mail cherokeebbsa@cherokeebbsa.org

Issue	Issue Deadline
November	October 18
December	November 22
January	December 27
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.

October 2 – GL Cub Fun-o-ree
October 2 – OH Cub Leader & BALOO Training
October 7 – OH Roundtable, Commissioners, Eagle Boards of Review, and OA Chapter meeting
October 8 – Popcorn “Fill It Up” drawing
October 14 – GL Roundtable
October 15-17 – Council Camporee
October 16 – OA One Day of Service
October 20 – Popcorn orders, prize order forms, and incentive forms due at Scout Office
October 22 – Popcorn “Fill It Up” drawing
October 28 – OH District Committee
October 29-30 – Webelos and Boy Scout Leader Training
November 4 – OH Roundtable, Commissioners, Eagle Boards of Review, and OA Chapter meeting
November 5 – OH District popcorn pickup
November 6 – GL District popcorn pickup
November 6 – Recruiting event
November 11 – GL Roundtable
November 18 – OH District Committee
November 24-26 – Scout Service Center closed at Noon on Nov. 24 for Thanksgiving holiday
November 29 – Popcorn money due at the Scout Service Center
December 2 – OH District Banquet
December 9 – GL Roundtable
December 17 – OA Vigil Weekend
December 22-24 – Scout Service Center closed at Noon on Dec. 22 for Christmas holiday
January 6 - OH Roundtable, Commissioners, Eagle Boards of Review, and OA Chapter meeting
January 7-8 – OA Lodge Leadership Development
January 8 – OA Winter Banquet
January 13 – GL District Banquet
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 24 – OH District Committee
February 26 – Winter Merit Badge Festival