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Has winter arrived early? Beginning to feel like it. Thoughts surely are turning to and planning for winter adventures. Remember to continue follow up from School Night for Scouting. Be alert for any additional recruiting opportunities. Recruiting needs to be a year-round endeavor. And Internet Rechartering is due at the November Roundtable to be considered “on-time”.

Steve Engel—Editor

November Roundtable

Roundtables are supplemental training for Scout Leaders and held the second Thursday each month (September through May, August is the third Thursday) at: the Church of Latter Day Saints - Burnsville' 651 Southcross Drive East. Be sure your unit is well represented as there are usually many breakout sessions.

Roundtables are a time for training, fun, fellowship and sharing.

Cub Scout The theme for November is “Kind” and “Paying it Forward” especially. As we enter this holiday season. The Cub Scout breakout will include a discussion of Den Chiefs, their importance to a quality program and transition, and how to use Den Chiefs effectively.

Boy Scout breakout will include separate breakouts for Scoutmasters (and Assistant Scoutmasters) and Committee Members. Each breakout will involve topics more specific to their positions. There will also be a review of the updated training requirements and Eagle Palm requirements. The merit badge opportunities for November are Entrepreneur and Citizenship in the Nation (part one). Send an email to [Joe Schulte](mailto:Joe.Schulte) to sign up for the merit badges. November merit badge opportunities will be Collecting, and Citizenship in the Nation (part two). Check out [Roundtable Merit Badges](#) for upcoming merit badges.

OA Corner

OA Chapter Meeting Remember OA Chapter Meetings are held each month during roundtables. Invite your OA Representative to attend.



Winter Banquet

Chief Black Dog(GO!) will be hosting the OA Winter Banquet for 2018. Both youth and adult OA members are needed to help staff this event. Please contact [Kay Stewart](#) for more Information.

OA Unit Elections

OA Election Team training will take place at the December, January and February Roundtables. Plan to have a minimum of 2 youth and 2 adult leaders at one of these sessions.

Friends of Scouting

The Friends of Scouting 2017-18 campaign is underway. And we need we your unit coordinators name and contact info and your presentation dates. Please contact [Lisa Fix, Family Friends of Scouting Coordinator](#), with this information.

Friends of Scouting Unit Coordinator Training will be held at the November Roundtable. All Unit FOS coordinators and presenters should attend this training.



Calendar



November 9	Roundtable OA Chapter Meeting Charter Turn In Friends of Scouting Training
November 11	Veteran's Day
November 18	College of Commissioner Service
November 23	Thanksgiving Day

School Night for Scouting

School Night for Scouting was held on Tuesday, September 19 at every elementary school in Minnesota and families everywhere signed up for the "Scouting Adventure". Now is the time for follow up. Follow up with any interested families who have not registered or who simply could not make it on school night. Recruiting does not end here. Recruiting must be year around, taking advantage of every opportunity. Now is the perfect time for inviting a friend, a neighbor, and families to your next Pack meeting or parent orientation.

Silver Beaver Nominations Due November 30

The Silver Beaver recognition is the highest council level volunteer recognition. Many of us know of a volunteer worthy of this recognition. Please consider nomination them for the Silver Beaver recognition. For more information on the Silver Beaver recognition and nomination forms go to [Silver Beaver](#).



Why is Chief Black Dog (GO!) the number one district in Northern Star Council? One reason is the number of active Scouters in CBD(G!) who have received the Silver Beaver recognition. Here are nine who attended the 2017 Council Recognition dinner.

Internet Recharter Due at November Roundtable

Charters are due at the November Roundtable, November 9 to be considered on time. On time rechartering is necessary to achieve any level of Journey 2.0. The Commissioner staff will be on hand at 6:15 pm. prior to the start of Roundtable to receive completed charters. Please see your Unit Commissioner for assistance or if you have questions.

It is recommended that you do not pay your recharter fees online. There is an option at the end of the recharter process to pay fees online. Do not use this option as it has not worked well and it does not allow you to use any \$'s you have on account at the council office. It is advised that you print out the signature page, get the necessary signatures and turn it in at the November Roundtable with a check for the fee. If you wish to pay with a credit card, call the council office they will help you and they have access to any funds you have on account.

Training Updates, BALOO, Youth Protection and Registered Leaders

All registered leaders must have completed Youth Protection Training (YPT). New leaders must complete YPT or they will not be allowed to register. Current leaders must also complete YPT. Youth Protection Training is available on-line, and watch for a live "in-person" training (recommended) to be scheduled soon. Youth Protection Training needs to be repeated every 2 years. A new enhanced, longer training will be available soon that will include additional topics such as Cyber Bullying.

All parents, registered leaders and youth should complete the appropriate level of training.

As of September 1, 2017 all adults on outings of 72 hours or more must be registered and have completed Youth Protection Training.

The format for BALOO (Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation) is changing. The new format will include an outdoor overnight segment. **One BALOO trained leader is necessary for any Cub Scout Pack overnight outings.**