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SCOUTING NEWS FOR THE MONTH PRESENTED BY THE JAYHAWK AREA COUNCIL, BSA

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COUNCIL VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION DINNER

The Jayhawk Area Council would like to congratulate Ed Eller and Paul Rossillon as our newest recipients of the Silver Beaver Award. The Silver Beaver Award is the council's highest volunteer honor, and we invite you to come to the dinner and celebrate our 2023 Eagle Scout Class along with these two deserving individuals.

Congratulations also goes out to Judith Kewley from the Sojodi District. Judith has been selected as the 2023 Eagle Scouts Class namesake. Judith is an alumnus of Wood Badge, earned the Council's Silver Beaver Award back in 1986 and has mentored countless Scouts along their journey towards earning their Eagle Rank. She started as an Asst. Den Leader in Pack 109 back in 1978 and is currently registered with Troop 165. We salute Judith for her numerous contributions to Scouting over the last 46 years.

The Council Annual Recognition Dinner will take place from 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm on Saturday, February 10, 2024, at Bradbury Thompson Alumni Center 1701 SW Jewell Avenue located on the campus of Washburn University.

CUB SCOUTS SHOOTING SPORTS SAFETY DAY

Attention Cub Scout Leaders! The Jayhawk Area Council will be offering a Cub Scouts Shooting Sports Day on Saturday, March 23, at Falley Scout Reservation. Cub Scouts Shooting Sports Safety Day allows Cub Scouts (Tigers - Webelos) an opportunity to learn all about Safety in a variety of environments. They also can learn Safety messages from Free State Electric, shoot Sling Shots, Archery & BB's (age appropriate)

With the upcoming changes in the Cub Scout Program, this will be one of the last opportunities to earn these Shooting Sports Patches along with the three pins that go on the patch.

Due to space limitations, we will be offering a Morning session as well as an afternoon session. Which is limited to 60 participants per session.

For more information:



2024 MERIT BADGE SCHEDULE

Summer is just around the corner, and we invite each of your Scouts to discover some of the amazing Merit Badges being offered this Summer.

Our 2024 List of Merit Badges is now available online and includes the following Merit Badges.

- Archery
- Astronomy/Space Exploration
- Baden Powell
- Basketry
- Canoeing/Kayaking
- Chess
- Electricity
- Emergency Preparedness
- Engineering
- Environmental Science
- Fishing
- Forestry
- Geocaching
- Geology
- Indian Lore
- Leatherwork
- Mammal/Insect Study
- Oceanography
- Orienteering
- Paul Bunyan Award
- Photography
- Project First Class
- Pulp and Paper/Textiles
- Rifle Shooting
- Shotgun Shooting
- Swimming

WASHBURN MERIT BADGE UNIVERSITY

Washburn Merit Badge conference is to provide Scouts with qualified counselors for merit badges. There are **26 Badges** being offered! Over 100 Scouts already registered. **Spots are filling up fast and some of them are already full!** Get your Scout registered today!!

[Click Here to Register!](#)

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF SCOUTING

On behalf of the Jayhawk Area Council, please accept our heartfelt thanks for your support of Scouting. We are striving to deliver the most well rounded character based program. We sincerely appreciate your continued support to ensure Local Scouting is thriving!



SCOUT DAY AT THE K

Scout Day at the K returns on Sunday, May 5th as the Kansas City Royals take on the defending World Series Champion Texas Rangers. For more information or to order individual tickets, please contact the Heart of America Council or follow link below:



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WILDERNESS FIRST AID TRAINING UPCOMING

Your Jayhawk Area Council, BSA will be hosting a Wilderness First Training Course Friday, March 1st – Sunday, March 3rd at Falley Scout Reservation.. This training is open to youth, 14 years old and older, as well as any adult Scouter.

If your unit is going on a High Adventure this summer, BSA requires that any contingent attending a BSA High Adventure Base have at least two adults with current Wilderness First Aid Training and CPR Training. Wilderness First Aid Training is good for two years. Due to the in-depth nature of the course, it will take place over three days.

At the time this article was written only Nine openings remain, so reserve your space today! Scan the QR code below for more information:



2024 ANNUAL FRIENDS OF SCOUTING BREAKFAST

Fast approaching Topeka Breakfast. On February 28, 7:00 am - 8:00 AM at the Maner Conference Center, Sunflower Ballroom, located at Hotel Topeka at City Center. Featuring Guest Speaker Travis Goff. Please RSVP to your Table Host or call Jeshua Bandy at 785-276-3344 by February 21, 2024.



Are your Scouts looking for a way to Celebrate their faith as well as their dedication to Scouting on this day of reverence? Scout Sunday is Sunday, February 4, 2024.

Don't forget to check out the Jayhawk Scout Shop. Located at 1020 SE Monroe in downtown Topeka,

The Jayhawk Scout Shop has received a shipment of patches to promote the importance of Scout Sunday. They also have new items arriving that you may find of interest.

We are open M-F 9:00 - 5:30 and on Saturdays from 9:00 - 1:00. You can also call in an order to have shipped to you.

Call (785) 354-0291.



Pinewood Derby Patches

Preorder your patches today at the Jayhawk Scout Shop!

REGISTRATION IS NOW LIVE!

2024 Wood Badge/National Youth Leadership Training Auction Dinner on Saturday, March 2, 2024, at 6:00 pm at the Town and Country Church here in Topeka.

Come and enjoy a delicious Mexican Fiesta with alumni from past courses and bid on some amazing auction items as well. If you are interested in donating a Live or Silent Auction item or do business with a vendor or company that can donate a gift certificate or an auction basket, please contact Chris Wagner, 785.969-6663 or wagner1969@hotmail.com

Wood Badge is a premier Leadership Training course designed to help our adult leaders become better leaders in Society as well as in Scouting. NYLT is the premier youth leadership training course for Scouts BSA and venture youth leaders. It provides the skills that youth leaders need to be successful leaders in addition to making an impact in today's workforce.

Proceeds from the event will fund future scholarships for both Leadership programs. Please contact Dan Wentling at 785.851-8629 or kscowboy26@hotmail.com or Dan Wadley at 785.318-6062 or by email at civildlw@gmail.com if you have an item to donate. We sincerely appreciate your support and generosity.



Upcoming Dates- jayhawkcouncil.org for more details

Feb 4-10	Scout Anniversary Week
Feb 10	Council Annual Recognition Dinner
Feb 17	Washburn Merit Badge University
Feb 28	FOS Annual Topeka Breakfast
Mar 2	Wood Badge/NYLT Dinner Auction
Mar 23	Shooting Sports Safety Day at FSR