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Back 2 School Edition

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

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CUB SCOUT PARENTS!

Cub Adventure Day is just around the corner, Saturday September 27 from 9-3.

Cub Adventure day provides an opportunity for all Cub Scouts to experience what Falley Scout Reservation has to offer. New events offered plus some of the same great ones.

All newly recruited Cub Scouts get to attend Cub Adventure Day for free. All returning Scouts and parents pay a small fee of \$10 to cover the cost of lunch and program supplies.

OA FALL FELLOWSHIP

Dzie-Hauk Tonga Lodge will host their Fall Fellowship October 3-5 at Falley Scout Reservation.

The Order of the Arrow Fall Fellowship is open to all members of the OA as well as those prospective members that have been elected by their troop or crew as Ordeal Candidates.

This year's event will be a mixture of fun, fellowship and candidates completing their Ordeal and Brotherhood levels as members of the Dzie-Hauk Tonga Lodge. Lodge and Chapter officer elections will take place on Saturday evening.

Registration will open soon!

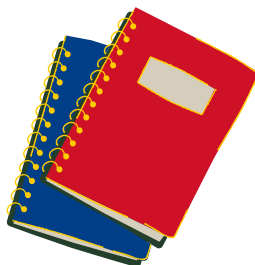
BALOO TRAINING

Mark your calendars for this hands-on training. September 6 - 7. Registration opens soon so get ready!

What is BALOO? (BALOO) Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation, is the Cub Scout training required for leaders and parent who participates with the den or pack outdoor event, including overnight camps.

YOU SHOULD ATTEND BALOO IF:

- You are a Cubmaster, Asst. Cubmaster or Webelos Leader
- You are planning to lead Scout camping events
- You wish to enhance your camping skills



DISTRICT KICKOFFS

We are excited to announce our District Program Kickoffs are approaching! Learn about programs for the upcoming 2025-2026 Scouting year. Be informed about the Membership Recruitment Plan and how to have a successful sign-up night in Fall 2025.

There will be promotional materials, membership recruitment materials, and general updates on district activities presented at this event. We will conduct popcorn kernel training at each kickoff this year!

We ask all Units to have at least two leaders and a popcorn kernel attend to cover the respective presentations.

Bison District: August 7
Sunflower District: August 7
Pony Express District: August 7
Sojadi District: August 14

To get registered click [here](#).

WOOD BADGE COURSE: 5-197-25

Do you have a unit leader that isn't Wood Badge trained? This course is designed to meet the advanced leadership needs of all Scouters, particularly unit level Scouters. Wood Badge draws upon the most current leadership models used by corporate America, academic circles and successful organizations.

You are invited to register and take advantage of this advanced leadership training. There is a limited amount of scholarships available, so what are you waiting for?

Click Date to get Registered Today!

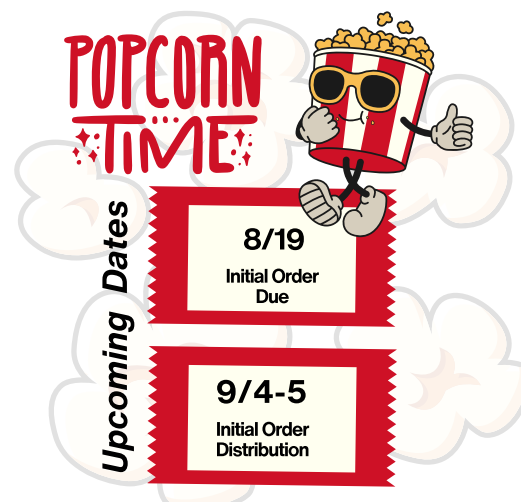
[September 12-14 & October 11-12](#)
(You **MUST** attend both weekends)

POPCORN KERNEL

There are several ways to promote popcorn sales. Would you like to maximize your commissions? If so, make sure that your Scouts are registered to use the Trails End Mobile App. Text APP to 62771 to get a link to download.

- FREE Credit card processing-Paid by Trail's End
- Real-time tracking and reporting of sales, inventory and storefront registrations
- Families can turn in cash payments via credit card

Be sure to attend your district's program kickoff to get trained on all the new things within your role!



BACK 2 SCHOOL

Let's get your recruitment date planned and communicate this to your District Executive for resources.

Have your Scouts wear their Pack or Troop T-Shirts or Uniforms to school the day of or the day before, to help promote your sign up night. Word of mouth is one of the best ways to enhance your recruitment efforts.

Together everyone achieves more!

Upcoming Dates - for latest information - www.jayhawkcouncil.org

AUGUST 16
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AUGUST 19-23
AUGUST 19
AUGUST 26-30
SEPTEMBER 6-7
SEPTEMBER 12-14
SEPTEMBER 27

SCOUT SHOP REOPENS SATURDAYS
SPORTING CLAYS INVITATIONAL
JOIN SCOUTING WEEK
POPCORN ORDERS DUE
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BALOO TRAINING
WOOD BADGE COURSE
CUB ADVENTURE DAY

SPORTING CLAY INVITATIONAL

Have you supported the range and target activities program by signing up your team to shoot? There is still time to get a team together and participate in clay shooting for a cause.

August 16, 9:00 am
Ravenwood Lodge

Get your team [Registered Today!](#)

FRIENDS OF SCOUTING

Donate to "Friends of Scouting" campaign to support programs of the Jayhawk Area Council to foster Citizenship, Character, and Service to Others for youth program development in the 11-county Northeast Kansas Region.

Give [online](#) today!

2026 JAMBOREE COMING SOON

What's a Jamboree? It's not just camp. National Jamboree is 360-degrees of fun, friends and fellowship for Scouts 12 years old or older with hands-on adventures that takes you places you never thought you'd go and challenge you to try things you never thought you could.

It's the beginning of your own heroes' journey that will challenge you to go farther than you ever thought possible. You'll reach deeper and lift yourself higher to become the best version of yourself.

Scouting's flagship event is one-of-a-kind. It's a gathering of tens of thousands of Scouts, leaders, and Jamboree Service Team members that showcases everything that is great about Scouting America.

National Jamboree is the best of Scouting rolled into 10 days of friends, fun and adventure! You won't want to miss out, get ready to Face the Challenge and sign up to attend the Jamboree! More info [here](#).



SCOUT SHOP CORNER

For up to date information on
Scout Shop Follow us:



The Jayhawk Area Council Scout Shop located at 1020 SE Monroe in downtown Topeka invites you to stop in and make a purchase or two for your Scout. Lots of new items coming in weekly!!

We carry uniforms, t-shirts, accessories, camping equipment, and much more for the new Scout all the way to the Eagle Scout.

Summer Hours M-F 9:00 - 5:30. We are excited to announce we will reopen on Saturday starting August 16, 9-1. You can also call in an order to have shipped to you. Call (785) 354-0291.

WEBELOS WOODS

Interested in the Scouting Trail? Join us at Webelos Woods! This weekend event will take place October 17-19.

Hosted by Sunflower District this event is open to all Webelos, Arrow of Light Scouts, and their parents with in the entire council. The program is designed to prepare Cub Scouts for their transition into Scouts BSA by allowing them to meet and learn from experienced Scouts. Mark the dates on your calendar and stay tuned for updated information and registration.



NATIONAL OUTDOOR AWARDS

Got a super Scout who's the king or queen of the great outdoors? Well, there are shiny treasures waiting! This set of 6 badges is the ultimate pat-on-the-back for a Scout, Sea Scout, or Venturer who has mastered epic outdoor adventures.

The National Outdoor Award is like a badge burrito, with six delicious segments wrapping around a stunning center emblem. Each slice represents a different adventure: Camping, Aquatics, Hiking, Riding, Conservation and Adventure. For those who go above and beyond, there are snazzy gold or silver devices to jazz up the segments. Want the full scoop? [Dive in and explore more!](#)

2025 CERTIFIED ANGLER INSTRUCTOR TRAINING

Strengthen your Council's Fishing Program by taking the Certified Angler Instructor (CAI) Course! CAI is an 18-hour training course for Scouters and Scouts age 15+. As a CAI, you will learn to plan and run successful youth fishing education and events for Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, and Venturing crews. Graduates will be expected to lead fishing events and education in their council - and see the smiles that result when our youth catch fish. These courses are open to participants from all councils. Watch here for more courses to be offered in 2025.

Online CAI Courses (Zoom)

[Click date for registration or more information](#)

Hosted by Simon Kenton Council:

Sunday nights: [August 3-Sept. 14](#)

Hosted by Bay Lakes Council:

Wednesday nights: [Sept. 10-Oct. 15](#)

Hosted by Alamo Area Council:

Wednesday nights: [Sept. 17-Oct. 22](#)

Hosted by Coastal Georgia Council:

Thursday nights, Oct. 16-Nov. 20.

For information, email [Jenn Ledford](#)

In-person CAI courses

Philmont National Outdoor Conference:

Pre-conference training course, Cimarron, NM

[Sept. 15-17](#)

For information, email [James Goff](#)

Bechtel Summit Reserve: Glen Jean, WV

[Sept. 12-14](#)

Indian Nations Council: Zbase, Tulsa, OK

For more information:

[Sept. 19-21](#)

Hybrid CAI Courses (Zoom)

Hosted by Abraham Lincoln Council,

Tuesday nights [Sept 9-Oct 14](#)

ARE YOU FOLLOWING US ON
FACEBOOK?



SCOUTING SPOTLIGHT

Has your unit or district engaged in noteworthy activities that you would like to share with the broader Scouting community? We are eager to highlight the accomplishments of our Scouts. As you know, the newsletter serves to inform you about developments within the Scouting world. In our effort to provide more information and recognize the dedication of our volunteers and leaders who sustain the spirit of Scouting, we have established some guidelines to ensure fairness for all contributors:

- Details of event: Date and Location
- Who was involved: Packs, Troops or District
- You may submit up to 4 images
- A short blurb for your article
- **MOST IMPORTANTLY:** Deadline is always the 6th of the month

Sojadi Fishing Derby

On Saturday June 21st, the Sojadi District held a fishing derby at the kids pond in Lebo, Kansas. In attendance was Pack 106 of Osage City and Pack 54 of Emporia.

ALL STAR SCOUT CAMP

2025 Scouts BSA Camp: A Resounding Success

The Scouts BSA Camp was a fantastic event, with 48 Scouts and 21 Leaders enjoying a wonderful camping experience while earning merit badges. Multiple troops participated, including our All-Star Troop, which consisted of Scouts from various groups to ensure that no Scout was left behind. Camp staff and volunteers guided the youth in earning several merit badges, such as:

- Exploration
- Mile Swim
- Orienteering
- Electronics
- Baden Powell

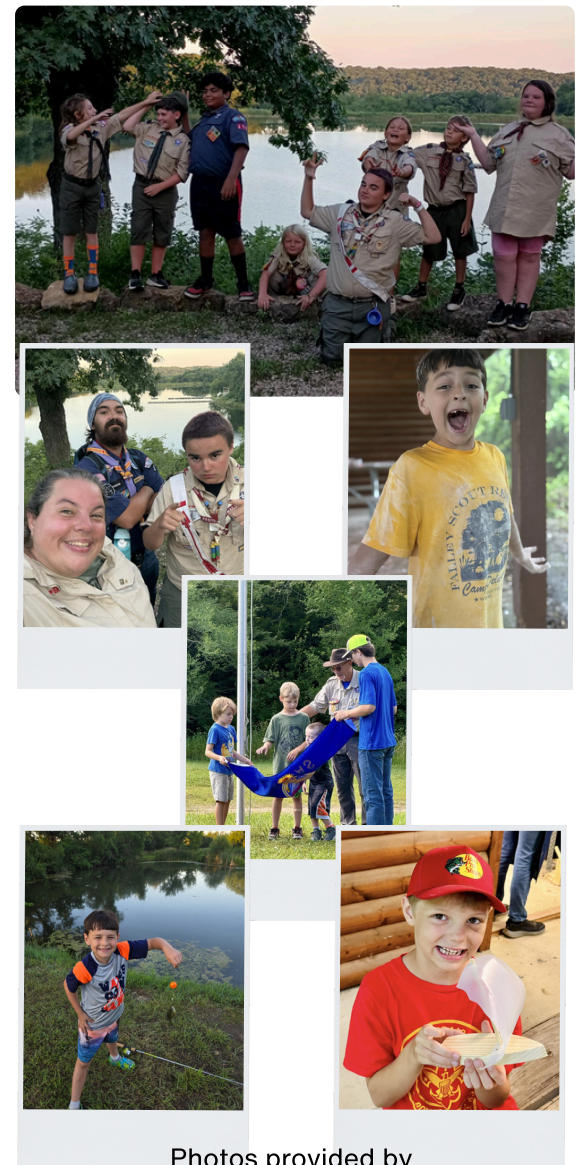
If you missed out on camping at Camp Jayhawk, you certainly missed a lot of fun!

WILD, WILD WEST CAMP

Yeehaw! The Cub Scouts turned Camp Delaware into the Wild, Wild West from June 28th to 30th, and boy, did things get lively! From fishing to crafting, shooting sports to campfire skits, these little cowpokes dove into every activity with gusto. Scouts from all corners of Kansas saddled up for the fun, and it wasn't just the kids having a blast—parents and volunteers joined in, too! With over 100 Scouts, parents, and volunteers, it was a rootin'-tootin' good time. We can't wait to rustle up this rowdy bunch again in 2026 for even more adventures!

"What a great experience for kids and parents. Kinda like primitive camping. Tents not motorhomes! Being out in nature acquiring experiences/skills that will last through their lives. Interacting with others and having fun. Dealing with Mother Nature whatever is thrown at you and getting dirty!"

- Cynthia Andrews



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