



Southern Skies District May 2017

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Unit JTE 2.0 - 2017 goals



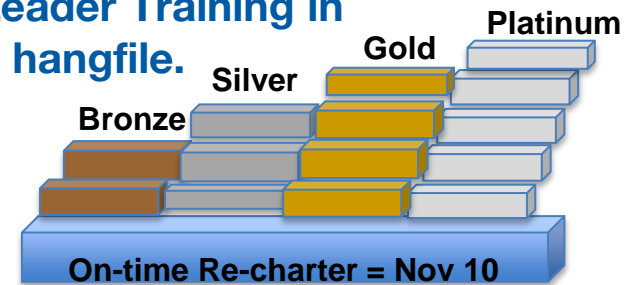
Changes for 2017

New Guidepost is added:

Review and reflect, with your Unit Commissioner, on the results your Pack Troop and or Crew obtained using the program, funding and communication plans of the previous program year and review the leader pool available to sustain a healthy and vibrant unit. Complete no later than April 30.

Changes to existing Guideposts:

Changes to both Basic Leader Training and Advanced Leader Training in Packs, Troops, and Crews. Consult the updates in the hangfile.



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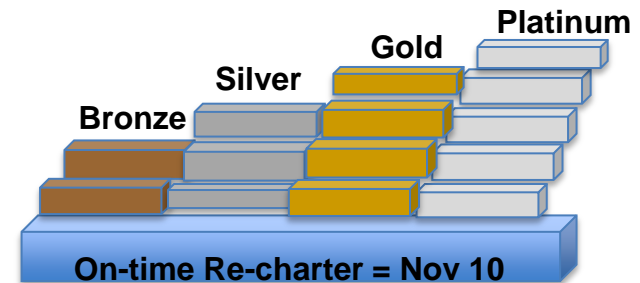


Bronze – Foundation + 2 Guideposts

Silver – Foundation + 3 Guideposts

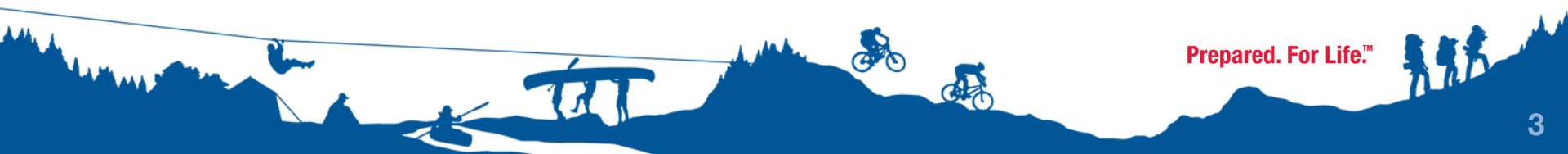
Gold – Foundation + 4 Guideposts

Platinum – Foundation + 5 Guideposts



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Southern Skies Membership Memo



• Webelos Transition

- PACKS: Have you bridged? If so, have you filled out the membership list?
- TROOPS:
 - Webelos Woods is a great time to invite Webelos camping!!
 - Have you turned in your list of transitioned scouts? Thanks Troops 208, 235, 111, 261 & 268!!

• Recruitment is year round!

- If you have a specific den that is light on boys, we can give you postcards for the boys to invite a friend or flyer a specific grade before summer.
- Make sure to tell your scouts to invite a friend to your next activities – they are your best recruitment tool!

• Troop Recruitment

- Contact Kim if you would be interested in reaching out to 11-12 year olds who have dropped in the past couple of years. We may be able to re-interest them!

• Membership Committee Openings

- Do you have a passion for recruiting and retaining Scouts? We would love to have YOU on the committee!

Contact:

Kim Shannon

ScouterKimShannon@gmail.com

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2017 Scouting Program Changes

- For 2017:
 - All Scouts regardless of rank shall use the new advancement requirements effective Jan 1, 2017.
 - Packs – Please use internet advancement to enter Bobcat advancement on a monthly basis.
 - If you have any questions, please ask one of our many qualified Scouters below.

Advancement Contacts:

Dale Tribby – Prior Lake	952.737.9029
Perry Hoekstra - Lakeville	612-618-0580
Rick Jarema – Farmington, Rosemount	952-484-9357
Kurt Benedetto – Advancement Chair maui50@charter.net	612.209.7761
Dan Muench – Advancement Chair dan@ndi-co.com	612.384.2378

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Cub Scout Camping



- **2017 Cub Summer Camp.**
 - Space still available – sign up now!
 - May 1 = Full payment due at time of reservation
 - May 15 – reservations made after will be subject to \$10 late fee.
 - NEW
 - Video – check it out it is awesome!
 - Robots, Personal Fitness Courses & BMX Bikes
 - Watch social media, emails and web for contests to win LEGOs!

www.nsbsa.org/cubcamp

- **Contact:** Mark Warner,
Paul Turgeon,

mwdw8880@gmail.com
Paul.Turgeon@burnsvillemn.gov

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Boy Scout Camping



- Many Point and Tomahawk Work Parties – June 1 – 3
- June 1 = Full Payments Due
- 2018 Reservations Open to All Units
- 2018 Philmont Contingent – Space still available: contact jnutter@nsbsa.org

www.manypoint.org

www.camptomahawk.org

- **Contact:** Mark Warner,
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Base Camp

- **Lock Ins: Check Out Options in Youth Program Catalog**
- **Base Camp Pre-K Days**
 - New Themes
 - Dates: June 12th, June 26th, July 17th, August 7th.
- **Open Climbs**
 - Provide belayers (ages 15+)
 - \$7/person
 - Dates: April 4th, May 2nd, June 6th, August 8th, September 5th, and October 3rd
- **Leadership Center Info Sessions**
 - 6:00pm to 8:00pm
 - Dates: June 5th, August 7th, September 11th, October 2nd, November 6th, December 4th

www.ExploreBaseCamp.org

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ORDER OF THE ARROW



OA PLANNING DATES:

- **CHAPTER CONCLAVE (S):**
 - **MAY 19 – 21: PHILLIPPO**
 - **OCTOBER 13 – 14: PHILLIPPO W/CAMPOREE**
- **SOUTHERN SKIES VIGIL REUNION: JUNE 24 OR 25 (DATE IS TBD)**
- **VIGIL CONCLAVE: AUGUST 25 - 26 @ STERNS**

OTHER ITEMS:

- **IF YOU HAVE NOT PAID YOUR 2017 OA DUES PLEASE DO SO, IF NOT YOU SHOULDN'T BE WEARING A LODGE FLAP**

ADVISOR:

GREG NONWEILER

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Wood Badge



Fall Course Registration is Open .

Sign up now before this popular course fills up.

Fall 2017

Stearns Scout Camp,
Sept. 15-17 & Oct. 13-15, 2017

2018 Winter course dates will be here soon.

**** Guidepost #4 (required this year for Gold)
WB trained leader in each Unit!**

Contact:

Troy Billings;

trbills@charter.net ;

(612) 695-6072

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Southern Skies Family Friends of Scouting

- **Community District Goa - \$31,000**
 - Currently - \$22,449 – 72% of goal
- **Family District Goal - \$150,000 (Growth goal \$173,400)**
 - Currently - \$115,102 – 77% of our base goal
- **Leader Board (percentage of goal)**
 - Pack 9234 – 181% of goal
 - Pack 1901 – 160% of goal
 - Pack 9120 – 159% of goal
 - Pack 9119 – 151% of goal
 - Pack 9116 – 146% of goal
- **Follow up is to the key to successfully completing your campaign.**
- **You have until May 31st to make your unit goal and earn your incentive.**

We need help with the follow up process.

If your are interested,
Contact Sandy Muench

Data as of Tuesday May 9, 2017

Contact: Sandy Muench – plscouter@gmail.com - 952-807-4755

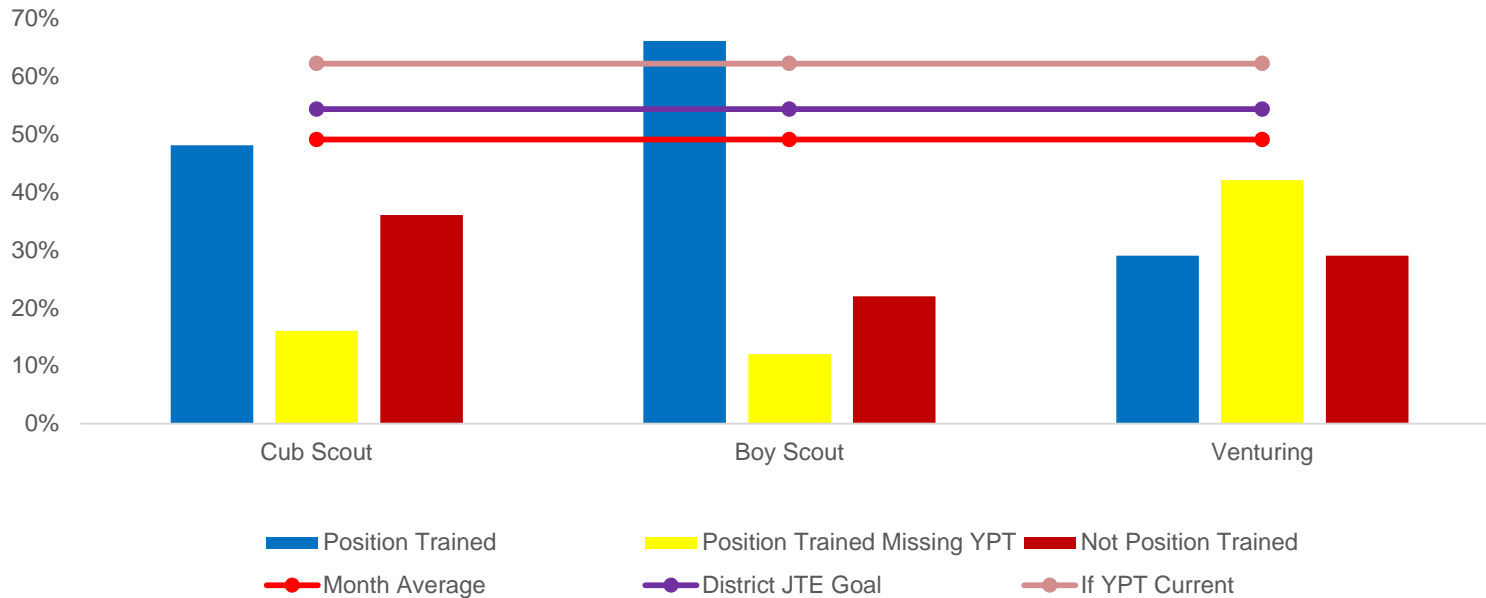
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Scout Leader Training

Southern Skies District

Direct Contact Leader Training Statistics 5/2/2017



District Training team will bring ANY training to you - ask us!

Contact or Sign up on district website links:

Eric Woodruff ;

ericwoodruff.scouts@gmail.com ;

(651) 592-0122

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Scout Leader Training

**Southern Skies /Chief Black Dog Boy Scout Leader
Weekend**

**May 20-21 @ Phillippo - Registration is open –
<https://scoutingeverett.com/2017-trainingweekend2017>**

Cancelled

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NEW Online Training Just Released

My.scouting.org

**Online training just released for:
Scoutmaster/Assistant Scoutmaster
Merit Badge Counselor
Troop Committee Challenge**

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Council eHangfiles

Central location for information on all council supported events and needs:

<http://roundtable.northernstarbsa.org/eHangfiles.aspx>

Examples of what is there:

- Scout Recruiting
- Year around camping
- Cub Summer Camp Presentation
- Jamboree 2017
- Catholic Religious Emblem Retreat
- Wood Badge Training
- 2016 Polar Cub Day Camp
- Harlem Globetrotters
- NSC Camp Registration Training

Contact:

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Prairie Lakes Website and Facebook

- New and updated information added frequently
- Have pictures of your Pack, Troop or Crew? Send them in and we'll promote your unit.
- Have a fundraising event coming up? Let us know and we'll promote it.
- Looking for something, have ideas, contact our web manager:

Clayton Lee

Check out Prairie Lakes Group on Facebook

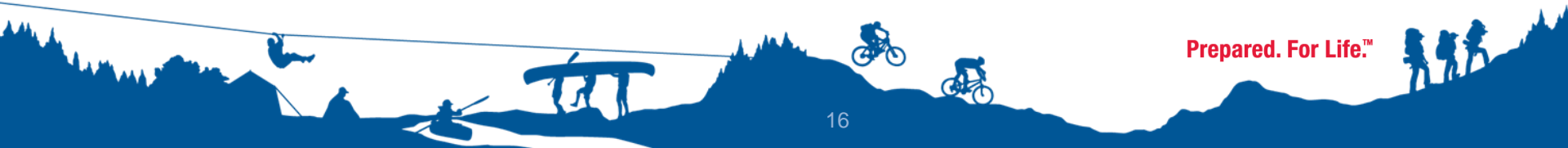


Contact:

Clayton Lee;

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Southern Skies District Committee

District Volunteer Needs:

Commissioners –

- Support or friend to one/two units who support unit as conduit to available resources and programs
- Great role for experienced scouter
- Training and support available for commissioners

Membership Chair –

Thank you to our volunteers – those new to the committee, those who changed roles and to those who continue to support the districts work to support our units.

Contact: Mike Whitsitt;

whitsitt.scouts@gmail.com

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Southern Skies Roundtable Family Room Help

- If you or a scout (preferable camp trained) are willing to help with younger family members of adults coming to roundtable, We are looking for at least two adults (Youth Protection Trained) or two (or more) older youth, to help with homework, watch a movie etc. while Roundtable is in session. If interested, Please contact me.

- **Contact:** Steve Schmidt 270dad@gmail.com
651-328-3102



Project Management Skills For Life (PMSFL) A Joint Teenage Youth Outreach Program

- **Minnesota Chapter of the Project Management Institute (PMI-MN) and Northern Star Council (NSC) of the Boy Scouts of America**
- **WHO**
- **For Youth Participants, age 13 to 20 in the Twin Cities Metro area. Boys and girls, scouts and non-scouts – Venturing Scouts & Explorers, boy scouts & girl scouts, students from middle schools, high schools, community colleges & universities are all welcome. • Instructors are volunteers from PMI-MN and NSC with lots of project management experience, some with the PMP (Project Management Professionals) credential.**
- **Please see the District Web site for more details.**



Calling All Merit Badge Counselors

- We are exploring the idea of offering Eagle Required Merit Badge Classes at the monthly Roundtable.



If interested in helping out, contact Steve Schmidt at Roundtable or Dan McNulty at [\(651\) 343-8706](tel:6513438706).

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District Shopping Mall

- **Pinewood derby track for sale: Aluminum.**
Contact Greg Schultz @ schultzgreg@yahoo.com
651-343-3591
- **Canoes, Paddles, Trailer and Life Vests for rent.**
Contact Greg Schultz @ schultzgreg@yahoo.com
651-343-3591



Roundtable Information 2017/2018

- **As two districts we asked of the attendees at the last roundtable if there was a preference for our monthly Roundtable location to either be in Lonsdale or Elko/New Market.**
- **The location that seemed to fit in the best with everyone was Elko/New Market. We do have a location in mind and are working to solidify that as fast as possible, But they are not able to grant our district use until June 2017. Please bear with us until we can confirm the location for the start of our new Roundtable year as one district. We are excited about the new journey and hope you are as well.**

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Roundtable Topics for 2017-2018

- If you are reading this, You are asked to please take a moment and write one topic of interest that you would like to have discussed during the upcoming year. We as your roundtable team would like to hear from you.
- Please drop us an e mail with your ideas. And we will build the year around what you would like to hear about.
- Send to Steve Schmidt: 270dad@gmail.com



Commissioner Tidbits

The Southern District Dinner is coming up in just two days. Please sign up to enjoy a fantastic fun filled evening with your fellow scouters. Bring your spouse. They deserve recognition and a fantastic dinner as well.

Have a great scouting month.

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Southern Skies Next Roundtable

June 13th 2017

Messiah Lutheran, Lakeville

6:00 Training

6:30 Social time and check in

7:00 Roundtable

Contact:

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270dad@gmail.com;

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