








District Newsletter

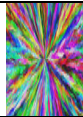




February-March 2018

<http://metrolakes.nbsa.org>

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4 Scout Sunday	5	6	7	8 OA	9	10 Scout Shabbat
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“In Scouting you are combating the brooding of selfishness.” – Baden Powell

Mayflower Church is at Diamond Lake Road and 35W in South Minneapolis

One Hundred Free Blue and Gold Placemats are available from NS Council. Pick them up starting February 2 at the Scout offices in Golden Valley or St. Paul.



Cub Packs should make summer camp reservations now to get the best dates. You have multiple programs to choose from at <http://camp.northernstarbsa.org/cub-summer-programs>



Order of the Arrow Elections. Troops should be holding elections this spring to select new OA candidates. Contact Will Peterson, OA Chapter Advisor at pete2442@umn.edu or 612-803-6198

2018 Reservations are now open at Many Point and Tomahawk. <http://camp.northernstarbsa.org/boy-scouts>

Get outside and play in the snow! **Polar Cubs** still have openings: <https://scoutingevent.com/250-2018PolarCubsRR>.

Philmont Training Center is taking reservations for the best family vacation ever! And you'll learn all you need about your Scouting. <http://www.philmontscoutranch.org/ptc.aspx>



Are you an Eagle Scout Parent? Find out how you can give back to Scouting for what Scouting has done for your son. Contact Anne Varberg annevarbergmpls@gmail.com or Rob Daves rob_daves@yahoo.com

February

District Meeting, Thursday, February 1, 7 PM – Mayflower Church, for all committee members and commissioners.

Ft. Snelling Service Project – Saturday, February 3 Noon to 3 PM– Gate 1 - All Scouts invited to help clean old decorations from graves at St. Snelling National Cemetery. \$1 for patch.



<http://oa.nbsa.org/Events/FortSnellingServiceProject.aspx>

Your First Call for Help

District Chair - Scott Stone – 612-298-8656 sstone55423@hotmail.com

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Annual District Planning Meeting, Saturday, February 3 - 12:30 to 3 PM Southdale Library, 7001 York Ave S. Helen Young Room. Help set next year's dates for District camporees, training, derbies, etc.

Roundtable on February 8. Don't skip your dinner. Come early for Food and Fellowship at 6:30. NEW - Training Session breakout on Youth Protection begins at 6:45. **Roundtable starts at 7:00.** Cub Scout breakout: March Pack Meeting Ideas, Fall Plans on Training New Leaders, and Outing Ideas. Boy Scout Breakout: Additional training opportunities beyond Northern Star Council. **OA Chapter Meeting** at the same time and place.



District Dinner, Saturday February 10, Doors open at 6 PM, dinner at 6:30. Come honor your fellow Scouters! K of C Hall, 1114 W American Blvd, Bloomington.

<https://scoutingevent.com/250-mldistrictdinner2018>

Chaplain Aid Training - Sunday, February 11, 1 to 5 PM Jewish Community Center, 4330 Cedar Lake Road S, Minneapolis and again on Saturday, February 17 - 9 AM to 2 PM, First Baptist Church, 1021 Hennepin Ave., Mpls.

The Future of Cub Scouting - Cub Leader should meet with their Chartered Organization Executive to discuss your plans for accommodating girls in your Pack and return the Letter of Intent to the Council by February 15.

Klondike Derby! Metro Lakes Troops are encouraged to attend Three Rivers' District Klondike Derby on Saturday, February 24 at Rum River from 8 AM to 5 PM. <https://scoutingevent.com/250-3Rklondike2018>

March

District Meeting, Thursday, March 1, 7 PM – Mayflower Church, for all committee members and commissioners.

Roundtable on March 8. Don't miss dinner, come eat at 6:30 Food and Fellowship - Roundtable starts at 7:00. Cub Scout breakout: Pack Meeting Ideas, Summer Camp Planning. Boy Scout breakout: Involving older youth in your Troop. Training Breakout: Unit Web Pages. **OA Chapter Meeting** at the same time and place.



Relive the Winter Olympics at the Buck Hill Overnighter, March 2 10 PM to March 3 5 AM. All night skiing, snowboarding, <https://scoutingevent.com/250-BuckHill2018>

Dronetech at Base Camp, a STEM event at Base Camp. Hands-on robotics for all ages. <http://www.northernstarbsa.org/2018-dronetech>

Council Recognition Dinner. March 24, 5:45 Reception, 6:30 Dinner. Golden Valley Country Club. Come and join us as we congratulate our newest district Silver Beaver, **John Roemer**, at this event. <http://www.northernstarbsa.org/2018-council-recognition-dinner>

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