

# Railsplitter District

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## District Meetings

November 13, 2007

Soy Capital Bank

7:00pm

All Railsplitter Scouters are welcome to attend and assist us in better preparing a program for all of our youth. Agenda items for these meetings will include activities, advancement, finance, training, membership, roundtables, and service to all units.

## Roundtable

November 1st

December 6th

St. Patrick's Church

7:00pm

Roundtables will be held on Thursday, November 1 and December 6 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church at 7:00pm. All leaders should plan to attend to discover how helpful Roundtables are in planning den, pack troop meeting programs. Fun and Scouting fellowship will be in abundance.

Bring a leader who has never been to a Roundtable so they can see how many program ideas they can gain.

## Annual Business Meeting

Railsplitter District will have its annual business meeting on February 12, 2008. An election of district members and a district chairman will be held at this time. A nomination of the district commissioner will also be a part of this meeting.

## Friends of Scouting

Friends of Scouting is one of the council's ways of financing the budget after United Way and popcorn. Each unit is asked to let us tell the finance story to your parents in January - March. Please set the date by the January Roundtable.

## District Award of Merit



Each district presents the District Award of Merit recognition annually to Scouters who have rendered noteworthy service to youth in Scouting, outside of Scouting, or both. The nature and value of noteworthy service to youth may consist of a single plan or decisions that contributed vitally to the lives of a large number of youth over an extended period of time. Nomination forms for this award are available through your district executive or the Council Service Center. The deadline for submitting the nomination for this award is January 8, 2008. The award is presented at the district annual recognition banquet.

## Nelda Foster to Retire December 31st, 2007

I am pleased to announce my retirement as a professional Scouter on December 31st, 2007. With this announcement, it is a somber moment, but it is also a time to look forward to spending more quality time with my family and becoming a "real" grandmother. I appreciate the opportunity to have served the Scouts and Scouters of Lincoln Trails Council. I will continue in Scouting as a volunteer with my grandson's Cub Scout Pack.

My rewards have been great: to watch the boys grow into leadership roles, good citizens of our communities, and become good husbands, fathers, and providers for their families. I have made many friends in Scouting. I will always treasure the memories of the Scouts, volunteers, summer camp, and other events. I also treasure the opportunities to have served as staff advisor for the Order of the Arrow - Woapink Lodge #167 - Jamboree troops, Philmont treks, and other district and council activities.

The retirement stage of my life means that my husband Tom and I will have more time to travel and, of course, go on more cruises. Tom is also expecting a clean house and more home-cooked meals. I think that he is in for a real surprise.

Please welcome my replacement Jonathan Crocker as the new District Director. He is able and willing to serve the Railsplitter District.

Thank you all once again for all of your support through these many years.

Sincerely,

## Railsplitter District Calendar

November	December
1 Roundtable	6 Roundtable
3 Popcorn Distribution	7 Recharterers & Popcorn
3 Pinewood Test Drive	Payments Due
13 District Meeting	25 Christmas
22 Thanksgiving	
27 Commissioner's Meeting	