

Redhawk District

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Roundtable

Redhawk District Roundtables are held on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00pm in the First Christian Church in Casey. Roundtable is a great way to find out what is going on in the district, talk with other leaders, and take new ideas back to your unit.

If you have any questions or would like more information about upcoming Roundtable activities, please contact Dave Murphy at alikatt@mchsi.com

District Meeting

Redhawk District meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30pm at Joe's Pizza in Casey. Any adult leaders that would like to help out with district activities or would like to help out on one or more of the committees are encouraged to attend.

Please contact District Chairman Steve Sell or District Commissioner Dave Murphy for more information about the District Committee and how you may be able to help.

Friends of Scouting

As 2008 begins to wind down and we start looking ahead to 2009, please remember that Scouting needs the support of everyone. It has been said that a volunteer gives time; a Scouter gives time and money. As your unit begins to make plans for 2009 please remember to include a Friends of Scouting presentation as part of your January or February unit event.

Venturing Terminology

One of the firm rules about "Venturing -Speak" is that the name of the program is **VENTURING**.

- Therefore, a crew is a Venturing Crew, not a Venture Crew or Venturer Crew.
- A Youth is called a Venturer.
- Advisors and other leaders are Venturing Advisors and such, not Venture or Venturer leaders.
- Venturing Leaders take Venturing training, not Venture or Venturer training.

District Award of Merit Nominations

The District Award of Merit is a council award presented by districts. The award is available to any registered Scouter who renders service of an outstanding nature at the district level. The deadline for submitting nominations for this award is January 31st, 2009. If you have any questions about this award please contact District Chairman Steve Sell or District Commissioner Dave Murphy. Nominations forms can be found online at www.scouting.org/media/forms.

Annual Recharter

Recharter packets were available in October for every unit. We need to communicate with our Unit Commissioners during this process. This year we need to make sure that all of the charters are done effectively and that we do not just lose youth on them because we have not called them.

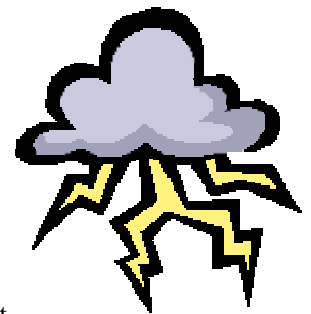
We are once again using Internet Rechartering. If you are unfamiliar with this process there is a tutorial online at www.lincolntrailsCouncil.org. Remember, after you finish the online process, you must print out the recharter application, obtain the proper signatures, and forward the paperwork and any new applications, and the money to the Council Service Center. All recharter paperwork and monies are due on November 14th.

Hazardous Weather Training

Be the first on your block to take Planning and preparing for Hazardous Weather training, the latest e-learning course available on the national website, www.scouting.org.

Effective January 1, 2009, this training is mandatory for at least one adult leader on each tour. The course includes training, testing, and additional resources on weather conditions that may be encountered during BSA activities, including lightning, flash floods, tornadoes, hot and cold weather, hail, and hurricanes.

Participants who complete the course earn a Weather Smart Certificate of Completion. The course content is appropriate for Boy Scouts and Venturers as well as adult leaders.



Redhawk District Calendar

November

1 Popcorn Distribution
6 Roundtable
20 District Meeting

December

4 Roundtable
5 Popcorn Money Due
18 District Meeting