

NORTHERN LIGHTS DISTRICT MEETING NOTES
September 30, 2008

Mission Statement:

Northern Lights District Values: We will improve the quality of program in our units by working together as a functioning District Committee.

COUNCIL & DISTRICT NEWS

School Nights – we are 83% complete to date. So far, we are at ~300 new Scouts, and expect to end around 350.

Family FOS theme is construction. Patches available for units achieving 100% of goal. Scholarships available to units completing the presentation by Dec 15 and reaching dollar and participation goals.

Registrations for events will now be on ScoutNet. This will allow accurate tracking of participation in events, training, etc. For planners, it allows for pre-registering, printing rosters, budget tracking, etc. It will also allow for standardization in planning processes. This will make it easier for someone else to step in and assist or take over an event as well.

OPERATING COMMITTEES

Activities

OPPORTUNITY: Need Spring Camporee Chair, Need District Dinner Chair
Fall Camporee has had very positive feedback!! The greatest opportunity for next year will be that we could use more Merit Badge Counselors.

Advancement

Fast Track Program = Templates for den meetings
Updates to Advancement policy and procedures. Some are around the Eagle Board of Review. Exploring the concept of “standing boardmembers”.
New Merit Badge Counselor forms available online, in Council offices.
MB Madness Day will be March 14 at LDS Church on 49th & Douglas.

Camping

Fall Festival 2008 for Cub Scouts, Webelos and their families. Check the ship at Roundtable for information. Dates for the one day event will be: October 4, 5, 11, 12, 16, 17, 18, 19.
Polar Cubs will have some dates at Stearns this year.

Community FOS

Chip is looking for potential Community Giving Prospects. Gifts could be \$100 to \$unlimited. Please let him know if you have any ideas. You do not need to approach or ask anyone, Chip will coordinate the opportunities.

Membership

We will have a gap to makeup. We lost 585 youth across all units Cubs through Venturers. We have made up approx 300 so far with new Cub registrations.

Order of the Arrow

190 people at Conclave, the greatest turnout in years.
Vigil Conclave this weekend at Rum River

Training

12 people going through Boy Scout Leader Training at this time.
We are going to try to contact every newly registered leader to ensure they know about training opportunities.
Chartered Organization Rep training will be offered at an upcoming RoundTable.

Unit Commissioners

Will be working on Centennial Quality Unit awards with units.

***NOTE LOCATION CHANGE FOR
NOVEMBER DISTRICT MEETING ONLY***

Due to election day activities, our regular room will not be available.

Committee Members will be notified by email as to the location for the November meeting. It should also be on the website.