

NORTHERN LIGHTS DISTRICT MEETING NOTES  
November 3, 2009

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Centennial book went to print. Purchase at RoundTable or you can order online, watch for it!

**LOCATION CHANGE** December RoundTable **only**. It will be at the LDS church on Douglas in Crystal.

Boy Scout Day at the Vikings game is November 15<sup>th</sup>. Order your **REDUCED TICKETS for the November 15<sup>th</sup> Vikings game** online.

Million Dollar Day Nov 9 & 10. Great speakers!!

January 30 will be CCC meeting at St. Alphonses. Will be a TRAINING day for all committees.

Only 43 people from our district attended University of Scouting; many of those are on the District Committee.

There are 15 spots are left for Jamoboree. Register online for this amazing event!

There will be a drawing for a **LONG TERM CAMP SCHOLARSHIP** for units that host their FOS presentation in November or December.

Budgets for any event – unit or District – must be completed three months in advance. A unit or committee may NOT send out a flyer about any cost event unless it is approved by the Council.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**ROUNDTABLE**

Cub scout RoundTable – Theme: Works of Art. Will have a guest speaker from Salvation Army.

Boy Scout RoundTable – Gene Stobbs will talk about **the Scoutmaster Conference**. Jim Schweiger will talk about **the new health form**.

**ACTIVITIES:**

Upcoming Klondike is in the works. Theme will be around the history of Scouting in the winter. There are many opportunities for short term (a few hours) or longer term (a few evenings of planning) help. Step up to meeting new people and being involved in a different way.

Star Camp –Northern Lights Dist needs a representative of promotion for this Councilwide event. There are numerous other opportunities, check it out online. **This is replacing the Spring Camporee and Webelos Woods.**

Be part of the team that makes it an event worthy of the centennial anniversary of Scouting!!

### **ADVANCEMENT**

33 Boy Scout Troops and 13 Cub Packs use internet advancement. Excellent display of leading by example and 'using your resources'!! We have a greater percent than most Districts....kudos to Northern Lights!! If you haven't checked it out, contact a member of the District (or Council) Advancement Committee to learn more!

Merit Badge Madness planning is underway. Primary locations will be at the two LDS churches again. Cost will be \$6.00 this year. **NEW THIS YEAR: Merit Badge on Demand.** Scouts can sign up for a MB they want to take and we will try to find a counselor to be there to serve those scouts.

### **CAMPING**

New bicycle policies for long term camp are being considered but will NOT be implemented yet. Tomahawk still will not allow bicycles; Many Point will continue to allow Scouts to bring their own and participate in a Bicycle Safety and Courtesy training at camp before using them.

Campmaster Training Nov 14, 9-12 at Rum River. Join this group of dedicated volunteers who spend a relaxing weekend at a Scout Camp a few times a year.

### **ACTIVITIES**

Popcorn orders must be turned in by Thursday night or the popcorn cannot be ordered.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

Only two units made their goal. We still need 320 new youth to make Quality District. There seems to be much less enthusiasm overall this year; and there is resistance from troops to do recruitment. 150 Webelos did NOT transition to a troop this year. The units that are successful have made recruitment a priority.

### **OA**

Fall Fellowship in two weeks. This is a **FABULOUSLY FUN** *all night* event!!! It will be held at Maplewood Community Center.

No Chapter Meeting in December. There will be a Lodge Training Night the next night.

Watch for details on the Scoutmaster Dinner. This is **FREE FOR SCOUTMASTERS!** Come learn about how OA can enhance the Scouting experience for your troop, without detracting from your troop activities.

## **TRAINING**

Thirty people went through Cub Scout Leader Training.  
Boy Scout Registered Adult Training (Boy Scout Leader) trained 12 Scouters  
November RoundTable will train Youth Protection Training.

## **COMMISSIONERS**

Rechartering will be starting soon. Packets are going out to Unit Commissioners.