



# Heron News Flash



## Sammamish Trails

### October 2017

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| 10/12           | Roundtable 7 PM<br>Cub Scouts, Scouts<br><b>Re-Charter Training</b> |
| 10/12           | Commissioner Mtg. 7:30 PM   |
| 10/12           | Merit Badge Clinic (Kirkland) 7PM<br>Sustainability                 |
| 10/12           | OA Chapter Meeting 7 PM   |
| 10/19           | Christmas Tree Area Mtg. 7 PM.                                      |
| 10/21           | Program and Training<br>Conference (PTC)                            |
| 10/27-28        | IOLS—Issaquah (Sam. Trails)   |
| <b>November</b> |   |
| 11/2            | District Meeting 7 PM   |
| 11/3-4          | IOLS—Camp Parsons   |
| 11/9            | Roundtable 7 PM<br>Cub Scouts, Scouts<br><b>CHARTERS DUE</b>        |
| 11/9            | Commissioner Mtg. 7:30 PM   |
| 11/9            | Merit Badge Clinic (Kirkland) 7PM<br>Citizenship in the Community   |
| 11/9            | OA Chapter Meeting 7 PM   |
| 11/10-11        | Merit Badge Weekend   |
| 11/11           | SM Specific Training -- Renton                                      |
| 11/23           | Happy Thanksgiving!   |
| <b>December</b> |   |
| 12/7            | District Meeting 7 PM   |
| 12/14           | Roundtable 7 PM<br>Cub Scouts, Scouts<br>FOS Training               |
| 12/14           | OA Chapter Meeting 7 PM   |

### Chair's Minute

I was talking to a Scouter about his son's experience attending National Youth Leadership Training. He told me attending NYLT was a "life-changing experience for his son." **Scouting is life changing.** Scouting is leadership training for life not just for the youth but also for adults. I encourage every youth, parent, and adult leader to take full advantage of the leadership training opportunities provided by the BSA. **Saturday, Oct. 21, we have our "Program and Training Conference" event at North Seattle College.** It is a great opportunity to make you a better leader and add to your leadership skills that will change your life. Please attend. There is something important being taught for every scouter

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District Chair  
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### October Roundtable

**CUB SCOUT BREAKOUT:**  
*Den Leaders* bring den flags, den doodles, good behavior trophies, or anything you would like to share.  
Kaylene Thaler  
Cub Scout Roundtable Commissioner  
[thalerkmt@outlook.com](mailto:thalerkmt@outlook.com)

**BOY SCOUT BREAKOUT:**  
*Scoutmaster, ASMs, Committee Members*—We will cover administrative tools troops use to manage the troop and have an open forum where any questions can be asked.  
David Amble  
Boy Scout Roundtable Commissioner  
[david.nels.amble@gmail.com](mailto:david.nels.amble@gmail.com)

**Do** you know everything about Scouting?

**Do** you have all the answers when a Scout or Parent asks you a question?

**Do** you have all the BSA program materials memorized and can quote page and paragraph off the top of your head?

**If you answered no to any of those questions, then Roundtable is for you!**



### Program and Training Conference

**Register NOW!**

**Before the Price Goes Up!**

Why do you WANT to go to Program and Training Conference?

- Hands on learning.
- Your unit's new leaders can get their basic training.
- Your unit's experienced leaders can get ideas for a stronger, more exciting program for your youth.
- Going together with others in your unit will help your leaders create and work together as a team.

PTC will be at North Seattle College (across I-5 from Northgate).

The price is \$33 for adults (goes up to \$40 on the 16<sup>th</sup>), \$20 for anyone under 21-years of age.

Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup>  
[SeattleBSA.org/PTC](http://SeattleBSA.org/PTC)

### Re-Charter Training October 12<sup>th</sup> @ Roundtable

Join us at the October Roundtable meeting for re-charter training.

The Meeting schedule:

LDS units: 6:15 pm  
General units: 7:30 pm

Rose Hill LDS Church  
7720 126<sup>th</sup> Ave NE  
Kirkland, WA. 98034

Jon Harthun  
206-902-2322  
[JHarthun@seattlebsa.org](mailto:JHarthun@seattlebsa.org)



### Pearls of Wisdom --Baden-Powell



*"The object of the patrol method is not so much saving the Scoutmaster trouble as to give responsibility to the boy."*



## Commissioner Meeting

October 12 @ 7:30 PM

Commissioner Meetings are held every  
2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday @ 7 30 PM at:

Rose Hill LDS Chapel  
7720 126th Ave NE  
Kirkland, WA 98033

All Unit Commissioners and ADCs are needed to attend to help all our units have successful programs.

Dale Rae  
District Commissioner  
[dale@dfrae.com](mailto:dale@dfrae.com)

## Cub Scout Advancement

Let me ask you, "What is the requirement for Cub Scout advancement?" I am not talking about the steps needed to complete each

**Do Your**



**Best!**

adventure but the true requirement for the Cub. The Cub Scout motto says it all, Do Your Best. As long as the Cub does his best to complete the requirements, he should be signed off. The spirit

of the requirement is what is important. This doesn't mean just "checking the box" any more than it means meeting what the leader thinks is needed. If they are breathing and trying they should be advancing.

By applying this approach to advancement most of your Cubs will be able to advance each year. Youth that are advancing enjoy the program more. They will be more likely to stay and continue to learn and become better citizens. Don't get lost in the minutiae; we are here for the Scouts.

Remember, Baden-Powell said "Scouting is a game and it's meant to be fun."

Barry Rettkowski  
Western Region Advancement Chair



## No One-on-One Includes DIGITAL

Two-deep leadership and no one-on-one contact between adults and youth

members include digital communication. Leaders may not have one-on-one private online communications or engage one-on-one in other digital activities (games, social media, etc.) with youth members. Leaders should copy a parent and another leader in digital and online communication, ensuring no one-on-one contact exists in text, social media, or other forms of online or digital communication.

– [Guide to Safe Scouting](#)

## Order of the Arrow Chapter Meeting October 12 Talapus Tallicum Chapter

Brothers, although Conclave has now passed, we still have some great events coming up before the end of the year!

We'll be having our **monthly chapter meeting** on Thursday, October 12th at 7:00 pm at the Rose Hill LDS Church. But, in addition to pizza and games, Phillip will also be introducing the scripts for arrow of light and ordeal ceremonies! So if you are interested in becoming a ceremonialist for our chapter, make sure to be there!

Next, our **annual Lodge Banquet** will be on October 21st at 5:30 pm at North Seattle College. Awards will be handed out and our accomplishments as a lodge for the past year will be celebrated over a delicious dinner! Also, former Washington Attorney General Rob McKenna will be the keynote speaker. Register at <https://is.gd/uiSjm3> for only \$30, before it costs \$40 on October 14th. The banquet immediately follows the Program Training Conference, so why not sign up for both? If you go to PTC, wear your sash and offer your help if needed! Also, please leave your 6th session open to help setup the banquet.

Last but certainly not least is **Fall Rally!** It will be on November 17th-19th at Camp Edward. There will be tons of training opportunities, from conducting ceremonies to making regalia to home unit (troop/crew) improvement and potentially the classroom portion of WOFA. On top of that, there will be many fun activities, such as a chapter Olympics competition, Super Smash Bros. tournament, bouncy castle, and Jell-O ice judo. **Sign up now** at <https://is.gd/WYGbNm> for only \$25 and get a weekend of learning, fellowship and fun!

If you plan on going to any events, make sure your dues are current at <https://is.gd/vuquli>.

Kyle Sullivan  
Chapter Chief

## Merit Badge Clinics

**General Instructions for Clinics**  
Open to ALL Scouts of any troop.  
Bring **Scoutmaster signed blue cards** and wear uniforms.

### Kirkland

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday\* of each month 7-8:30 PM

Rose Hill LDS Building  
(Roundtable location)  
7720 126<sup>th</sup> Ave NE  
Kirkland, WA 98033  
Lorin Thompson  
[lrthompson5@frontier.com](mailto:lrthompson5@frontier.com)  
425-882-4769

*Oct. 12:* Sustainability

*Nov. 9:* Citizenship in the Community

### Redmond

2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday\* of some months 9-11 AM

Union Hill LDS Building  
7115 224<sup>th</sup> Ave NE  
Redmond, WA 98052

Foyer Phone: 425-868-2956

Enter North door at end of building.

Matt Laturner

[matt.laturner@hotmail.com](mailto:matt.laturner@hotmail.com)

425-844-9647

*Nov. 11:* No clinic

**\*Check District Calendar for monthly exceptions or new information.**

## Employees of Boeing & Microsoft

The time you spent this past summer at Cub Day Camp, hiking trails, herding Scouts to the dining hall, and singing campfire songs helped build your Scouts' sense of adventure, teamwork, and ability to overcome challenges.

Chances are you helped those Scouts create a handful of memories they will keep for the rest of their lives. That same volunteer time, which has already had a profound effect on the youth around you, could have a huge impact financially for Scouting.

**Please take the time today to log in your BSA Volunteer Hours.**

This process provides essential funding for the same camps and activities your Scouts enjoyed this summer here in

Chief Seattle Council. And, for every 50 hours you volunteer, your pack or troop will receive 100 Scout Bucks that can be used for council and district activities.

Click on the link below, if you are a Microsoft employee:

<https://microsoft.benevity.org/user>

## Membership Help: “Unit Pin”

The link below explains how to setup and edit your “unit pin” at BEASCOUT.org<<http://beascout.org/>> Adjust your settings for notices, new members interested, where they should be sent, to which email address, and who the public can see as the contact person:

<http://www.seattlebsa.org/Membership/Update-Your-Unit-on-the-Be-A-Scout-Map>

## Training



NEW TO SCOUTING?

Looking for Youth Protection so you can register? Go to [my.Scouting.org](http://my.Scouting.org) for all online training INCLUDING the NEW Scoutmaster, Troop Committee, and Merit Badge Counselor (though we should mention National would still prefer you take training with a real live instructor).

### COMING TRAINING:

**Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS):** 10/27-28 Issaquah (OURS); 11/3-4 Camp Parsons.

**Den Leader Specific:** 10/21 Program and Training Conference (PTC).

**Cubmaster Specific:** 10/21 Program and Training Conference (PTC).

**Pack Committee Challenge:** 10/21 Program and Training Conference (PTC).

**Scoutmaster Specific:** 10/21 Program and Training Conference (PTC); 11/11 Renton.

**Troop Committee Challenge:** 10/21 Program and Training Conference (PTC).

**Venturing Advisor Specific:** 10/21 Program and Training Conference (PTC).

**Crew Committee Challenge:** 10/21 Program and Training Conference (PTC).

**Wood Badge:** 4/27-29 AND 5/18-20, 2018 at Camp Edward & Camp Pigott.

For more information on these and additional training opportunities go to [SeattleBSA.org/Training-Calendar](http://SeattleBSA.org/Training-Calendar).

**Want to see a national high adventure camp without taking a trek?** They also have excellent training for leaders in week-long sessions. You can learn more about the 2018 conferences:

**Philmont** - <http://www.PhilmontScoutRanch.org/PTC.aspx>

**Summit** - <http://www.summitbsa.org/programs/training/>

**Sea Base** – Need a winter break? These are held in the Florida Keys in January. [www.bsaseabase.org/ConferenceCenter.aspx](http://www.bsaseabase.org/ConferenceCenter.aspx)

## PROGRAM AND TRAINING CONFERENCE



See front page of newsletter for more information.

Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup>

[SeattleBSA.org/PTC](http://SeattleBSA.org/PTC)

## BRYAN ON SCOUTING

A Blog for the BSA's Adult Leaders

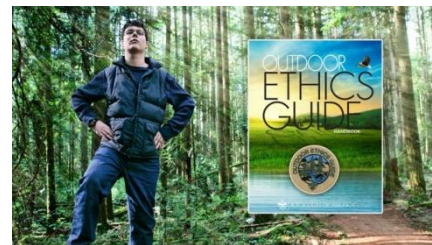


[A Scout is kind, so let's make sure the BSA remains a safe place for all](#)

October is National Bullying Prevention Month. Each Wednesday this month, the BSA Youth Protection team will share important reminders about what each of us can do to prevent, recognize and report bullying as we work to make Scouting a safe place for all.

- Week 1 (Oct. 4): The BSA is a safe place for all

- Week 2 (Oct. 11): Encouraging Scouts to move from bystander to upstander
- Week 3 (Oct. 18): What to do when bullying becomes serious
- Week 4 (Oct. 25): Concerns for risk of harm and suicide



[Outdoor ethics guide, a troop-level position of responsibility, gets its own handbook](#)

Find additional articles on Scouting at: <http://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/>.

Bryan is one of the editors of Scouting Magazine, the official BSA publication for Scout leaders.



## WOOD BADGE AND NYLT

These are intense courses on leadership. They are also surprisingly FUN. Wood Badge is for registered Scouters age 18 or older, in any of the programs (Cub Scouts, etc.) or at the district or council. NYLT is for youth registered in Boy Scouts, Varsity Scouts, or Venturing. (By the way: “NYLT” stands for National Youth Leadership Training.” It is a national course but it is presented by our council.) The two courses are very similar but aimed at different participants.

### Wood Badge 2018

Spring: April 27-29 AND May 18-20  
Fall: Sept 28-30 AND Oct 12-14

Webpage: [seattlebsa.org/wood-badge](http://seattlebsa.org/wood-badge)

### NYLT 2018

Session 1: July 30-August 4  
Session 2: August 6-11  
Session 3: August 13-18  
Session 4: August 20-25

(One session will be co-ed, which TBD)

Webpage: <http://seattlebsa.org/youth-training/national-youth-leadership-training>



## Eagle Scout Information

### Schedule Your Eagle Scout Project Proposal Review

Attention scouts looking to do their Eagle Projects. You can get your project proposal reviewed at Roundtable, second Thursday each month at 7:00. Please call or E-mail John Spear or Ed Barnett to get on the list.

John Spear  
[John@TheHouseofSpear.com](mailto:John@TheHouseofSpear.com)  
Ed Barnett (425-883-9610)  
[ed\\_barnett@hotmail.com](mailto:ed_barnett@hotmail.com)

### Eagle Scout Coordinator

Eagle Scout applications and the arrangement of Boards of Review will be handled by Nick Heaton. The Eagle Scout process is as follows: **First:** All eagle candidates will need to call or email Nick with 3 to 7 days notice to arrange to hand over the application and project book. **Second:** Troop Advancement Leaders will need to give Nick Heaton a two week lead time to arrange to cover the Board of Review with a district representative.

Eagle letters of reference new address:  
Nick Heaton  
9015 188<sup>th</sup> St. SE  
Snohomish, WA 98296

Nick Heaton  
Eagle Board of Review Coordinator  
[usatyke@msn.com](mailto:usatyke@msn.com)  
(425) 246-1533

### Report Service Hours Journey to Excellence Good Turn for America

Has your Pack, Troop, Team, or Crew done a service project this year? If so, we want to know! You may report your hours and get more information with the easy **online reporting system**,

<https://servicehours.scouting.org/UI/Security/Login.aspx>

or you may look for the green postcard at your district roundtable and fill it out on the spot. We want to share our "Good Turn for America" hours with the rest of the country so please help us by reporting all of your service hours each time you complete a service project. That should include Eagle

Projects of boys in your troop, service given while on a hike or camp out, Scouting For Food, and other organized service or community service your unit participates in.

Remember to submit your service hours: online at the [National BSA JTE Service Hours Website](#).

\*Cub Scout Packs and Venturing Crews should participate in a minimum of 2 service projects in a year (for Bronze)

\*Boy Scout Troops and Varsity Teams should participate in a minimum of 4 service projects in a year.

### Can You Match? Employer FOS Match

Just a quick reminder - if you gave a gift during the Friends of Scouting fundraiser, your employer may match that gift and increase your donation's impact. You have to initiate the match, so check with your HR office to find out how. There will be a form to fill out or a website to use to report your gift. The employer checks with us to confirm the gift, and sends a check. It's that easy, but you have to get the ball rolling! Some units have over \$1000 they could raise to help the BSA, not out of their own pockets, with just a couple of minutes work.

And, as always, if you work for Microsoft you can also have your volunteer hours matched. Microsoft hours specifically make up a huge part of our budget each year, especially in Sammamish Trails. Please report them now, and frequently throughout the year.

### Your Volunteer Time is Money

Numerous local companies recognize volunteer time through the donation of cash grants to non-profits in which their employees volunteer. This means that for each hour of your volunteer time, your employer may donate money to the Boy Scouts of America. For information on which companies are participating in the program go to: <http://seattlebsa.org/give/matching-and-service-hours>

### District Information

*To view calendar information or to find more contact information for district volunteers or events go to [seattlebsa.org](http://seattlebsa.org) and go to the District page under Volunteers.*

### District Executive

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### District Chair

Wally Kempe  
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### District Commissioner

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### Roundtable Location

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