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This is OUR District Newsletter. This is just the tip of the iceberg of the scouting events and activities that are available. Check out our Facebook group page and GSLAC web site for information to a host of so many other scouting activities ongoing every month. If you see something you are not aware of, don't hesitate to ask!

Rechartering

A lot of changes this year, including online registering, and training for adults, and an increased fee. November 14th is this year's deadline. See Amy Grove for more information

Annual Business District Meeting

The 21 November District Committee meeting will also serve as our annual district business meeting where district leaders will be nominated and sworn in for the upcoming year. All scout leaders and chartered representatives are invited to attend.

Journey to Excellence

This form is due with your rechartering form, but is representative through 31 December. Take one last look at your unit's progress, and ask your unit commissioner to help you fill out this form.

Unit Award Nominations

Now is the time to think about recognizing your adult leaders. There are many individual and unit awards, with separate criteria for each. Their nominations are due to the Herrin service center by 15 December to be considered.

Town Hall Meeting

We held a GSLAC Town Hall meeting on 27 October to discuss continued merger activities and the latest national BSA news. There is a summary on our Facebook page. The highlights are GSLAC is about to sign a 5 year lease for Camp Pine Ridge. Camping fees for all camps was changed to \$.50 per scout per night. There will be a lot to do to incorporate girls.



Upcoming Events

November 4

Southern Illinois MBU
Carterville Jr High
Carterville, IL

November 7

District Roundtable
7:00 PM Zion Church, Marion

November 11-18

Scouting for food
All units
Your local communities

November 15

Eagle Board
LDS Church Johnson City

November 19

District Hike
Camp Pine Ridge 2 PM

November 21

District Committee Meeting
6:30 Herrin office

December 5

District Roundtable
7:00 PM Zion Church, Marion

Southern Illinois Service Center

803 East Herrin St.

Herrin, IL 62948

618-942-4863 or 888-942-4863

8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday

Scouting for Food

It's coming up November 11 and 18. Plan now to contact your local food pantry and get your entire unit and community involved. We will order bags in October and distribute them in November. Contact Reed Bigelow

Egyptian District 3K Hike

We will have our first ever Egyptian District annual hike on Sunday, 19 November at Camp Pine Ridge at 2 PM. All scouts and their families are invited to take part in this trek around our campground. It's a chance to stay fit and try out all those staffs you've bought at the trading post.



Popcorn Sales:

Popcorn sales are in full swing. By now you should have your order forms and information. Some important dates to remember

Pick up "Take Order" – November 9
Invoices due – November 25

Eagles Corner



We welcome Hunter Hoane, Troop 85 as our district's latest Eagle Scout. Upcoming on 2 December at Aldersgate Methodist Church in Marion will be our annual Life to Eagle Seminar. Scouts, leaders and parents are

invited to find out the requirements for Eagle projects, the paperwork and the leadership involved. Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, the November Eagle board will be moved up one week to 15 November.

Jobs:

We're looking for camp directors for our 2018 Cub Scout Day Camp and Webelos mini camps. These are fun jobs, but require attendance at national camp schools in the Winter. Please contact Shawn banks or Ray Grove for more information.



NYLT staff jobs: Returning NYLT staff interviews will be conducted 24 November 8-7 at a place to be determined. New NYLT staff interviews will be conducted 2 December 12-5 at the Herrin Service Center.



If you would like to purchase this non-official patch for our District and wear it on your right shoulder, the cost is \$5. Contact: Reed Bigelow.



Upcoming in our GSLAC Community

GSLAC Town Hall Meeting
24 October 7 Pm
Southern Illinois University
Lawson Hall, Room 101
Carbondale

Scouting for Food
11 & 18 November

Life to Eagle Seminar
2 December
Aldersgate Methodist Church
Marion

NYLT Staff interviews
2 December 12-5
Herrin service Center

STEM University
16 December
UMSL

Say HI to our new
Herrin office Staff
member
Jennifer Kaufman