



# Sauklook

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## Saukenuk Launches First Newsletter

### THE NEXT 60 DAYS

- Aug 6th—  
Commissioner Meeting @ Singing Bird Lodge (6:30-7:30pm)
- Aug 13th— Roundtable and Fall Kick-off meeting @ Singing Bird Lodge, Blackhawk Historic Site (7-8:30pm)
- Aug 20th—District Committee meeting at Augustana College—College Center (6:30-8:00pm)
- Sept 3rd—  
Commissioner meeting
- Sept 10th—  
Roundtable
- Sept 17th—District Committee meeting
- Sept 19th—Blast-off event for all new and current Scouts.
- Sept 26th—  
Aviation Merit Badge

Dear Scouters,

The inaugural *Sauklook* news letter has finally arrived. The goal of the newsletter is to not only give you up-to-date information about the happenings of the Saukenuk District but to give you a variety of helpful articles to enhance your volunteerism to your Pack, Troop, Crew, Ship, Post and District. At times we will feature local units to help you see what other units are doing or recognize volunteers that have given tremendous effort to providing excellent support to the youth of the District. We would also like to encourage you to let us know what kinds of articles you want to see published.

Let us know if you want Dutch Oven recipes, or if you want to know 'best methods' for using duct-tape. In each *Sauklook* we will also highlight opportunities to continue your volunteerism to the thousands of Scouts that the Saukenuk District serves.

So, as you start your new Scouting year, make reading the *Sauklook* part of your monthly routine.

Contact Jeremy or Colbie to make comments or suggestions:  
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Trainings are offered for new and experienced leaders at Roundtable:

Sept RT: Intro to Cub Scouts/How we have fun

Oct RT: Cub Specifics (Wolf and Bear)

Nov RT: Cub Specifics (Tiger)

Dec RT: Cub Specifics (Webelos)

Feb RT: Youth Protection

## Upcoming district activities

### Fall Kick-off at Roundtable

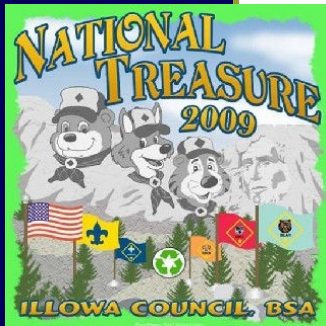
Don't miss the most important Roundtable of the year on August 13th at Singing Bird Lodge starting at 7pm and ending at 8:30pm. The kick-off will provide valuable information and tons of resources for Cub Scout Leaders and Boy Scout leaders.

Cub Scout leaders will receive info about School Night for Scouting, applications, Boys' Life Mini Magazines, incentive program info, Program helps, valuable event information, sample rockets and much more.

Boy Scout leaders will receive applications, valuable event information and registration forms and other valuable resources.



Don't forget to schedule your round-up on or before Sept 9th. This will ensure that your new Scouts get to participate in the District's Blast-Off event. And receives a Blast-off finger rocket. Bring completed applications to September's Roundtable to be eligible. The Blast-Off event will be held on September 19th at the tentative location of Woodrow Wilson Middle School.



## A Big Day Camp 'Thank You'

As we creep into August, we are faced with the very real thought that summer is coming to a close. In a matter of weeks school will be starting, unit meetings will be in full swing, and the summer's activities will be merely a memory.

With all of the hustle and bustle of this, I would like to pause and send out a heart-felt thank you to our outstanding Cub Scout Day Camp staff. Without the hard work and commitment of so many indi-

viduals, Day Camp could have been just 'another summer activity'. It was so much more however, it was a time where kids could gather from across the district to learn new skills, meet new friends, play exciting games, and learn what it means to be a part of something bigger.

A special thank you goes out to Lisa Francis, Camp Director, for her vision, direction, and encouragement. Thank you to Bob Graves and all of

the program team for their outside-of-the-box thinking as they explored and implemented new ideas within the traditional Day Camp structure.

Regardless of your role in camp, whether you helped in the planning, you were a den walker or you just provided transportation for Scouts, thank you for making the 2009 Saukenuk Cub Scout Day Camp a huge success.

### Scout Law: Trustworthy

"Few things can help an individual more than to place responsibility on him and to let him know that you trust him."

-Booker T.  
Washington



## Celebrating 100 years of Scouting

I know most of us are too young to remember it's beginning but believe it or not, Scouting is 99.5 years old.

In February 2010, the BSA will celebrate 100 years as an organization. For the past 100 years we have been charged with the task to prepare every eligible youth in America to become a participating citizen and leader in their communities, it looks like we are doing

well.

As we begin to move into the next 100 years may we not take this celebration lightly or pass it without using it as a tool for Scouting in our own area. 100 years is something to be proud of; on a local level we should be using it as we recruit new youth and families into the movement, we should be planning celebrations and activities centered around this great

achievement. On the national level we will see the Scouting name more in the media as we spread out message and partner with Major League Baseball.

Scouting is NOT dead, it is growing every day and that is a cause to believe in. I challenge each unit in this upcoming year to celebrate our 100 year tradition. For more in on National Programs go to: [www.Scouting.org/100years](http://www.Scouting.org/100years)

## Saukenuk Want Ads (Looking for ways to get involved?)

As a volunteer based organization we depend on generous people such as yourselves to give of their time, talent, and treasures to make the organization run. We recognize that programs run best when we have a large group of dedicated volunteers helping out on any one project. With that in mind, as a district we are look-

ing for interested individuals help out with our **Fall Cub Scout Blast Off event.**

We have approximately 6 stations that require approximately 3 volunteers to assist station leaders that will be helping Scouts make, shoot, throw different kinds of rock-

ets, airplanes, etc. All stations will be pre-organized. Volunteers only need to come the day of the event. Please let Jeremy Snook know if you or a group of volunteers from your Pack, Troop, Crew, or Post would be available to help on Sept 19th from 8:00am to Noon. (563)388-7233