



# THE CBD CHATTER

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## Mid-Summer Issue

Well here we are in some of the warmest and most humid summer weather Minnesota has to offer. Brings back some memories of many National Jamboree and Historic Trails trips to the east coast.  
***STAY COOL!***

*Steve Engel—Editor*

### August Roundtable/Cornfeed and Program Kickoff

The August Roundtable will again be our Annual Cornfeed and Program Kick-Off. It will be held on Thursday, August 11, 2011, 6:00 pm at the LDS Church in Burnsville. Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm (the fee is \$5 for dinner). Please pre-register using the [flyer/registration form](#). Program begins at 7:00 pm (no charge if coming for the program only). Program includes training for Fall Youth Recruiting.

*More on recruiting and training for all units,  
see page two...*

### Free Airplane Rides

EAA Chapter 25 offers introductory rides on the 3rd Saturday of each month. These rides are for youth ages 8—17 and are held at Airlake Airport in Lakeville at the EAA Chapter 25 Hanger. Participants must have a signed registration by a parent or legal guardian. Contact Bill Brown, (952) 432-4231 or for more information go to [www.young eagles.org](http://www.young eagles.org) or [www.eaa25.org](http://www.eaa25.org)

### 5th Annual Model Rocketry Flight Day

The 5th Annual Model Rocketry Flight Day will be held on Saturday, August 6 at Falcon Ridge Middle School. Check-in begins at 9:00 am and launches will begin at about 10:00 am. See the flyer on the district website for complete details.  
[Model Rocketry Flight Day](#).

### Fall Camporee 2011 “A Knotty Problem”

The Chief Black Dog(GO!) Fall Camporee will be held on the weekend of September 9, 10, and 11 at Phillippo Scout Reservation. *Please note the date change from the published calendar.* The theme this year is a “Knotty Problem”. All patrols will face a series of challenges throughout the day on Saturday and each unit is expected to help with running an event. All information is now on-line, including the Leaders Guide at [Fall Camporee](#) .

### Calendar

August 6	Model Rocketry Flight Day
August 11	Roundtable/Cornfeed Program Kick-Off
September 8	Roundtable
Sept. 9, 10, 11	Fall Camporee
Sept. 12—23	Fall Youth Recruiting
Sept. 16, 17, 18	OA Fall Conclave
Oct. 1, 2	Webelos Experience
Oct. 13	Roundtable

## Cub Scout and Lion Recruiting

Please come join us for the mandatory training for recruitment of Cub Scouts and Lions. The training session will be held at the August Roundtable/Cornfeed/Program Kick-Off, and will begin at about 7:15 pm. after dinner and announcements ***It is mandatory for each unit to have at least two leaders at this training. More are welcome, but you will need at least one for the Lion Cubs break out and one for the Cub Recruiting break out.*** There are many new changes to this program. Each Pack is required to offer Lion Cubs. If you do not get any interest you then can opt out of the program for 2011. Be sure your unit has the latest information and you are prepared for this group. This is still a new program and you need a trained leader to understand what things are the same and what is different in the CS program. Things you need to know are: how to register Lions; roll over to Tigers in the spring, rank and cost of program plus materials. These areas are different from the CS program.

Pack recruitment is never been easier. We will give you the information you need to run a great recruitment night. Emphasis has shifted to what parents see in the market place. You give a short (very short) presentation and then sign the boys up, much like the sports organizations sign up youth. There are changes in how leaders register so be sure you have the most current information. These new practices are designed to be easier for your leaders to recruit.

### Troop and Crew Recruiting

**Be Prepared** to host an Open house this fall. Each Unit is expected to hold an event of your choosing. There will be packets for you to pick up at the Corn feed. Take advantage of the marketing and the incentive for holding an Open house this fall. For the few Units who have participated in the past have been successful and increased their membership. Come and find out what the incentive is for this fall!

Northern Star Council is hosting a 'recruitment how to' night in our area for Troops and Crews, September 22 at Christ Lutheran Church in Eagan. Flyer available at RT.

## Youth Protection Training Update

### Youth Protection Training Videos

In 2010 all of the District packs and troops received a copy of BSA youth protection DVD. If your unit is making use of this to present Youth Protection for your unit leaders, here are a couple reminders:

1. This video is considered appropriate for adults only. If you are doing a presentation that includes the unit youth, It Happened To Me or A Time To Tell are the appropriate videos.
2. The presenter of the session should familiarize themselves with the facilitators' guide that is downloadable from the council website at <http://training.nsbsa.org/info/YouthProtection.aspx>. Also located on that page are the facilitators' guides for the youth videos.
3. Once the training has been presented, use the link on this web page to report the completed youth protection training via our online registration service, Signup
4. The Guide to Safe Scouting has some new updates that you should be aware of...

### Mandatory Report of Child Abuse

"All persons involved in Scouting shall report to local authorities any good faith suspicion or belief that any child is or has been physically or sexually abused, physically or emotionally neglected, exposed to any form of violence or threat, exposed to any form of sexual exploitation including the possession, manufacture, or distribution of child pornography, online solicitation, enticement, or showing of obscene material. No person may abdicate this reporting responsibility to any other person.

Notify your Scout executive of this report, or of any violation of BSA's Youth Protection policies, so that he or she may take appropriate action for the safety of our Scouts, make appropriate notifications, and follow-up with investigating agencies."

Please note that this is an organizational mandate.

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### **Abuse and Technology**

"Cameras, imaging, and digital devices. While most campers and leaders use cameras and other imaging devices responsibly, it has become very easy to invade the privacy of individuals. It is inappropriate to use any device capable of recording or transmitting visual images in shower houses, restrooms, or other areas where privacy is expected by participants."

The Youth Protection training now states that a device used to take pictures which invade others' privacy is to be confiscated and turned over to the Scout Executive.

The latest Youth Protection training (in-person and on-line) now will address grooming of victims by molesters, bullying - how to recognize and address it and cyber-bullying.

### **Reminder**

As you are recruiting new leaders for the 2011-2012 Scouting year, remember that a certificate of Youth Protection training completion must be included with the BSA membership application.

- If your unit has a bumper-crop of new leaders, your District Trainer is always willing to host a special YP training session presentation for your unit.
- The on-line Youth Protection training is always available. However, for first-time participants, in person training has the added benefits of more coverage of local information and an opportunity for questions and answers.
- If timing can be arranged, there will be a YP training session before the September Roundtable. More info to come...

### **Wanted Your Photos, Your Stories**

We're always looking for your ideas, stories and photos. We're sure many of you are having some fantastic adventures and fun times this summer. Please share your stories and photos with other scouts and leaders. Please submit to [Steve Engel](#).

### **Historic Trails—East Trip Rescheduled**

The Northern Star Council Historic Trails trip canceled this past spring due to low registration has been rescheduled for spring 2012, June 16 to June 30. We still plan to visit these places; Gettysburg, Philadelphia, Independence Hall, Boston, Statue of Liberty, Niagara Falls, Wright Patterson Air Force Base, and more. The trip also includes an overnight stay on the battleship USS Massachusetts.

The trip is open to both youth and registered adult leaders. Youth must be 13 years old and a First Class Scout by June 1, 2012. The fee for the trip is still expected to be \$1200. The fee will include transportation, lodging, meals, and all admission. Fees.

Questions and more information, contact [Steve Engel](#).

### **Fall Food Drive at the Eagan Rainbow**

Chief Black Dog(GO!) and Rainbow Foods in Eagan will again sponsor a fall food drive. The food will be November 18, 19, and 20. (The weekend before Thanksgiving. Please plan for your unit to sign up for a block of time. More information available soon. Contact [Bob Elliott](#).

