

# THE NORTH STAR NUGGET

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## GSLAC – NORTH STAR ROUNDTABLE NEWS





## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

**April 2021**

<b>April 7</b>	Hiking Merit Badge – Virtual Exploring Careers Speakers Series – First Responders Careers
<b>April 8</b>	NS Roundtable/Commissioner Meeting (in person)
<b>April 9-11</b>	Shawnee Lodge Spring Conclave - Beaumont
<b>April 10</b>	Special Needs Awareness Training Wood Badge Information Sessions
<b>April 12</b>	Cub Scout Leader Training – Virtual Council
<b>April 14</b>	Horseback Riding Lessons – Beaumont Cub Scout Leader Training – Virtual Council Environmental Science Merit Badge – Virtual – eScience Part 1 Reptile and Amphibian Merit Badge – Virtual Exploring Careers Speakers Series – Meet the CEOs of St. Louis NS O.A. Chapter Meeting
<b>April 15</b>	Scoutmaster/ASM/Troop Committee Training – Virtual – Part 1 NS Committee Meeting – Cannoli's back room
<b>April 16</b>	Wilderness Remote First Aid
<b>April 17</b>	N.S. Spring Camporee Wilderness Remote First Aid Shooting Sports Training – Rifle Instructor Training
<b>April 18</b>	Wilderness Remote First Aid – WFA Skills Session Space Exploration Merit Badge – Virtual
<b>April 20</b>	Horsemanship Merit Badge - Orientation
<b>April 21</b>	Environmental Science Merit Badge – Virtual – eScience Part 2
<b>April 22</b>	Scoutmaster/ASM/Troop Committee Training – Virtual – Part 2 Horsemanship Merit Badge – Session 1
<b>April 23-25</b>	National Youth Leadership Training – Beaumont – Session 1
<b>April 24</b>	Parent and Pal LOE/BALOO Spring Session – Beaumont - Saturday Plant Science Merit Badge – Virtual Spring Den Chief Conference – Virtual Youth Protection Training - Virtual

<b>April 25</b>	LOE/BALOO Spring Session – Beaumont – Sunday Challenge Course and Rock-Climbing Re-Qualification
<b>April 26</b>	Personal Fitness Merit Badge - Virtual
<b>April 27</b>	Horsemanship Merit Badge – Session 2
<b>April 28</b>	Exploring Careers Speaker Series – Careers in STEM
<b>April 29</b>	Horsemanship Merit Badge – Session 3
<b>April 30- May 2</b>	National Youth Leadership Training – Beaumont – Session 2

**Looking Ahead**  
**May 2021**

<b>May 1</b>	LOE/BALOO Spring Session – Warren Levis - Saturday
<b>May 2</b>	Shooting Sports Training – Chief Range Safety Officer
<b>May 7</b>	Spring Movie Night Under the Stars
<b>May 8</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Annual Ray Botterbush Clay Shoot Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS) – Beaumont NESA Advancement Day – Warren Levis Climbing Tower Instructor Training Cycling Merit Badge – Virtual Virtual STEM Fair – Judge Registration Virtual STEM Fair Spring Movie Night Under the Stars
<b>May 10</b>	Cub Scout Leader Training – Virtual – Day 1
<b>May 12</b>	Exploring Careers Speakers Series – No College Required (Careers not requiring a degree) Cub Scout Leader Training – Virtual – Day 2 NS O.A. Chapter Meeting
<b>May 13</b>	NS Roundtable/Commissioner Meeting (in person)
<b>May 15</b>	Shooting Sports Training – Shotgun Instructor Training Beaumont Spring Cub Launch Scouts BSA Voyageur Spring Workshop – Beaumont
<b>May 19</b>	Youth Protection Training - Virtual
<b>May 20</b>	NS Committee Meeting
<b>May 21</b>	Wood Badge Spring Session – Session 1
<b>May 22</b>	Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS) Virtual Cub Scout Rangemaster Training – Session 2 Scouts BSA Voyageur Spring Workshop – Warren Levis
<b>May 26</b>	Rock Climbing and Rappelling Instructor Training
<b>May 31</b>	<b>MEMORIAL DAY</b>



## District Commissioner's Desk

By Max Thorne  
Jump Start to Summer

Spring is here and Scouting is starting to get the jump start it needs to get going into the summer.

This past Saturday, North Star held its District Pinewood Derby and was attended by many. The fond memories this event made with youth and adults alike having fun and fellowship while participating in something that is a Cub Scout tradition. It was great and I would like to thank the whole Pinewood Derby crew for putting a needed event to jump start our summer.

This coming weekend, the Shawnee Lodge OA Spring event is taking place, but in a limited fashion and with modifications.

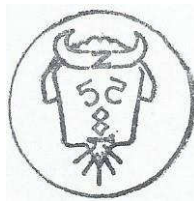
Also coming later in the month (April 23-24) is the National OA continuation of the Momentum Series called Discovery. It's a weekend of online activities not only designed for OA member, but nonmembers as well. It's time to rediscover your love for the outdoors and camping. Our brothers in the Heart of America Council will be sharing their camp with us as we reignite our passion. Anyone can view the live stream of the Momentum: Discover content at no cost, and no registration is required. The programming will be publicly available online. However, premium delegates, for a fee of \$25, will receive exclusive benefits during this special event experience. For more information go to <https://momentum.oa-bsa.org>

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# *IN MEMORIAM*



Mike Mahoney  
November 10, 1951 – March 7, 2021



# Greetings from your Camping Chair!

Welcome SPRING....and the North Star District Spring Camporee!!! This year's camporee will be modified from past camporees in that it will be a ONE DAY event. It will be held at Camp Warren Levis on Saturday, April 17 with the theme "The Amazing Carnival". The cost will be \$5 per person. Covid safety will be put in place including 'Masks are to be worn at ALL times' and lots of sanitizing. The deadline to register is April 9!

If you have questions about the camporee, you can reach out to me or one of our campmasters, Jayden Mills (314-810-4974) or Aden Rulo (314-952-9087).

Stay tuned for fall encampment dates! They are coming soon!



Do your part!  
Wear a mask and stay 6-feet apart!  
~Tony Matteoni  
314-226-3458







## **APRIL 2021 ACTIVITIES**

### **District Dinner**

See flyers in the Nugget for the date and time, along with nomination forms for the Spouse Award and the Spark Plug Award.

### **District Day Camp**

Mark your calendars! Day Camp will be held July 26<sup>th</sup> through July 30<sup>th</sup> at Knights of Columbus Park in Florissant. John Otte will be our Day Camp Director, so look forward to more information from him in the near future. Thanks, John!

### **Service Opportunities**

Empower North County Tuesday Mobile Market – This organization is always looking for volunteers to help with food distribution at Trinity Church, 3515 Shackelford Rd., Florissant, MO 63031 on Tuesdays from 5:30pm to 8:00pm. If you or your unit would like to help, please sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0d4ea8a72da7f58-augustempower> or contact Melissa Fitzgerald at [empowernoco@gmail.com](mailto:empowernoco@gmail.com) with questions. Please note that they have 12-14 slots available each week for volunteers.

Ward 2 Clean Up Day – Florissant City Councilman Paul Manganelli is sponsoring a Clean Up Day on Saturday, April 17, 2021 from 9:00am to 11:00am. They will be meeting in the parking lot in front of Irma Jeans at 2109 Charbonnier Rd., Florissant, MO 63031. He is hoping for a large, socially distanced crowd.

I Care About Florissant Neighborhood Clean Up Day With Ward 6 – This group will be meeting on Saturday, April 24, 2021 at 10:00am in the parking lot of Church of the Master on Parker Road. Their goal is to clean along what is normally the Valley of the Flowers parade route and to make this an annual event.

Yours in Scouting,

*Glenda Thorne*

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SM/ASM/CM blended training virtually, 4/15 and 4/22, link to sign up is on [STLBSA.org](http://STLBSA.org) under training.

IOLS, May 8th and 22nd (the 22nd has two locations, one at beaumont, one at WL). Registration at [STLBSA.org](http://STLBSA.org) under training

LOE, April 24th and 25th (1 day each) at Beaumont, May 1st at Warren levis, sign up is on [STLBSA.org](http://STLBSA.org), space is limited to 30 per session

Woodbadge, 2 courses this year STILL....May 21-23 and June 5,6 at Beaumont, Fall course is Aug 27-29 and Sept 18,19 at Warren levis. In person information sessions coming up Sat Apr 10th, 1st one is 10-11:30am, 2nd one is 1-2:30pm at beaumont. Registration for those are on [STLBSA.org/training/woodbadge](http://STLBSA.org/training/woodbadge). Scholarships are also available to help defray the cost. Both courses are very close to us AGAIN this year, so, now is the perfect time to go if you are on the fence about it (no two hour drives)

NYLT- 4 courses this summer, June 13-19, 20-26, July 11-17 at Camp Sakima, S-F ranch. Week four is July 25-31 at Camp Warren Levis (innaugrual voyage for this program at that camp)...Excellent training for our young leaders, helps not only in scouting but in life as well.

Please check your inbox for a message about your training profile. If you got an email from me, that means you are not complete on your required trainings. Northstar as a district is at 41%, which aint great. The good news is that the fix is EASY, all of the required trainings to bring us to 100% are online and dont take very long. Please check your [my.scouting.org](http://my.scouting.org) profile under 'my training' and then again under 'my learning' and you will see what you still need to take based on the positions you are registered as. EVEN MB counselors have training they need to take. This is low hanging fruit folks, lets get it done and give these youth the best program we can give them.

Dave Kedge  
District Training Chair  
SM, C3-312-20-2



## **DISTRICT DINNER**

Finally, after many date changes, we have decided on a date for the District Dinner- FRIDAY MAY 21. It will be at Catering to You Banquet Center on New Halls Ferry. (Socially distancing and safe serving) Please mark your calendar. The theme will be SUPER HEROES. This is an evening to reflect on the past year, look forward to this year and give out awards. The 2020 Eagle Scouts will be encouraged to attend also. This is for all the leaders in your pack, troop, or crew. Please consider nominating a leader for the Spark Plug Award, your Spouse for the Spouse Award, and a hard-working leader for the Polaris Award.

If you own a business or work for a company that would like to advertise in our program or donate an attendance prize, please contact me.

If you would like to help with the planning of the Dinner contact me. Details to follow on the cost.

Georgia Schaljo-314-401-8652 or [gschaljo@yahoo.com](mailto:gschaljo@yahoo.com)



# NOMINATION FOR THE DISTRICT AWARD OF MERIT



NOTE: The nomination is confidential.  
To avoid possible disappointment,  
please do not advise nominee in any  
way of your action in his or her behalf.

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\_\_\_\_\_ Council  
District  
Unit

## TO THE DISTRICT AWARD OF MERIT COMMITTEE:

It is a pleasure to present for your consideration for the DISTRICT AWARD OF MERIT:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City or Town \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Currently registered in Scouting as \_\_\_\_\_

The nominee has earned the following (provide dates):

_____ Den Leader's Training Award or Den Leader Award	_____ Scouter's Religious Award	_____ Other (specify)
_____ Den Leader Coach's Training Award or Den Leader Coach Award	_____ Silver Beaver	_____
_____ Cubmaster Award	_____ Order of the Arrow	_____
_____ Cub Scouter Award	_____ Wood Badge	_____
_____ Webelos Den Leader Award	_____ Venturing Awards	_____
_____ Scouter's Training Award	_____ Distinguished Commis- sioner Service Award	
_____ Scouter's Key		

The noteworthy service upon which this nomination is based follows:

(Furnish as much information as possible. For example: president, Rotary Club; vestryman, St. Paul's Church; chairman, Red Cross campaign; vice-president, PTA; medical director, hospital; Cubmaster, 3 years; Scoutmaster, 4 years; Venturing Advisor, 3 years; commissioner, etc. Use additional paper, if necessary.)

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Date of nomination

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of person making nomination

\_\_\_\_\_  
Position in Scouting

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contact number

## GENERAL INFORMATION

The District Award of Merit is a council award presented by districts in the same manner that the Silver Beaver is a national award presented by councils.

The award is available to Scouters who render service of an outstanding nature at the district level.

The award is made available annually on the basis of 1 for each 25 traditional units or fraction thereof. The district need not present all the awards to which it is entitled each year.

It is not appropriate to nominate a Scouter who has already received this award.

A professional Scouter or other council employee may not receive this award based on employment service. However, a professional Scouter or employee who also serves as a volunteer Scouter may be eligible, based on *volunteer* service.

## REQUIREMENTS

1. A nominee must be a registered Scouter.
2. A nominee must have rendered noteworthy service to youth in Scouting, outside Scouting, or both.  
**Note:** The nature and value of "noteworthy service to youth" may consist of a single plan or decisions that contributed vitally to the lives of large numbers of youth or it may have been given to a small group over an extended period of time.
3. Consideration must be given to the nominee's Scouting position and the corresponding opportunity to render outstanding service beyond the expectations of that Scouting position.
4. The nominee's attitude toward and cooperation with the district and/or council is to be taken into consideration.
5. Nominations cannot be considered for posthumous awards.

## PROCEDURE

1. Annually, district chairmen will appoint a temporary special District Award of Merit committee of not more than five persons who will consider all candidates and make recommendations of those to receive the award to the council through the Scout executive.
2. The Scout executive will inform the district chairman of those nominations approved by the council committee.
3. The following procedure is suggested for such presentation ceremonies:
  - a. The recipient and spouse should be in attendance at the annual meeting or recognition dinner.
  - b. A district and/or council officer should explain the award and its significance.
  - c. Eagle Scouts or Silver Award Venturers should be asked to escort the recipients to a place of honor at the head table or on stage.
  - d. A suitable citation for each recipient should be read indicating what each has done in Scouting.
  - e. The award (certificate, No. 33719; plaque, No. 17565; and lapel pin, No. 17551) may be presented at this time with appropriate congratulations.
  - f. The only uniform insignia which accompanies this award is an embroidered overhand knot, No. 05013.
  - g. A group picture may be taken for use in neighborhood or community newspapers (district responsibility).

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District approval

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Council approval



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## NORTH STAR DISTRICT SPARK PLUG AWARD 2021



The Spark Plug Award is an award for an individual in a Pack, Troop, Crew or Post who through their constant efforts, is a driving force in their unit. It is an award for those who may otherwise never be recognized at the district level for their contributions to their units. If you feel someone in your unit is deserving of such an honor, please take the time to nominate them.

### QUALIFICATIONS

- 1) Must be a currently registered leader
- 2) Must be Basic Leader Trained in their current position
- 3) One nomination per unit
- 4) Please accompany the nomination with a brief description of the nominee and why he/she deserves this award (use a separate sheet if needed)
- 5) **Must attend the District Dinner** to receive the award

**NOMINATIONS ARE DUE BY THE  
MAY ROUNDTABLE (May 6, 2021)**

**QUESTIONS:** Georgia Schaljo [gschaljo@yahoo.com](mailto:gschaljo@yahoo.com)- 314-401-8652

Nominee \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Type \_\_\_\_\_ Unit# \_\_\_\_\_

Current Position \_\_\_\_\_

Will attend District Dinner Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**Return nomination forms by May 6, 2021**

**Email or mail it to: Georgia Schaljo [gschaljo@yahoo.com](mailto:gschaljo@yahoo.com) or 1460  
Pepperhill, Florissant, MO 63033**

**Nominations received after the deadline cannot be accepted!!!**

## **NORTH STAR DISTRICT SPOUSE RECOGNITION AWARD 2021**



The Spouse Recognition Award is for the spouse whose support and hard work has made all the things you do for scouting possible. This award is to thank your spouse for all they do to keep things running at home. This award is for spouses that are not a registered leader with the Boy Scouts of America.

**Please write a letter to the committee explaining why your spouse deserves this recognition. Awards will be handed out at the District Dinner.**

**NOMINATIONS ARE DUE BY THE  
MAY ROUNDTABLE (May 6, 2021)**

**Return nomination forms by May 6, 2021**

**OR**

**Email or mail it to: Georgia Schaljo [gschaljo@yahoo.com](mailto:gschaljo@yahoo.com)  
1460 Pepperhill, Florissant, MO 63033**

**Nominations received after the deadline cannot be accepted!!!**