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# Cherokee Scouter

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## Take Note

The Scout Service Center will be taking inventory the week following Jan 1. Sales of inventory will not be allowed, but we can receive money for anything else (FOS, registration, etc). Sales of inventory will resume as soon as inventory is finalized.



## Unit Rechartering

Rechartering packets are available **NOW** at the Scout Office.

If your unit did not pick up your unit's rechartering packet at either of the District Roundtables, contact the Scout Office at 918-336-9170 or 888-269-1328.



**The Osage Hills District has scheduled a Rechartering Night on December 11 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Scout Office.**

Recharters are due by the end of the year at the Scout Office. For more information about rechartering, call the Scout Office at 918-336-9170 or 888-269-1328.

## Eagle Scouts

Only 5 percent of Scouts achieved the rank of Eagle in a recent year, and historically a total of only 2 percent of the Scouts have achieved Eagle rank. This is a major achievement that requires years to complete a long list of requirements.



Our congratulations go out to the following Scouts who have achieved Eagle rank in the last month:

- Samuel Holbert - Troop 3
- Riley Mitchell - Troop 21
- Matthew Simon - Troop 6
- Michael Wood - Troop 3

Cherokee Area Council is proud of these Scouts' achievement, and ranks above the national average in Eagle rank achievement.

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## Good Turn Saturday December 13, 2008

**WHAT:** SORTING & PACKING OF CHRISTMAS FOOD BOXES

**WHEN:** SATURDAY DECEMBER 13TH 9:00 A.M.

**WHERE:** THE SALVATION ARMY GYM – BUCY & HENSLEY (101 N. BUCY)

**WHO:** SCOUTS AND THEIR FAMILIES



The Salvation Army is in great need of your assistance in preparing for Christmas. The Salvation Army will be providing food boxes for 800 needy families in our community this Christmas.

We will begin sorting and boxing of the food at 9:00 A.M. and we will provide a pizza lunch for all who serve. Everyone who stays to the finish will receive a Community Service Patch.

Depending on the amount of volunteers, we should be finished by 1:00 P.M. if not earlier.

Please send me an email or give me a call, to let me know approximately how many will be coming with your group; this will help in preparing for lunch.

Thank you for your help in this project for our community!

**CONTACT:** CAPTAIN CARLYLE GARGIS

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## Last chance for Museum Display

The Bartlesville Area Museum display of the James Tarr and Rudy Janzen memorabilia will remain through the end of December.

If you haven't had a chance to get by to see this, now is the time. It is really an incredible display of Scouting items and one that you shouldn't miss.

The Bartlesville Area History Museum is located on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor of the City Center at 401 S. Johnstone. The Museum is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

For more information on this exhibit and other exhibits at the Museum, check out the Museum web site at <http://www.bartlesvillehistory.com/home.html>

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## Harlem Globetrotters Scouting Activity January 3 and 4, 2009

The Harlem Globetrotters, sponsored by Campbell Soup, are touring for their 83rd consecutive season. Since their founding in 1926, the Globetrotters have played in 119 countries on 6 continents, entertaining over 128 million fans. They have only lost 345 games and won over 22,000, a winning percentage of 98.4%.



The Globetrotters will be appearing the BOK center in Tulsa on January 3rd at 7 p.m. and on January 4th at 2 p.m. Ticket price for Scout groups is \$14 dollars per Scout or adult.

Enter the doors early to attend the pre-game session of Globetrotter University, promoting healthy lifestyles

through the S.P.I.N. (Some Playtime Is Necessary) program. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. and the event begins at 5:30 p.m. on January 3<sup>rd</sup>. Doors open at Noon and the event begins 12:30 p.m. on January 4<sup>th</sup>.

Check the Council web site for a ticket order form <http://www.cherokeesba.org/activities/2009HarlemGlobetrotters.pdf>

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## Sea Base Reservations for 2010 January 15, 2009 to February 15, 2009

Reservation requests for a 2010 Sea Base adventure must be made online at [www.bsaseabase.org](http://www.bsaseabase.org) between 8 A.M. EST on January 15, 2009 and midnight February 15, 2009. Between then and February 20, a lottery will be held to determine who will attend Sea Base in 2010.

Crews that are awarded reservations will be notified by U.S. mail. Crews that are not awarded a slot will be notified by e-mail.

An adult leader must open an account for his or her unit and should indicate preferences for adventures and dates. Only one account may be opened for a unit. Up to 10 adventures (in order of preference) and dates may be requested for a reservation. If you request multiple adventure preferences, only one may result in a reservation.



Space for multiple crews may be requested for an adventure (i.e., no unit may reserve more than one adventure and date, but multiple crews may share an adventure and date if they request to do so.)

Units with existing Sea Base online accounts need only to log into their account and pick their reservation preferences. Units without a Sea Base online account must first create an account before selecting their reservation preferences.

Between January 15 and February 15, units may visit their accounts as often as they like, and make changes to the information they are submitting. There is no

preference given to units who register during this time.

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## OA Washita Lodge 288 Winter Banquet January 24, 2009

The Order of the Arrow (OA) is a national brotherhood of scout honored campers. Founded in 1915, the Order serves to promote Scouting ideals, the camping program, and to recognize those Scouts and Scouters who show leadership in cheerful service to others.



Native American traditions, customs, and ceremonies are an integral part of the Order's program of service. Democratic in nature, lodges are youth run by young men under 21 years of age.

As members are elected by their fellow scouts, the OA is unique in that the majority of those who decide who may join are nonmembers.

Lodge leadership will conduct a Lodge Leadership Development conference prior to Winter Banquet.



## Scouting for Food Pickup January 31, 2009

This event is being handled by the OA Washita Lodge.

OH Chapter Chief Aaron Lewis and GL Chapter Chief Travis Carpenter will provide additional information at the January Roundtables.

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## Friends of Scouting Annual Patron Dinner February 7, 2009

To honor all FOS Patrons and to encourage new members, the Cherokee Area Council is pleased to announce the featured artist for the 2009 Friends of

Scouting Annual Patron Dinner is Valery Lloyd-Watts, recitalist, orchestral soloist, and educator. Valery is hailed as the "world's most listened-to pianist".



Valery Lloyd-Watts has created a vast and passionate following for her performances and is widely praised for her masterful recordings worldwide. For over 20 years she has toured extensively in Canada, the United States, Bermuda, Puerto Rico, and Australia. She is a

consummate artist rivaled only by the world's greatest pianists. She has won high praises for her superior performance and illuminating commentary of composers including Chopin, Beethoven, Liszt, and Brahms. She has performed for the BBC in England and is heard often on the Canadian Broadcasting Company in Canada as well as National Public Radio. As a recording artist, Valery Lloyd-Watts has been hailed as the "world's most listened-to pianist". She has brought to music the passion of spiritual and intellectual enlightenment. Ms. Valery Lloyd-Watts travel arrangement provided by Spears CarlsonWagonlit Travel and hotel provided by ConocoPhillips.

FOS Patrons giving \$125+ for 2008 constitute the backbone of financial support from Scouting in Northeast OK. Your FOS patronage and attendance at the Patron Dinner on February 7, 2009 will raise a substantial amount of our local council's operating budget for the year. Over 2,500 youth in Northeastern Oklahoma and leaders are counting on you to help Scouting continue its traditional values!

This year's dinner will be held at 6:30 p.m. at the First Wesleyan Church Family Life Center - Nowata Road & Wesley Way (1st Street East off of Silver Lake Rd. and South off of Nowata Rd.) - Bartlesville, OK

Please Reserve Attendance at 918-336-9170 or toll free at 888-269-1328 by Tuesday January 30, 2009

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## Winter Merit Badge Festival

### February 28, 2009

The Winter Merit Badge Festival is planned for the end of February. We are looking for new optional merit badges for some of the classes, and if you have any suggestions for someone to teach some new merit badges, please contact Bill Alexander at [balex9999@aol.com](mailto:balex9999@aol.com) or call the Scout Office.

Adult training for the festival will be focused on items needed to get Boy Scout Leaders fully trained, and also to offer a BALOO training for Cub Leaders. A number of new leaders would benefit from this training to help provide a quality program for their units. With new tour permit requirements starting in 2009, leaders can get trained for items specifically required for the new tour permit.

Be sure to put February 28th on your calendar now. Schedules for registration will be posted on the Council web site under "Event Information" in January and available at the Scout Office.

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## Thank you Honda of Bartlesville!

Thanks to [Honda of Bartlesville](#) President, Hal Steinke, who purchased 600 pinewood derby kits so that every new Cub Scout, and those who would otherwise not be able to afford a kit, can participate in their unit's Pinewood Derby Race.



*"It's just a racing thing..."*

If you are considering buying a car, please factor in their support of Scouting!

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## Conservation Project

My name is Trampas Tripp and I work in water quality with the Oklahoma Conservation Commission. The program I work under is called the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP). My current position is Conservation Plan Writer for Delaware County, located at the Delaware County Conservation District office in Jay.

Our goal is to restore riparian areas inside the Eucha/Spavinaw and Illinois River Watersheds. Our biggest set back to this program is that the producers/landowners have to plant 300 trees per acre, and a majority of our landowners are elderly or unable to plant the trees.

My question to you is if the boy scouts would be interested in assisting with tree plantings around Delaware County.

If you have any questions about this program, please feel free to contact me at 918-629-7220.

Thank You,

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## Kurt Adler Introduces New BSA® and Cub Scouts® Ornaments

Founded in 1946, Kurt S. Adler, Inc., one of the world's leading designers and resource for holiday ornaments and décor, has created beautiful holiday memories for millions.

This holiday season, Kurt S. Adler, Inc. is introducing a colorful array of BSA licensed decorations including a BSA® and Cub Scouts® blown glass ball hanging ornament with classically inspired details.

Additionally, Kurt S. Adler, Inc. has designed a beautiful 12.5 inch wooden nutcracker to represent an ever loyal and trustworthy Scoutmaster who is displaying his patriotism with an American flag.



Kurt S. Adler's line of ornaments and holiday decorations are available at a broad range of retailers from mass merchants to fine

specialty shops and everyone in-between. For more information on Kurt S. Adler, Inc., its products, and where they can be purchased, please visit [kurtadler.com](http://kurtadler.com) or call Kurt Adler Customer Service at 212-924-0900.

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## W.R. Case Hosts Family of BSA® Knives

W.R. Case, a BSA licensee, is a 120 year old product category leader in the pocket knife market. Case produces a variety of officially licensed BSA® pocket knives including the Mini Blackhorn, Jr. Scout™, Hobo®, and Hunter Trapper to name a few. Each Boy Scouts of America® knife features a shield design and logo embellishing on the main blade. Case pocket knives are crafted by hand to produce high quality products geared to both collectors and avid users.



To view a full listing of BSA® pocket knives and to locate a Case dealer, visit [wrcase.com](http://wrcase.com).

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## BSA® Commemorative Pieces by Northwest Territorial Mint

As an official BSA licensee, Northwest Territorial Mint takes great pride in designing and minting products that recognize the accomplishments of Scouts of all ages. Current product lines include a complete selection of coins and knives honoring Boy Scouts and adult leaders from Cubmaster® to Scoutmaster®, Venturing® and Sea Scout® coins are also available.



These engravable coins build on the Scouting tradition of rewarding achievement with advancement in rank and pay tribute to the achievements of all who serve in various levels to help America's boys grow physically and morally fit through challenges and adherence to the values of the Scout Oath and the Scout Law.

All products are lead-free and made in the United States.

For more information on Northwest Territorial Mint, its products, and where to purchase them, please visit [nwtmint.com](http://nwtmint.com).

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## *Cherokee Scouter* publication schedule

Do you have news to share? Please submit your news and information to the Cherokee Area Council. You can e-mail [webmaster@cherokeesbsa.org](mailto:webmaster@cherokeesbsa.org).

<b>Issue</b>	<b>Issue Deadline</b>
January	January 2
February	January 30
March	February 27
April	March 27
May	May 1
June	May 29
August	July 26

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## Upcoming Key Dates

Check the Council web site (<http://www.cherokeebesa.org>) for more information about these events.

- Dec. 7 – OA Tribal Council, Council Office
- Dec. 11 – OH District Recharter Night at the Scout office, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., Scout Office
- Dec. 13 – Good Turn Saturday at the Salvation Army in Bartlesville
- Dec. 18 – OH District Committee
- Dec. 24-26 – Scout Office closed
- Dec. 31 – Scout Office closes at Noon
- Jan. 1 – Scout Office closed
- Jan. 5-9 – Scout Office closed for inventory
- Jan. 8. – OH and GL District Roundtables
- Jan. 8 – OH Eagle Boards of Review, and OA Chapter meeting
- Jan. 15 – GL District Banquet
- Jan. 19 – Scout Office closed
- Jan. 23-24 – OA LLD, Vinita
- Jan. 24 – OA Winter Banquet, Vinita
- Jan. 29 – OH District Committee
- Jan. 31 – Scouting for Food
- Feb. 1 – Scout Sunday
- Feb. 5 – OH District Roundtable, Eagle Boards of Review, and OA Chapter meeting
- Feb. 7 – Scout Sabbath
- Feb. 7 – Friends of Scouting Banquet, First Wesleyan Church Family Life Center, Bartlesville
- Feb. 12 – GL District Roundtable
- Feb. 16 – Scout Office closed
- Feb. 26 – OH District Committee
- Feb. 28 – Winter Merit Badge Festival and Leader Training
- Mar. 5 – OH District Roundtable, Eagle Boards of Review, and OA Chapter meeting
- Mar. 7 – OA District Callouts
- Mar. 12 – GL District Roundtable
- Mar. 24 – Council Banquet
- Mar. 26 – OH District Committee
- Mar. 27-29 – OA Spring Fellowship