

**BLACK OTTER DISTRICT ROUNDTABLE**  
Montana Council, Boy Scouts of America



# District News

August 4, 2009



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District Chairman:  
**Dale Williams**  
District Commissioner:  
**Craig Haynes**  
District Executive:  
**Kyle Lantz**

**Office Hours:**  
Monday through  
Friday:  
9:00 to 5:30  
Closed M/T from  
1:30-2:30 for lunch.

**Unit Mailboxes:**  
Each unit has a  
mailbox at the office.  
This is where details  
of upcoming events  
can be obtained.  
Please make sure that  
someone from your  
unit is responsible  
for picking up, and  
distributing to the  
unit, the information  
provided.

**Trading Post:**  
2009-10 Program  
Helps are in. The  
new Boy Scout  
Handbooks will here  
in a few days. We  
currently have kid-  
sized Day Camp T-  
Shirts for \$3.00 and a  
sale on collectible  
caps.  
E-mail for Judy:  
[mcyjudy2000@yahoo.com](mailto:mcyjudy2000@yahoo.com)

## August 2009

4<sup>th</sup> – Roundtable Picnic  
11<sup>th</sup> – Cub Scout Recruitment Training  
18<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> – District Retreat

## September 2009

1<sup>st</sup> – Roundtable Meeting  
11<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> BS Leader Outdoor Training  
15<sup>th</sup> – District Commissioners Meeting  
18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> Fall Camporee  
22<sup>nd</sup> – District Committee Meeting

**Wood Badge 2009:** Plan now to attend the Fall Session at K-M Scout Ranch (September 10-12 and 24-26). For additional details go to [www.montanabsa.org](http://www.montanabsa.org) and click on the training link or contact Kathi Schweigert at 245-9094.

**Welcome to our new District Executive:** Kyle Lantz is our new DE! Many of us know Kyle from his tireless work in the District after the departure of Don Bean. Stop by the Scout Office and welcome him to his new position.

**Popcorn Time is fast Approaching:** It is time to get ready for Popcorn Sales. If not already done, units should be preparing their Ideal Year of Scouting and selecting their popcorn committee. This year, the popcorn training will be held on Tuesday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at the Central Christian Church (same location as Roundtable). For more information or if you have questions contact **Kelly Schmidt** at **839-0181 (cell) or 655-0673 (home)** or by email at [kschmidt0673@hotmail.com](mailto:kschmidt0673@hotmail.com) or [kckschmidt@bresnan.net](mailto:kckschmidt@bresnan.net)

**Jamboree Staff Opportunities:** There are openings for interested adults to staff at the 2010 National Jamboree. If you are interested or would like additional information contact **Craig Haynes** at **252-7368** or go on-line to [www.scouting.org](http://www.scouting.org)

**District Retreat:** The annual District Committee Retreat will be held Tuesday and Wednesday, August 18 and 19 at the KOA Conference Center in Transwestern III from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. These meetings take the place of the monthly District Committee meeting for August.

### **District Committee, Dale Williams, Chairman**

The District Committee meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month, at the First English Lutheran Church at 7:00pm. The committee is looking for interested persons to come out and have a say in how the district is run. Everyone is welcome, and, bring your ideas! Contact Dale at 860-9034 for more information. The August meeting will be replaced by the District Retreat.

### **District Commissioner, Craig Haynes**

Craig is looking for a few good men, and women, to serve as Unit Commissioners. A unit commissioner assists the unit leadership in any way they are needed. The Commissioners meeting is held normally monthly on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at Central Christian Church at 7:00 pm. Contact Craig at 252-7368 for more information. **The August meeting will be rescheduled because of the conflict with the District Retreat. Contact Craig for information.**

### **District Executive, Kyle Lantz**

Hello everyone, I would like to welcome you all to what is going to be a great 2009-2010 year of Scouting. We have many wonderful leaders throughout the Black Otter District and I know our youth are going to have the best year ever. Please feel free to contact me anytime if you have any questions or concerns. I can be reached at the Scout Office at 259-4513. Also, please remember to check the Black Otter District website for upcoming events and activities.

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## Pack News



**Cub Scout Roundtable:**

Roundtable Commissioner: **Kellie Gardner (245-2665)**

Assistant Commissioner: **Mike Walz (259-9762)**

**Cub Scout Recruitment Training:** This informational meeting for all Pack Leaders will be held on Tuesday August 11<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 7:30 pm at the Central Christian Church (where Roundtable is held). All Cub Leaders are encouraged to attend to learn about recruitment methods to help with your Fall Recruitment drive. There will be an attendance incentive so please plan on attending and plan for a great fall membership recruitment.

**Cub Scout Leader Training:** The fall leadership training session is coming soon. Details will be available shortly but plan on having your new leaders and leaders who are moving to a new position within your Pack attend. Details will be in your mailboxes, on the web site and at the September Roundtable meeting.



## Troop and Crew News



**Boy Scout Roundtable:**

Roundtable Commissioner: **Dodie Rife (256-1826)**

**Roundtable Topics:**

**August:** Summer Camps

**September:** Fall Camporee

**Boy Scout Outdoor Leader Training:** The fall session of this training is scheduled for September 11-12. Contact **Armand Lohof** at **245-4560** or the **Scout Office** at **259-4513** for more information and to sign up.

**2010 National Jamboree:** Scoutmasters, please let your scouts know that there are still a few spots left for them to sign up. For information contact **Craig Haynes** at **252-7368** or go on-line to [www.scouting.org](http://www.scouting.org) for an application.

**Fall Camporee:** This fun annual event is coming up September 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> out near Custer. Information will be available in your unit mailbox, on the web site or at Roundtable. The event is being hosted by Troop 2. For more information contact the Scoutmaster of Troop 2, **Randy Besel** at **256-2149**.