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"Life without an appreciation of beauty is like a dull day without sunshine." - Baden-Powell

National Updates Headlines

Dave Murphy – Vice President, District Operations

See [National Updates](#) site at mountainwestcouncil.org for headlines details:

- Unit and Membership Renewal Job Aids
- Release of Diversity, Inclusion, and Belonging Course
- Exciting Updates to Venturing Ranger Award
- Jamboree Annual Health & Medical Record Submission Open
- Introducing Scouts BSA's New National Youth Council

<https://www.mountainwestcouncil.org/nationalupdates>

Safety Pause

Chuck Yates, Council Safety Chair

We're heading into shorter days which means more driving in the dark, which means passengers sleeping. So, a short message:

- **NEVER, never, never** let the front seat passenger recline their seat for a snooze! It can be a **FATAL** mistake! Why? Because the seat belt is not fully effective and the airbags are designed for seated **UPRIGHT** occupants.

Oh, and remember to change your batteries when you change your clocks!

See [Safety Pause](#).

Guide to Safe Scouting (GSS) Highlight

- [Cub Scout Unit Coordinated Camping](#)

Council Calendar Highlights

- Nov 08: [Scouting for Food Collection](#)
- Nov 14: [Council Adult Recognition Court of Honor](#)
- Nov 15: [Popcorn Take Order Distribution](#)
- Nov 27-28 Council office closed for Thanksgiving
- Dec 06: [Council Idaho Steelheads Night](#)

View the [Mountain West Council Calendar](#).

Council Adult Recognition Court of Honor

Please join us for inspiration and fellowship November 14th at 7PM at Warhawk Museum as we celebrate the achievements of Scouting adults in the Mountain West Council.

- Dessert will be served.
- Class A Uniform requested.
- **No charge to attend the event.**

Register at <https://www.mountainwestcouncil.org/MWCRecognition>.

Sea Base National Camp - Council Contingent

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Calling all youth! Fantastic Sailing Adventure at [Florida Sea Base](#) from March 14 thru 22! Why? What better thing to do during Spring Break than head to Florida for the adventure of a life time? Come sleep on a 30-40 foot sail boat. Fish, snorkel, and paddle board among other activities, all in the beautiful Caribbean! Contact adult leaders Sam or Bret directly to reserve your spot!

- Sam Carlsen (208) 830-1446
- Bret Nicolaysen (208) 631-7779

Popcorn Fundraiser

Popcorn 2025 is winding down! Take Order Distribution: **November 15.** Visit [Mountain West Council Popcorn Fundraiser](#).

Scouting for Food

Food collection time! November 8th - this coming Saturday!
For drop-off locations see [Scouting for Food](#).

NESA Winter Gathering

Calling all Eagle Scouts of the Mountain West Council

You are cordially invited to attend a gathering of Eagle Scouts for our Winter Gathering on January 31st, 2026 from 2 pm to 4 pm. This event will be at the Meridian Bowling Lanes, located at 324 South Meridian Road, Meridian Idaho 83642. [Register Here](#).

Veteran's Day Parade Request

Request for Volunteer Organizers

The parade is November from 8 am to 10 am
Begins at 8th and Jefferson near the Boise Capitol Building (more information to come)
Help plan this year's parade contingent. To assist, contact george.thomas@scouting.org.

Owyhee District

Roundtable Second Thursday

Thursday, November 13th from 7 pm to 8:30 pm
Faith Journey Church: 23057 Old Hwy 30, Caldwell, ID 83607
Send representatives from your Pack, Troop, Crew, and Post to gain training to improve your unit's program. You will learn best practices, and gather information on upcoming district and council training, events, and activities. And at the fellowship Cracker Barrel, you will have an opportunity make new and lasting Scouting friends.

Family Holiday Roundtable

Mark your calendar to attend the festive Family Holiday Roundtable for all to enjoy!
Thursday, December 11, 2025 from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm
Faith Journey Church, 23057 Old Hwy 30, Caldwell, ID 83607

Snake River District

CALENDAR

- Nov 06: Roundtable at TF Immanuel Lutheran Church, 2055 Filer Av 7 pm
- Nov 08: Scouting for Food - Stuff the Trailer 9 am - 3 pm

Tapawingo District

Next Roundtable

Thursday, November 13th from 7 pm to 8:30 pm
Mountain West Council Office, 8901 W Franklin Rd, Boise



"Be the reason Scouts choose to stay in Scouting."

Other Scouting Highlights

- [Mountain West Council Facebook](#)
- [Aaron on Scouting](#)
- [National High Adventure Bases](#)
- [Scouting.Safely.](#)

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