



The Varsity Letter



GREAT SALT LAKE COUNCIL, BSA

Council No. 590, Salt Lake City, Utah

January 2004

Vol. 3, No. 5

Council Vice President's Message

The Varsity Scout Pledge: A lofty standard to follow

By Bry Davis

The Varsity Scout Pledge

As a Varsity Scout I will: Live by the Scout Oath, Law, Motto, and Slogan; Honor the dignity and worth of all persons; promote the cause of freedom and do my best to be a good team member.

In a boy's world there are as many standards to follow as there are promoters that sell them.

Here is one example. Have you ever heard the saying "Everyone is doing it so it must be OK for me"? This statement or standard assumes that everyone can't be doing the wrong thing, thus going along with the crowd is always a good thing. Sad to say the crowd does not always do the right thing.

What would the world be like if everyone remembered "On my honor . . ." before they acted? Parents would love to live in such a place where the group always chose to be trustworthy, kind, obedient, etc. Imagine communities that recognized the worth of all and show respect and dignity, doing a good turn for each other daily! Our country was founded on such principles and committed to maintain this freedom at all cost. Being part of a Team provides an environment where individual values are learned, formed, and molded within the character of its members.

It has been said, the boy who learns a value in his youth will most likely follow it when he grows up. There is a deep and powerful influence that will mold and shape a boy when he learns and recites the Varsity Pledge with his fellow Team members. Every Team should exercise this power by reciting the Varsity Pledge every time they meet.

This pledge is a standard to live by!

Biathlon slated February 28

A mountain man biathlon organized by the Great Salt Lake Council is scheduled Saturday, February 28, at historic Fort Buenaventura in Ogden. Competition begins at 9:30 a.m. Teams may register upon check-in at the event. The cost is \$5.00 per participant.

Rather than utilizing the Olympic-style target rifles and cross-country skis of the modern-day biathlon, the Varsity Scout rendezvous theme will be invoked at this rather unique event as participants traverse a marked trail on snowshoes (weather permitting) and utilize primitive muzzle loading black powder rifles. The biathlon is a timed event with two stops on the course to shoot at targets from standing and prone positions. Contestants will be allowed two practice shots after checking in at the registration station.

Prizes will be awarded to first, second, and third-place individuals and one for the best team score immediately following the competition.

Teams may consider incorporating the biathlon into the Cross Country Skiing, Shooting Sports, and Snow Camping Varsity Scout program features. Participation in the biathlon satisfies the Varsity Letter award requirement to participate in a high adventure/sports activity (<http://www.gslc-bsa.org/varsity/Advancement/index.htm>, see requirement 2).

Organizers are planning team building activities, tug of war, a winterized soccer match, and a snowshoe races (weather permitting). Optional overnight camping at the fort is also available by contacting Weber County Parks & Recreation at 801-625-3850.

Historic Fort Buenaventura (<http://ogdencvb.org/fortb.html>) is located at 2450 South 'A' Street, near the old baseball park west of Ogden. Take exit 347 off I-15 in Ogden.

Tour permits are required. For event specifics and registration information, download the event flyer from the council web site (<http://www.gslc-bsa.org/varsity/biathlon/index.htm>), or contact Rick Johnson, Biathlon_info@yahoo.com. The registration form is found at <http://www.gslc-bsa.org/varsity/biathlon/registration.pdf>.

NRA certification offered

All target shooting activities involving Scouts must be under the supervision of a certified BSA or National Rifle Association firearms instructor. NRA certification classes open to all BSA leaders will be offered in March and April (http://members.network.com/gslc_d17/Images/March2004NRAClassesflyer.pdf). The registration deadline is February 28, 2004. For additional information, contact Rodney Clawson at bish@xmission.com, or inquire at the council service center, 525 Foothill Blvd, Salt Lake City, 84113, 801-582-3663.

VS Basic Training classes offered

As we learn of planned training dates the information will be posted on the web site (<http://www.gslc-bsa.org/varsity/training/>). Check back often so that you can have that opportunity for the training that will help you become the greatest Varsity coach ever.

Dist.	Location	Date	Time
22	2245 E 3900 S	1/15	6:15 p.m.
28	11570 Wasatch Blvd.	1/15	6:30 p.m.
26	1850 E 8600 S	1/17	8:00 a.m.
4	TBA	1/24	8:00 a.m.
13	5065 W Janette Ave	1/24	8:00 a.m.
26	2180 E Meadow Lark Wy	2/7	8:00 a.m.
4	TBA	2/28	8:00 a.m.
13	TBA	3/6	8:00 a.m.
26	2126 E Gyrfalcon	3/6	7:30 a.m.
28	13366 S 1300 E	3/18	6:30 p.m.
26	9119 S 1300 E	3/20	8:00 a.m.
GSLC	Big Event	6/17-19	TBA
GSLC	On Belay	7/26-31	TBA
GSLC	University of Scouting	12/4	8:30 a.m.

District news roundup

Several events for Varsity Scouts and leaders are planned by local districts throughout the Great Salt Lake Council over the next few months. Many of the following events are included in the published 2003-2004 council calendar, available at the service center and Scout Shops. District vice

chairmen are encouraged to submit information about upcoming Varsity activities to the editor for inclusion in the *Varsity Letter*.

A web site for each district in the Great Salt Lake Council is included in the district section of the council web site. The URL is <http://www.gslc-bsa.org/districts/index.cfm>.

District 4 (City Creek)

Varsity Scout Fast-Start training is offered to new Varsity Scout leaders following roundtable each month.

Four-hour basic training sessions are scheduled beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 24, and Saturday, February 28. Locations will be announced. For information, contact Jim Wood.

District 10 (Westview)

Winter camping tips and wilderness survival instruction will be offered at the January 8 roundtable.

Mike Lingwall has been named Varsity Scout vice chairman of Westview District, replacing Dave Walker.

Varsity Scout Fast-Start training, a 30-minute introduction to the basics of Scouting, is offered prior to the monthly roundtable at 6:30 p.m. (except in August and December). For additional information, contact Mike Lingwall at 250-0880.

District 11 (Deseret Peak)

Basic Training will be held concurrently with district roundtables at Tooele Junior High School. They are held on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

A Varsity Scout winter camp is planned January 23-24.

A spring mountain man rendezvous organized jointly by the Deseret Peak and Granger (13) districts is scheduled April 23-24 at Big Hollow along Utah 199 between Rush Valley and Dugway in Tooele County.

Contact Bryan Slade for more information.

District 12 (Olde English Fort)

The full district training schedule is posted on the web site at <http://www.gslc-bsa.org/d12/training/index.htm>.

Contact Woody Haycock for information about district events.

District 13 (Granger)

Mountain man skills will be the focus of the January 8 roundtable. Jerry Warner and Steve Honsvick are the instructors. Tyler Terry is the new district executive for Granger District.

Congratulations to Steve Honsvick, who will receive the Silver Beaver award at the council recognition dinner on March 9.

Two new members have been added to the district staff. Jeff Honsvick is the new Personal Development program adviser and David Warner is the new SP&E program adviser.

Because several members of the district Varsity committee moved last year, there are a number of vacancies. Anyone interested in serving on the district committee during the coming year should contact Steve Honsvick, district vice chairman, or another member of the committee.

VS Fast-Start adult leader training is offered 30 minutes prior to the monthly roundtable. To make other arrangements, contact Glen Fairclough, district Varsity training coordinator, or check out the Varsity Fast Start video at the service center.

Hunter East Zone will host the first basic training of 2004 on Saturday, January 24, at the LDS meetinghouse at 5065 West Janette Avenue (3890 South). Registration commences at 8:00 a.m. with training starting at 8:30 a.m.

Other scheduled dates for basic training are March 6 and May 15. Zone Commissioners can arrange basic training in their zones through Dale Walker, district 13 training coordinator.

Monthly district meetings, formerly held on the third Thursday of each month, are now held on the first Thursday of each month following roundtable. The COR meeting begins at 8:00 p.m.

Granger District will hold its annual merit badge pow wow Saturday, March 13.

A spring mountain man rendezvous organized jointly by the Granger and Deseret Peak (11) districts is scheduled April 23-24 at Big Hollow along Utah 199 between Rush Valley and Dugway in Tooele County.

Teams should also begin looking forward to participation in the Big Event at East Fork of the Bear in June.

Teams are encouraged to register for the week-long On Belay leadership training at East Fork of the Bear, July 26-31.

Coaches will also want to take advantage of one of the Wood Badge courses offered in 2004. Scholarships may be available through your zone or the Wood Badge Association.

Stay abreast of district events, current news,

and meetings via the district's web site. The URL is <http://www.gslc-bsa.org/d13/>.

District 14 (Pony Express)

A district Varsity Scout winter activity is scheduled January 24, 2004 at Soldier Hollow (Wasatch Mountain State Park) in Midway.

A biathlon competition is scheduled at 1:00 p.m. The \$7.00 per person registration fee includes the cost of ski rental, rifle and ammunition, and safety instruction. Each youth will also be outfitted with an Olympic Bib, so bring a camera for pictures. The event is expected to end before 4:00 p.m.

A Dutch oven cook off is planned before the event. The sampling will begin at 12:00 noon, so arrive early enough to be ready by then. Each team should provide plenty of its best dish so that other teams can sample. The Varsity Scouts will vote for the best dish. Prizes will be awarded on the spot.

For an information/registration packet, go to <http://www.gslc-bsa.org/d14/docs/biathlon.pdf>

The registration deadline is January 8.

The district training schedule is posted on the web site at <http://www.gslc-bsa.org/d14/training.htm>.

Pony Express district will hold a two-week merit badge pow wow on February 7 and 14. For information, contact Clayne Robinson, claynem@jsmechanical.com.

District 15 (Golden Eagle)

Golden Eagle District has scheduled a biathlon January 30-31, in conjunction with the Klondike Derby.

A three-week district merit badge pow wow is scheduled February 7, 14, and 21.

A Varsity Scout rendezvous is planned in conjunction with the district spring camporee in April at the Clover Springs Campground southwest of Tooele.

Contact Jim Crane (cranejh@juno.com) for additional information.

District 17 (White Buffalo)

Primitive fires and primitive weapons (time permitting) will be the focus of the January 8 roundtable.

The annual district Varsity/Venture cross country ski trip is scheduled February 6-7.

A three-week district merit badge pow wow is scheduled February 14, 21, and 28.

The annual district Varsity/Venture caveman weekend is planned March 5-6.

A combined Varsity/Venture backpacking trip is set May 14-15.

Rock climbing day is slated May 22.

Order of the Arrow: If your unit has not held an election for the Order of the Arrow in the past 12 months it is time to do so. Please enable the young men you serve to have the opportunity to receive this honor. To have an election just call Chapter 17 Chief Michael Bresnahan 561-5621.

Training: District leaders do not plan to host another basic training session until spring.

Newsletter: A district newsletter is available via e-mail. Contact David Bresnahan (David@Bresnahan.org) to subscribe.

For **additional information** about district activities, contact Hal Myers (Hal.Myers@fairchildsemi.com) or David Bresnahan (David@Bresnahan.org).

District 18 (Wasatch Peaks)

Two Varsity Scouts from team 7989 have completed the requirements for the Denali Award. Brandon Babcock, team captain, and Brent Roberts, team co-captain, have earned the award.

Contact Glen Jones (glen.jones@twcompany.com) for information about district events.

District 20 (Summit)

A two-week merit badge pow wow is scheduled January 3 and 10.

Contact Mark King for additional information.

District 22 (East Millcreek)

The council training staff will conduct the roundtable on January 8.

A topic based on the leader interest survey taken during the December roundtable will be presented February 5.

Valley View Zone will host the first basic training of 2004 on Thursday, January 15, at the white brick LDS meetinghouse at 2245 S 3900 E. Training begins at 6:15 p.m. and ends at 9:30 p.m. For additional information, contact Doug Flegal or Dan Warlick.

District 25 (Cottonwood)

The district training schedule is posted on the web site at <http://www.gslc-bsa.org/d25/d25Training.htm>.

Contact Bart Daniels for information about

district events.

District 26 (Silver Mesa)

The full district training schedule is posted on the web site at http://www.gslc-bsa.org/d26/basic_training.html.

Contact Dave Acker for information about district events.

District 28 (Eagle Peaks)

Lone Peak Zone will host the first basic training of 2004 at the Lone Peak LDS Stake Center, 11570 Wasatch Boulevard in Sandy, on Thursday, January 15, from 6:30 to 10:00 p.m.

The full district training schedule is posted on the web site at <http://www.gslc-bsa.org/d28/training.htm>.

Contact Carlos Madsen for information about district events.

Council news

Council roundtable report

A customized team flag was presented to the Varsity committee and roundtable staff from Granger District (13) for having the best group attendance at council roundtable meetings held between September 2002 and May 2003. The customization reads: "Team 13, Granger, Utah."

Roundtable attendees joined in celebrating the birthday of Dave Acker, high adventure and sports program adviser. Acker admitted to turning "plenty-nine" years of age.

Skills Instruction: Due to recent restrictions on campfires as a result of the ongoing drought, alternative cooking methods are becoming more common and are likely to be mandatory in the future.

Presentations on alternative cooking methods were given by Dick Hill, Paul White, and Mark Wallace.

For the first time in the history of the Dutch oven cooking competition at the Big Event, competitors were unable to use charcoal in 2003. Adapting to using a gas stove as fuel was a challenge.

Dick Hill, a champion Dutch oven cook, offered tips on Dutch oven cooking without charcoal. Hill recommends choosing the dish carefully, regulate the heat and stir often, use a commercial Dutch

oven dome or make an aluminum tent, and line the oven with aluminum foil. Hill also described how to make a light weight "backpackers Dutch oven" using three pie tins and sealing the top and bottom with aluminum foil and binder clip style paper fasteners.

Paul White distributed a handout compiled of descriptions of various Camp Chef products and accessories obtained from that company's online catalog.

Camp Chef products, 1-burner systems, 2-burner systems, 3-burner systems, sport utility stoves, charcoal stoves and firepits, and roaster combos (<http://www.outdoorcooking.com/stoves>)

Accessories: Barbecue grill boxes, grilling accessories, cast iron, cast iron accessories, roasters, griddles, (<http://www.outdoorcooking.com/accessories/index.php>)

Mark Wallace, discussed the features of various styles of backpacking stoves and distributed two handouts.

"How to Choose the Right Backpacking Stove," <http://www.duke.edu/~aea4/Accessory/How%20to%20Choose%20the%20Right%20Backpacking%20Stove.doc>.

Or <http://www.first-camping-site.com/info.i?cmd=builder&pageid=28>

"Big Trip Food List," *Backpacker*, April 1996, page 42 (reprinted at <http://www.alpharubicon.com/leo/canoelist.html>)

Food and fuel guidelines for backpacking, *Backpacker*, April 1997, page 36

Current issues of *Backpacker* magazine are available at Salt Lake City and Salt Lake County library system branches.

Favorite Camping Sites: Wasatch front hiking trails were the focus of a 29-page handout compiled by Paul White. Included is information from the following web sites.

Ogden Area Trails, <http://www.ogdencvb.org/ogdentrails.html>

Wasatch Mountain Club Hike Ratings, <http://www.xmission.com/~donna/wmc-hiking/dale-greenn-hike-ratings.html>

Evanston Ranger District Hikes, http://gorp.away.com/gorp/resource/us_national_forest/ut/hik_was1.htm

Kamas Ranger District Hikes, http://gorp.away.com/gorp/resource/us_national_forest/ut/hik_was2.htm

Logan Ranger District Hikes, http://gorp.away.com/gorp/resource/us_national_forest/ut/hik_was3.htm

Ogden Ranger District Hikes, http://gorp.away.com/gorp/resource/us_national_forest/ut/hik_was4.htm

http://gorp.away.com/gorp/resource/us_national_forest/ut/hik_was4.htm

Salt Lake Ranger District Hikes, http://gorp.away.com/gorp/resource/us_national_forest/ut/hik_was6.htm

Forest Service web sites:

Kamas Ranger District trails, <http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/wcnf/unit/slrd/recreation/trails/index.shtml>

Ogden Ranger District trails, <http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/wcnf/unit/ogden/recreation/trails/index.shtml>

Salt Lake Ranger District trails, <http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/wcnf/unit/slrd/recreation/trails/index.shtml>

Current conditions, <http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/wcnf/conditions/>

Coach's Corner: Don Sims spoke about the spirit of giving. The Christmas season is a time for giving. Sims suggested that we can show that we care about an individual by putting ourselves into our gifts. "Why can't the spirit of Christmas go on all year long?" is a common lament. Sims observed that Scouters make the spirit of giving go on all year long through their service to young men and the community.

Varsity Scout Program Feature Reports:

Advancement: Charles Dressen reported that only ten of the nearly 20,000 Varsity Scouts registered in the council earned the Denali Award in 2003. Dressen challenged district leaders to meet the goal of having an equal number of recipients of the Denali award and Eagle Scouts in 2004. Leaders should provide information about the Denali award to teams throughout council. Requirements for the award are listed on the council web site at <http://www.gslc-bsa.org/varsity/Advancement/index.htm>. In addition, scorecards are available in the *Varsity Scout Guidebook* (page A-19) and at Scout Shops.

The Varsity committee would like to compile a list of all Varsity Scouts in the council who have received the Denali Award since it was introduced. Past recipients should contact Craig Edwards, council Varsity Scout adviser, by calling 582-3663 or by completing the e-mail form at <http://www.gslc-bsa.org/contact/form.cfm?recordID=222>.

Special Programs and Events: Rick Johnson reported on plans for the upcoming 2004 biathlon at Fort Buenaventura on February 28. Flyers were distributed to district leaders.

Teams can begin preparations for next

summer's Big Event by acquiring equipment and practicing together for various events. The Big Event is considered a camporee, not a long-term camp. Meetings to plan the 2004 Big Event will begin in January. Wendell Wilde is the committee chairman.

Service: Dick Hill encouraged Varsity Scouts to shovel the walkways of widows, the elderly, and those with physical limitations. Not only does this provide an chance to serve, but it provides an opportunity to get to know the people of our neighborhood.

Hill also reminds leaders to include the annual Scouting for Food drive (March 27) on their planning calendars.

Personal Development: Varsity teams are admonished to include Scout-O-Rama on their annual activity calendars. The 2004 Scout-O-Rama will take place at the Fairpark on May 1. Each district is encouraged to have a booth which demonstrates Varsity Scouting. Varsity booths are being relocated further east. In addition, plans call for running two climbing towers to accommodate all who wish to participate.

The Great Salt Lake Council has also announced plans for Jamboral 2004, an overnight encampment open to all Scouts. Jamboral 2004 is scheduled September 17-18. A large area at the Salt Lake County Equestrian Park and Events Center (Fairgrounds) in South Jordan has been reserved for Varsity Scout activities.

High Adventure and Sports: Dave Walker reminded leaders of the importance of being aware of weather conditions and avalanche danger when going on winter hikes and camps. The Wasatch Cache National Forest Service web page (<http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/wcnf/conditions/>) provides current information about weather, road conditions, and ongoing fires and emergencies. Weather information includes links to the National Weather Service (<http://weather.noaa.gov/weather/current/KSLC.html>) and National Avalanche Center (<http://www.avalanche.org/>) web sites. The URL for the Utah Avalanche Center is <http://www.avalanche.org/~uac/>.

Training: Between 400 and 500 Scouters enrolled in the 2003 University of Scouting. Charles Dressen and Bry Davis teamed up to teach the Varsity Leader basic training class.

Upcoming training opportunities were reviewed. Two Wood Badge courses are on the 2004 calendar. Pam Smith is the director for the spring weekend course and Andy Wilde is director for the

summer week-long course. On Belay, the council's week-long Junior Leader Training Conference, is scheduled at the East Fork of the Bear Scout Reservation, July 26-31. This leadership course designed to provide team training for both adult and youth leaders. Hal Myers is the course director.

Roundtable calendar set

District committee members are invited to attend the monthly council Varsity roundtable on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Roundtable is now held at Murray High School, 5440 South State. The meeting is held in the Little Theater (room 105) on the first floor (<http://www.gslc-bsa.org/training/documents/map.pdf>). Parking is available on the south side of the school and Scouters may enter the school from the south side. Members will receive training which they can then pass on to the coaches and other leaders at the district roundtable the following month.

Dates and themes for upcoming council roundtables follow:

January 21, 2004: Biathlon

February 18, 2004: Service

March 17, 2004: Preparations for Scout-O-Rama and the Big Event

April 21, 2004: Operation On-Target

May 19, 2004: Safe Scouting

No roundtable meetings are scheduled in June and July. Planning for October 2004-May 2005 will occur in August 2004.

On Belay leader course set

Registrations are now being accepted for both youth and adult participants who want to see a Varsity Scout team in action. On Belay teaches that a young man is capable of planning and running a program which meets the aims and methods of Scouting. It teaches young men to aspire to higher values and rely upon a coach and his committee as a resource to accomplish the activities they have planned.

The course will run July 26-31, 2004, at the East Fork of the Bear Scout Reservation. Registration is \$155 per person, which includes the cost of project materials, instruction supplies, handouts, food, cap, T-shirt, and insurance. A \$10 discount applies when the fee is paid before July

14. An additional 10 percent discount per person is available for teams when at least two leaders and six boys register together. For information, see the On Belay web page, <http://www.gslc-bsa.org/varsity/onbelay/index.htm>. Registration forms are also available at district roundtable meetings and at any Scout Shop, or downloaded from the council web site.

Wood Badge courses slated

Registration is under way for Wood Badge for the 21st Century--a single training program for Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, Venturing, council and district volunteer leaders and professionals.

The spring weekend course will be held at Camp Tracy in April (15, 16, 17, 22, 23, and 24), and the summer week-long course at the Travis Training Center at the East Fork of the Bear Boy Scout Camp runs August 9-14.

Cost for the course is \$190.00. For more information call 582-3663 and ask for the Camp Desk, send e-mail to woodbadge@gslc-bsa.org, or visit the web site: <http://www.gslc-bsa.org/woodbadge>. Registration forms are available at district roundtable meetings, at any Scout Shop, or downloaded from the council web site.

Jamboral 2004 planned

All Scout troops in the Great Salt Lake Council are invited to a council jamboree overnight encampment to be held Friday and Saturday, September 17-18, 2004, at the Salt Lake County Equestrian Park and Events Center in South Jordan.

"Celebrate Our Founding Fathers" is the theme for Jamboral 2004. The event will give Scouts the opportunity to experience a "jamboree-style" encampment.

Jamboral leader's guide available at the council service center and Scout Shops.

Registration under way. The cost is \$15 per person (Scout or leader) if made by September 3, 2004. After September 3, the cost increases to \$20 per person. Registration includes a full embroidered hat, Jamboral patch, and 22 district trading pins. Registration forms may be downloaded from the Jamboral web site <http://www.gslc-bsa.org/events/jamboral.cfm>. Online registration and payment available.

Supply catalog published

The 2004 Boy Scouts of America Official Retail Catalog Leaders Edition has been mailed to registered Scouters. Some highlights include:

Fieldbook--Boy Scouts of America. New Edition! A comprehensive reference for Boy Scouts, Varsity Scouts, Venturers, unit leaders, trainers, and other outdoor enthusiasts. Includes sections on leadership and trek preparation, Leave No Trace, trek adventures, and appreciating our environment. Fourth edition.

Paperback. (B33104), \$19.95

Coil Bound. Coil binding allows book to lay flat when open. (B32067), \$25.95

Fieldbook Cover. New! Protect your new Fieldbook with this specially sized, 6" x 9" cover. Fits paperback edition. Hook and loop closure. Tan cloth with red trim. (B32070), \$9.95

Hardbound. Limited Edition. (B34024), \$27.95

Boy Scout Requirements Book 2004. New Edition! Includes updated requirements for all merit badges, advancements, and special opportunity awards. (B33215) \$3.80

2004 Varsity Scout calendar

Biathlon, Saturday, February 28

Scouting for Food Drive, Saturday, March 27

Scout-O-Rama, Saturday, May 1

Big Event, East Fork of the Bear, Thursday-Saturday, June 17-19

Operation On-Target, Saturday, July 17

On Belay youth and adult leader training, East Fork of the Bear Scout Reservation, July 26-31

Jamboral 2004, September 17-18

47th Jamboree on the Air, October 16-17

Turkey Shoot, Saturday, October 23

The Varsity Letter

Submissions are welcome. E-mail your suggestions the editor at vinfo@gslc-bsa.org. The copy deadline is the third Wednesday of each month.

If you would like to receive the Varsity Letter electronically via e-mail, please send your e-mail address to vinfo@gslc-bsa.org.

Previous issues of the Varsity Letter are available online via the Great Salt Lake Council Varsity Scout World Wide Web site at <http://www.gslc-bsa.org/varsity/vletter/index.htm>.