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Friends of Scouting Campaign - 2003

The Quapaw Area Council is pleased to announce that Gus Vratsinas has accepted the position of Council Friends of Scouting Chairman for the 2003 campaign.

Gus is a long time executive board member of the Quapaw Area Council and served as its president in 1982 and 1983. Mr. Vratsinas is owner and CEO of Vratsinas Construction Company headquartered in Little Rock.

REGISTRATION FEE INCREASE

Beginning January 1, 2003, the Boy Scouts of America increased its registration fee from $7.00 to $10.00 per year for traditional members. This increase will affect youth and adults registering in packs, troops, teams, crews, ships, as well as council employees, and council and district volunteers. The last time traditional registration fees were raised was 14 years ago.

In 1996, the National Executive Board authorized officers to raise the fees by no more than $3.00 per member. Since that time the BSA has successfully fought to hold costs down and that resolution was never implemented. We are now, however, at a point where that implementation is necessary to support the strategic plan of the Boy Scouts of America including traditional membership growth, leadership, Scoutreach, financial development for local councils, marketing and the strategic positioning of BSA. As a result of these, as well as other projects to keep Scouting strong, we are implementing the 1996 resolution, raising traditional membership fees by $3.00 effective January 1, 2003.

2003 COUNCIL OFFICERS ELECTED

At its annual business meeting held on December 11, 2002, the Quapaw Area Council elected officers and members-at-large for 2003.

Mr. Rick Watkins will serve as Council President. Rick is the owner and CEO of the Watkins Company headquartered in Mabelvale, Arkansas. Rick is a former Quapaw Area Council Scout and member of the Order of the Arrow where he participated on a Native American dance team.

Mr. Bart Hudspeth will serve as Council Commissioner. This will be Bart's second year in that position. Bart is office manager for the State Farm Insurance office in Brinkley, Arkansas. Bart is an Eagle Scout and has served as a Scoutmaster in the Quapaw Area Council and has also served as an executive board member in two other councils before joining the Quapaw Area Council.

Council Vice Presidents elected are: Hunter Babin, David Briscoe, Joyce Hall, Joe Hurst, Bill Puddephatt, Win Rockefeller and Mike Wright. Also elected were: Baker Kurrus - Council Attorney, Rob Robinson – Council Treasurer and Greg Hartz – Assistant Treasurer.

We all owe our gratitude to these individuals for accepting important roles in the future success of our council. Their efforts and leadership are greatly appreciated.

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA ADOPTS NEW ADULT APPLICATION

MORE REQUIRED INFORMATION = IMPROVED SECURITY FOR OUR YOUTH

Since Scouting's inception, having the highest quality of volunteers as role models and mentors for youth has been of utmost importance. Our highest priority continues to be the safety of our youth members and participants.

Beginning in 1972, the Boy Scouts of America's standards for leadership were developed as a guideline for screening adult volunteers. Further resources were created more recently to improve the recognition and reporting of child abuse, such as the Youth Protection Training for Adult Leaders video in 1988. Age-appropriate videos for youth members were created beginning in 1989, with the most recent versions released in 1999. To further aid in the delivery of Cub Scout-age youth protection training, the BSA developed a comic book to address areas of child abuse and appropriate protection methods. The first issue of the comic book was released in January 2002. It focuses on bullying among children. Periodic revisions are done to keep these resources up-to-date.

All of our youth protection videos have the distinction of being award-winning productions. They have won awards for excellence in the training categories of the CINE Golden Eagle and the Telly Award.

We continue to seek and implement improvements to our youth protection guidelines and procedures. We are happy to report that new information technologies are now available to conduct accurate, reliable criminal history record checks on volunteer applicants. These checks are based on the applicant's Social Security number. This important development offers a practical way to limit the possibility of individuals with a history of criminal acts against children being granted positions with the BSA. When used in conjunction with other youth-protection strategies, criminal history record checks are valuable tools that discourage ineligible volunteers from seeking position with the BSA and help to identify and screen out those who do apply. This process will supplement the current application process, which includes reference checks and the ineligible volunteer screening process. This new process will be conducted for all new adult volunteers in the traditional Scouting program. If a registration form is completed, the council will perform a background check.

The adult volunteer application now clearly advises applicants that a criminal background screening will be conducted, requires written consent to conduct the background check, certifies permission to use resulting information, and requires a Social Security number.

The application includes the following statement:
By submitting this application, you are authorizing a criminal background check of yourself.
This check will be made from public record sources. You will have an opportunity to review and challenge any adverse information disclosed by the check.

What does this mean to our current volunteers ? The primary impact will be a feeling of greater security and the knowledge that anyone with a history of criminal conduct with a child will more likely not be a volunteer in your pack, troop, team, or crew. It also means a new adult application cannot be processed without a Social Security number and consent to conduct the background check (the application must not be signed by anyone other than the applicant). Current leaders should make sure the required information is included on all adult applications before turning them in to the council service center.

We believe the critical importance of protecting our youth from abuse or violence will be recognized by all and that parents and leaders will take comfort and pride in the steps we are taking.

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SUMMER CAMP STAFF INTERVIEWS TO BE HELD

Cove Creek Scout Reservation offers a very unique summer opportunity. Each year 40 to 50 Scouts and Scouters come together to provide one of the finest summer camp experiences anywhere. If you have one or more Scouts who you feel would be an asset to the year 2003 summer camp staff please encourage them to fill out an application and spend the summer immersed in Scouting.

Summer camp staff interviews are scheduled to be held at the Council Service Center on Saturday, February 8th. Camp staff applications are available at the Council Service Center or may be requested by mail. Interviews will begin at 9:00am and continue until approximately 4:00pm .

Interview times will be assigned and applicants will be notified of the date and time of their scheduled appointment. Each applicant will be scheduled for 15-20 minutes and may leave when the interview is complete. This will allow families and Scouts to schedule other events or activities.

For more information concerning summer camp interviews contact council program director Bill Price at 501-664-4780.

Eagle Day 2003

For the past four years the Quapaw Area Council,the Arkansas Secretary of State's office, Lt. Governor Win Rockefeller, the Downtown Rotary Club of Little Rock, and selected Little Rock businesses have been honoring the Eagle Scouts from Central and Eastern Arkansas. Members of the Eagle Scout class of 2002 are invited to attend the 2003 Eagle Scout Day scheduled for February 18, 2003. The Scouts will have the opportunity to visit the Arkansas Legislature (which will be in session); spend time with professionals from a selected Little Rock business, and have lunch with some of the top leaders and businessmen in Central Arkansas. The Scouts will be recognized for their efforts at both the State Capitol and the Rotary Club of Little Rock. The Scouts will meet at the Council Service Center in Little Rock and be transported to the various locations for the day's activities. Each Eagle Scout will receive an invitation and should respond as quickly as possible to secure his place for the day. There is no fee for this event, it is in their honor. If you have Eagle Scouts in your troop or community tell them to be on the lookout for this important piece of information. Most area schools will allow this as an excused absence, but they should check with their individual school to be sure.

Council Trainer Development Conference (formerly Train the Trainer) is set for UCA on February 1, 2003.

The Quapaw Area Council will hold a Trainer Development Conference at East Commons on the campus of the University of Central Arkansas. The course is set for February 1, 2003. Tony Sitz, the Council Training Chairman, will serve as Course Director.

The Trainer Development Conference is part of a continuous process of updating trainers with the latest training methods, principles, and technologies. The primary target of this conference is Scouters who will be delivering training to leaders as well as young people in all parts of the Scouting program.

All council training committee members and all district training team members who will be delivering training on all phases of the Scouting Program should attend. So, attendees include, but are not limited to:

* Cub Scout leader trainers
* Venturing Trainers
* Cub Scout pack trainers
* Roundtable Staff
* Boy Scout leader trainers
* Varsity Scout Leader Trainers
* Wood Badge staff members
* Youth and Adult JLT staff
* District and Council Committee Trainers

Newly appointed trainers should participate in the Trainer Development Conference before they assume their responsibilities.

As a result of this training experience, each participant should be able to:

- List the basic principles of learning.
- Explain the importance of good communication.
- List the desirable characteristics of a good trainer.
- List the required steps of planning.
- Explain he importance of training arrangements.
- List at least five training methods.
- Demonstrate training technology.
- Explain the importance of putting "pizzazz" in training.

For more information please contact, Tony Sitz at 501-450-5040 or by email at asitz@mail.uca.edu.

Powder Horn

Powder Horn 2003, a high-adventure outdoor skills resource course for Boy Scout and Venturing leaders, will take place at Blass Scout Reservation on the weekends on March 14 – 16 and April 11-13, 2003.

Powder Horn is an exciting training opportunity designed to introduce your unit leadership to the outstanding local high adventure resources, so that your unit can establish a successful high adventure program.

Areas covered in the session are emergency preparedness, communications, outdoor living history, land navigation, conservation, backpacking, cave exploration, ecology, equestrian, plants and wildlife, leave no trace, cycling/mountain biking, wilderness survival, fishing, hunting, lifesaving, mountaineering, physical fitness, Project COPE, Scuba, shooting sports, water craft, winter sports, first aid, and cooking.

To participate in Powder Horn 2003, you must be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America, have participated in Youth Protection Training within the last 12 months, completed basic leader training, have a current Class 3 physical, and be a BSA swimmer.

The participant fee is $185.00. Applications are available at www.quapawbsa.org or at the Council Service Center in Little Rock or the Scout Shop in Jonesboro. You may mail the application and deposit to Powder Horn 2003, Quapaw Area Council, BSA, 3220 Cantrell Road, Little Rock, Arkansas 72202.

For more information, please contact Sheila Brown, Course Director, at 501-425-4565 or at sbrown@arkie.net, or Gary Speed, Program Director, at 501-219-2800 or at speedlaw@speedlaw.com.

Merit Badge University

The Quapaw Area Council will be hosting the annual 2003 Merit Badge University in Little Rock on May 10th, 2003. All Scout troops are invited and encouraged to attend this excellent opportunity to attain advancement.

Opening ceremonies for the event will be held at the Capitol Building at 8:30 a.m.; classes will begin at 9:15. The registration fee will be $7.50, which includes lunch, program materials, and an event badge. Some merit badges may require other fees. Parents and others are invited to observe and share lunch; those attending lunch but not participating in the program will be charged $5.

All assignments will be made on a first come, first serve basis, as completed registration forms and money are received in the scout office. Registration will open March 30th and close April 18th. Boys are encouraged to register and attend even if they can only attend one session.

Although most of the classes will be held in the downtown Little Rock area, some will require transportation; this is the troop's responsibility.

In an effort to assist troops traveling far distances for the event, late arrival for those from outlying areas will be permitted with prior notice. Troops from outlying areas may choose to arrive between 9:00 and 9:15 and should contact MBU Chairman, Ralph Allen, prior to the event to make such arrangements. Also, troops interested in overnight camping should notify Ralph at least twenty days prior to the event to discuss the possibility of such arrangements in the Little Rock area.

For more information, check out the MBU link found on the Quapaw Area Council website (www.quapawbsa.org). Email inquiries should be sent to Ralph Allen (raljanall@aol.com) or Todd Ferguson, Staff Advisor (delta@quapawbsa.org).

NEED $ AFTER THE HOLIDAYS ?

Give your youth a better program with less stress on their parents' pocketbooks.

Attend your district's February Roundtable to find out more about the

Great 2003 Chocolate Sale!

The Quapaw Area Council has joined with the Kathryn Beich Company (a Nestle Company) to provide the highest quality products for the 2003 sale. Three different candy bars (Krunch, Caramel and Almonds) will be available for sale by Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Venturers and Explorers.

Pre-order forms will be distributed at the February Roundtables. The pre-order form must be returned by February 28th indicating the quantities of each type of bar that your unit plans to sell.. The product will be delivered on March 15th. The sale will last only 5 weeks with your money due back on April 18th. You may return unsold product to the council at that time. The base commission for a unit is $14.00 per case. If you return less than 10% of your total pre-order quantity, you will qualify for an additional $2.00 per case sold. And, if you settle your account by April 18th, you will qualify for an additional $2.00 per case. The maximum commission is $18.00 per case.

The candy comes packaged 60 bars to a case. Each case has two convenient 30-bar carrying cartons for easy handling.

A patch will be given to each Scout who sells 1 case (60 bars.) The top salesman in each district will receive a $100 gift card to Wal-Mart. New this year, the second place salesman in each district will receive a Coleman two-burner camp stove.

For more details attend your February Roundtable, the first source for all important information.

Honor the Eagle Scout Class of 2002

The Scottish Rite Masons and the Quapaw Area Council will salute the Eagle Scout Class of 2002 on February 21, 2003 at 6:30 p.m. at the Albert Pike Masonic Temple, located at 712 Scott Street, in downtown Little Rock. James Turner will serve as Eagle Banquet Chairman.

Eagle Scouts need to meet in the auditorium at 6:00 p.m. for rehearsal.

After a delicious meal and an inspiring banquet program, Eagle Scouts will be formally inducted through a time-honored ceremony into the Eagle Scout Class of 2002. All of the Eagle Scouts will receive a neckerchief and an "Eagle Class of 2002" commemorative mug. Eagles must be present to receive their neckerchief and mug.

The Eagle Scout, one parent or guardian and the Eagle Scout's Scoutmaster receive complimentary admission. All others are $10.00 per person. We will also make photographs of each Eagle Scout and a group photo that will be available for purchase.

Again this year, the Eagle Banquet Committee is appealing to Eagle Scouts and to Friends of Scouting to sponsor one or more of the new Eagle Scouts. A $25.00 sponsorship will provide recognition and dinner for an Eagle Scout, one parent or guardian, and the Eagle Scout's Scoutmaster.

Invitations will be mailed to Eagle Scouts and their families, Council Executive Board Members, and Scoutmasters in January. Reservations must be made at the Council Service Center by February 14, 2003.

For more information, contact Jim Dean at (501) 664-4780, extension 255.

Return this form with fees by February 14, 2003.

Complimentary Guests:

Eagle Scout: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Scoutmaster: _____ Troop #: _____

_____ Reservations @$10.00 per person = _____

_____ 8x10 Group Photo @ $10.00 each = _____

_____ 5x7 Individual Photo @ $5.00 each = _____

_____ Sponsorships at $25.00 each = _____

Total Enclosed: $_____

Send reservation form and payment to: Quapaw Area Council, Eagle Banquet, 3220 Cantrell Road, Little Rock, Arkansas 72202.

Wood Badge for the 21st Century

Wood Badge for the 21st Century is the ultimate leadership training program for the adult leaders of the Boy Scouts of America. Established in 1919, by Robert Baden-Powell, Scouting's founder, Wood Badge has been the training ground for hundreds of thousands of Scouters around the world.

The Wood Badge for the 21st Century course brings together leaders from all areas of Scouting – Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Varsity Scouting, Venturing – and all levels of the Boy Scouts of America professional staff. Reflecting the best of nearly a century of the Scouting experience, the course also draws upon the most current leadership models used by corporate America, academic circles, and successful outdoor leadership organizations throughout the country.

The course will cover two, 3-day weekends (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday) on September 12, 13, and 14 and October 3, 4, and 5.

The location is Reynolds Training Center at Blass Scout Reservation in Damascus, Arkansas.

The fee is $195.00. A $50.00 deposit is required with your application. All fees must be paid in full by July 15, 2003.

For additional information contact Troy Cole, SR-522 Course Director, at home at 870-247-4867 or at work at 1-800-632-4713. If you would like to register for the course, please complete the registration form below.

Wood Badge SR-522 (clip and submit this form with $50.00 deposit)

Send to:

Quapaw Area Council, BSA
3220 Cantrell Road
Little Rock, Arkansas72202

Name _____

Address: _____

City _____ State/Zip _____

Phone (H)_____ (W)_____ email _____

Council _____ District _____ Unit _____

Current registered position _____

No. years as a BSA leader _____ No. Years as a BSA/GSA youth _____

Date completed "Basic Leader Training" _____

You make payment with a check or credit card. If paying with credit card please include the type of card, account #, and expiration date.

CHOCOLATE SALE COMMISSION PLANS ANNOUNCED

The Quapaw Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, will again provide Kathryn Beich chocolate products for sale as a springtime unit fundraising activity. Details and information for participating in the sale will be available at your district's February Roundtable.

Three different candy bars will be available for Scouts, Venturers, Explorers, leaders, and parents to sell. Bars sell for $1.00 each, are 2.0 oz and will have the Nestle name on the wrapper. The three bars are; Krunch, Caramel, and Almond.

The bars are packaged 60 per case, with handy carry cartons of 30 bars in each carton.

Your unit will be able to return up to 10% of unsold bars at no penalty to the unit.

CHOCOLATE SALE COMMISSION PLAN

Cash Commission plan

Base $14.00 per case sold (if account is cleared by the deadline)

Plus $2.00 extra per case if your unit returns less than 10% of your total unit order (unsold product in good condition) by the settlement deadline.

Plus $2.00 extra per case sold if your account is settled on time.

Chocolate Sales Prize plan

Each Scout selling one case (60 bars) will receive the Chocolate Sales Patch

Top Salesman in each district: (must sell a minimum of 300 bars to qualify)
Will receive a $100.00 gift card from Wal-Mart

Second and Third Place Salesmen in each district:
Will receive a Coleman Two Burner Camp Stove

Delta District

District Chairman . . . . Jim Smith
District Vice Chairman . Rolf Bryant
District Executive . . . . . Todd Ferguson

Serving Arkansas, Phillips, St. Francis. Lee. and Monroe Counties

Way to go Delta District!

Delta District was the first to get in all their popcorn money and the only district to have all the units pay up on time. Great Job! We had a record year with popcorn sales and are looking forward to 2003 as a great year in Scouting.

New Roundtable Dates and Format

Beginning in February we will have a combined roundtable on the second Monday of each month. The reason for a combined meeting is to allow Cub and Scout leaders time to work together on District projects, coordinate unit activities and participate in roundtable activities per their special interest areas. Cubs will still have their breakout sessions, as will the Scouts, but this format will provide an opportunity for all District leadership to meet together in one meeting for information and fellowship.

Upcoming Training

February 22, 2003 New Leader Essentials and Cub Leader Specific Training

These are the two basic leader courses required for the "Trained" patch. New Leader Essentials is an introduction course to welcome all new leaders to scouting. Cub Leader Essentials is broken down into each specific leadership role within a Cub Pack. There will be sections for Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos and Cub Master Training. If you have changed positions with in your pack, you need the new leader specific training. Cost will be $5 per person.

March 8, 2003 Scout leader Specific Training

Just like Cub Leader Specific Training, Scout leader Specific Training is for new Scout Leaders. This training focuses on teaching new Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters in organizing, planning and running a troop. Cost will be $5. New Leader Essentials will be available for any leaders who have not had this training. These are the courses required for Scoutmasters and Assistants to wear the "Trained" patch.

March 14-16, 2003 Outdoor Leader Skills Training

This course is for all leaders that take kids outdoors. It is an overall course for planning and conducting safe outings with your unit. There are no details for location or cost at this time. Information will be available at Roundtable and on the website as they become available.

February

2	Order of the Arrow Chapter Meeting
6	District Committee Meeting, Riceland Main Office, 6:30 PM
13	Cub and Scout Leader Roundtable, Brinkley United Methodist Church, 7PM
22	New Leader Essentials Training, Brinkley United Methodist Church, 9 AM
22	Cub Leader Specific Training, Brinkley United Methodist Church, 9 AM
25	Commissioner Meeting, Riceland Main Office, 6:30 PM

March

2	Order of the Arrow Chapter Meeting
6	District Committee Meeting, Riceland Main Office, 6:30 PM
8	Scout Leader Specific Training, Brinkley United Methodist Church, 9AM
13	Cub and Scout Leader Roundtable, Brinkley United Methodist Church, 7PM
14-16	Outdoor Leader Skills, Location TBA
25	Commissioner Meeting, Riceland Main Office, 6:30 PM
28-30	Spring Camporee, Location TBA

April

1	District Committee, Riceland Main Office, 6:30 PM
6	Order of the Arrow Chapter Meeting
12	Delta District Scout Expo, Location TBA
14	Cub and Scout Leader Roundtable, Brinkley United Methodist Church 7 PM
29	Commissioner Meeting, Riceland Main Office, 6:30 PM

Roundtable Themes

FEBRUARY
Cubs: Why does it do that?
Webelos: Athlete, Engineer
Scouts: Cultural Diversity

MARCH
Cubs: Land of the Pharaohs
Webelos: Sportsman, Family Member
Scouts: Wildlife Management

APRIL
Cubs: Lights, Camera, Action!
Webelos: Outdoorsman, Handyman
Scouts: Camping

Desoto District

District Chairman . . . . . Chief Phillip Johnston
District Commissioner . . Anne Jansen
Exploring Executive . . . Sarah Holt

Serving Learning for Life throughout the Quapaw Area Council

Night on the Town

Our Annual Night on the Town was held on December 6 & 7. This event was a success thanks to the businesses that volunteered their time. We had a night full of fun and entertainment. We departed the council service center at 7:00 p.m. to visit our first stop which was Easter Seals, our second stop was Little Rock Fire Department, our third stop was Channel 4 News, our fourth stop was MEMS, our fifth stop was Arkansas Children's' Hospital, for our sixth stop we went to professor bowl for a couple of hours where we bowled and ate pizza, our seventh stop was Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, and our last stop was the Pulaski County Detention Center. We returned to the Council Service Center at 6:30 the next morning. This great event allowed Explorers and Venturers to stay out all night and visit businesses that are open at night, and see what really goes on and how they operate. Thank you so much for those of you who participated in Night in the Town. Also a big thanks goes out to the National Guard for supplying the transportation.

February
- 3 Key-3 Meeting
- 6 Commissioner Meeting
- 10 Chartered Organization Representative Training
- 13 District Committee Meeting
- 15 Explorer Training
- 20 District Annual Dinner
- 24 Youth Protection Training

March
- 4 Key-3 Meeting
- 6 Commissioner Meeting
- 13 District Committee Meeting

April
- 1 Key-3 Meeting
- 2 Commissioner Meeting
- 10 District Committee Meeting
- 14 Quarterly Advisor Meeting

District Committee

Congratulations to Phil Johnston for returning as our District Chairman, Anne Jansen for returning as District Commissioner, and Russ Reddoch for returning as Assistant District Commissioner. Also congratulations to Stuart McGilvray for coming on board as finance Chairman.

Three Rivers District

District Chairman . . . . . Dr. James Carr
District Commissioner . . . . Don Young
District Executive . . . . . Sam Davis

Serving Lonoke, Prairie, White, and Woodruff Counties

District News and Notes:

Popcorn sales were a success within the district. Thanks to all of the volunteers that helped with the organizing and handling of the popcorn sales and distribution. The district popcorn chairman was Judy Carr-Back, district kernels were, Debby Dickson, Diane Chidister, and Brenda Bryant. Patricia Smith and Melissa Bird helped; with the sorting of the popcorn when it came into the warehouse. And, we should not forget the boys that got out and sold the popcorn, they did an excellent job.

Welcome to our new district chairman, Mr. Jeff Scott of Searcy. Mr. Scott is the Publisher for the Daily Citizen in Searcy. He is excited about the opportunity to help the volunteers and boys in the district this year. We also need to thank Dr. Carr for serving as Chairman last year. His influence helped build the new district committee.

February
- 4 Commissioner Meeting, 7:00pm, Scout Room, Carlisle
- 11 District Committee Meeting, 7:00pm, Hampton Inn, Searcy
- 13 Cub Leader & Scout Leader Roundtable, 6:30pm, Beebe High School
- 13 OA Chapter Meeting, 6:30pm, Beebe High School
- 22 Boy Scout Leader Specific Training, TBA
- 2 Baloo Training,TBA
- 27 Key-3 Meeting

March
- 4 Commissioner Meeting, 7:00pm, Scout Room, Carlisle
- 6 Youth Protection Training, 1st UMC, McRae
- 7-9 Spring Camporee, Blass Scout Reservation
- 11 District Committee Meeting, 7:00pm, Hampton Inn, Searcy
- 13 Cub Leader & Scout Leader Roundtable, 6:30pm, Beebe High School
- 13 OA Chapter Meeting, 6:30pm, Beebe High School
- 27 Key- 3 Meeting
- 28-30 Outdoor Leader Skills Training, Blass Scout Reservation

April
- 1 Commissioner Meeting, 7:00pm, Scout Room, Carlisle
- 8 District Committee Meeting, 7:00pm, Hampton Inn, Searcy
- 10 Cub Leader & Scout Leader Roundtable, 6:30pm, Beebe High School
- 10 OA Chapter Meeting, 6:30pm, Beebe High School
- 24 Key-3 Meeting

Roundtable Themes

FEBRUARY
Cub Scouts: Uncle Sam Depends on You
Webelos: Scholar/Engineer
Boy Scouts: Public Service

MARCH
Cub Scouts: Why does it do that?
Webelos: Athlete/Engineer
Boy Scouts: Cultural Diversity

Saracen District

District Chairman . . . . . Dr. Ray Jones
District Commissioner . . John Webber
District Executive . . . . . Jim Dean

Serving Jefferson, Grant and Lincoln Counties

Roundtable should be attended each month by all unit leaders. Committee personnel are urged to attend as well. Roundtables for Cub Scout Leaders and Boy Scout Leaders are held the second Thursday of each month at the Scout Building at First Baptist Church on Hazel St. in Pine Bluff.

All roundtable meetings begin at 7:00pm. Each month the Roundtables feature a different theme and they are excellent sessions designed to help you deliver the best possible program you can for your Scouts.

Be sure to take advantage of the 2003 Chocolate Sales. This is a great way to put additional dollars into your unit treasury. Details will given at the February Roundtable.

In March our Outdoor Leader Skills Training Course will be presented. All new and veteran Boy Scout Leaders should attend this weekend session. Skills learned are essential to the continued health of a Boy Scout unit. This course is required to complete training requirements for Boy Scout leaders.

In April our annual Expo will again be held at the White Hall City Park. Weblos under adult supervision are urged to attend. This Expo is an excellent opportunity to display Scouting skills to the public, enjoy camping, and compete for unit District awards.

February
- 5 Key 3 @ 5:45pm at the office of Dr. Ray Jones; 8025 Dollarway Road White Hall
- 11 District Commissioner's Mtg. @ 6:30 pm Pine Bluff Convention Ctr. Board. Rm @ 5:45pm
- 12 District Committee Mtg. Pine Bluff Convention Ctr. Board Rm. @5:45pm
- 13 Cub Leader/Scout Leader Roundtable @ 1st Baptist Scouthouse on S. Hazel @7:00pm in Pine Bluff
- 14 Order of The Arrow Meeting
- 15 District Pinewood Derby

March
- 3 Key 3@ 5:45pm at the office of Dr. Ray Jones; 8025 Dollarway Road White Hall
- 7-9 Outdoor Leader Skills Training
- 11 District Commissioner's Meeting 6:30pm Pine Bluff Convention Ctr. Board. Rm @ 5:45pm
- 12 District Committee Meeting. Pine Bluff Convention Ctr. Board. Rm. @ 5:45pm
- 13 Cub Ldr & Scout Ldr Roundtable @ 1st Baptist Church Scouthouse on S. Hazel in Pine Bluff @ 7:00pm
- 13 OA Chapter Meeting @ 1st Baptist Scout House @ 7:00pm

April
- 2 Key 3 @ 5:45pm at the office of Dr. Ray Jones; 8025 Dollarway Road White Hall
- 8 Ditrict Commissioner's Mtg. @ 6:30 pm Barragque Pine Bluff Convention Ctr. Board. Rm @ 5:45pm
- 9 District Committee Mtg. Pine Bluff Convention Ctr. Board Rm. @5:45pm
- 10 Cub Leader/Scout Leader Roundtable @ 1st Baptist Scouthouse on S. Hazel @7:00pm in Pine Bluff
- 11 Order of The Arrow Meeting
- 25-26 Weblos Campout
- 26 Expo

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The Scout Shop stocks most items found in the Official Scout catalog. If we don't have the item you need, we will order it for you - with delivery in approximately 2-3 weeks. Payment is due with order.

M-F: 8:30am-5pm Saturdays: Nov. 6 & Dec. 2 10am-2pm
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Cherokee District

District Chairman . . . . Andy Fulkerson
District Commissioner . Steve Lynn

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Roundtable Themes

FEBRUARY
Cub Scouts: Uncle Sam Depends On You;
Webelos: Scholar/Engineer
Boy Scouts: Public Service

February

6	District Committee Meeting – 11:45 a.m. – Perkins Restaurant, Paragould
6	Commissioner Meeting – 7 p.m.- 1st United Methodist Church, Paragould
11	Key 3 Meeting – 6:30 – 1st United Methodist Church, Paragould
11	Rountables – 7 p.m. –1st United Methodist Church, Paragould

March

1	New Leader Essentials/Cub Leader Specific Training – 8:30 a.m. – City Light and Water, Paragould
6	District Committee Meeting – 11:45 a.m. – Perkins Restaurant, Paragould
6	Commissioner Meeting – 7 p.m.- 1st United Methodist Church, Paragould
11	Key 3 Meeting – 6:30 – 1st United Methodist Church, Paragould
11	Rountables – 7 p.m. –1st United Methodist Church, Paragould
28-30	Cub Family Weekend/Boy Scout Camporee – Crowley's Ridge State Park

April

3	District Committee Meeting – 11:45 a.m. – Perkins Restaurant, Paragould
3	Commissioner Meeting – 7 p.m.- 1st United Methodist Church, Paragould
8	Key 3 Meeting – 6:30 – 1st United Methodist Church, Paragould
8	Rountables – 7 p.m. –1st United Methodist Church, Paragould

District Committee Meetngs
The District Committee Meeting is a monthly meeting of district level volunteers to plan and implement the activities, advancement, camp promotions and outdoor activities, health and safety, membership, and training programs in support of Packs, Troops, Teams, and Crews in the Cherokee District. Committee members and Chartered Organization Representative make up the district committee.

District Committee Meetings are held at 11:45 a.m. on the first Thursday of each month at Perkins Restaurant in Paragould. For more information contact Andy Fulkerson, Cherokee District Chairman, at 870-239-4002.

District Commissioner Meeting
The District Commissioner Meeting is where volunteer Unit Commissioners meet to discuss issues concerning recharters, unit needs, status of units and items of interest that need to be communicated to the units in the district.

District Commissioner Meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Paragould. For more information, contact Steve Lynn, Cherokee District Commissioner, at 870-236-7696.

Roundtables
Roundtables are held the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Paragould. This is a monthly meeting where volunteers come together to network, receive district and council information, and preview next month's theme. This is an activities based meeting, as well and an informational meeting. Break-out sessions are conducted for the various leadership groups represented.

Training Opportunities
New Leader Essentials will be offered on March 1, 2003 at 8:30 a.m. at the City Light Water Training Center located at 1901 Jones Road in Paragould. New Leader Essentials is designed for all volunteers and provides the basics of the Scouting programs, the age appropriateness of these programs, and the values and methods.

Cub Leader Specific Training will also be offered on March 1 at the City Light Water Training Center. This is in-depth training by position for Cub Scout leaders.
The fee is $5.00 per person.

Cub FamilyWeekend/Boy Scout Camporee
The Spring Cub Family Weekend/Boy Scout Camporee will take place the weekend of March 28-30 at Crowley's Ridge State Park in Walcott. The fee is $5.00 per person.

Please come out and join the other parents leaders, and boys in the district for a fun-filled weekend. There will be separate activities for Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts.

Cub Scout camping is family camping, so parents must attend with Cub Scouts.

MOHAWK District

District Chairman . . . . . Curtis Bailey
District Commissioner . . . Larry Furrer
Senior District Executive. . Tim Durham

Serving Little Rock

Roundtable Themes

FEBRUARY
Cub Scouts: Uncle Sam Depends On You
Webelos: Scholar/Engineer
Boy Scouts: Public Service

MARCH
Cub Scouts: Why Does It Do That?
Webelos: Athlete/Engineer
Boy Scouts: Cultural Awareness

February

4	Commissioner Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Westlake Corporate Center – Searcy Bldg.
6	District Committee Meeting, 5:45p.m., Westlake Corporate Center – Searcy Bldg.
7	District Banquet, 6:30 p, Highland Valley United Methodist Church
13	Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 p.m.
13	Order of the Arrow, 7:00 p.m.

March

4	Commissioner Meeting, 5:30 p, Westlake Corporate Center – Searcy Bldg.
6	District Committee Meeting, 5:45 p, Westlake Corporate Center – Searcy Bldg.
13	Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 p.m.
13	Order of the Arrow, 7:00 p.m.

April

1	Commissioner Meeting, 5:30 p, Westlake Corporate Center – Searcy Bldg.
3	District Committee Meeting, 5:45 p, Westlake Corporate Center – Searcy Bldg.
10	Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 p.m.
10	Order of the Arrow, 7:00 p.m.
29	Free Physicals, Children's Hospital

A New Year, A New District: Mohawk
Effective November 1, 2002, the Pioneer and Arrowhead Districts merged to form the Mohawk District. Leaders from both Districts are excited and enthusiastic regarding the merger. District Chairman Curtis Bailey welcomes the opportunity and challenges that will be coming. The Mohawk District is made up of all of Southern Pulaski County, south of the Arkansas River; effectively Little Rock.

Thank You So Much!
Congratulations and thanks go to the District Leadership for 2002 –

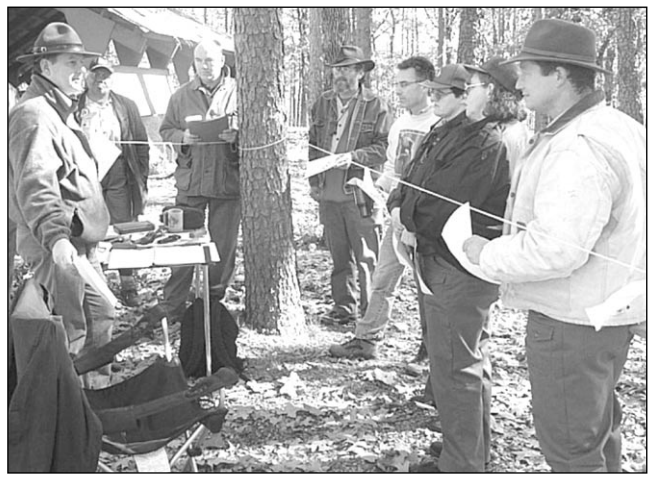
Committee	Pioneer	Arrowhead
District Chairman	Curtis Bailey	Ronnie Dedman
District Vice-Chairman	Buddy Johnson	n/a
District Commissioner	Larry Furrer	Garth Hil
Activities and Civic Service	George Wilkerson & Allen Bailey	Bruce Moore
Advancement and Recognition	Wendell Griffen	Gary Alexander
Camping Promotions and Outdoor Activities	Greg Warren	Brandon Birmingham
Membership	Tim Jones	Wendell Jones
Training	Sheila Brown	Mark Squires
Health and Safety	Andrew Miller	n/a
Finance	Kurt Bender	n/a

District Named Quality District!
The Pioneer District proudly announces that they have been recognized as a Quality District for the year 2002. Congratulations to all District and Unit volunteers for this accomplishment!

Commissioner News
It's that time of year! No, not presents again, but Rechartering! All February units are due to the Unit Commissioner by February 15, 2003. Contact District Commissioner Larry Furrer at 224-4435 for details and to find out who the Unit Commissioners are.

District Banquet
Hey it's Banquet time! Friday, February 7, 6:30 pm at Highland Valley United Methodist Church. Tickets are $10.00 in advance. There will not be any tickets at the door. Every leader in the district should have received a registration form. If not, then contact Tim Durham at the Scout office (664-4780 x226). This is a great opportunity to fellowship and be recognized for all of the tremendous achievements that units have made this year. There will be many awards given out, such as the prestigious District Award of Merit. Special unit recognition will be given, as well as the Pack, Troop, and Crew of the Year. The exclusive District Mainstays and Shining Stars will also be recognized. So join in on the fun. Contact Banquet Chairman Deborah Riley at 868-0831 for more details.

Training
In November 2002, training was held on Outdoor Leader Skills and BALOO Training. Staff members Sheila and Wendell Brown, Mark Loveless, Randy Luten, Hallie Rookey, Nick Motley, Alan Myatt, Don King, Larry Furrer presented outstanding skills. The highlight of the weekend was the feast prepared with a "turkey in a trash can" as the main course (see picture).



Roundtable Report
Cub Scouts - Commissioner Bennie Petrey – 664-7401

Boy Scouts – Commissioner
Venturing – Commissioner Bob Means – 219-6613

White River District

District Chairman . . . . . Dr. John Peek
District Commissioner . . Larry Adams
District Executive. . . . . Ronald Richardson

Serving Independence, Stone and Sharp, Izard, Fulton, and Cleburne Counties

February Re-Charters
Pack 11 – Batesville Kiwanis Club; Pack 258 – Horseshoe Bend Kiwanis Club; Pack 369 – Rural Special School; Troop 67 – Cherokee Village Kiwanis Club; Troop 151 – First United Methodist Church (Batesville); Troop 162 – Batesville LDS; Troop 258 – Horseshoe Bend Lions/Kiwanis Club; Troop 911 – Mount Pleasant Fire Department; Crew 911 – Mount Pleasant Fire Department

March Re-Charters
Pack 51 – River City Kiwanis (Batesville); Pack 373 – Sulphur Rock School; Pack 639 – Peace Lutheran (Cherokee Village); Pack 3146 – Cave City School; Troop 166 – 1st Presbyterian Church Batesville); Troop 176 – Mountain View LDS; Troop 373 – Sulphur Rock School; Team 176 – Mountain View LDS

April Re-Charters
None

May Re-Charters
Pack 247 – Parents of Quitman; Pack 333 – Quitman LDS; Troop 333 – Quitman LDS; Team 333 – Quitman LDS; Crew 333 – Quitman LDS

Roundtable
Cub Scout Commissioner: Carla Bailey (cjbrown52@hotmail.com)
Boy Scout Commissioner: Sonny Chidister (whiteriveroutdoors@hotmail.com)

April Theme: Cub Scouts – Land Of The Pharaohs; Webelos – Sportsman/Family Member; Boy Scouts – Wildlife Management

Roundtables are held the 2nd Thursday of each month at the Southside Middle School Cafeteria in Batesville. A meal of fried chicken and side dishes is served at 6:30 PM (Scouters are encouraged to bring side dished and desserts). The program begins at 7:00 PM. All adult Scouters should attend these informative sessions.

2003 District Committee
Dr, John Peek, Vice President for Academic Services at Lyon College, will fill the role as District Chairman for 2003, and Larry Adams will serve as District Commissioner. We would also like to welcome the following members who are serving for the first time: Dr. Steve Blevins, Lee Conditt, Ed Deskin, Dan Johnson, Tate Lawrence, David Shetron, and State Representative Chaney Taylor, Jr.

District Award of Merit
Dr. Walter Roettger and Sonny Chidister received the coveted District Award of Merit at the District's Annual Banquet held on Thursday, December 19th at Lyon college in Batesville. Dr. Roettger served 2 years as District Chairman, and the District flourished under his leadership. Sonny has served many roles since joining the White River District in January of 2002. Many thanks go out to these two outstanding volunteers, and we wish you much success in your future Scouting endeavors.

February
4 District Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, Lyon College
11 Commissioner Meeting, 6:45 PM, Southside Middle School
13 Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 6:30 PM, Southside Middle School
13 Order of the Arrow, 6:30 PM, Southside Middle School

March
4 District Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, Lyon College
11 Commissioner Meeting, 6:45 PM, Southside Middle School
13 Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 6:30 PM, Southside Middle 13 School
13 Order of the Arrow, 6:30 PM, Southside Middle School
14-16 Spring Camporee, 3 PM, Camp Cedar Valley – Viola Arkansas
22 District Pinewood Derby, 10 AM, Southside Middle School
29 New Leader Essentials/Cub Specific Training, 9 AM, Southside Middle School

April
1 District Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, Lyon College
8 Commissioner Meeting, 6:45 PM, Southside Middle School
10 Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 6:30 PM, Southside Middle School
10 Order of the Arrow, 6:30 PM, Southside Middle School

Roundtable Themes

FEBRUARY
Cub Scouts: Uncle Sam Depends On You
Webelos: Scholar/Engineer;
Boy Scouts: Public Service

MARCH
Cub Scouts: Why Does It Do That?
Webelos: Athlete/Engineer
Boy Scouts: Cultural Awareness

APRIL
Cub Scouts: Land Of The Pharaohs
Webelos: Sportsman/Family Member
Boy Scouts: Wildlife Management

Spring Camporee
The White River District will conduct its Spring Camporee on March 14, 15, & 16 at Camp Cedar Valley in Viola Arkansas. Cost will be $5 per person. For more information on the Camporee, please visit www.quapawbsa.org.

District Pinewood Derby
The White River District Pinewood Derby will be held on Saturday, March 22nd, 2002 at the Southside Middle School in Batesville. Registration will begin at 10 AM, and preliminary races will begin at 10:30 AM. For more information on who will be eligible to compete in the District Pinewood Derby, please visit www.quapawbsa.org.

New Leader Essentials/Cub Specific Training
On March 29, 2003, the White River District will conduct New Leader Essentials and Cub Specific Training at the Southside Middle School in Batesville. Registration will begin at 9 AM. Newly registered Scout leaders, and those who have not received basic training in the past should attend this session. The session is designed to teach Scouters about the Scouting program, and the leader's role in the program.

Cub Specific Training is designed to help adult volunteers to better fulfill their role in a Cub Scout Pack. Participants must complete New Leader Essentials prior to participating in Specific Training.

There is a $5 fee for New Leader Essentials/Cub Specific Training, and that includes all handouts. Participants should bring a sack lunch. For more information on this class, please visit ww.quapawbsa.org.

Enthusiasm Is Contagious

Enthusiastic volunteers attract and sustain positive attention at civic, social, and industry functions, Create positive energy, and people inside and outside the organization will feel it. It's rarely mentioned in marketing plans, yet enthusiasm is a powerful persuasion tool.

One writer describes a consultant in her community who loves his work so much that he exudes passion. She writes, "When we're attending the same function I always gravitate toward his contagious optimism. even during the worst economic downturns, this man flows about a new service his company is developing. He always has inspiring success stories to share, which spur my continual referrals."

Get psyched! Consider that almost 80 percent of what the average person hears is negative. You've got a job to do. People want to hear positive news. Share the good news, The many benefits of Scouting and positive stories will lift their spirits.

Thunderbird District

District Chairman . . . . . Brett Russell
District Commissioner . . Mike Stephens
District Executive . . . . . Brandon Simmons

Serving North Little Rock, Maumelle, Sherwood, Jacksonville

District Crossover-
All Webelos I and II (and family) are invited to attend this inaugural crossover ceremony. Witness Thunderbird Cub scouts becoming Boy Scouts. This special event will be held at Lakewood in North Little Rock from 1-7 PM. $6 Registration. Contact Jeff Peets for more information at 988-1573 or email him at jeff.peets@littlerock.af.mil.

Pinewood Derby
This year our Pinewood Derby will be held in the Maumelle Community Center on Saturday February 15th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Be sure to pick up your Derby Kit in the Scout Office- its only $3.55! Mel Heaps is the man in charge and he can be found at 803-4681.

Cub Leader Specific /Scoutmaster Specific
This course is designed to present in-depth information for anyone who has recently become a new Cub Leader or Scoutmaster. The date has been set for March 1, but the location has not, so be sure to check the web page for updates: www.quapawbsa.org.

Venturing Leader Specific
All new Venturing Leaders need to attend this course on February 22 to be trained. The course will he held at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, but please be sure to check the web for updates: www.quapawbsa.org

February
1 District Crossover –1 p.m. Lakewood
4 Commissioners Meeting-7 p.m.- St. Luke's Episcopal Church
4 OA Chapter Meeting-7 p.m.- St. Luke's Episcopal Church
6 Roundtable-7 p.m.- St. Luke's Episcopal Church
13 District Committee Meeting-7 p.m.- St. Luke's Episcopal Church
15 Pinewood Derby-10 a.m.-Maumelle Community Center
22 Venturing Leader Specific Training- St. Luke's Episcopal Church

March
1 Cub Leader Specific/Scoutmaster Specific Training- TBA Check web page for updates: www.quapawbsa.org
4 Commissioners Meeting7 p.m.- St. Luke's Episcopal Church
6 Roundtable7 p.m.- St. Luke's Episcopal Church
6 OA Chapter Meeting-7 p.m.- St. Luke's Episcopal Church
13 District Committee-7 p.m.- St. Luke's Episcopal Church

April
1 Commissioners Meeting-7 p.m.- St. Luke's Episcopal Church
1 OA Chapter Meeting-7 p.m.- St. Luke's Episcopal Church
3 Roundtable-7 p.m.- St. Luke's Episcopal Church
10 District Committee Meeting-7 p.m.- St. Luke's Episcopal Church
12 Expo- TBA- Check web page for updates: www.quapawbsa.org

Roundtable Themes

FEBRUARY
Cubs: Uncle Sam Depends on You
Webelos Activity Pin: Scholar & Engineer
Boy Scouts:Public Service

MARCH
Cubs: Why does it do that?
Webelos Activity Pin: Athlete & Engineer
Boy Scouts: Cultural Awareness

APRIL
Cubs: Land of the Pharos
Webelos Activity Pin: Sportsman & Family Member
Boy Scouts: Cultural Awareness

Shawnee District

District Chairman . . . . . Lee St. Pierre
District Commissioner . . . . . George Haag
District Executive . . . . . Loyd Price

Serving Cittenden, Cross, Jackson, Poinsett, and Craighead Counties

Roundtable Themes

FEBRUARY
Cub Scouts: Uncle Sam Depends On You
Webelos: Scholar/Engineer
Boy Scouts:Public Service

MARCH
Cub Scouts: Why Does It Do That?
Webelos: Athlete/Engineer
Boy Scouts: Cultural Awareness

February

1	Shawnee District Annual Banquet, 6:30 p.m., Cathedral Baptist Church - Jonesboro
6	District Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Cathedral Baptist Church - Jonesboro
11	Commissioner Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Cathedral Baptist Church - Jonesboro
13	Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 p.m., First Baptist Church Jonesboro, Christian Activity Center – 3rd Floor
20	Key-3 Meeting

March

6	District Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Cathedral Baptist Church - Jonesboro
7-9	Shawnee District Spring Camporee
11	Commissioner Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Cathedral Baptist Church - Jonesboro
13	Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 p.m., First Baptist Church Jonesboro, Christian Activity Center – 3rd Floor
20	Key-3 Meeting

April

3	District Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Cathedral Baptist Church - Jonesboro
8	Commissioner Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Cathedral Baptist Church - Jonesboro
10	Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 p.m., First Baptist Church Jonesboro, Christian Activity Center – 3rd Floor
17	Key-3 Meeting
26	Pinewood Derby

Popcorn Sales
A Special Thanks goes out to Sherry Hibbs, our District Popcorn Kernel, Dale Hibbs, the world's greatest fork-lift operator, the management and employees of International Paper Company in Jonesboro, along with Area Popcorn Kernels: Melisa Johnson, Karen Shirley, and Michelle Price!!! All of these individuals worked many long hours along with troop and pack Popcorn Chairpersons to bring in a total of over $100,000 of district popcorn sales with over 83% of all district units participating.

Shawnee District Annual Business Meeting
The District held it's Annual District Business Meeting on Thursday, November 7, 2002 at the Fellowship Hall of Cathedral Baptist Church in Jonesboro. We had a great attendance and appreciated John Carman and Christian Swaim driving up from Little Rock to participate in the meeting. A slate of nominations was presented by the Nominating Committee and approved by those in attendance.

Nominations Slate
Several adult volunteers were nominated and approved at the Annual Business Meeting to follow the leadership of Lee St. Pierre, Shawnee District Chairperson and George Haag, Shawnee District Commissioner. In addition, the following individuals will be Shawnee District Members at Large: Julie Simpson, Cassandra Patterson, Andrew Stricklin, Annette Reed, Lynn Alexander, Teresa Morgan, Kevin Dunham, Jane Comstock, Diana Davis, Dawn Tucker, Sherry Hibbs, James Morgan, Ricky Davis, Bill Winkler, Mike Garner, Jeff Puryear, Warren Skaug, Mike Patterson, Camille Baldinger, Carl Carter, Sandy Baskerville and Wayne Grommet.

Friends of Scouting (FOS)
Shawnee district volunteers under the direction of Jeff Puryear, FOS Chairperson, conducted the 2002 FOS Phone-a-Thon to remind contributors to send in their unpaid pledges in order to complete the 2002 FOS Campaign. Thanks for the expertise and assistance of the Northeast Arkansas Eye Care Clinic, Lee St. Pierre, Womack, Landis, Phelps, McNeill & McDaniel Law Firm, and Dustin Jones.

Welcome New Units!
Pack 225 in Lake City is sponsored by the Jerry Suiter Foundation and the Cubmaster is Kent Travis. Pack 62 in Harrisburg is sponsored by the Harrisburg Rotary Club and their Cubmaster is Chris Atkins. Pack 89 in Brookland is sponsored by Brookland Volunteer Fire Department and the new Cubmaster is Laura Garner. The Weiner First United Methodist Church sponsors Troop 239 in Weiner and the Scoutmaster is veteran Mark Ashcraft. Troop 37 in Tuckerman is sponsored by the Jackson County School District and the Scoutmaster is Shawn Davis

Popcorn Discussion
Shawnee District Popcorn Chairman Sherry Hibbs, United Way Volunteers (Wanda Penna, Carrie Collins, and Keith Cragg), along with Shawnee District Commissioner George Haag agree that Trail's End Gourmet Popcorn is "America's Best Popcorn."

Friends of Scouting (FOS)
Lee St. Pierre - District Chairperson, Jeff Puryear, District FOS Chairperson, and Dustin Jones discuss the plan of attack at the 2002 FOS Phone-a-Thon to collect unpaid pledges and complete the campaign.

Foothills District

District Chairman . . . . . Paul Barre'
District Commissioner . . Manny Davis
District Executive . . . . . K Wesley Davis

Serving Perry, Conway, Faulkner, and Van Buren Counties

Roundtable Themes

FEBRUARY
Cub Scouts: Uncle Sam depends on you
Webelos: Scholar, Engineer
Boy Scouts: Cultural Awareness

MARCH
Cub Scouts: Why does it do that?
Webelos: Athlete, Engineer
Boy Scouts: Cultural Awareness

APRIL
Cub Scouts: Land of the Pharaohs
Webelos: Sportsman, Family member
Boy Scouts: Cultural Awareness

February

4	District Committee Meeting – 6:30 p.m.- Conway Fire Station
6	Commissioner Meeting – 7 p.m. – Conway Fire Station
8	Cub Specific- TBA
13	Cub Ldr. & Scout Ldr. Roundtable – LDS Church, Dave Ward Conway
13	OA Chapter Meeting – LDS Church, Dave Ward Conway
22	Webelos Field Day
24	Council Banquet

March

3	District Committee Meeting – 6:30 p.m.- Conway Fire Station
6	Commissioner Meeting – 7 p.m. – Conway Fire Station
7,8,9	Foothills Spring Camporee – Blass Scout Camp (Location Subject to Change)
13	Roundtables – 7 p.m. – LDS Church, Dave Ward Conway
13	OA Chapter Meeting – 7 p.m. – LDS Church, Dave Ward Conway

April

1	District Committee Meeting – 6:30 p.m.- Conway Fire Station
3	Commissioner Meeting – 7 p.m. – Conway Fire Station
8	Youth Protection Training – 6:30- 1st United Methodist Church Conway
10	Roundtables – 7 p.m. – LDS Church, Dave Ward Conway
10	OA Chapter Meeting – 7 p.m. – LDS Church, Dave Ward Conway
12	Pine Wood Derby – Location TBA check council web page www.quapawbsa.org
25,26,27	Scoutmaster Specific Training — TBA

Training
Every Scout deserves a trained leader, and the Foothills District Training Committee strives to make sure that all registered leaders are trained. There are several different training courses being offered in Foothills District this spring.

Cub Scout Leader Specific Training will be offered on February 8th and is recommended for all Tiger and Cub leaders.

New Leader Essentials, a training for all Scout leaders from Cub Scouting through Venturing, is a 90 minute training covering Scouting basics will be offered on February 8th.

Youth Protection Training will be offered April 8 and is recommend for all adult volunteers.

Scoutmaster Specific Training will be offered April 25,26, and 27, it is recommended for all Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters.

For more information on training courses please contact Linda Cullum, Foothills District Training Chairman, at 327-8608.

District Committee Meetngs
The district committee meeting is a monthly meeting for district level volunteers to plan and implement the activities, advancement, camp promotions and outdoor activities, health and safety, membership, and training programs in support of Packs, Troops, Teams, and Crews in the Foothills District. Committee members and Chartered Organization Representative make up the district committee.

District Committee Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Conway Fire Station. For more information contact Paul Barre`, Foothills District Chairman, at 450-1803.

Commissioner Meetings
The commissioner meeting is a monthly meeting where volunteer commissioners meet to discuss issues concerning re-charters, unit needs, unit status, and items of interest that need to be communicated to the units of the district. The Unit Commissioner is your friend and their sole task is to help your unit succeed. Call on your Unit Commissioner or the District Commissioner when you need help with program, administration, reorganization, or your annual re-chartering process.

The Foothills District Commissioner Staff meets on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Conway Fire Station. For more information contact Manny Davis, Foothills District Commissioner.

Roundtables
Roundtables are held the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at LDS Church in Conway on Dave Ward. This is a monthly meeting where volunteers come together to network, receive district and council information, and preview next month's theme. This is an activities based meeting as well and an informational meeting. Break-out sessions are conducted for the various leadership groups represented.

Order of the Arrow (OA) Chapter Meetings
The OA Chapter meetings are youth led monthly meetings of all of the OA members in the Foothills District. These meetings are where Foothills OA Chapter business is conducted, service items are discussed, and information is distributed concerning all Lodge activities and events. These meetings are conducted on the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at LDS Church in Conway on Dave Ward. For more information contact Johnny Davidson, Foothills District OA Chapter Advisor, at 327-0854.

COUNCIL BANQUET TO BE HELD FEBRUARY 27TH

The Quapaw Area Council's Annual Recognition Banquet will be held on Thursday, February 27th, 2003 at the Albert Pike Masonic Temple at the corner of 7th and Scott Streets in Little Rock.

Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. and the dinner will start at 7:00p.m. All Scouters are invited to attend and units are encouraged to pay for their Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Coach or Advisor and his or her spouse to attend in recognition of their work during the past year.

The evening's program will culminate with the presentation of the Silver Beaver awards.

For ticket information, contact the council service center at 501/664-4780.

COUNCIL CALENDAR

February

1	SCOUT SHOP OPEN
1	TRAIN THE TRAINER CONFERENCE
2	SCOUT SUNDAY
2-8	SCOUTING ANNIVERSARY WEEK
8	SCOUT SABBATH
8	CAMP STAFF INTERVIEWS
9	OA L.E.C.M.
11	COPE COMMITTEE
14-16	COPE WEEKEND
17	PRESIDENTS DAY (OFFICE/SHOP CLOSED)
18	EAGLE DAY
18	PROPERTIES COMMITTEE
19	HIGH ADVENTURE COMMITTEE
20	SAFE SWIM DEFENSE/SAFETY AFLOAT TRAINING
21	EAGLE BANQUET
22	PRE CAMP INSPECTION
26	VENTURE COMMITTEE
27	COUNCIL BANQUET
27	COUNCIL EXECUTIVE BOARD

March

1	SCOUT SHOP OPEN
4	COPE COMMITTEE
7-9	COPE WEEKEND
14-16	POWDER HORN TRAINING
15	DAY CAMP DIRECTORS MEETING
16	OA L.E.C.M.
18	DISTRICT CHAIRMEN MEETING
18	ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE
18	PROPERTIES COMMITTEE
19	COUNCIL CHARTER REVIEW MEETING
19	HIGH ADVENTURE COMMITTEE
19	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
20	TRAINING COMMITTEE
20	CUB CAMPING COMMITTEE
21	SUMMER CAMP EARLY BIRD DEPOSIT DUE
22	BEAVER DAY
25	ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE
26	VENTURE COMMITTEE
27	CAMP PROMOTION COMMITTEE
27	MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
27	HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE
27	SAFE SWIM DEFENSE/SAFETY AFLOAT TRAINING

MEMORIALS

In Memory Of...	*From...*
Bill Young	Sunset Bowling Lane Charles Hunt W.H. Kittler Anna Vacca Melody Davis
Robert Field	The Oliver Family
Aline Salinger	Rosalyn Snyderman Frances Farrell Alberta J. Meyer

In Honor Of...	*from...*
James K. Hendren	Randy Wilbourn
Eagle Scout Alex Blass	Chuck, Carol, and Josh Tennyson

In Honor Of... and Happy Birthday	*from...*
Robert M. Wilson	Julianne Grundfest

Blass Scout Reservation 2003

It's is hard to believe, but the 2003 summer camping season is just around the corner. It will not be long until the weather begins to warm up, the trees begin to turn green, and school will be out for the summer. Now is the time to make sure you have plans to have your Scouts at one of the finest Scouting facilities in the Southern Region. Troops from other councils are coming to our camp, troops from other states are coming to our camp, make sure your troop reservation is in and begin planning now for a great summer camp. Line up your adult leadership now, begin looking at the needs of your troop in the advancement area, look for those scouts who will be your troop leaders this summer and begin to prepare them for that task. Promote your troop's week at camp as a great way to earn advancement, develop youth leadership, involve additional parents, and build enthusiasm for your troop program.

Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat

There will be two Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat courses offered in the next couple of months, February 20th and March 27th. If you are planning on a float trip or swimming activity, please plan on attending one of these sessions. The courses will be held at the Council Service Center and will begin at 7:00 PM. They will be completed by 9:00 PM. (The Council is working to find locations and dates to offer these sessions in the Jonesboro area. Please keep your eyes open for this information in the next couple of months.) For more information contact Bill Price, Program Director at (501) 664-4780 ext. 269 or at program@quapawbsa.org

These sessions are also offered each week during summer camp for those in attendance.

QUAPAW AREA COUNCIL COUNCIL SERVICE CENTER TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

COUNCIL SERVICE CENTER 501-664-4780

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233	SCOUT EXECUTIVE	JOHN CARMAN
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223	FIELD DIRECTOR	CHRISTIAN SWAIM
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242	DELTA DISTRICT	TODD FERGUSON
227	THUNDERBIRD DISTRICT	BRANDON SIMMONS
244	FOOTHILLS DISTRICT	K. WESLEY DAVIS
255	SARACEN DISTRICT	JIM DEAN
288	SHAWNEE DISTRICT	LOYD PRICE
266	THREE RIVERS DISTRICT	SAM DAVIS
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279	ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	CHERYL DELASHMIT
231	ACCOUNTING DEPT.	JODEE STOTTS
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240	FIELD SECRETARY	LORI COOK
221	RECEPTIONIST	JEAN HESTER

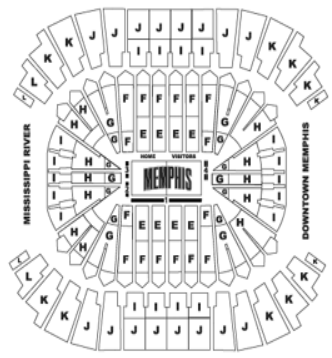
SCOUT NIGHT

CHOOSE FROM THESE TWO
SCOUT NIGHTS WITH THE MEMPHIS GRIZZLIES

ATLANTA HAWKS SUNDAY, MARCH 16TH AT 3 P.M.
DETROIT PISTONS SUNDAY, APRIL 13TH AT 5:30 P.M.

SPECIAL TICKET PRICES FOR ALL SCOUT MEMBERS, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS!
GROUP NAME WILL APPEAR ON THE JUMBOTRON
RECEIVE AN EXCLUSIVE GRIZZLIES PATCH

TO ORDER: FILL OUT THE BOTTOM PORTION OF THIS FLYER AND RETURN IT WITH PAYMENT TO: MEMPHIS GRIZZLIES ATTN: SCOUT NIGHT C/O NIGEL HALL, 175 TOYOTA PLAZA, SUITE 150 MEMPHIS, TN 38103. OR EMAIL AT: NHALL@GRIZZLIES.COM. YOU CAN ALSO FAX YOUR ORDER TO 901-205-1444 OR PHONE 501-951-GRIZ (4749).



Group Information

Group Name _____ Contact Name _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Day Phone _____ Evening Phone _____ Email _____

PAYMENT METHOD (please circle)
Check* Credit Card Money Order Cash
Card # _____ Expires _____
Name on Card _____
Signature _____
*MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO THE MEMPHIS GRIZZLIES
MAIL TO 175 TOYOTA PLAZA, SUITE 150, MEMPHIS TN 38103

GRIZZLIES ROUND TOWN

Group Pricing

Section	Area	Gate Price	Your Price	Number of tickets	Cost
H	Lower III	$43	$33 per tix X	_____	= _____
I	Lower IV/Upper I	$27	$21 per tix X	_____	= _____
J	Upper II	$16	$11 per tix X	_____	= _____
K	Upper III	$ 9	$ 7 per tix X	_____	= _____
			Total Cost *plus $2 (handling fee)* =		_____

All tickets are subject to availability and must be purchased in advance by mail, phone or fax. Orders will be filled on a first come, first serve basis.
ALL ORDERS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE. Any ticket orders received within seven (7) days of the game, will be held at Will Call Box office for pick up 2 hours prior to game.

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