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Program Preview Kickoffs

- Need more parental involvement?
- Need help developing an annual program plan?
- Want to provide a better program for your youth members?
- Need money to fund your program?

All of these are possible if you have the right information and materials.

Every district will conduct a Program Preview Kickoff/ Planning Conference as the Roundtable program for June. (See date, time, and place listed below.) The program will include a review of all materials needed for your unit's program planning session along with instructions on how and when to plan and who should be involved in the process. Units are strongly encouraged to bring as many adults as possible to participate in this session. Troops should also bring their Senior Patrol Leader.

Please let your district executive know how many leaders will attend from your unit, as they will be serving hot dogs or other light fare for dinner. The following is a partial list of the materials that will be provided to the units attending this meeting: Council Calendar (1 per unit), BSA Program Planning Chart, Popcorn Literature, Event Flyers for Fall Events, Training Information, Popcorn.

Please give your youth members the best program possible and plan now to attend the June Roundtable in your district.

District	Date	<u>Time</u>	Location
Cherokee	June 13	7:00PM	City Water Light & Cable
CHEIOREE	Julie 13	7.00FWI	Paragould
Delta	June 8	7:00 PM	Forrest City United
Della	Julie o	7.00 FWI	Methodist Church
Foothills	June 15	6:30 PM	Woolly Hollow State
FOOUIIIIS	Julie 13	0:30 PM	Park
Mohawk	June 8	7:00 PM	LDS Church
Monawk			Rodney Parham Road
Saracen	June 15	7:00 PM	First Baptist Church
Saracen	Julie 13	7:00 PM	Scout House
Thurs Divers	June 8	7.00 DM	Beebe First United
Three Rivers		7:00 PM	Methodist Church
Thunderbird	June 8	7:00 PM	St. Luke's Episcopal
White River	June 8	6:30 PM	Southside Middle School

Tax Exempt Status of Scouting Units

The Boy Scouts of America is a public charity, tax exempt under IRC Sec. 501 (c)(3). An IRS group exemption allows us to extend this tax exempt status to "subordinate organizations", and this includes all BSA local councils and approved local council trusts.

It has been the long-standing position of the IRS and the BSA that units such as packs, troops, teams, posts, and crews are <u>NOT</u> covered by the BSA's group exemption, and that the BSA's tax exempt status under IRC Sec. 501(c)(3) does NOT extend to units. Units are not, in themselves, legal entities. They are chartered to partner organizations of the BSA such as churches, PTAs, and civic groups. Since a unit is "owned" by its chartering organization, each unit takes its tax status from that organization. Units are <u>NOT</u> subordinate organizations of the Boy Scouts of America.

Even if a unit is considered "tax exempt," it is still prohibited from soliciting gifts for unit support. As stated in the BSA Charter and Bylaws Article XI, Sec. 1, Clause 2:

"Contributions shall be solicited in the name of the Boy Scouts of America only through or by the authority of the Corporation, and shall be limited to the National Council or chartered local councils... Youth members shall not be permitted to serve as solicitors of money for chartered organization units, for the local council, or in support of other organizations. Adult members and youth members shall not be permitted to serve as solicitors of money in support of personal or unit participation in local, national, or international events."

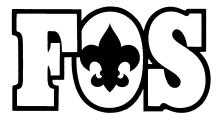
This also prohibits a unit from soliciting online gifts on its Website. The council's right to control local fundraising is stated in the BSA Rules and Regulations, Article XI. Section 1, Clause One(c): "... local councils shall control the raising and expenditure of all funds for local Scouting work in their jurisdiction."

Units often use the tax ID number of their chartering partner for tax matters. If this is not, units should request an Employer Identification Number from the IRS (Form SS-4, available at www.irs.gov). Sometimes, units mistakenly claim that their number is part of the BSA's group exemption, and they temporarily end up on our exemption list. But each year, all units are routinely removed from the list of subordinates as part of the National Council's annual tax compliance.

Units should not use the tax ID number of the BSA National Council, the tax ID number of the local council, or the group exemption number issued to the Boy Scouts of America. Even though these numbers can now be found on the Internet (e.g. on www.guidestar.org), if a council gives them out it implies that the council approves of their use. The only exception is if a unit is helping with a gift that will go to the council. Since units are not legal entities, they also should not file for their own tax-exempt status under IRC Sec. 501(c)(3).

New Phone/Fax Numbers for Scout Shop

The Scout Shop has a new, direct line: 501-663-7157. Anyone wishing to contact the Scout Shop <u>MUST</u> use the new number, as there is no way for the Quapaw Area Council staff to transfer incoming calls on the Council's direct line or toll-free number to the Scout Shop. The Scout Shop also has a new fax number: 501-663-0129.



Summer Camp at Gus Blass Scout Reservation 2006

This year, the Guss Blass Scout Reservation will open two major facilities for campers. The new Shooting Sports Complex will allow the summer camp staff to operate more efficiently and cut down on the travel time for the scouts and leaders. The new facility is located below the dam at the North end of Lake Butler. The other new facility will be providing multiple uses for everyone. It is a new Quartermaster and Program storage building and includes the New Trading Post. There will be many new items and many of the camp's favorites from years gone by. Plan to stop in and browse, visit and purchase a few things to add to your Scouting Treasure Chest.

The summer of 2006 promises to be one of the finest ever at Gus Blass Scout Reservation. There will be something for everyone, whether you are a brand new Scout, a Webelos moving up, or a Scout who has already been to camp a couple of years, YOU'LL HAVE A BLAST AT BLASS. Aquatics programs are offered at the Olympic sized 50-meter pool and on Lake Butler. New Scout skills are taught in the Pioneer Trail area, where they will learn fire building, rope work, first aid, and a host of other camping skills. The Ecology & Conservation program offers many of the nature related Merit Badges and gives the Scouts an opportunity to see animals in their environment. Older Scouts will enjoy the Mountain Biking, C.O.P.E., Life guarding, Snorkeling, and this year's special climbing program. If your troop is not listed on the left, please ask them about their summer camp plans. If they are not coming to Gus Blass Scout Reservation this summer, you can still attend through our provisional camper program. Contact us if your troop is not going to camp or is going to camp somewhere else.

Also check out our web site for more information at: http://www.quapawbsa.org/

Survivor 2006 - Resident Camp with a Bite

Program Director Roger Williams has been at work on this year's Cub Scout Resident Camp for almost a full year. He is drawing on his experience form 2005 and building a super staff, recruiting top notch Scouters and outside personnel to help deliver one of the most exciting programs available to Cub Scouts anywhere. This year's "Survivor" theme will provide many challenges and many surprises for everyone attending. No, we cannot tell you all about it because it would not be a surprise if we did. The four days and three nights at Gus Blass Scout Reservation will offer parents and Cub Scouts a chance to enjoy the outdoors for more than most weekend trips can provide. Packs will be camping together and program will be designed for all age groups. This year's camp begins on Saturday, July 29th and ends on Tuesday, August 1st. In the past, a t-shirt has been included in the Cub Scouts' fees, this year we will also be providing a t-shirt for the adult participants. A mailing has been sent to all registered Cub Scouts, Leaders, and the all Commissioners, additional copies are available at roundtables and at the Council Service Center. Check the council website (http://www.quapawbsa.org/) for more details and sign up soon – only 150 Cub Scouts will be admitted to this program.

Newest Eagle Scouts

Johnson Baker IV	Troop 7	Turner Jones	Troop 7	Stephen L. Sherwood	Troop 333
William Baker	Troop 335	James Kjorlaug	Troop 500	Joseph D. Shuffield	Troop 25
Samuel Baxter	Troop 7	Christopher Mullen	Crew 227	Nicholas E. Sims	Troop431
Galrnad Butram	Troop 59	Kevin B. Patterson	Troop 30	Sean M. Smith	Troop 4
Nicholas Byford	Troop 371	Brandon Pearson	Crew 121	Brodderick Tucker	Troop 4
Aaron Campbell	Troop 30	Jonathan R. Pruett	Troop 262	Benjamin Thatcher	Troop 336
Gregory Christiansen	Crew 2077	Martin Schaeuble	Troop 7	Christopher Wright	Troop 46
Joseph Covey	Troop 295	James Schulte	Troop 7	Douglas Williams	Troop 152
John Jenness	Troop 6	Spencer B. Sherwood	Troop 333		

Quapaw Area Council Camporee Set For September 29 - 30 & October 1, 2006

The Council Activities Committee has announced that this year's Council Camporee will be held just North of the lock and dam in Little Rock and just East of Interstate 430. Various specialty programs and high adventure activities will be the focus of the programs. Climbing / Rappelling, Biking, and many other events will offer challenging and fun opportunities for all of the Scouts in your unit. This will be the opening weekend of the New River Trail Bridge across the Arkansas River and there will be many festivities being planned around this event. The Corps of Engineers, Pulaski County, the Cities of North Little Rock and Little Rock, and various State agencies will all be involved. Registration materials and details are being completed now and Unit Leaders should receive them soon. Be on the lookout for them. Make sure your Scouts don't miss this opportunity.

The Camporee is open to all Boy Scouts, Varsity Team members, and Venturing Crew members. All members of the Cub Scout program are invited to visit the Camporee during the day on Saturday, October 30th. Tiger Cub Scouts, Cub Scouts, and Webelos Scouts will not be allowed to camp overnight at this event as stated in the Cub Scout Camping Guidelines and outlined in the Age Appropriate Guidelines for Scouting Activities. District Committee Members and Commissioners are also encouraged to attend and camp with their units. Visitors will be allowed to purchase a specially designed camporee patch at a reduced rate at the Camporee or they may be ready for you in a packet if you wish to pre-register your Scouts and Leaders.

Registration and program information will be at Roundtables and on the Council website soon!

ENDOWMENT/ESTATE PLANNING

Farmers require various kinds of tools to plant and harvest their crops. Discs and tractors are required to prepare the soil for seed. Fertilizers are required to make the crops grow. Various kinds of herbicides/insecticides are required to rid the field of weeds and destructive insects.

Endowment/Estate Planning are, in many respects, similar to a farming operation. They both require planning. The farmer makes plans well ahead of time so as to grow a healthy crop, sell at a profit, and support the family and business. The farmer utilizes various kinds of equipment, labor, technology, intellect, and banking services to succeed.

Endowments and estate plans utilize a variety of tools, strategies, and enticements. Some of the tools utilized by estate planners are charitable lead trusts, charitable remainder trusts, and charitable gift annuities, to name a few. The skills of a CPA and attorneys provide current knowledge about applicable tax laws. The skills of seasoned investment personnel are often vital for a successful endowment/estate plan.

Endowment levels for the Quapaw Area Council can start as low as \$1,000 and can exceed the \$1,000,000 level. For the benefit of our youth, please consider including the Quapaw Area Council in your estate plan.



Friends of Scouting

As of this writing, Quapaw Area Council continues to make steady progress towards completion of its F.O.S. Goal of \$613,970. The Council as a whole has secured pledges totaling \$403,255 (62%). Saracen District was the first District to reach goal, followed by Delta District. The South Service Area (Delta, Mohawk, T-Bird, Saracen) leads the campaign with 78% of their money raised. Council level donors are in second place with 65% of their goal, followed by the North Service Area at 56% of their goal.

Special thanks are extended to the numerous individuals, businesses, civic organizations, volunteers, and professionals who are creating financial success throughout the Council. Remember, these funds bring Scouting to our youth, who will one day be the leaders of our nation.

National Order of the Arrow Conference and Pilgrimage

This summer more than 40 Scouts and Scouters will travel to Michigan State University in East Lansing Michigan to be a part of the 2006 National Order of the Arrow Conference. The contingent is being lead by Marc Swann and has assembled a great group of leaders to help make the trip. Most of the Lodge officers and many of the Chapter officers will be attending sessions on lodge administration, Native American events, dance and ceremonies, and much more. On the trip to the conference the contingent is planning a side trip to Cedar Point Amusement Park in Sandusky IL. The trip will be a great experience for all who attend. There may still be a spot or two available if you wish to go. Ask Marc or David Perez about the trip.

Lodge 160 will hold it is annual Pilgrimage on the weekend of August 11 - 13, 2006. As always there will be lots of fun, dancing, training, patch trading and sharing of war stories and tall tales. It will be the weekend after the NOAC contingent returns and they will have the latest and greatest from around the nation. This is also the weekend we will be electing Lodge Officers for 2006 - 2007. The Lodge is doing many great things for the council and continues to provide leadership opportunities for Scouts outside the troop setting. Plan now to join us for a great weekend of fun and fellowship.

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"Catch the Higher Vision - Ever Onward and Upward"

Memorials

In Memory of: Sarah Frances Goodman McMahan Donation made by Jean LaSuer

In Memory of: Raynell Skinner Donations made by George Foster Susan and John Crawford

In Memory of: Jack Logan Donations made by Conway Noon Optimist Club Harvey & Carolyn Matheny

In Memory of: Raynell Skinner Donations made by Herrn & Margie Northcutt Marjorie & Charles Wagner Susan & John Crawford George W. Foster, III

In Honor of Fred Hyatt Donation made by: Herrn & Margie Northcutt

Wood Badge 2006

The recently completed Wood Badge Course has Scouters all pumped up and excited about Scouting. Scoutmaster Ramona Sitz and her staff prepared for the course twice – once last Fall, and had the course postponed due to Hurricane Katrina and then again for the actual dates of the course in February and March. Forty plus participants attended and completed the practical phase of the course and are now working on completing their tickets written for their specific Scouting job. There have been many compliments and kudu's from everyone associated with the course. If you have the opportunity to visit with one of these people, do so. It will make you want to attend the next course – scheduled for early 2007. Thank-you, Ramona and all of your staff, for an excellent experience.

The next Course Director / Scoutmaster will be Don Young from Three Rivers District. Don has served in a number of positions in many courses and is now selecting his staff. Look for more information at almost any Scouting event being held. The staff is enthusiastic and very well qualified. The course content will help you in many aspects of your life; in and out of Scouting. Share the legacy – plan now to attend the 2007 course.

UNIT LEADERSHIP CHANGES

When leaders change positions or addresses, policy requires that applications be submitted. This also ensures that everyone receives the correct mailings for his/her position.

A CHANGE OF ADDRESS for any registered adult must be shown on an adult application form. The only information required in this case is the unit number, the volunteer's name, and his/her new address. On the top of the face of this application, write the words, "Change of Address Only." No signatures are required for such a change.

A CHANGE OF POSITION must also be shown on an adult application. This application must include the unit number, the volunteer's name and address, their new position code and approval signatures from the Committee Chairman and the Chartered Organization Representative or Institution Head. The application of a Chartered Organization Representative must be approved and signed by the Institution Head.

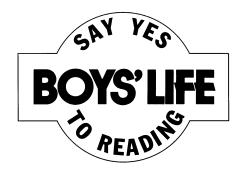
The positions of Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Post Advisor, Ship Skipper, Team Leader, Committee Chairman and Chartered Organization Representative can be occupied by only one person. Therefore, when changing leadership in one of these positions, two applications must be submitted. The second application is required to move the former volunteer out of the position. This is necessary even if the former volunteer is no longer active (they can be registered as a Member of Committee – MC).

Leaders may transfer from one unit to another with an adult application showing name, address, position code, the number of the unit into which they are transferring and approval signatures of the committee Chairman and the Chartered Organization Representative or Institution Head. Fill out the box at the top of the application indicating transfer. This application requires a one-dollar transfer fee. When transferring from one unit to a unit with a different chartering organization the entire adult application must be completed.

These applications should be submitted as soon as possible in order to protect our children and to help provide them with the best possible program.

Spring Beaver Day

A special thanks to Allen Bounds and to all of those who helped get camp ready for this summer's programs. This year we had more than 80 participants, which is a very good increase over the last two years. There is always plenty of work to do and without your help the camp rangers would have a difficult time getting everything done. After the Spring Pre-camp inspection there was a long list of items that needed to be worked on and you helped take care of some of them. Cleaning up campsites and program areas, repairing platforms, fixin' things and general camp maintenance are things all of us can do. Some troops have adopted campsites and made improvements that will make their week at summer camp more enjoyable. If your troop would like to adopt a campsite contact the Council Office about campsites that need your help. The Council Properties Committee thanks you; the Council Camping Committee thanks you; the Camp Staff thanks you; and all of the Scouts and parents attending Gus Blass this summer thank you. Remember the Fall Beaver Day when we prepare camp for the winter, look for the date in the next Scouter.



2006 Fall Cub Scout Camping Opportunities

Council Cub Scout Camping Chair Sheila Brown is pleased to have the Fall Cub Scout Camping Weekends being coordinated by Ramona Sitz. The Cub-Dad Weekend will held on October 14 & 15. There will be lots of fun and exciting activities for both Dads and Cub Scouts. Cub Scouts and their Dads are requested to register early as this weekend usually fills up quickly. (\$40.00 per Cub & Dad)

The Webelos Warrior Weekend scheduled for October 21 & 22 will focus on introducing the older Cub Scouts to the future opportunities of the Boy Scout program. This special weekend is designed for a parent to bring their Webelos to a weekend of more than just the standard weekend activities such as archery, BB Guns, and crafts to include utdoor challenges and camping opportunities. This weekend is not a family weekend it is limited to Webelos Scouts and their parents. Ramona Sitz will serve as the chair for this event and is planning on serving up a few surprises for all who attend. (\$40.00 per Webelos Scout & Parent)

The third of our fall camping events is the Cub-Family Weekend. The dates for this weekend are October 28 & 29. *This IS a FAMILY activity*, and we encourage families to camp with their Packs and have a great time. All of the standard activities will be available along with a very special campfire and after dark program. Do not miss this opportunity. (\$20.00 per person or a maximum of \$80.00.

(All Cub Scouts and Webelos should receive an information / registration flyer in the mail after school begins this fall. Look for the themes and other details at Roundtables.)

Cubmasters and Den Leaders are encouraged to make sure the NEW Cub Scouts and their parents know about these GREAT opportunities.

NOTE: Due to the popular demand of these activities, the number of participants has been increased to 400 each weekend.

Council Calendar

	May		June
6	Summer Camp Staff Orientation	4 – 10	Summer Camp Staff Week
9	COPE Committee	9	Summer Camp Payments Due for July Units
12	Summer Camp Payments Due for June Units	11 – 17	Week 1 Camp Rockefeller
12-14	COPE Weekend	14 18 – 24	Executive Board Meeting Week 2 Camp Rockefeller
12	Lodge Executive Committee Meeting	20	Camp Inspection
13	Shooting Sports Clinic, 10 – 2 at Council Office	25 –July 1	Week 3 Camp Rockefeller
13	Merit Badge University		
16	Advancement Committee	• 0	<u>July</u>
16	Properties Committee	2 - 8 2 - 8	National Youth Leader Training at Camp No Summer Camp
17	High Adventure Committee	2 – 8 9 – 15	Week 4 Camp Rockefeller
18	Cub Camp Promotion Committee	16 – 22	Week 5 Camp Rockefeller
20	College of Commissioner Science	16 - 22	Venturing Week
20	Shooting Sports Clinic at Camp	29 – August 1	Cub Resident Camp
20-21	Cub Family Weekend		
23	Activities Committee		
23	Commissioner's Meeting		
23	Training Committee		
24	Executive Committee		
25	Camp Promotion Committee		

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Health & Safety Committee

Memorial Day - Office Closed

DO YOU EAT POPCORN?

The 2006 Trail's End Popcorn Sale is expected to gross more than one million dollars.

What share will your unit claim from this year's sale? Last year, Quapaw Area Council units earned an average of more than \$1,300 in commission from their participation in this short and simple fundraising effort. In addition, they helped to provide approximately \$250,000 in revenue that was spent on camp maintenance and program delivery in support of every unit in the council.

The sale provides literature especially designed to help you calculate your financial needs in support of your annual program. Plan now to pay for registration, Boys' Life subscriptions, camp fees, and activity fees with your Trail's End Popcorn sale earnings.

By participating in the Trail's End sale, units are able to limit their fundraising activities to one project per year. This enables them to concentrate their efforts on delivering a quality program.

The popcorn sale is an easy way for boys to earn their own way (A Scout is Thrifty) while learning to develop their sales skills in a safe environment. Results of a recent independent national survey tell us that:

- ✓ 4 out of 5 people will buy anything from a Scout in uniform
- ✓ 83% of homes have never been asked to buy
- ✓ 43% of Scouts who sell \$1,000 to \$1,999 set a sales goal
- ✓ 61% of Scouts who sell over \$2,000 set a sales goal
- ✓ Only 22% of Scouts were given a sales goal by their unit

Attend your district's Roundtables for more details.

Designated Gifts to Benefit a Unit

Gifts are frequently designated to units, but not "solicited." There is a large gray area as to what constitutes "solicitation" of a gift by a unit or unit leaders. However, the problem for most donors is always the same - gifts to a unit are often NOT tax deductible and cannot be substantiated for tax deduction purposes. This usually occurs in three situations:

United Way Gifts: Gifts are often distributed by the United Way to individual units because of a specific donor designation to that unit. If a United Way does not require designated contributions to go to 501(c)(3) organizations, then virtually any Scout unit could receive a "pass through" gift from a local United Way. Nevertheless, individual units may not solicit these gifts, nor should they be listed in United Way promotional materials or receive a "designation number" from them.

2)

Employee Matching Grants and Volunteerism Incentive Programs: In many corporations (e.g. Exxon-Mobil, Wal-Mart, GE, etc.), an employee can volunteer hours to a charity and the corporation makes a grant or gift to that charity. In most cases, units cannot receive these funds because of program rules and limitations imposed by the corporations. Corporate giving plans only distribute gifts to 501 (c)(3) charities, and this precludes gifts to many Scout units. In addition, many corporations do not give matching funds to "religious organizations", and in these cases, neither a church nor its Scout units are eligible for the funds.

3)

Bequests: Individuals sometimes include a gift to a Scout unit in their will. If the unit is tax exempt, the donor's estate is entitled to an estate tax charitable deduction for the unit gift. If the unit is not tax exempt, the unit may still receive the gift but the estate will NOT receive a charitable tax deduction. The gift is treated like a non-deductible distribution to an individual. However, as a practical matter this is only a tax problem for large estates. Local councils may accept gifts designated for a specific unit and this will overcome many of the problems discussed above. But gifts accepted by a local council cannot be "passed through" to an individual unit. The money must remain in a unit account and be used by that unit to cover campership fees, Scout shop items, awards, etc. Consider how a college handles scholarship money for students. As long as your council handles unit gifts the same way by spending it or crediting it within the council the council won't encounter tax problems. Unit accounts are completely at the discretion of each council. While they are beneficial for the units, they create administrative challenges at the council level, especially as the number of unit accounts increase.

2006 UNIT POPCORN CALENDAR

July Plan your unit's annual program, develop a budget, and make plans

for the Popcorn Sale to meet all of those needs.

August Fill out a "Commitment Card" at the August Roundtable. Explain program to your adult

leaders, set unit sales goals, plan unit sales activities, and set up territory coverage plan.

September 9 Attend the Popcorn Sale Kick-off Meeting at the September

Roundtable in your District.

September 10 - 16 Conduct Your Unit's Popcorn Sale Kick-off Meeting.

This is the most important step in the process to ensure the

safety of your Scouts!

* Distribute sales material

* Train Scouts and their parents

* Review sales goal for your unit and each Scout

* Explain prize and incentive programs

* Explain sales coverage plan

September 10 Popcorn Sale Begins.

October 17 Collect "Take Order" forms and Prize forms, record

Scouts' orders on Unit Master Record and record all prizes on

the prize order form.

October 19 Submit Unit Order of popcorn and prizes.

(No orders can be taken after this date for prizes or product!)

November 4 Pick up Popcorn from District Distribution Centers.

Conduct a special meeting of boys and parents to distribute popcorn and the Scout's original "Take Order Form", at your

unit's meeting site ON THIS SAME DAY.

November 30 Collect money from Scouts.

December 2 Submit payments in full to the Quapaw Area Council Office,

between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 Noon. (3220 Cantrell Road, Little Rock, Arkansas 72202).



District Camping Promotion Schedule

Summer -- Fourth Quarter -- June, July, & August

- * Recognition of unit leaders doing a good job
- * District Camp Promotion Committee plans for promotion and recruits committee to full Strength. One adult for every five units.
- * District Camp Promotion Committee serves as host for district committee and commissioners Meeting at camp.

Fall -- First Quarter -- September, October, & November

- * Establish unit and youth goals for summer camp
- * Conduct training in promotion skills for district committee members
- * Assist units with open houses and other recruiting programs
- * Recognize unit camp leadership at roundtables, huddles, and district meetings, in bulletins
- * District camping committee adopts schedule for unit presentations
- * Order of the Arrow works with committee on promotion plans
- * District Camp Promotion committee recruited to full strength. One adult for every five units
- * Recognize units as they adopt a year-round outdoor program
- * Visit roundtables with high adventure filmstrip

Winter -- Second Quarter -- December, January, & February

- * Continue promotion with Camp Promotion Committee and Order of the Arrow working at unit committee meetings and meetings of leaders and parents
- * Roundtable and district meetings, features on outdoor, long term camping, high adventure
- * Scouting Anniversary Week outdoor exhibits
- * High-adventure presentation at commissioner meetings
- * Order of the Arrow elections are planned and information distributed
- * Follow-up with Venturing crews, Varsity teams, and Venturing patrols on high adventure promotion and teenage camp opportunities

Spring -- Third Quarter -- March, April, & May

- * Roundtable feature on units' outdoor program
- * Conduct pre-camp training for unit leadership
- * Order of the Arrow elections
- * Promote long-term camp participation and high adventure at Camporees and venturing activities
- * Review status of reservations for long-term camps and take action to follow up on troops not signed up

(Reference: Camping Promotion Committee Guide - April 12, 2006)

Unit Camping Promotion Schedule

Summer -- Fourth Quarter -- June, July, & August

- * Troops, teams, and crews attend long-term camps
- * Crews conduct high-adventure tours, trips, and super-activities
- * Troops, teams, and crews make reservations for next year's long-term camps
- * Conducting calling out and induction ceremonies for Order of the Arrow candidates
- * Unit officers and leaders plan the year-round outdoor program for their unit high adventure considered.

Fall -- First Quarter -- September, October, & November

- * Year-round outdoor program presented and approved by committee
- * Year-round outdoor program presented and explained at open house for new members
- * Order of the Arrow members take the lead in promoting camping in their own unit
- * Provide opportunity for patrols to make early declaration of intention as to summer camp Provide sign-up rosters by patrols in troops.
- * Establish camper savings plan

Winter -- Second Quarter -- December, January, & February

- * Units make application for long-term camps on or off council sites secure tour permits
- * Units go winter camping and hold other outdoor events
- * Units make arrangements for Order of the Arrow elections
- * Stress patrol and emphasize the idea of the patrol going to Boy Scout summer camp
- * Summer camp plans presented at troop and crew court of honor or parents' night

Spring -- Third Quarter -- March, April, & May

- * Conduct second parents' night to explain and adopt final plans for long-term camping by end of April
- * Troops, teams, and crews participate in district Camporees
- * Patrol and troop hikes and overnights prepare boys for summer camp
- * Order of the Arrow elections are conducted in each eligible troop

(Reference: Camp Promotion Committee Guide - April 12, 2006)

2007 Summer Camp Promotion Schedule

May 2006	Promotion Schedule presented to the Professional Staff
September 2, 2006	Camp Promotions Team recruited and unit presentations assigned to team members; copy of assigned units, personnel, and dates to field directors and program directors. (Order of the Arrow contacted for their help)
September 28, 2006	Camp promotions training - Unit listings to promotions team members, Family night presentation agenda, Camp Leader's guidebook, copy of promotional flyer to be mailed.
Oct. '06 - Jan '07	Unit camp promotion presentations
Nov. '06	Camp Leaders Guidebook distributed at Roundtables
January 24, 2007	Combined Cub Scout & Boy Scout Beast Feast Summer Program Kick-off
March Scouter	Scouter Newsletter to include 2007 camping information



Cherokee District (Serving: Clay, Craighead, Green, Lawrence, Mississippi, and Randolph Counties)

District Chairman: Andy Fulkerson District Commissioner: Allen Piercy District Executive: Sara Garland

May

- District Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Bancorp South, Paragould Commissioner Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Paragould Water Light Cable
- 9 Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 p.m., Paragould First United Methodist Church
- 9 Order of the Arrow, 7:00 p.m., Paragould First United Methodist Church

June

- District Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Bancorp South, Paragould Commissioner Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Paragould Water Light Cable
- 13 Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 p.m., Paragould Water Light Cable
- Order of the Arrow, 7:00 p.m., Paragould First United Methodist Church

July

No district meetings

Roundtable Themes

	Cub Scouts	<u>Webelos</u>	Boy Scouts
May	Digging in the Dirt	Outdoorsman/Handyman	Camping
June	Invent a Reason to	Traveler/Artist	Emergency
	Celebrate		Preparedness
July	Red, White and Baloo	Aquanaut/Geologist	Health Care

Upcoming Events

The annual Cherokee District Golf Tournament will be held at the Paragould Country Club on May 11, 2006. More details are available on the council website, (www.quapawbsa.org) including the registration form. If you or anyone you know would be interested in playing, please take advantage of the opportunity to enjoy a good day of golf while supporting the Cherokee District. District Chairman Andy Fulkerson has once again been working very hard to plan the event.

The Cherokee District will be hosting two Day Camps this summer to accommodate Cub Scouts who wish to attend. The Jonesboro camp will be held June 5-9 at Craighead Forest Park. Many thanks are extended to Gurye Smith and Melissa Phillips for their hard work on putting this event together. The registration fee is set at \$45.00 for Cub Scouts; however, Tiger Cub parents and staff members are not charged. Other parents in attendance are charged \$10.00. If you have any questions about this camp, you can refer to the brochure on the council website or contact Gurye at (870) 974-9925 or Melissa at (870) 919-5345.

The Paragould Day Camp will be held June 12-14 at Crowley's Ridge State Park near Walcott. Please join me in thanking Greg Huffine and Stan Graves for their work for this event. If you need more information about the Paragould camp, you can contact Greg at (870) 565-2038 or Stan at (870) 565-2679.

Thank You!

Activities Chairman Walter McMillan once again conducted a great Spring Camporee for all the units in attendance. Please join the many who attended in thanking Walter for his work on this event.

Emanual Bailey and leaders in Pack 138 conducted a successful District Pinewood Derby this year. Pack 66 and Pack 39 also contributed by donating their tracks for the event. Thank you to Emanual for his hard work.

Friends of Scouting

Dr. Alan Ainley and the team of volunteers in Greene County have surpassed the fundraising goal in that county this year. Thank you to all who have worked hard to make the campaign a success.

The Cherokee District Family FOS campaign is winding down with over \$10,000 raised. Many of the area units participated and had the opportunity to hear a presentation on the benefits of contributing to the council. Thank you to the following units for their continued commitment to Scouting: Pack 1, Pack 10, Pack 19, Pack 32, Pack 39, Pack 46, Pack 66, Pack 83, Pack 89, Pack 95, Pack 115, Pack 134, Pack 138, Pack 276, Pack 478, Pack 500, Pack 3045, Troop 4, Troop 6, Troop 19, Troop 31, Troop 32, Troop 41, Troop 45, Troop 46, Troop 95, Troop 134, Troop 138, Troop 221, Troop 222, Troop 227, Troop 500, Troop 890.

New District-Level Volunteers

Tammy Vaughn has taken on the role of Assistant District Commissioner in the Lawrence and Randolph County areas. Tammy has been associated with Pack 39 in Walnut Ridge. Please welcome Tammy to her new role in Scouting.

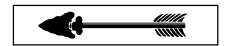
Matthew Crain of Paragould and Keith Boles of Jonesboro have been selected to join the Membership Committee and assist with the work of that group. Welcome them into their new roles as they work to strengthen membership in the district.

Recharters

Please remember that any recharter paperwork due to the council must be completed before a unit can register for district or council events. We have two units scheduled to recharter in May, and they are Troop 66 and Post 89.

Cherokee Weekly Update

If you are not receiving the Cherokee Weekly Update e-mail and you would like to be included on the list, please contact District Executive Sara Garland at 1-800-545-7268 ext. 266 or via e-mail at cherokee@quapawbsa.org.



Delta District (Serving: Crittenden, Cross, Lee, Monroe, Phillips, Poinsett, and St. Francis Counties)

District Chairman: Rick Davis

District Vice Chairman: Jim Machen District Commissioner: Lynn Alexander District Executive: Jacob S. Lynn

May

- 4 District Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM, First United Methodist in Forrest City
- 2 Commissioner Meeting, 6:30 PM, First United Methodist in Forrest City
- 11 Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 PM, First United Methodist in Forrest City
- 11 Order of the Arrow, 7:00 PM, First United Methodist in Forrest City

June

- District Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM, First United Methodist in Forrest City Commissioner Meeting, 6:30 PM, First United Methodist in Forrest City
- 8 Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 PM, First United Methodist in Forrest City
- 8 Order of the Arrow, 7:00 PM, First United Methodist in Forrest City
- 19-22 Cub Scout Day Camp, 9:00 AM 3:00 PM, Lincoln Middle School, Forrest City

July

No District level meetings in July.

Roundtable Themes:

May:

Cub Scout – Invent a Reason to Celebrate

Webelos – Outdoorsman/Handyman

Boy Scout – Emergency Preparedness

June:

Cub Scout - Red, White, and Baloo

Webelos – Traveler/Artist

Boy Scout – Health Care

District Committee Meetings

The District Committee meets the first Thursday of each month at the First United Methodist (101 S. Izard Street) in Forrest City. Those eligible to attend the meetings are District Committee members, Chartered Organization Representatives, and special guests of the committee. Refreshments are served beginning at 6:15 PM, and the meeting begins at 6:30 PM.

Roundtables/Order of the Arrow Chapter Meetings

The District conducts the Cub Scout Roundtable, Boy Scout Roundtable, and Order of the Arrow Chapter Meetings on the second Thursday of each month at the First United Methodist (101 S. Izard St.) in Forrest City. Roundtables are an excellent source of training for adult leaders, and all leaders are encouraged to attend. The members of the Order of the Arrow meet to discuss business plans future activities, and fellowship. The evening begins at 7:00 PM. The training sessions begin promptly at 7:00 PM. For more information, please contact the following:

Cub Scout Roundtable Commissioner: Lynn Alexander (sc447@rittermail.com)

Boy Scout Roundtable Commissioner: Bart Hudspeth (j.b.hudspeth.jfjw@statefarm.com)

Order of the Arrow Advisor: David Smith (t28_delta@centurytelnet)

Volunteers

Thank you to the volunteers who have agreed to help the district succeed in 2006 by serving the district in many capacities including Friends of Scouting and School Night for Scouting.

Friends of Scouting

The Delta District Friends of Scouting campaign has reached 111%. A HUGE THANK YOU to all the volunteers who helped with this campaign. We are currently at 101% and still climbing. CONGRLATULATIONS to all the Units who participated in the Family Campaign; the Family Campaign reached 250% of the goal and played a big part in helping the district reach the overall goal. These units will receive free advancement for a year as a way for the council to say thank you for helping to support the scouting movement: Packs 28, 126, 150, 239, 360, 2062, Troops 18, 28, 202, and 321.

Cub Scout Day Camp

2006 Delta District Day Camp "Treasures of Scouting" Come Join the Fun!!!

Archery, BB Guns, Nature Hikes, Crafts, Games, Advancement and Lots More!!!

June 19-22, 2006 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM Lincoln Middle School, 616 West Broadway, Forrest City **\$25.00 per boy, \$30.00 after June 15.**

Please bring sack lunches and drinks (each day) sunscreen, and mosquito repellent. Please bring a cup that will attach to the Scout's belt.

For more information contact Jacob Lynn, Delta District Executive, at 501-664-4780, extension 271,or click here.to.go to the Council Website. Adult and Youth staff volunteers are also needed.

Foothills District (Serving: Conway, Faulkner, Perry, and Van Buren Counties)

District Chairman: Paul Tipton

District Commissioner: Linda Cullum

District Executive: Blake Cole

May

11	District Committee Meeting, 6:00 pm, Conway LDS Church (Dave Ward Drive)
11	Commissioner Meeting, 8:00 pm, Conway LDS Church (Dave Ward Drive)
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11 Cub Scout & Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 pm, Conway LDS Church (Dave Ward Dr.)

Order of the Arrow, 7:00 pm, Conway LDS Church (Dave Ward Drive)

June

6	District Committee Meeting, 7:00 pm, Conway Fire Department (Oak St.)
8	Commissioner Meeting, 6:15 pm, Conway LDS Church (Dave Ward Dr.)
15	Cub Scout & Boy Scout Roundtable, 6:030 pm, Woolly Hollow State Park
15	Order of the Arrow, 6:30 pm, Woolly Hollow State Park

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(No District Committee or Roundtable will be held this month)

Roundtable Themes

	Cub Scouts	<u>Webelos</u>	Boy Scouts
May	Digging in the Dirt	Outdoorsman / Handyman	Camping
June	Invent a Reason to	Traveler / Artist	TBD
	Celebrate		
July	Red, White, and	Aquanaut / Geologist	TBD
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Friends of Scouting Update

The Foothills Family Friends of Scouting Campaign has concluded. Mr. Michael Waters, our Family FOS Chairman, did an outstanding job. With the help of many other volunteers who served as Trailblazers, Mr. Waters help to raise over \$15,000 during the campaign.

Foothills would like to thank Michael and Katherine for their hard work for the past few years. Your efforts are greatly appreciated!

Special Thanks

Once again we would like to thank Danny Higgins, David Calkin, and Nick Jones for putting on a great Spring Camporee. Over 130 Scouts and Scouters attended the Camporee, and everyone had a great time.

IN MEMORY

We would be remiss if we failed to acknowledge the passing of a former Scouter, Dr. Jack Logan of Conway. Dr. Logan was a Dentist in Conway and a long-time Scouter in Troops 71 and then later Troop 534. Dr. Logan passed away while on a mission trip in Nicaragua with his church.

Dr. Logan and a fellow church member stayed an extra day after their mission trip concluded to go fishing. The boat that the men were in capsized leaving both missionaries and two younger Nicaraguan men stranded in an expanse of water that is roughly 50 miles wide and 100 miles across. According to the Nicaraguan men who were stranded with the missionaries, the four men floated for several hours all clinging to a single ice-chest to stay afloat. After becoming very fatigued and growing weary, Dr. Logan told the Nicaraguan men that all four of them could not survive clinging to the one ice chest. Dr. Logan released the ice chest, followed by the other missionary, and was later seen going under the surface for the final time. Both missionaries perished as a result of their sacrifice.

This was a very tragic event. However, Dr. Logan once again showed many of us how what we teach in our Scouting Programs stays with you for a lifetime. It took great bravery, concern for others, and putting others before his self for Dr. Logan to make the ultimate sacrifice which saved the lives of the two younger men who were rescued a few hours later.

God Speed Dr. Logan. Thank you for your example.

UNITS DUE TO RECHARTER

May – Packs: 435, 3404 Troops: 366 Crews: 2366 Teams: 366

June - Packs: 555 Troops: 555 Crews: None Teams: None

July - None

Mohawk District (Serving: Little Rock)

District Chairman: Curtis Bailey District Commissioner: Larry Furrer District Vice-Chairman: Bobby McGehee

District Director: Terry Sharp

May

- 3 District Commissioner Meeting, Corporate Hill, 5:30pm
- 4 District Committee Meeting, Council Service Center, 5:30pm
- 11 Cub Leader Roundtable, Latter Day Saints Church, 7:00pm
- Boy Scout Leader Roundtable, Latter Day Saints Church, 7:00pm
- 11 Venture Leader Roundtable, Latter Day Saints Church, 7:00pm
- Order of the Arrow Chapter Meeting, Latter Day Saints Church, 7:00pm
- 19 Deadline to register for Cub Scout Day Camp
- 25 Key Three Meeting, Milford Track, 11:30am

June

- 1 District Committee Meeting, Council Service Center, 5:30pm
- 12-16 Cub Scout Day Camp, Reservoir Park
- 6 District Commissioner Meeting, Corporate Hill, 5:30pm
- 8 Annual Program Preview Conference, Latter Day Saints Church, 7:00pm
- 29 Key Three Meeting, Milford Track, 11:30am

<u>July</u>

27 Key Three Meeting, Milford Track, 11:30am

ROUNDTABLE THEMES

May

Cubs Digging in the Dirt Webelos Outdoorsman/Handyman

Scouts Camping

June

Program Preview

July

There is no scheduled Roundtable for July

CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP

Cub Scout Day Camp is right around the corner. Camp Director Kurt Bender and his staff have put together a fantastic program for our Cubs. The Day Camp will be held June 12 - 16 at Reservoir Park.

The deadline to register for the camp is May 19. Cub Scouts can only register by going through their Cub Scout Pack Coordinators. Pack Coordinators should have all of the information they need to facilitate registration of their boys by this time. For Day Camp information or assistance call Kurt at 791-2493.

Last year's camp was attended by over 200 boys and was a tremendous success. The Day Camp fee of \$40 includes Day Camp patch, Day Camp tee-shirt, and an entire week's worth of fun.

SPRING CAMPOREE

A special thank you goes out to District Activities Chairman Bill Byrd and his Camporee Staff. The camporee was held at Gus Blass Scout Reservation the weekend of March 3-5 and featured only 4 events. But WOW! The events included rifle shooting, archery, wild game identification, and trout fishing. The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission stocked Lake Hiegel with a bounty of rainbow trout and scouts and leaders alike took advantage of the opportunity to land some big ones. The district set an all time high for attendance with 377 enjoying a fantastic weekend.

PROGRAM PREVIEW

Mohawk District Chairman Curtis Bailey and District Commissioner Larry Furrer have announced that the 2006 Annual Program Preview will be held on June 8 at the Latter Day Saints Church on Rodney Parham beginning at 7:00pm. The Program Preview is your first opportunity to get information and calendars for the 2006-2007 Scouting year. The meeting will be conducted by members of the Mohawk District Committee and Commissioner Staff and is designed to give units the information they need to plan their Scouting programs.



COMMISSIONER STAFF HUGE SUCCESS

When units go through the rechartering process, it's a big deal. It takes a lot of work and follow through to make sure all of the paperwork is done correctly. The Mohawk District Commissioner staff is tasked with helping over 90 units go through this very ordeal During the remainder of the year they help units with other projects ranging from School Night to Summer Camp promotion. Currently 21 registered commissioners under the leadership of District Commissioner Larry Furrer assist with this project, but we need more! The Boy Scouts of America suggest that commissioner service is based on a three units to one commissioner ratio. With that being said, you can see we need at least 9 more to effectively serve our units. If you are interested in serving in this capacity be sure to call Larry at 580-4295.

Saracen District (Serving: Arkansas, Grant, Jefferson, and Lincoln Counties)

District Chairman: Kirby Mouser District Commissioner: Rolfe Bryant District Executive: Sedrick Robinson

May

02 Co	mmissioner,	6:30 PM,	White Hall	Methodist	Church
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04 District Committee Meeting, 5:45 PM, Reynolds Center – Pine Bluff

11 Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7 PM, First Baptist Church Scout House

Order of the Arrow, 7 PM, First Baptist Church Scout House

June

01	District Committee Meeting, 5:45 PM, Reynolds Center – Pine Bluff
05-08	Cub Scout Twilight Camp; 4 PM – 8:30 PM – Delta Rivers Nature Center
13	Commissioner Meeting, 6:30 PM, White Hall Methodist Church
15	Cub Coost and Day Coost Day dtable 7 DM First Doutist Church Coost House

15 Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7 PM, First Baptist Church Scout House

Order of the Arrow, 7 PM, First Baptist Church Scout House

July

11-13 Arkansas County Day Camp, John Cain City Park - Stuttgart

No District Meetings in July

District Committee Meeting

DATES: MAY 4 AND JUNE 1

TIME: 5:45 P.M.

PLACE: REYNOLDS CENTER ($2^{\rm ND}$ AND PINE) PINE BLUFF, AR

For information about the District Committee Meetings, please contact Kirby Mouser, District Chairman, at 870-534-1216.

District Commissioner's Meeting

DATES: May 2 AND JUNE 13

PLACE: WHITE HALL FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH.

TIME: 6:30 P.M.

For more information about the District Commissioner Meetings, please contact Rolfe Bryant, District Commissioner 870 830-7009

Cub Leaders' Roundtable

DATES: May11 AND JUNE 15

PLACE: FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH SCOUT HOUSE

TIME: 7:00

ROUNDTABLE THEMES

May Themes

Cub Scouts: Invent a reason to celebrate

Webelos: Traveler/Artist

June Themes

Cub Scouts: Program Preview Webelos: Program Preview

July Themes

Cub Scouts: Scouting It Out Webelos: Naturalist/Forester

For more information about the Saracen Cub Scout Roundtable Meetings, please contact Mandy Rhodes, Saracen District Roundtable Commissioner, at 870-946-3772

Boy Scout Leaders' Roundtable

DATES: May11 AND JUNE 15

PLACE: FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH SCOUT HOUSE

TIME: 7:00

May Theme

Boy Scouts: Emergency Preparedness

June Theme

Boy Scouts: Program Preview

July Theme

Boy Scouts: Boating/Canoeing

For more information about the Saracen Boy Scout Roundtable Meetings, please contact Dr. Ray Jones, Saracen District Roundtable Commissioner, at 870- 247-9202.

OA Chapter Meeting

DATES: May11 AND JUNE 15

New District Level Volunteers

The Saracen District Would like to welcome our new volunteers to the District.

Membership Committee

Deona Tichy- Teacher

Darla Henderson- Resident Coordinator

Join us in welcoming our additional District Volunteers into their new positions.



Saracen's Program Planning Preview Roundtable June 15

This year The Saracen District Roundtable will be held on the 3rd Thursday in June. The date has been moved because of the Twilight Camp. Every pack, troop, and crew needs to have at least two leaders there to get all of the information on that night. You can start planning your next Scouting year on this night. There is a host of good information that will be given out on this night. Some of the materials will include new district calendars, popcorn information, school night for scouting information, and friends of scouting information. Please come to this meeting to gather your materials

Deborah York chaired the Saracen District Pinewood Derby

The Pinewood Derby was on Saturday February 25, 2005, at the Seabrook YMCA in Pine Bluff; AR. Deb did a great job as chair of this event. The Pinewood Derby went as smooth as it could. Deb had all of the brackets, tracks, and other volunteers ready to help her at this event. Thanks Deb for doing such a great job. Thanks to all of the packs that volunteered their tracks, and thanks to all that help in nay manner to make this race a success.

Jim Himes Chairs Great Spring Camporee for the Saracen District

Thanks to Jim Himes and the activities committee for chairing a great Camporee. The Spring Camporee was held at the Mary Lake Monastery, in the East End Community.. The Camporee was well attended by Troops in the District. The boys as well as the adults had lots of fun. Again thank you Jim, and the activities committee.

Perry Holland Sr. chaired the Scout Expo

The 2006 Scout expo was held at the White Hall City Park. Perry as always did a great job with this event. This event was well attended with the packs and troops of the district. There were also people coming by to see the great Scout Skills that are possessed in their community. Guest included the united Way of South East AR and others. Their were spectators there that traveled from as far as Dewitt to see the Scouts show their Skills. Perry thanks for such an organized event.

DAY CAMP and TWILIGHT CAMP

Day Camp is an week of activities, games, crafts, BB Guns, Archery, and more. Cub Scouts and Webelos Scouts come every day for a week and experience a great deal of fun. Boys are to be accompanied by adults from the pack. This event is held during the summer and satisfies one requirement for the Summertime Pack Award.

Day Camp will be held at the Delta River Nature Center in Pine Bluff AR. There are going to be a host of games and activities for the Week. The dates are June 5-8. The time will be from 4:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Deborah York is the 2006 Day Camp Director, and Connie Noble is the program director. We are fortunate to have these two people back, they did an excellent job last year. Come on sign up, and enjoy the fun.

Day Camp will be held at the John Cain City Park in Stuttgart, AR. There are going to be a host of games and activities for the Week. The dates are July 11-13. The time will be from 900 a.m. -3:00 p.m. Fonda Logsdon is the 2006 Arkansas County Day Camp Director, and Mandy Rhodes is the program director. We are fortunate to have these two people back, they did an excellent job last year. Come on sign up, and enjoy the fun.

Friends of Scouting Update

The Saracen District Friends of Scout Campaign was again a huge success. Saracen was the first to reach goal three years in a row. The goal was \$47,850.00. The Saracen District is currently at 107% of that goal. Thanks to all of the packs, troops, and crews that contributed through Friends of Scouting presentations. Thanks to all of the donors in all of the campaigns, and thanks to all of the workers who took time out of their busy schedule to help raise the necessary funds for the support of the district. These funds will help provide an excellent program of Scouting for the 2006 year.

Units Due to Recharter

May
Pack 106
Pack 218

Three Rivers District (Serving: Lonoke, Prairie, White, and Woodruff Counties)

District Chairman: Don Young

District Commissioner: Diane Chidister

District Executive: vacant

May

02	Commissioner Meeting, 7:00 PM, First Security Bank - Cabot
04	District Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, 1 st Baptist Church - Cabot

11 Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 PM, First Methodist Church - Beebe

Order of the Arrow, 7:00 PM, First Methodist Church - Beebe

June

01	District Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, 1 st Baptist Church - Cabot
06	Commissioner Meeting, 7:00 PM, First Security Bank – Cabot
08	Program Preview, 7:00 PM, First Methodist Church - Beebe
08	Order of the Arrow, 7:00 PM, First Methodist Church - Beebe
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12-14 Day Camp, Beebe City Park

July

No District Meetings in July

Roundtable Themes

	Cub Scouts	<u>Webelos</u>	Boy Scouts
May	Digging in the Dirt	Outdoorsman	Camping
		Handyman	
June	Invent a Reason to Celebrate	Traveler	Emergency Preparedness
		Artist	

Treasures of Scouting

The 2006 Three Rivers Day Camp will take place on June 12, 13, & 14 at the Beebe City Park. This year's theme is "Treasures of Scouting", and will cost \$35 per boy (\$45 per boy after may 27th). As always, Day Camp promises a lot of fun activities and adventures, and every Cub Scout in the Three Rivers District should make plans to attend. If you have any questions about Day Camp, click here for more information.

Friends of Scouting

As of press time, the Three Rivers District has raised 57% of the District's goal of \$15,000. Several volunteers are hard at work finishing out this year's campaign, and confidence is high for exceeding goal!

Program Preview

The June Roundtable will be the annual Program Preview for the Three Rivers District. Program Preview is a chance for all Scouters to see the roll-out of materials and information for the 2006-2007 Scout year, and each unit should make plans to have at least one leader in attendance (the more the merrier). Food and door prizes will be provided, and we hope to see you there.

Spring Camporee

Many thanks to Bill Germer and Marty Metzger for their work in making the 2006 Three Rivers Camporee a success.

Units Recharters

May: Troop 182; Troop 1301

June: None July: None



Thunderbird District (Serving North Little Rock and Jacksonville)

District Chairman: Brad Hughes

District Commissioner: Mike Stephens

District Executive: vacant

May

- 2 Commissioner Meeting 7:00 PM North Little Rock L.D.S.
- 4 District Committee Meeting- 7:00 PM- Gander Mountain
- 6 Expo 9:00 AM Lakewood Village
- 11 Roundtables 7:00 PM St. Luke's Episcopal Church
- 11 OA Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM St. Luke's Episcopal Church

June

- 1 District Committee Meeting 7:00 PM Gander Mountain
- 6 Commissioner Meeting 7:00 PM North Little Rock L.D.S.
- 8 Program Planning/Roundtables 7:00 PM St. Luke's Episcopal Church
- 8 OA Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM St. Luke's Episcopal Church
- 12-16 Cub Scout Day Camp

July

- 4 Commissioner Meeting 7:00 PM North Little Rock L.D.S.
- 6 District Committee Meeting 7:00 PM Gander Mountain
- 13 Roundtables 7:00 PM St. Luke's Episcopal Church
- OA Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM– St. Luke's Episcopal Church

Thunderbird Friends of Scouting

The 2006 Friends of Scouting Campaign is in full swing. Its not to late to schedule a Family presentation. Just call 664-4780 ext 226 and let us know. The Thunderbird District FOS Campaign is critical to meeting the needs of Scouting. Please give according to your interest in Scouting.

School Night ... Already?

A good Scout is always prepared. In that spirit, the Thunderbird District is currently making plans for the Fall 2006 Race to Scouting School Night. Please consider helping during school night. Just let us know if you can give a hand on one of the biggest days of the year. Just call 664-4780 ext 226 and say "I want to help with School Night for Scouting!"

Thunderbird Activities

The Thunderbird District Expo will be at Lakewood Village on May 6. We'll get kicked off around 9:00 a.m. All packs, troops, crews, scouts, scouters, parents, friends, and the general public are invited. Also, free booth space will be available for you to show off your best scout skills. There will be an Expo patch available for purchase.

District Committee Meetings

District Committee Meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at Gander Mountain (old Walmart building on Landers Rd.)

For more information, contact Brad Hughes at 791-3303, Thunderbird District Chairman, at 833-4019.

Commissioner Meetings

The Thunderbird District Commissioner Staff meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the North Little Rock Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. For more information contact Mike Stephens, Thunderbird District Commissioner, at 753-7486.

Roundtables

Roundtables are held the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at St. Luke's Episcopal Church. 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. Breakout sessions are conducted for the various leadership groups represented.

May Roundtable Themes

Cub Scouts: Digging in the Dirt Webelos: Outdoorsman/Handyman

Boy Scouts: Camping

June Roundtable Themes

Cub Scouts: Invent a Reason to Celebrate

Webelos: Traveler/Artist

Boy Scouts: Emergency Preparedness

July Roundtable Themes

Cub Scouts: Red, White, and Baloo Webelos: Aquanaut/Geologist Boy Scouts: Health Care

Order of the Arrow (OA) Chapter Meetings

The OA Chapter meetings are youth led monthly meetings of all of the OA members in the Thunderbird District. These meetings are where Thunderbird 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 starting at 7:00 p.m. at St. Luke's Episcopal Church. For more information contact Marc Swann, Thunderbird District OA Chapter Advisor, at 851-6985.

Thanks!

Don't forget to spread the Scouting spirit. There are still boys and adults who have not had exposure to Scouting. Take time to share your experience. And remember...what's the word? THUNDERBIRD!



White River District (Serving: Cleburne, Fulton, Independence, Izard, Jackson, Lawrence, Sharp, and Stone Counties)

District Chairman: Frank Wise

District Commissioner: Larry Adams

District Executive: vacant

May

02 District Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM, Derby Center – Lyon College

District Pinewood Derby, 8:00 AM, First United Methodist Church – Heber Springs

09 Commissioner Meeting, 6:30 PM, Hilltop Café - Drasco

11 Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 6:30 PM, Southside Middle School

Order of the Arrow, 6:30 PM, Southside Middle School

June

05-07	Day Camp,	, 9:00 AM	to 4:00 PM,	Eastman Park
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District Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM, Derby Center – Lyon College

Program Preview, 6:30 PM, Southside Middle School
 Order of the Arrow, 6:30 PM, Southside Middle School
 Commissioner Meeting, 6:30 PM, Hilltop Café - Drasco

July

No District Meetings in July

Roundtable Themes

	Cub Scouts	Webelos	Boy Scouts
May	Digging in the Dirt	Outdoorsman	Camping
		Handyman	
June	Invent a Reason to Celebrate	Traveler	Emergency Preparedness
		Artist	

Gentlemen, Start Your Engines.....

The White River District Pinewood Derby will take place on Saturday, May 6th at the First United Methodist Church in Heber Springs. Registration for the event will begin at 8:00 AM and will conclude at 9:00 AM. Judging for design awards will take place from 9:00 to 9:30 AM, and racing will begin promptly at 9:30. The fee to participate is \$5 per entry, and each participant will receive a patch. The District would like to extend a very special thank you to Carol-Jean Ratliff, Jim Godush, Michelle Godush, and everyone associated with Pack and Troop 200 in Heber Springs for your work in organizing this year's derby.

Treasures of Scouting

The 2006 White River District Cub Scout Day Camp will take place at Eastman Park on June 5th, 6th, and 7th. The Camp will begin each day at 9:00 AM and will conclude each afternoon at 4:00 PM. Campers will have the opportunity to participate in shooting sports, nature activities, crafts, games, and other fun things. New this year will be 'Wild Water Wednesday', which will take place on Wednesday afternoon. While not trying to divulge too much information about Wild Water Wednesday, suffice to say campers will get VERY WET!! Registration for this year's camp will take place at the May Roundtable (May 11th). Cost is \$30 per Cub Scout, and includes a t-shirt, patch, and all other supplies (Scouts need to bring a sack lunch each day). For more information about the 2006 White River Cub Scout Day Camp, please visit www.quapawbsa.org.

Friends of Scouting

As of press time, the White River District has raised 60% of the District's goal of \$26,120. Many volunteers have put a lot of time and effort into this year's FOS campaign, and many continue to work diligently to see every last dollar raised.

Special thanks go out to the leadership of Tim Lindblom in the District's Family FOS campaign for raising well over 100% of that campaign's goal. Units receiving presentations were: Pack 11, Pack 167, Pack 173, Pack 200, Pack 220, Pack 316, Pack 320, Pack 639, Troop 67, Troop 166, Troop 167, Troop 200, Troop 320, Troop 258, and Troop 371.

Program Preview

The June Roundtable, which will take place on Thursday, June 8th, will feature an in-depth look at the upcoming Scout year. It's vitally important that each Scouting unit within the White River District have at least one leader in attendance, as a veritable plethora of resources will be discussed and available for each unit. Don't miss your opportunity to get the first look at the upcoming 2006-2007 Scouting year and the opportunity to win some really great door prizes!

White River Spring Camporee a Success

Special thanks go out to all who made the 2006 White River District Spring Camporee a great success. Rocky Togni did a wonderful job in organizing the event and recruiting Merit Badge Counselors, and Mike Collins did a fantastic job in helping coordinate the use of Camp Tahkodah. Thanks go out to all of you who gave of your time to serve as Merit Badge Counselors or other Camporee staff members. All reviews of the Camporee have been very complimentary, and your efforts are to be commended.

Units Recharters

May: Pack 308; Pack 373, Troop 333; Team 333; Crew 333

June: None July: None

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