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Free Handbook Program Helps Council Grow School Night Recruitment by 40%!

School Night for Scouting, conducted on September 7th, marked the largest single year increase in Cub Scout recruitment for the Quapaw Area Council in over 15 years. This year, 2921 new boys and their families were recruited on School Night, surpassing by over 800 the number that signed up in last year.

Three Rivers District led the way with a 58.9% increase and Saracen District was a close second with a 52.7% increase. Mohawk District recruited over 500 new youth, which equates to a 25.6% increase. Foothills District had a 48.1% increase with 431 youth recruited. Cherokee District also recruited over 400 new boys, 422, which resulted in a 19.9% increase. Thunderbird District recruited 322 new youth for a 45.7% increase. Delta District recruited 257 new youth, a 42.8% increase and White River District had a 40.6% increase with 253 new youth recruited.

Thank you to all of the Council, District, unit volunteers, and school administrators that helped make School Night for Scouting so successful. Thanks also go out to Perfect 10 Satellite and Alltel for sponsoring School Night and the free handbook program!

Council Camporee Recap

The Big Dam Bridge River Trail Quest QAC Council Camporee was a huge success. Over 1200 Scouts and leaders attended the event which was held in conjunction with the opening of the Big Dam Bridge, the Big Dam Bridge 5K on Saturday, and the Big Dam Bridge 100 on Sunday. Delta District was voted as having the best gateway, with the Saracen District being a close second. The climbing tower in the Order of the Arrow exhibits Tepee drew a large crowd, as did archery and the canoe area. The Scavenger Hunt along the 14 mile River Trail Loop had over 300 participants and was considered a great success. Participants collected over 1100 pounds of food for the Arkansas Food Bank, with Troop 198 being recognized as the big winner for collecting over 80 pounds of food. Many thanks to Bill Byrd for his outstanding leadership in organizing this fabulous event.

BOYS' LIFE

Memorials Gifts in Honor of Win Rockefeller

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2006 Council Popcorn Sale a H-U-G-E Success!!!

The Quapaw Area Council set a new Council record for popcorn sales this year with an outstanding total of $978,560. That total represents an increase of $101,613 from 2005, or an increase of 11.5%. Many thanks to all of you who helped make this year's sale a success!

Top District Sellers

Cherokee	Delta	Foothills	Mohawk
Ethan S. – Pack 1836	James B. – Pack 28	David A. – Pack 112	Kyle C. – Pack 604
Ryan R. – Troop 6	Jackson S. – Troop 20	James K. – Troop 71	Rusty B. – Troop 99

Saracen	Three Rivers	Thunderbird	White River
Adam S. – Pack 218	Blain M. – Pack 21	Charles H. – Pack 810	Matthew G. – Pack 200
Scott S. – Troop 569	Garrett W. – Troop 136	John J. – Troop 427	Archie L. – Troop 320

Fill Up Two Order Form Drawing

Congratulations to Dillon S. and Garrett W. of the Three Rivers District as their names were drawn randomly from the approximately 100 Scouts who filled up at least 2 order forms during this year's sale.

Top Sellers

Cub Scouts

David A.	Pack 112	Foothills	$2,520
Ethan S.	Pack 1836	Cherokee	$2,516
Matthew B.	Pack 95	Cherokee	$2,506
Matthew G.	Pack 200	White River	$2,500
James B.	Pack 28	Delta	$2,332
Will E.	Pack 1836	Cherokee	$2,200
Blain M.	Pack 21	3 Rivers	$2,140
Harrison D.	Pack 112	Foothills	$2,076
Anthony L.	Pack 21	3 Rivers	$2,049
Kyle C.	Pack 604	Mohawk	$2,048
Charles H.	Pack 810	Thunderbird	$2,032
Garrison T.	Pack 362	3 Rivers	$2,012
Jacob H.	Pack 27	Mohawk	$2,008
John S.	Pack 239	Delta	$1,806
Kameron S.	Pack 205	3 Rivers	$1,800
Hunter F.	Pack 503	3 Rivers	$1,790
Lewis R.	Pack 12	Mohawk	$1,670
Keith F.	Pack 224	Delta	$1,636
Joshua W.	Pack 113	Delta	$1,566
David B.	Pack 93	Foothills	$1,546
Michael S.	Pack 29	Mohawk	$1,544
Jared C.	Pack 1	Cherokee	$1,524
Jace M.	Pack 400	Foothills	$1,522
Charles K.	Pack 87	Thunderbird	$1,510
Brock G.	Pack 604	Mohawk	$1,510

Boy Scouts

Garrett W.	Troop 182	3 Rivers	$3,114
Scott S.	Troop 569	Saracen	$2,858
James K.	Troop 71	Foothills	$2,504
Jackson S.	Troop 20	Delta	$2,396
Ryan R.	Troop 6	Cherokee	$2,248
Rusty B.	Troop 99	Mohawk	$2,106
Desmond W.	Troop 332	Mohawk	$2,022
Archie L.	Troop 320	White River	$2,020
Clint J.	Troop 6	Cherokee	$1,942
Nicholas S.	Troop 23	3 Rivers	$1,862

The top selling Cub Scouts receive either a free week at a QAC Day Camp, QAC Resident Camp, or QAC Cub Weekend.

Top selling Boy Scouts receive a free week of summer camp at Camp Rockefeller.

Trail's End®
America's Best Popcorn

POPCORN PICK UP AND PAYMENT PROCEDURES

Units will need to pick up their product on Saturday, November 4th. Don't forget to hold a special meeting that same day in order to distribute the popcorn**.** This will enable your Scouts to take advantage of this first weekend to deliver product and collect money. The Scout's will also need their original "Take-Order" forms during delivery.
Tip – first, make a photocopy of their "Take-Order" forms in case they lose the originals and to use as a sales call guide for next year's sale.

Money must be turned in on or before December 2nd at the Scout Service Center, 3220 Cantrell Road in Little Rock. The office will be open on the deadline date of Saturday, December 2, 2006 from 9:00 AM. to 12:00 Noon to receive money. Please collect money from your Scouts on or before November 30th as this will provide sufficient time for you to follow up with any boys who don't turn their money in on time and will still enable you to meet your unit's bonus commission deadline.

Scenes From The Council Camporee

Mystery Solved: The Case of the Missing Website Form

Have you ever looked on the Council website for something you were told was on the site but couldn't find it? If so, your web browser could be causing the problem. In an effort to speed up your Internet browsing experience, your browser settings may be working against you by loading a website page from the browser's memory cache rather than downloading the latest version of the page. If that's the case, you may not be able to see information added to the site since your last visit, so instruct your web browser to load the latest page by hitting the F5 key on your computer. In almost every instance, that simple command will do the trick. If you are using Internet Explorer as your web browser, you can change your browser settings to require IE to automatically load the latest page from the website's server. To do so, follow these steps:

1. Open Internet Explorer
2. Click on Tools and then select Internet Options
3. Under Temporary Internet Files, select Settings
4. Under check for newer versions of stored pages, select Every visit to the page
5. Click okay and then click apply. Close the Internet Options window.

That should solve the problem of any missing website forms. Happy surfing!

Three Rivers Fall Fun Day – Give Your New Cubs Something to Do!

By Ed. Williams, Three Rivers District Membership Chairman

Once we had completed our School Night for Scouting effort and began to look at our year ahead, it struck the Three Rivers District Committee members that for many of our new and old cubs, we had nothing early in the school year to help them see the value of Cub Scouting. Although there were two Cub Weekends scheduled in October, many Cub Scouts never get to see Camp Rockefeller for various reasons. We saw the need to give them a big activity early to increase retention and help the parents see the value of Scouting.

Given the pressure on both time and resources at this time of year, we chose to have a free Fun Day with a "drop in" type schedule. There were many factors driving our decision not to charge for this event. One reason was the fact that we had just asked them to pay registration, purchase uniforms and sell popcorn, all in the span of three weeks. By offering the event free of charge, we could provide something for the group of boys whose families might not be able to afford a $40 weekend event. Also, given the price of gas when we started planning, we really wanted people to see a value from Scouting. Since we were asking some people to drive a long way to attend the event, we didn't want them to have to pay for both fuel and the event. The "drop in" style gave the parents a choice of coming in the morning or early afternoon, which allowed them to do other things and still participate in the event. The activities were set up so participants could do what they wanted and then leave early, or stay all day and do things over and over again. By speaking with parents from around the district during the planning process, we received different perspectives on what they saw as a value on their time and options. The time period from 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM gave participants the option of enjoying a picnic lunch at the event, while some Packs chose to picnic as a group.

One of the best outcomes of this event was the ability of boys and parents to see that Cub Scouting is something much bigger than just their small unit in central Arkansas. With 140 cub scouts and over 380 people attending, many people saw for the first time that Scouting has a wide reach within our communities. The feeling of belonging to a much larger organization helps strengthen a bond within smaller units, and Cub Scout parents discovered many others are going through the same issues they are facing, no matter where they live. Watching and participating with the boys gave many parents much needed time together. New friendships were made and bonds were created among Scouters, which reinforced their involvement with the program and created feelings of acceptance. While these opportunities are provided at weekend, day and resident camps, we believe our event took it to a new group of Scout families earlier in the Scouting year, and possibly to some who might never have the chance to attend one of the camps.

On the district level, we tied this event with our overall program of leadership communication. At Roundtable, we informed the leaders or our intentions to hold the event, and that we would be providing full details as soon as everything was finalized. Once all the details were confirmed, the email and phone tree from Roundtable was used as the primary means of contact. We wanted leaders to know how important it is to provide updated and reliable contacts (both phone and email) for their units. At the event, parents were told their leaders would receive the photos and the activity patch at the next Roundtable, which helped promote Roundtable attendance. Roundtables are one of our biggest sources of providing timely information about district and council programs and activities. We are confident that good Roundtables and informed leaders will yield better unit programs, and better unit programs lead to improved retention, which provides excellent results for the rest of our programs throughout the year.

Quapaw Area Council Scout Earns Cooke Scholarship

Patrick Kennedy Smith has been recognized for receiving the Mabel S. Cooke Endowment Scholarship of $48,000.

Each year, the National Eagle Scout Association of the National Council awards thousands of dollars in scholastic scholarships to deserving Eagle Scouts throughout the country. Smith's scholarship is the sixteenth scholarship awarded in the nation and the first awarded in Arkansas under the endowment established by Lawrence Cooke in memory of his late wife, Mabel S. Cooke.

Patrick recently returned from an 83-mile trek at Philmont where he served as crew leader. He is already making plans to return there next summer. Smith's other leadership roles in Scouting included serving as Quartermaster for the Quapaw Area Council's contingent to the 2001 National Jamboree. He presently serves as a Junior Assistant Scoutmaster in Troop 30, chartered to St. Paul United Methodist Church in Little Rock. Patrick achieved the rank of Eagle Scout on December 31, 2001. Subsequently, Patrick has earned six palms and was awarded the William T. Hornaday Conservation Award.

Patrick graduated from Lutheran High School with High Honors. On the suggestion of a teacher at the school, Patrick applied to the Fire Protection and Safety Technology program in the College of Engineering, Architecture and Technology at Oklahoma State University. He was one of more than 200 students who were invited to interview for their Scholars program, which includes national and international travel. One of only twenty-four students accepted to the Scholars program, Patrick was also accepted to the Honors College at Oklahoma State University. Patrick believes this degree will give him the opportunity to apply concepts he learned during his years in scouting - being prepared and helping others.

Patrick's ambition, integrity, leadership, and scholastic accomplishments are only a part of what has earned him this scholarship. The Quapaw Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, as well as his family and Troop leaders, congratulate Patrick, and share pride in his achievement.

Council Calendar

November

1	Silver Beaver Nominations Due
3-5	OA Fall Fellowship
4	Popcorn Pick-up
4	Beaver Day
5	OA LECM
7	High Adventure Committee
15	Executive Committee
17-19	COPE Weekend
22	Office/Shop Close @ 3:30 PM
23	Thanksgiving
23-24	Office/Shop Closed
28	Dist. Chairmen/Commissioners

December

2	Popcorn Money Due
12	Properties Committee
13	Executive Board Meeting
22	Office/Shop Close @ 3:30 PM
25	Christmas
25-26	Office/Shop Closed
27-31	Scout Shop Closed

January

1	Office/Shop Closed
6	OA LECM
6	OA Banquet
9	COPE Committee
9	High Adventure Committee
15	Office/Shop Closed
16	Advancement Committee
16	Properties Committee
18	Key-3 & Membership Comm.
21	Beast Feast
21	Camp Promotion & Outdoor
21	Cub Camping
21	Day Camp Directors
22	Training Committee
23	Activities Committee
24	Dist. Chairmen/Commissioners
27	Trainer Development Conf.
29	Health & Safety Committee
31	Council Annual Business Mtg.

Lodge 160 Order of the Arrow Banquet

The Quapaw Lodge will hold it's annual Banquet On Saturday, January 6, 2007 in Little Rock. It will be held at the Calvary Baptist Church on Cantrell Road. The Banquet is scheduled to begin at 5:00 PM and conclude around 6:30 PM. All Lodge members are encouraged to attend to share in the fellowship of the Order. Feel free to bring family members if you so desire. Mohawk Chapter will be hosting the event and promises to have one of the largest turn-outs of all times. Make your plans to be with us on the night of January 6th.

Note: There will be a Lodge Executive Committee Meeting prior to the Banquet, scheduled to begin at 2:00 PM

Beast Feast 2007

While the 2007 Camp Leader's Guidebooks will be available in November, there will be more information about the 2007 Summer Camping programs in January. Please make plans now to have your 2007 camp leadership attend and pick-up the latest information about Summer Camp, Cub Scout Resident Camp, Day Camps, Cub Family Weekends, and a whole host of other camping opportunities for 2007 and 2008. You will be able to meet key camp personnel and ask questions of all camp leadership that will help you and your unit get the most out of your camp experience. The cost of the Beast Feast is $4.00 per person and will be collected at the door. The meal will be served at 4:00 PM, and the break out sessions will begin shortly thereafter. We are trying to start early so everyone can return home before it gets too late. Come join us in fun and fellowship.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW
4:00 PM
January 20, 2007
Donald W. Reynolds Training Center
Blass Scout Reservation

COUNCIL BANQUET TO BE HELD FEBRUARY 15TH

The Quapaw Area Council's Annual Recognition Banquet will be held on Thursday, February 15th, 2007 at the Albert Pike Masonic Temple at the corner of 7th and Scott Streets in Little Rock. The cost will be $15.00 per person.

Doors will open at 6:00 PM. and the dinner will start at 6:30 PM. All Scouters are invited to attend. Scouters and guests may wear casual dress, business suits, or their Scout uniform. Please encourage unit leaders, district committee members, commissioners, and parents to attend this year's banquet.

The evening's program will culminate with the presentation of the 2006 Silver Beaver awards.

Look for more details in the January Scouter.

Cub Scout Leaders Learn and Have Fun

On October 7th Marcia Baldwin and a staff of around twenty conducted a Cub Scout Leader's Pow Wow. This event was designed for those interested in learning more about Pack Pizzaz, Songs, Blue and Gold Banquets, and many other things to help their Packs have a Quality Program. The "Pow Wow Luau" was lots of fun for those attending and should have a positive impact on the Cub Scout Program for all Packs represented. Many Thanks and Congratulations to Marcia and her staff.

Order of the Arrow Election Procedures and Qualifications

Each Troop in the Quapaw Area Council is entitled to hold one Order of the arrow election per year. The Scoutmaster and Troop Committee should review the records of each Scout in the troop to determine if he meets the following criteria:

- Be an active member and registered with the Quapaw Area Council
- The Scout must hold the rank of First Class or above.
- The Scout must have a minimum of 15 nights camping, including a long term camping experience. Long term camping is defined as six days & five nights or more consecutive nights camping.
- The Scout must have the approval of his Scoutmaster

Once candidates have been identified, the Scoutmaster should contact the Chapter Chief or Election Team Chairman to schedule an election time. The Election team or other OA representative should conduct the election. Suggested procedures are as follows :

- List all of the eligible candidates on a chalkboard or large piece of paper.
- Give an overview of the Order of the Arrow, explaining the levels of membership, and that it is a service organization to promote camping at the unit, district, council and national levels.
- Discuss some of the activities and events the Order has been involved with, Beaver Day, Camporee staff, Cub Family Weekends, Banquets Pilgrimage, Conclave and NOAC.
- Stress that this is not a popularity contest, nor should a Scout be elected because he has been in the troop for a long time. Those elected should be those who contribute the most to the patrol or troop on a campout or service project.
- Paper ballots and pencils should then be distributed for the vote.
- Each Scout may vote for any or all of the candidates on the approved list. There are no limits as to the number of approved candidates a Scout may vote for, however he can only vote for each candidate once.
- Ballots are then collected and counted. The results should be shared with the Scoutmaster.

A Scout is elected if he has votes equal to 50% of the scouts voting. The election should not be held if less than 50% of the troop membership is not present. (In the event of an odd number of scouts being present to vote, round down to get the 50% number.) Announcing the results of the ballots is at the troop's option.

When the Scoutmaster approves, fill out the unit election form immediately and forward to :

Quapaw Lodge # 160
Quapaw Area Council
3220 Cantrell Road
Little Rock, AR 72202

The unit will be informed of the next event when a call-out ceremony will be held. The unit should make every effort to have the elected Scouts at that event.

Troops are allowed to submit only one registered adult candidate per year, with the requirements being the same as for a youth member (except for the rank requirement). Adult candidates are nominated by their Troop Committee or by the District Committee. These names are forwarded to the Lodge Executive Committee for approval. Approved leaders will be called-out at the next available event or opportunity. Adult submissions should be received in the Council Service Center no later than March 1st to be approved for the April Ordeal.

These procedures will be followed very closely and late election forms, (30 days prior to the scheduled Ordeal date) may be held until the next scheduled Ordeal.

For more details please contact your Chapter Chief or Chapter Adviser.

Centennial Quality Award for 2007 – 2010

"When Tradition Meets Tomorrow"

In order to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America, the National Council Executive Board has developed a new Quality Unit Awards program. The new award will be called the Centennial Quality Award. The award, which may be earned each year from 2007 through 2010, is an opportunity to celebrate a century of fun, adventure, citizenship, patriotism, and good character. It is also an opportunity to salute those who truly deliver exceptional programs to youth members at all levels of our organization. The primary focus of the Centennial Quality Award is "To improve the QUALITY of program in every unit in America!"

The award will no longer be associated with the re-charter process. From November, through February, your unit commissioner will meet with your unit in order to set goals for 2007. Trained leaders, youth retention and recruiting, recruiting new adult volunteers, advancement, outdoor experiences, program planning, and budgeting are the areas of focus for the new award. The award also focuses on the number of meaningful visits your unit commissioner makes with your unit. If your unit fulfills its goals, the form may be submitted after October 31, 2007. New patches and ribbons have been developed to recognize those units earning the award. There will also be a special award for any units that earn the award all four years.

"Today, set your goals and work toward achieving the award. Your youth members are counting on you!"

Eagle Scouts Honored at Eagle Banquet 2006

The annual Eagle Scout Banquet will be held on February 23, 2007. Scouts earning their Eagle Rank during 2006 will be honored by the Quapaw Area Council, Scouters, parents, friends, and the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Masons of the Valley of Little Rock, Arkansas. The banquet will be held at the Albert Pike Memorial Masonic Temple in Little Rock, (Sixth and Scott). The Masonic Lodge has been hosting and supporting the Scouting program for decades in the Central Arkansas area, and for their contributions to Scouting we are truly grateful.

Eagle Scouts will be receiving a personal invitation, as will their Scoutmasters. Eagle Scouts attending will receive the Council Eagle Scout neckerchief and the 2006 Class of Eagles coffee mug. Items will only be available to those Eagle Scouts and Scoutmasters who attend the banquet, and no one will be allowed to pick up the items on someone else's behalf. Place your reservations early and plan now to be on hand for an evening to remember.

The Council Advancement Committee has decided to provide a NEW Eagle neckerchief this year. While the actual design has not been finalized, plans are to have a special embroidered design or a special patch sewn onto it. This special neckerchief will be available for purchase to past Eagle Scouts of the Quapaw Area Council after the Eagle Banquet in February. Order forms for these neckerchiefs will be available at the Eagle Banquet and the neckerchiefs will be delivered when they are completed.

Class of Eagles 2006 To Be Honored

Dr. Chuck Hillar, Council Advancement Chairman, and the Eagle Day Committee are busy making arrangements for the 2007 Eagle Day Program. All Scouts who earned the Eagle Scout rank during 2006 will be invited to be a part of this great event. The Eagle Scouts will begin their day at the Council Service Center in Little Rock and spend the day at the visiting local businesses. Participants will then have lunch with the prestigious Little Rock Rotary Club. The Scouts will be individually recognized at the Rotary Club lunch and spend time with Central Arkansas community leaders. Eagle Scouts will have the opportunity to visit media companies, medical facilities, law firms and other selected companies in the Little Rock area. Many school principals will allow this as an excused absence in recognition of attaining the Eagle Scout Award. Encourage your Eagle Scouts to attend this great event! Letters of invitation and details of the day should be mailed in early January.

Eagle day is scheduled for February 20th and there is no fee for the event. Begin planning now to share this great opportunity with 2006 Eagle Scouts.

Trainer Development Conference for District Trainers

A Trainer Development Conference for District Training staff members, prospective trainers and Cub Scout Pack Trainers will be held on January 27th, 2007. This is an all day training experience, discussing various methods of training, building a training team, meeting the unit and district training needs, and a lot more. Invitations will be sent out to those individuals recommended by the District Training Chairmen to those who will be serving on the 2007 District Training Committees. Invitations should go out around the first of January, so make sure to let your District Training Chair know if you are interested in attending.

Wood Badge for the 21st Century

In February and March of 2007, the Quapaw Area Council will continue a long tradition and offer a Wood Badge training course. This event is open to all registered Scouters 21 years or older and who have not attended a previous 21st Century Wood Badge training course. This training focuses on leadership development in small group settings. The skills learned and practiced in this course will be extremely useful to all adult volunteers when applied to local scouting events and activities. Wood Badge Course, SR–754, will be presented in two weekends, Friday through Sunday, February 16-18 and March 2-4, 2007. The cost of $195 includes all course materials, food and lodging expenses, plus any awards or recognitions. Because course participation is limited to 48 attendees, registration has already begun. A complete description of the course and an application forms are available on the Council website and at the Council Service Center. Advanced registration and a $50 deposit are now being accepted at the Council Service Center.
The staff of SR–754 has already begun course development training, and were selected from across the Council for their unique skills. They are eagerly looking forward to presenting you the best training experience you have ever enjoyed in Scouting.

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

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

November

7	District Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, Bancorp South, Paragould
13	Commissioner Meeting, 7:00 PM, Paragould Water Light Cable
14	Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 PM, Paragould First Methodist Church
14	Order of the Arrow, 7:00 PM, Paragould First Methodist Church

December

5	District Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, Bancorp South, Paragould
11	Commissioner Meeting, 7:00 PM, Paragould Water Light Cable
12	Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 PM, Paragould First Methodist Church
12	Order of the Arrow, 7:00 PM, Paragould First Methodist Church

January

2	District Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, Bancorp South, Paragould
8	Commissioner Meeting, 7:00 PM, Paragould Water Light Cable
9	Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 PM, Paragould First Methodist Church
9	Order of the Arrow, 7:00 PM, Paragould First Methodist Church

Roundtable Themes

	Cub Scouts	Webelos	Boy Scouts
November	Cub Scout Stars	Craftsman Scientist	First Aid
December	Poles Apart	Fitness Scientist	Winter Camping
January	Aloha, Cub Scouts	Scholar Engineer	Citizenship

Thank You

We have had many successful events in the district over the past several months. We would like to take the opportunity to thank Membership Chairman Robbie Young for once again allowing us the use of his office as the district report center on our very successful School Night for Scouting.

Training Chairman Ben Denton, District Commissioner Allen Piercy and Cub Scout Roundtable Commissioner Miles Stahl also deserve thanks for their efforts in our New Leaders Essentials/Cub/Boy Scout/Venturing Specific fall training session.

Please also join us in thanking District Popcorn Kernel Denise Bounds for her hard work on this year's popcorn sale. She has been a tremendous help in this process.

Upcoming Events

Nominations for the District Award of Merit are being accepted until November 15, 2006. Please keep that deadline in mind as you send nominations for those people who have worked hard to benefit the entire district. Recipients will be recognized at the Cherokee District Banquet.

The Cherokee District Banquet is scheduled for January 30, 2007. The location and other specifics are still being organized at this time. Please mark that evening on your calendars and make plans to attend.

New Units

We are pleased to announce the formation of Pack 38 chartered by the Rector Lions Club. Leigh Ann Jones has taken the position of Cubmaster, and they are well on their way to having a great year.

We are also pleased to announce that Pack 83 of Osceola is resuming activities under the leadership of Amanda Hughes. Pack 83 is chartered by the United Methodist Men of Osceola.

Recharters

Please remember that any recharter paperwork due to the council must be completed before a unit can register for district or council events. November recharters include the following: Pack 83, Pack 102, Troop 102 and Troop 225. We have no units scheduled to recharter in December. The following units are due in January: Pack 478 and Crew 2030.

Friends of Scouting

Our annual Friends of Scouting campaigns will be kicking off soon!

Family Friends of Scouting presentations are conducted on the unit level beginning as early as November. This is a great opportunity for you and your family to financially support the council.

Pacesetter Units are especially important and will receive free badges of rank for a year from the presentation date, as well as a "Pacesetter" ribbon for your unit flag. To qualify as a Pacesetter Unit, you must schedule your presentation date with District Executive Sara Garland by December 15, 2006, and the presentation must occur before March 31, 2007.

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 Commissioner: Lynn Alexander
District Executive**:** Jacob S. Lynn

November

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

December

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

January

4 District Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM, First United Methodist in Forrest City
9 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

Roundtable Themes

	Cub Scouts	**Webelos**	**Boy Scouts**
November	Cub Scout Stars	Craftsman Scientist	First Aid
December	Poles Apart	Fitness Scientist	Winter Camping
January	Aloha, Cub Scouts	Scholar Engineer	Citizenship

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. For more information, please contact the following:

Cub Scout Roundtable Commissioner: Dawn Dailey (daileyx5@sbcglobal.net)
Boy Scout Roundtable Commissioner: Bart Hudspeth (j.b.hudspeth.jfjw@statefarm.com)
Order of the Arrow Advisor: David Smith (t28_delta@centurytelnet)

Thank You, Volunteers

Thank You to Troop 28 who constructed the BIGGEST and BADDEST gateway at the Council Camporee.

Thank you to the volunteers who helped at the Delta New Leader Essentials and Leader Specific Trainings. Without Bart Hudspeth Lynn Alexander, and FREE Breakfast and Lunch from Wynne McDonald's, this training would not have been such a success.

The Delta District would like to welcome Judge Steve Routon of Forrest City and Superintendent Randy Bird of Brinkley to the Delta District Committee.

Welcome New Unit

The Delta District would like to welcome our newest unit: Venture Crew 136 of Wynne, chartered to the Wynne Kiwanis Club.

Friends of Scouting

The Delta district Friends of Scouting campaigned reached 100% on April 4th, 2006. A HUGE THANK YOU to all the volunteers who helped with this campaign. We are currently at 123% and still climbing. All units please remember to register to be Pacesetter Units by December 15, 2006; Pacesetter units will receive free badges of rank for year if they meet all Pacesetter criteria.

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

District Chairman: Paul Tipton
District Commissioner: Linda Cullum
District Executive: Blake Cole

November

4 Popcorn Pickup, Downey Moving and Storage (Bruce St. – Conway)
7 District Annual Business Meeting, 7:00 PM, Conway Fire Department (Oak St.)
9 Cub Scout & Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 PM, Conway LDS Church (Dave Ward Dr.)
9 Foothills Chapter Order of the Arrow Meeting, 7:00 PM, Conway LDS Church
14 Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7:00 PM, Location TBD

December

5 District Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, Conway Fire Department (Oak St.)
9 District Awards Banquet, 6:30 PM, Reynolds Training Center
12 Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7:00 PM, Location TBD
14 Cub Scout & Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 PM, Conway LDS Church (Dave Ward Dr.)
14 Foothills Chapter Order of the Arrow Meeting, 7:00 PM, Conway LDS Church

January

2 District Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, Conway Fire Department (Oak St.)
9 Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7:00 PM, Location TBD
11 Cub Scout & Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 PM, Conway LDS Church (Dave Ward Dr.)
11 Foothills Chapter Order of the Arrow Meeting, 7:00 PM, Conway LDS Church

VENTURING · BSA

Roundtable Themes

	Cub Scouts	Webelos	Boy Scouts
November	Cub Scout Stars	Craftsman Scientist	First Aid
December	Poles Apart	Fitness Scientist	Winter Camping
January	Aloha, Cub Scouts	Scholar Engineer	Citizenship

WELCOME NEW DISTRICT VOLUNTEERS

Please welcome Mr. Richard Tyler as the Foothills District Friends of Scouting Chairman for 2007. Mr. Tyler is an Eagle Scout and an active leader with Troop 78 of Conway. Mr. Tyler has a Law Degree and is a Human Resources Manager for Regions Bank on the Regional Level. We look forward to working with you Mr. Tyler!

FOOTHILLS DISTRICT AWARDS BANQUET

The Foothills Annual District Awards Banquet will be held at 6:30 PM on December 9th, 2006 at the Reynolds Training Center, Gus Blass Scout Reservation near Damascus. Mrs. Teresa Barnes will serve as Chairman and organizer for the event. This is an event that is held to recognize outstanding units and individuals that have excelled in Scouting over the past year. In addition, we will have door prizes and lots of fun and fellowship.

Several awards will be presented including the District Award of Merit, Top Popcorn and Candy Selling Unit Awards, recognition for all new Eagle Scouts, and several other recognitions.

This year, the banquet will feature a banquet style meal for only $5 per person. All registered leaders are encouraged to attend and our goal for attendance at this year's banquet is 100!!! This will be a great event and a great way to celebrate the achievements we have had over the last year.

For more information download the registration form here.

BALOO and OWL Training to be held

The Training Committee for the Foothills District will host a Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation and Outdoor Webelos Leader Course on November 18th, 2006 at the Reynolds Training Center, Gus Blass Scout Reservation. These courses are a must for any Cub Scout Leader that plans to take their Scouts on outdoor activities.

You can download more information and a registration form by clicking here.

FRIENDS OF SCOUTING / PACESETTER UNITS

The Foothills District Goal for Friends of Scouting for 2007 is $39,000. Mr. Richard Tyler has accepted the role as FOS Chairman and Major Gifts Chairman for our Campaign. He will be recruiting leaders for the Major and Community Campaigns very soon with the intent of kicking off our campaign(s) no later than December 15, 2006.

Mr. Michael Waters will serve as the Friends of Scouting Family Campaign Chairman again this year, which is great news for our district. Michael will be in touch with you to schedule your presentation. Our goal is for every unit to be a Pacesetter Unit in 2007. Remember, in order for your unit to receive the Pacesetter Award and also receive free rank advancement for the upcoming year, you must agree to allow a FOS Presentation at a Pack, Troop, or Crew event before the end of March 2007. You must provide your approval and date of your event before the end of December. Remember, free rank advancement over an entire year can be worth several hundred dollars of savings to your Pack, Troop, and Crew. Since most Boy Scout Troops will be holding Courts of Honor in early to Mid-December, we would like to schedule your FOS Presentations at those events. The sooner we get started, the sooner we can reach our goal and celebrate our success!!!

TRAINING ATTENDANCE GREAT!!!

We would like to thank the 35 New Cub Scout and Boy Scout Leaders that attended our New Leader Essential and Cub Leader Specific Course on September 18th. You have all taken a great first step in providing a great program to your boys by being a trained leader.

Also, special thanks goes out to our Training Staff for their hard work. You are appreciated!

UNITS DUE TO RECHARTER

November - **Post**: 287

December – NONE

January - **Packs**: 71, 78, 112, 152, 242, 273, 401, 402, 444, 445, 458 **Troops:** 273, 401, 435, 2001 **Crews:** NONE **Posts:** 911

Mohawk District (Serving: Little Rock)

District Chairman: Curtis Bailey
District Commissioner: Larry Furrer
District Executive: vacant

November

2 District Committee Meeting, 5:30 PM., Council Service Center
7 Commissioner Meeting, 5:30 PM., 11 Corporate Hill
9 Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 PM., Latter Day Saints Church
9 Order of the Arrow, 7:00 PM., Latter Day Saints Church
18 Webelos Advancement Day, Noon, First Christian Church

December

5 Commissioner Meeting, 5:30 PM., 11 Corporate Hill
7 District Committee Meeting, 5:30 PM., Council Service Center
14 Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 PM., Latter Day Saints Church
14 Order of the Arrow, 7:00 PM., Latter Day Saints Church

January

2 Commissioner Meeting, 5:30 PM., 11 Corporate Hill
4 District Committee Meeting, 5:30 PM., Council Service Center
11 Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 PM., Latter Day Saints Church
11 Order of the Arrow, 7:00 PM., Latter Day Saints Church

Roundtable Themes

	Cub Scouts	Webelos	Boy Scouts
November	Cub Scout Stars	Craftsman Scientist	First Aid
December	Poles Apart	Fitness Scientist	Winter Camping
January	Aloha, Cub Scouts	Scholar Engineer	Citizenship

School Night For Scouting
Thank you to School Night for Scouting Chairman Anne Jansen-Broadwater and all of the district and unit volunteers that made School Night our most successful ever! Mohawk had a 26% increase over 2005, recruiting over 520 new boys and their families into Scouting. Go Mohawk!

Trail's End Popcorn Sale
Thank you to all of the units that participated in this year's Trail's End Popcorn Sale. Popcorn Pick-Up will be at the Arkansas Food Bank Network Warehouse on Saturday, November 4 from 8 –11 AM Payments are due at the Council Service Center on December 2.

Training
Thank you to Tom Dodson and the entire Mohawk Training Committee for their outstanding efforts in training new leaders this fall.

Webelos Activity Badge Workshop
The Mohawk District "Webelos Activity Badge Workshop" is a one day program that gives first and second year Webelos the opportunity to work toward the completion of Webelos and Arrow of Light requirements. It is also an opportunity for Webelos Leaders to attend training sessions.

The workshop will be held Saturday, November 18 at First Christian Church, 1500 North Mississippi, Little Rock. The workshop will begin with lunch at 12:00 noon and will conclude with a campfire program at about 6:00 PM.

The workshop will be limited to the first 50 Webelos and their adult leaders. The cost ill be $8.00 per participant and will include lunch and program materials.

District Annual Business Meeting
The November District Committee Meeting will be the District Annual Business Meeting. This meeting includes the report of the Nominating Committee. The 2007 District Chairman and members-at-large of the District Committee will be voted on. All Chartered Organization Representatives are invited to vote at this meeting.

District Banquet
The Mohawk District Banquet is February 2, 2007. Please start sending in your nominations for the District Award of Merit.

Family Friends of Scouting
Family Friends of Scouting is important to the success of the Mohawk District. Again this year, the council will offer free rank advancement for any Scouting unit that qualifies as a Pacesetter unit. To qualify, your unit needs to designate a unit FOS Chairman, schedule a presentation date prior to December 15, 2006, and hold a presentation before April 1, 2007.

Units due to Recharter in January 2007
Packs 5, 7, 27, 30, 33, 55, 99, 131, 198, 227, 233, 335, 395, 396, 467, 604, 725, 1009

Troops 4, 5, 12, 27, 30, 33, 55, 99, 232, 233, 262, 335, 336, 395, Team 233

Crews 12, 30, 55, 233, 395, 604, 6005, 6018

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

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

NOVEMBER

2 District Annual Business Meeting; 6:00 PM; D.W. Reynolds Bld.
7 District Commissioners Meeting Mtg.; 6:30 PM; White Hall Methodist Church
9 Cub Ldr. and Scout Ldr. Roundtable; 7 PM; First Baptist Church - Scout House
9 OA Chapter Mtg.; 7 PM; First Baptist Church - Scout House

DECEMBER

5 District Commissioners Meeting Mtg.; 6:30 PM; White Hall Methodist Church
7 District Committee Meeting; 6:00 PM; D.W. Reynolds Bld.
14 Cub Ldr. and Scout Ldr. Roundtable; 7 PM; First Baptist Church - Scout House
14 OA Chapter Mtg; 7 PM; First Baptist Church - Scout House

JANUARY

2 District Commissioners Meeting Mtg.; 6:30 PM; White Hall Methodist Church
4 District Committee Meeting; 6:00 PM; D.W. Reynolds Bld.
11 Cub Ldr. and Scout Ldr. Roundtable; 7 PM First Baptist Church - Scout House
11 OA Chapter Mtg.; 7 PM; First Baptist Church - Scout House
25 District Banquet; 7:00 PM; Pine Bluff Country Club

Roundtable Themes

	Cub Scouts	Webelos	Boy Scouts
November	Cub Scout Stars	Craftsman Scientist	First Aid
December	Poles Apart	Fitness Scientist	Winter Camping
January	Aloha, Cub Scouts	Scholar Engineer	Citizenship

District Committee Meeting

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

District Commissioner's Meeting

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

Cub Leaders' Roundtable

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

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
For more information about the Saracen OA Meetings, please contact Bruce Peter, Saracen District Lodge Advisor, at 870- 267-1751.

Welcome to our New Leaders
Wendy Williams is serving as the Cubmaster of Pack 2007 chartered to Pilgrim Baptist Church.

Dr. Steve Cash is serving as Cubmaster of Pack 142 chartered to Knights of Columbus

New Leader Training
The Saracen District held new leader training on September 23, 2006 at the Donald W. Reynolds Center on West 3rd Avenue and Pine Street in Pine Bluff. It was a excellent training session as we had about 40 people in attendance. A big thanks goes out to Training chairman Jackie Kirby, for facilitating the event, also and all of his staff Carolyn Morrisey, Minnie Beth White, Danny White, Ray Jones, and Darrell Tharp.
The training is open to all new Cub Scout and Boy Scout leaders, as well as those Cub Scout Den Leaders moving up to the next age group.

Outdoor Leader Training
The Saracen District held outdoor leader training on October 13th and 14th 2006 at Cane Creek State Park located in Star City. The District had 17 leaders participate and become trained. By completing basic training, leaders are ready to take the program back to their respective Packs and Troops. Thanks to course facilitators Darrell Tharp and Jackie Kirby, the training session was successful. The district would also like to thank Danny White, Randy Tullis, Jim Harmon, Carolyn Morrisey, and Ray Jones for making this a great event.

District Banquet
The Saracen District Banquet will be held on Thursday January 25, at the Pine Bluff Country Club. The banquet will begin at 7:00 PM, and the guest speaker for this event will be Dr. David Briscoe, Silver Buffalo recipient. There will be many Scouting awards given out on this night, including the District Award of Merit. The cost to attend the Banquet is $10.00 per person. The meal will be served buffet style, and will consist of: fried chicken, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, green salad, biscuits, cobbler, tea, & coffee.

Welcome to our New Units
The Saracen District would like to welcome Venture Crew 108, chartered to the Church of the Nazarene, located in East End. The Crew Advisor is Jim Himes.

The Saracen District would also like to welcome pack 410. They are located in Humphrey and are chartered though the Humphrey Elementary School PTA. The Cubmaster is Robert Hardee.

2007 Friends of Scouting Campaign Kicks off in December
The Saracen District Friends of Scouting will kick off soon. Please make sure that you are a Pacesetter unit. What is a Pacesetter unit? A Pacesetter unit is a Pack, Troop, or Crew that has agreed to receive a Family FOS presentation, appointed a FOS Unit Chairman, scheduled the presentation (date and time) prior to the December 15th deadline, and will conduct the presentation on or before March 31st, 2007. Units that meet all Pacesetter criteria receive one-year of free rank advancement .

Exploring

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

District Chairman: Don Young
District Commissioner: Diane Chidister
District Director: Jim Dean

November

02 District Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, 1st Baptist Church Scout House - Cabot
07 Commissioner Meeting, 7:00 PM, 1st Security Bank - Cabot
09 Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 PM, First Methodist Church - Beebe
09 Order of the Arrow, 7:00 PM, First Methodist Church - Beebe

December

05 Commissioner Meeting, 7:00 PM, 1st Security Bank – Cabot
07 District Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, 1st Baptist Church Scout House - Cabot
14 Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 PM, First Methodist Church - Beebe
14 Order of the Arrow, 7:00 PM, First Methodist Church - Beebe

January

02 Commissioner Meeting, 7:00 PM, 1st Security Bank - Cabot
04 District Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, 1st Baptist Church Scout House - Cabot
11 Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 7:00 PM, First Methodist Church - Beebe
11 Order of the Arrow, 7:00 PM, 1st Methodist Church - Beebe

Roundtable Themes

	Cub Scouts	Webelos	Boy Scouts
November	Cub Scout Stars	Craftsman Scientist	First Aid
December	Poles Apart	Fitness Scientist	Winter Camping
January	Aloha, Cub Scouts	Scholar Engineer	Citizenship

Units Due to Recharter

The following units will recharter in January 2007: Pack 19; Pack 98; Pack 124; Pack 136; Pack 362; Troop 91; Troop 96; Troop 349; Troop 362; Troop 136

Welcome to New Volunteers

David Clark, Bald Knob Middle School Principal will chair the Three rivers Health & safety Committee. David has much previous experience as an active Scouter. David, welcome aboard!

District Banquet

The Three Rivers District Banquet will take place on January 13, 2007. The fee for the event is $15.00 per person. The event will be held at the Cabot Church of Christ beginning at7:00 PM. All Scouters, their spouse or significant other, & interested scouts should attend.

Cub Scout Fun Day

On October 1, Three Rivers District held its annual Cub Fun Day and it was an OUTSTANDING SUCCESS!! This project was directed & orchestrated by District Membership Chairman, Ed Williams. 135 families were represented and 380 people were in attendance. The following volunteers assisted in this wonderful project: Robert & Diane Chidister, Jeff & Jennifer Hurt, Richard Toney, Shannon Williams, Jackee DeAlejandro, Kesa Taylor, Mary Argo, Shirley Crymes, Brenda Simpson, Steve Bettis, and Don Young.

Several individuals and agencies from the community also need to be recognized for their contributions. They are: CoF 39th BSB (2nd FSC); A. Rogers Yarnell, President & CEO of Yarnells Ice Cream; Mayor M. Stumbaugh, Cabot; Chief Phil Robinson, City of Cabot; Jim Roberson, Lonoke County Sheriff's Office; Sgt. Baker from Lonoke County Sheriff's Office; Leadership Team of Free Will Baptist Church @ Cabot.

School Night for Scouting

The Three Rivers District had a fantastic School Night for Scouting! Led by District Membership Chairman Ed Williams and a wonderful staff of volunteers, the district increased new youth recruited by almost 60% compared to 2005. That increase was the largest increase from all of the Quapaw Area Council's eight districts. Great job Ed & staff! Many youth will benefit from your highly successful efforts.

Training

Several volunteer training sessions have been successfully orchestrated and carried out by Training Chairman, Robert Chidister & his staff. Because of this superior effort, an outstanding program will be taken to many, many youth throughout the District.

Friends of Scouting

FOS Goal for Three Rivers District: $15,000
Total amount raised is: $16, 415

Many thanks to Finance Chairman, Scott Van Pelt, and his numerous volunteers who made this finance campaign a great success!

Thunderbird District (Serving North Little Rock, Jacksonville, and Maumelle)

District Chairman: Brad Hughes
District Commissioner: Mike Stephens
District Executive**:** Justin Clark

November

2 District Annual Business Meeting, 7:00 PM. St. Luke's Episcopal Church
9 Cub Ldr. & Scout Ldr. Roundtable, 7:00 PM. St. Luke's Episcopal Church
9 OA Chapter Meeting, 7:00 PM. St. Luke's Episcopal Church
14 Commissioners Meeting, 7:00 PM. North Little Rock LDS Church

December

5 Commissioners Meeting, 7:00 PM. North Little Rock LDS Church
7 District committee Meeting, 7:00 PM. St. Luke's Episcopal Church
14 Cub Ldr. & Scout Ldr. Roundtable, 7:00 PM. St. Luke's Episcopal Church
14 OA Chapter Meeting, 7:00 PM. St. Luke's Episcopal Church

January

2 Commissioners Meeting, 7:00 PM. North Little Rock LDS Church
4 District committee Meeting, 7:00 PM. St. Luke's Episcopal Church
11 Cub Ldr. & Scout Ldr. Roundtable, 7:00 PM. St. Luke's Episcopal Church
11 OA Chapter Meeting, 7:00 PM. St. Luke's Episcopal Church
13 District Banquet, 6:30 PM. Jacksonville First United Methodist Church
13 Chess Tournament, 8:00 AM. St. Luke's Episcopal Church

Roundtable Themes

	Cub Scouts	Webelos	Boy Scouts
November	Cub Scout Stars	Craftsman Scientist	First Aid
December	Poles Apart	Fitness Scientist	Winter Camping
January	Aloha, Cub Scouts	Scholar Engineer	Citizenship

District Annual Business Meeting
Thunderbird will be conducting their annual business meeting on November 2 at St. Luke's Episcopal Church at 7:00 PM. Charter Organization Representatives and Members-At-Large are welcome to attend.

District Banquet
The District Banquet will be held on January 13, 2007 at the Jacksonville First United Methodist Church at 6:30 PM. All unit leaders and district volunteers are invited and encouraged to be present. For more information, contact Carol Luna at 786-0967.

District Committee Meetings
The District Committee meets the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM. at the St. Luke's Episcopal Church. For more information, contact Brad Hughes, Thunderbird District Chairman, at 791-3303.

Roundtables
Roundtables are held the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM 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. Tracie Frederic (985-0091) serves as the Cub Scout Roundtable Commissioner and Cliff Ferren (753-9438) is the Boy Scout Roundtable Commissioner

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 PM at St. Luke's Episcopal Church. For more information contact Marc Swann, Thunderbird District OA Chapter Advisor, at 851-6985.

Training
Our Cub Scout and Boy Scout Training sessions were a great success. Everyone had fun and learned a lot in the process. Many thanks go out to the great staff that took time out of their busy schedules to conduct the training. A special thanks to all the leaders that came to the training. Every boy deserves a trained leader. Thank you for making this more of a reality.

If you have any questions about Thunderbird District Training, please contact Marcia Baldwin, Thunderbird District Training Chairman, at 835-9150.

Welcome to Pack 1224
Thunderbird District would like to welcome Pack 1224. They are chartered with Perfecting New Life Church in North Little Rock. Jermaine Adkins serves as Cubmaster.

Scouting

Friends of Scouting

The 2007 Friends of Scouting Campaign is kicking off. If your unit would like to be a Pacesetter unit, you must sign up by December 15, 2006 and conduct the Family Presentation before March 31, 2007. Scouting depends upon support from people, families, and businesses in our community. If you wish to participate in Friends of Scouting but have not been asked, please call 664-4780 ext. 226. Thunderbird District Scouters could use your help.

Museum of Discovery Camp In

Pack 170 of Little Rock AFB would like to invite all Thunderbird Cub Scout units to come do a camp in January 19th at the Museum of Discovery. Between all the units we have to come up with 50 kids to attend. This is a family event and all are welcome to attend. Cost will be $30 per child and $20 per adult. Please contact Carol Couser at (501) 396-7050, ext 203 to make reservations. Let her know you want to join up with Pack 170. Carol request that we have a tentative head count from each unit by 1 December so they will know if they can accommodate our camp in. Our unit went last year and had a blast. Carol will accommodate us on any activities we may want to do. For those Webelos out there this is a great place to get some of Forestry and Scientist Activity badges done. If you are interested in joining us or looking for more information, please e-mail Darrel Jackson at dhjackson6@cebridge.net or phone at 605-0265. Between the units going we will try and come up with the activities for the museum to put on for us.

Thanks!

Remember, your time and efforts are invaluable. Thanks for making Scouting a successful program. 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

November

02 District Annual Business Meeting, 6:30 PM, Derby Center – Lyon College
09 Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 6:30, Southside Middle School
09 Order of the Arrow, 6:30 PM, Southside Middle School
14 Commissioner Meeting, 6:30PM, DJs Diner – Drasco

December

05 District Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM, Derby Center – Lyon College
12 Commissioner Meeting, 6:30 PM, DJ's Diner - Drasco
14 Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable, 6:30 PM, Edwards Commons- Lyon College
14 Order of the Arrow, 6:30 PM, Edwards Commons – Lyon College
14 District Banquet, 7:00 PM, Edwards Commons – Lyon College

January

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

	Cub Scouts	Webelos	Boy Scouts
November	Cub Scout Stars	Craftsman Scientist	First Aid
December	Poles Apart	Fitness Scientist	Winter Camping
January	Aloha, Cub Scouts	Scholar Engineer	Citizenship

School Night for Scouting

The White River District has a tremendous School Night for Scouting this year. Led by District Membership Chairman Ron Lewallen and a staff of great volunteers, the District recruited 253 new youth compared to 180 youth recruited on School Night in 2005. The 73 additional youth recruited this year represents an almost 41% increase! Way to go!!

Popcorn Sale

Congratulations to all of you in the White River District who helped the District increase 2006 popcorn sales by over 30% as compared to 2005. All units combined to sell almost $80,000 worth of popcorn, which is the largest total in the District in several years. There were 3 Packs that sold over $8,500 worth of product, and 3 Troops who sold $3,000 or more. The race to be the top selling Pack and Troop was very close, and the winners will be announced at the District Banquet in December. Congratulations to Matthew G. of Pack 200 in Heber Springs and Archie L. of Troop 320 in Batesville who were the District's top sellers at $2,500 and $2,020 respectively.

District Banquet

The White River District Banquet will be held on Thursday, December 14th at 7:00 PM at the Edwards Commons Dining Hall on the campus of Lyon College in Batesville (Roundtable programs will be held before the banquet beginning at 6:30 PM). Tickets are $10 each, and will be available for sale beginning at the November Roundtable on November 9th. All unit leaders and District volunteers are encouraged to attend, and each unit is asked to bring a door prize or a table centerpiece that can be given away as a door prize. For more information about the District Banquet, contact Ronald Richardson at 501-664-4785 Extension 234.

Please note: in order to be presented with any training awards earned in the past 12 months, all paperwork must be submitted to the Council office no later than Thursday, November 30th. Anyone wishing to be presented with training awards at the banquet should contact Ronald Richardson and verify the award.

Nominations for the District Award of Merit are due to the District no later than 5:00 PM on November 30th. For nomination criteria and forms, please visit the Forms Page on the Council website.

Friends of Scouting Pacesetter Deadline Fast Approaching

The deadline for your unit to qualify as a FOS Pacesetter Unit will be here before you know it. You unit can qualify as a Pacesetter unit by meeting the following criteria:

1. Appoint a unit FOS chairperson
2. Sign up to receive your presentation before the December 15th deadline
3. Conduct your presentation on or before the March 31, 2007 deadline

Units that meet the above criteria will receive free rank advancement for a year, so don't miss out on your opportunity to help the Council as well as save money!

Welcome Pack 258

The White River District would like to welcome Cub Scout Pack 258, chartered to Ozark Country Resorts in Horseshoe Bend. Russell Feurst, a long tenured veteran of the Scouting program, is serving as Cubmaster.