

# The Scouter Newsletter

## July 2013 Edition

### Progress update on Nevada Area Council campaign for new Scout Service Center



The capital campaign for the acquisition and completion of our new Scout Service Center continues to make good progress. By closing escrow we have completed Phase One; however in order to ensure that the new building can meet the needs of our council we still have a ways to go and much construction to do. We are therefore very actively working to raise the rest of the funds necessary to also equip and sustain the center into the future.

Immediate needs include technology upgrades, outfitting the greatly expanded Trading Post, and some additional furniture.

To BE PREPARED for years ahead, we also want to establish an endowment to support future maintenance of the building and property.

So far we have received very heartening support and investment from major donors and local foundations as well as from members of our council's board. Now we are reaching out to all members of the Nevada Area Council.

Scouting volunteers and parents recently received a letter with information on our "Pavers Campaign" which provides an additional opportunity to support this new council home by buying a paving brick that can be engraved to recognize and celebrate Scouting achievements of family members or important persons in your life.

Select the link for more information regarding the [paver project](#). We invite you to participate in the establishment of our new Scout Service Center. Please contact the Scout Office or myself [sandrarogers1013@msn.com](mailto:sandrarogers1013@msn.com) with any questions. Thank you for all you do for Scouting.

*Sandra Rogers*  
Council President

## From the Desk of Keith Ashby, Scout Executive

Scouting Friends and Volunteers,



Once again, a special thanks to all who participated in the Membership Standards Study Initiative. The process in which you participated was historic. Through the process, the Boy Scouts of America proved that a volunteer-led organization can listen and learn from its members and move forward to serve more youth.

We are now in the implementation phase of the initiative. Between now and Jan. 1, 2014, an implementation task force made up of volunteers and professionals is looking at every aspect of our organization to implement the new membership policy in the best way for the youth and families we serve.

In the weeks ahead, you will begin receiving updates that will outline the work of the implementation group and its progress.

On May 24, Rex Tillerson, past president of the Boy Scouts of America, spoke to attendees of our National Annual Meeting. His message about Scouting, change, and the future of the BSA was powerful. I'm proud to share those remarks with you here. I encourage you to share this video with anyone who cares about the Scouting movement.

A special message from Rex Tillerson, BSA past president, 2013 National Annual Meeting

Thank you for your leadership, your passion for Scouting, and for helping move the BSA forward to serve more youth.

[A special message from Rex Tillerson, BSA past president, 2013 National Annual Meeting](#)

[Official Boy Scouts of America Membership Resolution](#)

*Keith Ashby*  
Scout Executive

### **Council Staff Update:**

It is with both pleasure and sadness that we announce that Carol Paulson, our Registrar has retired. We wish her all the best as she goes to a great family reunion in Oregon next month, sleeps in and enjoys her cats and garden.

We have two new staff members.

Linda Brant is our Council Popcorn Representative and our Field Secretary and Lori Ruff is our new Registrar.

Please feel free to call the office for any questions that you might have.

*Cilia Suhayda*  
Administrative Assistant

## NEWS AND DATES

### **Day Camp 2013:**

Can you imagine the fun and excitement of being an investigator? This year's Day Camp theme is "Cub Scout Investigators". What fun your Cub Scouts will have exploring nature and being an investigator.

Day camp is a fun and rewarding activity for Cub Scouts. It's primary purpose is to enrich a boy's Scouting experience, but has other benefits as well. It provides continuity of program over the summer months and strengthens den/pack organization. It helps the pack earn the National Summertime Pack Award, the Cub Scout Outdoor Activity Award, and to earn Journey to Excellence points.

The upcoming dates and Camp Directors are:

Sierra-Sky Tavern	Fallon
July 13	August 17
Kelly Obert	Don & Amy
775-750-970	510-427-9956

For more information contact your District Day Camp Director. To register for Day Camp [Click Here](#) to fill out the registration form.

Come Join in the Fun.

### **Calling All Silver Arrow Degree Recipients:**

Be proud that you belong to an elite number that have earned this prestigious award recognizing scout leaders that have made a commitment to learning scouting skills that ensure quality program for our youth. Started over 10 years ago this recognition program that uses district, council, regional and national training opportunities is being reinvigorated by your Nevada Area Training Council. We are looking for all graduates of the program to add to our alumni list going forward. Although it is the individual scouter's responsibility to keep progress records, once the degree has been earned and awarded we will now keep those records at council level. We are currently reviewing all courses, criteria and credits and you will soon see a revamped Silver Arrow Degree Training Program going forward. So to all who wear the Graduate Neckerchief Award with any degree level, we want to hear from you. Either call or send your name, award level (Associate, Bachelors, Masters, or Doctorate) and current scouter position to the council office (775-787-1111 x18 or [chris.harvey@scouting.org](mailto:chris.harvey@scouting.org)). An alumni list will be published as part of the program going forward. Thank you to all who have taken the time to earn this honor.

**Boy Scout Popcorn:**

Popcorn is just around the corner with new and exciting Prizes! All \$600 Club Winners will receive a prize! Please go to [www.scouter.org](http://www.scouter.org) and click on the tab "Product Sales" to sign up!

**Advanced Leadership Training Opportunities for Adults and Youth (Wood Badge & NYLT):**

Even though we are past the Early Bird Registration date, there is still time to sign up for both Wood Badge & NYLT by July 15th.

[National Youth Leadership Training Information and Registration Packet](#)

[Wood Badge Training Information and Registration Packet](#)

Don't delay because space is limited for both courses so don't wait until it is too late!

**Camp Fleischmann:**

We are gearing up for an exciting camping season. We have a lot of new staff members who are eager to serve. We have a whole family coming from the Houston area to work at camp this year. Be sure to say hi to the Shull family when you get to meet them. Tony will be running the waterfront, his wife Heather will be in Handicraft, and his kids are program aides. They also are bringing their troop's SPL to be a program aide. It will be great to learn how Scouting works, Texas style!

We have some awesome new merchandise for the trading post this year, including belt buckles, custom leather belts, and a really cool 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary Council Shoulder Patch (CSP), be sure to stop by and visit Michael and Natalie in the store.

This will be the first full summer with our new climbing wall. Be sure to check it out and climb to the top!

**Log Your Unit's Service Hours:**

Has your unit volunteered time within the community? Record service hours and support your JTE score. Link [Here](#) to begin now.

**Internet Advancement:**

There is a new PowerPoint presentation on internet advancement with notes, and a FAQ sheet that is available by [clicking here](#).

This PowerPoint presentation guides the viewer through methods to make effective use of the Internet Advancement software.

**MyScouting Tools:**

MyScouting Tools has two main levels of access: My Dashboard and Roster Manager. Unit leaders and adult volunteers can use the My Dashboard tool to update profile and contact information. The Unit Key 3 and District Key 3 will have access to the Roster Manager tool which

allows them to view and export their roster information and update contact information for anyone on their roster.

**Help us Contact You Directly:**

Do you have a new email address? Have you moved? Have you changed your phone number? The new MyScouting Tools website now allows you to update all these fields for your BSA record on your own. Just go to <http://myscouting.org> and log in (or create) your account (make sure your First Name, Last Name and BSA Member Number are in your MyScouting Profile and that they match the information on your current BSA registration). Click "go to the new MyScouting Tools" and you are there.

For questions about your BSA Member ID number or how to access your new MyScouting info, just ask your local Scouting Professional.

**Eagle Scout Workbook and Application:**

These new revised materials will help you or your Scout understand, plan, and complete all the steps necessary to join the ranks of our Eagle Scouts. [Click Here for more information.](#)

## DISTRICT NEWS

**[SIERRA DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE](#)**



The district just concluded a great 3 day camp at Clayton Middle School. 80 young Cub Scouts enjoyed a variety of activities including the ever popular BB Gun Shooting and Archery stations. Our next day camp is right around the corner on Saturday, July 13 at Sky Tavern. The Sky Tavern Day Camp is full and not accepting any new registrations.

Scouters, remember that there are no monthly Roundtables during June and July. We will see you back on Tuesday, September 3, 7pm at Huffaker Elementary School. Also, District Committee Members, committee meetings continue through the summer. The next District Committee Meeting is moved to the second Thursday of July, the 11th due to the 4th of July Holiday. The committee will be meeting at

Wheatland Park, which is directly to the east of Huffaker Elementary School. The meeting time will remain 6pm.

To all in the district, have a great Scouting summer.

*Chris Harvey*  
District Executive

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District Committee Meeting and Roundtable:

The Northstar District Committee Meeting will be held 7:00 pm, July 11th at a place to be determined. The next district roundtable will be held 7:00 pm, August 1st at Scheels in Sparks.

Day Camp:

The Northstar District Day Camp was held June 21st and 22nd at the LDS Chapel on Shadow Lane in Sparks. Over 180 boys attended the day camp. Many thanks to Pam and Rob Lacy and all of the staff that helped make this year's day camp a huge success. A few lost and found items were gathered up after the event. If your boy is missing something from the event, contact Lynn Olson at 787-1111 ext 19.

Membership Recruitment Training, July 30, 2013:

Northstar District will be holding membership recruitment training for Cubmasters, Pack Committee Chairs and Pack Membership Chairs at 6:00 pm, Tuesday, July 30th, in the upstairs classrooms of Scheels in Sparks. Discussion will include tips on how to make membership recruitment nights successful and what is expected of unit leaders in regards to membership recruiting.

*Lynn Olson*  
Senior District Executive

[\*\*PINENUT DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE\*\*](#)



#### District Announcements:

The Pinenut District 2013 and 2014 calendars are posted online at [www.scouter.org/districts/pinenut](http://www.scouter.org/districts/pinenut), so please be sure to include upcoming events in your unit calendar. Some minor changes in the 2013 calendar have been updated to include a unit commissioner meeting which did effect roundtable and district committee meetings.

The Pinenut District is always looking for new talented leaders to step up and get involved at the district level. There are many opportunities to serve in the areas of activities, advancement, camping, finance, health & safety, membership, public affairs, training, and unit service. If you are interested please contact your District Executive James Thorne at [James.Thorne@scouting.org](mailto:James.Thorne@scouting.org) or by phone at (702) 277-7538.

#### Journey to Excellence:

A reminder to all units to continue tracking your "Journey to Excellence" progress each month. This is something that should be shared at your committee meetings each month to verify that your unit is doing well and on track. Please [click here](#) to view and print your score card.

#### District Events and Activities:

This year's Day Camp was a huge success with over 150 Cub Scouts in attendance for a record breaking year. The theme for Day Camp was Cub Scout Investigators (CSI) which included the help and support of Douglas County Sheriff's Office who show cased their K-9 units, vehicles, and other really exciting demonstrations. District Chairman, Mike Rowe, came out and joined in the fun and District Commissioner, Ron Thornton, volunteered his time for a special science presentation to the Scouts. A thank you goes out to the many volunteers that gave up their time to work the various stations, archery and BB Gun Range, and to our Den Walkers. A special thank you to Marla Morris, Heather Jackson, Lisa Van Wagenen, Harold Morris, Bill Boston, and Tosha Thorne for their efforts in making this event possible.

#### The Pinenut District upcoming events:

Date	Event	Location	Start Time
Aug. 7th	Unit Commissioners Meeting	Carson Field Office	6:30pm

Aug. 8th	District Committee Meeting	TBA	6:30pm
Sept. 4th	Unit Commissioner Meeting	Carson Field Office	6:30pm
Sept. 5th	District Committee Meeting	TBA	6:30pm
Sept. 12th	Roundtable	TBA	6:30pm
Sept. 13th-14th	IOLS/OWL Training	TBA	6:30pm
Oct. 2nd	Unit Commissioner Meeting	Carson Field Office	6:30pm
Oct. 3rd	District Committee Meeting	TBA	6:30pm
Oct. 10th	Roundtable	TBA	6:30pm
Oct. 11th-12th	Fall Camporall	Centerville Flat, CA	5:00pm
Oct. 19th	BALOO Training	TBA	TBA

Pinenut District Event Fliers:  
[Fall Camporall](#)







Day Camp 2013

*James Thorne*  
District Executive  
(photos taken by: Nancy Clark)

[PONY EXPRESS DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE](#)



Roundtable:

Rountables are held on the 1st Thursday of Every Month at 7:00 PM

January, March, April, May, September and November they are held at:  
Churchill County High School - Science Building S19 \* Fallon, NV  
In February, April, June, October and December they are held at:  
The Church of the Latter-Day Saints on Highway 95 in Fernly, NV

*Eric Maass*  
Senior District Executive

[LASSEN DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE](#)

Lassen District Committee Meeting:

The next Lassen District Committee Meeting will be held 6:00 pm,  
August 7 at the Lassen County Office of Education.

*Lynn Olson*

Senior District Executive

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We had a 1300% increase at our Scoutreach Overnight and Day Camp in attendance on June 14-15th over last year! We would like to thank Sierra Car Care Stations and Councilman Oscar Delgado for their generosity so our scouts could enjoy the camp for free!

I would also like to thank the following volunteers: Bob Webb, Stan Omaye, Lori Bigham, Harry and Bonnie Dixon, Ed Ballingham, John Springgate, Jesse Gutiérrez, Sheila Young, Troop 107, and Pack 512. I would also like to thank our Program Aides for helping out as well!





*Steve Pomerantz*  
Scoutreach Director

**[OVERLAND DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE](#)**

I hope you are all enjoying your summer. Our next Roundtable will be Tuesday, August 13th and the next District Committee Meeting will be on Tuesday, August 6th.

More information for all upcoming district events and training opportunities can be found on the District's website.  
(<http://www.scouter.org/Districts/Overland>)

*Brian Sutilla*  
District Director

**[BRISTLECONE DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE](#)**

I hope you are all enjoying your summer. Our next Roundtable will be Thursday, September 5th and the next District Committee Meeting will also take place on Thursday, September 5th.

More information for all upcoming district events and training opportunities can be found on the District's website.  
(<http://www.scouter.org/Districts/Bristlecone>)

*Brian Sutilla*

District Director

[HUMBOLDT DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE](#)

Distirct Committee Meetings and Roundtables:

Are held at the Winnemucca LDS Stake Center on the third Thursday of the month at 6:00 and 7:00 p.m. respectively (excluding July).

*Eric Maass*

Senior District Executive

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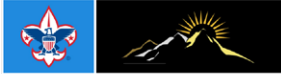


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