Boy Scouts of America Nevada Area Council

The Scouter Newsletter

May 2013 Edition

From the Desk of Keith Ashby, Scout Executive

As the weather warms up we are all making preparations for outdoor activities. Day Camps, Adventure Camp, Scout Camp and all the unit activities that are being planned put the "outing" in Scouting!

Units throughout the council have been selling Camp Cards to help raise money so that any youth who wants to attend a camp will be able to. We wish everyone great success; please let us know how your sale is going, and if we can help you in any way.

We are sad to report that Bonnie Rostan, our Exploring Executive, is leaving us. We are happy about her choice to return to school to pursue a career in Speech Pathology. Her last day in the office will be May 7th. We wish her the best on her new path. Bonnie has laid the groundwork for a number of new Exploring Posts, and we look forward to seeing them to fruition. The hunt for a new executive to fill the opening is well under way. In the meantime please contact me with any questions you might have.

Keith Ashby
Scout Executive

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 dates and Camp Directors are:

Overland- Elko	Pinenut- Genoa	Sierra- Clayton
June 8	June 12-14	June 19-21
Laura Pope	Marla Morris	Kelly Obert
775-753-8745	775-720-9380	775-750-9705
Northstar-Shadow Ln. LDS	Winnemucca	Susanville-Roxie Peconom
June 21-22	June 22	June 29
Pam Lacy	Kathleen DeSilva	Robert Talley
775-626-3601	775-304-8436	530-253-4117
McGill	Sierra-Sky Tavern	Fallon
June 29	July 13	August 17
Dan & Jennifer Carter	Kelly Obert	Don & Amy Hawkins
775-238-0222	775-750-9705	510-427-9956

Register soon.There is an early bird registration deadline May 15. After that date the price goes up. 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.

Nevada Area Council Government Day:
The Pinenut District Activities Committee is pleased to present Government Day! This event takes place every two years and gives our Scouts the opportunity to tour state government facilities, meet legislators, and get a first-hand look at how the three branches of government function and work together. Attending this event also fulfills a requirement for Citizenship in the Nation Merit Badge. Government Day will be taking place on Thursday, May 9th from 8:15am to 4:15pm at the Nevada State Legislature. This event is limited to the first 80 Boy Scouts and Webelos who register at the price of

$10.00 a person. Please see the Registration Form for details. If you have any questions please contact Pinenut District Activities Chairman John Domina at (775) 720-2554 or via email at jxd@domwa.com

Boy Scout Popcorn:
Popcorn is just around the corner with new and exciting Prizes! All $600 Club Winners with receive a prize! Please go to www.scouter.org and click on the tab "Product Sales" to sign up! Attend your Roundtable in May to taste some of the new flavors.

Advanced Leadership Training Opportunities for Adults and Youth (Wood Badge & NYLT)
Are you thinking about attending either Wood Badge or NYLT? Then sign up quickly to take advantage of the Early Bird Registration Discount which expires May 15th.

National Youth Leadership Training Information and Registration Packet

Wood Badge Training Information and Registration Packet

Space is limited for both courses so don't wait until it is too late!

Camp Fleischmann:
The 2013 Cub Scout Adventure Camp theme is "Great American Adventure!" which will include everything from Huck Finn, Lewis and Clark and Mark Twain. Come back in time at Camp and have an adventure the way it was meant to be! Registration Form

Our Camp Staff is almost complete. We will continue to accept applications and interview until camp starts. Are you going to be 14 or 15 this summer? You can sign up for our Counselor in Training program! Find the application here. Contact the Camp Director with any questions, Eric Maass at 775-770-0343 or eric.maass@scouting.org

You may pre-order your Camp Fleischmann shirts customized with your troop number! Shirts are only $9.95 each ($12 at camp), with a minimum order of 6.

We have a custom jacket available for pre-order this year as well to help commemorate 60 years of Adventure at CF. These jackets are available for $95 and for an extra $5 you can customize it with your name on the right side! Click Here for More Information

Sign up now. We need to know who is coming by May 10th! May 31 and June 1 will be the first ever **Eager Beaver Camp Work Days**. Have you ever wanted to help improve camp? This will be your opportunity! We have many projects to complete before camp opens this summer, and you can even bring the whole family. Come as an individual, family, pack or troop. All are welcome. As promised we have the informational flyer ready for you! We will hold the event if conditions permit (snow access...). Click

Here for More Information

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 speaker 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

Unit leaders, please remember that District Roundtable is the first Tuesday of each month. Roundtables are held 7-8:30pm at Huffaker Elementary School in the Library, 980 Wheatland Road. Also for district committee members, the District Committee Meeting is held at the same location from 6-7pm on the first Thursday of each month.

Our next event is the Spring Camporee, Orienteering theme. This will be held at the Dog Valley Property. Registration will be online soon. The dates are May 17-18.

Chris Harvey
District Executive

NORTHSTAR DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE

Roundtables:
Northstar District Roundtables are held at 7:00 pm the first Thursday of every month in the second floor conference rooms of Scheels in Sparks. The exception to this will be the roundtable for May. The location for May's roundtable will be announced at a later date. All Venturing Crew Advisors, Varsity Team Coaches, Scoutmasters, Cubmasters, Den Leaders and assistants are invited to attend the roundtables.

District Commissioner and District Committee Meeting location change:
Northstar District Commissioner Meetings are held 6:00 pm the second Thursday of each month. Northstar District Committee Meetings are held 7:00 pm the second Thursday of each month. Each of these meetings will be held in the second floor conference rooms of Scheels in Sparks.

Northstar District Cub Scout Day Camp:
Northstar District will be holding its Cub Scout Day Camp the evening of Friday, June 21 and all day Saturday, June 22 at the LDS Chapel on

Shadow Lane in Sparks. Cost of this event will be $30 if paid by May 15 and $50 if paid after May 15th. You can get Cub Scout Day Camp applications by going to www.scouter.org, by going to the Nevada Area Council Service Center, or by contacting Lynn Olson, District Executive for Northstar District.

Lynn Olson
Senior District Executive

PINENUT DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE

Merit Badge Fair Day # 2:

Day two of the Merit Badge Fair went without a hitch with approximately 100 Scouts returning to complete Merit Badges and demonstrate what they have learned. A special thank you to Advancement Chairman Don Asp for putting on such a great event, and for all those who volunteered to help Don with planning, set up, and clean up. Of course we would like to thank all of our Merit Badge Counselors for volunteering their time and skills to the Scouts.

Leader Specifics Training:
The Boy Scout Leadership Specifics Training included Scoutmaster, Varsity Coach, and Venturing Leader Training as well as Charter Representative and Committee Training for Packs, Troops, Teams, and Crews. A thank you to Training Chairman Bill Boston and the Pinenut District Training Committee for putting together this event. A special thank you to Council Vice President of Program Bill Brewer for teaching a course on LDS/BSA Relations. Every Scout deserves a trained leader so don't miss out on your opportunity at our next training to become a trained leader or improve your leadership skills.

Pinenut District Pinewood Derby Championship:
At the 1st Annual Pinenut District Pinewood Derby Championship we watched as the top 26 of our 330 Cub Scouts from 10 different packs within the district competed. Congratulations to all those who participated in this

event! Below is a list of the top 10 finishers in the Pinenut District:

Place:	Cub Scout:	Unit #:
1st	Parker C.	140
2nd	Connor T.	33
3rd	Jameson R.	33
4th	Skyler W.	360
5th	Espen W.	360
6th	Matthew G.	33
7th	Samuel G.	33
8th	Porter P.	240
9th	Michel G.	33
10th	Hudson W.	140

*Good Sportsmanship Taylor C. Pack 360
*Best Craftsmanship Parker C. Pack 140

A thank you goes out to Activities Committee Race Director David Van Wagenen for making this event possible.

Roundtable Fireside Talk with Scout Executive Keith Ashby:
On Thursday, May 2nd at 6:30pm will be our last Pinenut District Roundtable until Thursday, September 12th and we dodn't want you to miss your opportunity to attend. On this upcoming Roundtable we will have Nevada Area Council Scout Executive Keith Ashby as a guest speaker and Dutch Oven goodies! So don't forget to mark your calendars we look forward to seeing you there.

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.

The Pinenut District upcoming events:

Date	Event	Location	Start Time
May 1st	Pinenut District Committee Meeting	Michael Hohl Honda	6:30pm
May 2nd	Roundtable	Michael Hohl Honda	6:30pm
May 9th	Government Day	Nevada Legislature Building	8:15am
May 17-18th	Spring Camporee	Centerville Flats	4:00pm
June 5th	Pinenut District Committee Meeting	Michael Hohl Honda	6:30pm

June 12th-14th	Pinenut Day Camp	Mormon Station State Park	9:00am

Pinenut District Event Fliers:
Government Day
Spring Camporee
Day Camp

Pinenut District Pinewood Derby Championship Cars

Pinenut District Pinewood Derby Championship Awards

James Thorne
District Executive
(photos taken by: Tosha Thorne)

PONY EXPRESS DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE

Don and Amy Hawkins just got back from Camp School and are excited to get going! We are gearing up for Day Camp this August 17th at the Churchill County Fairgrounds in Fallon. We had to move to August due to the Fairgrounds availability. We'll have more information soon! Contact them at mkamye@yahoo.com to get involved!

The spring round-up is here. Contact Eric to schedule your recruiting efforts. Now is a great time to recruit those Kindergartners! For more information you can reach me by email at eric.maass@scouting.org or by this number 775-770-0343.

Eric Maass
Senior District Executive

LASSEN DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE

Lassen District Committee Meetings:
The Lassen District Committee Meetings are held at 6:30 pm every first Wednesday of the month in the offices of the Lassen County Office of Education near Richmond Road.

Lassen District Cub Scout Day Camp**:**
Lassen District will be holding its Cub Scout Day Camp on Saturday, June 29th at Roxie Peconom Camp Ground located approximately 8 miles southwest from Susanville along California Highway 36. The cost of this event will be $30 if paid by May 15 and $50 if paid after May 15th.
You can get Cub Scout Day Camp applications by going online to www.scouter.org, by going to the Nevada Area Council Service Center, or by contacting Lynn Olson, District Executive for Lassen District.

Lynn Olson
Senior District Executive

LEARNING FOR LIFE INFORMATION-CLICK HERE

Thank you to all who gave time to teach our youth about their career fields. Professionals recently attended two career fairs at Virginia City High School and Galena High School. Professionals shared the day to day aspects of their work, and students became better prepared to chart their future career.

Learning For Life Presenters included:
Trooper Barbara Stapleton, Nevada Highway Patrol
Firefighter Vel Taoipu, Reno Fire Department
Firefighter Steve Reslock, Reno Fire Department
Marketing and Graphic Designer Will McDonald, Maclean Financial
Captain John Brownell, Nevada Air National Guard
Sergeant First Class Jose Obregon, Army National Guard
Technical Sergeant Alex Muniz, Air National Guard
Director of Planning Dave Schweer, Renown
Manager of Art Services for Ignite Studio Jan Looney, IGT
Meteorologist Brandon Wholey, Channel 4 News
Sergeant Paul Sifre, Reno Police Department
Officer Jason Pruyn, Reno Police Department
Officer Robert Stockwell , Reno Police Department
Officer Stephen Greenlee, Reno Police Department

We are grateful for the following youth who shared their experience with prospective Explorers:

Jessica Z., Sparks Police Department Explorer
Haylly E., Reno Police Department Explorer

A Day of Remembrance:
"Officer Rebecca Morris from SLTPD and I (Deputy Teresa Duffy) organized "A Day Of Remembrance" in honor of Law Enforcement Memorial month. We had 35 Law Enforcement Explorers from DCSO, SLTPD, Reno PD, and CCSO attend the event with their advisors. They participated in a physically challenging hike in the Genoa foothills. They were placed into teams of 5 and had to work together to be successful in the completion of their tasks. They demonstrated teamwork, communication, strength, endurance, thoroughness, memory and integrity. Together seven teams started and finished and all the kids walked away from the challenge with more respect for obstacles and challenges police officers face in their daily jobs and lives. In addition, the kids listened to DCSO Sgt. Robert Duffy and Deputy Erik Eissinger tell their courageous stories of survival when faced with danger. In conclusion the kids ended their day with "Minute to Win it" style games and a wonderful bbq. Sunday, April 29, 35 young adults came

together for a day of remembrance to honor those fallen police officers who gave the ultimate sacrifice".

Deputy Teresa Duffy
Douglas County Sheriff's Office

Bonnie Rostan
District Executive

SCOUTREACH DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE

Scoutreach 1st Annual Awards Dinner will be on May 30th at Roundtable Pizza. We are very excited to recognize all our Volunteers, Program Aides, and Site Coordinators. We will be having our second Award's Nights at our sites and we will be handing out the most Rank Advancements in Scoutreach History!

Boys at Agnes Risley who received their Bobcat

Crew 1301 from the EMCC NE when they visited the Fallon Naval Air Station

Steve Pomerantz
Scoutreach Director

OVERLAND DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE

Fun was had by all who attended the District Recognition Brunch on April 13. May awards were presented including the 2012 Unit Journey to Excellence awards. Congratulations also goes to Christie Sant, Creon Sant and Bob Colbert on being the most recent recipients of the Overland District's District Award of Merit.

Thank you to Ben Chadwick and the Mos Chapter for the Order of the Arrow for an excellent Iron Chef Camporee. The Scouts truly did some awesome iron chef meals. Start thinking about next year, because a "chopped" themed camporee might just be in planning.

Our upcoming activities for our District will be Day Camp on Saturday, June 8; the Order of the Arrow's Eastern Lodge Fellowship will occur on the weekend of May 17th.

Many training opportunities are planned for the near future including Scoutmaster/Varsity Coach Specifics and Venturing Leader Specifics.

Here is a reminder that Roundtables are the 2nd Tuesday of the month. They will continue to start at 7pm at the LDS Church building on Sage Crest in Elko. See the district website if you have questions.

More information for all upcoming district events and training opportunities can be found on the District's website.

Brian Sutilla
District Director

BRISTLECONE DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE

Don't forget that Day Camp is just around the corner. Make sure to get registered.

Information for other upcoming district events and training opportunities can be found on the District's website.

Brian Sutilla
District Director

HUMBOLDT DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE

Day Camp is coming up this June 22nd at Water Canyon. Kathy DeSilva is the Director. She needs help with planning and running stations. If you would like to help or need more information, contact her at desilva.scouts@gmail.com

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Eric Maass
Senior District Executive

Links To Scouting Information (Click Picture)

Nevada Area Council Website

Boy Scouts of America Website

Journey to Excellence Website

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Boy Scout Resources Website

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Learning For Life Website

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