Boy Scouts of America Nevada Area Council

The Scouter Newsletter

October 2013 Edition

From the Desk of Keith Ashby, Scout Executive

Dear Nevada Area Council Scouting Family,

As you may know the Council has completed the purchase of a new building that will be our permanent Scout Service Center for the next generation of Scouts in this Council. Over the last few months we have been preparing the building with a new and better Scout Shop and offices for the staff. With the remodeling nearly complete I am pleased to announce that we have selected a moving time frame for our new home. Below are the dates.

We are asking for assistance from our volunteers to make this move possible. The first phase will be packing everything up at our old location and phase two will be the loading of the trucks and actual move.
During this transition we ask for your patience as our offices and Trading Post will be closed.

Office Packing Dates:
(1745 S. Wells Ave, Reno, NV 89502)
October 21st - 25th

Truck Packing Dates: (500 Double Eagle Court, Reno, NV 89521)
October 28th - November 1st

If you are available to lend a helpful hand please contact our Administrative Assistant Cilia Suhayda at (775) 787-1111.
We thank you for your continued support as we make this exciting move into a new expansive location and thank you for your dedicated service to the Scouting Movement.

Keith Ashby
Scout Executive

From the Trading Post

Greetings from the staff at the Scout Trading Post,

It has been a busy and exciting month at the scout store. We have outfitted lots of scouts. I would like to introduce our new staff members Maura and Tammy. They each have been doing a wonderful job and have learned so much.

This month I would like to introduce our new activity t-shirts that have arrived. We have some awesome Cub Scout backpacks for only $19.99 and Cub Scout promise cards have arrived. In addition, there is a clearance rack that has great deals on merit badge books and 2013 Camp Fleischmann memorabilia.
Since summer is on its way out I have noticed a lot of Cub Scouts qualified for the Summertime Pack Award. I want to congratulate Cub Scouts, families and volunteers for all their dedication to keeping young cubs active throughout the

summer. If you do qualify for the award please click on the link below.

Summertime Pack Award Form

The form will need to be completed in order to receive your certificate and streamer. There are pins for each rank that may be purchased as well.

In the next few weeks we are looking for volunteers to help us with the upcoming move to our new location.Please contact Cilia at the Council Office if you can be of assistance. We greatly appreciate the help.
If you have orders to fill, you will want to get them in the week before. We are happy to fill all orders for you ahead of time, both pickup and mail orders. Orders can be submitted by email at jessica.mahaffey@scouting.org or fax at (775) 787-1114. Please make sure to include advancements and an order form sheet for either Pack or Troop. Please click on the links below to get your units order form:

Cub Scout Pack Order Form

Troop,Team, and Crew Order Form

Thanks for all your support and have a great month.

Jessica Mahaffey
Trading Post Manager

From the Field

Gilwell ~~Field~~ Lake:
Beavers, Bobwhites, Eagles, and Foxes invaded Camp Lee as W3-329-13, Nevada Area Council's 2013 Wood Badge Course, was held near Elko from July 29th through August 3rd. Course Director Kathi Colbert reported a great deal of forming, storming, norming, and performing evident throughout the week as each patrol developed into a high-performing team. Intense laughter was contagious; tremendous teamwork was evident; lasting bonds of friendship were formed, and amazing leadership skills were honed by one and all. Especially memorable was the flooding of Gilwell Field as the neighboring rancher decided to open the irrigation lines to his fields...right beside Camp Lee! It is highly unlikely that many people have ever experienced Wood Badge with "Lake Gilwell" as it became affectionately known - complete with rubber duckies swimming around in areas clearly marked for non-swimmers, beginners, and swimmers! (Can't forget to follow the rules of Safe Swim Defense...) The lofty goals set by all participants will help improve individual Units, Districts, and Councils throughout the next 18 months - exciting times as each of the goals that were set becomes a reality as participants work towards completing their individual goals. Nevada Area Council was well-represented among staff and participants. Scouters from Overland, Bristlecone, Humboldt, Pony Express, Northstar, Pinenut, Sierra, Lassen all traveled to Camp Lee to participate. There was even representation from Orange County Council, home of the Western Region Venturing President. Back to Gilwell, happy land!!

Linda Holmes, Lynn Olsen, Kathi Colbert, Derek Allen, Sam Hanson, John Daniel, Liz Finley

Kathi Colbert
Wood Badge Course Director, W3-329-13
Overland District

NEWS AND DATES

Popcorn Sale:

Due to the Council Office's pending move the middle of October, watch for a new location for *Friday, October 11th Unit Popcorn returns.* We will let you know as soon as we know where and what time it will be. Including full directions to the location.

Please also take advantage of Door to Door Sales and Online Sales! For anyone that would like popcorn, please contact the office at (775) 787-1111 and ask for Linda.

Wolf Pack Scout Day:
Don't miss your opportunity to attend the Wolf Pack Scout Day on November 30th at noon. The Wolf Pack will be playing Brigham Young University (BYU) and Scouts will earn a Wolf Pack Fan Patch. Special Scout Ticket Prices are: Adults $24 and Youth $22. A Scout tailgate area opens at 8:00am just off 17th Street behind the post office. This will be a great event, a great opportunity for the scouts and families to get discount tickets to a football game and to get a very unique experience across the board. Please see the flier for more information.

Philmont Training Center:
The summer of 2014 may be your time to visit the Philmont Training Center. The center is located on the Philmont Scout Ranch near Cimarron, NM. Philmont is one of the four Boy Scouts of America High Adventure Bases. The Training Center offers an assortment of trainings ranging from Programs That Rock and Effective Roundtables to National

Advanced Youth Leadership Experience and Wilderness First Aid Train the Trainer. Whether you have been to Philmont before or thinking about going for your first time, there are numerous training opportunities available. Click here to see just what is offered. If you need any additional assistance please feel free to contact the Nevada Area Council Training Committee Advisor, Chris Harvey at mailto:christopher.harvey@scouting.org.

Camp Fleischmann:
We are already busy planning next summer so get your reservation turned in soon! We will have a new program next summer for high adventure, the Cascade Trails Program, this program will include backpacking, biking and motor-boating using the natural resources of the surrounding areas of camp like Lassen National Park, Lake Almanor and the Bizz Johnson Trail. See the flyer for more information!

Want to be part of the best camp staff in the Western Region next summer? The 2014 Staff Application is here. Interviews start in December so turn it in soon. Return to Eric Maass, Camp Director.

2013 Guide to Advancement:
The new National 2013 Guide to Advancement has been released. It's written for the entire Scouting Advancement Program. From Tiger Cubs, to Eagle Scout, to Venturing recognitions. It answers many of the tough questions; for example "What is considered active participation?"

You can find the 2013 Guide to Advancement here

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 mailto:christopher.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.

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

Sierra District Scouters please make sure that you have the monthly Roundtable Meeting on your calendar. We will be meeting the first Tuesday of each month through June. The meetings are held at Huffaker Elementary School, 980 Wheatland Road, from 7pm until approximately 8:30pm. We had a nice turnout for last months meeting. The Cub Scouts present the monthly Core Value each meeting along with other supplemental training. The Boy Scouts have selected a number of topics, and this months will be camping locations.

If you know any fellow Scouters that have helped to make a difference in the District, now is the time to nominate them for the District Award of Merit. The District will be accepting nominations through November 1, 2013. Then on December 6, 2013, those selected will be honored for their service at the annual District Recognition Dinner. Please remember that this is also a time that all district volunteers should come out and be recognized for all that they do, and this also includes all unit leaders. Be sure to be there to celebrate all of your successes. For more information, or a nomination form, please contact your District Executive, Chris Harvey at chris.harvey@scouting.org.

Chris Harvey
District Executive

NORTHSTAR DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE

The Nevada Area Council welcomes Jeffrey Felsted as its newest District Director. Jeffrey will directly oversee the Northstar District and has managerial responsibilities over Lassen, Sierra, and Pinenut Districts. Jeffrey comes from St. George Utah where he spent the last seven years working as a District Executive and Camp Director with the Utah National Parks Council. Jeffrey is an Eagle Scout, a proud father of six kids, and in August, he celebrated his ten year wedding anniversary to his wife and best friend, Falon. Jeffrey believes in the Scouting program and he is excited to get to work!

Jeff Felsted
District Director

PINENUT DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE

District Announcements:
The Pinenut District 2013 and 2014 calendars are posted online at http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?t=asavumoab.0.rjuj5enab.b9sl66dab.3575&ts=S0961&r=3&p=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.scouter.org%2Fdistricts%2Fpinenut, 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 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.

Training:
Congratulations to all leaders who attended our Scout Leader Specifics Training on September 14 @ WNC. I would like to thank the Pinenut District Trainers: Lindsay Christensen, Don Robertson and Lisa Van Wagenen for their continued commitment in getting our leaders trained. We successfully trained 33 new adult leaders from many different units across the Pinenut District. Don't forget we have IOLS/OWL Training on October 11-12 at the Camporall at Centerville Flat, CA. The Cub Scout Pow-Wow is Saturday, November 16, 2013 so please don't miss out on any of these excellent training opportunities for you to further enhance your unit's program.

Bill Boston
Pinenut District Training Chairman

The Pinenut District upcoming events:

Date	Event	Location	Start Time
Oct. 2nd	Unit Commissioners Meeting (UCM)	Carson Stake Center 411 N. Saliman, CC	6:00pm
Oct. 3rd	District Committee Meeting (DCM)	E. Fork Fire Station 12 3620 N. Sunridge Dr. Carson City, NV	6:30pm
Oct. 10th	Roundtable (RT)	Carson Stake Center 411 N. Saliman, CC	6:30pm
Oct. 11th-12th	Fall Camporall	Centerville Flat, CA	5:00pm
Oct. 11th-12th	IOLS/OWL Training	Centerville Flat, CA	5:00pm
Date	Event	Location	Time
Nov. 6th	Unit Commissioners Meeting (UCM)	Carson Stake Center 411 N. Saliman, CC	6:00pm
Nov. 7th	District Committee Meeting (DCM)	E. Fork Fire Station 12 3620 N. Sunridge Dr. Carson City, NV	6:30pm
Nov. 9th	Scouting for Food (Door Hangers)	TBA	TBA
Nov. 14th	Roundtable (RT)	Carson Stake Center	6:30pm

		411 N. Saliman, CC	
Nov. 16th	Scouting For Food (Pick Up)	TBA	TBA

Pinenut District Event Fliers
Fall Camporall
OA Camporall Announcement

Please don't forget to join us on Facebook!

James Thorne
District Executive

PONY EXPRESS DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE

Roundtable this month is on October 3rd at the Fernley LDS Building. Remember: District Committee is now the 2nd Thursday and alternates with Roundtable, so we will be in Fallon at Churchill County High School in Karl Marsh's classroom in the Science Bldg at 7pm on October 10th. We are always looking for new faces on the district committee, visitors are always welcome.

Camporall is planned for October 18th and 19th at diversion dam. More information will be sent directly to unit leaders soon.

We would like to welcome Epworth United Methodist Church as the newest charter partner of the Nevada Area Council. They are now the chartering organization of Troop 1776 in Fallon. Pastor Lubiano is excited to support the Scouting program and begin making a difference in the lives of our Scouts.

Eric Maass
Senior District Executive

LASSEN DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE

(Nothing Submitted)

Greg Scott
Paraprofessional

LEARNING FOR LIFE INFORMATION-CLICK HERE

My name is Sarah Dermer and I am excited to announce my new position as the District Executive for Learning for Life and Exploring. I have spent the last seven years working as an English teacher for the Washoe County School District and I look forward to continue my work with young adults. The Learning for Life and Exploring program is an organization

with a primary focus on tomorrow's generation. Learning for Life provides schools with educational programs that impact the academic performance, social and emotional maturity, character development, and career education for children kindergarten through eighth grade. Exploring is a career experience program that gives young adults, ages 14-20, hands-on training in various careers. Originally, Exploring started with Law Enforcement, Fire Departments and Civil Patrol. Currently, I am working to establish an aviation post at the Stead Airport, a Medical post through Renown hospital and a science and research post at Desert Research Institute. If you want to learn more about the Exploring program please call me at 787-1111 Ext. 16. I look forward to working with your sons and daughters in the future and helping to move Nevada to the front of the global market by preparing Nevada's young adults to be successful in the workplace.

Sarah Dermer
LFL Exploring Executive

SCOUTREACH DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE

ScoutReach Program is holding it's 1st Annual FUNRaiser Event Friday November 8th from 6-8:30pm at the new Kaia Fit Midtown.

This promises to be not only fun but informative. The evening features talks by Reno's own Brian Crane, the creator of 'Pickles' cartoon as well as Pedro Martinez, Washoe County School District Superintendent.

Also included in the festivities is a silent auction that includes autographed copies of the Twilight book series by author Stephanie Meyer, Montreux Golf, autographed items from Brian Crane and many other great pieces.

Sponsorships are still available.

Tickets for the event are $15 and include a drink ticket and appetizers. Please click here for the flyer.

Steve Pomerantz
Scoutreach Director

OVERLAND DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE

Our next Roundtable will be Tuesday, October 8th and the next District Committee Meeting will be on Tuesday, October 1st.

We also have many upcoming training sessions for Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Varsity Scouting and Venturing Leaders. Please see the district website for more details.

For details on Scouting for Food contact Steve Garvin at nvbyufan@gmail.com.

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

Our next Roundtable will be Thursday, October 3rd and the next District Committee Meeting will also take place on Thursday, October 3rd.

For details on Scouting for Food contact Dan Braddock.

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

Brian Sutilla
District Director

HUMBOLDT DISTRICT INFORMATION-CLICK HERE

Roundtable and District Committee this month will be at the Winnemucca LDS Stake Center Building on October 18th at 6pm for District Meeting and 7pm for Roundtable. See you there!

We had a great Camporall up at Water Canyon last weekend. A big thank you to Boyd Hatch for organizing it!

Eric Maass
Senior District Executive

Links To Scouting Information
(Click Picture)

Nevada Area Council Website

Boy Scouts of America Website

Journey to Excellence Website

Cub Scout Resources Website

Boy Scout Resources Website

Learning For Life/Exploring

Learning For Life Website

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