

The Quill

Newsletter of Thunderbird District, Grand Canyon Council, BSA

"Strong Values ~ Strong Leadership ~ Character Counts"

August 2005

August

- 2 Tue Commissioners & Committee Mtgs
LDS Relations - Moon Valley location
- 4 Thu Eagle Board of Review - Moon Valley
- 11 Thu Program Kick-Off
- 26 Fri Deadline for Sep Articles

September

- 1 Thu Eagle Board of Review - Moon Valley
- 6 Tue Commissioners & Committee Mtgs
LDS Relations - Moon Valley location
- 8 Thu Roundtable
New Leader Essentials
OA Chapter Meeting
- 15 Thu District Operations Meeting
- 17 Sat Cub Scout/Boy Scout/Varsity/
Venturing Specific Training
Den Chief Training
- 20 Tue Outdoor Skills Training
- 23 Fri Outdoor Skills Training
Deadline for Oct Articles
- 24 Sat Outdoor Skills Training
BALOO/Webelos Leader Training

Grand Canyon Council BSA and the Grand Canyon Chapter of the American Red Cross form alliance

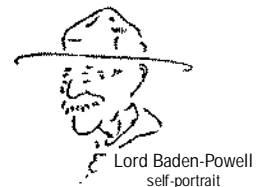
On July 13, the Grand Canyon Council of the Boy Scouts of America and the Grand Canyon Chapter of the American Red Cross signed an 'alliance' where the Boy Scout Council may now teach the following Red Cross safety courses:

First Aid	Adult, Child & Infant CPR
AED	Blood Borne Pathogens
Wilderness First Aid	Together We Prepare
Babysitting	Community Water Safety
Parent & Child Aquatics	Learn To Swim, Levels I - VI
Lifeguard Training	Safety Training for Swim Coaches
Water Safety Instructor	Water Safety Aide

Prices for these classes, through this agreement, have been reduced, which will benefit Districts, Troops, Packs and the parents of the Scouts for these life-saving classes.

There are currently seven Red Cross Instructors who are working with the Grand Canyon Council. If you know of anyone who is a 'Safety Instructor', or anyone who would like to become a 'Certified Red Cross Instructor', please contact Tom Fenner, Preparedness & Safety Solutions Consultant, American Red Cross, 602-336-6493, or tfenner@arizonaredcross.org

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Advancement/Merit Badge..(requirements, worksheets, etc.).....		www.meritbadge.com



Council Headquarters
2969 N. Greenfield Road
Heard Scout Pueblo
1901 E. Dobbins
Roundtable
3527 W. Happy Valley Rd.
Moon Valley Location
11650 N. 35th Avenue



Congratulations! Thunderbird District June & July Eagle Scouts

June

BAIR, Matthew Gregory - Team 6723 - Tres Rios Reclamation Project - Use palm fronds and construct roof for a Palapa - 120.0 hours

GOLDMAN, Logan R. - Crew 9728 - City of Phoenix - Clean the wash at 19th Ave. & Bell Road - 142.5 hours

SCHROEDER, Michael V. - Troop 27 - City of Phoenix - Clean wash by Moon Valley Park - 323.8 hours

SHARP, David Charles - Team 6423 - Adobe Mountain Wildlife Center - Build barn owl boxes - 75.0 hours

WORKMAN, David Blaine - Team 6624 - West Side Food Bank - Collect non-perishable food for food bank - 119.0 hours

July

HARRIS, Samuel Jordan - Crew 9625 - Humanitarian Aid LDS Church - Obtaining material and making bags for children - 244.0 hours

SRISUK, Nathan Natakorn - Troop 526 - City of Glendale - Refinishing 14 park benches, painting 25 pillars & painting 18 citrus tree trunks - 134.8 hours

TOMECEK, Braxton Keith - Team 6705 - The Safe House for Abused Women and Children - Obtain materials and make 60 quilts - 595.3 hours

Completed Eagle Packets for the Thunderbird District are to be delivered to Bob Turley for certification prior to the Eagle Board of Review - call (623) 939-3434 for an appointment and instructions.

Diocese of Phoenix Catholic Committee on Scouting Boy Scout Retreat

A retreat will be held the weekend of September 9 - 11 specifically for Boy Scouts working on the Ad Altare Dei religious emblem; however, it is open to all Catholic Boy Scouts. This year's retreat will be at Knights of Columbus St. Joseph Youth Camp at Mormon Lake, AZ (south of Flagstaff). More information will be available this summer. <http://www.phxdccs.org/eventcal.php>

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NRA Shotgun Instructor Course

An NRA Certified Shotgun Instructor course will be conducted at the Heard Scout Pueblo beginning September 9th, 2005. Participants must be able to attend the following days and times:

Sep 9: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Sep 10: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sep 16: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Sep 17: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

The course fee is \$65.

For more information, please click on the following link:
<http://www.grandcanyonbsa.org/pdf/2929-Shotgun%20Instr%20Flyer.pdf>

Important information for Eagle Scout candidates

If you download the Eagle Application from the internet, print the Application (in color) back-to-back and head-to-head just like the BSA Eagle Application form. Refer to your printer instruction manual (*the Editor's color laser printer is the opposite of the following instructions*) or try,
1. Front tray inkjet printers: Print page one, rotate printed page 180 degrees (do not flip over) and return to paper tray, print page.
2. Top feed inkjet type printers: Print page one. Flip paper over (do not rotate) and return page one to paper tray, print page two.

Obtain proper signatures. A parent or guardian may not sign the Eagle Scout Rank Application.

2005 Scout-O-Rama has a new location and date

DATE: Saturday, November 12 **NEW DATE!**

TIME: 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

PLACE: Scottsdale Community College
NEW LOCATION!

Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturers from around the Valley of the Sun will take part in celebrating Scouting's values at the 2005 Grand Canyon Council Scout-O-Rama. This family event will be held on Saturday, November 12, 2005 at Scottsdale Community College. Scouts will be showing off their Scouting skills, talents and spirit to our local community.

Each year, hundreds of Cub Scout packs, Boy Scout troops, Varsity teams and Venturing crews take part in the Scout-O-Rama and you will not want to miss out this year. Make sure your Scouts and unit participate in the Valley's most exciting youth show.

Selling Scout-O-Rama Tickets is a Great Fundraiser! Selling Scout-O-Rama tickets is a great way for your unit to earn money for advancement awards, unit equipment, activities, registration fees and many other unit needs - especially summer camp! It is also a great way for your Scouts to earn great prizes such as camping equipment, sports equipment, radios and much more! The prize program is cumulative - Scouts get to choose one prize from each prize level based on their total sales.

Scout-O-Rama Ticket Distribution Locations
Thursday, September 8, 2005
District locations and times not yet determined.

Share the Adventure of Scouting with Others by
Hosting a Booth at the Scout-O-Rama

Your unit or den won't want to miss out on the fun of having a booth display or activity at the Scout-O-Rama. Think up a theme, plan the booth activity and have your Scout's show off the best of Scouting. Scout-O-Rama is a great unit project and program to kick off a great Scouting year. There are ribbons and segments for all who participate and special awards for the best of the best.

Ticket Sales Fact Sheet
Ticket Sales Location Request Form
Booth Application Form

All of the above forms are available on GCC Online
under Current Events

www.grandcanyonbsa.org

Safe Swim and Safety Afloat
training now available on-line

<http://www.scouting.org/pubs/aquatics/>

Sad news

By Carol Lowe

A memorial service was held at the Grand Community Baptist Church Sun City Grand for Bob Porter of Firebird District on July 23.

Bob was a trainer for the Scoutmaster Specific for about 7 courses, during the time we were "merged", and after the redistricting in the Firebird District.

Bob received his 60 year veteran pin at the Firebird District Dinner this past January. Bob was a Scoutmaster, trainer, district committee member, and mentor for lots of young people during his long Scouting career. When working in South America as an engineer, he had a Scout Troop in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Bob was a WW2 Army Veteran and a Prisoner of War. He was a member of the POW/MIA organization and did what he could for them. He received the Bronze Star and Purple Heart for his service to our country.

You can send cards to his wife, Shirley, at the following address:

Mrs. Shirley Porter
15818 W Lahlum Lane
Surprise, AZ 85374-2094

Contact Edi Blunck, Editor of *The Quill*, to be included on the e-mail distribution list. Those on the list will receive the current issue the first week of each month except July. Sign up all of the leaders in your unit to receive their own copy.
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VENTURING · BSA

Latest info on Venturing in the council is available at www.yahogroups.com under the group "gcventuring".

GCC Youth Venturing Cabinet meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month, 7:00 p.m. at Council HQ.

The next meeting is
September 13

A representative from every Crew is invited to attend.

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trails end® Popcorn

The Grand Canyon Council's popcorn fundraiser is right around the corner. Registration forms are available under General News & Events on the right side of GCC Online's homepage.

Popcorn Calendar

Take Popcorn Orders	Oct 1-30
Popcorn Orders Due	Nov 2
Popcorn Available	by Nov 8
Settle Unit Accounts	Dec 16
Deadline for Settlement	Dec 22

Unit Commission Program

Sign Up for Sale	21%
Attend Orientation	2%
Submit Orders on Time	3%
<u>Settle by Dec 26</u>	<u>5%</u>
Total Base Commission	31%
Bonus \$3000+ in Sales	2%
<u>Bonus \$5000+ in Sales</u>	<u>2%</u>
Total Possible Commission	35%

Council needs your updated training record

To better evaluate how our council is meeting the goal of providing every Scout with a trained leader, we (the Grand Canyon Council) need your assistance in making sure our training records are up to date. Please download the following Individual Training Survey Form and forward it to the Grand Canyon Council. Your individual training record will then be updated. If your unit has a Training Coordinator, please send a copy of the information to him/her as well.

<http://www.grandcanyonbsa.org/pdf/2954-Individual%20Training%20Survey.pdf>

We need your updated email addresses

Carol Lowe, Carol Ray, Edi Blunck and Iris would like to remind all of you to send them your new email addresses as they change. They have been experiencing a high volume of returned messages lately. In most cases, your name and email address is the only contact information they have, therefore, they will be unable to reach you regarding the returned messages.

Shop the Phoenix Scout store online

<http://www.scoutstuff.org/?cncl=10>

Future Events

- OnTarget, September 16, Venturing Crews are invited to participate. For more information: <http://ontarget.mesavarsity.org/>
- 4th Annual Gilmore Adventure Race, September 17, Prescott, Arizona www.gilmore.prescotthome.com
- Wood Badge, Sep 23-25, Oct 14-16, Heard Scout Pueblo
Bart Bartholomew 602-278-0680
- 2007 World Scout Jamboree. The 21st World Scout Jamboree will take place at Hylands Park, Chelmsford, England. Hosted by the Scout Association of the United Kingdom, this event will be held from July 27 until August 8, 2007. <http://www.scouting.org/jamboree/world/index.html>