

The Quill

Newsletter of Thunderbird District, Grand Canyon Council, BSA

"Strong Values ~ Strong Leadership ~ Character Counts"

May 2006

May

- 2 Tue Commissioners & Committee Mtgs
LDS Relations - Moon Valley location
- 4 Thu Eagle Board of Review - Moon Valley
LDS Relations - Moon Valley location
- 9 Tue Outdoor Leader Skills
- 11Thu Roundtable
Safe Swim/Safety Afloat
School Night Training
OA Chapter Meeting
- 12 Fri Outdoor Training
- 13 Sat Outdoor Training con't
- 18 Thu District Operations Meeting
- 26 Fri Deadline for Jun articles

June

- 1 Thu Eagle Board of Review - Moon Valley
- 6Tue Commissioners & Committee Mtgs
LDS Relations - Moon Valley location
- 8Thu Roundtable
OA Chapter Meeting
- 15Thu District Operations Meeting

July

- 6 Thu Eagle Board of Review - Moon Valley
- 20Thu District Operations Meeting
No Roundtable this month

Apply now for World Jamboree 2007, Essex, England

By Brent Bybee

Camporees are neat - meeting with many local-area Scouts. National Jamborees are a much greater experience - meeting with Scouts from all over the country. But would you like an experience that is at least ten-fold greater? You can - at the upcoming World Jamboree in July/August 2007 in England, which will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Scouting movement. At the Jamboree you will meet Scouts from over 50 countries, compete with them in various Scouting challenges, attend spectacular arena shows, and just have fun - it is truly the National Jamboree times 10!

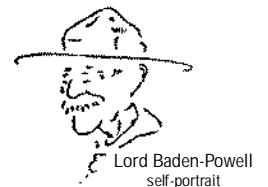
Contingent troops to attend the World Jamboree are now being formed of Scouts from throughout the country - about 3000 U.S. Scouts in total. Although many areas of the Western Region are filling rapidly; there is still room left for Scouts, Varsity Scouts, and Venturers from the Grand Canyon Council. If you are now age 12½ to 16½ (more specifically: born between July 28, 1989 and July 27, 1993), this is your opportunity to participate in the greatest gathering of your lifetime!

Western Region Jamboree troops will depart on Thursday evening, July 26, 2007, attend the 11-day Jamboree from July 27 to August 8, then tour the London area for three days, departing for home on August 11; and arriving in Phoenix the same day. You can hold your place for this once-in-a-lifetime experience by sending in your application with a \$500 deposit. The remaining cost of \$3,475, which includes airfare and all expenses except for your personal purchases, can be paid in installments until summer 2007.

NOW is the time to apply. The available space for Scouts from Grand Canyon Council will be filled in the next couple of months. Although the

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



Lord Baden-Powell self-portrait

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

2006 District Pinewood Derby Winners!

* indicates going to Council in 2005

Name	Pack
Webelos II	
1 Rohr, Darryn	46
2 Lewis, Jeffrey*	124
3 Eager, Alex*	124
4 Hobica, Nathan	296
5 Ibanez, Omar	124
6 DeMouy, Sam*	824
Webelos I	
1 Snider, Jonathan*	513
2 Wall, CJ	520
3 Spahn, Justin	124
4 Bumpus, Blake	526
5 Ivey, Toby*	526
6 Monroe, Jacob	526
Bears	
1 Kroulik, Kolton*	520
2 Smith, Daniel*	628
3 Shaffer, Grant	436
4 Morgan, Foster	46
5 Conway, Wyatt	405
6 Nelson, Matthew	563
Wolf	
1 Armstrong, Josh	628
2 Stoner, Conor	513
3 Jahrmarkt, Jake	520
4 Rohr, Jonathan*	46
5 Bynum, Brandon	513
6 Maxwell, Mathew	526
Tigers	
1 Lange, Ryan	323
2 Crouse, Trevor	432
3 McClure, Tanner	46
4 Logan Moore	124
5 Saluski, Chris	46
6 Pinard, Logan	531
Overall Winners	
1 Lewis, Jeffrey*	124, W II
2 Snider, Jonathan*	513, WI
3 Rohr, Darryn	46, W II
4 Kroulik, Kolton*	520, B
5 Smith, Daniel*	628, B
6 Armstrong, Josh	628, W

Congratulations to all! All are eligible to enter in the Council PWD on Saturday, May 6.

Lake Pleasant Aquatic & Nature Camp

By David Girona, Sr., Skipper, Ship 2401

Ahoy Water bound - You may not be aware of the development last summer for a new program, the Lake Pleasant Aquatic & Nature Camp, by the Grand Canyon Council-BSA in cooperation with the Desert Outdoor Center of the Maricopa County Parks Department. The summer day camp for Boy Scouts will be held on Mondays through Thursdays, starting June 5 and ending July 13 for the traditional Scouting aquatics and nature merit badge programs (Junior Counselors needed).

Even better, just for Venturing age boys and girls (14-years and older) the Council has planned a Venturing Aquatic & Nature Day Camp, on Monday, July 17 through Thursday, July 20 and Monday, July 24 through Thursday, July 27 —bus service will be available from some shopping malls; program 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Youth can come as an individual or can bring friends, for activities in which they would like to participate, including canoeing, motor boating, rowing, small-boat sailing, waterskiing, kayaking, etc. (depending on interest). At the nature center building, you can also study Arizona's wildlife and nature. Some of the Venturing Bronze Award skills can be completed (depending on interest) or other advancement achievements served as needed. The cost is \$190 per week but with a \$10 discount for those who are registered in a Venturing Crew. Each person must bring their own lunch.

For information and registration, call Camp Director Roy Kamisugi at (602) 955-7747 ext-229 or rkamisugi@grandcanyonbsa.org as soon as possible.

Important information request

In order to help our Webelos II boys make a smooth transition into Boy Scouts, I am asking for help from Webelos Leaders, Cubmasters and Scoutmasters. The following information is requested from all: Name, Unit number and phone number. From the Webelos Leaders: time, location, and day of the week of their meetings. From the Cubmasters time, location, and day of the week of their Pack Meetings. From the Scoutmasters: the locations of their meetings, time, and day of the week.

In this way, our Webelos Leaders will be able to make contact with Scoutmasters and vice versa. This listing would be most helpful to all concerned. I can be contacted at tobin.heather@att.net or 602 298-6459.

Thank you.

Heather Tobin, District Membership Chairman

Outdoor Leader Skills Training

Dove of the Desert United Methodist Church
7201 W. Beardsley Road (Loop 101 & 75th Avenue)
Tuesday, May 9

Friday, May 12 through Saturday, May 13

Please plan to stay overnight to get the full outdoor experience

Learn skills that will help you help your Scouts complete requirements for Tenderfoot to First Class. This training is required for all Scoutmasters, Assistant Scoutmasters and Webelos Leaders.

Contact Bill Kapp 602.583.3114 for details regarding the cost and times.

2007 World Jamboree

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Jamboree departure is 17-months away, Jamboree Troops are being completed this Spring. So, act NOW while openings remain!

Information and an application can be found at www.scouting.org, then click on 2007 World Jamboree. Your application must first be signed by your unit leader, then sent (along with your \$500 deposit check) to the Grand Canyon Council office - attn: World Jamboree.

Scoutmaster for the World Jamboree contingent troop for Scouts from Grand Canyon Council is Chuck Holland, Scoutmaster of troop 288 in Mesa. Please call him at 480-654-5782 or e-mail him at cholland@aol.com for more information or just to discuss the great lifetime adventure of World Jamborees.

Volunteer Counselors Needed

The Civitan Foundation is looking for volunteers to work at Camp Civitan, located in Williams, Arizona. The camp is designed for children and adults with physical and/or developmental disabilities. The program's focus is to provide a positive learning and social environment while enhancing independence, self-esteem, and physical and mental abilities. For more information please contact The Civitan Foundation at 602-953-2944 or by email at campcivitan1@cox.net.



Congratulations!
Thunderbird District
Eagle Scouts

March

Alston, Josh	Troop 824
Anderson, Bradley Mark	Team 6728
Graves, Robert Edward	Troop 828
Morgan, David Earl	Troop 828
Rutherford, Mitchell Ross	Troop 323

April

Ashmore, Joshua	Troop 432
Brown, Jason	Troop 526
Fusselman, Christopher	Troop 526
Haws, Andrew	Crew 9723
Hopwood, Andrew	Troop 365
Johnson, Calvin	Crew 9567
Kuhl, Kevin	Troop 105
McGee, Erick	Team 6027
Skidmore, Brian	Team 6720
Smith, Mark	Troop 628
Stojic, Spencer	Troop 625
Whitmire, Benjamin	Troop 323

A special thank you goes to Bob Turley for continuing to supply us with these names through a recent illness and hospital stay.

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.

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.

Important Dates! Mark your calendars

Scout-O-Rama at Scottsdale Community College Campus for Saturday, November 4, 2006.

Cub Scout Leader POW WOW new date will be Saturday, October 21st (location to be announced later).

The addition of the 121st merit badge — Composite Materials — will allow Evan Spencer, an AZ RT 66 Eagle Scout, who had earned all the other merit badges to earn his 7th Gold Eagle Palm. His father, Jim, informed us that Evan was awarded one of the 2005 Volunteer Service Awards by Governor Napolitano at the Arizona State Capitol on April 26, 2006. Congratulations Evan!

Notable

Mike Marchese from Grand Teton Council, Idaho has accepted the position of Director of Field Services for Grand Canyon Council.

Peoria Mayor, John Keegan, is the new Council Vice-President for Operations.

Scouting for Food 2006 update

60 Cub Scouts from Pack 432, with help from Boy Scout Troop 432, did a "Scouting for Food" project in Anthem in February. They gathered 3,500 pounds of food that was delivered to the John C. Lincoln food bank. Awesome!

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. Please remember to update your email address as necessary.

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Sign up now for the 5th Annual Gilmore Adventure Race Saturday September 23rd, 2006 near beautiful Prescott, Arizona.

We have had a lot of interest in this year's event, so make sure you get your entry in fast.

You DO NOT have to have all the names of your team members in order to register, just send in your paid registration with your team name and one persons contact info to reserve your spot. New BEGINNER FRIENDLY shorter course will be available this year!! Don't be afraid, you can do it!

Registration opens 8:00 a.m. on Monday, May 1.

<http://www.GilmoreAdventureRace.com>

-- Venturing Crew 1, Prescott

Positions still open for Day Camp Staff

Craft Director

Medic

Possible Trading Post

Possible Games Instructor for 3 sessions

Contact District Executive, Carol Chacon, if you are able to help

National Venturing Youth Cabinet for 2006-2007 is named

National Boatswain: David George from California

Western Region President: Robyn Knoll* from Arizona

Northeast Region President: Aaron Stockwell from Massachusetts

Southern Region President: Michael B. Bebeau from Florida

Central Region President: Christopher Szybisty from Michigan

*Robyn is a member of Venturing Crew 513, Thunderbird District, and former President of the Grand Canyon Council Venturing Youth Cabinet.