



Phoenix District Newsletter - May 4, 2017

PHOENIX DISTRICT: HELPING UNITS SUCCEED

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May

4 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Meeting

6 - Scout Fair

June

4 - June **ICE CREAM SOCIAL** (@Roundtable)!

19-23 - Cub Scout Day Camp

July

6 - Summer Vacation! No Roundtable



NEW PHOENIX EAGLE SCOUTS

Carson Edward Danner - Crew 332

Jacob Slater Hart - Crew 332

Colby Christopher Buckhanan - Troop 1550

Matthew Jefferson Adkins - Troop 1811

NEW!!! ONLINE MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION

Great news! Scouting families and prospective Scouting families have asked for it, and now it is here! Beginning this fall, the traditional paper registration method will not be the only way to join Scouting. This is a giant leap forward in allowing prospective members and leaders to register in a way that's convenient for them, and it creates a more efficient and user-friendly registration experience for units, districts, and councils.

Beginning in April, a new online registration option launched. This option is convenient and safe and, because it offers greater efficiency, it will allow the ability to reach and serve more youth. All applications and payment of the registration fees can be completed online. This will eliminate the need for travel to the Cockrell Scout Center to turn in and pay for new applications.

Just a couple of items I would like to point out before you click on the Web Site listed below. These items are required:

1) The following positions will need to have a valid email address in Scoutnet and an account set up in www.my.scouting.org to be able to manage and approve online applications: COR, CC, and Top Unit Leader (SM, CM, NL, SK, or VC) (Adult Applications Approved by COR only)

In the online application system, the COR must be involved in the process to approve adult applications. As many of our CORs are not actively involved in the units, this may present a problem. Leader applications are automatically rejected within 2 weeks if the COR does not approve, so they must have a my.scouting.org account setup and log in regularly to be able to electronically approve in the system. We recommend that CC's and Top Unit Leaders immediately alert their COR if they submit an adult leader application, and let them know of the 2 week or less timeline. This should hopefully address the problem.

2) The apply Status Button on your Beascout Unit Pin SHOULD be set to "Active" for parents to have direct link access to Online BSA Registrations thru the Beascout Web Site. (The Apply Status Button is located on the right hand side of the page at the top of your Beascout Unit Pin Profile Page. (Instructions are attached & on the Web Site). If the Beascout Unit Pin Button is not active, then parents cannot join online thru Beascout.

However; the unit and anyone else can still send the parent the unit URL directly, which will then take them directly to the online BSA registration site for that particular unit.

Need Help?

To learn more, visit <http://www.samhoustonbsa.org/new-online-membership-registration-2017-03-09>

For National Web Site with Training Videos, Informational Reading Material and Q&A list:

www.scouting.org/onlineregistration.aspx

The Help Line to call should you need further assistance is 972-580-2489

District Training

Classroom Facilitated Youth Protection Training (YPT) and Day Camp Walker Orientation

Tuesday, May 16 @ 6:30 pm

Classroom YPT and Phoenix Day Camp Walker orientation

Fellowship of Champions

16707 Squyres Road, Spring, TX

Tuesday, May 23 and Wednesday, May 31 @ 6:30 pm

In-Class YPT only

Kleinwood Church of Christ

16651 Kleinwood Drive

Spring, TX 77379

Wednesday, May 24, 2017 - 6:30 PM to 8 PM

Saturday, June 10, 2017 - 9 AM to 12 PM

Classroom YPT and Phoenix Day Camp Walker orientation

Masid As-Salam Champions Mosque

16700 Old Louetta Rd., Rooms 212, 213, 214

Spring, Texas 77379

Council Training

Wood Badge - 2017

Take part in Scouting's most advanced training course, focusing on Leadership and Team Development. Wood Badge provides the ultimate training for hundreds of thousands of leaders around the world. **More info:** <http://www.samhoustonbsa.org/wood-badge>

53-576-17-2 September 8-10 and October 6-8, 2017 (Fri-Sun)

53-576-17-3 September 14-16 and October 12-14, 2017 (Thurs-Sat)

Events

Cub Scout Day Camp - June 19-23



Day/Twilight camp is an opportunity for Scouts entering 1st - 5th grade during the next school year. Scouts will have a wild time on the safari adventure making new friends, earning rank advancements and participating in BB guns, archery, sports, skills, and crafts. The registration fee is \$66.50 for the first Scout and \$65 for each additional Scout and includes a t-shirt, patch, program supplies, and a water bottle. Camp is being held at Burroughs Park (9738 Huffsmith Rd, Tomball, TX 77375).



Scout Fair - May 6 - 10:00-3:00 Minute Maid Park

Scouts and the entire family will enjoy visiting hundreds of booths with fun activities and crafts, learning Scout skills, meeting new friends and tasting the delicious outdoor cooking. At Scout Fair, Scouts of all ages converge to showcase their Scouting skills. Meet leaders and Scouts from your neighborhood. Sample the amazing dutch oven creations and other delicacies in the outdoor cooking area. Visit the midway with over 90 experts representing merit badges. Watch demonstrations, interact with participating booths from our community partners. Open to the public. Admission is free (parking fees apply).

Scout Fair Coupon Books are a brilliant way for units to raise money and prepare Scouts to earn their own way! The Scout Fair coupon book offers great savings for the buyer, while Scouts earn commissions for every \$10 coupon book purchased. Buyers support the Scouting program while receiving over \$600 in valuable savings from partners such as Kroger, Sonic, Bass Pro, Goodyear and more. All units receive a 30% base commission for each \$10 Scout Fair Coupon Book sold, for funds turned in on or before May 6, 2017. Participate at Scout Fair, as either a service unit or booth participant, and earn an additional 10% commission. Scouts who sell at least 217 Scout Fair coupon books will receive an additional bonus of two tickets to an Astros game, hat, and a souvenir bag.

For questions, please contact Sarah Matthews at 281-755-5824 or Kjjc16@hotmail.com

Merit Badge University - Follow Up Lone Star College, University Park

2017 Merit Badge University was an amazing success. Automotive Maintenance was by far the most fun, 73 Scouts were under the hood of some new and classic Ford trucks, as well as a Hybrid and a Gas Honda cars. All Scouts were fed a great lunch from Lenny's Sub's.

Sincere appreciation goes out to all Parent Volunteers driving great distances in the twilight of the morning. A "Tusen Takk" goes to the Counselors that stepped up and delivered most outstanding courses to nearly 600 scouts that attended. A humble thank you goes to the key staff that spent hours completing the invisible but integral parts of this event. We absolutely cannot do this without you: Karen Mast, Betsy Vogel, & Tamela DeMaranville.

Save the date! 2018 Phoenix District MBU, May 5, 2018
Lone Star College - University Park

Kat Amundsen - MBU Chair

Camping - Cub Scout Camping



Day Camp

- Day Camp is open to all registered Cub Scouts (including Kindergarten graduates)
- 27 camps are offered around the council in June. Scouts can attend any camp.
- Activities typically include BB guns, archery, sports, crafts, nature and Scout skills.
- Scouts make new friends and earn rank advancements.

Camping (cont.)

Adventure Camp

- Adventure Camp is a weekend camp out for Cub Scouts and their families at Bovay Scout Ranch
- Admission covers three meals in the air-conditioned dining hall.
- Last weekend this spring is May 19-21

For more info, contact: Daniel DeMaranville, Camping Chair - demaran@sbcglobal.net

ORDER OF THE ARROW

Phoenix Chapter



Colonneh Lodge #137
Order of the Arrow (OA)

<http://www.colonneh.org>
<http://www.aa-bsa.org/>

Dues

Dues: 2017 Dues are now able to be paid online!! Your \$15 annual dues help our Chapter & Lodge with essential program resources! To pay now visit: www.aa-samhoustonbsa.org/dues

Arrow of Light Teams

AOL Teams are practicing for ceremonies over the next two months. There is still room to participate in these ceremonies. If you would like to be on one of the teams contact Jeremiah Farrell at bullfrog01@att.net

Chapter of the Year

The Phoenix chapter won Chapter of the Year for this previous year!! WAY TO GO PHOENIX!!!!

<http://www.aa-bsa.org/> - the Official National OA Web Site.
<http://www.colonneh.org/> - the Official Colonneh Lodge Web Site.
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