



Phoenix District Newsletter - October 1, 2015

PHOENIX DISTRICT: HELPING UNITS SUCCEED

www.phoenix.shac.org

October

- 1 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Meeting
- 3 - Leader Specific Training
- 16-18 - Fun with Son (Council)
- 23-25 - Webelos Woods
- 27 - Council Recognition Reception (Silver Beaver)

November

- 5 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Meeting
- 7 - Pushmobile
- 14 - Cub Scout Leader Pow Wow
- 21 - Popcorn Distribution

December

- 3 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Meeting
- 5 - College of Commissioner Science (Council)

NEW PHOENIX EAGLE SCOUTS

- Bradley Harden - Troop 626
- Sean Joseph Valley - Troop 1333
- Tyler Eley - Troop 1333
- Nicholas Eley - Troop 1333
- Lorenzo Aaron Martinez - Troop 1333
- Joseph Tyler Lindquist - Troop 1333

Commissioner's Corner

Now that you've recruited all those new leaders to go along with your new Scouts, it's time to get those new leaders trained! For new (or returning) Cub Scout Leaders, all of the online training has been updated and is now available to help you get up to speed on all the changes that have been made to the Cub Scouting program that is now in effect for our 2015-16 program year.

Here's how you access your online training:

- Go online to my.scouting.org (I suggest using Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox as a preferred browser)
- Login to my.scouting.org using your ID and password (same one that you had with the old system)
- Click on the Fleur-de-lis Logo in the upper left corner of the home page (where it says HOME)
- Go to MY DASHBOARD
- From the MY TRAINING page on MY DASHBOARD, you can access either YPT, TRAINING CENTER, REQUIREMENTS, or COMPLETIONS.

YPT lets you access the YPT online training course material TRAINING CENTER takes you to all of the leader position specific training courses. From here you can navigate to Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Venturing/Varsity, or Other training courses REQUIREMENTS takes you to the required training for each of the positions that you are registered for in the ScoutNet system COMPLETIONS shows you your recorded training history according to ScoutNet.

Once you click on any training course in the TRAINING CENTER, you will be redirected to a new website called SCOUTING-U, which is the new online training system where all the training courses reside. Once you have logged in here (same userid and password as the my.scouting.org website), you can access all the training modules. When you come back later, you can go directly to SCOUTING-U without logging in to my.scouting.org.

Almost all of the Cub Scout Leader training modules are up and running. Training for each position will be divided into 3 "tracks" that are labeled as follows:

- Before the First Meeting
- First 30 Days
- Position Trained

Add your required course modules to your Training Plan, and then start your online training. A number of different training modules are required to complete the 3 training tracks, so take your time and finish off your training by the end of the year. Remember, the top Unit Leader (Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Venturing Crew Advisor, etc) must be fully position trained as a pre-requisite for your unit to successfully rechartered.

Kevin Renfro, Phoenix District Commissioner

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District Training

Leader Specific Training - 10/3

Trinity Lutheran Church Family Life Center
5201 Spring Cypress

- Den Chief Training
- Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters Basic Leader Training
- Sea Scout Adult Leader Basic Training
- Venturing Advisor Training
- Classroom Facilitated YPT

Online registration: www.phoenix.shac.org under training
Sign-In begins at 8:30 a.m.

Council Training

Wood Badge - 2015

• 53-576-15-3 October 29-31 and December 3-5, 2015 (Thurs-Sat)



Cub Scout Leader Pow Wow - Time for New Adventures

November 14, 2015

Aldine Senior High School

11101 Airline Dr., Houston, TX 77037

Cub Scout Leader Pow Wow is a one-day training with new ideas and resources for Cub Scout leaders and parents. Over 50 classes are offered on topics such as awards, crafts, games, songs, skits, outdoor cooking, derbies, den meeting ideas, field trips, pack committee resources, pack meeting ideas and more. Leaders and parents can increase their knowledge, improve their skills, and gain enthusiastic attitudes about Cub Scouting. Offered only once per year, participants choose from a wide variety of activity and learning sessions and walk away with useful resources and tons of ideas! Register at SamHoustonBSA.org.

Popcorn Blitz Day

Blitz day is a designated day where units are encouraged to sell popcorn during take order as a group by canvassing areas in their neighborhood. Scouts that meet the items



Popcorn (cont.)

sold count indicated by each date will qualify for entry in the drawing for one of three GoPro Hero3+ Silver Edition.

October 3, 2015 - Sell total 20 items by this date

October 24, 2015 - Sell total 40 items by this date

November 7, 2015 - Sell total 60 items by this date

To enter into drawing, email screen shot (from your cell phone) of the Scout's sales form(s) showing the total number of qualifying items sold by 7:00 pm on the designated Blitz dates and email a picture of the forms to popcorn@shac.org. Please be sure to indicate Scout's name, unit type and number and contact phone number to contact in case they win. The winner will be drawn and announced on Facebook the following Monday.

Note: Scouts are not required to participate in Blitz Day to enter drawing. If the required number of items are sold and met by the Blitz Day deadline, a Scout may submit an entry for the drawing.

Events

Webelos Woods - October 23-25

Webelos Woods is a camp out designed to introduce 4th and 5th grade Webelos to the many outdoor adventures of Boy Scouting.

This awesome weekend event includes patrol-method camping and Scout activities. The event is being held at Spring Creek Park.



On Saturday morning, Webelos patrols compete in Webelos skills (first aid, fire building, camping skills, games, knots) and during the afternoon local Boy Scout troops teach basic Boy Scout skills. The patrols are judged on patrol flag and yell, resources, leadership, teamwork, skill demonstration and Scout spirit. The evening will finish off with an entertaining campfire program. After the campfire troops, crews and ships will host a cracker barrel where Webelos and their parent/guardian can tour their campsites and ask questions.

Pushmobile - November 7

Register: WWW.PHOENIX.SHAC.ORG or Roundtable September 3 or October 1

When: Saturday November 7, 2015 RACING starts at 9:00am.

Where: WoodsEdge Community Church 25333 Gosling Rd. Spring, TX 77389.

Bring: Helmets are REQUIRED for race participants.

Win: Trophies presented to top 3 teams per Rank and to top 3 Packs.

Have: Lots of fun, refreshments will be available for purchase.

Learn: Teamwork, Do Your Best, Sportsmanship.

Receive: Patches guaranteed for the first 400 paid scouts.

- **Contact:** PUSHMOBILE.PHOENIX@GMAIL.COM or Paul Stevens 281-772-4285.
- **Cost:** \$5 dollars per boy Deadline Roundtable NOV. 5th
- Pack trackside location awarded in order of payment!

Camping

Cub Scouts:

- Organized camping is a creative, educational experience in cooperative group living in the outdoors. It uses the natural surroundings to contribute significantly to physical, mental, spiritual, and social growth. Cub Scouting offers camping opportunities for Cub Scouts through day camps, resident camps, Webelos den overnight campouts, council-organized family camps, and pack overnights.



Boy Scouts, Teams, Crew, Ships:

- Winter Camp is a wonderful opportunity for troops to camp and Boy Scouts to earn merit badges. Merit badge classes are taught by Scouters with real-life experiences in the field. The 30th annual winter camp will be held at Bovay Scout Ranch. Over 50 merit badge classes are offered, including many merit badges that are not normally offered at summer camp.
- Northern Tier is the site of the Boy Scouts of America's National Cold Weather Camping Development Center. OKPIK Cold Weather Camping, Northern Tier's winter offering, is the BSA's premier winter camping program. At OKPIK, Scouts experience a true Northwoods winter: learning how to thrive in subzero temperatures, travel across frozen wilderness lakes and construct their own sleeping structures out of snow. All trips are fully outfitted and provisioned, including almost all of the personal gear necessary to stay warm in the winter. A highly trained staff member, called an Interpreter, accompanies all crews on their trek.

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/>

Phoenix Chapter is now holding unit Troop and Team elections! Contact Tom Lewis to schedule yours today. Election Deadline November 16, 2015

October 22- 1st ANNUAL PUMPKIN CARVING & CHUNKIN CONTEST!!! Spring Creek Forest Clubhouse

More details will follow in the monthly Phoenix Chapter eblast!

November 7-9 FALL POW WOW- Bovay Scout Ranch-

<http://oa.samhoustonbsa.org/fall-pow-wow>

Arrow of Light Season will begin December 1 - Contact our Ceremonies Adviser Lynn McKee to schedule your date!

Order of the Arrow ORDEALS- Only 2 more opportunities remain to complete your ordeal. If you were elected in 2014 and have not completed your ordeal, you can register at <http://oa.samhoustonbsa.org/ordeals>. Last two dates: November 20-21 & December 11-12.

For Questions: Contact either Chapter Chief Matthew Adkins @ futureairman84@gmail.com or Chapter Adviser Rhonda Bill @ Rhonda.bill@sbcglobal.net

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

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

<http://www.aggiecorps.org/programs/AggieEagles/> - Aggie Eagle Program

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