



Phoenix District Newsletter - October 5, 2017

PHOENIX DISTRICT: HELPING UNITS SUCCEED

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October

5 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Meeting
6-8 - Wood Badge - SHAC 17-2 (Second Weekend)
12 - Recharter Training
12-14 - Wood Badge - SHAC 17-3 (Second Weekend)
14 - Popcorn Blitz Day #2
20-22 - Fun with Son campout for new Scouts (SHAC)
28 - Cub-O-Ree
30 - Popcorn orders due

November

1 - Internet Recharter opens
2 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Meeting / Recharter Trng
18 - Popcorn Pick Up

NEW PHOENIX EAGLE SCOUTS

Albert Michael Johnson - Troop 626

Mitchell Glen Wells - Troop 626

Riley Scott Peterson - Troop 626

District Commissioner's Corner

I hope everyone had a great summer, and is refreshed and ready to come back to Phoenix District to make this a great 2017-18 Program Year. At this time, I'd like to give a big shout-out to all the volunteers in our District that help deliver the Scouting program. Your dedication, commitment, and gift of your time and resources are helping to deliver the Scouting program to the youth in our community every day. Thank You!

And because our Scouting program is dependent upon volunteers, we could use your help. Please considering volunteering for a District Level position to help serve Scouting with your expertise and enthusiasm. We currently have openings in many areas that may fit your skill set or expose you to new opportunities of service. Example positions include:

1. Commissioners (Roundtable Commissioners, Unit Commissioners) to provide service and mentor ship to our Units and our Scouting Program leaders to help them better serve their units. This is a great position for those with a little experience under their belt to help pass along their experience and knowledge and develop other adult leaders. Talk to Kevin Renfro or any Commissioner Staff member about opportunities.
2. District Committee members (to serve on our Membership, Finance, Training, and other committees). If you like to recruit new members, train leaders, advise units on financial health, raise money for FOS, or serve on a number of other committees, we can use your help. Talk to Randy McQuay, Cindy Scanland, or a District Committee member about opportunities.
3. Help deliver District Programs by serving on the Program/Activities Event Management Teams. If you like to organize and run events like CubORee, Rocket Day, CampORee, Day Camp, Pushmobile, etc., then we have a place for you. Talk to Tamela DeMaranville or any other District Leader about opportunities.

Kevin Renfro
Phoenix District Commissioner - kevin.renfro@gmail.com

New Phoenix District Professional !

Please welcome Drue Banta to Phoenix! Drue will be serving as our new Sr. District Executive. You can contact him at drue.banta@scouting.org, or by phone at 713-865-9104 (office) or 979-204-2826 (mobile).

Recharter

Attention, all Phoenix Units! Now is the time to get your rosters in order and get ready for recharter. Please download our Recharter Summary Handout Sheet from the Phoenix website and follow these instructions to get your unit ready for recharter for the 2018 Scouting year. Check back in our RECHARTER section of the Phoenix website, and at www.samhoustonbsa.org/recharter on the SHAC website for updated information on recharter.

For now, follow steps 1 and 2 of the Overall Plan:

- 1) PREPARATION (process new applications, Update Unit Roster, Check on Adult YPT status and Top Leader Training, and get your leaders trained)
- 2) TRAINING (Attend one of our 3 District Recharter Workshops) on 10/12, 11/02 and a date TBD. Recharter Packets will be distributed at one of our 3 Training Sessions.

Phoenix District Commissioner

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Phoenix District Camporee - 2018

Save the date: March 2-3, 2018 @ Tellepsen

Theme : Raiders of the Lost Treasure Camp
Committee Meeting on September 27, 2018 at the Memorial Chase Club House @7:00pm

Please join us to make this an exciting event.

Patch Contest: Let your Scouts creative minds flow. Design our Camporee's Patch based on our theme. Last day for submission November 17, 2017. Email drawing of patch with Scout's name and Troop to phoenixcamporee@gmail.com

Wood Badge - 2018

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>

SHAC 18-1 March 16-18 and April 6-8 (Fri-Sun)

Merit Badge University - Merit Badge Coordinator

2018 Phoenix District Merit Badge University will be on May 5, 2018 at Lone Star College - University Park.

We're looking for a Merit Badge Counselor Coordinator! This position involves the recruiting and securing of qualified (YPT and Registered adult leaders) counselors from across the Sam Houston Area Council. The bulk of the work in this position would be October / November of 2017.

Please Contact Kat Amundsen at barefootcreation@gmail.com if you are interested in making a difference in our youth leadership program.

Events

Cub-o-Ree - October 28 10:00am-3:00pm

Top Dog Superstore
23822 State Highway 249
Tomball, TX



Cub-O-Ree is an action-packed day for Cub Scouts. Get your teams ready for a day of fun games, archery, BB gun shooting, and activities.

The cost is \$10 per Scout and \$5 per sibling. Siblings under age 3 are free. Patches are guaranteed for the first 150 Scouts registered. Onsite registrations are not guaranteed a patch. Registration opens August 2017



Webelos Woods - December 8-10 Spring Creek Park 15012 Brown Rd., Tomball TX 77375

Webelos Woods is a campout designed to introduce 4th and 5th graders to the many outdoor adventures of Boy Scouting. This awesome weekend event includes patrol-method camping and Scout activities. Webelos will have an opportunity to:

- Work with Boy Scout troops in a number of skills, activities, and games.
- Experience a Boy Scout campfire program and Scout's Own Service (non-denominational)
- Have fun and get a taste of Boy Scout camping.
- Compete in Webelos skills (first aid, fire building, camping skills, games, knots)
- Learn Boy Scout skills from local troops. The patrols are judged on patrol flag and yell, resources, leadership, teamwork, skill demonstration and Scout spirit.

Registration:

Pre-registered Webelos Scouts will receive an event patch and water bottle. Registration is typically completed by the den or unit leader. Registration: \$16.50 for the first Webelos Scout and one parent and \$15 for each additional Scout/parent.

Additional adults: \$5.00, Boy Scouts and adult leaders: \$5.00
Late fees will apply
Siblings: a program is not available for siblings

Camping

Summer time is almost over and need your help to gather the following information:



Boy Scouts, Varsity, Crew, Ship

Did you go to summer camp if so where?
Did you do a high adventure if so where?
How many scouts attended and adults?

Cub Scouts

Did you attend day camp, adventure camp, resident camp, or Webelos coyote extreme? How many scouts attended and adults?

Please email Daniel DeMaranville, Phoenix District Camping Chair at demaran@sbcglobal.net with this information.

ORDER OF THE ARROW

Phoenix Chapter



Colonneh Lodge #137
Order of the Arrow (OA)

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

Pow Wow - November 3-5 - Bovay Scout Ranch - OA's annual fall lodge event. Lots of fun, games, and brotherhood! Lodge Officer elections are at this event for 2018. Registration at <http://www.shac.org/fall-pow-wow>. If you can, please sign up to staff!

Ordeals - The last ordeal for those elected this past year will occur December 8th at Bovay Scout Ranch. Check <http://www.shac.org/ordeals> for more information. If you can, please sign up to staff!

Election Teams - It's time for elections! If you need an election, please contact our Chapter Chief, Zachary White, for information on how to sign up for a team to service your election.

<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

Zachary White-Chapter Chief - zcwhite03@aol.com
Rhonda Bill - Phoenix Chapter Adviser - rhonda.bill@sbcglobal.net

Sea Badge Course

You are invited to attend a Sea Badge course on November 3-5, 2017. Regardless of your program area (Boy Scouts, Venturing or Sea Scouts), you are invited to attend. The course is Seabadge SB-32-TX-2017.

Experience what the Sea Scout program can do for you and the youth in your program. It is an easy commitment to make: One three-day weekend, learning all things about Sea Scouts, and designing a program to take back with you. Let me emphasize that you do NOT have to be registered in the Sea Scout program, just be a registered Scouter who has the ambition to learn more. You don't even have to like water!

Information, registration and location is online at <https://seascout.org/events/seabadge-sb-32-tx-2017/>.

What Sea Badge is, I leave to you to read online at <https://seascout.org/adult-training/seabadge/>.

If you want to learn more about Sea Scouting from a youth perspective, then view <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9p8C8vQEJ4>.

The location is not far. Your travels should be easy. The facilities are top-notch. The staff is the best in the Southern Region. Please take the time to seriously consider attending Sea Badge.

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