



Salt River District Petroglyphs April 2008



District Happenings

Flyers and further details may also be available on the District Web Site

Ahh. . . Graduation

The Venture, Varsity and Boy Scouts are all preparing for Summer Camp. The Webelos II's have long since bridged into scouting. The Pack Den's are all graduating to the next level in Cub scouting and many are preparing to attend various Day Camps and Resident Camps.

Programs begin winding down for the summer. Summer programs are much lighter as many scouts are away on vacation, but all units know that it is important to keep the program alive with some fun activities during the summer even with only a few scouts in attendance. These are critical to not only keeping scouts in the program, but in recruiting new scouts as well. Packs should be earning their Summertime Pack and Den awards. It's so easy so there is no excuse not to keep the program going. Scouting is a year round program, not just a nine month program.

Just as important . . .

Committees and Leaders should now be gearing up for the coming scouting year. There is so much that needs to be prepared for so you can all hit the ground running in August when school starts and the your scouts are all back from vacation. All units should be getting their annual planning done before August so the new Unit Calendar can be given out to parents at the first meeting after school starts. If you don't get on their calendars early then you will be frustrated and struggle with the all your activities. Once their Calendars are committed it is a lot easier to get help from your parents! Make sure that all your untrained leaders commit to the training dates that are already published on the District Web Site. The summer time is the time to rebuild the Unit foundation and make sure that you have resources in place to execute the plans you have and to ensure their success.

Scout-O-Rama ticket sales begin the first of September. Store Location requests are due mid June. If you want to make the most of this fundraising opportunity, then plan ahead. Scout-O-Rama is back in Tempe so ticket sales should be even better in our district and it is a great opportunity for recruiting so put in early for a booth as well.

The time is now to set Annual Planning dates. Don't wait until June as you will find it hard to get firm commitments from everyone on the date. Plan a social event like pot luck to make it enjoyable. It's a great time to get re-acquainted and recruit new leaders to spread the work load.

***Don't miss this opportunity to ensure your success,
make your life a lot easier,
and be prepared for the great Scouting year ahead***

District Committee Openings

There are several opening on the committee and now is a good time to join. The committee is holding District Committee Training on May 3. **Committee Members at Large** are always needed to help out at various District events and activities. We are also always in need of more **Trainers** (a trainer development conference "Train the Trainer" is coming up on April 12).

We have a specific need for a **Secretary**. This position keeps notes at the District meetings and produces meeting minutes for the committee to review and remind them of what was discussed.

We also need a **Petroglyphs Editor**. Yes, your are reading it now, but this is not the quality we really want. I took on the work because there was no letter and our box at council was conspicuously empty next to all the other District newsletters. It is little more than what's on the District Calendar as I don't have the time to do more and its always done at the last minute.

There are lots of you out there with experience, talent, and knowledge that really should be shared with others so that their units can be the best that they can be. Talk to any Committee Member if you have an interest in being part of the District and helping support all of its units.

Salt River District Committee Training Workshop

May 10, 2008 (Saturday), 8:30 AM – 2:00 PM, \$10.00 (Includes lunch)

LDS Chapel, 6001 S Lakeshore Dr, Tempe, AZ 85283

One of the keys to the success of the District's Scouting program is trained volunteer Leadership. Answering, "What is my job?" and "How do I do it?" are the focus of this training. All Scouters involved with Salt River District should attend as well as anyone interested in knowing what the Committee does and how it works. Sessions include: District Overview and Membership, Finance, Program, Training, and Unit Service breakouts.

Contact: Neal Nikolaisen (480) 961-0531 or e-mail NEALNIK@AOL.COM

FOS – Friends of Scouting

We are still below our Annual goal.

Our Goal is \$80,000 and we are only at \$36,405 (46%)

So assign an FOS Coordinator for the unit and get your program going!

Remind your Scouting families to send in their pledge if they haven't done so. We are a little ahead of last year at this time, but just a little. Let's all work hard to make our goal for 2008.

We Need Commissioners

A commissioner is someone willing to be an advisor to assigned units and help each unit to keep up with District and Council happenings as well as be a resource whenever the unit has a question. The more commissioners we have the faster and better we can service our units. This is truly one of those jobs that takes only an hour a week and is completely flexible to your schedule. If you want to know more that consider attending the Commissioner College being held on April 19th at the LDS Church on LDS Church at Val Vista and Ray Rd.

Contact Phil Grey, test4u@cox.net, 602-615-0511, with any questions you may have about being a Salt River District Commissioner.

June Advancement Day for Boy Scouts

This is a great opportunity to focus on picking up one or two merit badges. A few can be completed at the Advancement Day event, but most require doing some homework and then the rest will be finished up with a District Merit Badge Counselor at the Event. This is a great opportunity to work with knowledgeable and experienced Counselors with expertise in these specific areas. Even you don't finish the badge that day you can finish up missing requirements after the event and earn the badge. See the District website for registration information and merit badge offerings.

Boy Scout Summer Camp

The Summer Camp season is in full swing and filling up fast. Boy Scouts can enjoy a week at one of our 2 premier camps in the cool pines in Payson and Flagstaff. Camp Geronimo and Camp Raymond have excellent facilities and staff to make the most of your scout's experience at Camp. Troop not going on a week when you can go? No problem, the camps also have provisional units where scouts can still get their Merit Badges earned and fun with well staffed "temporary" troop leadership.

Boy Scouts also have a great day camp: the Council's Aquatics and Nature Day Camp at Lake Pleasant just 20 miles north of Phoenix. The scenic lake and majestic mountains provide a beautiful backdrop for all the exciting activities packed into this day camp. The camp is a Scouter's dream offering more than 20 aquatic and nature merit badges including canoeing, rowing, kayaking, motor boating, waterskiing, sailing, fishing, fly-fishing, cooking, reptile & amphibian study, insect study, archeology, geology, environmental science, communications and much more. Busses pick up the scouts from several locations around the Phoenix area and drop them back off each night for 5 days. Several Sessions are available through June and July.

Cubs have several opportunities this summer

You have seen the full page add for the local day camp here in Phoenix. It's amazing what you can do when it's over 100 degrees outside. There is non-stop fun for three days and even the Parents easily survive the heat. Come join the Lost Safari at the Hear Scout Pueblo!

A Cub 4 day and 3 night resident experience is available at the R Bar C Council camp on Christopher Creek just east of Payson. Each day is filled with great activities including BB Gun and Archery, Nature Classes, Crafts and Games.

For Webelos there are several opportunities for an overnight weekend camping experience at both Geronimo and Camp Raymond. These special camping experiences focus on Webelos Activities and give the Webelos a taste of the Boy Scout Summer Camp experience.

Council Camps and Summer Camp Information

Visit <http://www.grandcanyonbsa.org> and select Council Camps from the side menu. Pick a camp and see what they have available. There is information on all these camps as well as registration forms and flyers for each of these great summertime activities.

Council Happenings

Visit the Grand Canyon Council Website at www.grandcanyonbsa.org

Electronic Advancement

You can enter those advancements on line now. No more three part forms. For Troops this enters the advancements into the scout's record so Council will have an appropriate record. Troops should make every effort to take advantage of this time saving opportunity and update the actual records of their scouts. Get you access code from your District Executive and then go on-line today.

Popcorn Sales

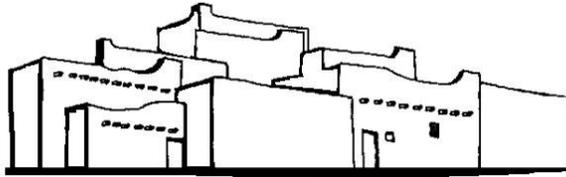
You thought it was over. Well, Council has a lot of popcorn left over and that means an excellent opportunity to make good profits, 40%, from Consignment sales. Contact "Fugi" (Richard Fugimoto) at Council for details.

Arizona Rattlers Scout Night and Training Camp

Saturday, May 24th at 12:00 PM

Arizona Rattlers are offering a training camp at noon on the day of the game where we will have players and coaches on hand to teach you everything they know. And don't forget the game, the Rattlers take on the Grand Rapids Rampage in our quest to win our 3rd Arena Bowl championship and we are offering great ticket prices for all scouts. Check the Council Web Site for more information.

Day Camp



 **Heard Scout Pueblo** 



Online Registration - We've Begun!

Go to www.grandcanyonbsa.org and then you will see the Lost Safari Pueblo Day Camp @ Heard Scout Pueblo logo and follow that link.

It's that easy!

2008 Day Camp Sessions

1. ~~May 29-May31~~ Thursday – Saturday (Full)
2. ~~June 2-4~~ Monday – Wednesday (Full)
3. June 5-7 Thursday – Saturday
4. ~~June 9-11~~ Monday – Wednesday (Full)
5. June 12-14 Thursday – Saturday
6. ~~June 16-18~~ Monday – Wednesday (Full)
7. June 19-21 Thursday – Saturday
8. June 23-25* Monday – Wednesday
9. June 26-28* Thursday – Saturday



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Sign up soon....sessions are filling up fast!_

Twilight Camp Times

Program starting time **3:00pm** – closing at **9:30pm**

***Family Camp - Sessions 8-9**

Same 3 day program but Co-ed youth of Cub Scout age can attend Camp along with the Cubs. Each camper must register and be accompanied by a parent/guardian at all times. *This is a day camp program and not an overnight experience. These two sessions are open to siblings to attend the same regular day camp program offered in the other sessions.*

If you have any questions please contact:

Librada Martinez, Camp Director at limartin@bsa.org or 602-955-7747

Donna Kutarnia, Program Director at fittofish@gmail.com 480-961-1707

Tobie Stephens, Registration at csdcreg@yahoo.com

Salt River District at a Glance

May 2008				
Date	Day	Time	Event	Details
1	Thu	7:00PM	Roundtable	Lakeshore LDS Church
1	Thu	7:00PM	New Leader Essentials	Training @ Roundtable for all new leaders
3	Sat	9:00AM	Pinewood Derby	Council Pinewood Derby - Car Registration: 9AM
17	Sat	12:00PM	Silver Axe Registration	Registration deadline for Silver Axe - Before May 17, 2008, a deposit of \$35.00 will hold a slot for a Scout. The deposit is nonrefundable, but is transferable to another eligible Scout. Complete fees are due by May 17, 2008
18	Sun	2:00PM	Religious Awards	Catholic Religious Awards - This year's awards ceremony will be held at St. Timothy Catholic Community (Guadalupe Rd, east of Dobson Rd, Mesa). 2:00-2:30 pm Registration (outside in Mary Garden) 2:30-3:30 pm Ceremony 3:30-4:00 pm pictures and refreshments (outside in Mary Garden) The Knights of Columbus will be providing and serving refreshments. The 4th degree color corps stand ready if requested for the ceremony.
24	Sat	6:45AM	Service Project	Plant flags on graves at the National Memorial Cemetery of Arizona for Memorial Day. Last year we placed approximately 40,000 flags on the graves of our departed military members. This year we will need to place more than 43,000 flags. - CLASS A Uniforms
27-31	Tue-Sat	12:00PM	Silver Axe 1	Silver Axe - National Youth Leadership Training - training at Raymond
27	Tue	7:00PM	Eagle Board	Eagle Board of Review and Project Reviews
29	Thu	7:00PM	District Meeting	Lakeshore LDS Church

June 2008				
Date	Day	Time	Event	Details
5	Thu	7:00PM	Roundtable	Lakeshore LDS Church
7	Sat	7:30AM	Advancement Day	A great way to earn Boy Scout Merit Badges Registration and Class List on the SRD Website
24	Tue	7:00PM	Eagle Board	Eagle Board of Review and Project Reviews
26	Thu	7:00PM	District Meeting	Lakeshore LDS Church
28	Sat	7:30AM	Advancement Day	A great way to earn Boy Scout Merit Badges , Registration and Class List on the SRD Website

July 2008				
Date	Day	Time	Event	Details
7-12	Mon-Sat	12:00PM	Silver Axe 2	Silver Axe - National Youth Leadership Training - Church Camp on Mt Graham near Safford
22	Tue	7:00PM	Eagle Board	Eagle Board of Review and Project Reviews
28-2	Mon-Sat	12:00PM	Silver Axe 3	Silver Axe Youth Leadership Training - R-C
31	Thu	7:00PM	District Meeting	Lakeshore LDS Church

Check the SRD Website for flyers, updates and the latest details.

TRAINING

On Line Training

<http://olc.scouting.org/>

Training on your time, at your pace!

Youth Protection	Every participating adult, registered or not, should be YP trained.
Fast Start	Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity, Venture
Boy Scout Committee Training	Troop Committee Challenge
Safe Swim Defense	Required for <u>all</u> events in or around water
Safety Afloat	Required for <u>all</u> events involving canoes, kayaks, and boats.

Supplemental Training Modules – Most are On Line at <http://olc.scouting.org/>

Mentoring	Recruiting Quality Training Staff
Merit Badge Counselor Instructors Guide	Scoutmaster Conference Training
Board of Review Training	Selecting Quality Leaders
Geocaching to Promote Scouting	The Youth Leadership Training Continuum
The Order of the Arrow and Your Troop	Supporting Scouts With AD/HD
Orientation for New Boy Scout Parents	National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience
Planning and Conducting a Safe Scout Outing	

All of these and other programs can be reached from the Grand Canyon Council web site:

<http://www.grandcanyonbsa.org/>

Select the Training link for details about all of the training programs available to ensure the best Scouting can offer and help you be a successful Scout Leader.

NOTE: Registered leaders receive a membership card with a number with the recharter. This information can be included at the successful conclusion of each online training course which updates your National training record automatically.

New Leader Essentials On-Line

www.crossroadsbsa.org/FunctionsofScoutingMenu/Training/OnlineTraining/tabid/132/Default.aspx

District Training Calendar

May 10, 2008	District Committee Training
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Eagles Nest
Congratulations to SRD's Latest Eagles

Jesse Daniel Woodbury	Crew 9375
Matthew George Harris	Troop 577
Matt John Kolopanis	Troop 14
Joseph Sanford Joslin	Troop 9576
Michael William Fritz	Troop 75
Daniel Patten Peterson	Team 6560
Marc Andrew Peterson	Crew 9560

***Thanks to all the new and old Eagle Board Members
for stepping up to cover the boards for these worthy scouts.***

Your Salt River District

Roundtable	The first Thursday of each month (except July) at the Lakeshore LDS Church (north of Guadalupe on Lakeshore) Please submit announcements at least one week in advance to George Harris, gdh2796@cox.net
District Website	http://www.azscout.org <i>Select Salt River District for the Unit.</i>

Want Ads

The District is in need of Volunteers to help keep it running smoothly, keeping units informed, trained, and ensuring more fun for all our scouts. We have some specific positions to be filled, but there are a lot of other places where we can use members at large. Come join us and share your heart and brain with the rest of us.

Petroglyphs Editor
Trainers – All Levels
Commissioners – All Levels

Many areas need committees or several scouters to make things work. We are always in need of Commissioners and Trainers. Individual events, like Camporee, Webelos Woods, Pinewood Derby, Fishing Derby, etc. need committees to run these events.

The Petroglyphs is a publication of the Salt River District. All you see above comes from various sources in the District. News and items are encouraged from any Scouter. Please contact the Editor with your items at least 2 weeks in advance of the next Roundtable to ensure publication.

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***For a listing of the District Committee
Visit the District Website: <http://www.azscout.org>.***