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Green River Current

The Green River Newsletter May 2001 Edition

"I'm not confused. I'm just well mixed." - Robert Frost

District Awards and Recognition

Cub Scout Summer Day Camp

It's not too early to mark your calendars for summer camp. The theme is "**Cub Scout Gold Rush**" July 10-15 Cubs at Royal Arch and Webelos at Lions and July 17-20 where both Cubs and Webelos will be at Royal Arch; we need volunteers to staff camp.

Turn in your registration forms tonight at Roundtable. If you are a little late collecting the paper work, send them to Jason at the Scout office ASAP.

If you are interested in helping, please call Jason Keen or Linda Rosengren at 425-255-7045

It is not early to submit your nominations for the Green River District awards. Each unit should submit the name of at least one registered adult for the Extra Miler Award. The nomination should be for an individual who has gone above and beyond their position description in service to the unit or scouting. It does not matter what position they hold. Show that you appreciate their contribution. In addition, the District will be looking for nominations for the Couples Award, the Cub Scout leader of the Year, and the Scoutmaster of the Year.

Finally, the Green River District can also nominate a limited number of individuals for the District Award of Merit (the highest award given by a District). Nominees for this award need to have provided significant service to scouting and their community for several years. Nomination forms for all these awards will be available at Roundtable, and through Jason Keen at the Scout office.

Mom & Me Camp 2001

This event has been well attended, and is in need of Boy Scout Troops, to serve as staff. Your incentive is free room and board, T-shirt and the thanks of many Cub Scouts and Mom's, which attend.

If your troop is looking for an opportunity to work on leadership skills, this is a custom made event.

The tentative remaining dates are:

May 19-20th
June 2-3rd
Sept 15-16th
October 13-14th
October 20-21st

All dates are Saturday & Sunday

If you have questions or want to sign-up, please call the



Council Camping Office at 206-725-0361 or John Rosenlund at 425-277-3118.

TIGERS, TIGERS, TIGERS

CANDLE MAKERS have an easy job because they only work on wick ends.

Don't forget to let every new Tiger your pack recruits this spring about the TIGER ACTIVITY DAY on June 9th. This will be a fun filled "day camp" oriented event to get those new young Tigers and the Tiger Partners excited about Scouting and the fun ahead.

**Friends of Scouting
108 Units - District Goal is
\$33,000**

	100 %	
	75 %	
	50 %	
	25 %	
Kits To Units		% of Goal

**MARK
YOUR CALENDAR**

**Our District Awards Picnic is scheduled for July 12th at the Renton Lion's Park.
DON'T MISS IT!!**

DID YOU HEAR about the duck who went to the drugstore, bought a tube of Chapstick, and then asked the pharmacist to put it on his bill?

**Great Job Everyone!
Donations to date = \$41,699.00**



2001 Spring Camporee June 1,2,3

Order of the Arrow News, WWW

Order of the Arrow (Hyas Eena Chapter)

Ordeal Notification

It has been reported to me that the notification fliers for Ordeal have not arrived for some of the candidates. If this is the case, please have them plan on attending one of the following Ordeals:
 May 18-19th - Camp Brinkley
 June 1-2nd - Camp Parsons (Note - Conflicts with Camporee)
 September 14-15th - Camp Sheppard

For a copy of the flier contact Mike Johnson at Round Table or (425) 235-1826.

Brotherhood Ceremony

The next Brotherhood Ceremony will be at the District Camporee. The ceremony will be Friday, June 1st, 8:00 p.m., King County Fairgrounds, Enumclaw. You are not required to attend Camporee to attend the Brotherhood ceremony. The ceremony is free. For \$22, the participants will receive the Brotherhood Sash, Flap, and will include an additional year of membership. Please inform all of your qualified members OA members.

WWW,
 Hyas Eena Chapter
 Mike Johnson

The Spring Camporee Corner

The Spring Extravaganza in Green River District is our annual Spring Camporee. This year it will be held at King County Fairgrounds at Enumclaw, on the weekend of June 1, 2, and 3, 2001. The Camporee Planning Meetings have been concluded. Many thanks for your support.

The Spring Camporee 2001 "pre-registration incentive" consists of two (2) hats with Camporee patches per unit. These would be for Scoutmaster and SPL of a unit. The Camporee fees are: \$6 per individual if pre-registered and \$8 if a late registration. We have set the day rate at \$3 and the late registration fee at \$4 per individual. Late fees will apply to all registrations processed after the May 18, 2001. The Camporee staff encourages pre-registration of youth and leaders for this event in order to better plan this prestigious event. Remember, there are no reserved campsites this year, and we will again camp jamboree style.

Scoutmasters and Committee chairpersons: Your unit is cordially invited to participate in the Saturday events involving games, races, contests, etc. Figure out what would be fun for those members of your unit committee to put on for all the district youth to compete in. Remember, all your old unit favorites will be new to those Webelos attending.

Please contact the Camporee Games Chief Andrew Harron 253.631.4801 when your unit has decided what type of field activities or game that your unit plans to put June 2, 2001 at the Spring Camporee.

Paul Feider
 425.226.3156
 Green River Camporee chair for 2001

Renton River Days & Kent Cornucopia

We will again be participating this year in the Renton River Days (July 28) and Kent Cornucopia (July 12-15). There will be several opportunities at both events for Cub Scouts & Boy Scouts to participate in activities and even conduct a few of their own. And as always, lets have a big attendance and participation in the parades at the culmination of each event. Donna Thorkildson (425-226-5954) is helping to coordinate the Renton River Days and Steve Martin (206-719-6993) is organizing Kent Cornucopia. Look for more information and exciting news next month!

Camporee for Webelos

Webelos are encouraged to come check out this fun district Boy Scout activity June 2, 2001. Packs may participate independently as day visitors or overnight if properly sponsored by a troop. What's "properly sponsored" you ask? Send a note to AlanCub@aol.com or call Jason Keen at the Scout Service Center to find out

School Night Teams

New packs and struggling packs turn to the District Executive for help in putting on a successful school night. Unfortunately, he gets double- and triple-booked during this critical time of year. Some units and therefore a bunch of boys get

ADVANCEMENT POLICIES

Most of the units in the Green River District are doing a great job with advancement. From time to time, there is a temptation for some units or leaders to change or "streamline" rank and advancement requirements for the sake of convenience or speeding up the process. In some extreme cases leaders have actually been adding additional requirements for rank, activity pins and merit badges. Such variance from the standards set by the Boy Scouts of America is contrary both to the policy of the BSA, and to the whole philosophy of the advancement program. The experience the boy has in earning the badge is at least as important as the badge itself. If a boy wears the First Class Badge, it should mean that he has gained certain knowledge and has learned certain skills. The Scout and others should feel he has really earned the badge, otherwise it means nothing. You do know service to the boy, the development of his character, or the program of the BSA by doing anything else.

Green River District Web-Site

The Current is now online! And other district information too. Point your web browser to www.seattlebsa.org, hit the airplane icon for the South districts, and click Green River for the latest schedules, information, and pictures of district events. We're still searching for an embarrassing picture of Jason to feature on the site, if you have one please contact district webmaster [Lynwood Stewart](mailto:Lynwood.Stewart). Look for new forms and information weekly

left out this way. Green River District would like to assemble a team of leaders capable of helping or leading school nights. Training is available. If you would be willing to share an evening's time with one or two packs that really need it this Fall, contact the district membership chair Alan Dalla Santa (AlanCub@aol.com) or the District Executive Jason Keen (jkeen@seattlebsa.org)



Green River Training

Boy Scout Adult Leader Training (BSALT)

Look for NEW BS Leader Training in late summer!

Ask those kids to Join!

Packs 469, 710, 420 and 471 have taken a proactive approach to inviting new boys to join Scouting. They have scheduled spring recruitment nights, set-up info nights before pack meetings for new boys and have even set-up a neighborhood recruitment night involving six different schools. This is the way to invite those young kindergartners and first graders into the Cub Scouts. There are a lot of young boys out there that need this program and we have to go out there and ask them to join and have fun. And who knows you may even get a few new adult leaders in the process. If you have not set a date for Spring Recruitment nights, do so now and order your flyers and stickers from Jason.

Cub Scout Leader Training

All registered leaders and volunteers that work with children should plan to attend the Cub Scout Leader Training series. The training sessions are very informative and a lot of fun! If you have not attended training before, plan to attend one of the following Cub Scout Leader Basic Training sessions:

May 12 Webelos Leader Outdoor see flyer

May 12 Den Chief Training see flyer

June 9 Cub Basic/Youth Protection ask for venue

NEW Cub Scout Leader Training in late Summer!

These are training opportunities that give you the skills to be a successful (and stress-free) Cub Scout Leader! Contact Margaret Brown (253)639-5164 or Ron Hiatt at (425) 277-6919 for registration and information.

Youth Protection Training (open to all Units)

Teach Children Safety Rules:

Contact Joyce Froisland at (253) 631-9517 for more information and how your Unit can become Youth Protection Certified.

"Always keep doors & windows locked when home alone. Never open the door unless it is a person you are expecting."

**Next Youth Protection Training:
May 15th 7pm - St. James on 94th - T474
May 21st 6:30pm - Nativity Lutheran 140th - T449**



Tiger Cubs BSA

Tiger Teams

When a unit starts from scratch it can be overwhelming for the new volunteers who step up to try to make it work. The lag between "let's do it" and the next Leader Basic and the next three Roundtables can allow new leaders to become discouraged or overwhelmed. In steps a Tiger and gives them enough basic information to last them until CSLB or BSALT, enough program ideas to last until the next Roundtable, and enough enthusiasm and encouragement to let them know they made a good choice in signing up as Scout Leader. Some old-timers might know these as ACORN Teams. The concept works, we just need to identify the team members, how about YOU? Contact Alan Dalla Santa or Jason Keen (jkeen@seattlebsa.org).

Open District Positions

"Anything that is done to increase the effectiveness of the Boy Scouts of

**FACT:
The artist Van Gogh, sold
only one painting in his
lifetime.
To his brother**

570 KVI's and Troop 449

America will be a genuine contribution
to the welfare of the Nation."

Woodrow Wilson

FOS Family Chair

Webelos Woods Chair

Recruitment Night Chair

Program Chair

Boy Scout Training Chair

Contact your Activities Chair, Bob

Czaplinski or

DE Jason Keen for more information.

**"IT IS BETTER to miss a goal
too high than reach a goal too
low."**

**Paraphrased from
MICHELANGELO**

**Be the change you want
to see in the world.**

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Calendar of Events

Apr.- Sprint
May Recruiting
May Springwood
12 Food Bank
May Kent Fishing
19 Derby
Renton

Our very own Troop 449 was selected as 570 KVI talk radio's "Boy Scout Troop of the Month" for the month of April. The Troop was invited to the station to meet a few of the radio hosts and to have some fun with pizza party. A BIG CONGRATUALIONS to the Scouts and Adults of Troop 449. A quality Troop full of wonderful people. So what Green River Troop will it be next month...?

Boy Scout Roundtable Features

May: Back Packing-Equipment, clothing and preparation

June: Desert Survival Exercises & Surviving Scout Summer Camp

July: No Meeting-District Awards Picnic July 12th...see you all there!

Green River District Committee

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Alan Dalla Santa 253-850-5664

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June 2 Fishing Derby
 June 9 Tiger Activity Day
 July District Picnic
 July 10-13/17-20 Day Camp
 July 13-14/20-21 Webelos Overnighter

Any questions or comments regarding the Green River Current should be directed to:

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[E-mail: jkeen@seattlebsa.org](mailto:jkeen@seattlebsa.org)

We would like to provide this newsletter in an electronic format to those of you with an e-mail, let us know so that we can put you on the list.

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