

# Green River Current

The Green River Newsletter

November, 2003 Edition

"To prepare young people to make ethical choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath & Law."

BSA Mission



## Popcorn for Thanksgiving

Popcorn will be distributed Saturday morning, Nov. 15th from 8 - 11 am at City Beverages Distribution, Inc., 1025 - 6th Ave. N., Kent, WA 98032.

Early-Bird closeout is Dec. 5th. To qualify for the additional 6% in commissions. The following items need to be completed.

- Deposit all moneys in Bank of America - Boy Scout Account - 7603 004
- Complete Unit Order and Settlement Form
  - Commissions percentage
  - Commissions distribution selection
  - Two names for council check
- Forms turned into District Popcorn Kernel
  - Pink copy of Unit Order and Settlement Form
  - Pink deposit slips

Final Settlement Date is Dec. 19th. All accounts must be closed.

Green River District Top Selling Unit is Troop 449 with \$10,741.

Green River District Top Selling Scout is from Pack 705 Jordan Kozma with \$2,088.

Any questions about popcorn contact Scott Gilyeat 425-422-0530 or [sagilyeat@earthlink.net](mailto:sagilyeat@earthlink.net)



## Christmas Tree Drive

Have you gotten your area assignment for the Christmas Tree Drive? Raise money for your units January 3rd. Contact Liz Campisteguy at [Lcampisteguy@comcast.net](mailto:Lcampisteguy@comcast.net) or call 425-228-2845. I will also be available at 6:45 at the December 11<sup>th</sup> Roundtable.

## Webelos to Scout Transitions Class

The last year of Cub Scouts and the first year of Boy Scouts is a critical time for scouting families. The transition from Cub Scouts to Boy Scouts is something we try to prepare the boys for, but little is offered to minimize the shock for the parents. The January Roundtable will host a Webelos-to-Scouts transition Class for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year scouts and their families covering program differences, hints for shopping for a Troop, differences in parent involvement, and answers to your favorite questions. A Boys Scout panel will be available to talk to your Webelos Scout too. Pass this information on to other Webelos families. Any questions??? Email Alan Dalla Santa at [owlnscout@aol.com](mailto:owlnscout@aol.com).

**School Nights for Scouting  
October – November 2003**



## Camping Corner

It's going to be a great year for outdoor activities in the District and Council. Continue to watch the Current for the latest information.

### Camping & Outdoor Opportunities

The camping & outdoor program is in full swing---

#### Mom & Me

This popular event is back bigger and better for 2004. It has been expanded from 9 to 12 weeks and registration is open now, for all 2004 dates.

#### 2003 Cub Scout Winter Camp

This event is for Wolf & Bear Cub Scouts. The dates are December 6-7, 13-14 and 20-21, at Camp Sheppard.

#### Long Term Camping Seminar

This event is scheduled for December 6, 2003 from 9am to 5pm at the Council office. Cost is \$10.00 per person. Bring paper, pencil and a compass. This premier event is offered only once a year and is instructed by Kent Brooten of Troop 474.

#### Summer Camp 2004

There is still space available in both Camp Pigott & Camp Parsons for the 2004 Summer Camping season.

Please go the Council web page, [www.campingdept@seattlebsa.org](mailto:www.campingdept@seattlebsa.org), for updated information on dates, availability and registration.

### Activity & Outdoor Survey

The survey is on the Green River District site. Please take a few minutes and share your experiences with us. We are looking for positive as well as constructive feedback for Cub & Boy Scout events. Please, let us know what we did well and where we need to improve. Please e-mail to [jmacpherson@seattlebsa.org](mailto:jmacpherson@seattlebsa.org), or fax to Jason @ 206-725-2862.

### 2005 National Jamboree

Though two years away, recruiting has already started for both scouts and adult leaders. For further information, please go to the Council webpage and click on the Jamboree link. If your troop or adult leadership committee would like a presentation on Jamboree, please contact John Rosenlund at 425-277-3118.

### WashJam 2004

This event is scheduled for Labor Day weekend, September 3-6, 2004. It is expected up to 10,000 scouts (open to Cub Scouts who are encouraged to attend) and scouters will attend this multi-council event, to be held at Ft. Lewis, WA. The theme of the event is "Live the Law". The website for this event is now up, at [www.washjam.org](http://www.washjam.org). Please log on and review for the latest information.

### 2004 Camporee

When Washjam was announced, the District Committee felt that with the commitment to WJ for staffing that Council will be requesting and the short time frame between the events, it may not be feasible to hold 2004 Camporee. After several months of seeking input from the units and other District members, the Committee reached a consensus decision at our October 2, 2003 meeting.

1. We will hold Camporee at the King County Fairgrounds on June 4-6<sup>th</sup>, 2004, as originally planned. Because of OA activities, many new scouts experiencing their first campout, etc, it was felt we needed to maintain the event to ensure continuity in our outdoor program.
2. The Committee is aware that many units would like a more "challenging" location to allow the scouts to fully utilize their outdoor skills. We have been exploring several alternate locations and if the logistical issues can be overcome, we may have several options on where to hold 2005 Camporee.
3. The Committee urges all scouts and scouters to support and attend Camporee and if schedules permit, WashJam 2004. We feel there is significant value in these events and they are a large part of our outdoor program in 2004. Aside from being great learning experiences, they should be great fun as well.
4. A Camporee 2004 initial planning meeting will be announced soon.

If you have any questions on Camporee, please call John Rosenlund at 425-277-3118.



### Order of the Arrow (OA)

It is unit election time! The Lodge Chief has set the election dates from November 1, 2003 through March 15, 2004. If you have a specific date you would like to have the election team come visit your troop, please let us know about it.

To be eligible, a scout must have current registration in a troop or varsity team. He must hold First Class rank or higher. He must have completed 15 days and nights of Boy Scout camping in the last two years. This fifteen days and nights must include one, but no more than one long term camp of five days and six nights. This requirement can be satisfied by a council summer camp, a fifty miler or a jamboree. To be eligible, a scout must also have his scoutmaster's approval.

Scoutmasters, check your scout's advancement records. If you have a worthy scout who is close to First Class and you think he would be an asset to the Order of the Arrow, and you want him to have the opportunity, then select a later date for the election. If you have no scouts that fall into that category, then don't delay. Remember, there are 52 units in Green River District that can have elections. All of you CANNOT schedule your elections between March 1st and 15th.

Please contact Scott Whitmire, the Inductions Adviser, at [whitmire@ieee.org](mailto:whitmire@ieee.org) or by phone at 253-630-6043. If for some reason, you can't reach Scott, contact the Chapter Adviser at [greenriveroa@comcast.net](mailto:greenriveroa@comcast.net) or by phone at 253-852-0319.

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For those OA members who are artistically inclined, there is still a chance to enter a new patch design to commemorate the 50th anniversary of T'Kope Kwiskwis Lodge or next year's NOAC. Deadline for turn-in is the November Lodge Executive meeting on the 19th. If you come up with a design, contact the chapter adviser.

### PASS THE WORD BROTHERHOOD CEREMONY REMINDER

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Please pass the word to your units. This is an opportunity for anyone who has been an Ordeal member for 10 months or more. If you have any questions about the Brotherhood

requirements, contact me at [greenriveroa@comcast.net](mailto:greenriveroa@comcast.net). To Participate in next weekend's ceremony, contact Dan Green at the address or phone number below.

November 15th - 3PM at Scott Demianiw's Home - 4441 SE Basswood Lane - Port Orchard, WA 98366 360-871-5644

Keep watching the chapter website calendar for upcoming events. The website address is:  
<http://members.doubleknot.com/OA-HyasEenaChapter/>



There is a cold chill in the air at Camp Sheppard and the snow is beginning to fall. That means Winter Camp is just around the corner. I hope many of your troops are planning on coming up this year. It is going to be a lot of fun and it looks like we will have snow the entire season. However, I am writing to you all for a different matter. I am looking for troops to staff the Mom and Me sessions for the coming season. There was a lack of participation last year and it diminished the experience for the cub scouts that came up. This, in all honesty, is a very important program. This is the first impression of camping for a young scout but, more importantly, the first impression of what scouting is to the mother of that young scout. At your next roundtable, please encourage your troops to sign up to staff a Mom and Me event. If you have any questions about the program, please give me a call.

They will find the experience worth their while.

Thanks for all your hard work.

Yours in Scouting,  
Tony  
Camp Sheppard Director  
360-663-2223



## Camporee 2004!

The first Camporee planning meeting for the 2004 Green River District Camporee was held on Wednesday evening 11/12/2003 at SPEEA Headquarters 15205 52<sup>nd</sup> Ave S. in Tukwila beginning at 7:00 P.M. SPEEA has once again allowed me to use their facility for our meetings. I will be door guard from about 6:00 P.M. until we start.

The meeting format will be similar to last year, but starting later than in the past years. In last months Current it was reported that our District had decided to hold the Camporee at the Enumclaw Fairgrounds site June 4-6, 2004. After November, the regularly scheduled Camporee planning meetings will hereafter be held on the first Wednesday of each month.

The agenda for November was:

1. After action review of 2003 Camporee and what we need to avoid
2. Beginning budget development
3. Theme, youth leadership, patch design & ideas from last year
4. Camporee Leader Guide for 2004. John Staneff did it last year, do we use the new one or change/update last years?
5. Cooks and QM
6. Dutch Oven Cookoff
7. Saturday program ideas and contact persons
8. First Aid and EMTs
9. Advertising in district and pre registration?
10. Staff cost \$20, camper \$10, day visit?

If you are interested in participating in the Camporee event please come to the next meeting. The meeting should be completed no later than 8:30 p.m.

## District Website

If you have any interest in helping support and maintain our district website please contact John Staneff at [JohnStaneff@comcast.net](mailto:JohnStaneff@comcast.net)

## Religious Emblem in Scouting

Religious emblem programs are available for all faiths. Scouts who complete the requirements are recognized on Scout Sunday. More program information is available through the scout office or through the following web site: [www.praypub.org](http://www.praypub.org).



## Green River District Committee

### District Key 3

District Chair	
Bill Westcott	253-639-4948
wlwest@foxiinternet.net	
District Commissioner	
Dave Nelson	206-772-1866
dvdnls@att.net	
District Executive	
Jason Macpherson	206-902-2322
jmacpherson@seattlebsa.org	

### Members at Large

Vice-Chair/Annual Dinner Chair	
John Staneff	253-852-2486
Membership Chair	
Pending	
Advancement Chair	
Gary Twite	253-631-6638
Eagle Coordinator	
Mike Johnson	425-235-1826
Merit Badge Counselors	
Don Hamell	253-631-8519
Recognition Chair	
David Lee	253-630-8959
Finance Chair	
Pending	
Friends of Scouting Chair	
Pending	
PR and Tech Chair	
Cecil Stellyes	253-373-0774
Web Master	
Lynwood Stewart	253-630-9794
Nominations Chair / Camporee	
Paul Feider	425-226-3156
Programs Chair	
Open	
Camping Chair	
John Rosenlund	425-277-3118
Order of the Arrow Adult Advisor	
Paul Edwards	253-852-0319
OA Chapter Chief	
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District Training Chair	
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Cub Scout Leader Training	
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Youth Protection Training	
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Open	
Klondike Chair	
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Popcorn Kernel	
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Scouting for Food / Xmas Tree Chair	
Liz Campisteguy	425-228-2845
Iron Titans Chair	
Ron Hiatt	206-575-8378
Boy Scout Roundtable Chair	
Bob Czaplinski	253-631-4419
Cub Scout Roundtable Chair	
Arthur Pinkers	253 854-5754
Venture Roundtable Chair	
Robert Millard	253-638-3131

## Open District Positions

*“Anything that is done to increase the effectiveness of the Boy Scouts of America will be a genuine contribution to the welfare of the Nation.”*

*Woodrow Wilson*

- Membership Chair
- Recruitment Night Chair
- Program Chair
- Activities Chair
- Tiger Cub Activity Day Chair
- Newcastle Liaison

We also need help with the following:

Training – All Levels  
Unit & membership recruitment  
Friends of Scouting Zone Chairs  
Eagle Board of Review Chairs  
OA adult leaders  
Gear Day(s) coordination

Contact Bill Westcott for more information.

**For more information on events, check the newsletter or our website.**

Any questions or comments regarding the Green River Current should be directed to:  
Public Relations Chair: Cecil Stellyes

We would like to provide this newsletter in an electronic format, let us know your email address so that we can put you on the list.

Visit us on the Web @ [www.seattlebsa.org](http://www.seattlebsa.org)



**Do you know who your Unit Commissioner is?**  
If not, give Dave Nelson a call at 206-772-1866 to find out.

Green River District 2003 Calendar

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revisions are highlighted

November	2003	1	Silver Beaver nominations due at council		
		1	Boy Scout day at Kent Valley Ice Centre 11:30 – 4:20 pm		
		4	Election Day		
		12	Camporee Committee Meeting		
		6	District Committee Meeting		
		8			
		8	Pow Wow		
		8	Re-charter Day / Gear Day		
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Youth Protection Training</li> </ul>		
		11	<b>Veterans Day</b> - help at Tahoma National Cemetery		
		13	District Round Table		
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Re-charter final turn in</li> <li>• Cub New Leader Essential Training</li> <li>• Christmas Tree Land Rush # 1</li> <li>• OA Chapter Meeting at RT</li> </ul>		
		15	SM & ASM Training		
		15	Popcorn pick up		
		15 – 16	Webelos Readyman Campout		
		22	Merit Badge Clinic, Skyway LDS Day 2		
		19	Quad District LOST Staff Development Meeting		
		20	Cub Scout Roundtable Planning – 6:30 pm		
			Commissioner Staff Meeting – 7:30 pm		
		26	<b>OA Executive Committee</b>		
		27	Thanksgiving Day		
		All month	OA Unit Elections		
		All month	Recruiting / School Night for Scouting		
		All month	Re-charter		
		December	2003	1	Popcorn closeout / money due
				3	Camporee Committee Meeting
				4	District Committee Meeting
6	Re-charter Day / Gear Day				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <del>New Leaders Essential Training</del></li> <li>• <del>Youth Protection Training</del></li> <li>• Combined Cub Leader Training</li> </ul>				
6	Long Term Camping Seminar				
6	Kent Winterfest Parade				
11	District Round Table				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christmas Tree Land Rush # 2</li> <li>• OA Chapter Meeting at RT</li> </ul>				
17	Quad District LOST Staff Development Meeting				
17	<b>OA Executive Committee</b>				
18	Cub Scout Roundtable Planning – 6:30 pm				
	Commissioner Staff Meeting – 7:30 pm				
20 - 27	Hanukkah				
25	Christmas Day				
31	New Years Eve				
All month	OA Unit Elections				
January	2004			1	New Years Day
				1	District Committee Meeting
				3	Christmas Tree Pickup
		7	Camporee Committee Meeting		
		8	District Round Table		
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FOS training</li> <li>• OA Chapter Meeting at RT</li> <li>• Webelos to Scout Transition Class</li> </ul>		
		10	Klondike Derby		
		15	Cub Scout Roundtable Planning – 6:30 pm		
			Commissioner Staff Meeting – 7:30 pm		
		17	District Planning Meeting		
		19	MLK		

		21	Quad District LOST Staff Development Meeting
		24	Merit Badge Clinic, Kent LDS Day 1
		28	OA Executive Committee
		??	South End FOS Breakfast
		All month	OA Unit Elections
		All month	FOS
		All month	Winter Camp – Camp Sheppard
February	2004	1	Scout Sunday
		4	Camporee Committee Meeting
		5	District Committee Meeting
		8	Anniversary of US Boy Scouts
		12	<b>Lincoln's BD</b>
		12	District Round Table <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scouting for Food "Land Rush" # 1</li> <li>• Youth Protection Training</li> <li>• OA Chapter Meeting at RT</li> </ul>
		14	<b>Valentine's Day</b>
		16	<b>Presidents Day</b>
		16 – 20	<b>Kent School District Presidents Week Break</b>
		16 - 20	<b>Renton School District Presidents Week Break</b>
		18	Quad District LOST Staff Development Meeting
		??	Bishop's Dinner
		19	Cub Scout Roundtable Planning – 6:30 pm Commissioner Staff Meeting – 7:30 pm
		21	Merit Badge Clinic, Kent LDS Day 2
		22	<b>Washington's BD / Baden Powell's BD</b>
		25	OA Executive Committee
		25	<b>Ash Wednesday</b>
		26	Council Coordinated
		All month	OA Unit Elections
		All month	FOS
		All month	Winter Camp – Camp Sheppard

Green River District 2003-04 multi month event chart

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Event	Sept 2003	Oct 2003	Nov 2003	Dec 2003	Jan 2004	Feb 2004	Mar 2004	Apr 2004
Recruiting – School night for Scouting	[Pink Bar]							
Popcorn Sales	[Pink Bar]		Turn in	Pick up				
Fall MB Clinic		18 <sup>th</sup>	15 <sup>th</sup>					
Unit re-charter		Pick up	Turn in					
Christmas Trees			Rush #1	Rush #2	Pick up			
OA unit elections			[Pink Bar]					
Spring MB Clinic					24 <sup>th</sup>	21 <sup>st</sup>		
Friends of Scouting					Pick up	[Pink Bar]		Turn in
Scouting for Food					Rush #1	Rush #2	Drop off	Pick up

