

Green River Current

The Green River Newsletter

December, 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



Christmas Tree Drive

Have you gotten your area assignment for the Christmas Tree Drive? There are still areas available for you to raise money for your unit. Just drop off flyers/envelopes (I have samples for you to look at) on December 27th on homes and pick up trees to be recycled on January 3rd. This is a great community service, fund raising, and recruitment tool! We even have a **FREE** tree recycle drop off site courtesy of the City of Kent. They will have 2 teamsters to run a chipper at 24400 Russell Road (Russell Road Park in the SE corner) starting at 9:30 am on Saturday, January 3rd. They will be recycling the chips to use on trees & trails. Please utilize this if you are able because we hope to make it a yearly event with them. They are very excited to be getting the chips. Stay tuned for community service information in June on helping the city bark the trails!

Contact Liz Campisteguy at Lcampisteguy@comcast.net or call 425-228-2845. I will be available to help you until December 16th.



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 1st and 2nd 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.

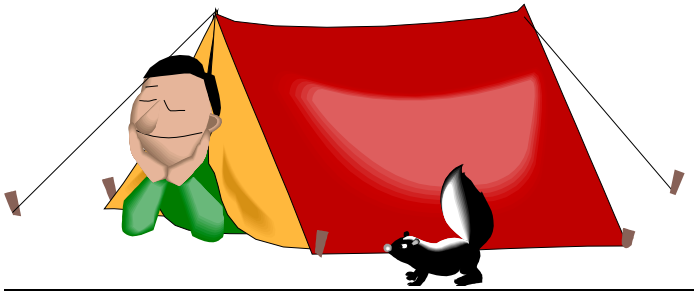
Any questions??? Email Alan Dalla Santa at owlnscout@aol.com.

Klondike Derby 2004

Join us for a great time in the snow. Our annual Klondike is set for January 10. We invite all Scout units and Webelos Dens to attend. See our District web site for further information.

Early 2004 Merit Badge Clinic

Our first Merit Badge Clinic of the year is set for January 25 & February 21. See the end of this newsletter for info and the sign-up sheet.



Camping Corner

It is not too early to begin planning your 2004 Camping schedule. 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.

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, for updated information on dates, availability and registration.

Tour Permits

Please remember to file Tour permits for any activities outside of normal unit meetings. Some reminders when you fill out the permits:

Complete all requested information
(Especially for the section on

"Guide to Safe Scouting& Insurance)

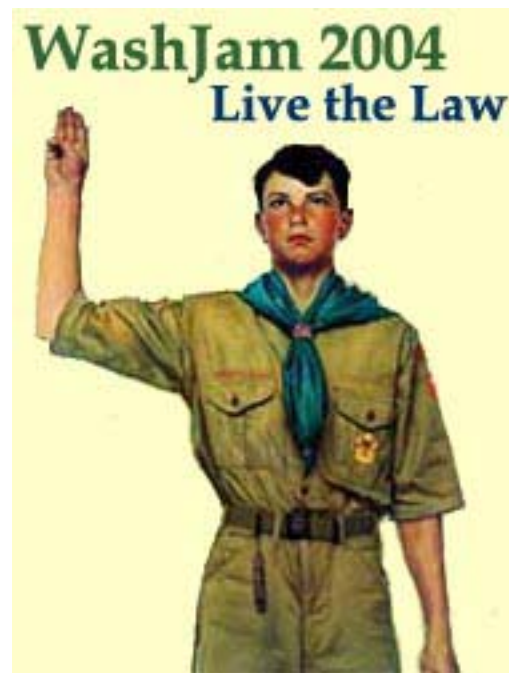
Incomplete permit requests will be rejected. Properly completed permits, will receive an authorized, numbered approval from Council. You can fax your permit requests to 206-725-2862.

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 or fax to Jason @ 206-725-2862.

2005 National Jamboree

Recruiting has already started for both scouts and adult leaders. (We are just under 20 months before the Chief Seattle contingent leaves for Jamboree!) For further information, please go to the Council webpage and click on the Jamboree link. Jamboree Troops will begin to fill in the next 3-5 months, so secure your scout's space soon! 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. Please log on and review for the latest information.

2004 Camporee

As previously reported, 2004 Camporee will be held June 4-6th, 2004 at King County Fairgrounds. The first planning meeting was held November 12, 2004, and future meetings will be held the first Wednesday of each month. Watch for special articles from the Camporee Chair, Paul Feider in future issues.

If you are interested in serving on the Camporee Adult or Youth staff, please contact Paul Feider.

Camporee Location Committee

We are looking at potential locations other than KCF for the 2005 Camporee and beyond. We feel holding the Camporee at different locations would be of benefit to all, and promote a varied camping experience for the Scouts. In order to ensure equal representation, we are inviting all interested units to provide a representative to become a member of this committee and participate. This is for the future of your scouts as well as the District. Please contact me for further information as I would like to have our kick-off meeting in February.

Camporee Vice-Chair

We are actively recruiting a Camporee vice-chair to assist our current chair, Paul Feider, for the 2004 Camporee and take over as Chair for the 2005 Camporee. Please contact Paul or myself for further information.

If you have questions or would like to see other information or special interest items in the Camping Corner, please contact me. I can be reached:

John Rosenlund
Jrrepo53@aol.com
425-277-3118 (evenings)



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.

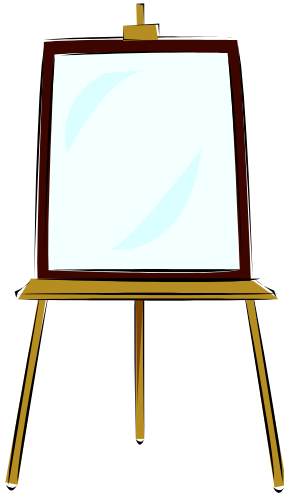
Scoutmasters, check your scout's advancement records. If you have a worthy scout who is close to First Class and you think he would be an asset to the Order of the Arrow, and you want him to have the opportunity, then select a later date for the election. If you have no scouts that fall into that category, 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 or by phone at 253-630-6043. If for some reason, you can't reach Scott, contact the Chapter Adviser at greenriveroa@comcast.net or by phone at 253-852-0319.

JLT

Several of your fellow chapter members are leading next Summer's JLT sessions. Alan DallaSanta and Paul Edwards are serving as Scoutmasters while Tim Goltiani, Mark Hausman, Patrick O'Keefe, and Chris DallaSanta are serving in other capacities.

We need lots of youth staff. If you have attended JLT in the past or served on JLT staff and are interested in staffing next summer, please contact me at greyscout@comcast.net or Alan DallaSanta at Owlscout@aol.com



Boy Scout - Adult Leader Training Opportunities

Trainer Development Conference:

When: February 7, 2004
Where: Scout Service Center, at the Seattle Scout Office
Time & Cost: See flyer or...
Contact: Marie King
Phone: (360)794-8291
E-mail: rieking@hotmail.com

Essentials Training:

When: March 11, 2004
Where: At Roundtable
Time: 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM
Cost: FREE!!!

Scoutmaster & Assistant Scoutmaster Training:

When: March 6, 2004
Where: Will be determined by January
Time: 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Cost: FREE!!!

Adult Leader Outdoor Skill Training:

When: March 27th, and April 2nd & 3rd
Where: Renton Lyons Youth Camp - in Maple Valley
Times & Cost: A flyer will be coming out in January with more information

Wood Badge Training:

Cost: \$185.00

Spring Course: June 25th-27th & July 9th-11th, 2004
Where: Camp Sheppard
Course Director: Gordon Kramer: (425) 392-6993 Home
(425) 865-5052 Work

E-mail:

wbadgekramer@wmconnect.com

Fall Course: September 17th- 19th & October 1st-3rd, 2004
Where: Camp Parsons
Course Director: Scott Eliason: (206) 824-7645 Home
(206) 310-4157 Cell

E-mail:

sreliason@msn.com

Additional information regarding all the above training may also be directed to:

Bob Czaplinski (253) 631-4419 Home

E-mail: bchaz11@msn.com

Green River District Committee

District Key 3		
District Chair	Bill Westcott wlwest@foxinternet.net	253-639-4948
District Commissioner	Dave Nelson dvdnls@att.net	206-772-1866
District Executive	Jason Macpherson jmacpherson@seattlebsa.org	206-902-2322

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	Open	
Friends of Scouting Chair	Bill Eastman	253-631-5511
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	Shawn Martin	
District Training Chair	Tom Bingaman	425-226-4479
Boy Scout Leader Training	Bob Czaplinski	253-631-4419
Cub Scout Leader Training	Scott Whitmire	253-630-6043
Youth Protection Training	Joyce Froisland	253-631-9517
Activities Chair	Open	
Klondike Chair	Mark Hanson	253-630-6453
Popcorn Kernel	Scott Gilyeat	425-433-0530
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

- Finance 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
District Website

If you have any interest in helping support and maintain our district website please contact John Staneff at JohnStaneff@comcast.net



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

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"> • New Leaders Essential Training • Youth Protection Training • Combined Cub Leader Training 		
		6	Long Term Camping Seminar		
		6	Kent Winterfest Parade		
		11	District Round Table		
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas Tree Land Rush # 2 • OA Chapter Meeting at RT 		
		17	Quad District LOST Staff Development Meeting		
		17	OA Executive Committee		
		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"> • FOS training • OA Chapter Meeting at RT • Webelos to Scout Transition Class 				
10	Klondike Derby				
15	Cub Scout Roundtable Planning - 6:30 pm				
	Commissioner Staff Meeting - 7:30 pm				
17	District Planning Meeting & District Committee Meeting - 9 am until 12 noon				
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	Lincoln's BD		
		12	District Round Table		
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scouting for Food "Land Rush" # 1 • Youth Protection Training • OA Chapter Meeting at RT 		
		14	Valentine's Day		
		16	Presidents Day		
		16 - 20	Kent School District Presidents Week Break		
		16 - 20	Renton School District Presidents Week Break		
		18	Quad District LOST Staff Development Meeting		
		??	Bishop's Dinner		
		19	Cub Scout Roundtable Planning - 6:30 pm		

		21	Commissioner Staff Meeting - 7:30 pm
		22	Merit Badge Clinic, Kent LDS Day 2
		25	Washington's BD / Baden Powell's BD
		25	OA Executive Committee
		25	Ash Wednesday
		26	Council Coordinated
		All month	OA Unit Elections
		All month	FOS
		All month	Winter Camp - Camp Sheppard
March	2004	3	Camporee Committee Meeting
		4	District Committee Meeting - 90 day election notice
		6	SM / ASM Training
		6	Kids Activities Day - City of Kent Parks Department
		11	District Round Table
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scouting for Food "Land Rush" #2 • OA Chapter Meeting at RT • Essential Training
		18	Commissioner Training
		16	Quad District LOST Staff Development Meeting
		17 ?	Council Annual Dinner
		17	Saint Patrick's Day
		18	Cub Scout Roundtable Planning - 6:30 pm
			Commissioner Staff Meeting - 7:30 pm
		20	Scouting for Food drop off
		24	OA Executive Committee
		??	Civics Day
		27	Scouting for Food pick up & Flag Pick up
		27	Lost #1
		??	OA Spring Fellowship
		All month	FOS
		All month	OA Unit Elections
		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	█							
Popcorn Sales	█ Turn in		█ Pick up					
Fall MB Clinic		█ 18 th	█ 15 th					
Unit re-charter		█ Pick up	█ Turn in					
Christmas Trees			█ Rush #1	█ Rush #2	█ Pick up			
OA unit elections			█					
Spring MB Clinic					█ 24 th	█ 21 st		
Friends of Scouting					█ Pick up			█ Turn in
Scouting for Food					█ Rush #1	█ Rush #2	█ Drop off	█ Pick up

Registration for Green River 2004 Merit Badge Clinic

First Saturday
24 January 2004
 8:30 AM - 12:00 Noon

Second Saturday
21 February 2004
 8:30 AM - 12:00 Noon

Both Sessions at
Kent LDS Building
 24419 94th Ave S.

Form No.
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Sign-up Information

Date Submitted _____
 Troop/Team/Crew # _____

Adult Leader Information

Name _____
 Phone _____
 E-Mail _____

E-mail address

Dan Bryant
 bryantd@foxinternet.com

CC

Robert Millard
 robertlmillard@yahoo.com

All registration forms must be e-mailed by 1/3/04(no exceptions)

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Merit Badge Codes:

CC=Citizenship in the Com.	AV=Aviation	
CN=Citizenship in the Nation	P=Photography	
CW=Citizenship in the World	GN=Genealogy	
CO=Communications	M=Music	
FL=Family Life	PM=Personal Management	