

Green River Current

The Green River Newsletter

November, 2004 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



Veterans Day!

Today, November 11th, is Veterans Day. The Green River District Committee would like to recognize and express our gratitude to all of our volunteers who have served and those who are currently serving. Thank You!



Rumor! There is a new location for the 2005 District Camporee! Check out the camping article on the following pages!



Attention ALL Units!

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Participate in the **Christmas Tree Drive** & earn money.
We even have **free** tree recycling through the City of Kent!

If your unit has not participated in the past, be advised that the following areas for the tree drive were not taken last year: 5, 21, 27, 30, 32, 33, 34, 37, 52, 53, 56, 57, 58, & 59.

The area maps are available to view on the district web site at http://members.doubleknot.com/Green_River_District/drives.html

Units can sign up by attending the Land Rush starting at 6:30 at the November 11th Roundtable.



Fall Merit Badge Clinic **Nov 20 2004**

The second session is in two weeks. Please remind all participants to attend and to bring the appropriate Blue Cards. Merit badge counselors will be available to sign off requirements. Located at the Skyway LDS Church.

There will also be a "Gear Day" and "Youth Protection" Training at this event.

For questions and any additional information please contact Carl at:

W. Carl Rigtrup
Fall Merit Badge Clinic Coordinator
425 271-1614
carlrigtrup@msn.com



Time to Finish the Paperwork!

2004 Key Dates - Mark your Calendar

- December 10 All close out paperwork (including bank deposit slips) due to council
- January 2005 \$1000 Popcorn Club Party

Scott Gilyeat
Green River District Popcorn Kernel
425-433-0530
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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 December 9th Roundtable will host a Webelos-to-Scouts Transition Class for 1st and 2nd year Webelos 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. We will begin at 7:30 pm. Any questions???

Email Alan Dalla Santa at owlnscout@aol.com.

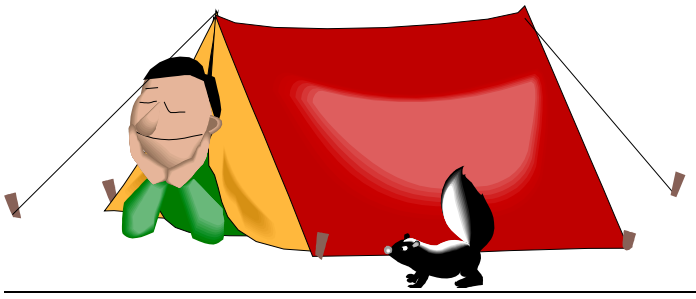


Unit Publicity

After a particularly successful or fun project, have you ever wanted to get some media coverage of your pack, troop, or crew? To those of us who have never worked in the world of journalism or public relations, this problem can seem to be pretty insurmountable. But, it's really not.

At next month's regular Roundtable, on November 11th, we'll begin conducting short seminars on the subject of Unit Publicity. Each committee chair in Green River District should immediately appoint a unit publicity chairperson, who will be responsible for your respective publicity needs. Encourage this individual to come to the next Roundtable and attend the scheduled publicity seminar.

We'll share the basics of media relations, and how to write a news release that could be published in our local newspapers. No, you don't have to be a whiz-bang marketing expert to do this. All you need is someone who's interested in telling the good story of Scouting to our local community.



Camping Corner **October 2004**

Camping Corner

There are still excellent opportunities for camping and hiking so don't put that gear away just yet. Here are some of the upcoming council events.

Cub Scouts

2005 Mom & Me

Wolf & Bear Winter Camp 2005 Summer Camp
(it's not too early to register)

Boy Scout

2005 Winter Camp

2005 Summer Camp

Winter Camp Dates Are Still Available but sign up soon!!!!

As of 10/28/04, the following dates were still available:

Webelos: Feb 18-20 & Mar 11-13

Boy Scouts & Varsity: Feb 4-6 & 25-27,
Mar 18-20.

Please visit the council website for dates and further information and registration

Activity & Outdoor Survey

With summer activities concluded, we need to know your input on how we did and how we can improve both Council and District Events. The survey is on the District Website. Please e-mail/fax to our District Director, Jason Macpherson.

2005 National Jamboree

The Chief Seattle contingent is full. There are still opportunities to go to Jamboree. For further information, contact the Jamboree Scoutmaster for this area, Glen Martin at 253-347-2299. There are also a limited number of adult staff positions available. For information, contact John Rosenlund @253-905-8640.

District Camporee

Yes, the rumor is correct! Camporee is moving to a new and exciting location. Plan now to come out on June 3-5th at the Seattle International Raceway for Camporee!

The 2005 Planning meetings have already begun on the 1st Wednesday of the month at the SPEEA building. Adult & Youth help is needed. Contact Camporee Chair Bob Czaplinski at 253-631-4419 for further information.

If you have camping information or would like to see special articles, contact Dave McCammon at dlmccammon@comcast.net.

District "Gear Day" **Nov 20 2004**

Our annual Gear Day will be held at the above Merit Badge Clinic Day in November. Info will be at the November Roundtable. Bring your used Scout & camping equipment to trade, give away or sell. Contact Bill Westcott at 253-639-4948 or wwest@foxinternet.net



Good Turn for America

From barn raisings to soup kitchens, ordinary Americans have always made an extraordinary difference in the lives of their neighbors and in their communities by lending a helping hand. Today, America needs the service of its citizens more than ever. Hunger, lack of adequate shelter, poor health-these are issues that affect all of us. The Boy Scouts of America believes that we can do something about these issues-if

we work together. That's why we've created Good Turn for America. Good Turn for America is collaboration with The Salvation Army, Habitat for Humanity, American Red Cross, and thousands of other community organizations that focuses the power of volunteerism on these important community issues.

The initiative will launch during Scouting anniversary month 2005.



Green River District will continue to coordinate a food drive for our local area as part of Good Turn for America on March 12th and 19th. Mark your calendars now for this much needed & appreciated community service project.

Additional information can also be found at the national web site at:
<http://www.goodturnforamerica.org/>

Boy Scout - Adult Leader Training Opportunities

Essentials Training:

When: November
Where: At Roundtable
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Cost: FREE!!!

Scoutmaster & Assistant Scoutmaster Training:

When: Nov 13th
Where: King of Kings Church
18207 108th Ave SE
Time: 7:30 am – 5:00 pm
Cost: FREE!!!

Also: Check out our website for more information!

Adult Leader Outdoor Skill Training:

When: 4/9/04 8:00 a.m. – 5 p.m.
4/14-15/04 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Where: Renton Lions Youth Camp - in
Maple Valley – 21235 SE 184th

Times & Cost: Look for additional information
for the April course on our web site.



Boy Scout Unit Committee Training

The training team will come to your unit to provide this valuable training! Contact either Bob Czaplinski at (253)631-4419 or Tom Bingaman at (425)226-4479 to schedule your time!

Youth Protection Training

A Barrier to abuse Within Scouting

No one-on-one contact between adults and youth members is permitted. In situations that require personal conferences, such as Scoutmaster's conference, the meeting is to be conducted in view of other adults and youths.

A Youth Protection Training session will be held at the next merit badge clinic. The session will be at the Skyway LDS building at 8220 S 128 St, Seattle from 8:30 until noon. This session is for leaders and parents of Cubs, Boy Scouts, Ventures, and Varsity.

Call Joyce Froisland for training at
(253)631-9517

You Don't Want to Miss Cub Scout Roundtable

What is Cub Scout Roundtable? It is a fun way to get and share ideas about how you can run your pack meeting, committee, and dens. We have the latest news in scouting you won't want to miss.

Who comes to Cub Scout Roundtable?

All pack adult volunteers should come. We have breakout sessions for Den Leaders, Webelos Leaders, Committee Members, and Cubmasters.

Experienced district volunteers share their ideas and lead discussions at this time. We even put on a mock pack meeting that you can use in your own unit. All the planning is done for you!

When is Cub Scout Roundtable?

We have a word *SYSTEM* to remember when. It stands for "See You Second Thursday Every Month." Gathering time is 7 pm, flag ceremony at 7:15.

Where is Cub Scout Roundtable?

Roundtable is held at the LDS Church at 24419 94th Avenue South in Kent.

Why should I come to Cub Scout Roundtable?

It is very simple. You save yourself and others you bring with you **time**. You don't have to prepare for your pack or den all on your own. It is done for you!!! Not to mention that we have lots of FUN!!! We look at the themes one month ahead.

See you there and bring lots of folks with you. They will thank you! Keep the *SYSTEM*!

Next Cub Scout Roundtable will be on October 14th. Mark your calendar with the dates below. The themes we will be covering this year are listed too.

November 11th R/T December 2004- Holiday Food Fare

December 9th R/T January 2005-Cubs Spread the News

January 13th R/T February 2005-It's a Scouting Celebration

February 10th R/T March 2005-Inventions Convention

March 10th R/T April 2005-Waterways of the USA

April 14th R/T May 2005-Pet Pals

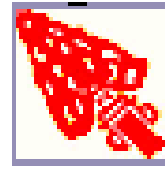
May 12th R/T June 2005-Destination: Parks

June 9th R/T July 2005-Play Ball! &

August 2005-Campfire Tales & Traditions

Cub Leader Training

New Leader Essentials @ Round Table!
To schedule training contact Scott Whitmire @ (253)630-6043 or at whitmire@ieee.org



Hyas Eena Chapter – Order Of the Arrow

We are entering into a busy time of year for the Order of the Arrow, with lots of activities and opportunities for service.

At the Camporee chapter meeting when we elected officers, the members of the chapter that were present decided to add the position of Chapter Deputy to the slate of chapter officers. The position is still vacant. The youth that serves in this capacity should be someone who would like to be Chapter Chief in the future. The Chapter Deputy serves, in general, as an assistant to the Chief. He will fill in when the Chief cannot be present at an OA function, such as a meeting of the Lodge Executive Committee. He will also fill in and help out wherever needed. If you are interested in serving the chapter and lodge by performing these duties, please contact the Chapter Chief or Adviser.

November 1 is the start of the unit election season. Start looking at your calendars to schedule your unit for an election team to visit.

Kent Winterfest Parade

The Kent Winterfest Parade as been cancelled for this year. There still will be family activities in downtown Kent for the whole family including the annual 7,000 light "Christmas Tree Lighting" event with lots of entertainment, displays, and food.

Tree lighting is Dec 4th at 5:30 pm at the Kent-Kiabara Park on Meeker & 1st.

Green River District Committee

District Key 3

District Chair	John Rosenlund jrepo53@aol.com	253-905-8640
District Commissioner	Gary Twite buffalogary@lycos.com	253-631-6638
District Executive	Jason Macpherson jmacpherson@seattlebsa.org	206-902-2322
Scoutreach District Executive	Tiffany Jones tjones@seattlebsa.org	206-902-2330

Members at Large

Vice-Chair/Annual Dinner Chair	John Staneff	253-852-2486
Vice-Chair	Bill Westcott wwest@foxiinternet.net	253-639-4948
Vice-Chair	Mark Hanson	253-630-6453
Membership Chair	Open	
Advancement Chair	Mike Johnson	425-235-1826
Merit Badge Counselors	Don Hamell grmblist@comcast.net	253-631-8519
Recognition Chair	David Lee	253-630-8959
Finance Chair	Open	
Friends of Scouting Chair	Bill Eastman	253-631-5511
Popcorn Kernel	Scott Gilyeat sagilyeat@earthlink.net	425-433-0530
Cyber-Technology Chair	Open	
Web Master	Bill Campisteguy (Interim)	425-228-284
Camporee Chairperson	Bob Czaplinski bchaz11@comcast.net	253-631-4419
Programs Chair	Bill Westcott	253-639-4948
Camping Chair	Dave McCammon	425-277-9395
Order of the Arrow Adult Advisor	Paul Edwards	253-852-0319
OA Chapter Chief	Chris Westcott	
District Training Chair	Tom Bingaman bluebeaver@zipcon.net	425-226-4479
Boy Scout Leader Training	Bob Czaplinski bchaz11@comcast.net	253-631-4419
Cub Scout Leader Training	Scott Whitmire	253-630-6043
Youth Protection Training	Joyce Froisland	253-631-9517

Activities Chair	Bill Westcott	253-639-4948
Klondike Chair	Mark Hanson	253-630-6453
Scouting for Food / Xmas Tree Chair	Open	
Iron Titans Chair	Ron Hiatt	206-575-8378
Boy Scout Roundtable Chair	Mike Martin	253-759-1272
Cub Scout Roundtable Chair	Liz Campisteguy	425-228-2845
Venture Roundtable Chair	Robert Millard	253-638-3131
PR Chair	Cecil Stellyes	253-373-0774

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
- Tiger Cub Activity Day Chair
- Newcastle Liaison
- Membership Chair

We also need help with the following:

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

Contact John Rosenlund 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



Do you know who your Unit Commissioner is?
If not, give Gary Twite a call.

November	2004	1	Silver Beaver nominations due at council
		2	Election Day
		3	Camporee Committee Meeting
		4	District Committee Meeting
		5 - 7	Cascade Reservation work party
		6	Pow Wow
		11	Veterans Day - help at Tahoma National Cemetery
		11	District Round Table - 7 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-charter final turn in • Christmas Tree "Land Rush" # 1` • Cub Scout New Adult Leader Essential Training • OA Chapter Meeting at RT
		12 - 14	Webelos Readyman Campout - Camp Shepard
		??	Venturing Leader Specific Training - North Lakes District
		13	SM / ASM Training
		17	Quad District LOST Staff Development Meeting
		18	Unit Service meetings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cub Scout Roundtable Planning - 6:30 pm • Commissioner Staff Meeting - 7:30 pm
		20	Merit Badge Clinic (Fall session) Day 2
		20	Re-charter Day / Gear Day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Protection Training • OA / Klondike / Christmas Tree / FOS / MB signups
		20	Long Term Camping Seminar
		17	OA Executive Committee
		25	Thanksgiving Day
		All month	OA Unit Elections
		All month	Recruiting / School Night for Scouting
		All month	Re-charter
December	2004	1	Camporee Committee Meeting
		2	District Committee Meeting
		4	Cub Scout Leader Training (Position)
		4	Kent Winterfest Parade
		8 - 15	Hanukkah
		9	District Round Table - 7 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas Tree "Land Rush" # 2 • OA Chapter Meeting at RT • Webelos to Scout Transition Class
		10	Popcorn close out paperwork - including bank deposit slips - due to council
		15	Quad District LOST Staff Development Meeting
		16	Unit Service meetings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cub Scout Roundtable Planning - 6:30 pm • Commissioner Staff Meeting - 7:30 pm
		22	OA Executive Committee
		25	Christmas Day
		31	New Years Eve
		All month	OA Unit Elections
January	2005	1	New Years Day
		5	Camporee Committee Meeting
		6	District Committee Meeting
		8	Christmas Tree Pickup
		15 ?	Klondike Derby
		13	District Round Table <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FOS training • OA Chapter Meeting at RT • Webelos to Scout Transition Class
		22 ?	District Planning Meeting
		17	MLK
		19	Quad District LOST Staff Development Meeting
		20	Unit Service meetings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cub Scout Roundtable Planning - 6:30 pm

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commissioner Staff Meeting – 7:30 pm
	22 ?	Merit Badge Clinic (Autumn session) Day 1
	26	OA Executive Committee
	??	South End FOS Breakfast
	All month	OA Unit Elections
	All month	FOS
	??	\$1000 Popcorn Club Party
February	2005	
	2	Camporee Committee Meeting
	3	District Committee Meeting
	6	Scout Sunday
	8	Anniversary of US Boy Scouts
	9	Ash Wednesday
	10	District Round Table
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Good Turn for America Food Drive "Land Rush" #1 Youth Protection Training OA Chapter Meeting at RT
	12	Lincoln's BD
	14	Valentine's Day
	17	Unit Service meetings: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cub Scout Roundtable Planning – 6:30 pm Commissioner Staff Meeting – 7:30 pm
	21	Presidents Day
	21 – 25	Kent & Renton School Districts Presidents Week Break
	16	Quad District LOST Staff Development Meeting
	??	Bishop's Dinner
	5	Merit Badge Clinic (Autumn session) Day 2 – in March
	22	Washington's BD / Baden Powell's BD
	23	OA Executive Committee
	24	Council Coordinated
	All month	OA Unit Elections
	All month	FOS

Green River District 2004-05 multi month event chart

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Event	Sept 2004	Oct 2004	Nov 2004	Dec 2004	Jan 2005	Feb 2005	Mar 2005	Apr 2005
Recruiting – School night for Scouting	█							
Popcorn Sales	█ Turn in		█ Pick up	█ Close out				
Fall MB Clinic		█ 16 th	█ 20 th					
Unit re-charter		█ Pick up	█ Turn in					
Christmas Trees			█ Rush #1	█ Rush #2	█ 8 th			
OA unit elections			█					
Spring MB Clinic					█ 22 nd	█ 5 th		
Friends of Scouting					█ Pick up			█ Turn in
Food Drive						█ Rush #1	█ 19 / 26 th	