



Salt River District
Petroglyphs
October 2010



District Happenings

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

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Hello Fellow Scouters.

It is that time again when the Salt River District looks for their best of the best in volunteers!! Every year at this time, we ask the members of each unit to look around and nominate their extraordinary volunteers for a District award. Our 2010 Awards Banquet is scheduled for Saturday, February 26, 2011. Please start thinking about your nominations. Give us the names of your scouting unit's "Unsung Heroes"! The attached award nomination form and descriptions will assist you with your questions, but if you need additional help, please call Debi McBee at 480 295-2332. Someone from the District will also be calling each unit to assist with the process.

Award nominations are due to Debi by December 16, 2010. Please do not wait!

Also attached (see below) is the flyer for the Banquet, which includes the reservation form and payment instructions. The reservation deadline is February 4, 2011. Mark your calendar for this great event and spread the word to all of your scout families to support the 2010 nominees.

Yours in Scouting,

Debi McBee

Salt River District





District Award Nomination

Salt River District
Boy Scouts of America

Grand Canyon Council

SELECTION OF NOMINEES FOR ALL DISTRICT AWARDS

Annually, Salt River District recognizes outstanding service performed by adult volunteers in the District. These individuals are nominated by the unit they serve or by any other interested party.

Nomination forms are used to furnish names of candidates to the District Awards Committee. These forms are available from our District Director or District Executive, and are available at Roundtables preceding the submission deadline. The deadline for the 2010 awards has been set for **December 16, 2010**, to provide adequate time for evaluation prior to the awards banquet on **Saturday February 26, 2011**.

The Awards Committee evaluates each nomination based on four main areas:

1. Exceptional service to Scouting (Unit, District and/or Council)
2. Exceptional service to other youth organizations
3. Awards and recognition which the candidate has previously received
4. Service in the community (religious, civic groups, fraternal groups, business).

In evaluating the nominations, the committee places weight on the content of the nomination form, rather than the technical presentation; however, each form should be as complete as possible. Any person may nominate an adult Scouter. Additional endorsements by other persons enhance the nomination.

Keep in mind that service to Scouting can take many forms, such as work relating to unit committees, camporees, and district or council activities. While years of service are important, a shorter period of exceptional service may deserve more weight than more years of less exceptional service. Other considerations might be whether the service is of lasting or transitory nature, and the number of people affected by it. Does it appear that the candidate goes the "extra mile"? Also, consider whether the candidate serves Scouting through his or her family activities, community service, and similar activities.

Use of the guidelines on the next page will be helpful in determining the appropriate District Award for which a candidate should be nominated. These guidelines should be considered as general requirements for the award.

SALT RIVER DISTRICT AWARDS SUMMARY

DISTRICT AWARD OF MERIT

This is the highest BSA Award that the District can bestow upon a dedicated adult Scouter. The maximum number of awards is determined by the number of units sponsored in the District. For 2009, Salt River District may award up to three.

Requirements:

1. The nominee must be a registered adult Scouter and have rendered noteworthy service to youth. The nature of the "noteworthy service to youth" may consist of a single plan or decisions that contributed vitally to the lives of large numbers of youth, or it may have been given to a small group over an extended time. The nominee should also have contributed some type of service to youth outside Scouting as well.
2. Consideration should be given to the nominee's position and corresponding opportunity to render outstanding service beyond the expectation of duty. The nominee's attitude toward and cooperation with the District and Council is taken into consideration.

THEO LEBARON RECOGNITION AWARD

This award is based on truly exceptional service and tenure on the District level. The award is given only when a suitable candidate is nominated. It is not required to be given each year. Nominees should have been previously awarded the District Award of Merit (if eligible).

DISTRICT HONOR AWARD

This Salt River District award recognizes registered leaders functioning in staff positions (unit committees, commissioners, Den Leader Coach, etc.) in support of the BSA program.

Requirements:

1. The nominee must be a registered adult Scouter in Salt River District for more than one year.
2. The nominee must act as a working member in a Scout unit or in a District/Council position as the "driving force" to enable Salt River District to have an exceptionally outstanding program.

DISTRICT SERVICE AWARD

This Salt River District award recognizes registered leaders working directly with the youth. This includes positions such as Cubmasters, Den Leaders, Scoutmasters, Team Leaders, Advisors, and Assistants to these positions, as well as any other position working directly with youth.

Requirements:

1. The nominee must be a registered adult Scouter in Salt River District for more than one year.

2. He/She must demonstrate outstanding performance involving the activities of one or more Scouting units. This may be as a leader in an individual unit, or it may involve service to multiple units or individuals in multiple units. This requirement demands the highest job performance in delivering an outstanding program for the youth.

DISTRICT SCOUT FAMILY OF THE YEAR

This Salt River District award recognizes a Scouting family for their efforts on behalf of Scouting, both as individuals and as a family. Both adults and youth must be registered members of the BSA and have demonstrated outstanding contributions in the last year.

SPARKPLUG AWARD

This award spotlights an individual who has been active for a year or less, and is a real spark of energy and enthusiasm within the scouting unit. This person is the stand-out, showing great promise in his or her future leadership. The Sparkplug Award recognizes and encourages their contributions. It is the first of what is hoped will be future awards for continued excellence.



DISTRICT AWARDS NOMINATION

NOMINATION FOR:

- District Award of Merit
- Theo LeBaron Recognition Award
- District Honor Award
- District Service Award
- Scout Family of the Year
- Sparkplug Award

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name of Nominee _____ Phone (Work) _____

Name of Spouse _____ Phone (Home) _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Occupation/Organization _____

CURRENT POSITION IN SCOUTING: (Unit and Registered Position)

SCOUTING AWARDS, TRAINING AND RECOGNITIONS:

	Yr. Received		Yr. Received
Eagle	_____	Woodbadge Training	_____
O/A Vigil Honor	_____	Woodbadge Staff	_____
Adult Religious	_____	Scouter's Training Award	_____
Scouter's Key	_____	Arrowhead Award	_____
Other (specify)	_____		

NOTE: This nomination is confidential. To avoid possible disappointment, please do not advise the nominee in any way of your action. Confidentiality regarding persons being nominated is essential in order to retain the integrity of the award process.

MAIL COMPLETED NOMINATION FORMS TO:
 Debi McBee, Awards Committee Chair, BSA Salt River District,
 171 S. Ranchos Legante Dr. Gilbert, AZ 85296
 OR
 EMAIL the information on this form to dbaskets@cox.net
 For Help or Questions, call Debi McBee at 480 295-2332

Nominee: _____

Service Record in BSA: (Indicate Positions, Dates, Locations, Council Names, Chartered Organizations and Specific Achievements)

Past and Present Community Activities and Achievements: (Include Business, Professional, Civic, Religious, Educational Activities with Dates and Offices Held, Specific Achievements and Honors Received)

Description of Meritorious Service to District/Division/Unit:

The completeness and accuracy of the information requested is crucial to the awards selection process. Please make every effort to provide as much detail as possible. Use additional paper if necessary, and attach to the nomination form.

Nomination Submitted By: _____

Telephone (Home): _____ (Work or Cell): _____

Email Address: _____

Trail's End Popcorn Sale

Looking for a way to fund your Scouting adventures this year! - THINK POPCORN!

IT'S QUICK! The sale lasts at least four weeks this fall.

IT'S EASY! Popcorn is the fastest growing snack food, it's non-perishable (except for the delicious chocolate covered caramel) and child transportable. Sales material is designed for Scout use.

IT'S PROFITABLE! In 2009 over 196 Grand Canyon Council units sold more than \$750,000 DOLLARS.

IT'S SAFE! No up-front money, no consignments.



- [Learn How To Fund an Ideal Year of Exciting Scouting Activities](#)
Give your Scouts their DREAM program and have it entirely funded for the whole year!

Unit Commission Program	
Sign-up for Sale	25%
Attend Orientation	5%
Submit and Settle Orders on Time	5%
<u>Total Base Commission</u>	<u>35%</u>

- [Sign Me Up!](#)

Contact Lisa Kempson lisa@kempsonfamily.com



Inspection

INTERNET ADVANCEMENT RESOLUTION

Be it resolved that the Grand Canyon Council's Advancement Program is an important initiative to retain more youth in the character-building programs of the Boy Scouts of America.

Advancement is the process by which youth members of the Boy Scouts of America progress from rank to rank in the Scouting program. Advancement is simply a means to an end, not an end in itself. Everything done to advance and earn these ranks, from joining until leaving the program, should be designed to help the young person have an exciting and meaningful experience.

Education and fun are functions of the Scouting movement, and they must be the basis of the advancement program.

A fundamental principle of advancement in Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Varsity Scouting, and Venturing is the growth a young person achieves as a result of his/her participation in unit program.

Units can now submit advancement for unit youth members online. They can add ranks, merit badges and awards. They can also update information on existing advancements (except the Eagle Scout rank). This is done by:

1. Select the unit advancement processor. This person must have Internet connectivity and Microsoft Internet Explorer.
2. Obtain a unit ID code from the council.
3. Gather information for advancement, including merit badge applications and advancement records with dates.
4. Follow the instructions in Internet Advancement to process advancements and print an advancement report.
5. Have the appropriate people sign the printed unit advancement report and submit it to the council. Save a copy for your files.
6. Units should submit monthly before the end of each month, or more often if needed. In December, submit a report before the end of the month to update your unit and council statistics.

The unit advancement processor can see all currently registered youth and adult members of the unit, along with their membership ID number. If someone isn't shown, then they are not registered in this unit. The appropriate application may not have been approved and turned in to the council, or the processing of the new registration may still be underway. This process will help encourage unit leaders to submit youth and adult applications in a timely manner along with providing a secure place for units to store individual youth advancement data. The program is also compatible with the following software; PackMaster/TroopMaster, Rank N' File, Scoutmate, and ScoutSoft

Be it resolved that the Grand Canyon Council, Inc. will utilize the Internet Advancement Program Online with all units beginning January 1, 2011. Promotion and training will be made available for the remaining of 2010. If the unit leaders do not have internet access a volunteer terminal will be made available at the Service Center.

Approved by the Grand Canyon Council Executive Committee this date: May 19, 2010



Larry Abbott, Scout Executive/CEO



PROJECT COPE

If you haven't been to the Council web site lately, Project COPE has a web page. Check Us Out!

Available program dates are on the web page, as well as on the Council Calendar. The links will take you directly to event registration. We are offering both a 1/2 day morning low COPE program and a full day low & high COPE program at the Heard Scout Pueblo (HSP) starting in early November.

There are some full day low and high COPE programs available at Camp Raymond as well both in the fall and in the spring.

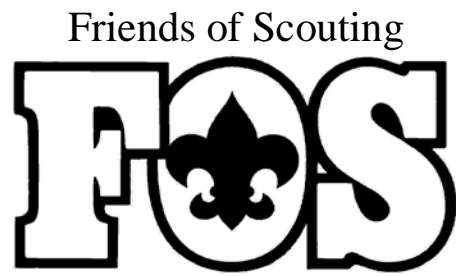
Low COPE is \$15 per person with a minimum of 8 participants. Full COPE days are \$25 per person, once again with a minimum of 8 people. Reminder - though it doesn't impact Venturing Crews - participants need to be at least 13 years of age.

Last item - we are always in need of additional volunteer staff. Project COPE Instructors-in-Training (IIT) are ages 16 & 17. Project COPE instructors are age 18 and above. Training will occur Friday, Oct 22 from 6 to 10 p.m.; Saturday, Oct 23 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday, October 30 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. All training will occur at HSP.

Hope to see you zipping in a camp near you.

WE COPE!
Greg Kerr
Grand Canyon Council
Project COPE Committee Chairman





Why is it so important to contribute to the annual Friends of Scouting Campaign?

Each year parents of Scouts and community members in the Grand Canyon Council are asked to contribute to the annual Friends of Scouting campaign. This campaign is an essential component of the funding efforts for our council, raising over 21% of the council's annual income.

Scouting families play a vital role in the annual Friends of Scouting campaign because they see, on an ongoing basis, how important the Scouting program is in the lives of their Scouts.

Each year, the Grand Canyon Council touches the lives of tens of thousands of Scouts and their families. Serving that many youth requires a budget designed to support a lot of great Scouting. Participation in the Friends of Scouting campaign will guarantee that funding will be available to meet the annual budget needs to support programs, communications, council staff, camps, office facilities and much more.

Here is how our campaign works. Beginning in November and through March, Scouting volunteers come to a unit activity (typically a pack meeting or troop court of honor.) This volunteer invites the families present to consider making a tax-deductible pledge to the Grand Canyon Council that can be paid during the year.

Families and interested community members are encouraged to give based on their interest in the program and their ability to give. Help keep Scouting strong by participating as a Friend of Scouting.

Contributions can be made online with payment by credit card, electronic check or by mail.

Thank you for your generous support!



Newest Eagle Scouts

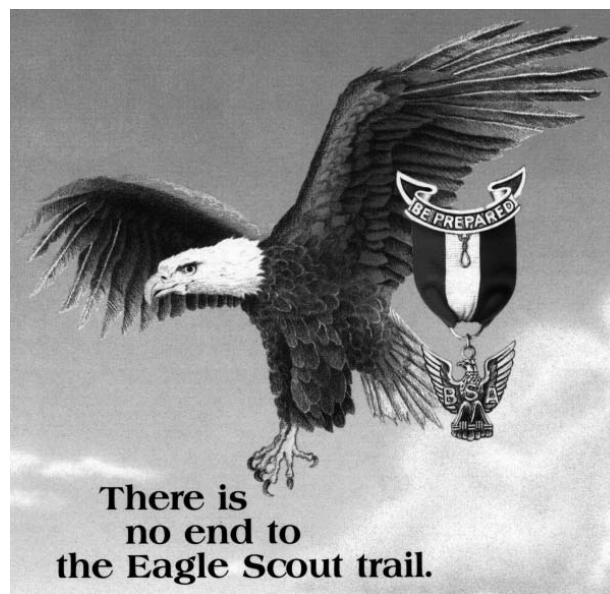
SEPTEMBER

Garrett Karl Axelsen	Troop 697
Kendrick Han Chaney	Troop 78
Devin Ryan Janger	Troop 118
Nathan Michael Mortensen	Crew 9778
Taylor Henderson Morgan	Troop 379
Joseph Michael Raiton	Troop 14
Michael Olson Storto	Troop 172
Jade Robert Winters	Crew 9808
Mark Coe Young	Troop 16

Thank you to the Eagle Board for all that you do!!

Scouting's highest honor proves to be a singular achievement for a truly dedicated few individuals, including corporate leaders, professional athletes, entertainers, and one U.S. president—Gerald R. Ford.

Helpers are needed at the Eagle Boards held the last Tuesday of each month. If you can assist or for more information – please contact Mack Tarwater.





Guys join Scouting to experience the outdoors. It's that simple.

To recognize that passion for adventure, the BSA announces its new National Outdoor Awards. As we told you last year <http://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2009/11/coming-in-2010-national-outdoor-award-badges.html> , the awards are available to Boy Scouts and Varsity Scouts who meet specific requirements in one of five subject areas: camping, hiking, aquatics, riding, and adventure.

There are two levels of the award. Boys can start with the National Outdoor Badges. These are earned by boys who demonstrate "that they are knowledgeable, safe, and comfortable in the outdoor activity covered by the badge."

Each segment is earned by completing the First Class rank, earning relevant merit badges, and accumulating experience-nights of camping, miles of hiking, hours of swimming, etc.

Once they earn a segment, boys can go the extra mile (in some cases literally) and shoot for gold or silver devices, available for spending extra time on a particular activity. Nationaloutdoormedal <http://scoutingmag.typepad.com/.a/6a011168d129d3970c0133f34402b0970b-pi>

The badges and devices are impressive, but the highest honor for outdoor lovers is the National Medal for Outdoor Achievement.

We originally reported that boys needed all five segments to earn the medal, but the National Camping Task Force has altered those requirements slightly.

The list of requirements is still daunting, though, meaning this medal isn't for everyone.

Boys must earn the Camping badge with a silver device and two other badges, each with gold devices. They must also earn four outdoor-specific merit badges, plan a unit outing, and take a Wilderness First Aid course and a Leave No Trace course, each 16 hours long.

Ready to introduce these new awards to your guys? You'll need the full requirements, listed after the jump, and the award applications (link opens PDF) <http://scoutingmag.typepad.com/files/nationaloutdoorawards.pdf> .

Requirements are here:

<http://scouting.org/sitecore/content/Home/BoyScouts/Youth/Awards/NOA.aspx>



100 YEARS OF SCOUTING

Celebrating the Adventure ★ Continuing the Journey

Adventure Base 100

Grand Canyon Council is proud to announce that the travelling Adventure Base 100 event will be hosted in Phoenix, Arizona, at the Arizona State Fair on Saturday, October 23rd and Sunday, October 24th.

We are very excited about the event and want to offer every Scouter, Scout, and their family members and friends an opportunity to attend this once-in-a-lifetime activity. We encourage you to participate as a Volunteer or as a guest and experience the many interesting and exciting events that the Adventure Base 100 has to offer.

The Adventure Base 100 will be open on Saturday from 10am until 10:30pm and Sunday from 12pm until 9pm.

The cost per person will be \$10 per adult; \$5 for Seniors (55 and older); \$5 per child 5 – 15; and children under 5 are free.

If you have not yet taken time to view the 2010 Celebration website, (<http://www.adventurebase100.org>) we invite you to tour the event online, and see how much fun boys, families and guests have had in other cities across the country.

We have many volunteer opportunities for the event and are asking for those interested to contact Carolyn Brandenberger at 602-237-4880 or at Scoutercarolyn@yahoo.com; you may also contact Matt Dahlgran at 602-955-7747 x231.

Come help us “Celebrate the Adventure and Continue the Journey.”

MERIT BADGE COUNSELORS

The district is getting requests for possible merit badge councilors to assist with troops who don't have adults in their units that can teach particular merit badges. So I thought I would update everyone on merit badge counselors:

1) The district list last reviewed has NO merit badge counselors listed who are willing to teach outside their units. People who are interested in helping out in this much needed area should register as a merit badge counselor and indicate a willingness to teach outside their unit.

2) We desperately need someone to coordinate a district wide merit badge counselor list. If you are willing to help out please send me an email. It probably won't take a lot of effort on your part. Mostly keeping an Excel spreadsheet up to date and giving out names and contact information when asked.

Merit Badge Counselors - How To

NO ONE CAN SIGN OFF ON A MERIT BADGE UNLESS THEY ARE REGISTERED AS A MERIT BADGE COUNSELOR. THAT INCLUDES SCOUTMASTERS

How To Register a NEW Merit Badge Counselor

If the person registering as a MBC is **already registered in another Adult Leader position** they should:

- Fill out the [BSA Adult Application](#) with **position code 42**, and sign it. (We only need 1 copy).
- Fill out the Grand Canyon Council [Merit Badge Counselor Information Sheet](#), and attach it to the Adult Application. (available in the forms section at www.grancanyonbsa.org) Indicate here if you are willing to counsel outside your unit.
- Attach certifications (** if required, see below).
- Attach Youth Protection Training certificate.
- Submit the forms to the Council Registrar.

If the person registering as a MBC is **NOT already registered in another Adult Leader position**, they should:

- Complete the entire [BSA Adult Application](#) with **position code 42**, and sign it.

- Fill out the Grand Canyon Council [Merit Badge Counselor Information Sheet](#), and attach it to the Adult Application. (available in the forms section at www.grancanyonbsa.org) Indicate here if you are willing to counsel outside your unit.
- Attach certifications (** if required, see below).
- Take Youth Protection Training at www.myscouting.org and attached the trained certificate.
- The Troop Committee should check references, obtain signatures, and submit the forms to the Council Registrar.

Notes:

- Registering as a merit badge counselor is a separate process from chartering or re-chartering a troop, team or crew
- ** Special requirements for Climbing, Rifle Shooting, Shotgun Shooting, and aquatics (Swimming, Lifesaving, Canoeing, Rowing, Small Boat Sailing, Motorboating, Waterskiing, Whitewater) counselors are listed on the Merit Badge Counselor Information Sheet.
- No fees are required for Merit Badge Counselor registration.
- Only registered counselors may sign Merit Badge Blue Cards.
- If a registered merit badge counselor changes badges they are counseling, they only need to resubmit a Merit Badge Counselor Information form. They do not have to submit another application.
- Unless district is notified, merit badge counselors are automatically registered in subsequent years.
- More information can be found here:
<http://scouting.org/scoutsource/BoyScouts/GuideforMeritBadgeCounselors.aspx>



SIGN UP TODAY...
for the 2010
Sporting Clays Invitational!

[Click Here](#) to sign up for the event!

*You can purchase a ticket to the auction sponsors party, sponsor a Squad,
or make a donation if you cannot make it to this wonderful event.*

[Sporting Clays Gala Sponsor Party & Auction](#)

When: Friday, November 12th at 6:00 to 9:00 PM

Where: Land Rover North Scottsdale - 18100 N. Scottsdale Rd., Phoenix

Event will feature an exciting live/silent auction, delicious hors d' oeuvres, door prize drawings, and the opportunity to experience the Land Rover off-road track!

[Sporting Clays B.S.A. Invitational Shoot](#)

When: Saturday, November 13th at 8:00 AM & 5:00 PM (Flights TBD)

Where: Ben Avery Clay Target Center - 5000 W. Carefree Hwy., Phoenix
(Invitational Only, squads of four people - Open to all levels of shooters)

Enjoy a great day of shooting, catered lunch, participants gifts, top team awards,
and lots of FUN!

Why: Network with Arizona's top CEO's, companies, and community leaders
plus market your business to your future customers

[For further information and to register](#)

Clint Lawton 602-955-7747 x 256 or clawton@bsamail.org

***Thank you for all you do for the leaders of the next generation...
we are involved in a great work!***



TRAINING

The latest report received from Council shows that only 34% of registered adults in the district units have taken Youth Protection Training. This training MUST be taken by every registered adult, no matter what their position is, every 2 years.

To take the training:

Go to <http://www.myscouting.org>

Log in

Check your profile and make sure your Membership ID is in the profile (you can get your ID from you Committee Chair)

Take the course

While you're there, take the Fast Start course as well.

If you have taken the course without the membership ID in the profile, it will not count until you fill out the records update form here:

<http://www.doubleknot.com/form/formjump.asp?bidx=0&orgkey=62&surveyID=14620>

PLEASE SEND THIS TO ALL YOUR REGISTERED ADULTS



Dear Scouter,

The Grand Canyon Council will phase in mandatory training for all leaders starting in 2010. Mandatory training has already been enforced in a number of councils throughout the United States. Where it is implemented, the BSA has discovered that the retention of both Scouts and leaders is significantly improved. We will be phasing in mandatory training over the next few years.

How it will work?

To recharter your unit at the end of 2010, it will be required that your top leader is trained. Top leaders are Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, Varsity Coaches, Venturing Advisors, and Skippers.

Plans are to require training of all direct-contact leaders for membership renewal by the end of 2011. Direct contact leaders are all assistant leaders and den leaders. The final phase of implementation will be to require training for all other registered adults by the end of 2012.

What we are doing to help you in this?

The council and district trainers have begun to update training records. We are also conducting training inventories of all leaders and are preparing to make training more readily available. We are updating our district website with information and new classes all the time. Check the site frequently.

What can you do now?

1. Appoint someone in your pack, troop, team or crew to act as unit trainer. That person should keep an inventory of which adults are trained and encourage those not trained to take training. Tools such as PackMaster and TroopMaster have modules that assist in keeping training inventories.
2. Encourage every adult in your unit to take the online training for their position now. Online training is available at <http://www.myscouting.org>
3. Make training a unit expectation and point of pride! Leader training is relevant for all aspects of your unit member's lives. The BSA has some of the finest leadership training available anywhere, it is very inexpensive, and it starts at age 13!
4. **More information can be found at the District Website:**
<http://www.azscout.org> under the DISTRICT TRAINING button on the left.

As always, if you have questions, please feel free to contact me at:

SRD_Training@AzScout.org

Bill Nelson, Salt River District Training Chairman

REGISTER EARLY!!!!

Welcome to the most recent evolution of Cub Scouts: Cub Scouts 2010!

Cub Scouts 2010 is a piloted and successful method of delivering the existing Cub Scout program that is handbook-based and focuses on den activities leading to youth advancement and higher retention. The Cub Scouts 2010 Overview Brochure includes information on the pilot, its results, what changes with Cub Scouts 2010 and how the changes benefit the Scouting community.

What is Cub Scouts 2010?

- It's Cub Scouts (the 2010 is only when it starts.) It is planned to be utilized starting at the beginning of the 2010-2011 school year.
- It's a method of delivering the existing program that is handbook based and focuses on den meeting activities leading to youth advancement.
- Recognizes shift in family dynamics by moving MOST advancement into the den
- Provides den leaders with specific den meeting plans to ease planning and enhance meeting organization

What's Not Changing?

- Foundational elements of the Cub Scouting program (purpose, methods, core values, etc.)
- Youth handbooks and advancement
- Pack meeting structure (7 steps)
- Role of Roundtable in communications & training

What Is Changing?

- Program Helps is being replaced with a permanent book called the Den & Pack Meeting Resource Guide. This new resource contains all the information a den leader or Cubmaster needs to deliver the planned program. Meeting and activities outlines to use for each program throughout the year will be provided. Themes will be replaced by a monthly focus on the twelve core values of Cub Scouting. It will be available online as well as in the Scout Shops.

September 2010	Cooperation	March 2011	Compassion
October 2010	Responsibility	April 2011	Faith
November 2010	Citizenship	May 2011	Health and Fitness
December 2010	Respect	June 2011	Perseverance
January 2011	Positive Attitude	July 2011	Courage
February 2011	Resourcefulness	August 2011	Honesty

The Resource Guide offers -

- Light introduction into Cub Scouting (not to replace Leader Book)
- Tips and suggestions on den meetings, pack meetings, using the *Guide*
- Den meeting plans for ALL Ranks
- Pack meeting plans
- Resources

Resource Guide Availability

- Current Fast Tracks den meeting plans are available as meeting-by-meeting download at no charge. <http://media.scouting.org/cubscouts/fasttracks/>

New plans and the Resource Guide will be offered as follows:

Option	Pricing	Description/Functionality
1. Individual Item Download	No Charge	Download plans individually. This is the functionality/pricing today with Fast Tracks.
2. Full Resource Guide Download	TBD	One download, full book, all ranks
3. Purchase Physical Resource Guide	TBD	Physical Resource Guide, three hole punched, shrink wrapped.

Advancement Changes

- Majority of advancement happens in den (not a change for many)
 - In-den advancement: den leader signs handbook
 - In-home advancement: parent/guardian signs & den leader initials to acknowledge
- One Cub Scout den meeting structure for all levels - (7 steps for Tiger/Wolf/Bear/Webelos)
 - Share/Discover/Search no longer part of Tiger Cub den meeting structure

All Ranks
Before the Meeting
Gathering
Opening
Business Items
Activities
Closing
After the Meeting

Training is being enhanced

- Training is changing to recognize the increasing time pressures of our volunteers
 - New Fast Start for Den Leaders and Cubmasters
 - Less Scouting history, BSA organization and administration
 - More about how to run den/pack meetings and use the new delivery method
 - Revised Position Specific training:
 - New online version for den leaders, Cubmasters and pack trainers
 - Updated instructor lead version

PLEASE REGISTER EARLY!!!!

1. WHY ARE WE DOING THIS PROGRAM?

Initially the experience of one pack which developed and used this program led us to believe it had merit. In a pilot study of 21 dens in Bay-Lakes Council using this program, the retention rate of Cub Scouts went from 64% to 85%. In packs where some of the dens were using the program and other dens were not, the retention increased significantly for those using the program and did not increase for those not using the program. Equally important, den leaders using the program were very happy with it and felt it made their job as a den leader much easier and more enjoyable.

2. HOW CLOSELY MUST WE ADHERE TO THE OUTLINE FOR EACH PROGRAM LEVEL?

The outline for each program level ensures the completion of each rank in a timely manner and assures that each boy will receive significant other advancement on a regular and frequent basis. This is what keeps boys in Cub Scouting. Substitutions for requirements may not be made, since that would not fulfill the requirement. For some achievements and electives, the boy is to choose among a few different options for completion of a requirement. The outline has made that choice for you. You may find that a different choice works better for your den than the choice in the outline. When that is the case, go ahead and use your choice. For example, in the Tiger Cub program, achievement 2: Where I Live, requirement 2G is to visit a police station or a fire station. In the outline, the visit is made to the police station. This choice was made because Wolf Cub Scouts are required to visit the fire station. If you wish, you may visit the fire station as Tigers and then again as Wolves. We felt it would be more interesting for the boys to participate in the choice we made.

3. CAN THIS PROGRAM HELP US TO HAVE BETTER ORGANIZED DEN AND PACK MEETINGS?

That is one of the results of using this program. If a den leader follows the "preparation and materials needed" section of each den meeting, it is easy to organize a meeting. If boys are receiving badges and awards at every pack meeting, it makes for a better pack meeting, as well.

4. HOW MANY DEN MEETINGS ARE EXPECTED TO BE HELD PER MONTH AND PER YEAR?

The outlines are written to give you approximately 16 den meetings per year. Our observation has been that most dens hold two den meetings per month. You may begin in late August, early September, or mid-September. You may hold either one or two den meetings in the month of December, depending on the religious and family commitments of the members of your den. You may conclude in mid-May, late May, or early June. The outline is not dated, merely sequenced. With two den meetings, one pack meeting, and one other pack activity each month, each Cub Scout is having approximately four Scouting events per month.

12. DOESN'T IT SEEM THAT CUB SCOUTS 2010 TAKES ALL THE FUN OUT OF THE CUB SCOUTS AND MAKES A DEN MEETING "MORE SCHOOL"?

Most dens already use an approach similar to Cub Scouts 2010 for their meetings. In a 2005, a Central Region analysis of randomly selected Cub Scout den found that 96.7 percent were completing at least half or more of each achievements in their den meetings. (2005: Central Region Recruitment & Retention Study) All of the activities developed for the Cub Scout program are designed to be fun and Cub Scouts 2010 uses the same involving activities as those used historically. Scouts and den leaders involved in Cub Scouts 2010 report high satisfaction with the program activities. The activities included in the achievements have been tested with boys (Scouts and non-Scouts) and boys indicate that they would like to participate in most of the activities. Only a few, such as the food pyramid and the escape plan, were considered to be too much like what they learned in school. (2006: Cub Scout Content Study)

13. AREN'T TWO DEN MEETINGS PER MONTH, INSUFFICIENT TO PROVIDE THE SOCIAL INTERACTION PARENTS WANT FROM CS?

No, dens will actually meet up to 4 times a month : 2 den meetings where boys meet in the traditional setting and complete parts of the requirements. One field trip to go see something related to an achievement or just to go have fun as a group. And one Pack meeting where all the dens meet and celebrate the boy's achievements.

17. WON'T THE DEN MEETING PLANS NEED TO BE REWORKED FOR PROGRAMS THAT ARE AGE-BASED VERSUS GRADE BASED (SUCH AS THE LDS CHURCH'S WHERE SCOUT'S BEGINNING LEVEL IS DEFINED BY HIS AGE, NOT GRADE) OR FOR PROGRAMS THAT MEET YEAR ROUND?

The lesson plans will work for age-based and year round programs if the same rotation is used each year. If a child's birth date is in January and he enters the Bear program then, he will work with the group on the achievements in the January lesson plan. Before his next birthday he will have experienced all of the achievements that were worked on prior to January and will advance then. Additionally, den meeting plans will be developed as part of the rollout process which will provide den leaders direction for programs which meet year round. Finally, the den meeting plans will tie to existing summer time programs and include a guide for summer time meetings with the program.

18. WOULDN'T FEWER DEN MEETINGS PER MONTH CAUSE SOME UNITS WHICH MEET WEEKLY TO SEARCH OUT COMPETING PROGRAMMING, POTENTIALLY RESULTING IN LOSS OF MEMBERSHIP.

There are weekly meetings in this program: two den meetings, one activity trip and one pack meeting. Dens are welcome to meet more frequently, if they wish. Additional meeting plan are being developed to support those dens who meet more frequently.

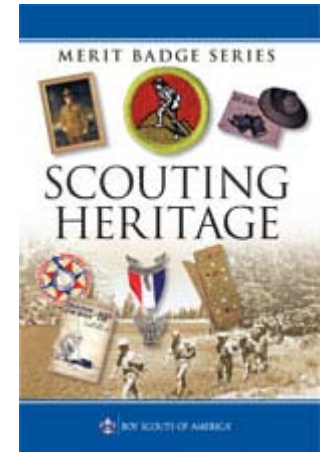


Thank You JT

Scouting Heritage

Requirements

1. Discuss with your counselor the life and times of Lord Baden-Powell of Gilwell. Explain why he felt a program like Scouting would be good for the young men of his day. Include in your discussion how Scouting was introduced in the United States, and the origins of Boy Scouting and Cub Scouting under Baden-Powell.
2. Do the following:
 - a. Give a short biographical sketch of any TWO of the following, and tell of their roles in how Scouting developed and grew in the United States prior to 1940.
 1. Daniel Carter Beard
 2. William D. Boyce
 3. Waite Phillips
 4. Ernest Thompson Seton
 5. James E. West
 - b. Discuss the significance to Scouting of any TWO of the following:
 1. Brownsea Island
 2. The First World Scout Jamboree
 3. *Boy Scout Handbook*
 4. *Boys' Life* magazine
3. Discuss with your counselor how Scouting's programs have developed over time and been adapted to fit different age groups and interests (Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Exploring, Venturing).
4. Do ONE of the following:
 - a. Attend either a BSA national jamboree, OR world Scout jamboree, OR a national BSA high-adventure base. While there, keep a journal documenting your day-to-day experiences. Upon your return, report to your counselor what you did, saw, and learned. You may include photos, brochures, and other documents in your report.
 - b. Write or visit the National Scouting Museum in Irving, Texas.* Obtain information about this facility. Give a short report on what you think the role of this museum is in the Scouting program.
 - *If you visit the BSA's national traveling tour, Adventure Base 100, in 2010, you may use this experience to fulfill requirement 4b. Visit www.adventurebase100.org (with your parent's permission) for the schedule and for more information.



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Learn about the history of your unit or Scouting in your area. Interview at least two people (one from the past and one from the present) associated with your troop. These individuals could be adult unit leaders, Scouts, troop committee members, or representatives of your troop's chartered organization. Find out when your unit was originally chartered. Create a report of your findings on the history of your troop, and present it to your patrol or troop or at a court of honor, and then add it to the troop's library. This presentation could be in the form of an oral/written report, an exhibit, a scrapbook, or a computer presentation such as a slide show.

Make a collection of some of your personal patches and other Scouting memorabilia. With their permission, you may include items borrowed from family members or friends who have been in Scouting in the past, or you may include photographs of these items. Show this collection to your counselor, and share what you have learned about items in the collection. (There is no requirement regarding how large or small this collection must be.)

Reproduce the equipment for an old-time Scouting game such as those played at Brownsea Island. You may find one on your own (with your counselor's approval), or pick one from the *Scouting Heritage* merit badge pamphlet. Teach and play the game with other Scouts.

Interview at least three people (different from those you interviewed for requirement 5) over the age of 50 who were Scouts. Find out about their Scouting experiences. Ask about the impact that Scouting has had on their lives. Share what you learned with your counselor.



Your Salt River District CALENDAR

OCTOBER				
Date	Day	Time	Event	Details
7	Thu	12:00PM	Powder Horn 2010	Powder Horn is a training opportunity designed to expose the Venturing, Varsity or Boy Scout leader to activities and resources necessary to operate a successful Venturing Ranger Award or Troop High Adventure program in several ways. More information and online registration here.
7	Thu	6:00PM	Scoutmaster Specific Modules	<p>This course is mandatory for all Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters. This class is for those who find it difficult to attend an all day Saturday class. We will be splitting the course into three modules taught on separate Thursday nights. You need to complete all three modules for credit in the course. You may take the modules in any order.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Oct 7 - Module II •Nov 4 - Module III •Dec 2 - Module I •Jan 6 - Module II •Feb 3 - Module III
7	Thu	7:00PM	Youth Protection Training	Live, in person, youth protection training. At the LDS Lakeshore Chapel at 7pm. Free. Register here.

7	Thu	7:00PM	Round Table	The monthly Salt River Round Table is an opportunity for Unit Leaders to share their experiences and learn about District activities - Location - recommended for all Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity and Venturing leaders.
11-15	Mon-Fri	8:00AM	Fall Break - TUHS	Tempe Union High School Fall Break
23-24	Sat-Sun	12:00PM	Adventure Base 100	At the AZ State Fair. This is a traveling Scouting Museum and BSA Adventure Exhibit. Visiting this traveling museum satisfies one of the requirements in the new Scouting Heritage Merit Badge. More information on Adventure Base 100 is here. Cost is admission to the State Fair: Adult \$10, Child (ages 5-13) \$5, Senior (ages 55+) \$5, Children under 5 FREE
26-27	Tue-Wed	12:00PM	Adventure Base 100	At the AZ State Fair. This is a traveling Scouting Museum and BSA Adventure Exhibit. Visiting this traveling museum satisfies one of the requirements in the new Scouting Heritage Merit Badge. More information on Adventure Base 100 is here. Cost is admission to the State Fair: Adult \$10, Child (ages 5-13) \$5, Senior (ages 55+) \$5, Children under 5 FREE
26	Tue	7:00PM	Eagle Board	Eagle Board of Review and Project Reviews - Location
28	Thu	7:00PM	Committee Meeting	The monthly Salt River Committee Meeting
30	Sat	7:30AM	Venturing Specific Training	Mandatory training for all Venturing Advisors and Asst. Advisors and Committee members. For more information and to register go here.

NOVEMBER				
Date	Day	Time	Event	Details
4	Thu	6:00PM	Scoutmaster Specific Modules	<p>This course is mandatory for all Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters. This class is for those who find it difficult to attend an all day Saturday class. We will be splitting the course into three modules taught on separate Thursday nights. You need to complete all three modules for credit in the course. You may take the modules in any order.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Nov 4 - Module III •Dec 2 - Module I •Jan 6 - Module II •Feb 3 - Module III
4	Thu	7:00PM	Round Table	The monthly Salt River Round Table is an opportunity for Unit Leaders to share their experiences and learn about District activities - Location - recommended for all Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity and Venturing leaders.
5-6	Fri-Sat	7:00PM	Leave No Trace Trainer Course	
				<p>Heard Scout Pueblo - The Grand Canyon Council, BSA, and the Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics invite you to become a Leave No Trace Trainer! This course is for all Scouters and Scouts 14 years old or older. The new centennial Scout Handbook has added Leave No Trace Trainer as an approved leadership position in the troop Details are here.</p>

6	Sat	8:00AM	Cub Scout Leader Specific Training	Mandatory training for Cub Scout Leaders. For more information and to register, go here.
6	Sat	8:00AM	Boy Scout Leader Specific Training	Mandatory training for Boy Scout Leaders. For more information and to register, go here.
6	Sat	8:00AM	Varsity Scout Leader Specific Training	Mandatory training for Varsity Scout Leaders. For more information and to register, go here.
18	Thu	7:00PM	Committee Meeting	The monthly Salt River Committee Meeting
23	Tue	7:00PM	Eagle Board	Eagle Board of Review and Project Reviews - Location
DECEMBER				
Date	Day	Time	Event	Details
2	Thu	6:00PM	Scoutmaster Specific Modules	<p>This course is mandatory for all Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters. This class is for those who find it difficult to attend an all day Saturday class. We will be splitting the course into three modules taught on separate Thursday nights. You need to complete all three modules for credit in the course. You may take the modules in any order.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Dec 2 - Module I •Jan 6 - Module II •Feb 3 - Module III
2	Thu	7:00PM	Round Table	The monthly Salt River Round Table is an opportunity for Unit Leaders to share their experiences and learn about District activities - Location - recommended for all Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity and Venturing leaders. - Council officials. I'll be on hand to listen and answer questions

4	Sat	7:00AM	On-Line Advancement Training	L.D.S. Tempe Stake Center 2707 S. College Avenue Tempe, Arizona (SE corner of College and Alameda)
4	Sat	7:00AM	Advancement Day	L.D.S. Tempe Stake Center 2707 S. College Avenue Tempe, Arizona (SE corner of College and Alameda)
10 - 11	Fri-Sat	5:00PM	Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills	Mandatory training for all Scoutmasters, Asst. Scoutmasters, Varsity Coaches and Asst. Varsity Coaches and Venturing Advisors. This is a campout. More information is here.
20-31	Mon-Fri	8:00AM	Winter Break - TUHS	Tempe Union High School District Winter Break
28	Tue	7:00PM	Eagle Board	Eagle Board of Review and Project Reviews - Location
30	Thu	7:00PM	Committee Meeting	The monthly Salt River Committee Meeting



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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.

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.

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