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Scouting News
November 2013

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Calendar of Events

November
Nov. 1 Unit Prize order Tool opens online.
Nov. 1: Take order due online
11 Veterans Day Parade
14 Roundtable
14 Popcorn Paperwork turn in.
22 Popcorn Final Payment Due.
22 Popcorn Prize Orders Due Online
21-22 Popcorn Take Order Popcorn Pick up.
21 Commissioners Meeting
21 District Committee
29-29 All Offices Closed-Thanksgiving

December
3 Family FOS Training, Salem
5 LDS Ward FOS Training, Kaiser
9 Family FOS Online Training
10 LDS FOS Online Webinar Training
12 Roundtable
12 OA Meeting
19 Commissioner Staff Meeting
19 District Committee Meeting
24-25 All Scout Offices Closed

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Check out the pictures from Webelos Woods and LIKE us!

Key Priorities for next 60 days.
1. Set Friends of Scouting Unit Presentation date.
2. You owe it to your boys to get trained today! Find it online or in person.
3. Report service hours online. (My scouting.org.)
4. Sign up 2014 Summer Camp
5. Complete Charter Renewal.
6. Conduct Scouting for Food
7. Order Scouting for Food Segments online.
8. Sign up for Guy Miller Tree Plant
9. Recruit Unit training chair.
10. Learn About COMIT 95/15
11. Recruit a Spring Sale Chair
12. Submit a nomination for Silver Beaver

Ready for recharter? No! We can help.

The recharter season starts in September. Some units wait until December to start their recharter. That is too late! It is due on November 15th.

Did you know you can add adults and youth to a charter after it is submitted? If you are waiting to add new youth and adult leaders, please don't! New members can always be added later.

Now is the time to work on your recharter. So far, only 19 out of 48 units have started and 7 units have finished. If you are unsure about the process, let us know. We can help you.

Scout Office and Scout Shop Closures
Albany and Portland-Nov. 28-19.
Salem Office and Shop-Nov. 25-29

Bridge Builder

It could be you?

Do you know a leader who has made a contribution to boys in Scouting? We did not receive a nomination this month. Please take the time to nominate a leader in your unit. Nomination forms are available on the district website or from the Albany office.

Journey to Excellence: A Unit Guide to a Quality Program for our Scouts.

The Quality unit program has changed. It is now called Journey to Excellence. To be a quality unit your boys will need to advance, have trained leaders, attend summer camp, have an annual program plan, active recruitment campaign, an exciting outdoor program, and plenty of service opportunities. Each month we will be tracking our progress throughout the year. Review the requirements with your committee and work to become a Gold unit in 2012.

We will conduct a Journey to Excellence class on January 9th and February 13th during Roundtable. All committee chairs and should attend.

All Leaders update your MyScouting.org profile.

Everyone was required to go online and create a MyScouting account to complete your youth protection. Now is the time to have all leaders update their MyScouting profile with your membership ID number. This will ensure that all your online training gets recorded on Scoutnet. Also, Each unit should update your BeAScout information on MyScouting.org. BeAScout directs people interested in joining Scouting directly to you.

The district committee will be developing the 2014-2015 calendar in the 60 days. If you feel a date or event should be added to the calendar, please contact Hyrum Anderson, District Chair at hyruma@gmail.com.

Lock-In Coming Soon!

Calapooia is hosting this great event. It is on Jan 31, 2014. It starts around 6 pm and ends at 7am. Registration begins at 6, we have an opening ceremony before the kids go around to carnival type booths . They will then lay down in their sleeping bags and watch theme related movies all night. Get up, have a snack and head home. There will also be snacks provided during the booth time.

The theme is fun on the farm.

Our Lock-in Meeting dates are Nov 20, Dec 4, Dec 18, Jan 8 and Jan 22. All committee meetings begin at 6pm at the Albany Phoenix Inn.

We need strong leader participation for this event. Please invite the leaders from unit to attend. Please share these key date with parents and unit leaders.

Please contact Tasha Dodge at tashadodge@hotmail.com or 541-979-6348 for more details.

Send us your stories and get a Leatherman or LED Lenser light!

With the right guidance, boys are capable of accomplishing amazing things. The Boy Scouts of America has some great stories to tell about our awesome boys, but we've needed a place to share them. So we're building a website sponsored by the Cascade Pacific Council called "The Boy Project," where we will collect and share stories. Stories of our boys and all that they do, all that they've done, all that they're capable of...and that's where you come in!

We are looking for stories about real boys that have done, or are doing, something remarkable. There could be stories of adventure, of overcoming challenges, or of accomplishment – in or out of Scouting.

We are looking for stories, or stories told through pictures or videos. You don't have to write the story unless you want to. You can even just tell us about a boy with a story we should look into. All you have to do is email us at stories@theboyproject.org.

If we like your story, video, photo or other submission, we may feature it on The Boy Project - and that's where a fabulous prize comes in - if your story is featured, you'll get a Leatherman Wave or a LED Lenser light!

Keep Inviting boys to Join!

Fill up those dens by targeting friends of current Scouts. Send Flyers out to boys inviting to your pack meetings. Turn in those new registrations. Most of your Cub Scout families have regular play dates scheduled with boys who are not in your dens. Invite them to your Den or Pack meetings. Scouting is even more fun with a buddy!

Webelos-To-Scout

Webelos Leaders should focus on visiting a Boy Scout Troop in the next 60 days. Also, Parents of Webelos need to sit down and be oriented on what Boy Scouting is and what to expect. If you need materials for this discussion please contact your unit commissioner. If you don't have a commissioner, please contact Richard Chandler, District Commissioner at echand1029@cox.net.

Trail Blazers to offer belt loop day

New this year the Portland Trailblazers are offering two belt loop days for the Cub Scouts of Cascade Pacific Council. Each boy who attends has the opportunity to earn the Basketball, Photography, and Disability Awareness Belt loops, as well as, attend a Blazer Basketball game. The belt loop days will be December 7th and March 1st. The annual Blazer Sleepover will be on April 4th. Registration and more information is on www.cpcbsa.org/register now. Sign up today!

Council Court of Honor
"The Stars of Scouting"
Save the Date.
FEBRUARY 27th

Benchmark Email System

As you maybe aware, our District Director, Eric Hearn was hit with an email virus about a month ago. The virus did not effect other computers but it did send out an email bomb to create mischief. This email problem has been experienced in our rural or outline districts in a similar manner. We are sorry if you received the district enews nine or more times.

Recently, the district changed to an email program called Benchmarkemail. We sent two emails out using this system this week. Please be aware that the Calapooia District is using this program to share Scouting information with leaders. Please be sure to read these emails and share them with your leaders and parents.

Are you receiving the district newsletter? Sign up at Roundtable or send an email to ehearn@cpcbsa.org.

Spring Candy and Meatstick sale promises great fundraising opportunity

Beginning in February, the popular candy and meatstick fundraiser will be provided to units seeking a quick, easy, low-risk fundraiser to build funds for summer camp and other Scouting activities. The sale will feature the super-selling World's Finest Chocolate, and famous Tillamook Jerky products. At this time, details are limited, but information and opportunity to sign up will be at the Program and Training Conference on November 3.

Camp Clark All Pack Camping 2014

In 2014, June 29-July 3, Camp Clark, on the Oregon Coast, is making available the extraordinary opportunity for the entire Pack to come to resident camp together. Campers at Camp Clark will experience all of the exciting and traditional experiences of Scout camp including shooting sports, camp songs, games, and hikes.songs and watch skits at campfire.

Your visit to Camp Clark is a Scouting experience that your Pack will never forget. See you there! Register your Pack today! Www.cpcbsa.org/register

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Lebanon Unit Commissioner Needed

The district is searching for a unit commissioner to serve the units in Lebanon. The position requires some knowledge of Scouting. We will offer free training to anyone that is recruited. Please pass along any names to Richard Chandler.

LDS Corner

The Century of Honor Broadcast

On October 29th, Scouts, parents, and church leaders gathered in stake centers across the country to view the Century of Honor Broadcast. The broadcast marks the 100 year anniversary if Scouting in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter day Saints. Some 100 Scouts participated in the live program from the conference center at Temple Square.

The climax of the evening was the renaming of the new 10,000 acre Boy Scout and High Adventure Camp now renamed as the Thomas S. Monson Leadership Excellence Complex. The new camp property is a High Adventure Camp similar to Philmont Scout Reservation. The site is called The Summit Bechtel National Scout Reserve. The Summit is also the permanent site for the National Scout Jamboree.

December Office Hours

During the month of December, the Albany Scout office will be open Monday and Friday mornings from 9am to noon.

Please take advantage of this opportunity to turn in your turn-in applications, FOS contributions, or other Scouting paperwork. Appointments can also be scheduled outside of those times by calling Eric Hearn 541-928-6694.

Silver Beaver Nominations are Due by December 16th

The Silver Beaver Award was established in 1931 and is presented for distinguished service to young people within a local Boy Scouts of America Council. It is the highest National award which may be presented by a local council. A recipient must be a registered adult member of the Boy Scouts of America. The Cascade Pacific Council salutes the commitment and hard work of these Scouters. Applications can be found online at www.cpcbsa.org. Please submit all Silver Beaver Applications to Dustan Johnson, Calapooia Vice Chair at mrbriefs@comcast.net.

Sign up for 2014 Woodbadge.

Wood Badge is more than the premier training program for all Scout leaders in the Boy Scouts of America. It is an experience that is fun and will create memories and friendships that will last a lifetime. This includes all Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity and Venturing Leaders, as well as Professional Scouters. Wood Badge is designed to train adult volunteers using the latest leadership skills and techniques. It is a once in a life time training experience, designed to strengthen your unit.The course consists of two 3-Day Sessions, Weekend One; May 2-4, 2013 at Camp Clark, Weekend Two; May16-18, 2013 at Camp Clark. The program runs from Friday at 8am through Sunday at 5pm. Sign up now at cpcbsa.org/register.

Eagle Scout scholarships available

The Cascade Pacific Council Eagle Scout Association, an alumni association, is pleased to present college scholarships ranging from $1,000-$2,500 yearly. The association's purpose is to provide fellowship and service opportunities to Eagle Scouts and to honor each new class of Eagle Scouts by hosting the Eagle Scout Celebration each spring.

Scout Celebration each spring.

- Eagle Scout residing in the Cascade Pacific Council service area (Okay to earn rank elsewhere)

- Current high school senior

- Minimum 3.0 grade point average

January 17, 2014 —Deadline for all materials to be turned in to the council service center. More information can be found at www.cpcbsa.org

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Friends of Scouting Kickoff

In years past, we have held a Friends of Scouting Kickoff during the December Roundtable. It is time to do something different. This year, we will be participating in council FOS kickoffs. Unit FOS chairs will be asked to attend a live FOS kickoff in Salem or an online kickoff. Reservations for the online session will be needed to allow sound, and video to work properly. Please mark you dates and get ready for an exciting FOS kickoff.

LDS FOS Kick-off:

Thursday, Dec. 5th, 7pm-Kaiser Stake Center, 1375 Lockhaven Dr, North, Kaiser

Tuesday, Dec 10, 7:00 pm – Online Webinar Training

https://www4.gotowebinar.com/register/805150567

Dial 712-432-3066
access code 998331

Family FOS Kickoff (non-LDS)

December 3 @ 7:00 PM – Come for dessert too!
Grand Hotel, Marriot Room, Salem

December 9, @ 7:00 PM – Download a photo of dessert!
FOS Coordinator Training Webinar

https://www4.gotowebinar.com/register/805150567
712-432-3066 – Code 998331
Webinar ID: 805-150-567

We are asking all units to be represented. Please recruit a FOS Chair and ask them to attend. For the LDS FOS Training, we are asking for the FOS Chair and a Bishopric member to attend. The Bishopric has an important role in Friends of Scouting and it is vital that they know their responsibility with campaign.

Everybody is a Friend of Scouting.

Every one of our Scouting Families should be educated about how our council supports them and inspired to become a Friend of Scouting. The average gift has been $175 which is what is asked of us to support one Scout. Please take some time to be informed and inspired to become a Friend of Scouting. We ask that all Scouting leaders enroll prior to the family presentation. The young people that benefit from FOS are not 1000 miles away. They are in our own homes. Lets all make a difference and become Friends of Scouting today.

Scouting for Food Dec. 7th

Every year Scouts from across the nation hit the streets and knock on doors to gather food for the hungry on the first Saturday of December. Make sure Scouting for Food is on your unit's calendar and plan to spend that morning in this important effort. Patch and segment recognitions will be available to those that participate. Pick up your bags and confirm your area at the November Roundtable.

Mom & Me: Hawaiian Luau Extreme

December 14, 2013

Moms are encouraged to participate right along side their sons in all the action-packed activities. These include the BB gun range, games and other Hawaiian themed activities. This one day event will give you just a glimpse of all the fun offered to you and your son in the Cub Scout Camping life!

Location: Cub World at Scouters' Mountain
Cost: $30.00 per participant (meals and program materials included) Sign up now at ww.cpcbsa.org/register.

Winter Lodge

Have you been to the winter lodges? Units are encouraged to take their Scouts up to the winter lodges for a day or overnight snow activity. Each weekend December through March is pre-scheduled for packs, troops, teams, and crews to utilize the lodges.

Early Dates
Dec 6-7 and Dec 7-8 Cub Scouts
Dec 13-14 and Dec 14-15 Boy Scouts
Jan 3-4 and Jan 4-5 Boy Scouts

Wood Badge Reunion and Recruitment Dinner Nov. 23rd

Come celebrate your inner critter, Smell the smoke, unleash your inner critter and share your stories at the 2013 Wood badge reunion and recruitment dinner at Golda's Kitchen Scouters Mountain, November 23rd 6-8:30pm. Those Scouters interested in participating in a Wood Badge Course are encouraged to attend.

Cost is $10 the value is priceless. Register online at www.cpcbsa.org/register

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The Calapooia District needs good people to volunteer to serve on its committees. If you know someone who might be interested, please contact Hyrum Anderson.