



South Coast District News

November-December 2003

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Fall Training in High Gear

By Zea Bauer, South Coast District Training Chair

Congratulations are in order for the many Scouters who took the time to attend training this past month. We had over 30 leaders representing 8 Packs and 4 Troops participating in New Leader Essentials and/or Cub leader Specific in October. Scouters receiving their TRAINED patches included: Sue Swider, Donna Voight, Donna Baird, Helen Zajiac, John Schlesselmann, Debbie Mann, Heidi Casper, Laurie Nathanson, John Gleason, and Lani Collins. John Lyons from Troop 36 also attended Troop Committee training in September - my apologies for leaving you off the list last month!

Council also offered a Commissioner Basic session in Santa Maria and Dwight Morey and Larry Basham represented the South Coast District and received their TRAINED patches.

The Advanced Scout Leader training program titled Woodbadge for the 21st Century has been ongoing at Camp French this past month. Wayne Rascati and Tom Gross were South Coast Trainers on the staff. Six participants from the South Coast District were George Michaels, Pack 36 (Bear); Jim Axtell, Troop 105 (Eagle); Debbie Dal Zuffo, Troop 1 (Owl); Dave Gore, Troop 36 (Fox); Jim Brown, Troop 36 (Bobwhite); and Dan Lovelace, Troop 36 (Eagle). They are now working on their tickets which need to be completed in 18 months.

On November 3rd and 5th, we offered Scoutmaster Fundamentals at the Council Service Center. The following individuals completed this phase of training: Jim Brown (Troop 36); Dave Gore (Troop 36); Dan Lovelace (Troop 36); John Lyons (Troop 36); Ken Tatro (Troop 36), Bob Hamber (Troop 4); Clay Fulcher (Troop 37); John Loomis (Troop 1), Jeff Harbison (Troop 54), and Hugh Spackman (Troop 20). They have now two of the three requirements to be certified as a Trained Scoutmaster of Assistant.

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

NEW SESSION PLANNED!! Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills will be offered at Rancho Alegre on December 13-14 (all day Saturday and Sunday morning). Fee is \$35.00. There are already eight people signed up. Register as soon as possible at Council Office or contact me for more info.

Plan ahead for next year - if you would like to become part of our training team plan to attend the Trainer Development Conference April 17 in Santa Maria.

Venture Leader Training will be offered March 27th at Rancho Alegre. This is the adult level training for Venture Crew Advisors.

Venture Leader Training for youth is being offered in February at Rancho Alegre.

We will be offering additional training this coming month for both Cub Scout and Boy Scout level leaders. Remember-- you do not have to take the trainings in strict order, so if you missed the New Leader Essentials you can still come to the Leader specific trainings and pick up the NLE session later.

- Nov. 13- Roundtable- Don Stillman will speak on counseling for Citizenship Merit Badges
- Nov. 19- Wednesday- Cub Leader Basic and Cub Committee Training - 6-9 pm Council Office
- TBD-- BALOO and WELOT will be offered - possibly in December - check this site for updates or come to Roundtable for sign ups and detailed information.

An excellent opportunity to develop new skills and to make new friends in other units will be coming up January 24, 2004 in Oxnard at the Cub Leaders POW-WOW. There are many different sessions available and you can sign up at www.vccbsa.org. We will be taking sign ups locally for transportation. We'd like to fill a bus! Contact Scott Bartholomew at the District/Council Office or Eve Giroux at payroll@sbceo.org to sign up- the sooner the better!

In addition to our local training the Live Oak District (Santa Maria/Lompoc) will be offering a one day format for all leaders on Saturday, November 15th in Buellton. They will be starting at 8 am with Youth Protection followed by New Leader Essentials at 9:30. Leader Specific training will begin at 11:45 - Cub, Pack and Committee trainings take approximately 3 hours, while Boy Scout Leader Training lasts 5 hours. If you are interested in this date, call 925-1955 to enroll and get further directions.

Be sure and check the Council calendar and attend Roundtable to get the latest information on training opportunities locally and around the Council. Don't forget that we will also bring the training to you. Just pick a date and time at least three weeks in advance and we will send a team to your unit. Contact me at jpbauer@rain.org.

Remember to be a Quality Unit (we wouldn't want to be anything less than "quality" for our youth now would we??) at least 50 % of all direct contact leaders need to be trained for the position they are currently holding. So be sure and get the information turned in to Dave Gore ASAP that he requested about the trained status of your units leaders. We discovered that in order to have information accepted by *Scoutnet* we must provide a month and year for the trainings taken. If you cannot remember exactly, it is OK to approximate, as long as we have a month and year. So check those old "trained" cards you've been collecting so we can bring the records up to date. Who knows? You may even find that you are qualified to receive a knot or other training award!

I am sure that each of you is off to a great start with your Pack or Troop this Fall, and I'd like to remind you that you are not alone. Make use of the many resources available to help you deliver the promise of Scouting to the youth in your units. As Waite Phillips said "Regardless of ability no one individual can accomplish and complete anything worthwhile without direct or indirect cooperation from others". Have a great month.

Mentoring: Faces of the Future, Part 4

Scott Bartholomew, Senior District Executive

Youth of every age can benefit from constructive, one-on-one interaction with adults and peers beyond the home and hearth of the family.

In today's society, constructive, one-on-one interaction with adults and peers is not available for many youth. As divorce rates climb and dual-worker households steadily increase, fewer children receive full-time parental supervision or have positive role models in their lives.

Fortune magazine recently reported that the number one indicator of a child's success is a good relationship with a caring adult. It also reported that children who are connected with their parents, families, and friends are more likely to realize their dreams and avoid negative outcomes.

When temptation abounds, youth need guidance from positive role models and adult mentors to help them avoid negative obstacles that impede their future success. Scouting builds positive relationships between youth and adults, as well as youth and their peers, as a support network to guide youth through the challenges of adolescence, their teen years, and beyond.

To ensure that youth are always protected, the BSA requires two-deep leadership for all meetings and activities, as well as special youth protection training for volunteers to help them recognize signs of abuse and neglect.

Cub Scout Training News

By Eve Giroux, Cub Scout Trainer

TIGER CUB ADVANCEMENT

To begin his path to the Tiger Cub rank, a boy first learns (1) the Tiger Cub motto, (2) the Cub Scout sign and (3) the Cub Scout salute. When he has done these, he is awarded the Tiger Cub belt totem at a pack meeting. This is a plastic paw that he wears on his belt. It has space for four strands of totem beads – the first three strands are for the achievement totem beads, the fourth strand is for Tiger Track beads (electives).

As the boy completes each part of the achievements, he is awarded either an orange, white, or black totem bead in a simple ceremony at the den meeting. When he has completed all parts of the five achievements and earned his 15 totem beads the Tiger Cub badge is presented to the adult partner at the next pack meeting. In an impressive ceremony, the adult partner in turn presents the badge to the boy.

After earning the Tiger Cub badge, the boy is encouraged to work on elective activities in his book. When he completes 10 electives, he earns a Tiger Track bead, which is presented at the next pack meeting.

More information can be found in the Cub Scout Leader Book, section 19, page 5. If you have questions, you may contact me and I will try to find the answer.

PACK TRAINER

As the charters are being renewed, now is the time to recruit a good Pack Trainer. You might consider someone who has a few years experience working with Cub Scouts and might not even have a son involved in Cub Scouts. You might think of someone who enjoyed the program and is willing to train the new leaders coming in. The Pack Trainer should be willing to attend a trainer development conference and be willing to work with the district training committee.

UPCOMING TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR CUB SCOUTERS

- Thursday, November 13th: Roundtable, 7:00 pm at the LDS Church - 2107 Santa Barbara Street. Saturday,
- November 15th, in Buellton: All training needed to become "Trained" - Youth Protection, New Leader Essentials, and Leader Specific Training. You are asked to RSVP to 925-1955 or sign up at the Scout Office. This one-day format is a great opportunity to complete your training. Buellton is nice drive and is not far!
- Wednesday, November 19th, at the Scout Office in S.B.: Cub Scout Leader Specific Training. 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. RSVP to 964-4098 to sign up. This is the last Leader Specific training in Santa Barbara for 2003 - don't let it pass you up if you need this segment!
- Saturday, January 24th, in Oxnard: Passport to Adventure - Cub Scout Pow Wow 2004. Whether you are a new or seasoned traveler, Cub Scout Leader's Pow Wow is a fun-filled and exciting destination. Choose four classes to attend from "Classic Derbies" to "Knots" to "Pack Web Page Creation" to "Games" and on and on. Visit Ventura County Council's web page at www.vccbsa.org for detailed information and to download a registration form. Classes will fill up fast, so sign up early. These classes are great for parents of scouts! Call Eve Giroux at 964-4098 if you are interested in going together on a bus. (This is also the same day as the Scouting for Food flyer drop off.)
- Friday & Saturday, February 20th - 21st, Webelos Outdoor Training at Rancho Alegre. This class is specialized training for Webelos volunteers, not just leaders, in outdoor skills & activity badges. This will be great preparation for the upcoming Boy Scout Camporee, which invites Webelos to participate.
- Saturday, February 21st, BALOO at Rancho Alegre. Basic adult Leader Outdoor Orientation covers everything you need to know to plan and run a pack overnigher. More than just camping - it included ideas for outdoor activities, games ceremonies, camping equipment and hands-on cooking demonstrations.
- Saturday, April 17th, Trainer Development Conference. This class is for all Pack Trainers and trainers on the District level.
- May 15th, Webelos Outdoor Training at Camp French.

- Cub Scout Leader Specific Training will be offered some time in January or February and again on May 26th (especially for new leaders for fall - get a good head start).

Contact me if you at questions concerning the above information.

Eve Giroux

Cub Scout Training Vice Chairman
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Den Chief Training

By Zea Bauer, South Coast District Training Chair

On September 27th, seven Boy Scouts came together for Den Chief Training. The boys were trained by long-time Cub Leaders Lenn Spear and Bob Heiduk. Attendees were



Daniel Helkey, Brendan O'Connell, & Boyce Hinds (Troop 1); Patrick Burgess (Troop 105); Brian Lovelace & Ethan Brown (Troop 36); and Sam Clevenger (Troop 26). A few of the boys still have not been assigned Dens. If you need a qualified Den Chief to assist you, contact the Scoutmaster at the Troops given above to see if the boys are still seeking assignment.

2005 National Jamboree: July 17-August 3, 2005

By Mark Johnston

Since 1937, the Boy Scouts of America have held 15 National Scout Jamborees. The first one was held at the base of the Washington Monument on the Mall in our nation's capital.

The 2005 National Scout Jamboree will be held at Fort A. P. Hill located in the rolling hills of Caroline County, Virginia, following a one week tour of Washington D C and its surrounding historical sites.

To qualify a Scout must be First Class and have attained their 12th birthday by July 1, 2005. Also, his 18th birthday must occur after August 2, 2005. To attend the Jamboree, there will be several pre-jamboree training experiences. Each Scout must have a current Class 1 personal health and medical form on file for all pre-events and the Jamboree itself. Additionally, he is required to be active in his troop for at least six months prior to July 1, 2005.

The fee for this once in a life time experience is between \$ 2200.- \$2,400. The local council committee is still working out the fine details. The cost will include the jamboree fee, travel and tour costs, meals, lodging, unit and patrol equipment, accident and sickness insurance, and the cost of pre jamboree training.

Inquire at the Los Padres Council Service Center (967-0105) to see if your teenage son qualifies to attend the 2005 National Jamboree. And find out how you can sign up for this exciting Scouting experience.

Scouting in the Community: The Goleta Lemon Festival

By Scott Bartholomew, Senior District Scout Executive

The South Coast District was well represented at the Goleta Lemon Festival. Pack 7 was asked if they would assist on Saturday by getting the annual survey sheets filled out by those visiting. It was heartwarming to see those young people interact with their clipboards in hand and in full uniform.

Pictured below is Dwight Morey, South Coast's Membership Chairman. This booth was sponsored by the Sares-Regis Group in Goleta. We were able to see many interested families and have leads on at many potential Cub Scouts for the Goleta area. It was good to have such visibility at the Lemon Festival. Often people would stop by and retell Scouting stories and the impact Scouting has had on their lives. It was reported that over 20,000 people from all over Southern and Central California were in attendance.



Order of the Arrow News

By Ryan Sloane, Canalino Chapter Chief

Good Morning all, this is Ryan Sloane, Order of the Arrow Canalino Chapter chief giving you all a heads up on what's new. First off, I'd like to send out congratulations to Canalino's newest Vigil Honor members: Gerard Powers, Tom Gross, Wayne Rascati, and myself. They all passed their ordeal and were awarded this during the last Fellowship at Rancho Alegre on October 17-19. Speaking of which, Fall Fellowship itself was a big success. Canalino Chapter handled the shooting sports, and thanks to William "Sarge" Gordon Jr. we all had a lot of fun with 22's. There was a large showing of people and the weekend was very enjoyable.



On October 12, Canalino had a meeting at Denny's Restaurant. We had around a dozen people in attendance, one of the largest numbers in a long time. We were able to accomplish a lot of business including elections and finalization of the plans for Fellowship. For those of you who came, thanks a lot. I hope to see more of you at the next one.-- which by the way is likely on January 11. More information on that will be coming through e-mail though.

As far as elections go, Mathew Bixby has volunteered and was appointed to be Election Chairmen. He will be in charge of the Order of the Arrow ordealee elections this year. He will be at the December round Table to give a presentation of sorts to the Scoutmasters on this. For those of you who are Scoutmasters, think about a good day for some representatives to arrive and hold an election. Thank you.

Otherwise, there isn't much more to say. So far, this year has been going great, and I can only hope that it continues into next year. I hope to see all of you OA members at the Conclave, March 19-21 at Firestone Camp. Talk, sort of, to you all later. Have a great series of holidays.

Religious Emblem Awards

By Wayne Rascati, District Chaplain

It's not too late for a presentation on Religious Emblems – particularly at Cub Scout Packs in the South Coast District. I have already made a presentation to Pack 105 with one scheduled for Pack 36. Encourage your Scouts to work on the principles of Duty to God.

If you have not already begun preparation for Scout Sunday or Sabbath Services in early February, now is the time to contact your religious leader. Wouldn't it be great if Scouts were highly visible and recognized at all religious services over the weekend of February 7 and 8? Scout Sunday/Sabbath is a great time to recognize all Scouts who have earned a religious emblem.

I want to thank Scout Executive Dave Tate for appointing to me the Council's new Relationships Committee. The Committee consisting of representatives from the

major faith communities of our Council and geographic areas met in Santa Maria on November 7th to organize and plan for the future. Joining us were Dave Tate and Bruce Davis, Area 4 Vice President for Relationships from the San Gabriel Valley Council.

A number of participants at the recently completed Woodbadge session at Camp French chose religious recognition items for their diversity-related ticket item. I have already been contacted about scheduling Chaplain Aid Training in the Santa Maria and Atascadero areas. Any unit which has Scouts willing to give approximately two hours one evening to learn to be a Chaplain Aid should contact me at WRascati@cox.net to set up a time.

High Adventure Awards

By Wayne Rascati

This month we turn to the waters for the Los Padres Council's **Aquatic Adventure** Patch. The following requirements apply to earning this patch.

*This is part 7 of a series on units earning unique high adventure awards for their Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts. For more information regarding these patches and others, check out the **High Adventures Awards Book** or the **Cub Adventure Awards Book** at your Scout Office.*

1. Any type of craft may be used so long as it is safe and compliant with all state and federal laws.
2. Each aquatic adventure shall be at least four days on water using an appropriate craft. All equipment shall be carried in the craft daily, the unit breaking and setting a fresh camp daily.
3. Comply with the General Requirements. (In addition to all the common sense rules explained in the General Requirements, at least one individual should have Safety Afloat, Safe Swim, First Aid, CPR.)
4. Each participant must be able to: Swim 100 yards, perform mouth to mouth resuscitation, perform J-stroke, sweep stroke, backwater stroke, draw stroke, rudder stroke – both bow, crossbow and stern. Demonstrate how to trim craft, swamp and being swamped craft to shore. Perform exchanging places in craft. Perform exiting and entering craft in deep water.
5. Study Canoe Merit Badge Book and follow safety rules and requirements.

CHARTER RENEWAL PACKAGES NOW DUE

Units should be completing their Charter Renewal Packages and have them ready to turn in no later than the Roundtable on Thursday, December 11. Remember that in order for you to be a Quality Unit, timely submission of your Charter Renewal Package is a MUST. If you need help completing the forms, contact your Unit Commissioner.

College of Commissioner Science and Rally

January 31st, 2004

Ventura Council Conference Center

Rally: 8:00am - 9:00am

College: 9:00am ~ 5:00pm

The above program is being presented by the Ventura Council Commissioner Staff. South Coast Commissioner Larry Basham has arranged for participants from our area to attend. There are certain prerequisite courses to attend. Check out the Ventura Council website at <http://www.vccbsa.org/Commissioners/index.htm>. For additional information contact South Coast Commissioner Larry Basham.

SCOUTS IN ACTION

CITIZENSHIP MERIT BADGE POW-WOW: Veteran Scouter Don Stillman is conducting a Citizenship Merit Badge (Community, Nation, World) Seminar at the Scout Service Center. The program is planned to run 4 consecutive Saturday mornings (January 10, 17, 24, 31) from 10:00 am to 11:30 am. Reservations (967-0105) are required to ensure that adequate materials are available for all participants.

BACKPACKING FEAT: This past Summer, Troop 26 Eagle Scout Bryan Bridge; Derek Hitchman (former Troop 26 Scout now residing in South Africa); and Bryan's dad Phil Bridge did a 226 mile backpacking trip on the John Muir Trail between Tuolumne Meadows and Mount Whitney and back out. Bryan noted that they had rain 14 out of the 16 days on the trail. Along the way, there were two pre-arranged food drops. Their first day consisted of a 27 mile trip from Tuolumne Meadows out of Yosemite as a limbering up exercise. They were bussed back to Tuolumne Meadows to begin the 199 mile trip to Whitney and back. Bryan hiked Philmont in August 2002 with Crew 105 and attended the National Jamboree in 2001.

EAGLE SCOUT RECOGNITION: Congratulations to new Eagle Scout Gerard Powers of Troop 122 in Goleta. Gerard's Court of Honor is Saturday, November 15. In addition to being one of the Council's newest Eagle Scouts, Gerard is Lodge Chief of Chumash Lodge of the Order of the Arrow and one of the Lodge's newest Vigil Honor members. Congratulations Gerard.

CHRISTMAS TREES: Consider purchasing your Yuletide Tree from one of the Scout Tree Lots in the South Coast Area. Pack/Troop/Crew 105 is at St. Raphael's Church on Hollister Avenue in Goleta. Troop 36 is at Long's Drug on Calle Real in Goleta. Carpinteria Units Pack (Troops 50 and 147) have a combined lot. These are the major fundraisers for these units. Support Scouting!

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District calendar

November 2003

- 13 Roundtable
- 15 Leader Training (one day program)
sponsored by Live Oak District in
Buellton
- 19 Cub Leader Basic and Cub Committee
Training, Scout Service Center

December 2003

- 11 Roundtable **Charter Renewal
Packages are due!!!!**
- 13-14 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills,
Rancho Alegre

January 2004

- 14 Roundtable
- 24 Scouting for Food Bag Drop-Off
- 24 Passport to Adventure: Cub Scout
PowWow, Oxnard
- 24 Council Awards Dinner, Santa Ynez
- 31 Scouting for Food Bag Pick-up

February 2004

- 7-8 Scout Sabbath/Sunday Weekend
- 13 Roundtable
- 20-21 Webelos Outdoor Training (RA)
- 21 BALOO Training, Rancho Alegre

March 2004

- 19-21 OA Conclave, Firestone Scout Camp

April 2004

- 15 Roundtable (Safe Swim
Defense/Safety Afloat Training)
- 17 Trainer Development Conference

August 2004

- 1-13 Council Philmont Contingent-inquire at
the Scout Service Center or your
teenage son can qualify.