

BOY SCOUTS
OF
AMERICA

DISTRICT CHAIRMAN JIM SHECKELS:

Hello to the District! Leaders, you are doing an awesome job this summer. I understand Day Camp was a BLAST and the Cubs, leaders, and guests had an outta this world experience! News from Troops at summer camp tell; that they are having a great time, garnering many, many merit badges and experiences to bring home. Your summer program is absolutely key to your unit's continued success and retention of our Scouts through the year.

For a little bit of business – we are in need of a Marketing Chairman for the District. A person with a good background in Marketing is key; Scouting experience is desirable, but I believe we can teach what is needed to a person with the marketing experience. If you know of someone with this experience that would enjoy telling Scouting's message to Cumberland County, please pass his or her name to me or to the District Executive.

We continue to accept our thoughts and nominations for the 2006 District Officers and Committee Members. We will need to find new faces to serve in several positions. Please check the District Web site, and click on the link for District Officers to see a line chart of the District. All of these positions are open for your recommendations and nominations.

DISTRICT EXECUTIVE PATRICK HEFFERAN:

Hi, all,

With deepest regrets, I have decided to resign as the Senior District Executive of Kia Kima District. My resignation will be effective as of August 5, 2005. This will give us an opportunity to complete a few projects and have a great exciting report for the next District Executive. This decision was not made lightly, as I thoroughly enjoyed my experience working with the Boy Scouts of America, particularly Learning for Life.

Kia Kima accomplished a great deal this year. We managed to exceed our Popcorn and Friends of Scouting Campaign Goals, while honoring Dr. J. Ernest Johnson in the process. It looks like we are in great shape for Join Scouting Night and looks as though we will have a few new units to place those lucky boys in. We were able to offer everyone lots of exciting programs, even slipping in a few training courses. Our Commissioner staff continues to strive for excellence, achieving a 100% unit retention. The council even agreed to change in-school scouting into its own sub-district. We've accomplished these tasks as a team and I'm certain that you will be able to handle things very well until you get a new executive.

Hopefully, they'll hire someone from the Southern Service Area for this, as I have come to see that executives from the Central Service Area really have a hard time adjusting to Cumberland County. My heart longed for Wake County where my fiancé lives. I'm sure that you all knew that. Still, remember that the Oconeechee Council works for you and your youth. They are there to help make things easier for the volunteers and not harder.

Although I appreciate the opportunities I have had in this position, I feel that my talents could best be utilized elsewhere. I cannot begin to tell you all how much your dedication to Scouting means to me and the youth you serve. I can also not thank you enough for all that you have done for me personally and professionally. It is just in the last few months the additional work on nights and weekends has made it much more difficult for me to maintain a good balance between my work and my personal life.

As I told John Akerman, Occoneechee Council Scout Executive, I will be happy to assist the Occoneechee Council with the transition to a new District Executive in anyway I can. In fact, in the future I do plan on continuing my affiliation with the Boy Scouts through volunteer work. Thank you again for the opportunity to help you foster this wonderful program.

Respectfully yours,
Patrick T. Hefferan

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER RICKY FLOWERS:

Join Scouting Night is quickly approaching. The council wide dates are set for 8 and 13 of September. Make sure your units are informed and are preparing for this important event. Also, remind them of the Boy's Life subscription increase to \$12 effective 1 September 2005.

The Council's "University of Scouting" catalog will be available by 1 August. You may start registering on 1 September. The DE and the District Roundtable commissioners will have a copy of the catalog. You may also go on line at WWW.OCCONEECHEECOUNCIL.INFO/UOS/. If you would like to volunteer or have suggestions, contact Sue Herring, the university chancellor at Sue36herr@aol.com. The College of Commissioner Science is offering degrees in Roundtable Science. This program is for both Roundtable Commissioners and Roundtable Staff. The dean of this program is Patch Perry.

Bonnie Williamson, the Council's ACC for Records, is encouraging all commissioners to take the time to fill out their advancement cards and send them in to her. Also, if you are a commissioner and NOT registered with a unit, you qualify to receive service stars on your anniversary date. If you are interested, visit the following site and provide the requested info.
www.occoneecheecouncil.info/Commissioner/Service/svc_stars.html.

Update: Phase 2 of the Internet Re-chartering will allow units to do online advancement records. It will also allow units to transfer members from the Pack to the Troop or Troop to the Crew (youth and adults). You can also transfer a youth to adult membership. Over the last 6 months, Council has changed from DSL to a T1 line to improve both ScoutNet response time and security. National is requiring all Council's to switch to Virtual Private Network (VPN) connectivity because of its higher security capabilities.

*** Some of you are familiar with Grassroot.org and their help with various scouting issues. They have an online signup page for showing our support of a bill to allow BSA to use military bases, including the Jamboree site at Fort AP Hill, Virginia. If you are interested, I would encourage each of you to visit the site and voice your opinion. www.grassfire.org/2/petition.asp.

We have a new sponsor this year. The Chevrolet Company has announced it will sponsor the "Run for Cub Scouting" campaign this year and provide pinewood derby kits for all councils. Look for TV and other forms of advertisements. Make sure you thank the local Chevy dealers for their support of BSA.

DISTRICT VICE CHAIRMAN PROGRAM SADIE JACKSON:

This year we have been blessed to have new people on the program committee that are dedicated to the boys in scouting. We are looking forward to a wonderful summer full of fun and adventure for all the youth in the Boy Scout Program, yes girls in the crews as well. We are getting ready to do the annual mid year planning and if you have anything you would like to see added or done away with please let me know so I can submit it to the District. My email is sjackson741@nc.rr.com or telephone 910-425-7803.

We still need volunteers for different committees on the program side. If you would like to work on a committee please let me know what your preference is. Shirley Battle will head the Pinewood Derby Committee at this time and other staff members are Wayne Chandler Sr., Dave Ethington, and Rosemarie Gore. The Day Camp Director for 2006 will be Dave Ethington and Assistant Director Deborah Abbott.

District Advancement Chairman Barry Swift:

Day Camp is over and summer camp is still on going, a lot of great summer-time activities for our Scouts. As usual, some of them will, accomplish requirements for advancement. It is the Scout's unit (pack/troop) that must keep accurate advancement records and report them to Council on the unit advancement Report. Camps don't do this. Please submit these reports quickly so nothing falls between the cracks between now and the end of the summer. And have a great summer with your families.

For the District Schedule: The Council Advancement Committee meets five times a year, the second Tuesday of the odd month except July. The dates for 2005 are September 13th and November 15th. For 2006 they are January 10th, March 9th, September 12th and November 14th. A possible event for 2006 is to offer a merit badge weekend or Saturday. It's an idea at this time.

District Civic Service and Activities Chairman Shirley Battle:

We finally got the names of the winners in the District Pinewood Derby and I am please to pass them on to the District:

SPEED:

- 1st Place – Matt Hall Pack 745
- 2nd Place – Scout Marinelli Pack 751
- 3rd Place – Nathan McKay Pack 756

MOST UNSUSUAL

- 1ST Place – Robert Crocker Pack 771
- 2nd Place – Zack Adams Pack 797
- 3rd Place – Kenneth Parker Pack 742

BEST LOOKING

- 1st Place – David Rideaux – Pack 29
- 2nd Place – Jace Tallaferra Pack 746
- 3rd Place – Troy Augustine

Some up coming events for July and August that some of might be interested in attending are:

- July 2 – Cross Creek Mall 's 30the Birthday, Cross Creek Mall 8am – 11AM Admission - Free
- July 2 – Free Day at the Cape Fear Botanical Garden 10AM –5PM
- July 4 – 4th of July Celebration Hope Mills 3: 00 Parade and lots of fun activities afterwards
- July 4 – 4th of July Celebration Ft. Bragg 3:30 PM Admission - Free
- July 6 – Teen Zone, Cliffdale Regional Branch Library 3:00 PM Admission Free
- July 9 – Make-It-Take-It “Fireworks Art”, Fascinate-U Children’s Museum –11AM – 2PM - Free
- July 12 – Teen Zone, East Regional Branch Library. 6:30 PM - Free
- July 16 – Super Science Saturday “Solar Stone Compass” – Fascinate-U Children’s Museum - Free
- JULY 18 -- BACK TO SCHOOL FOR YEAR ROUND SCHOOLS
- July 21 – Fayetteville After Five, 839 Stamper Road 5:30PM – 8:30 PM - Free
- July 22 – The Art’s Council ‘s Fourth Friday, Downtown Fayetteville 7:oo PM – 10:00 PM - Free
- July 22 – Make a Pierced Sun Catcher, Fascinate-U Children’s Museum 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM - Free
- July 28 – Arsenal Roundtable – Museum of the Cape Fear Historical Complex 7:00 PM – Free
- July 3-5-7-9-12-15-16 –21-22-25-26-28-30 – Fayetteville Swampdogs 7:05 PM

Admission: Adult \$7.00 Military \$5.00 Children \$4.00

NASA COMPUTER SPACE CAMP Fascinate-U Children’s Museum –Call for Dates 829-9171 – Time 9AM – 4PM (M-F) Call for Price

- August 6 – Free Day at eh Cape Fear Botanical Garden 10:00 AM – 5 PM
- August 6 – 7 – Gun and Knife Show, Crown Expo Center -- Time TBA Admission Unknown
- August 14 – World War II Dedication, Freedom Memorial Park, Time TBA –Free
- August 18 – Fayetteville After Five, 839 Stamper Road 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM – Free
- August 20 – National KIDSDAY2005, Boys and Girls Club, 1018 Rochester Drive 9AM-2PM - Free
- August 20 – Airborne Heritage Day, Airborne & Special OP Museum 9AM –5PM – Fee unknown

AUGUST 25 –BACK TO SCHOOL FOR TRADITIONAL SCHOOLS

August 26 – The Arts Council’s Fourth Friday, Downtown Fayetteville 7PM –10PM-Free

August 28 – Living Off the Land Part III, Museum of the Cape Fear Historical Complex 2PM—Free

September 10 – Festival of Yesteryear, Museum of the Cape Fear Historical Complex 10AM – 5PM Free

September 15 – Fayetteville After Five, 839 Stamper Road 5:30PM – 8:30PM, Free

September 15 –24 Cumberland County Fair, Crown Expo Center - Time TBA, Admission TBA

September 18 – Live at The Arsenal, Museum of The Cape Fear Historical Complex –1PM –5PM—Free

District Outdoor Chairman Sherry Unruh:

We now have a Spring Camporee Chief. His name is Jerry Wilson. The tentative date is April 28-30,2006. More information to come later.

Day Camp Director Ricky Flowers:

Even though Day Camp for this year is completed, I hope all 180+ boys we had at camp are still thinking of model airplanes, rockets and the NASA presentation. The following is an approximate breakdown of units and boys attending camp. Keep in mind some of the Packs and boys were from Tuocs. Pack 29 –10, Pack 171-1, Pack 752-2, Pack 573-1, Pack 700-1, Pack 701-7, Pack 707-1, Pack 709-8, Pack 740-34, Pack 742-13, Pack 746-18, Pack 747 33, Pack 751-7, Pack 756-10, Pack 771-10, Pack 776-1, Pack 782-2, Pack 787-2, Pack 797-9, Pack 957-11.

Many, many folks gave freely of their time, efforts and energy to make the camp the success it was. Thanks to Patrick Hefferan and Danny Maffia for lining up the newspaper reporter and photographer and the TV station to cover the boys firing their rockets. In case you missed the article, look on Page 1B and 4B in the 24 June newspaper. Many thanks to Reilly Road Farmer Market, Gus’ Bait and Tackle, Lake Rim Fish Hatchery and the NC Forestry Service, the Green Beret Sports Parachute Club. Edward McKay Book Store, NASA, AHEC, and many others who provided various items to the camp.

The den leaders and youth staff did a great job with their large dens. Those adults and youth staff working the activity areas did their usual great job. To all the other staff that could only join us for a limited time period thank you for joining us. Sadie, Noelle, Beth (Danny Maffia’s friend) thank all of you for all your help in the office. Last, but by no means least, many, many thanks to Debbie Abbott and Dave Ethington (our program directors) for their tremendous help and expertise. As soon as next year’s theme has been selected, you will be informed. Those of you, who have already volunteered for next year, thank you. See you at Day Camp 2006.

OA Chapter Advisor Pat McCoy:

OA Chapter Chief Nick Oschner:

Hello everyone! For our June Chapter Meeting, Lumbee Anilorac slowed down a little bit, and had a cook-out-graciously hosted buy John Lancaster and his family – THANKS LAMNCASTER FAMILY1

This coming month our July (July 28th) chapter meeting will be held at the Climbing Place, from 7:00 – 9:00 PM. Cost is \$12.00 to climb, and a parental release form will have to be filled out. These forms can be found from a link on the chapter website (www.geocities.com/lumbeeanelorac). I strongly encourage all scoutmasters to visit the various awards available through the lodge, which can be found, by visiting www.lodge104.com or see me at Roundtable.

DISTRICT VICE CHAIRMAN FINANCE STEVE WHEELER:

Don't forget about the upcoming Popcorn Sale. Alma McIntire is District Popcorn Kernel.

The dates to remember are as follows:

- June 15th – September 16th -- Area Kernels contact assigned units to sign-up Unit Kernels and units to participate in the popcorn sale.
- September 5 –16th – District Popcorn Kick-Off Meetings
- September 16th – Last day to submit Show-N-Sell Order
- September 17 –24th – Unit Popcorn Kick-off Conducted to explain program to Scouts and parents, set unit goals. Announce unit sale activities, and distribute sales materials to the Scouts.
- September 30 or October 1st – Show-N-Sell Distribution (date/times set by District Kernel and Warehouses)
- October 1st -- Popcorn Sale Begins
- November 5th – Popcorn Sale Ends
- November 8th – 12:00 Noon, Deadline for Orders Submission, all paperwork (Unit Master Record, Unit Order Settlement Form, and Unit Prize Order Form) are due in Council on this date
- November 18 or 19th – Take Order Distribution (date/times set by District Kernel and Warehouses)
- December 16th -- Popcorn Money Turn In Deadline. Prizes will not be released until after the Unit has paid for all Popcorn and has a zero balance.

DISTRICT VICE CHAIRMAN MEMBERSHIP MATT BOWMAN:

Join Scout night is coming along very well. The unit training will be provided at the July Roundtable. Noelle has done a great job of getting the "Run for Cub Scouting", Join Scouting Night underway. Each unit was contacted to see if they would participate in one or both night. All but one unit responded. The schools have volunteers assigned to place the flyers in them. We do appreciate their coming forward to make this a great effort to put more boys in this wonderful adventure we call "Scouting". We are in the process of bringing in the new units that Patrick has helped us on before he leaves our District. We hope to bring them all in before Patrick leaves us in August as he has been a great help on getting them moving in that direction.

Birthday-Anniversary – Illness—Bereaved:

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| July 01 – Linda Schmidt | July 03 – Nathan W. Davis |
| July 05 – Sharon T. Johnson | July 06 – Robert Baskin |
| July 06 – Michael G. Lallier | July 06 – Robert T. Yandall |
| July 07 – Modena Davis | July 10 – Ernest Szymkowiak |
| July 11 – Gregory Perkins | July 11 – Henry J. Bowden |
| July 12 – David G. Webb | July 13 – Ruth Smith |
| July 15 – Jenna Gillis | July 17 – Jared W. McCullen |
| July 19 – Dennis Cahill Sr. | July 19 – Brandt T. Wood |
| July 22 – Lori Knutson | July 26 – Matthew T. Frinak |
| July 27 – Barbara D. Brady | |

Scout Corner:

Crew 711Marco Lagos:

Crew 711 worked as staff during the 2005 Venture Vortex in West Virginia. Even though we had a smaller crowd than we anticipated everyone had fun. They got to go white water rafting, tubing, and ride rubber ducks down the river. They also learned First Aid and CPR, Wilderness survival and many other activities. Most of the participants were really happy about being able to go to the firearms ranges where they shot

shotguns (trap), Cowboy action shooting (with old style guns), Rifle shooting and Pistol shooting. We had 6 people earn their NRA Certification. Start passing the word around and plan to attend the 2007 Vortex, we would like to get 2500 Ventures at that event.

Pack 29 Rosemarie Gore:

(Editors' Note: I would like to apologize to Pack 29 for deleting this information in error and it took me a little time to find it.)

Pack 29 held their Pack Pinewood Derby race on April 15, 2005. The boys and parents had a great time. These are our winners for the pack. We also had four categories so more boys could receive medals/

Speed:

- 1st Place – Moses McGill (Wolf) 1st Place – David Rideaux (Bear)
- 2nd Place -- Alexander Lavallis (Bear)
- 3rd Place -- Joseph Wallace (Webelos)
- 4th Place – David Hackett (Webelos)

Beauty:

- 2nd Place – Xavier Poe (Bear)
- 3rd Place – Shaun Jones (Webelos)

Unique:

- 1st Place – Myles Rembert (Wolf)
- 2nd Place – Kendall Tyler (Wolf)
- 3rd Place – Shaun Johnson (Webelos)

Unusual:

- 1st Place – Matthew Gibson (Tiger)
- 2nd Place – Antonio Stewart (Bear)
- 3rd Place -- Quitman Starks (Webelos)

Pack 742:

The summer kicked off with a bang for Pack 742 thanks to a great bunch of leaders and parents. In June we had a family picnic and cook out at Arnett Park. We had boys and staff at Kia Kima District Cub Day Camp. From what I hear they had a great time with the rockets, games, crafts, BB guns and Archery, had a great day fishing but really liked watching the Green Beret Sports Parachute Club jumping into Lake Rim for the closing of Day Camp. Oh yeah! The cookout was great and we liked having our families out to join us for the day. Even some of them caught fish.

We then moved on to the Fourth of July Parade at Hope Mills The Pack marched in the parade proudly wearing their new Pack shirts. After the parade they were met by their parents and visited the Boy Scout Troop's booth for refreshments. The dens are meeting all summer and have had some fun outings.

For our August summer event we have a swim and ice cream party planned for the boys, families and leaders.

Cumberland Scout Shop Sherry Unruh Manager:

We are in the middle of our summer break and most of the boys have attended or are attending Summer Camp. Soon to follow will be the '05 National Jamboree. We still have all the items you need to make a success of camping. We continue to receive new items every month so don't forget to stop and look around.

After the Jamboree is over we will be receiving a few items that were left over so if you didn't pick up that souvenir you missed, stop by in the month of August and see what we have.

Round up is coming soon so all you leaders might start thinking about stocking up on the new literature. We have plenty of uniform items on hand to get your new Scout ready for a new year.

District and Council Calendar:

July 07 – District Roundtable MacPherson Presbyterian Church. Annual Cookout 6:30 PM. “Run for Cub Scouting” Join Scout Night Training. Please bring a can of food for the church food closet.

July 09 – District Mid-Year Retreat Hope Mills United Methodist Church

July 16 – Jamboree Load Day

July 18 – District Commissioner Meeting 7:15 PM

July 20 – Venture Roundtable 7:30 PM - Raleigh

July 21 – District Key 3 Meeting 7:00 PM. ---- District Committee Meeting 7:30 PM

July 25 – Newsletter article Due

July 25 –August 3 – National Scout Jamboree

July 27 – Jamboree Day Trip

July 28 – OA Chapter Meeting The Climbing Place 7:00 PM

August 04 – District Roundtable MacPherson Presbyterian Church 7:00 PM. Please bring a can of food for the church food closet.

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August 25 – OA Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM Westminster Presbyterian Church
Newsletter Article Due

September 01 – District Roundtable 7:00 PM MacPherson Presbyterian Church. Please bring a can of food for the church food closet.

September 05 – LABOR DAY –No School

September 09 –11 – Methodist Scout Retreat

September 15 – District Key 3 Meeting 7:00 PM.

District Committee Meeting 7:30 PM. District Elections

September 16 – 18 – OA Fall Fellowship

September 19 – District Commissioner Meeting 7:30 PM

September 21 – Venture Roundtable 7:30 PM – Raleigh

September 22 – OA Chapter Meeting Westminster Presbyterian Church 7:00 PM

September 24 – New Leader Essentials

September 25 – Wood Badge Critter Dinner

September 25 - -Newsletter Article Due

September 25 – OA Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM Westminster Presbyterian Church

September 30 – Popcorn Show-N-Sell Signup

October 03 –Rosh Hashana

October 06 – District Roundtable 7:00 PM MacPherson Presbyterian Church. Please bring a can of food for the church food closet.

October 08 – BALOO

October 10 – COLUMBUS DAY –No School

October 12 – IOLS #1

October 13 –Yom Kippur

October 14-16 – OA Vigil Gathering --- Council Camporee

October 17 – District Commissioner Meeting 7:15 PM

October 19 – Kia Kima District Adult Fellowship Dinner --- Venture roundtable – Raleigh

October 20 – District Key 3 Meeting 7:00 PM -- District Committee Meeting 7:30 PM

October 21 – 23 – IOLS Session # 2

October 25 – Newsletter article Due

October 27 – OA Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM Westminster Presbyterian Church

