

KIA KIMA DISTRICT NEWSLETTER
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DISTRICT CHAIRMAN JIM SHECKELS:

Hello to each of you. We have had a fairly busy summer for our units, and are now into the fall season – schools starting a New Year, Popcorn Sales, Round-up, and FUN FUN FUN.

The District Nominating Committee has met twice and we are very near completing the slate of District Officers and Members. ALL CURRENT DISTRICT OFFICERS, MEMBERS-AT-LARGE, CHARTERED ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVES, and COUNCIL EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS RESIDING IN THE DISTRICT are asked to attend and VOTE – LET YOUR VOTE COUNT! I ask that each of you RSVP to me (kk-commissioner@earthlink.net) so that I can ensure we have the appropriate room reserved for our meeting. We plan to meet at St. James Lutheran Church beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Anyone that has any more names to submit for nomination and consideration for any District position should do so IMMEDIATELY – submit them to the District Chairman so I can get interviews coordinated with the Nominating Committee or appropriate Vice Chairman.

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER RICKY FLOWERS:

With school starting back and a really busy summer the District Commissioner is working very hard. He will be doing the Cub Roundtable and have a news article next month.

DISTRICT VICE CHAIRMAN FINANCE STEVE WHEELER:

District Popcorn Kernel Alma McIntire:

At the present time we have only 19 units showing signed up in Raleigh. They are:
Pack 29 – Troop 29 – Pack 701 – Troop 709 – Pack 740 – Troop 740 – Pack 742 – Troop 742 – Crew 742 – Pack 745 – Troop 745 – Pack 746 – Troop 746 – Pack 751 – Pack 7456 – Crew 711 – Pack 771 – Troop 771 – Pack 797 – Troop 797. If you have sent in your form to participate please let me know. If you have not and plan on taking part this year please get it in ASAP as the deadline is drawing near.

Unit Kernel popcorn training will be held on 1 September at Roundtable at 1900 hours. The unit packets will be given out at that time so please see that your Unit Popcorn Kernel (or someone from your unit) is present.

Last day for Units to sign up for selling popcorn is 16 September 2005. It is also the date that Show-N-Sale orders must be in to Raleigh. If you unit has not signed up and you wish to sell popcorn please let me know. Alma McIntire 426-3394 or Furball2@earthlink.net.

DISTRICT VICE CHAIRMAN MEMBERSHIP MATT BOWMAN:

The flyers for the schools are in and in the hands of the volunteers. They will be placed in the schools on Thursday September 2nd for distribution on Friday September 3rd. Thank you to Becky Sheckels for arranging for the staff to meet at Hope Mills United Methodist Church Sunday August 28th. Those present were Matt Bowman, Noelle Huff, Pat McCoy, Gay Autry, Debbie Abbott, Shirley Dietrich and Sadie Jackson. Also present were two young men who helped load all the materials into cars.

The turn in on both September 8th and 13th will be at the Scout office. If you have any questions or need any additional supplies please let either myself or Noelle know.

DISTRICT VICE CHAIRMAN PROGRAM SADIE JACKSON:

Kia Kima District has a lot of equipment and materials that are used for Camporee, Day Camp, Training and other District events. All of this has to be stored as it is too much to store at someone's house and to have easy access to it. For two years we have been fortunate in that the storage company has given us free rent. We now have to pay \$25.00 a month and have for about 8 months. The District is not allowed to have any money of it's own so a few volunteers have been paying the storage fee. This really needs another solution and since this equipment and supplies benefit the entire district we are asking for donations each month to pay the rent. If each unit would donate \$1.00 (more if you wish) a month it would be paid without any one person having to pay the bill.

There will be a donation container at Roundtable each month. Thank you for helping in this matter.

The Annual Kia Kima Fellowship dinner sign up sheets will be at the Roundtable. The dinner will be October 19th at Ryan's Steak House on Raeford Road at 6:30 p.m. So for a night of good fellowship, relaxing and fun come on out, bring your spouse and enjoy being with other volunteers.

I would like to thank Matthew Bowman for accepting the Chairman position for the Kia Kima Annual Recognition Dinner next spring. I am sure he will be calling on some of you for your help.

Advancement Chairman Barry Swift:

Our long, hot August is over and its back to school and Scouting in, hopefully, an invigorating fall. To better prepare us, here are some helpful comments.

In Cub Scouting, adults, including parents, do the instructing and advancement "signoffs".

In Boy Scouting, the older and more experienced youth do the rank advancement instructing/signoffs with adult oversight. Parents need to be educated on this difference in the two programs. As for merit badges, the registered counselor does the counseling and sign-off. A parent registered as a counselor may counsel their son, though most experienced Scouters have learned that Scouts benefit more working with a non-relative. A merit badge counselor must be at least 18 years old. An 18 -20 year old youth registered in a Venturing Crew is an adult in Boy Scouts and may be registered as a merit badge counselor. And finally, submit Unit Advancement Reports to Council expeditiously and use the Scout's name as he is registered, no nicknames.

Civic Activities and Service Shirley Dietrich:

September 15 - 24 the Cumberland County Fair will be going strong and so will the Boy Scouts. This year we will have a booth at the fair and each unit may take a part in it if they wish. Information will be available at Roundtable. We would like to have your input and ideas.

Outdoor Chairman Sherry Unruh:

2005 Council Boy Scout Camporee:

Date: October 7th - 9th 2005

Place: North Carolina Highway Patrol Training Center
(Intersection of Old Garner road and Tyron Road)

Cub Scouts are invited to come up on Saturday October 8th to participate in a Cub Field Day. There will be no overnight camping for Packs due to lack of space.

OA Chapter Chief Nick Oschner:

Greetings all! Happy September ... the best month of the year, not only because it 's my birthday in six days, but because it means Occoneechee Lodge's Fall Fellowship weekend is right around the corner. As the name implies, this weekend id full of fellowship opportunities, Brotherhood opportunities for those looking to seal their membership into the order who've been a brother for at least ten months, and lastly, the second opportunity for candidates tapped out this past spring to go through their Ordeal.

September also means that soon we will be gathering as a council at out Council Camporee, which is being heavily supported by Occoneechee Lodge this year. Hopefully every troop is preparing for the weekend of fun at the NC Highway Patrol Training Center in Garner NC, and all of the packs are anxiously awaiting their day trip as the lodge will be featuring an Indian Village to give everyone a better look at American Indian Affairs.

Finally don't forget that it's still not too late to turn in your awards for this year's Winter Banquet, forms for all lodge awards can be found on line at www.lodge104.com, or by asking myself for a copy.

Wood Badge Critter Dinner:

Annual Wood Badge Critter Dinner is September 25, 2005 at Holland United Methodist Church, 9433 Ten-Ten Mile Road, Raleigh. The cost of \$20.00 covers the food, memorabilia, and donation for Wood Badge Scholarship Fund. Non-Wood Badge significant others may attend for \$10.00. (This is for the meal only.) Adults only, please.

There are three ways to qualify to attend. 1) you must have earned your beads and have them presented. 2) you are working your ticket from the practical phase and have not completed the ticket plus the time limit has not expired, or 3) if you have completed your ticket but have not had your beads presented. (You should indicate on your registration form if you wish to have your beads presented but YOU MUST contact your Wood Badge Course Director and make the arrangements with your Wood Badge Course Director.)

Applications are on the Council website www.occoneecheecouncil.info.

BIRTHDAY – ANNIVERSARY – ILLNESS – BEREAVED:

Birthdays:

September 01 – Paula Batton
September 06 – Roland Unruh
September 11 – Jon M. Hyatt
September 11 – Willie R. Jones
September 12 – James W. Swann Jr.
September 13 – Lacy Graham
September 14 – Cheryl Guichard
September 18 – Tammy L. Pribble
September 20 – Jack A. Young
September 21 – Beverly R. Hall
September 24 – Lori N. Canady
September 26 – Kenneth D. Sheckels
September 26 – Lance D. Lombardo

September 04 – Laura E. Williams
September 10 – James W. Haynie
September 10 – Kim Mitchell
September 12 – Tim Sciandra
September 12 – Frank F. Maxwell
September 14 – Ralph Cascasan
September 17 – Sharon Shipley
September 20 – Steven P. Wheeler
September 21 – Sherry Unruh
September 23 – Jason A. Leadingham
September 26 – Edwina Lee Lindsay
September 26 – Danny Ray Leon
September 26 – Kathleen Sanchez

September 28 – Louis Mello

Illness:

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Debbie Wiggins and her family on the illness of her mother. We understand that she had to have surgery and Debbie has been spending a lot of time with her in the hospital. Hopefully she will soon be home and doing well.

Scout Corner:

Pack 742 Wayne Chandler Webelos Leader:

Hello from the Webelos of Pack 742. During the month of August our Webelos worked on their Aquanaut Activity Badge. We had a fun and adventurous outing on Saturday, August 27th, which consisted of a trip to the YMCA for the swimming requirements and a trip to Mott Lake on Fort Bragg for the remaining requirements. During the Mott Lake portion of our trip, Mr. Pat Carver also with Pack 742 provided us with the rubber boats, oars, and adult life jackets and Mrs. Tonya Sawyer provided the youth size life jackets. The boys and their siblings were shown how to row and maneuver a boat and then demonstrated to the leaders their new skill. Every Webelos who participated earned their Aquanaut Activity Badge. We had a blast and look forward to the event again next year.

Special thanks go to Mr. Pat Carver, Mrs. Tonya Sawyer, and the lifeguards at the YMCA for all their help.

District & Council Calendar Events:

- 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 – SCOUT OFFICE CLOSED
T/Y NO SCHOOL
- September 08 – First Night of “Race to Cub Scouting” Join Scout Night
- September 08 – Council Commissioner Meeting
- September 09 – 11 – Methodist Scout Retreat
- September 12 – Human Resources Meeting
- September 13 – Advancement Meeting
- September 13 – Second Night of “Race to Cub Scouting” Join Scout Night
- September 15 – 24 – Cumberland County Fair (District Will Have A Booth)
- September 15 – District Committee Meeting – District Committee Elections
- September 16 – 18 – OA Fall Fellowship
- September 16 – Show-N-Sale Orders Due
Last Date Unit Sign Up for Popcorn Sale
- September 19 – District Commissioner Meeting
- September 21 – Venture Roundtable 7:30 PM Raleigh
Y- NO SCHOOL
- September 22 – OA Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM Westminster Presbyterian Church
- September 24 – New Leader Essentials
- September 25 – Wood Badge Critter Dinner
News Letter Article Due
- September 30 – Show-N-Sale Popcorn Distribution -- DO NOT CALL WAREHOUSE

OCTOBER DATES TO REMEMBER:
OCTOBER 07 –09 -- COUNCIL CAMPOREE
OCTOBER 08 — CUB SCOUT FIELD DAY
OCTOBER 19 – KIA KIMA DISTRICT ADULT FELLOWSHIP DINNER

