



The Kickapoo Scoop!

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District Calendar

January

- Jan. 1 - Happy New Year!
- Jan. 6 - Roundtable, Scout Service Center, 7:00 p.m.
- Jan. 8 - All Unit Re-Charters Due into office in Brownwood, 9 a.m. - 12:00 noon**
- Jan. 8 - Merit Badge Seminar, Abilene, Session 1
- Jan. 10 - District Committee Meeting, To Be Announced
- Jan. 17 - Offices closed for Martin Luther King's Birthday
- Jan. 18 - Roundtable, Lampasas, First Baptist Church, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 21 - District Dinner, First United Methodist Church; Goldthwaite; 7:00 P.M.
- Jan. 22 - Merit Badge Seminar, Abilene, Session 2

February

- Feb. 3 - Roundtable, Scout Service Center, 7:00 p.m.
- Feb. 5 - Pinewood Derby Races, Heartland Mall, Brownwood
- Feb. 5 - Merit Badge Seminar, Tarleton State University, Stephenville, Session 1
- Feb. 8 - District Commissioner's Meeting, 6:30 p.m. Brownwood
- Feb. 14 - District Committee Meeting, TBA
- Feb. 15 - Roundtable, Lampasas, First Baptist Church, 7 p.m.
- Feb. 18-20 - Boy Scout Leader Outdoor Skills Training, Camp Billy Gibbons
- Feb. 19 - Merit Badge Seminar, Tarleton State University, Stephenville, Session 2
- Feb. 21 - **President's Day**, Office in Abilene Closed

March

- Mar. 3 - Roundtable, Scout Service Center; 7:00 p.m.
- Mar. 8 - District Commissioner's Meeting, 6:30 p.m. Brownwood
- Mar. 14 - District Committee Meeting, TBA
- Mar. 15 - Roundtable, Lampasas, First Baptist Church, 7 p.m.

District Dinner

The Kickapoo Annual District Dinner will be held January 21, at First United Methodist Church, Goldthwaite, 7:00 p.m. As part of the banquet we will recognize the Kickapoo 2004 Class of Eagle Scouts, present training awards, Veteran Awards and present two District Award of Merit.

Reservations can be sent to Kickapoo District Dinner, PO Box 1086, Brownwood, TX 76804

So that we know how many to order food for, we need your paid reservation by January 14th. This will be our second banquet as a district. Food will be provided. **Dinner Co-Chairs are Mary Knight and Gwen Kauffman, both of Goldthwaite.**

Welcome New Units

We welcome the following new or separated-registered units that have been organized since September 1:

- Crew 14** - First United Methodist Church, Brownwood, Claus Rolfe, Crew Leader
- Pack 14** - First United Methodist Church, Brownwood, Michelle Wilkins, Cubmaster
- Pack 27** - American Legion, Bangs, Leslie McClatchy, Cubmaster
- Pack 1910** - St. Johns Episcopal Church, Brownwood, Travis Curry, Cubmaster

Quality Units

Congratulations to these units that made *Quality Unit* in 2004. Some of these units have made this award for many years. It shows the quality of the program the youth are receiving in these units. A special *Quality Unit Year Patch* may be purchase for each person in the unit to wear on their uniform, both youth and adults.

Packs: 4, 5, 26, 100

Troops: 1, 14, 22, 26, 77, 90, 99, 100, 200

Crew: 2000

The Kickapoo Scoop newsletter is published every other month to bring you the news of the Kickapoo District, serving Brown, Lampasas, Mills and San Saba Counties of the Texas Trails Council, BSA . It appears on the Texas Trails Council web site at <http://www.texas trailsbsa.org> , emailed to those we have email addresses for, and hard copies to pass out at meetings and district activities. Feel free to copy this newsletter and pass it on to the other volunteers and parents in your unit.

Council Jamboree Troops

The Kickapoo District has three adult leaders and nineteen youth participating in the 2005 National Jamboree next summer.

Adult leaders are:

Travis Hammond, Troop 77, Goldthwaite, is an Assistant Scoutmaster in Jamboree Troop 1831. Scott Morelock, Troop 14, Brownwood, is serving as Scoutmaster of Jamboree Troop 1832 and Bill Pauly, Troop 26, Lometa, is serving as an Assistant Scoutmaster in Troop 1832.

Scout attending the National Jamboree are:

Troop 14 Brownwood - John D. Childs, Jeffery Day, Jeremy Farmer, Jordan Gist, John Gressett, Josh Hoffman, Truett Hull, Trevin King, Cooper Morelock, Adam Owens, Jacob Streckert, and Chris Thompson (All in Jamboree Troop 1832)

Troop 26 Lometa - Bill Pauly and Sam Pauly (Both in Jamboree Troop 1832)

Troop 77 Goldthwaite - Robert Lindsey, Jeremy Reinert and Jefferson Wesson (All in Jamboree Troop 1831)

Troop 100 Lampasas - Howard B. Phelan and Jake K. Stair (Both in Jamboree Troop 1832)

Brownwood Scout Shop Closed

The Council Executive Committee and the Council Executive Board voted to close the Scout Shop, but not the office, in Brownwood, effective December 23rd, because of low usage and negative income over expenses. Michael Deming will continue to use the building as his office. **However, due to circumstances the Scout Shop had to be closed on December 15, 2004.**

Please send all future Advancement Reports, Eagle Applications and requests for Trading post items to: Texas Trails Council, 1208 N. 5th, Abilene, Texas 79601 Phone: (325) 677-2688 Fax: (325) 677-2923 Toll Free (888) 407-2688.

The Toll Free 888 number was setup for mail orders and an on-line system is being developed to provide scouting accessories to be purchased over the Internet and delivered to your front door. With gas prices on the rise this form of purchasing will be the most economical for all members as well as the council.

Penataka Lodge Dues

Penataka OA Lodge dues run from January 1 to December 31st of each year. Your dues of \$8.00 for 2005 are now due, along with your current Medical Release Form. You can download the form from the Texas Trail Council web site.

ReChartering - January

January is the month that all the units in the Kickapoo District recharter for another year. There will be a **Charter Turn-In Day** held at the office in Brownwood on Saturday, January 8, 2005 from 9:00 a.m. till 12:00 noon. The Commissioner staff will be available to help check in your charter. Please pay your charter fees with one check. **If you have not received your re-charting papers, or know who has them, contact Michael Deming immediately at 325/646-0616.**

Top Popcorn Sellers

We want to thank all the units that sold popcorn this year and made some well-earned money for their unit treasury! We wish to thank Michael Hall, of Texas Bank, Brownwood, for serving as Popcorn Chairman.

A Scout Salute to the following scouts who assisted with setting up Goldthwaite for popcorn delivery:

Troop 77 Scouts: Tommy Kauffman, John-William Knight, Erich Bussell, Shawn Welch, Cody Welch, & Adults Allen Knight, Mary Knight, Gwen Kauffman, Sheila Welch & Scott Bussell; **Pack 5** Cub Scout T. J. Butterfras & Cubmaster Tracy Butterfras. Also Frank Hilton. Those assisting in Brownwood were Roy Curbo & Stanley Walker. Here are the top sellers in our district:

Units:

Pack 100, Lampasas, Greg Henderson, CM - \$17,254

(Top selling unit in the Council!) Congratulations!

Pack 5, Goldthwaite, Tracy Burrerfras, CM - \$5,679

Pack 43, Brownwood, Jimmy Lewis, CM - \$5,216

Youth:

John-William Knight, Troop 77, Goldthwaite - \$2,309

Ben Henderson, Pack 100, Lampasas - \$2,064

Alex Neely, Pack 100, Lampasas - \$1,277

Black Arrow Chapter Advisers

In our last issue we published the names of the OA Black Arrow Chapter officers for 2004-2005. This issue we want to name the Adult Advisers to those officers. They are:

Chapter Adviser - Roy Curbo

C.V.C. Activities & Service Adviser - Nick McCarty

C.V.C. Native American Affairs Adviser - Steve Ellis

C.V.C. Camp Promotions/Unit Elections Adviser -

Secretary Adviser - John Seifert

Chapter Treasurer Adviser - Ray Easterling

C.V.C. OA Representatives Adviser - Larry D. Smith

Chapter Staff Adviser - Michael Deming

2004 Eagle Scouts

We congratulate the 7 Scouts who made Eagle Scout in 2004 in the Kickapoo District. This is one of the highest achievements a boy will make as a youth and is an award that he can truly be proud of throughout his adult life. Our Eagle Scouts will be recognized with a special framed certificate at the District Banquet in January.

Troop 14 Brownwood - Jakob Bryan Savell
Troop 99 Lampasas - Richard A. Forrester, Richard A. (Tony) Smith
Troop 100 Lampasas - Russell Clark, Andrew McCatherine
Troop 200 Lampasas - Johan Oosthuizen
Crew 2000 Lampasas - Jared Scott Blair

Dinewood Derby Coming

Tiger Cubs, Cub Scouts and Webelos, their leaders and parents are invited to come to Heartland Mall in Early, TX on **Saturday, February 5**, to join in the great competition of Pinewood Derby sponsored by the Kickapoo District. This is an annual event where Cub Scouts and Webelos compete against each other in individual events.

Tigers, Cubs and Webelos, in the Pinewood Derby, race their cars in one of four Divisions, Tigers, Wolves, Bears, and Webelos. Awards are given for the three fastest cars in each Division and then each Division's First Place Winner race each other for the Grand Championship. Awards are also given in each Division for the "Best Design," "Best Paint," and "Most Unusual" pinewood derby cars.

So now is the time to get your cars ready for the Pinewood Derby. **Order pinewood cars early.** The pinewood chairman will be Patrick Mooney of Early.

Please note: The Pushmobile Derby has been rescheduled for next October. The event usually runs the same day as Pinewood Derby.

Blue and Gold Banquets

February is the traditional month for Cub Packs to hold their annual Blue and Gold Banquets as part of the anniversary of Scouting. Cub Scouts was started officially in 1930 and has been a part of the Boy Scouts of America for 75 years. What a great time to celebrate Cub Scouts and the Boy Scouts of America by having a Pack Blue and Gold Banquet. Be sure and order your banquet supplies early so you will have them on hand for the big event!

Boy Scout Summer Camp

Now that the New Year is here and we are beginning to think about what we are going to be doing with our Scout Troop this year, it is time to include Boy Scout Summer Camp in your planning. Each Scoutmaster will receive a special Leader's Guide this spring to help you plan your troop's participation in this summer camp experience. The 2005 Texas Trails Council summer camp CD is now available through the office in Abilene. It's action packed with all the forms needed and the new camp fees. Have you made your campsite reservation yet while the best sites are still available? Remember a \$50.00 non-refundable deposit is needed to secure your campsite for summer 2005 with Billy Gibbons and Tonkawa.

Camp Billy Gibbons will be operating two different weeks this summer. The first week is June 5-11 and the second week is June 12-18, 2005

Camp Tonkawa will also operate for two different weeks. Those weeks are June 19-25 and June 26-July 2, 2005.

The Texas Trails Council is now accepting applications for adults and older youth to serve on the summer camp staff. You will want to contact Les Zimmerman, Camp Director, for more information and a staff application. His address is 512 E. Elm St., Dublin, TX 76446, phone number 254/445-2190 and e-mail address is leszimmerman@hotmail.com

Webelos Camp

Webelos Camp will operate from July 5-8, 2005 at Camp Tonkawa and will provide an exciting program for all Webelos. Remember that a Cub Scout who is in the 3rd grade now, will be a Webelos when he graduates in May and eligible to attend the Webelos Camp this summer. More information coming.

Cub Scout Camp

Cub Scouts will also have their opportunity to attend Cub Scout Camp at Camp Tonkawa at two different times. The first session will run from July 11-13 and the second session will run from July 13-15, 2005.

District Spring Camporee

Plans are currently being made for the Kickapoo District Camporee to be held April 22-24, 2005. Scout Troops will want to put this weekend on their outdoor event calendar. More information as to place and events will be sent to all Scoutmasters later this spring.