



The Kickapoo Scoop!

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Texas Trails Council, BSA

March - April 2006

District Calendar

March

- 2 - Roundtable, Kickapoo Scout Service Center, Brownwood, 7:00 p.m.
- 5 - Black Arrow Chapter, Dublin, 2:00 p.m.
- 14 - District Committee - Commissioner Staff Meeting, District Office, 602 E. Adams, 7:00 p.m.
- 21 - Roundtable, Lampasas, First Baptist Church, 7:00 p.m.
- 31-Apr 2 - Section 2 Order of the Arrow Conclave, Lost Pines Scout Reservation, Bastrop, TX

April

- 6 - Roundtable, Kickapoo Scout Service Center, Brownwood, 7:00 p.m.
- 18 - Roundtable, Lampasas, First Baptist Church, 7:00 p.m.
- 21-23 - District Camporee, Camp Billy Gibbons

Receive Wood Badge Beads



Five leaders in the Kickapoo District received their Wood Badge Beads at the District Banquet. From left to right are: Ingrid Oosthuizen, T-200; Wanda Forbes, T-200; Scott Morelock, T-14; Michael Bradle, T-200; and Linda Cruz, T-200.



Ben Henderson, Webelos of Pack 100 was recognized as the top Popcorn Salesman in the Kickapoo District. He received an award of a U. S. Savings Bond.

District Camporee

The Kickapoo District Camporee will be held at Camp Billy Gibbons the weekend of April 21-23. The Theme for this year's Camporee will be "1836 - A Revolutionary Camporee." Each "Ranger Patrol" will be prepared to meet whatever the wilderness may throw at them as they scout West Texas for Mexican troops attempting to join with Comanche allies and attack the Texas Army from the west.

Complete information concerning this adventure will be mailed to each Scoutmaster in March. Place this event on your calendar now and prepare your Scouts of a great weekend, rain or shine.

Receive District Award of Merit

The District Award of Merit is the highest award that a district can present to a volunteer for outstanding service to youth in the district.



T-14 Scoutmaster, Scott A. Morelock, Brownwood, receives the District Award of Merit, January 13, from Steve Ellis at the District Banquet.



Alvin E. Hall, T-3, Brownwood, also was presented with the District Award of Merit by Steve Ellis for his outstanding service to youth in the District.

Receives Silver Beaver Award



Pam Rider of Brownwood was presented the Silver Beaver Award during the Texas Trails Council Annual Banquet held February 9th at Camp Tonkawa. The Silver Beaver is the highest award that a local council can present to a volunteer for "outstanding service to youth." Others receiving this award were Dr. John Estes, III, and Dr. Austin King, both of Abilene.

Distinguish Commissioner Award



Stanley Walker, left, former Council Commissioner, presented Roy Curbo, Kickapoo District Commissioner with his Distinguish Commissioner Award knot to wear on his uniform.

Denateka Lodge Order of the Arrow

Here is a list of Penataka activities for the next three months so you can put these dates on you calendar.

- Mar. 5 - Black Arrow Chapter Council Meeting
- Mar. 26 - Penataka Lodge Executive Committee Meeting
- Mar.31 - Apr.2 - OA Area Conclave, Lost Pines Scout Reservation, Bastrop, TX
- Apr. 28 - 30 - Penataka Spring Fellowship, Camp Billy Gibbons
- May 5-6 - OA Webelos Lockin
- May 19-21 - Penataka Spring Fellowship, Camp Tonkawa



This patch is given to those who make an investment to the council in the amount of \$125.00 this year.

INVESTMENT IN CHARACTER – is the Annual Campaign the Texas Trails Council conducts to pay for the programs, activities, and resources which help to ensure a continued Scouting program for your son. The registration fee you paid when your son joined Scouting goes directly to the National Office to help pay for all the services they provide to make Scouting possible. The TTC must spend over \$125 per member to provide Scouting for one year, with 89% of the total budget directly affects your son and the program he receives. The remaining 11% is spent for office and administrative costs.

Almost half of the total budget will fund the outdoor Scouting activities and programs your son and his unit can be a part of. The TTC owns and operates two camps, Camp Billy Gibbons and Camp Tonkawa. Both camps are filled with Boy Scouts, Webelos, Cub Scouts with summer camp, winter camp, Cub family weekends. The TTC supports volunteers by training adult volunteer leaders through basic training, Pow Wow, and much more by partially underwriting the costs.

Each district has a full-time professional to make sure that kids get into the program by setting up rally nights, start new units, help train new leaders, make sure activities of the TTC properly supplement the units program. There is an office staff who maintains registration records, advancement records, program and activity registration, produce flyers and newsletters. The TTC maintains the Scout Service Center which offices staff, adult leader training and a Scout shop full of program materials, badges and awards.

Your financial support is urgently needed & gratefully appreciated. Contact Michael Deming, your Senior District Executive, to have a presentation made to your unit this spring. Most gifts range from \$50 to \$500 and the commitment is a personal one.

Pinewood Derby Winners On February 11th

Tiger Cubs, Cub Scouts and Webelos, their leaders and parents participated in the Kickapoo Pinewood Derby on February 11th. This was an annual event where Tiger Cubs, Cub Scouts and Webelos compete against each other in individual races. Trophies were given for the three fastest cars in each Division. In addition, awards are given for the "Best Design," "Best Paint Job," and "Most Unusual" pinewood derby cars. We wish to thank Mid-Tex Federal Credit Union for underwriting the awards.

Tiger Cub Winners



3rd - Weston Warren, Pack 4, Early 2nd - Sawyer Dodds, P-14; 1st - Cole Fowler, P-14, of Brownwood

Wolf Cub Winners



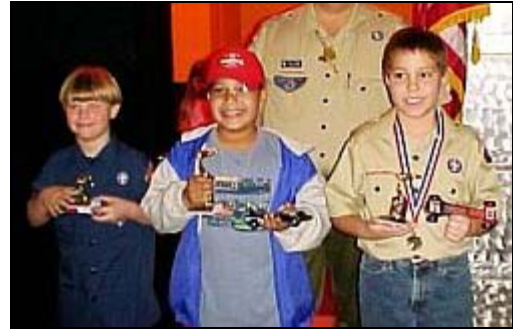
3rd - Cody Ingram, P-27, Bangs; 1st - Cody Johnson, P-18, Stephenville; 2nd - Tristin Bell, P-4 Early

Bear Cub Winners



3rd - Joshua Little, P-14 Brownwood; 1st - Robert Dick, P-14, Brownwood; 2nd - Devin Brumbelow, P- 17, Bangs.

Webelos Winners



3 rd - John Alderson, P-27, Bangs; 1st.- Jason Jimenez, P-55, San Saba; 2nd – Keith Clardy, P -4, Early

Special Awards

Special awards were presented to Sawyer Dodds, P-14, for "Best Design;" Keith Clardy, P-4, for "Best Paint Job;" and Taylor Faught, P-4, for "Most Unusual."

Summer Camp Time

Yep, it's that time of year again to be thinking of a week of summer camp at either Camp Billy Gibbons or Camp Tonkawa. Have you made your troop's campsite reservation yet?

There is a \$50.00 campsite deposit required at time of making your reservation. It will be deducted from you final payment for camp. Cost per camper is \$170, which is due by May 10th. Now is the time to get those Scouts to start setting aside money for camp.

Week 1 - June 4-10 - Camp Billy Gibbons
Week 2 - June 11-17 - Camp Billy Gibbons

Week 1 - June 18-24 - Camp Tonkawa
Week 2 - June 25-July 1 - Camp Tonkawa

GETTING IN TOUCH WITH YOUR DISTRICT EXECUTIVE

Kickapoo District Executive, Michael Deming, may be reached at the Kickapoo District Office; 602 E. Adams, Brownwood, during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except when attending staff meetings, appointments, and other functions away from the office.

The office phone number is 325-646-0616, with message voicemail. Michael can also be reached by cell at 325-668-8576 or mdeming@bsamail.org