



# The Kickapoo Scoop!

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## District Calendar

### May

- 3 - Roundtable, Brownwood, 7:00 p.m.
- 5 - Donkey Day at Camp Billy Gibbons
- 6 - Black Arrow Chapter Meeting
- 8 - District Committee - Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Goldthwaite
- 11 - 13 - Summer Camp Staff Training
- 15 - Roundtable, Lampasas, First Baptist Church, 7:00 p.m.
- 18 - 20 - OA Spring Fellowship, Camp Tonkawa
- 29 - 31 Summer Camp Staff Training at Camp Tonkawa

### June

- 1 - Finish Summer Camp Staff Training
- 3 - 9 - 1st Week of Summer Camp, Camp Tonkawa
- 5 - District Committee - Commissioner Staff Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Goldthwaite
- 10 - 16 - 2nd Week of Summer Camp, Camp Tonkawa
- 14 - Flag Day
- 17 - 20 - Webelos Resident Camp, Camp Tonkawa
- 24 - 30 - 1st Week of Summer Camp, Camp Billy Gibbons

### July

- 6 - 8 - Penateka OA Lodge Summer Ordeal, Camp Billy Gibbons
- 13 - 15 - OA Conclave at TSU in San Marcus, TX

## Summer Camp Time

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 9<sup>th</sup>.** Additional money is required for Cope, Course, Climbing Course, Scout Lifeguard, Rifle Shooting, Shotgun and Basketry.

Troops from our district that are now signed up for summer camp at either Camp Billy Gibbons or Camp Tonkawa are:

- Troop 1 and Troop 14 - Brownwood, Troop 22 - Early,
- Troop 26 - Lometa, Troop 27 - Bangs, Troop 55 - San Saba,
- Troop 77 - Goldthwaite, Troop 90 - Kempner, Troops 100 and 200 - Lampasas

## District Camporee A Success

The Kickapoo District Camporee was held at Camp Billy Gibbons the weekend of April 13 - 15. The Theme for this year's Camporee was **Legends of the San Saba**, There was a tomahawk throw, knot contests, fire building contest, a "lost mine", as well as drawings for individual prizes based on answers to Scout skill questions.



141 Scouts, 17 Webelos and 41 leaders, plus 10 staff not attached to a unit, participated in the weekend events. The top patrol was from Troop 245 out of Hawley. **Special thanks to Frank Griffin who served as Camporee Chairman.**



Michael McKinnerney, of Troop 55, San Saba, who caught an 18 1/2 inch bass, won the fishing contest.

## **Webelos Resident Camp June 17 - 20, 2007**

Webelos Resident Camp will be held at Camp Tonkawa from 17 - 20th. Only Webelos Scouts are eligible for this camp. They will be camping overnight and enjoying activities like Swimming, Archery, BB's, Games, Crafts, Nature and much more! Webelos Resident Camp is a great opportunity to enjoy the outdoors while learning camping skills and earning advancements while having fun. Webelos who have completed Aquanaut may experience basic snorkeling

Webelos Den Leaders will need to register their campers as a patrol. Individual campers should not submit their registration directly to the Council Service Center in Abilene. Each Webelos Den must provide at least one adult leader for every 4 campers. The maximum size for each Den is 12 Webelos Scouts.

The registration fee of **\$95.00 per Webelos** and **\$70.00 per adult** and must be paid before **June 16th** to receive a T-shirt and a patch. Registrations received after the 16th will have an additional late fee of \$20.00 per person. There is a form to be filled out and is available from the Abilene office.

## **Donkey Day - Camp Billy Gibbons**

Donkey Day will be held at Camp Billy Gibbons on the first Saturday in May, which is May 5<sup>th</sup>. This is the time when everyone comes out to camp to help get it ready for summer camp. Everyone is welcome to come and be a part of this annual cleanup, fix-up and fellowship weekend. Most of the work will be done on Saturday so if you can come out for only the day, this is the day to come. Lunch will be served to all workers on Saturday. Scout Troops may come and campout for the weekend. Don't forget to file a **Local Tour Permit** for your troop. There is no camping fee for this service weekend.

Families may also come and campout. Be sure and bring your work clothes, and some tools that you think might be needed to help trim the grass, sweep out the buildings, kill wasps and all those other necessary things needed to open camp.

## **Penateka Lodge Ceremonies**

Each Friday night during summer camp Penateka Lodge will have calling out ceremonies for new candidates. The Summer Ordeal to induct new candidates will be the weekend of July 6-8 at Camp Tonkawa. All Order of the Arrow members are invited to participate!

## **Eleven New Eagle Scouts**



Over 300 Scouts, Scouters, parents and friends gathered at First United Methodist Church in Brownwood for an Eagle Scout Court of Honor Sunday, April 22, 2007, 3:00 pm, to present Eagle Awards to eleven Eagle Scout Candidates from Boy Scout Troop 14.

This was the most Eagle Awards presented by Troop 14 since its organization. . A reception in honor of the new Eagle Scouts was held in the church following the ceremony in the Garden Room. The church has sponsored the Boy Scout Troop since 1976. Scoutmaster of the troop is William Brad Wells and David Hass serves as Chartered Organization Representative.

Pictured above are the eleven new Eagle Scouts along with their leaders. New Eagle Scouts are:

Daniel Glenn Carter  
John David Childs  
Daniel Jay Clark  
Jerrery Lucas Day  
Jeromy Shane Farmer  
Trevin Collier King  
Cooper Wise Morelock  
Adam Enzi Owens  
Phillip Ethan Ray  
Jacob Meiske Streckert  
Christopher Ray Thompson

## **GETTING IN TOUCH WITH YOUR DISTRICT EXECUTIVE**

Kickapoo District Executive, Michael Deming, may be reached by cell at 325-668-8576, or email [mdeming@bsamail.org](mailto:mdeming@bsamail.org)



**Law Enforcement Explorer Post 1150 just completed competing in the Annual Law Enforcement Competition in Dallas. They won 4<sup>th</sup> Place in Overall team plus numerous other awards at the event.**

### **Friends of Scouting - FOS**

We are wrapping up our Friends of Scouting campaign in the Kickapoo District. The funds raised in this annual fund drive support the services and programs of the Texas Trails Council. Your pledge and donation to our FOS insures that these services continue in our area. If you have not had an opportunity to give this year, contact our Senior District Executive. He will gladly provide you with a pledge card and explain the many services and programs this money provides.

*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. *The Scoop* also appears on the Texas Trails Council web site at <http://www.texastrailsbsa.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.

### **National Summertime Pack Award**

A Cub Pack really needs to give their boys a full year of Cub Scout fun and activities. Having a summer program keeps a pack healthy, parents interested, and Cub Scouts eager to stay active for another year. Your pack must qualify for the National Summertime Pack Award before dens and individual Cub Scouts may be recognized.

**All the Pack has to do is plan and conduct a monthly pack activity for June, July, and August.** A full-color certificate and an attractive streamer for the pack flag are available for those packs that qualify. A den ribbon for each den that has 50 percent or more of its boys participating in each of the three activities. A pin for each boy who takes part in all of the summer months' activities is available.

Contact Michael Deming, for an application and planning chart to use this summer to keep up with what the pack is doing.