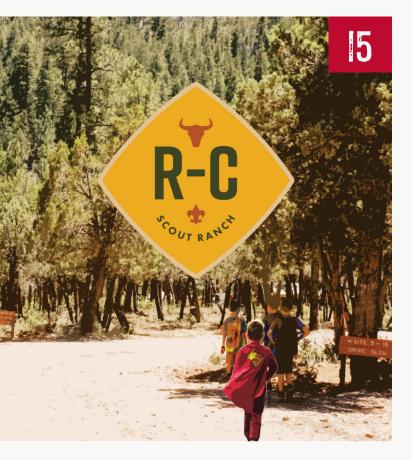


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### **SPOTLIGHT**

### **Geronimo Summer Camp Arizona's Scout Camp**

Arizona Get ready for Camp! Camp Geronimo will have 8 sessions staring May 30, 2021 — July 18, 2021 with the cohort system! Don't miss out on our top five questions available on our blog! Events are beginning to sell out quickly! Some summer camp options have began to sell out already, so don't wait! Please be sure to sign up for camps, trainings, and programs as soon as you know you want to participate!

**PICK YOUR SESSION TODAY** 

#### TIP OF THE MONTH

The safety of our Scouts, volunteers, employees, and communities is our top priority! Use These Two Newly Updated Tools Prior to Conducting Service Projects, the SAFE Service Project Planning Checklist and simplified SAFE Project Tool Use Guidelines. If it is not practical to meet these protocols, do not conduct the activity or service project

### **NICE TO KNOW**

- <u>NEW Recommendations on COVID-19</u>
- <u>Centennial Events and Award Requirements</u>
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- NEW April Spring Day Camp 2021
- NEW R-C Family Camp Information Webinar
- R-C Scout Family Camp Top 5 Questions
- R-C Scout Ranch Cub Scout Family Camp
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#### **EAGLE PROJECT SUBMISSION FORM**

### SENIOR SCOUT PROGRAMS

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- Camp Geronimo's Top 5 Questions
- Geronimo Summer Camp
- BSA Distinguished Conservation Service Award

### SUBSCRIBE TO OUR EMAIL LIST



### **ADULT TRAINING**

- September Wood Badge Dates
- <u>NEW Geronimo Summer Camp Information Webinar</u>
- **NEW** Program Preview Unit Leaders Event

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- <u>NEW Program Preview Leaders Event</u>
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- NEW Parent Webinar for Camp Geronimo
- **NEW** R-C Family Camp Information Webinar
- Year-Round Camp and Facility Rental
- Register For An Event
- COVID-19 Camp Safety

#### Howdy!

I just spent a few minutes reviewing the council calendar, and I enjoyed seeing the many different council and district activities planned for the coming months. Everything from short daytime events to weekend camping activities, and all Scouting levels are included – Cub Scouting, Scouts-BSA, Venturing, Sea Scouting, and Exploring – there's something for everyone! And, these activities don't include all the awesome programs planned by local packs, troops, crews, ships, and posts for their youth and families.

As we near the end of March, I'm reminded that we're getting close to the end of the program year and it's time to begin planning for recharter. Last year summer recharter was new for everyone, so this year should be a little easier. I encourage all units to work with their leadership and parents to line up membership and leadership for the fall, as well as collect all the necessary registration fees before families scatter for the summer. For packs, please look for information coming from your district leaders regarding 'Back to Pack', a program used by the best packs across the country to organize their pack leadership and be prepared for the new program year.

Due to COVID-19, some units struggled with popcorn last fall and are finding their unit treasuries a little short this spring. The Camp Card program is a great spring money earning project for your unit that can help cover spring and summer funding needs to get you to (and through!) the fall popcorn season. Check in with your district leadership for more details.

We have started offering virtual merit badge programs for youth in Scouts BSA troops, and there are many different options coming up this spring. Be sure to check our council website and calendar for a complete schedule.

Finally, as we continue to celebrate our Centennial Year in GCC, don't miss out on cool swag available only through our website, including a few limited-edition items that will be highly collectible. There are a variety of items available at various price points and they can all be viewed <u>here.</u>

Andy Price / Scout Executive





# Leadership Inspired: Scouts in Action Video Interview with Troop 41

Each month the Council Connection is featuring Leadership Inspired Stories of Scouts in Action within our Scouting community to inspire, encourage and celebrate how they've made a difference with the Scouting movement in our Council! This month we celebrate Troop 41 from Central District. Their Charter Partner is First United Methodist Church and their Scoutmaster is Brian Cook.

"I earned my eagle in 1988 in troop 41 and by earning my eagle and having many great leaders as a youth, I felt inspired to continue the tradition of making troop 41 one of the best units in the Grand Canyon Council. So, after serving a few years as an assistant scoutmaster, I made the decision to become scoutmaster of troop 41 in 1998. Since my time as scoutmaster, I have learned to innovate and overcome many obstacles as a leader. The most recent obstacle being the pandemic that we are currently in. Without missing a beat during the last year, my scouts have stepped up and continue to answer the call of what scouting is about. They participate on weekly zoom troop meetings, help out with our local fundraisers (council popcorn sales and our annual Christmas tree sales).



Our scouts also provide community service by helping out on eagle projects and the annual scouting for food drive, as well as continue to earn merit badges and rank advancements and we still make time to go on monthly outings. Of course, as a leader, I cannot do it alone and it's so amazing how much fantastic parental support I have at the unit level. I cannot ask for a better troop to be a leader of." Meet Troop 41 Scoutmaster, Brain Cook, and Troop 41 Scouts BSA members: Eagle Scout, Nicholas, and Senior Patrol Leader, Soren, in this *Scouts in Action* video interview.

## Donor Recognition Event Featuring Videos from our Scouts and Scouters

If the Scout is in the same council using the Online transfer tool is the most efficient way to transfer a Scout from one unit to another. A paper application is not needed. A unit leader in the old unit or the parent can do the transfer.



Latisha Joseph, Development Director and Mr. Don Luke from Bill Luke Chrysler - Jeep - Dodge Ram. (View: Bill Luke - A Family Legacy)

Even though the event was on Zoom, we got to stop by and say hello to a few of our donors. Please enjoy a few videos from our Scouts highlighting our programs.

- Kylie & Drake
- Tim & Garrett
- Tori & Quinn
- Clayton Family

### COUNCIL RECOGNITION

### **Grand Canyon Council's 2020 Council Honorees**

Congratulations to our 2020 Council Honorees who received the following council awards and recognition for their outstanding contributions, dedicated years of service, and leadership to youth and Scouting in Grand Canyon Council. Throughout 2021 we will feature two of our distinguished award recipients in Grand Canyon Connection.

Christopher Kaup – Meritorious Service Star Council Executive Committee

Chris currently serves on the Council Executive Board, representing Grand Canyon Council on the ad hoc committee of local councils in the BSA bankruptcy case. Most important is what he refers Scouting as "a positive platform for positive peer pressure". His experiences in Scouting as a youth impacted him throughout his development and led to his ability to share these positive influences all his life! "What I have found as an adult when I was brought back into Scouting is that Scouting continues to be such a strong platform for positive peer pressure for all the youth I have seen, and for myself." Scouting is facing profound challenges and Chris feels honored and privileged to serve on the Executive Board to help guide the council toward change for our future in the Grand Canyon Council. Congratulations, Chris upon receiving the Meritorious Service Star Award!

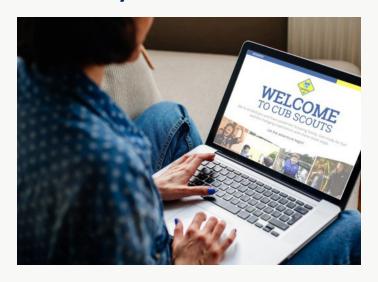
Cyrus Wes Morril - Silver Beaver Award

Wes serves as the Camping Chair and an Assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 39 in Lost Dutchman District. He works closely with our Council Camp Ranger conducting property improvement checks, offering construction support, and instituting safety measures for all our camps. As a lifelong Eagle Scout, Wes enjoys mentoring youth on their Eagle Scout journey, serving on NYLT staff and developing camping programs within his district. Wes serves his Unit by guiding youth to utilize their critical thinking skills to be better at their outdoor skills and improve their own leadership skills, guiding them to grow into a more efficient patrol in organizing and planning outdoor activities. As a servant leader, Wes has helped out at OA fellowships as camp medic as needed and is deeply involved in his community, sharing what he loves and has learned through Scouting, teaching his teaching and sharing his and Scout Spirit to everyone!

Visit our <u>2020 Honorees Page</u> at grandcanyonbsa.org to view our 2020 Video Recognition and learn more about our 2020 council honorees and their impact on Scouting!



### Online Registrations Charter Cycle Benefits Units



All new online registrations will pay for the rest of this charter cycle (through 7/31/21) and all of next year (7/31/22). This is beneficial to units as they will not need to revisit new families for additional fees in a few months. The unit should list each new member on their recharter. The new member will show as "pre-paid", so fees will not need to be collected *again!* 

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### Transferring From Another Unit In The Same Council

| Transfer Registration Information |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| * Member ID :                     | •  |
| * First Name :                    | K <u>amin</u>                            |
| * Last Name:                      | McNeil                                   |
| * Transfer From Organization :    | Troop 0497 Baylor University             |
| * Transfer To Organization :      | Troop 0377 Woodway United Methodist Chur |
|                                   |  |

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### **LEARN MORE**

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### **LEARN MORE**



### **Support Arizona Scouts While You Shop with Amazon Smile**



AmazonSmile shoppers can support Grand Canyon Council Boy Scouts of America in the Amazon shopping app on iOS and Android mobile phones! Simply follow these instructions to turn on AmazonSmile and start generating donations!

Open the Amazon Shopping app on your device Go into the main menu of the Amazon Shopping app and tap into 'Settings' Tap 'AmazonSmile' and follow the on-screen instructions to complete the process. AmazonSmile donates 0.5% of eligible purchases —no fees, no extra cost. Be part of something bigger!

### **SHOP NOW!**

# Anytime Auto Glass and Tint is donating to Grand Canyon Council for Your Windshield Insurance Claim



ANYTIME AUTO GLASS & TINT SUPPORTS Grand Canyon Council, BSA

DO YOU HAVE WINDSHIELD DAMAGE DO YOU HAVE INSURANCE?

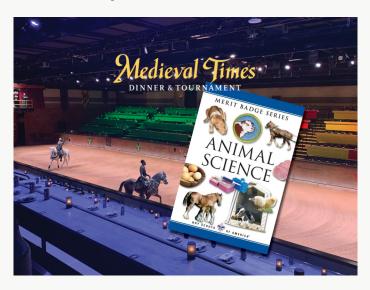
### WE ARE DONATING \$100 to Grand Canyon Council, BSA

For your windshield insurance claim when you text "GCBSA" to 480-430-4597

Need your windshield replaced? Anytime Auto Glass & Tint is donating \$100 to Grand Canyon Council BSA for your windshield insurance claim when you text "GCBSA" to 480-430-4597!

We appreciate all you do for the community, and to help us ensure that Scouting continues throughout Arizona!

## Medieval Times is Hosting An Animal Science Merit Badge Workshop



Scouts BSA members can participate in an interactive Animal Science Merit Badge Workshop with Medieval Times Dinner & Tournament Saturday, April 17, 2021 at 2:00 pm. Doors Open at 12:45 PM for Check-In. Space is limited and reservations are required. The 30-minute presentation will cover information regarding the care and training of horses, breeds and anatomy of horses, and a visual demonstration on how to saddle and ride a horse. Educational handouts and diagrams will be provided. Admission Ticket Price is as follows: Youth \$38.95 and Adult \$41.95. The last day to register would be Thursday, April 15 at 5pm allowing the operations team to ensure all materials for Saturday is prepped and ready to go!

**REGISTER NOW** 

### Save the Date – June 2021 Game Design Merit Badge with Great Wold Lodge



Save the Date for the Gaming Design Merit Badge opportunity with <u>Great Wolf Lodge</u>. Scouts will have the opportunity to participate in the MagiQuest game, wand rental and completion of the Badge and have the ability to do a pizza add on.

### **Virtual Merit Badge Workshops**

There are upcoming virtual merit badge workshops for, Graphic Arts, public speaking, and communication. Classes are limited, please reserve your spot today!

**GET THE DETAILS** 











### Animal Science Merit Badge - Apr 17, 2021

Showtime 2:00 PM

- · Two-Hour Tournament · Four-Course Feast · Magnificent Pure Spanish Horses
  - · Flight of the Royal Falcon · Authentic Sword Fights and Jousting
    - Commemorative Photo ·Medieval Times Participation Patch
       Blue Card Certified by Merit Badge Counselor

#### The special 30-minute pre-show presentation covers:

- · Care and Training of Horses · Breeds and Anatomy of Horses
  - · Educational Workbook Provided

Fulfill requirements towards animal science and/ or horsemanship badge in an exclusive event for all Cub and Boy Scouts.

All scouts receive a free commemorative patch.

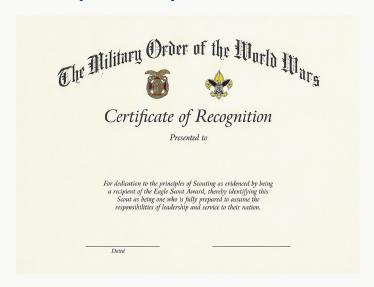
### **Reserve Your Seats Today!**

Call 480-530-0364 or email Scottsdale.groups@medievaltimes.com

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No guest minimum. The workshop will cover the horse elements of the Horsemanship Badge. Prerequisites may be required and not all requirements may be met; please contact your council for specific information on requirements and prerequisites. May not be combined with any other discount, special offer or group rate. Not valid for special shows, holidays or prior

### The Military Order of the World Wars (MOWW)



The Military Order of the World Wars (MOWW) proudly supports the Boy Scouts of America and their Eagle Scout program. This support includes MOWW providing an embossed certificate and a presentation folder to the recipients of the Eagle Scout award at no cost to the scouting organization!

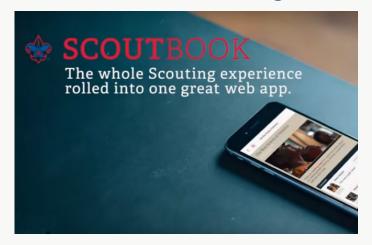
To request that your Eagle Certificate be presented by a member of MOWW or to have a certificate mailed to you, please review the information on the Eagle page on the Council website!

### REQUEST YOUR CERTIFICATE

### **Youth Protection and Barriers to Abuse FAQ**

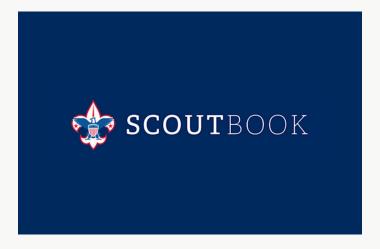
Please review the updated Youth Protection and Barriers to Abuse FAQ at Youth Protection and Barriers to Abuse FAQs | Boy Scouts of America Updated 3/11/21 Additional FAQ's: General Health and Safety, Annual Health and Medical Record, Shooting Sports program, Family Scouting Information. Our priority is to bring the benefits of Scouting to more youth while remaining true to our mission.

### Blue Cards or Scoutbook Can Be Used to Track Merit Badges



Since the introduction of Scoutbook, the BSA has offered Scouts two ways of recording merit badge requirement completion: The Blue Card and Scoutbook. Both remain authorized methods to record merit badge work. Scoutbook is a part of the BSA Internet Advancement system, which means that entering an advancement record in Scoutbook is the same as entering it in Internet Advancement. Anyone with a BSA member ID automatically has access to a Scoutbook account through their my.scouting account. Click here for reference.

### **New!** Scoutbook Features



A New Scout Calendar Editor Leadership Position:

A new Calendar Editor leadership position has been added for Scouts. When the Calendar Editor position has been added to a Scout in Scoutbook, by a unit leader and approved for the Scout, that Scout can use Scoutbook to create, edit, change RSVP responses and take attendance in the Scoutbook Calendar. A Calendar Editor has access to all of the unit's calendars. Once having the position, a Scout can access the calendar from the Events link on their Scoutbook Dashboard.

#### Den Chief Support:

- Den Chiefs are now fully supported in Scoutbook.
- Once connected:
  - »Den chiefs and their parents can be sent emails and calendar reminders from their den and pack
  - »Den chiefs are included in attendance records
  - »Den chiefs and their parents can view den and pack calendars
  - »All youth protection protocols are observed for den chiefs since they are still youth
- Currently a Den Chief must be added by the Troop then placed into the Den by the pack. A coming update will allow a Pack to add a Den Chief if the BSA Member ID and last name are both known. This will allow Packs that use Scoutbook to communicate with Den Chiefs in Troops that do not. See Adding a Den Chief to a Pack for details.

### **New Scoutbook Leader Invite**



Scoutbook now prevents adults who are not registered leaders in the BSA from being added to the unit roster. This includes adding additional leadership positions to unregistered adults and unregistered adults adding leadership positions on their own. This is in preparation of the April 12 change where all unregistered adults are removed from unit rosters.



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BEGINNING April, 11, 2021. The Mesa Scout Shop will open Sundays from 11:00 am. until 3:00 pm!

### Camp Cards for a Cause Supporting Educators in 2021!



This year Camp Cards for a Cause are supporting educators! Between now and May 30, 2021 Scouts can register online to participate in "Camp Cards for a Cause". For every \$10 donated to Camp Cards for Cause a camp card will be donated to an educator! Serve our educators while funding your Scouting Adventure! Any Scout or unit, regardless of prior participation, may take part in Camp Cards for a Cause.

**CAMP CARDS FOR A CAUSE** 

### Camp Cards! We're Selling Camp Not Just A Discount Card!



It's not too late to reserve cards! Each \$10 card sold provides 50% commission to Scouts, with a risk-free sale. Our families understand that they are selling character, a better community through Scouting, and the benefits of Scouting summer camp; they are not just selling discount cards! To sign up for the sale or acquire cards, visit the Grand Canyon Council in person or contact your District Executive.

**SIGN UP NOW!** 

### Plan Your Ideal Year of Scouting!

### **Program Preview Event for Unit Leaders**

A Free Informational Event for Leaders
Growing a Strong Unit

Join us April 24, 2021 at the Heard Scout Pueblo

This event features special presenters from Districts and Council program areas sharing how to recruit and engage volunteers for your Scout unit, welcome additional families to your uni and how to plan your ideal year of Scouting!



YES, SIGN ME UP!



### R-C Family Camp Information Webinar Hosted by Camp Director Nicole and Program Director Jamie

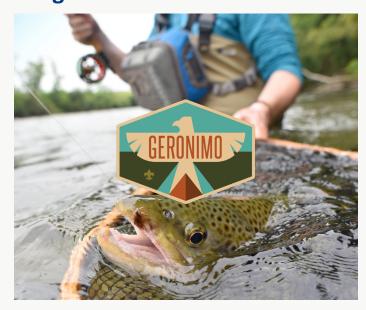


Parent and Leaders Zoom information Webinar for R-C Family Camp March 28 at 5PM by Zoom!

Whether you're a parent excited for a fun weekend with your Cub Scout, or a unit leader planning on bringing the whole pack, we are looking forward to a great summer of excitement at R-C Scout Ranch! We are hosting an hour long Zoom informational webinar to preview our 2021 summer camp program, as well as answer the questions you need to know!

There is no cost and registration is not required, although registering does help us to send reminders and follow up information.

### Geronimo Summer Camp Information Webinar Hosted by Director of Support Service Greg Harmon



Parent and Leaders Zoom information Webinar for Geronimo Summer Camp March 1 at 7PM by Zoom!

We are hosting an hour long Zoom informational webinar to preview our 2021 summer camp program at Camp Geronimo, as well as answer any questions you may have!

Events are beginning to sell out quickly! Some Summer camp options are have began to sell out already so don't wait! Please be sure to sign up for camps, trainings, and programs as soon as you know you want to participate!

### SIGN UP NOW

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### CUB SCOUTS FAMILY CAMP

# R-C

### R-C Scout Ranch Cub Scout Family Camp

Calling all Cub Scout families! This June at R-C Scout Ranch our Cub Scout Family Camp is hosting 12 sessions for Cub Scouts and their families to attend! This year's theme for our camp is Super Scouts!

R-C Cub Scout Family Camp is an opportunity for Cub Scouts to form memorable experiences with their parents, grandparents, siblings, or even the entire family as they engage in Scout camp activities such as horseback riding, archery, shooting BB Guns, participating in crafts, art, and nature walks, catching crawdads in the creek, and much more! Adult participants get to enjoy all the same activities alongside their Cub Scout. Families are welcomed to attend on their own and make new friends, but Dens and Packs may also organize to attend a session and have fun camping together as a group!

Campers will have all meals and activities provided by the camp and camp staff; campers need only to bring their own tent, camping gear, clothes, and toiletries!

Each of our family sessions are capped at 200 participants, which are divided into ten camp sites with a maximum of twenty campers. We will arrange camp sites based on your pack, district, and/or rank. Each traditional family camp session is 72 hours long, running from Friday afternoon to Monday morning; parents who must return to work Monday morning can arrange to have an early check out with their Cub Scout early Sunday night, after closing campfire! Each family session is \$200.00 per participants, which includes three days of meals, activities, a patch, shirt, trained staff, and memories your Cub will love for years! Our first couple weekends always sell out, and there is no on-site registration, so try not to wait to sign up!

Our specialty sessions run each Monday afternoon through Thursday morning. These programs will have

| Session               | Dates          |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| Family Session #1     | June 4-7       |
| Equestrian Session #1 | June 7-10      |
| Space                 | June 7-10      |
| Family Session #2     | June 11-14     |
| New Girls Packs       | June 14-17     |
| Webelos/AOL           | June 14-17     |
| Family Session #3     | June 18-21     |
| Equestrian Session #2 | June 21-24     |
| STEM                  | June 21-24     |
| Family Session #4     | June 25-28     |
| Art                   | June 28-July 1 |
| Craftsmanship         | June 28-July 1 |

varying activities focused on one particular aspect of our summer camp program, such as more advanced programs for Webelos/AOLs, horse focused and additional riding opportunities at equestrian camp, and a session focused on new packs that are focused on girl Cubs only. Due to the limited capacity and additional program costs, fees for the specialty programs are \$250.00 per participants, and include everything that the traditional family camp does, in addition to the specialized programs.

Camperships are available to any or all Scouts with financial hardships. Campership applications must be submitted at least six weeks in advance.

For more information, please visit: <a href="https://r-cscoutranch.org/summer-camps/">https://r-cscoutranch.org/summer-camps/</a> or email our camp directors at rcscoutcamp@gmail.com.

### Spring Cub Scout Day Camp 2021 - Spring Training!



This year's Spring Day Camp will be featured over President's Day weekend, allowing parents to participate and enjoy a three day weekend with their Cubs! April 10-11, 2021 at Heard Scout Pueblo.

Cub Scout Fans unite as one as they spend 3 days of Spring Training! They will come together as a team while learning team building, physical fitness and so much more! Activities will include, but limited to, Nature, Scout Skills, Obstacle Course, Team Games, Crafts, and Shooting Sports! Don't be surprised if special guests and special events become part of your Day Camp Experience!

YES, SIGN ME UP!

### **Council Wide Virtual Pinewood Derby Event**



Saturday, May 1, 2021 Grand Canyon Council is hosting a council-wide Virtual Pinewood Derby Event!

- 10: 30 am Race Time!
- \$5.00 Per Racer
- Pinewood Derby Rules
- Check-in Locations TBD
- RACE!!!

**VIEW DETAILS** 



### **Upcoming Virtual Merit Badge Workshops**



There are upcoming virtual merit badge workshops for, Graphic Arts, public speaking, and communication. Classes are limited, please reserve your spot today!

### **GET THE DETAILS**

### **Centennial Limited-Edition Items Available Now**



**GO TO TRADING POST** 

### Sold Out! Poseidon Has Hit its Maximum Capacity!



Poseidon has hit its maximum capacity of 50 participants and is sold out!

Interested parties may still register to be placed on the wait list; if any current participants are unable to attend the event, we will add wait listed participants on a first come-first served basis!

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- Welcome additional families to your unit.
- How to plan your ideal year of Scouting; from building your activity calendar to funding your adventure.

We will have special presenters from Districts and Council program areas. See all the highlight events, activities and training coming up and receive the council and district calendar through December of 2022. Sign Up today!

### YES, SIGN ME UP!

### Be a Leader In the World of International Scouting



Scouting is happening all around the world – there are National Scout Organizations representing their home countries and delivering the promise of Scouting in virtually all areas and regions globally. The BSA International Department works to help Scouts and Leaders from the BSA to experience the bigger picture of Scouting and connect with it through our involvement in the World Organization of the Scout Movement.

We are looking for leaders to form an International Committee in the Grand Canyon Council BSA. Please Contact Burdell "Bird" Hall at: 480-688-9599 <a href="mailto:bird.scouter@gmail.com">bird.scouter@gmail.com</a>

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# THE NEW BADGE

# ADVANCED LEADERSHIP TRAINING AT R-C SCOUT RANCH

### This course requires two mandatory weekends September 10-12 and September 25-26

- Wood Badge Participants learn to view Scouting globally as a family of inter-related value-based programs that provide age appropriate activities for youth.
- Recognize the contemporary leadership concepts utilized in corporate America and leading government organizations that are relevant to our value-based movement.
- · Apply the skills learned from participation as a member of a successful working team.
- Revitalize commitment by sharing in an overall inspirational experience that helps provide Scouting with the leadership it needs to accomplish its mission on an ongoing basis.

### **REGISTER ONLINE NOW AT**

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### What is SLC?

Summit Leadership Challenge (SLC) focuses on practical applications of Wood Badge skills. learning activities and real world situations gives participants the opportunity to observe and participate in team-building and problemsolving, and to effectively

Summit Leadership Challenge provides participants with an experience that exemplifies the through challenging and engaging activities and motion the values expressed in the Scout Oath and Scout Law.



### **ELIGIBILITY**

Be a registered adult Scouting leader in any program area

Have completed a Wood Badge course (you may still be working on your ticket)

Complete Annual Health & Medical Record (parts A-C)

### **COURSE DATES**

July 4 - 10, 2021

### **COURSE FEE**

\$450 per person

\$100 due at registration with balance due May 1, 2021

### **INFORMATION & REGISTRATION**

Additional information about SLC and the registration link may be found at:

### SummitBSA.org/training

#### **Summit Bechtel Reserve**

2550 Jack Furst Drive Glen Jean, WV 25846 (304) 465-2800 Summit.Program@scouting.org

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### **April Archery Open Shoot**



Archery participants will learn the basic skills of Archery while also learning about the history and sport of Archery. Morning Session for Scouts BSA ONLY and Afternoon Session for Cub Scouts ONLY. Cost is \$12 per Scout at the Heard Scout Pueblo Saturday April 24, 2021.

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### Rifle and BB Gun Open Shoot



Participants at the Rifle Range will have an opportunity to learn how to shoot and hone their skills with the Range's accurate .22 Target Rifles on a 50 foot Range. For Rifle Merit Badge - we recommend the Troop come to the Pueblo Friday evening to the range for the book portion. Then on Saturday they shoot for the qualification part. Is the work for your rifle merit badge complete? Then you can shoot for NRA awards and earn additional patches!

Cub Scouts, looking for a fun event to do on a Saturday Afternoon? BB Rifle Open Shoots are available 9 months of the year! Sign-Up and have FUN!

#### YES, SIGN ME UP!





### **Central District Awards Celebration**

Congratulations for outstanding contributions, dedicated years of service, and leadership to youth and Scouting in the Grand Canyon Council, and Central District.

#### Unit Committee Hall of Fame Award

Carl Churchman - Troop 329 Janice Hebert – Troops 329 & 3329 Lindsay Kittler – Troop 3329 Rebecca Butcher – Troop 3329 Thyra Diaz – Troop 401

#### **Eagle Scout Project of the Year**

Nicholas Whitlock – Troop 41

#### **Cub Scout of the Year**

Jahnav Bhatnagar – Pack 6

#### Scouter of the Year

Anui Bhatnagar - Pack 6 Doug Ullrich – Troop 747 Jack Stieg – Pack 6 Kirk Stauff - Pack 6

#### Scout of the Year, Scouts BSA

Olivia Zangerle - T3401

#### Pack of the Year

Pack 276

#### **Scouting Family of the Year**

The Mitchells – Pack 324

#### **Meritorious Service Star**

Orvell Franklin Glen DePhillips

#### **Spark Plug Award**

Jeff Luman - Pack 324 Rachel Luman - Pack 324 Jenn Zook - Troop 747 Kelly Beaubien - Pack 276 Sabrina Mauch - Pack 276 Robert Wardy - Pack 6

#### **Cub Scout Hall of Fame Award**

Corrine Yee

#### Scouts BSA Hall of Fame Award

Christina Collins – Troop 3401 Kim Levingar – Troop 747 Sandy Walker – Troop 747 Richard Hinz – Troop 147 Carol Fairchok William Fairchok Keith Jendricks Robert Colony

#### **Commissioner Hall of Fame Award**

Byron Allred Chris Collins Orvell Franklin

#### **District Committee HOF Award**

Chuck McGrath Roger Ottaway Jason Youn Dave Marquardt Judy Walden

### **Central District Pinewood Derby**



Central District Pinewood Derby will be held Saturday April 17, 2021 (new date!) at the Heard Scout Pueblo. This is a socially-distanced event open to all Grand Canyon Council Cub Scouts and Webelos. Staggered race times for each rank to limit crowd size. Pinewood Derby Kits are available at the Mesa Scout Shop.

### **Training Progress Report**



#### 100% Position-specific Trained as of 2/28/21

- P6 Parents of Pack 6
- P244 Laveen Community Council
- P276 American Legion Post 105
- T124 St Andrew Evangelical Lutheran Church
- T329 Parent Teacher at Meadows
- T461 Glendale Nazarene Church
- T3329 Ryan House

#### 100 / 100 Club Members

100% position-specific trained and 100% YPT as of 2/28/21 P6\*, P276, T329, and T3329.

#### 90% + Position-specific Trained as of 2/28/21

- T6 Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
- T747 Phoenix Friends Church
- T787 Southwest Elementary
- T805 Northminster Presbyterian Church

### **Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills**



Central District, BSA is sponsoring the Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills training sessions on May 1st & 2nd at the Heard Scout Pueblo at the base of South Mountain. This is a hands-on program that gives adult leaders a practical introduction to the patrol method of a boy-led Troop by teaching many of the outdoor skills they need to lead Scouts in the out-of-doors. In addition, the teaching methods, activities, and games model the variety of teaching used in effective and engaging Scouting programs.

There are only 35 slots available for this event, so registering early is important. Deadline to make the session is April 10th with registration closing on April 24th.

#### **REGISTER TODAY**

#### 100% Youth Protection Trained as of 2/28/21

- Р6
- P105
- P147
- P210
- P276
- P340
- P446
- P787 P805
- T105
- T6

- T147
- T201
- T329
- T340
- T446
- T644
- T747
- T787
- T3329
- T3401
- C2041

Underlining indicates unit also is 90% - 100% position-specific trained.



### **Gila River District Chair Update**

As I write this, I have just completed National Camp School for short-term camping that is sponsored by our District. I attended with 6 others of our District leadership team and it reminded me how honored I am to spend time with such quality people seeking to provide meaningful adventure for our youth.

Doing activities, the right way, in a S.A.F.E manner, and following the guidelines outlined in our training will be the way we TAKE BACK SCOUTING!

We are TAKING BACK SCOUTING with awesome events this spring that I encourage you all to take advantage of in the great outdoors:

- <u>Pinewood Derby</u> on **April 24** you got it America's favorite pastime with wood and sleek lines!
- <u>District Spring Outing</u> Backpacking on the Historic Arizona Trail and earning the Historic Trails Award.
- <u>Spring Training</u> **April 16-17** not that, Outdoor Training (BALOO and IOLS) ....But just as fun!

Lastly, please do not forget to support our local Scouting program financially as you do with the gift of time. Unlike the high school wrestling team or the local competitive dance studio, we ain't selling candy bars - we're selling the adventure of Scouting and the results of successfully mentoring youth! Join the 1993 Society and support our program today!

Yours in Scouting, Kent J.Thomas / District Chair

### Pack 71 Baloo the Builder



Bear Den 7 recently had a Bear Den meeting where they met at a local park to learn about tools and tool safety for the adventure "Baloo the Builder". They built "Jacob's ladders" for their fun project, and bird feeders for their useful project.

### **Blue and Gold Celebrations**



The Yuma area packs were busy this month with Blue and Gold celebrations. Pack 8054 held an outdoor meeting to present awards earned and sing "Happy Birthday" to cub scouts.

### Character-Driven for a Quarter-century



Pack 8051 celebrated not only blue and gold this year, but their charter's birthday of 25 years. They joined with Troop 8051 and gathered for a ceremony. Most Cub Scouts earned their rank, and the second year Webelos earned their Arrow of Light and crossed over to the Troop as official Boy Scouts. They were also featured in the <a href="Yuma Sun local newspaper">Yuma Sun local newspaper</a>

### Hank Day Parade with Troop and Crew 8051



Both Troop and Crew 8051 participated in the Hank Day Parade, celebrating the founder of the Foothills area in Yuma County. Directly after the parade, the Venture Crew went camping out at Fortuna Pond where they spent the rest of the day fishing.

### Gila River District's newest Eagle Scouts

Congratulations to the Gila River District's newest Eagle Scouts: Ethan M. from Troop 283 in Chandler, Patrick L. from Troop 280 in Chandler, and Nathaniel M. from Troop 283 in Chandler.

These outstanding Scouts passed their Virtual Eagle Boards of Review on February 24, 2021. Welcome to the brotherhood. #eaglescout4life

### **Program Preview Leaders Event Plan Your Ideal Year of Scouting**



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# LOST DUTCHMAN DISTRICT

### **2019 District Awards**



After a yearlong delay, the 2019 Lost Dutchman Leader Awards were presented at the March 4, 2021 Roundtable held outdoors at Our Lord' Lutheran Church. Congratulations to the following Scouters:

- District Award of Merit: Izaak Rohman, Janice **Edwards**
- Scouter of the Year: Tom Skinner
- Scout Family of the Year: Hallock Family and Canode Family
- District Committee Hall of Fame: Conni Knoblach, and Tony Madonia Jr
- Commissioner Hall of Fame: Steven Johnson and Danielle Alfanyre
- OA Chapter Hall of Fame: Kieran Dunlop and Kevin Catalfo
- **Cub Scout Leader Hall of Fame:** Andrea Nestvold. Keith Bedwell, Dean Zent, and Alexis Hendricks
- Boy Scout Leader Hall of Fame: Rich Haag, Steve Stafford, Shannon Lau, and Scott Robert
- Unit Committee Hall of Fame: Jennifer Harrison, Jennifer BasiksKotz, Catherine Marceau, and Leslie Coca Udave
- Sparkplug: Izaak Rohman, Mel Jacox, Robert Dean Zents, Roxy Manwell, Josh Mike, Adam Forest, Cheryl WootenForest, Isaias Garcia, Sheri Hill, Eric Kawczynski, Nicole Lafuze, Tom Lafuze, Michelle Mandarino, Bill Pavlis, Renee Ramsey, and Joseph Richardson

### **March RoundTable**



The Roundtable also provided an opportunity for the annual Dutch Oven Cook off! Prizes were awarded for: Best Main Dish (that isn't chili), Best Chili, Best Side Dish (potatoes, etc), Best Bread (rolls, cornbread, etc.), Best Breakfast, Best Dessert (that isn't cobbler), Best Cobbler, and Best Dutch Oven ice cream.

### **Lost Dutchman Council Leader Awardees**

Congratulations to the Council Leader Awardees from Lost Dutchman District. The following Scouters were awarded Council Leadership Awards:

Meritorious Service Star Award: Tim Wolf, Gary Jones, and Kathy Polowski

Silver Beaver:

James Bradley, Greg Randolph, and Wes Morrell

Congratulations!

### **New!** Scout Shop Hours

The Mesa Scout Shop will now be open on Thursdays from 10am - 6pm! Hours are now Monday-Friday 10am until 6pm! Saturdays 10am until 4pm!

BEGINNING April, 11, 2021. The Mesa Scout Shop will open Sundays from 11:00 am. until 3:00 pm!

### Lost Dutchman District's First Female Eagle Scout



We congratulate Deon Bryant for becoming the first female Eagle Scout in the Lost Dutchman District. Deon is a member of Troop 3050 and Crew 2020. She is also the first Female Youth Arrowman and Brotherhood in the Order of the Arrow. She is also active in the NYLT program.

### Pinewood Derby at Dobson Ranch Park



Cubs from Pack 555 were socially distanced while watching their Pinewood Derby at Dobson Ranch Park. Cubmaster Josh Mike receives his LDD Sparkplug Award from Scouter of the Year Tom Skinner at Pack 555 Pinewood Derby.

### **Annual Fireside Chat with Scout Executive Andy Price**

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# PINNACLE PEAK DISTRICT

### 2020 Pinnacle Peak District **Awards**

Pinnacle Peak District is pleased to have some of the best Scouters around and because of their efforts we also have some of the best units around. On Saturday, March 13th, 2021 via Zoom, we recognized some of those individuals and units at the 2020 Pinnacle Peak District Awards.

We want to congratulate them once again and thank all of them for the support that they give to Scouting, the Grand Canyon Council, and the Pinnacle Peak District. We also want to thank the wonderful Scouts from Crew 2030 who will be helping in the presenting of flag, scout oath and law, and awards. A special recognition goes to our sponsors, Scorpion Ridge, and Catapult Strategic Design.

2020 District Award Selections:

- **District Committee Member of the Year:** Brian Flynn
- Crew Ship of the Year: Crew 3030
- Cubmaster of the Year: Josh Motter, Pack 603
- **District Award of Merit:** Susan Shuman, and Lois Grumbo
- Pack of the Year: Pack 116
- Scout Family of the Year: The Heit Family
- Charter Organization Representative: Mark Sanchez
- **Troop of the Year:** Troop 531
- **Scoutmaster of the Year:** Heather Adams ,Troop 3226
- **Committee Member of the Year** (2 awards): Brady Travis, Pack 416 and Liz Silverman, Troop 3030
- Committee Chair of the Year: Melissa Lawrence, Pack 116
- **Den Leader of the Year**: Graham Twaddell, Pack 416.

Each year we receive many nominations and even though we have a limited number of awards to present we frequently come across individuals who have indeed gone the Extra Mile to serve their Scouts and we would like to recognize those individuals who have done so with the Extra Miler award. Here are the individuals we want to recognize:

Phil Silverman Jay Krich Dan Frost Chandra Garcia Kevin Joy Kimberley Bidleman Michael Millett Dean Clayton Mark Sanchez Mark Davis Chad Ball Mike Caruso Candice Wilson Bryan Koch Scott Sharples Dan Welker Kimberly Sheard Michael Farrar Heather Magill Adrionna Hatfield Matt Sheard Cory Newkirk Michelle Harris Tara Welker Ron Hill Carson Dorsey Brown "Skip" Harris Seth Wilson Tina Lee Will Shirey Morgan Clayton Lynda Hale

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https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84178374435?pwd=R1QvQ0ZUaEV3VzUxRCtXbnpNUHBFZz09

### **Troop 531 Mountain Biking**



Troop 531 mountain biking weekend! Troop 531 Scouts have been learning about biking during the month of February following the PLC plans Mountain biking is a blast! Dads had fun too! #aztroop531

### **Troop 15 Snow Camping**



We didn't plan on it being a snow camp out, and none of the Scouts dropped out when hearing the snow forecast. We had the whole camp to ourselves.

### **Troop 616 Water Bottle Rockets**



Troop 616 Scouts in the park today having some fun playing games and launching water bottle rockets!

### **Riverside Campground**



Troop 3824 had a fun weekend at Riverside Campground and kayaking on the Verde River and Troop 824 camped near Lake Pleasant and canoed. This is what happens when your scout leaders have a love for all things water!

### **Deadman Cave**



Troop 51 & 3051 had another awesome experience exploring Dead man Cave! A Big thank you to Ray Keeler, our Caving Guide!

### **Aviation Explorers**



Pinnacle Peak Aviation Explorer's, Jacob Thompson had the great opportunity this past weekend to fly in the 4 T-6 Texan!



### **Ponderosa District Events**



Virtual Pinewood Derby – from Terry Marxen Chevrolet – Flagstaff. Streamed on Facebook Live and Zoom on March 27 In-District Only, any 2020 or 2021 cars accepted.

Ponderosa District Route 66 Shoot – Archery, 22 Rifles and Shotgun on April 24th at Camp Raymond.

Ponderosa District IOLS/Baloo – for Cub and Scouts BSA Leaders on April 24th and 25th at Camp Raymond.

Jurassic Centennial Cub Scout Day Camp – For all Cub Scouts only. Not a Family Camp. Sign up early space is limited. July 9th and 10th at Bradshaw Pines Camp, Prescott. Check the Council Calendar for Registration information.

Ponderosa District Roundtable: 1st Thursday at 7pm -Meeting ID: 875 8215 1837 Passcode: pon bsa

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87582151837?pwd=dXdlWDJGSy90RENrNVRKUkxVczM1dz09

### Jurassic Centennial **Cub Scout Day Camp**



The Ponderosa District Day Camp is 2 days of fun in the shaded pines of Prescott, AZ. Scouts will participate in 6 stations a day, for a total of 12 stations including: BB guns, Archery, and First Aid! July 9th, 2021 & July 10th, 2021 at Bradshaw Pines Camp.

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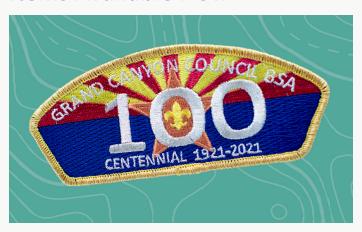
## Community Comes Together to give Glendale Veteran a Home Makeover



12news.com features Marine Veteran, Katheryn Baarson, who asked for help cleaning her backyard and local organizations came together to give her home an upgrade!

**SEE 12NEWS VIDEO** 

### **Centennial Limited-Edition Items Available Now**



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- We are a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization (Tax ID #:86-0101295).
- Arizona taxpayers are eligible for a tax credit of up to \$400 for individuals or \$800 for joint filers for donations to Qualifying Charitable Organizations (Q.C.O.).
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