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**REGISTER YOUR TEAM TODAY!**

## SAFETY CORNER

Safety Moments are exactly what the name implies: opportunities to prepare for an activity, review safety measures and report incidents correctly. Safety Corner is where we will look to remind everyone of the need to always keep safety in mind during all of our activities. Written by Matthew Laudone, the volunteer chair of the Council's Enterprise Risk Management Committee.

### SAFETY CORNER

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## MESSAGE FROM SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Andy Price



Howdy! September is such a beautiful time to be in Arizona and be a Scouter! I'm looking forward to cooler temperatures and wonderful outdoor adventures.

Thousands of Scouts have begun their Scouting adventures with the new school year. If your unit has not recruited a number of new youth, I encourage you to talk with your Unit Commissioner to put a recruiting plan in place. New youth (and their parents!) are the lifeblood of a strong and vibrant Scouting unit.

Other components of unit success are a year-round calendar of activities, a budget to cover everything, and a money earning plan to make it successful. Please be reminded that BSA has very specific rules about unit money earning projects, and leaders should be careful to ensure their packs, troops, crews, ships, and posts are operating within them. Details can be found on the [BSA's website](#).

Our council and district teams continue to plan exciting activities for Scouts. Some activities are open to troop/pack registration and others are open to individual Scouts and/or their families. Be sure to check the [council calendar](#) often to see what's coming up. Our activities have registration deadlines and minimums, so register early.

If you've not heard, this month we have a very special opportunity. A very generous Scouting supporter, Dave Alexander, has agreed to match 100% of every contribution to Grand Canyon Council for the month of September. What a great opportunity to leverage your, and others', donations to support GCC. This match includes Friends of Scouting contributions, sponsorships to our Sporting Clays event, endowment contributions – every dollar contributed this month will be matched. I hope you'll consider sharing this with others you know who might be interested in youth, character, leadership, and our society's future. Contributions can be made via our [website \(www.grandcanyonbsa.org/support-scouting\)](http://www.grandcanyonbsa.org/support-scouting).

*Andy*





# CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Be a part of history at "Holiday at the Heard."  
Our final Centennial Event of the year!  
Saturday, December 11, 2021

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**Are you interested in volunteering?**  
**Contact us at [GCC.Program@Scouting.org](mailto:GCC.Program@Scouting.org)**

Volunteer at the Heard Scout Pueblo  
Saturday, December 11, 2021

1901 E Dobbins Rd  
Phoenix, Arizona 85042

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for details and sign up!

[www.GrandCanyonbsa.org](http://www.GrandCanyonbsa.org)

- Set-up and Clean-up Crews
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## 2020 Council Honorees Continued

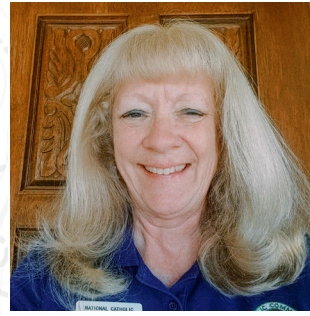
Throughout 2021 we will feature two of our 2020 Council Honors award recipients. To learn more about our 2020 council honorees and their impact on Scouting visit: [2020 Honorees](#)

- Kathleen Polowski, Gila River, Meritorious Service Star honoree and Lynda Diane Hale, Pinnacle Peak, Silver Beaver Award honoree. Featured in Volume 2, No. 12, September 2021 of Grand Canyon Connection.
- Orvell Franklin, Jr., Central, Meritorious Service Star honoree and Peter Zipp, Sonoran Sunset, Meritorious Service Star honoree. Featured in Volume 3, No. 01, October 2021 of Grand Canyon Connection.
- Sondra Wendt, Pinnacle Peak, Meritorious Service Star honoree and Timothy Smith, Sonoran Sunset, Distinguished Service Star honoree. Featured in Volume 3, No. 02, November 2021 of Grand Canyon Connection.
- Timothy Wolfe, Council, Meritorious Service Star honoree and William Popescue, Sonoran Sunset, Distinguished Service Star honoree. Featured in Volume 3, No. 03, December 2021 of Grand Canyon Connection.

2021 Council Honors Nominations are OPEN! Please go to our link below and submit your nominations today! Deadline is October 15th, 2021. Any questions, please contact Eric Hiser, Council Recognition Chair at [ehiser.bsa@gmail.com](mailto:ehiser.bsa@gmail.com) Thank you!

**SUBMIT A NOMINATION TODAY**

## Kathy Polowski 2020 Meritorious Service Star Award Honoree



Kathy Polowski was awarded the Meritorious Service Star Award as a volunteer in the Gila River District for her years of service at the Unit, District and Council levels. Kathy cheerfully supports many areas within the council such as Assistant Council Commissioner, District Member at Large, Program Chair, Merit Badge Counselor, Unit Commissioner, Committee Chair and Committee Member for Pack, Troop & Crew P132, T565, and C2009. As an Assistant Council Commissioner, Kathy's contributions to leadership transcends through Commissioner Service which directly impacts our youth. Kathy lives the Oath and Law daily which translates to her continued commitment to ensure integrity and strong character directly to the youth and to other volunteer leaders. Aligned on these principles, Kathy works hard to ensure the mission is shared, follows and sets the example for all leaders, volunteers and community. Kathy is currently the Chairperson of the Interfaith Committee in our Council. Her role as the Council Interfaith Chair in support of Religious Emblems, Awards and Achievements by coordinating events, dinners and activities brings alive "A Scout is Reverent" along with Duty to God programs and the Ten Commandment Hikes available to our Scout families every fall. As a mentor to all, Kathy serves Scouting gracefully while her dedication to youth and families stays strong. It is for this and many, many years of her service to Grand Canyon Council that Kathy receives the Meritorious Service Star Award! No matter what volunteer position Kathy holds, she is the image of a true and faithful servant leader, always willing and able to help in any way she can... and she does! Thank you, Kathy!

**RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE**

## Lynda Diane Hale 2020 Silver Beaver Award Honoree



Lynda Diane Hale, received the Silver Beaver Award in 2020 as a Unit and District volunteer in the Pinnacle Peak District. She currently participates as a Council and Unit level volunteer, leading and coordinating Council Cub Outdoor Programs that serve every Cub

Unit. Her experience with Cub Scouts is vast and wide over many years in many different volunteer roles. We are so fortunate that her leadership and guidance supports our Cub Scout Program that serves every Cub Pack in the Council! Lynda has provided service to youth by directing Cub Day Camps, ensuring a quality program for the Cub Scouts, volunteers, families and unit leaders. The success of these programs for Cubs is truly her passion and it shows! Not only has the Lynda supported District committees and units as a commissioner, but she has also stepped up and most recently helped facilitate a very successful virtual Cub Day Camp while we experienced COVID lockdown. Thank you, Lynda, for your time, commitment, dedication and passion for Scouting. Your years of service extend well beyond the event or program... you make a different by impacting every youth, our volunteers and our Scout families. Thank you and Congratulations on receiving the Silver Beaver Award!

### CUB CAMPING

## Welcome To Scouting, Earn Your First Rank Badge and Get a Free Shirt!

Cub Scouts and Scouts BSA members who earn their first rank (Bobcat or Scout) in the months of September and October will be recognized with a limited edition State Forty Eight Grand Canyon Council Centennial T-shirt! Help us ensure every Scout is recognized and celebrated! To make that possible, we are asking Unit Leaders to record rank advancement through the Online advancement portal to honor all Scouts and their achievement. Throughout September and October, advancement reports will be run and families of Scouts who have earned Bobcat or Scout will be emailed with a link to order their shirt!

## Congratulations to the (Falcon Field) Wings of Flight Foundation Explorer Post 2352 National Aviation Explorer Scholarship Awardees



Congratulations to Alyssa B. and Aneka R. of Explorer Post 2352! Each was awarded a \$5,000 scholarship to further their college studies in the aviation field! The scholarships were awarded from the National BSA Learning for Life division and National Aviation Careers Exploring Committee.

## Congratulations to Troop 3015 First Campout!



Congratulations to Troop 3015 of Pinnacle Peak District. This is something Troop 15 leadership have all been working on since moving over to Desert Mission United Methodist Church in July. Thank you to Anne and Tod Filer for all their efforts in finding a new charter organization where a new troop for girls could be formed. Also a big thank you to Tammy Dowd, the new Scoutmaster for Troop 3015 and to Gil Lau for all the work they have put in to get the new troop off the ground.



## 2021 Sporting Clays Classic

We invite you to partner with the Grand Canyon Council as one of our 2021 Sporting Clays Classic Sponsors. Saturday, November 13, 2021 at Rio Salado Sportsman’s Club.

The Opportunity: We invite you to partner with the Grand Canyon Council as one of our 2021 Sporting Clays Classic Presenting, Team, Meal, Scout, or Station Sponsors.

Your company will have a great opportunity to engage and inspire our participants while promoting your business or organization. Funds raised at this event stay local, and support Scouting here in the Grand Canyon Council.

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- November 6, 2021
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## Support Scouting with PayPal Giving Fund

Donate to Grand Canyon Council with PayPal Giving Fund. Learn how to give at check out to benefit your charity. [View the PayPal Giving Toolkit.>>](#)

## Support Scouting with AmazonSmile

Shop AmazonSmile today and be part of something bigger! 0.5% of eligible purchases goes to your favorite charitable organization –no fees, no extra cost. [Shop Now >>](#)

## Order Your Arizona BSA License Plate

Grand Canyon Council BSA will receive \$17 of the annual \$25 specialty license plate fee. [Click here](#) to personalize your BSA Arizona License plate!





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## MERIT BADGE WORKSHOPS

### Virtual Merit Badge Workshops

- [Personal Management October 5, 2021](#)
- [Environmental Science October 14, 2021](#)
- [Citizenship in the World October 19, 2021](#)

Visit each registration for prerequisites, fees, and additional information.

### New Shotgun Merit Badge

Scouts BSA Shotgun Merit Badge is open for registration with the El Dorado Holdings, Inc. provided over/under 20-Gauge Shotguns! Thank you to Mike Ingram, Founder & Chairman, and the entire team at El Dorado Holdings, Inc. for their partnership in providing brand new over/under 20-gauge shotguns for our Scouts to use. We are so excited about this partnership, and our endeavor of being the leading organization that teaches gun safety, proper handling, and the love of the sport.

The Shotgun Merit Badge is October 16, 2021 at Casa Grande Trap & Skeet from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM.

[REGISTER NOW](#)

### Open Shoot Monthly at the Heard Scout Pueblo

[Open Shoot for Rifle](#) October 16, 2021. [Archery Open Shoot](#) October 23, 2021. Visit registration for fees, and information on the Friday Night Rifle Merit Badge portion. Got questions? Contact, [Gary Jordan](#).

## Policy on Unauthorized Changes to Advancement Program

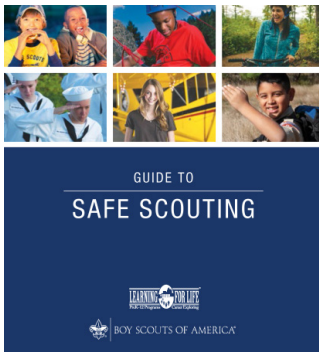
No council, committee, district, unit, or individual has the authority to add to, or subtract from, advancement requirements. There are limited exceptions relating only to members with special needs. For details see [Section 10 of the Guide to Advancement](#), "Advancement for Members With Special Needs." For information on Cub Scout advancement see Section 4.1.0.0 of the Guide to Advancement. For information on Scouts BSA advancement see Section 4.2.0.0.



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OPEN TRAINING

## Promoting Your Event

The latest in 2021 customizable recruitment materials. It’s time to escape the indoors and help families discover Scouting! Here are resources to promote your event and engage interested families.. [Read More >>](#)

## BeAScout Map Pins

Updating your BeAScout.org Map “pin” is simple, and it’s a good way to make sure your information is current. From there, families can type in their ZIP code, select the program that interests them. [Read More >>](#)

## Social Media Guide

Learn the most effective ways to promote your unit through social media and how to request council provided digital marketing. An average of 16.6% increased in recruitment for units that geofenced. [Read More >>](#)

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## Do's and Don'ts Before Your Next Unit Fundraiser



Follow this list of fundraising do's and don'ts. It comes from Russ McNamer, the BSA's associate general counsel for all things taxes. [Read More >>](#)

## IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

### Trails End Fundraising Mobile App



Beginning 2021 – all storefronts are arranged through the Trails End app and kernel account (web page) The app for Scouts to track and report real-time storefronts, wagon and Online sales, accept cash and credit cards, track inventory by Scout and storefront, and sign up for storefront shifts! The app has been redesigned, with upgrades to the platform allowing it to be even faster and more stable with FREE credit card processing. In 2018, units who tested it found that their sales were 20% higher than using cash alone. Please contact [teappsupport@trails-end.com](mailto:teappsupport@trails-end.com) with technical support questions. [Click here](#) for information on the Trail End Mobile App!

## 2021 Popcorn Sales Timeline Coming Up



- October 13-15 Mid sale Order Distribution
- November 5 Take Order Submission Deadline
- November 18-19 Take Order Orders delivered and distributed.
- December 10 Fundraiser is closed. Deadline to settle all balances and submit prize orders.

LEARN MORE

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## 2022 Summer Camp Geronimo Save-A-Spot Site Reservation

Provide an estimated number of participants you expect to attend 2022 Camp Geronimo! This information will help us plan and prepare for next summer. **Each troop that submits this information along with the \$200 deposit to Camp Headquarters or Council Headquarters NO LATER than the October 15, 2021 deadline will secure one free base camp adult (\$150 value).**

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- Cub Scout Program
- Scout-O-rama
- NESAs Eagle Reception
- Evening Activities

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**NEW! Cub Scout STEM  
Camp Adventure**

October 15-17, 2021



This Adventure is for Bear, Webelos, and Arrow of Light Scouts as they learn the benefits of modular designing and building within the fun and exciting world of Snap Ships. This adventure features a new DIGITAL instant recognition for Cub Scouts! Each participant will receive a Snap Ship at the adventure with registration.

**SIGN UP NOW**

**NEW! Adventure Day Camp**

October 11 - 15 & October 18 - 22



This drop-off day camp is designed for kids (Scouts and non-Scouts alike) to come and enjoy a themed week of activities and fun Monday through Friday . Sign up for a week of activities happening at the Heard Scout Camp where our trained staff will provide fun, safe, and engaging programs for kids ages 6 – 11.

**LEARN MORE**

**SENIOR SCOUT PROGRAMS**

**NEW! R-C Scout Ranch Winter  
Blast Coming Soon!**

December 27, 2021 and January 1, 2022



Winter Blast is a unique scouting experience designed for Scouts 13 and older that focuses on Eagle required badges, STEM, and winter fun. This program is lead entirely by provisional leadership - no parents or unit leadership allowed. While atypical, this environment fosters creativity and learning, encourages personal responsibility, and provides lots of time to with good friends! Link Coming Soon! [View Flyer](#)

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[DEI Training >>](#)

Incident Reporting will be a highly monitored reporting area in the Scout post-bankrupt operating environment. We need to ensure that all scout leaders understand what Incident Reporting is and why it is important that all incidents are accurately and timely reported. Scouting strongly encourages units to report any incident so Risk Management can ensure any unsafe conditions are addressed and safety measures are put in place. We may also recommend training that may need to be created or enhanced to ensure safety and for insurance purposes. The Incident Report Landing Page link below, will explain why reporting is so important and the links to the appropriate report.

[www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/incident-report/](http://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/incident-report/)

- [Incident Reporting Requirements](#)
- [Incident Reporting Tool](#)
- [Near Miss Reporting Tool](#)
- [Youth Protection/Membership Infraction Incident Information Form](#)
- [Incident Reporting Infographic](#)

Please share this information with other unit leaders and assistants so they are aware of the reporting requirements.

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## Youth Training: Introduction to leadership skills

Introduction to Leadership Skills is designed to help the youth leadership of troops, crews and ships understand their new leadership roles and how to succeed in those roles.

The training consists of 3, one-hour modules. The training is best accomplished with the entire youth leadership group prior to them taking their elected and appointed leadership positions. The face-to-face training not only informs the youth of their roles and responsibilities as unit leaders, it also provides a great forum for team development of the group. It enables each to understand the roles of the entire leadership group and how their positions work together to form a successful leadership team. These courses were developed to help youth leaders learn and practice the attitudes and skills effective leaders demonstrate. The syllabus for troops, crews and ships can be found here:

TROOPS

CREWS

SHIPS

There are also Online portions the youth can do on their own who are in troops and crews. To complete the training, there is a third module that is done face to face with the adult unit leader. The Online portions can be found at my.scouting. Click on the BSA Learn Center on the right side of the screen. From there, click catalog and type in Introduction To Leadership Skills and click on the search icon. There will be 2 modules each for troops and crews.

By completing Introduction To Leadership Skills, the youth is then entitled to wear the "Trained" patch for their respective position. Unit key 3 should then record the training in the training manager for each youth that completed the training.

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## Recording Youth Training

The unit key 3 has the ability to access the Training Manager in my.scouting to record face to face training that youth have completed. This would include Den Chief Training, Introduction to Leadership Skills, NYLT, NAYLE and the NYLT Leadership Academy and others. Youth training records are a part of the training manager and can be very useful in reviewing the training a youth has completed, eligibility for NYLT, potential NYLT staff selection and other roles of continuing youth leadership.

To add youth training, go to the Training Manager in the my.scouting website. Choose the "add/search" function. From there, select "Optional Youth Training". Most courses will be in this drop down box although additional training is in the "Other" drop down box or the program specific drop down. You can then select the appropriate course and the course dates. From there, add members and submit.

If you need help with this, you can contact your district training chair or the council training chair, Allyn Calhoun [acscouter312@gmail.com](mailto:acscouter312@gmail.com).

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## Gila River District Chair

As I write this, I have just completed updating my YPT. It reminded me how honored I am to spend time in a quality organization 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 path forward to re-establishing the outing activity so many desperately crave. I am going backpacking with a Troop later this month – I encourage all to get outdoors and remember what an adventure it really is. What are you doing to get out and participate in the adventure?

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!

Kent Thomas / Gila River District Chair



## Gila River's Newest Eagles

Congratulations to the Gila River District's newest Eagle Scouts: Noah W. from Troop 285 in Chandler, Malakai N. from Troop 14 in Phoenix, Asher S. from Troop 280 in Chandler, and Zachary F. from Troop 948B in Casa Grande. That makes 47 new Eagle Scouts for the Gila River District in 2021. Welcome to the brotherhood.

# CENTENNIAL POW-WOW

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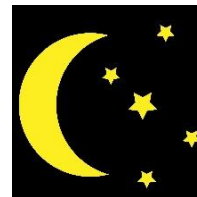






## GILA RIVER DISTRICT

Invites you to the Fall Camporee



# "MAYARZIRA—Light of the Moon"

**WHO:** SCOUTS BSA and WEBELOS!!! Join us for a great weekend of camaraderie and fun!!!

**WHEN:** Friday to Sunday, October 15-17, 2021. **REGISTER TODAY!!!**

SBSA Camporee – Check in is 5:00-9:00 pm Friday night

Webelos – Check in is 8:00-9:30 am Saturday morning

**WHERE:** R-C Scout Ranch near Payson

**WHY:** Enjoy some unique activities, develop skills, and accomplish rank requirements! Build camaraderie with fellow Scouts and Scouters from other units!

**WHAT:** Come and test your skills and have fun in the dark, by the *light of the moon*.

**Scouts BSA:** The sun goes down Friday at 6:00pm and the adventure begins for our moonlight camporee. Nighttime activities will about 10:00pm and will include fire building, cooking, lashing, first-aid, orienteering activities, signaling and MORE...all with a nighttime "twist". Make "moon cakes", construct a friction bridge, "communicate" with flashlights, relay races with glowing discs and MORE!

**HOW:** Patrols/troops will compete in the various skills areas and earn points. Prizes will be awarded at the Saturday evening campfire program.

**Note--** additional activities will be available Saturday as well as some Troop time for your units. There will be STEM/Nova activities and leader training available as well. Troops will cook their own meals. Midnight snacks provided. Please read the **Mayarzira Leader Guide** for details!!!

### **BUT WAIT, THERE'S MORE!!!**

**Webelos:** There are 2 **GREAT** ways you can join us:

- 1) Webelos AOL: Attend the FULL camporee as a guest of a Troop. Be incorporated into the troop for the weekend and experience what awaits you after cross-over. *(To fully participate in the camporee and stay overnight, please ask your host troop to include you in their registration count.)*
- 2) Webelos 1: Attend as a *Day Visitor*. Sign up to attend as an individual family or a Webelos den. Join the adventure from 10:00-5:00 pm Saturday. Enjoy a day full of FUN in a "Webeloree". You will have opportunities to participate in Scout skills activities and games!

**REGISTRATION IS OPEN NOW.** Please visit this link to access the Registration page.

<https://scoutingevent.com/010-2021grcamporee>

Don't delay! Late fees kick in October 1. Please email Kathy, GRD Program Chair at [kpolo55@gmail.com](mailto:kpolo55@gmail.com) with questions.



Morning Flag Service at Lost Dutchman District Maverick Camporee.



### Lost Dutchman's Newest Eagles

Congratulations to the Lost Dutchman District's newest Eagle Scouts: Diego S. from Troop 738, 08/10/21, "Back the Blue Item Drive", Aaron E. from Troop 45, 08/17/21, "Removing Barbed Wire for Wildlife", Levi L. from Troop 50, 08/18/21, "USO Rack Sacks" Total Lost Dutchman new Eagles in 2021 is 61!

### Congratulations to the (Falcon Field) Wings of Flight Foundation Explorer Post 2352 National Aviation Explorer Scholarship Awardees

Congratulations to Alyssa B. and Aneka R. of Explorer Post 2352! Each was awarded a \$5,000 scholarship to further their college studies in the aviation field! The scholarships were awarded from the National BSA Learning for Life division and National Aviation Careers Exploring Committee.



### Cub Scout Pack 380 Make Blankets for AJ Animal Shelter



Cub Scout Pack 380 spent time making blankets for the animals at the Apache Junction Animal Control shelter. They were all delivered on Saturday, 9/11, and have already been put into use.



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- Ages 10 and under – 11:00am
- Ages 13 and under – 4:00pm

## **NOVEMBER 7, 2021**

- Ages 15 and under – 11:00am
- Ages 18 and under – 4:00pm

## **DECEMBER 4, 2021**

- Family Tournament  
all ages – 11:00am
- 2021 eScouts Rocket League  
Championship – 3:00pm

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**Any questions contact Jim Van Wicklin at 615-278-6555 | [Jim.VanWicklin@scouting.org](mailto:Jim.VanWicklin@scouting.org)**



### Troop 3015 First Campout

Very excited to announce the formation of Troop 3015. This is something Troop 15 leadership have all been working on since moving over to Desert Mission United Methodist Church in July. Thank you to Anne and Tod Filer for all their efforts in finding a new charter organization where a new troop for girls could be formed. Also a big thank you to Tammy Dowd, the new Scoutmaster for Troop 3015 and to Gil Lau for all the work they have put in to get the new troop off the ground. Troop 3015 is now open to any girls 11-17 years of age. Thank you once again to all who have made this possible! Congratulations on your first campout!





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Featured in [Chino Valley Review](#), "Chino Valley celebrates 50th Anniversary Territorial Days a year later". Cub Scouts march in the Chino Valley 50th Anniversary Territorial Days Parade Saturday morning, Sept. 4, 2021. The festivities were canceled last year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. (Aaron Valdez/Daily Courier)



**Ponderosa's Newest Eagles**

Congratulations to the Ponderosa District's newest Eagle Scout:  
Grant William Pierie, Troop 7006

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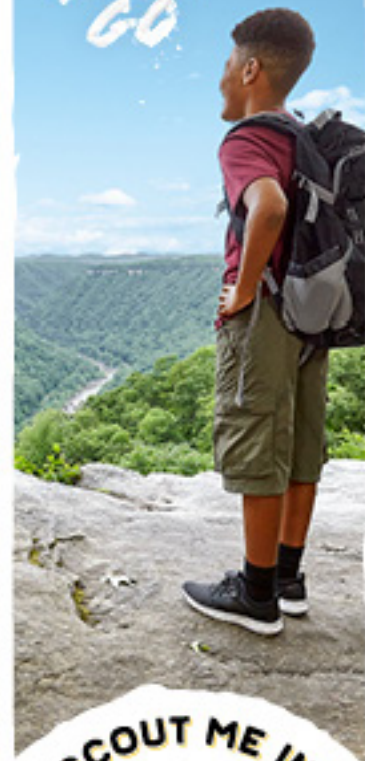


## Sonoran Sunset's Newest Eagles

Congratulations to the Sonoran Sunset's District's newest Eagle Scouts:

- Isaac Kendall - Troop 194 - Removing and replacing church playground equipment from Circle of Peace Church, Peoria, AZ.
- Jason Robinson - Troop 64 - Created a small rosary garden area inside front entrance at St. Thomas Aquinas Elementary School for people to reflect, pray and enjoy the peace of outside, Avondale, AZ.
- Eric Montaldo - Troop 91 - Painted a sensory path for Westar Elementary School/Liberty Elementary District, Goodyear, AZ.
- Taylor Benninghoff - Troop 91 - Replace irrigation system and add new plants to attract butterflies and other wildlife at the Estrella Mountain Regional Park Butterfly Garden, Goodyear, AZ.

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# WIPALA WIKI LODGE ORDER OF THE ARROW

## Announcement from Scout Executive Andy Price on selection of incoming Lodge Advisor for Wipala Wiki

OA Announcement - Incoming Lodge Advisor.

**VIDEO ANNOUNCEMENT**



## Phoenix Children's Hospital 2021 Fundraiser Flap

This year we are raising money for a Valley mainstay, Phoenix Children's Hospital, continuing with our Patches with a Purpose Program. [Click here](#) to order now.

"With a medical staff of nearly 1,000 specialists, Phoenix Children's is one of the largest pediatric healthcare systems in the country, and the most comprehensive children's care facility in the state. We provide inpatient, outpatient, trauma and emergency care across more than 75 sub-specialties."

**WIPALA WIKI LODGE TRADING POST**

## The Annual Section Conclave at Camp Raymond

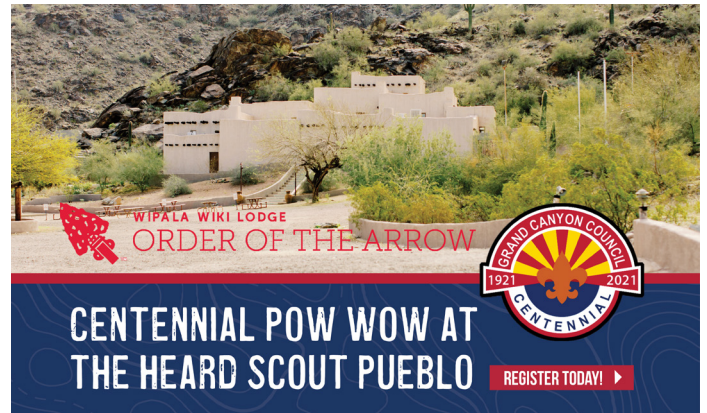


Wipala Wiki will be hosting the annual Section Conclave at Camp Raymond, October 15 - 17. This is an incredible opportunity to spend time with fellow arrowman from Tucson, Las Vegas and San Diego.

What is CONCLAVE?

Conclave is the largest Section-wide event and is encapsulated with adventure, brotherhood, and fellowship from across the four Lodges and three states. [Read More >>](#)

## Centennial Pow-Wow at the Heard Scout Pueblo



Join us on November 20, 2021 at the Heard Scout Pueblo to Celebrate 100 years of scouting with our Centennial Cub Scout Braves Pow Wow. Starting at 10am enjoy displays and activities centered around the history of scouting. [Read More >>](#)





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