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November 19, 2022 Heard Scout Pueblo



Each November at the Heard Scout Pueblo Wipala Wiki Lodge with Grand Canyon Council welcomes Scouts from across the state to experience hands-on activities and exhibits at the Cub Scout Braves Pow Wow! Join us Saturday, November 19, 2022 for gold panning, dutch oven cooking, shooting sports, native american display, and more!

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MESSAGE FROM SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Recently about 40 Grand Canyon Council Scouters completed the practical phase of Wood Badge training, which is the premier adult leadership training available in Boy Scouts of America. These leaders (mostly volunteer, but with a few staff thrown in) came from local units, districts, and council roles. In fact, four members of our Executive Board went through the course!

Wood Badge is a mountain-top experience for Scouters and one that results in better program and outdoor adventures for our Scouts. After completing two weekends of practical training, Wood Badgers commit to completing a number of projects, called working their ticket as they complete the training and are ultimately presented with their Wood Badge recognition: a beige neck with a tartan swatch on it, a distinctive woggle (Slide), and a leather necklace with 2 wooden beads on it.

Earning Wood Badge beads is a big commitment of time and effort, and these Scouters are truly committed to helping youth have the best experience they possible can through Cub Scouting, Scouts BSA, Venturing, Sea Scouting, and Exploring. If you see a Wood Badger in the wild, be sure to thank them and ask about their experience. Maybe you'll find yourself joining the group in our next course (fall 2023).

Thanks for being a Scouter.

Andy

SCOUT EXECUTIVE'S CORNER



ONLINE SCOUT SHOP AVAILABLE NOW!

<https://councilstuff.com/010-scoutshop>

We are pleased to share that Dave Alexander has offered to purchase a building that will be located at the Heard Scout Pueblo and will become the “Dave Alexander Scout Shop”.

Our long-term vision is to build a campus at the Heard to include a new Service Center, Scout Shop, and other facilities, so this will be the first step in that direction.

We anticipate the new Scout Shop will be open for business early in the first quarter and, in the interim, we’ve created an online option through our website to handle basic unit needs for advancement. All BSA Supply items are available through the Tucson Scout Shop until our new Scout Shop opens, but you can get your key advancement items directly through GCC now.




[LEARN MORE](#)

CUB SCOUT BRAVES POW WOW

November 19, 2022 at the Heard Scout Pueblo



CUB SCOUT BRAVES POW WOW
 Saturday, November 19, 2022 at the Heard Scout Pueblo

Sponsored by  WIPALA WIKI LODGE
 ORDER OF THE ARROW  

Each November at the Heard Scout Pueblo Wipala Wiki Lodge - Order of the Arrow with Grand Canyon Council BSA welcomes Scouts from across the state to experience hands-on activities and exhibits at the Cub Scout Braves Pow Wow! Join us Saturday, November 19, 2022, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM for

Gold Panning, Dutch Oven and Indian Fry Bread Cooking, Shooting Sports, Native American Display, and more! \$10 registration covers ALL activities, lunch, event patch, and necklace per person.

[REGISTER NOW](#)

DONATE A BRICK

The Dave Alexander Leadership Plaza

Planned improvements to the Heard Scout Pueblo over the next several years will transform it into a premier facility – “Adventure Base Phoenix” – offering Scouting programs and activities for Scouts and the community-at-large. It will include the headquarters of Grand Canyon Scouting, a Scout Shop, training facilities, and activity centers. The Heard Scout Pueblo will become the center of Scouting in Phoenix.

To help construct the leadership plaza and fund our master planning process, we hope you will join Dave and his vision by purchasing a commemorative brick, paver, or boulder in honor of a friend, family, fellow Scout or Scouter, etc., to be added to the completed project. All funds generated will be used to install the leadership plaza and help fund the master plan for Heard Scout Pueblo.

Thank you for all you do for scouting!

If you have any questions, please contact the Scout Office at 602-955-7747, ext 221.

[LEARN MORE](#)





COUNCIL ROUNDTABLE SUPPORT NEEDED!

Cub Scouting is all about the adventure! And a fun environment creates excitement around the coming month of activities & programs! Are you planning & preparing for meetings using the Den Leader Experience? What Cub Scout Adventure did your pack enjoy the most? Please share your experience with us at Roundtable! Contact us at Madeline.Bonifield@Scouting.org, or 602-955-7747, ext 255.

Council Virtual Roundtable

November 3, 2022 Zoom Meeting



The Grand Canyon Council Roundtable is open to registered unit volunteers who want to learn more about supporting and growing our local Scouting programs.

Join us every first Thursday from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM exclusively through Zoom
Save the date for next virtual Roundtable on December 1, 2022!

Thank you to everyone who joined us last month. Review the 'Roundtable Recap' on the HUB today!

- [Webelos Den Leader Breakout Recap](#)
- [Committee Chairs and Units Recap](#)
- [Den Leaders and Cubmasters Recap](#)

COUNCIL ROUNDTABLE

Pinewood Derby Discount Reward

Deadline December 1, 2022



We are happy to announce a reward for Packs who are growing scouting this year. Every Pack that recruits more youth this year than last year (10% growth increase) will be able to purchase Pinewood Derby cars for 50% off from the Grand Canyon Council!

If you have any questions, please contact the Scout Office at 602-955-7747, ext 255.

#ADVENTUREON



BEASCOUT.ORG

Meet Justin Crowder, 2021 Meritorious Service Star Honoree

Justin Crowder has served in a wide variety of volunteer positions for several years for both Pack 531 and Troop 531. In his early Scout years, Justin served as a Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos and AOL Den Leader for the Pack as well as an Assistant Cubmaster as he experienced the Cubs moving through the ranks in the program, along with his sons. In addition to working directly with youth, Justin volunteered on the Pack Committee and later moved into the role of Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 531.

In addition to serving in the Pack and Troop, Justin participated as a volunteer leader for Cub Scout Olympix for 6 years, helping run this event each year, coordinating to ensure everything ran smoothly for the event. During the past few years, Justin has received trained leader credit in IOLS, received the Den Leader Training Award as well as the William D. Boyce Organizer Award for his role as a founding member in starting Troop 531.

As the Chairman of the Board of Trailhead Youth Foundation, the chartered organization of Troop 531, Justin oversees all board meetings, accounting and operational support

needed for both the Pack and the Troop. He also aids with fundraising and logistics for all Troop equipment. Justin is a Merit Badge Counselor and is actively involved in a variety of behind the scenes work that makes the Pack and Troop run successfully with FUN!

Justin has brought his entrepreneurial and business expertise into strengthening Pack 531 and in the founding of Troop 531. As an Assistant Scoutmaster, the Scouts benefit from his management and leadership skills whether in a Troop Meeting, at Patrol Leaders Council meetings or while camping. He constantly challenges everyone through his work ethic to be better. Like many Scouters, his entire family loves Scouting - his daughter is a Girl Scout, his one son is a Second Class Scout, his other son is an Eagle Scout, his wife, Kristina, is the Troop Advancement Chair while he continues to volunteer where needed. Justin Crowder and his family are totally on board with Scouting through the Pack and the Troop and as a family, bring the movement to life through their love and commitment for the Program. It is for this and so many reasons we award Justin with the Meritorious Service Star! Thank you, Justin, and Congratulations!

2023 SCOUT OF THE YEAR AWARD NOMINATIONS

Deadline October 28, 2022



We are still seeking nominations to be considered for the 2023 Scouts of the Year! You still have time to nominate a Scout who has demonstrated exceptional Scout spirit, leadership, heroism, community service, or citizenship in their Scout unit or personal life. **If you nominate a Scout, Friday, October 28, 2022, is the LAST day to submit.**

Please send all nomination forms to:
gcc.development@scouting.org

GET THE DETAILS

View past features of each of our distinguished award recipients and their individual contributions at www.grandcanyonbsa.org/awards

15 IMPORTANT UPDATE - STEM NOVA AWARD PROGRAM

#SCOUTGIVINGDAY

November 29, 2022 Double Your Donation



#SCOUTGIVINGDAY

Double Your Donation Tuesday, November 29, 2022

Every year on the Tuesday after Thanksgiving, people take the time to kick off the holiday season by giving back to organizations that mean something to them. Grand Canyon Council is excited to announce our annual Scout Giving Day. All donations received on November 29th will be matched by the very generous Dave Alexander. In addition, if we reach 500 donors, GCC will receive an extra \$100,000! Right now, Scouts are participating in the fun and life-changing

outdoor programs Scouting provides. Several thousand Scouts will learn how to fish, fly drones, learn horsemanship and many other skills while visiting our camps. Mark your calendars to visit ScoutGivingDay.org on November 29!

Please help us raise the funds necessary to provide opportunities like these for thousands of youth throughout Arizona. Your donation is important, and it makes a difference.

LEARN MORE

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05 THE DAVE ALEXANDER LEADERSHIP PLAZA

NASCAR Xfinity Series Championship Scouts Package

November 29, 2022
Phoenix International Raceway



Join us at the NASCAR Xfinity Series Championship on November 5, 2022! Scouts will have the opportunity to lead the fans in the Pledge of Allegiance prior to the race.

Anyone under the age of 18 gets in for FREE! All adult tickets are discounted to \$30. NASCAR has set up a “mini-section” of seats exclusively for the Grand Canyon Council.

In addition to discounted tickets, all youth will receive a commemorative patch. All Scouts and families will be able to purchase discounted race-day add-ons such as infield admissions, scanners, etc.

If you have any questions, please contact Nikki White at nikki.white@scouting.org or (623) 203-6201.

GET TICKETS

Sporting Clays Classic

November 4, 2022 Rio Salado Sportsman's Club



The Grand Canyon Council BSA is sponsoring a premier sporting clays event unlike any other; held in the second largest shooting range in Arizona! Join us for a day of friendly competition at the Rio Salado Sportsman's Club on Usery Pass Road. All proceeds from this event will benefit over 5,000 young men and women participating in Scouting programs throughout most of central and northern Arizona.

The Sporting Clays Classic will be held on Friday, November 4, 2022. Teams will shoot 75 rounds of sporting clays in 13 stations! Are you and your business looking to sponsor our Sporting Clays event? We have several different sponsorship tiers available.

[GET THE DETAILS](#)

If you're interested in sponsorship opportunities or want to participate in the Grand Canyon Council annual Sporting Clays Classic. Please contact Nikki White with any questions at nikki.white@scouting.org at 602-955-7747, ext. 218

Friday, November 4, 2022 Schedule:

- 7:15am Check in/Breakfast/ Beginning of Silent Auction
- 7:45am Safety briefing and Welcome
- 8:00am Shoot begins
- 11:30am Lunch
- 12:30pm Awards and winners of Silent Auction announced
- 1:30pm Event concludes

The Grand Canyon Council Partners with Barrett-Jackson in 2023

January 21, 2023
Westworld of Scottsdale



The Grand Canyon Council, and Barrett-Jackson Car Auction are joining again in 2023! On Saturday, January 21, 2023, at Westworld of Scottsdale, Barrett-Jackson Auction will host two merit badge workshops and open pinewood derby races! Free admission for Scouts and Scouters in uniform!

The Grand Canyon Council BSA is seeking individuals interested in joining a committee that would recruit sponsors to partner with us and helps run races and merit badge workshops. Contact Nikki White at nikki.white@scouting.org or call (623) 203-6201 for more information.

[GET THE DETAILS](#)



Scout Night with the Phoenix Suns!

December 17, 2022 Footprint Center



Anyone who purchases tickets for this game before Friday, October 11th at 11:59 pm will be entered into a raffle to win two free tickets to the Los Angeles Lakers game on Nov 22nd! *The # of tickets you buy is the # of raffle entries you receive*

Join us in the arena as the Phoenix Suns take on the New Orleans Pelicans at the Footprint Center on December 17, 2022!

The Grand Canyon Council has been chosen as the Community Partner of the Night and will be joining the Phoenix Suns to have a Scout Night as they take on the New Orleans Pelicans. We only have 100 tickets so get them while they last! All ticket holders will be able to watch the pre-game warmups and will receive a commemorative patch!

But wait! There's more! Scouts have the opportunity to audition for singing the

National Anthem at the game! Please make a video recording of your Pack or Troop (or both!) singing the national anthem and submit it to Nikki White for a chance to be selected. For more information, please contact Nikki White at nikki.white@scouting.org or (623) 203-6201.

The Phoenix Suns is donating 2 tickets to the Suns vs. Lakers game on November 22, 2022. The winner will be chosen from tickets sold 10/25/22 through 11/7/22.

[GET TICKETS](#)

James E. West Fellowship



The James E. West Fellowship is a national recognition for individuals who contribute \$1,000 or more in cash or securities to our Council's endowment fund. This contribution should be in addition to your annual Friends of Scouting gift, as annual operations are always the priority. Organizations or individuals may also contribute in honor of someone. The award is presented to the honoree with a lapel pin and a uniform square knot.

[MAKE A GIFT](#)

Arizona Tax Credit

The Arizona Charitable Tax Credit allows you to donate to a qualifying charitable organization such as Grand Canyon Council, BSA Outreach, LLC. to receive dollar for dollar tax credit on your state tax and claim it on your federal tax.

[LEARN MORE](#)



PHOENIX SUNS



GRAND CANYON COUNCIL
Boy Scouts of America

Scouts Night!

Discounted tickets for Arizona Scouts, family, and friends! All Scouts who purchase a ticket will receive a Phoenix Suns Patch and be invited into the arena early to watch the players warmup from up close. Additionally we will have a Scouts Color Guard and the Grand Canyon Council will be highlighted at halftime. Don't miss out on this wonderful night!



**Saturday, December 17th at 7:00 pm vs
New Orleans Pelicans**

To purchase tickets, scan the QR code above.
For questions contact Connor Sprague at csprague@suns.com

CAMP GERONIMO ENDOWMENT FUND



**ENSURE HIGH QUALITY CAMPING
FACILITIES & OUTDOOR ADVENTURES**

CAMP MAINTENANCE ENDOWMENT FUND

The Grand Canyon Council has a strong commitment to ensure high quality camping facilities and outdoor adventures are available to all Scouts and desires to continue the operation of Camp Geronimo long into the future. Through the establishment of a permanently-restricted camp maintenance endowment fund, stakeholders can help cover the annual operating costs related to the operation of Camp Geronimo without ever decreasing permanent gifts made to this fund.

CONTACT US

Director of Donor Engagement
Dave Jarvis
dave.jarvis@scouting.org
602-955-7747, ext 241

RECOGNITION

- Donors who contribute \$250 or more will receive a GEF council shoulder patch
- Donors who contribute \$1,000 or more will be invited to an annual picnic at Camp Geronimo

MAKE A GIFT



Scouting For Food

February 2023



Scouting for Food is an opportunity for Scouts throughout the Grand Canyon Council to fight hunger in our communities. Scouting for Food is the leading service program for Boy Scouts of America and is a part of the national BSA program – Good Turn for America.

In partnership with local food banks, this council-wide service project will begin in January 2023 as Scouts distribute door hangers in their neighborhoods to announce the upcoming food drive. Scouts will return on the first Saturday of February to collect donations from doorsteps and deliver them to their local food banks and pantries.

We would love for each and every Scout in Arizona to lead by example and do their best to combat food insecurities.

[GET THE DETAILS](#)

Popcorn Sales



ANNUAL POPCORN SALES CAMPAIGN A PROVEN FUNDRAISER THAT WORKS

Sign up to sell! Fund the most exciting year of Scouting yet! Selling popcorn is a great opportunity for Scouts to earn their own way to Scouting adventures like summer camp and beyond! We're excited to partner with Trail's End Popcorn to deliver an unbeatable sale opportunity for our Scouts, who average \$200 an hour in storefront sales! And units who take part in the Take Order and Online Direct popcorn sales will have a zero-risk fundraiser. Commit your unit to the 2022 sale and fund your ideal year of Scouting now!

Top Reasons to Sell Popcorn:

- A Scout can earn their own way to camp with a proven fundraiser that works, all while keeping money in their parents' pockets!

- Take Order and Online Direct sales are a no-risk fundraising opportunity available for all Scouts.
- Not only will Scouts learn how to make a sales pitch and the value of hard work, but they can use aspects of the fundraiser to advance and earn rank and portions of several merit badges!
- A portion of this fundraiser supports Grand Canyon Council, which is used to improve properties and programs, supplement camp fees to keep them low, and provide financial assistance for Scouts in need!

Selling popcorn this year? Stay in the loop by subscribing to the 'Popcorn' HUB channel [HERE!](#)



Grand Canyon Council BSA National Scout Jamboree 2023



July 15-28, 2023



2023 NATIONAL JAMBOREE

SUMMIT BECHTEL RESERVE
JULY 19-28, 2023

SIGN UP TODAY!



IMPORTANT UPDATE - STEM Nova Award Program Ending November 18, 2022

Earlier this year, national BSA discontinued its support for the STEM Nova Awards program and stopped supplying patches and other recognition items. As a result, Grand Canyon Council will no longer be administering these awards. If you are currently working on a STEM Nova Award and would still like

to receive your recognition items, please contact gcc.program@scouting.org by November 18, 2022, so that we can do our best to source them for you. GCC will not be able to provide any awards we were not notified about prior to November 18 and asks that Scouts do not begin any requirements after that date. If your

unit has a Scout who has started the requirements for a STEM Nova Award, but will not finish by November 18, you should still request the recognition items on their behalf by that date in anticipation of their completion. Any recipients of these awards will still be able to view their advancement in Scoutbook.



Open Shoot at the Heard Scout Pueblo

Shooting Sports workshops occur monthly at the Heard Scout Pueblo. Got questions? Contact, [Gary Jordan, Shooting Sports Committee](#).

- [Cub Scout Braves Pow Wow](#)
- [Open Shoot for Rifle and BB Gun](#)

[VIEW CALENDAR](#)



Virtual Merit Badge Workshops

Visit each registration for prerequisites, fees, and additional information. Take the time to read each of the requirements and understand what we will be covering.

- [Personal Management](#)
- [Environmental Science](#)
- [Citizenship in the World](#)

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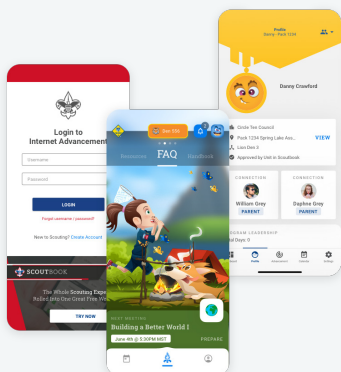


Advancement for Troop Leaders and Parents

[December 3, 2022 Zoom](#)

On December 3, 2022, join the Grand Canyon Council for the advancement class that goes beyond the BSA Online training! This virtual class covers BSA and Grand Canyon Council BSA policies and procedures for advancement in the Scouts BSA program.

[REGISTER NOW](#)



Scouting Digital Advancement Tools for Unit Leaders

[December 17, 2022 Zoom](#)

This class is for Anyone involved with tracking advancement in the unit. We will cover My.Scouting unit tools, Universal Login, Scoutbook, Internet Advancement, Scouting App, My.Scouting App, and where to find more help with an emphasis on Scout advancement.

[REGISTER NOW](#)

Fiesta Bowl Parade Banner Carriers

December 17, 2022 Fiesta Bowl Parade
North Phoenix Baptist Church



PRESENTING PARTNER
LERNER & ROWE
INJURY ATTORNEYS

The Grand Canyon Council's Parade Committee and Fiesta Bowl Parade Banner Committee need your help to carry banners in front of the parade floats, dignitaries, and sponsors.

All scouts at least 13 years old are invited to participate as banner carriers in the Fiesta Bowl Parade on Saturday, December 17, 2022! What a great way to walk tall and finish off the 112th Year of Scouting in the Fiesta Bowl Parade in front of thousands of people and on live TV!

We are searching for the first 70 scouts that register for this event. The invitation is open to all Scouts BSA of any rank, OA members, and Venture Scouts who will be at least 13 years old on December 17, 2022. The parade length is just under two miles.

All Scouts must be in the following

standardized uniform, determined by the GCC Parade Committee:

- Official Scout Neckerchief.
- Official Scout Pants or Official Scout Shorts with Official Scout Socks (absolutely no blue jeans).
- Official Scout Uniform shirt- clean & pressed (thermal shirts OK underneath uniform).
- Merit Badge Sash worn over the right shoulder.
- O/A Members - O/A Sash worn over the right shoulder. (If you wear your OA sash, leave your MB sash at home. You cannot wear both the MB sash on OA sash).
- Scout belt or leather belt
- Comfortable walking shoes-clean tennis shoes are OK

SIGN UP NOW

Duty to God Hike 27th Anniversary

November 25, 2022
Cutler-Plotkin Jewish Heritage Center



The "Duty to God Hike 2022" (formerly the Ten Commandment Hike) will be held November 25, 2022 and will be in the downtown Phoenix area. We invite people of all faith traditions to join us for an inspirational day celebrating our duty to God, a founding tenet of Scouting.

Please visit the following link to learn more and to register. Contact Kathy at kpolo55@gmail.com or call 480-244-6806 with questions.

This year we will also be making a bonus stop at the USS Arizona Anchor and the State Capitol!

DISCOVER MORE

Camp Geronimo Save-a-Spot

November 1, 2022 Deadline



Dust off your Hawaiian shirts...it's time to start thinking about summer camp 2023!

We are currently accepting online Save-A-Spot deposits! Make your reservation by November 1, 2022, to secure one free leader for your unit!

[GET THE DETAILS](#)

2023 Camp Geronimo Staff Application



Now accepting Camp Geronimo Staff applicants for the 2023 camping season! Apply today!

[APPLY NOW](#)

Council Paddlecraft Day

November 12, 2022 Bartlett Lake - South Cove



Join us on November 12, 2022, for Paddlecraft Day at Bartlett Lake - South Cove for Paddlecraft Day! Earn the Canoeing or Kayaking Merit Badge! Earning the Canoeing Merit Badge teaches Scouts about canoeing safety, the parts of a canoe, how to load a canoe, and more! Council Paddlecraft Day also offers the opportunity for adults to become Paddle Craft Safety certified! Registration Closes: 10-30-2022

WHO: Scouts BSA Scouts who wish to earn the Canoeing or Kayaking Merit Badge. Adults and Youth (15+) wishing to become Paddle Craft Safety certified.

WHAT: Participants must provide own water and food/snacks
Participants must provide their own canoes, paddles, lifejackets and wetsuits (if desired). Limit of 2 participants per canoe. All youth must be accompanied by a parent/adult.

By registering for this activity, you confirm all participants have previously successfully completed a BSA swimmers test within the last 12 months.

FEE: \$40.00 per person

QUESTIONS? Contact the instructors, John and Lynn Brennard at 602-882-1396 with questions and for enrollment details. Please be sure to register all scouts and adults in advance.

[REGISTER TODAY](#)



Troop 1, Grand Canyon Council Wood Badge Course 2-10-22

What happens when you bring together a group of enthusiastic trainers with a group of dedicated leaders for two weekends at R-C Scout Ranch? The result is a dynamic training experience focused on equipping participants with the tools they need to become the best leaders for their units, districts, and council.

In the early part of September, leaders gathered together to experience Scouting's pre-eminent training course: Wood Badge. Participants ranged the full spectrum from new leaders to Grand Canyon Council board members to well seasoned troop leaders. While portraying scouts moving through programs from a Cub Scout Pack to a Scouts BSA Troop, participants are taught a variety of tools to use for improving their leadership skills for both youth and adults. For some leaders, this course is an opportunity to better understand the BSA programs and leadership role opportunities.

For others, it is a prime opportunity to network with Scouters from across the council and beyond. No matter their personal experiences, participants learn the Patrol Method and how to work together to succeed. The culmination of the training brings everyone back together for a second weekend for an Outdoor Experience. They were assisted by scouts from Lost Dutchman's Crew 2222 and Pinnacle Peak's Troop 3030 to set up campsites and later run through a series of problem solving games. This past weekend, 43 dedicated leaders successfully completed their Wood Badge training. But that does not mean they are done. Each participant is challenged to work a Ticket - to set five goals that will ultimately help improve Scouting at their unit, their district, or their council. We look forward to cheering these Scouters on and seeing the changes they help to implement. Lead the Way!

Participant Breakdown:

Central - 2 participants
Gila River - 10 participants
Lost Dutchman - 4 participants
Pinnacle Peak - 11 participants
Ponderosa - 6 participants
Sonoran Sunset - 5 participants
Board Members - 3 participants
GCC Employees - 1 participant
Catalina Council - 1 participant



Our Interfaith Service collections over both weekends raised \$1,100.00 in total for the World Friendship Fund!



WOOD BADGE

Interested in attending Wood Badge?
Registration for the 2023 Course is now open.

[REGISTER TODAY](#)

Training Fundamentals & Trainer's EDGE

November 12, 2022 Heard Scout Pueblo

The purpose of the Trainer's EDGE course is to provide and help develop the platform skills of a trainer. It is meant to supplement the practice offered through Wood Badge and NYLT staff development, with a focus on the participant, while raising the level of skill a trainer brings to the staff experience. Only practice can polish these skills, but this course is intended to "train the trainer" on

behaviors and resources while offering a hands on experience in methods and media. In this course, we will be going over some basic information that will help you when presenting to a group. We will be talking about communication skills, how to be comfortable in front of a group, media used in presentations, presentation preparations and other skills to help you become an even better presenter.

[GET THE DETAILS](#)



National Youth Leadership

Dec. 27, 2022 - Jan 1, 2023



National Youth Leadership (NYLT) is a six-day leadership skills course for young adults. The program content is delivered in a troop and patrol outdoor setting with an emphasis on immediate application of learning in an exciting environment. Interconnecting concepts

and work processes are introduced early, built upon, and aided by the use of memory aids, which allows participants to understand and employ the leadership skills much faster. Registration is now open for the 2022 National Youth Leadership Training courses.

[GET THE DETAILS](#)

SAFETY CORNER

Mandatory YPT Training

Thank you to those volunteers keeping your YPT training current. Please be sure we have your correct e-mail address as this is how National contacts you to advise your training needs to be updated.

We have noticed that some volunteers are using the wrong YPT Training module (instead of taking the mandatory, they are using the continuing education module in BSA Learning Center instead of the mandatory training module)

We have seen this mostly with newer volunteers but even some established scouters as well. The main issue here is the course has to be completely retaken if the mandatory training is not taken.

Please use the [attached](#) guide which will show you how to access the training and request your completion certificate.

You will know you are in the correct module as you will have to take quizzes after each module, and an Exam and if you pass, you will be instructed to access/print your Training Certificate. This class take approx. 72 minutes.

We appreciate your reading and our apologies for any confusion or misunderstanding. Thank you for all you do for scouting!!

If you have any questions, please contact the Scout Office at 602-955-7747, ext 221.

[YPT COMPLETION GUIDE](#)



Chiefly Speaking

2022 Wipala Wiki Lodge Chief

Scouters,

It has been another super busy month for the lodge! We are hard at work planning the last few events of the year including Braves Pow Wow, December Brotherhood Workday, and Lodge Banquet. We are also hard at work training the newly elected 2023 leadership, so they are ready to take over next year.

Coming up in a few weeks we have our annual Cub Scout Braves Pow Wow at the Heard Scout Pueblo on November 19th from 9 am- 3 pm. This is the perfect family event for your Cub Scouts and their siblings. Bring the whole family to enjoy awesome booths, fun games, shooting sports, and great food! To register Cub Scouts, siblings, and adults please use this link <https://scoutingevent.com/010-2022OApowwow>. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to chief@wipalawiki.org. I look forward to seeing you and your family there having a blast!

We are still looking for Arrowmen, Troops, and Scouters to be volunteers to help run Braves Pow Wow. If you are interested in volunteering at the event, please register using this link <https://scoutingevent.com/010-2022powwowvolunteers>. Registration for volunteers is free and meals are included. We just need to know the numbers for food so please register asap. We are also looking for troops to bring fun activities or games they run to Pow Wow. If you have a booth or game idea, please reach out to chief@wipalawiki.org. I look forward to having your help run such an awesome event!

Also coming up in a few months we have our Brotherhood Workday at the Heard on December 4th. This is the last Brotherhood opportunity of the year so if you have been an Ordeal member for at least 6 months here is your chance to seal your membership. To see the schedule, details, and register please visit this link <https://scoutingevent.com/010-2022brotherhood>. I look forward to seeing all our members there giving cheerful service and look forward to inducting more Brotherhood members into our Order!

I'd like to take a second to say thank you to everyone that has made this year of scouting so amazing. This program wouldn't be possible without our professional Scouters, volunteer Scouters, adult leaders, parents, and of course our amazing youth. So, thank you everyone for all you do to keep scouting going strong. Don't forget to pause once in a while, look around, and take in this truly amazing program we are all a part of. As always please feel free to reach out to me with any questions.

Yours in Scouting,
Joshua Balch



Central District Eagles

Central District Welcomes Six New Eagle Scouts for October



On October 20, 2022, we welcomed six new Eagle Scouts to the community. This outstanding group includes left to right, Saketh R. of Troop 644 (Fostering STEM Interest in Foster Children), Peter M. of Troop 6 (Home Fur Good), Skylar F. of Troop 127 (Taliesin West Trail build), Avery M. of Troop 446 (Project wall refurbishment), Andreas T. of Troop 446 (Operation Coyote Den), and Eli B. of Troop 201 (Helmet and bat racks for City

of Scottsdale). Together these scouts led over 1600 hours of service to their community!

Thank you to our hosts at St. Theresa Parish, our district and volunteer board reviewers, and to all of the parents and adult Scouters who showed up to support and celebrate these young men. Congratulations Scouts!

Veterans Day Flag Retirement Ceremony

Friday, November 11, 2022
North Mountain Park



All Central District's Packs and Troops are invited to join us at our annual Veterans Day Flag Retirement Ceremony. This is where Scouts of all ages will learn how to properly retire the American Flag.

If your Pack or Troop is interested in retiring flags, contact me by email at rlottaway@aol.com and let me know. So, if you haven't been to a flag retirement ceremony, this would be a great opportunity to experience one.

Please join us at this service in honor of our Veterans: Friday, November 11

6:00 PM – Prep time
6:30 PM – Retire flags
7:00 PM – Service ends

North Mountain Park
10608 N. 7th Street
Phoenix, AZ 85020
Havasupai Ramada 7:30 PM – Cleanup complete.

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Civic Services Committee

Hollywood Comes to Geronimo Camporee

September 30-October 2, 2022 Camp Geronimo



Gila River District's newest Eagle Scouts



Congratulations to the Gila River District's newest Eagle Scouts - Zachary H. from Troop 17 in Phoenix, Neil P. from Troop 283 in Chandler, Mason P. from Troop 948 in Casa Grande, Isaak O. from Troop 7 in Tempe, and Brady D. from Troop

379 in Tempe. These outstanding Scouts passed their Eagle Boards of Review and earned Scouting's highest rank. That makes 44 new Eagle Scouts for the Gila River District in 2022. Welcome to the brotherhood.

Veterans Day Flag Retirement Ceremony



Jack T in Troop 8051 finished his eagle project. He replaced the flagpole of a local school and church. It was a large project that was finished successfully with a lot of help.

The Great Outdoors

Troop 293 and Troop/Crew 805



Scouts in Gila River District have stayed busy enjoying the outdoors. There was lots of backpacking, hiking, and camping to be had. Pictured here are Troop 293 and Troop/Crew 8051 in their activities.

Fire Station Visit

Yuma, Arizona Pack 8051



Pack 8051 had an outing to a local Fire Station in Yuma where they learned what it takes to be firefighter and got to see the fire truck!

Pinnacle Peak New Eagle Scouts 3rd Quarter 2022

During the 3rd Quarter of 2022 a total of 22 Scouts passed their Boards of Review in Pinnacle Peak District and were awarded the Rank of Eagle Scout.

In carrying out their Eagle Service Projects over 3100 hours of service were provided to the local community. The new Eagle Scouts are:

July

- Connor Woosley Troop 603
- Kian Francis Troop 426
- Maxx Dimitruck Troop 440
- William Klafter Troop 51
- Rylan Francis Troop 426
- Maxx Wallace Troop 607
- Tyson Speck Troop 607
- Wyatt Delfin-Lara Troop 531
- Joshua Bidleman Troop 432
- Jacob Arellano Troop 7733

August

- Ema Saliba Troop 3051
- Donovan Brice Troop 439
- Taylor Beeman Troop 247
- Jackson Houghton Troop 869
- Michael DeBarros Troop 648
- Raelynn Pitts Troop 3226

September

- Keira Damron Troop 3030
- Lars Nordhagen Troop 316
- Cooper Carlson Troop 818
- Joseph Sidoti Troop 131
- Alexander Wendt Troop 824
- Madelyn O'Steen Troop 3030

Congratulations on a job well done Eagle Scouts! *Pinnacle Peak Advancement Committee*

Sonoran Sunset Eagle Board of Review

July 2022

Tyler Rehtzigel Derrick, Troop 1776, Peoria, AZ. 114 Hrs, Eagle Scout Project- Paloma Park Orienteering Course.

Andrew Vladimir G Polyakov, Troop 400, Surprise, AZ. 24 Hrs, Eagle Scout Project- Puzzle Cube Project.

Alexander Sylvestre Hernandez, Troop 400, Surprise, AZ. 34 Hrs, Eagle Scout Project-Fire Station 303 Knot Board.

August 2022

Damon Gregory Russell, Troop 365, Glendale, AZ. 215.05 Hrs, Eagle Scout Project- Bat Box Habitats.

Karsten Caleb Albers, Troop 526, Glendale, AZ. 109.5 Hrs, Eagle Scout Project- Feral Cat Feeders.

James Curtis Campbell III, Troop 299, Wickenburg, AZ. 162 Hrs, Eagle Scout Project- Veteran Experience Documentary.

September Eagles

Parker Phillip Cebulski, Troop 762, Peoria, AZ. 117 Hrs, Eagle Scout Project- OCJ Kids Toy Drive.

Marion Gage Larsen, Troop 938, Sun City, AZ. 79 Hrs, Eagle Scout Project- Buckeye Animal Rescue and Kennel

Harlen Alexander Elms, Troop 448, Buckeye, AZ. 68 Hrs, Eagle Scout Project- FSB Storm Damage Mitigation Project.

Carter Joel Wage, Troop 526, Glendale, AZ. 237 Hrs, Eagle Scout Project- Mountain Ridge High School Theater Shop Improvement.s

Logan Preston Locke, Troop 515, Buckeye, AZ. 86 Hrs, Eagle Scout Project- City Bench Program.

Zachary James Wiggins, Troop 526, Glendale, AZ. 163.75 Hrs, Eagle Scout Project- Mountain Ridge High School Equipment Storage Unit.

October Eagles

Alexander Jacob Jensen, Troop 90, Litchfield Park, AZ. 140 Hrs, Eagle Scout Project- Kiwanis Desert Park Plaque Renewal.

Colin Lyle McEwen, Troop 448, Buckeye, AZ. 44.9 Hrs, Eagle Scout Project- Band Room Project.

Layne Mangus, Troop 99, Litchfield Park, AZ. 151 Hrs, Eagle Scout Project- Sun Valley Animal Shelter Restoration.

George Henry Middendorf VI, Troop 526, Glendale, AZ. 384 Hrs, Eagle Scout Project- Mt Humphreys Comms Line and Timing Tower.

Samuel McDaniel, Troop 99, Litchfield Park, AZ. 299 Hrs, Eagle Scout Project- Native Seed Garden Table Plan.

Taylor Christopher Reid, Troop 1776, Peoria, AZ. 141 Hrs, Eagle Scout Project- AZ Human Society--Building Pet Bed.

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