

**Boy Scouts of America
Western Los Angeles County Council
Western E-Trails**

Bringing You This Week in Scouting!

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Eagle Scout Recognition Dinner

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Thursday – 6:30 PM
May 19, 2005

For additional information on the Eagle Scout Recognition Dinner contact Derek Fortin, Director of Support Services, at the Anna Ruggieri Service Center in Van Nuys at 818-933-0129 or email dfortin@bsa-la.org.

Balboa Oaks Camporee 2005

April 15th, 16th, & 17th

This year's theme 'Wilderness Survival'

Attention all Packs and Troops. Balboa Oak District Camporee is putting the "Outing Back into Scouting". We have a new location, Stanley Ranch, near Castaic. It's a 280-acre private camp that is 30 minutes North of the San Fernando Valley.

We need all Packs and Troops to attend February's Roundtable for more information and sign-up for sponsoring an event. We will have a Game Master and Camporee Workshop on Saturday, March 5, for representatives from each Pack and Troop to check out the new Camporee site.

Contact Roy Powell, Jr, Camporee Chairman, at 818-349-0235 (H) or 661-572-4798(W) for addition information.

Wood Badge for the 21st Century – WLACC

Spring Wood Badge
Friday Evening, May 13, 2005
&
Saturday – Sunday, May 21-22, 2005
&
Saturday – Monday, June 4-6, 2005
Sage Ranch
Harlan Hogue, Course Director
310-454-6483
Registration Form & Information Available At www.hoguet.com/woodbadge

Fall Wood Badge
Thursday – Saturday, September 22-24, 2005
Thursday – Saturday, October 6-8, 2005

For additional information on Wood Badge please contact Derek Fortin, Director of Support Services at the Anna Ruggieri Service Center at dfortin@bsa-la.org or 818-933-0129.

3rd Annual Breakfast of Champions

Our deepest gratitude to all who participated in the **Breakfast of Champions**. Thanks to your generosity, more than \$150,000 was raised in support of the 2005 Friends of Scouting campaign.

Scout Shabbat—Friday, March 25, 2005

Join us for Scout Shabbat at Temple Beth Ami, 23023 Hilse Lane, (Newhall) Santa Clarita, 91321 phone: 661.255.6410. If you have received the religious emblem please let me know (jdrs1606@yahoo.com) so that we can properly recognize your achievements. All scouts in attendance will receive a Shabbat Patch. This event is open to Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts. This will be the first public event for Troop 1818, sponsored by the Jewish Community of Santa Clarita.
YIJS,
Joyce Roberts-Stein

Can you light up our night?

The upcoming Camporee/Cuboree is shaping up to be the best one ever put on by the Balboa Oaks District. There are some fantastic activities planned.

One that will thrill the Webelos 2 is having them bridge from the Cub Scout Campfire over the Boy Scout Campfire. The Cubs will be escorted by the Boy Scouts along a path lit only with Tiki Torches - a great effect. What we need to make this work is, you guessed it - Tiki Torches. And you guessed it once again, we don't have enough. We very much want this to work for the Cubs.

Does anyone have Tiki Torches that can we can use for Saturday night? We need at least 20. Please dig around in the garage and bring out what you have. Even if it is only 1 we need your help.

Contact Roy Powell at roy.powell.jr@lmco.com or Anne McMunn at amcmunn@medpointmanagement.com to let them know how many you have.

Also a reminder that the next Camporee Committee meeting will be held this Thursday March 24th at 7:00 pm at the Northridge United Methodist Church on Reseda near Superior.

All Cub Leaders and Parents

A reminder that the Balboa Oaks District is conducting BALOO training on Saturday April 2nd. It a Scout regulation that every Cub Scout activity must have at least one BALOO trained adult in attendance. If your pack does not have one, now is the time to get that taken care of. It has been a while since this training has been offered, so get it while the getting is good. I have it on good authority the famous instructor can be coaxed into signing autographs upon your completion!!!

Please send in your reservation as soon as possible. Any questions or further information can be asked of Keith Taylor. His number is on the attached flyer.

2005 National Scout Jamboree @ www.bsa-la.org

July 25 to August 3, 2005
Fort A.P. Hill, Caroline County, Virginia

Contact dfortin@bsa-la.org for information and availability
Visit our website www.bsa-la.org

Venturing Leadership Skills Course

Saturday – 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
April 2, 2005
Anna Ruggieri Service Center
16525 Sherman Way, Unit C-8
Van Nuys, CA 91406-3753

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Philmont Training Center 2005 Conference Schedule

<http://www.scouting.org/philmont/ptc/index.html>
www.scouting.org/philmont

Cub Scouts/Webelos Scouts Day Camp Administrator

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Three-Day National Camping School

April 29-May 1, 2005
Camp Eaton
LaCanada, CA
Cost: \$212.00

A Three-day course for on-site day camp directors, on-site day camp program directors and council day camp advisers/administrators. A comprehensive training on all aspects of day camping, program scheduling, resources, staff organization, recruiting, training and health and safety protection.

For additional information please contact Derek Fortin, Director of Support Services at the Anna Ruggieri Service Center at dfortin@bsa-la.org or 818-933-0129.

BSA Spanish Web Site

www.scoutingvalelapena.org

BSA Scoutreach Web Site

www.scoutreachbsa.org

Horsemanship Merit Badge

“Share the Ranch” at El Dustberry is offering unique opportunities to earn the Horsemanship Merit Badge.

Cost: \$80.00 per participant.

Four 1-½ Hour Sessions Or One Session Of 4 Hours.

By Appointment Only

Contact Robin Rapaport at (D) 818-789-7824

Visit their website at www.eldustberry.org.

Order of the Arrow – National Order of the Arrow Conference

National Order of the Arrow Conference
Saturday – Saturday
July 29 to August 3, 2006
Michigan State University

2005 National Youth Leader Instructor Camp

This Camp Is For Boy Scouts Who Meet The Following:

First Class Rank Of Above

Fourteen Years Of Age By Opening Day Of The Course, But Not Yet 18

Completed Your Council JLT YLT

Be Or Become A Youth Leader Trainer For Your Council

Be Proficient In Scout Craft Skills Such As Rope Work, Camping, Hiking, Cooking, Compass, Etc.

Be Willing To Take Back To Your Council YLT Program

The Knowledge And Skills Acquired At NYLIC

Philmont Scout Ranch

Summer of 2005

Cost: \$275.00

For additional information please contact Derek Fortin, Director of Support Services at the Anna Ruggieri Service Center at dfortin@bsa-la.org or 818-933-0129.

Outdoor Program Seminar

October 5-9, 2005

Philmont Scout Ranch

Cimarron, New Mexico

The Outdoor Program Seminar is designed for professional and volunteer Scouters who have responsibility for any outdoor program area. The seminar provides a national forum for participants to exchange ideas about facilities, equipment, programs, management, and marketing. The skills and ideas shared at the seminar will help increase youth and adult participation and satisfaction from camping and outdoor programs for Tiger Cubs, Cubs Scouts, Webelos Scouts, Boy Scouts, Varsity Scouts, and Venturers.

Registration packets with detailed information will be available in May 2005.

For additional information please contact Derek Fortin, Director of Support Services at the Anna Ruggieri Service Center at dfortin@bsa-la.org or 818-933-0129.

Donate Your Vehicle

Free Pick-Up/Towing

Tax Deductible Receipt

Proceeds Benefit Boy Scouts of America

Call: 1-888-250-4490

2005 Philmont Expedition

Saturday – Sunday
15 Nights & 16 Days
July 2 – 17, 2005
Council Contingent
2 Crews with 20 Youth (Male & Female 14-20 Years of Age)
and 4 Adults (Male & Female)

- Estimated Cost \$962.00 Including Transportation, Extra Meals And Lodging
- Space Is Available For Youth And Adult Participants

John Cary, Chairman & Contingent Leader
(D) 805-778-1073
cary@smmusd.org

Contact dfortin@bsa-la.org for information and availability

California Science Center

Science Over Night
California Science Center
700 State Drive
Los Angeles, CA 90037
213-744-7516
www.californiasciencecenter.org

Cost \$40.00/Person
Price Includes: IMAX Ticket, Movie Snack & Light
Breakfast, and Hands-On Programs
Required Ratio is 1 Adult to 6 Youth
Registration Deadline is Two Weeks Prior to the Event

Explore the California Science Center at night! Science Over Night allows you and your group to experience our interactive programs without the crowds! Tour our hands-on galleries. Immerse yourself in science at the new Wallis Annenberg Building. Watch an IMAX movie. It's more than a sleepover. It's an amazing science experience!

Scout Night With The L.A. Avengers!!

L.A. Avengers vs. Arizona Rattlers
Saturday – 7:30 PM
April 30, 2005
Cost: \$11.00/Person
Includes Game Ticket, Hot Dog and Soda
Contact: Chris Holmes
(D) 310-407-0285
cholmes@laavengers.com

2005 National Scout Jamboree Staff Opportunity

Western Region Action Center Staff
Action Alley, Air Rifles, Archery, Bikathlon, Buckskin Games, Confidence Course, Motocross, Pioneering, Rappelling, or Trap Shooting
Contact: www.actioncenterc.org

Western Region Sub-Camp Staff
Commissary or Mobilization
Public Health Officer (Certified Professional)
Contact: Marty Kasman at 626-688-0355 or M.
Kasman@comcast.net

For information on staff opportunities at the 2005 National Scout Jamboree contact the Derek Fortin, Director of Support Services at dfortin@bsa-la.org or 818-933-0129.

21st World Scout Jamboree 2007 – United Kingdom www.scouting2007.org

The world Scout jamboree is a gathering of Scouts from around the world for 10 days of adventurous activities, memorable events, and international friendship. The theme of the 21st World Scout Jamboree is “One World, One Promise” which captures the aspirations and hopes of young people for the future.

The world jamboree will be hosted by the Scout Association of the United Kingdom, in celebration of the Centenary of Scouting. It will take place at Hylands Park, Chelmsford (Essex), from July 27 to August 8, 2007. Some 40,000 young people will camp, live, and work with each other to build a better world.

World Scout jamborees take place every four years. More young people from more countries participate in the world Scout jamboree than compete in the Olympics. The world jamboree is a “once in a lifetime” experience for everyone who attends.

For Preliminary Application Information on the 21st World Scout Jamboree, contact Derek Fortin, Director of Support Services, at the Anna Ruggieri Service Center 818-933-0129 or dfortin@bsa-la.org

California Hunter Education/Safety Course

Offered by the California Department of Fish & Game
3rd Saturday of Every Month
Angeles Shooting Ranges
12651 Little Tujunga Canyon Road
Lake View Terrace, CA 91342
(D) 818-899-5735
www.angelesranges.com

MSAS Astronomy Village – Science Center & Observatory

SkyQuest Public Programs are lively, entertaining and highly informative. Each topic is packed with current facts and information presented by well-trained educators under the supervision of a professional astrophysicist and educator. They are designed to hold the attention of a diverse audience of all ages with a variety of backgrounds. Each program lasts about 2 hours, and includes a beautiful slide show, question and answer period, and observatory viewing (weather permitting).

MSAS Astronomy Village
2001 Observatory Way
Lake Arrowhead, CA 92352

Please visit their website at www.mountain-skies.org for in-depth information. Contact (D) 909-336-1699 to schedule a program.

Announcing Second Annual Space Exploration Event at Michaels Stores

Michaels, the “arts and crafts store,” in conjunction with Estes Industries, will offer Boy Scouts the second annual “Space Exploration Days.” This event, held at Michaels Stores throughout the U.S., April 16-30, 2005, will provide Scouts the opportunity to complete Requirement 3 of the Scout Exploration merit badge, except for the two rocket launches. Estes Industries will provide a model rocket to each participating Scout.

This is a Boy Scout event and does require registration prior to participation. There will be a \$2 per Scout participation fee. Michaels will provide an opportunity for Scouts to build their rockets at the store and will present a certificate to each participant upon completion of the rocket.

Register now – Call or visit your local Michaels store to register your troop. Space is limited; reserve the classroom for your troop today! To find the Michaels store nearest you, call 1-800-Michaels (1-800-642-4235) or visit www.michaels.com.

Great American Cleanup

Keep California Beautiful Clean-Up's
Identify a location in your community that needs help, or contact KCB to find out about projects already scheduled for your area.

We Want to help! Call 1-800-CLEAN CA or visit www.keepcaliforniabeautiful.com and request a Clean-Up Registration Form. Fill it out and send it in!

Weird, Wild & Wonderful

Come discover the strange-but-true ways ocean animals survive and thrive in their watery world. Check out Weird, Wild & Wonderful at the Aquarium. Meet mysterious sea dragons, prehistoric sawfish, deadly stonefish, and a sea of unusual creatures. And learn why these fantastic and bizarre adaptations are necessary for these animals to reproduce, eat, or avoid being eaten. Discover another world at the Aquarium of the Pacific!

100 Aquarium Way
Long Beach, CA 90802
(D) 562-590-3100
www.aquariumofpacific.org

Free Fly-Casting Instruction

Boy Scouts and Venture Scouts interested in learning skills needed to earn the Fly Fishing merit badge are invited to attend free fly-casting lessons offered by Sierra Pacific Flyfishers. The next session, March 26th will be held from 9am to 1pm at Reseda High School. They will cover basic casting instruction, equipment, knots and other subjects related to fly fishing. The final session on April 2, 2005 is a fishing outing at Piru Creek off I-5 North at Templin Highway. Parents and leaders are encouraged to come and learn along with the scouts. Loaner rods are available upon request for those participants who do not have their own equipment.

For additional information contact Erwin Goldbloom at 818-888-1974 or coacheg1@earthlink.net. or log onto the Sierra Pacific Flyfishers website at www.spff.org.

Winter 2005 – Boy Scouts Calendar

Tutankhamun & The Golden Age of the Pharaohs
June 16 – November 15, 2005 at LACMA

Staples Center:
World Championships of Cycling
March 24-27, 2005

Check Out Boy Scouts Promotions
Contact: Alvin Chan
Email: aching@aeg-la.com
Website: www.aegrouptickets.com

Western Los Angeles County Council
Phone Numbers & Extensions

Direct Dial Access Now Available at the Anna Ruggieri Service Center

Although the central number 818-785-8700 will still be answered by one of the Customer Service Representatives the following individuals and departments can now be called directly:

Rashaan Byers	Balboa Oaks District Executive	(818) 933-0117
Patricia Fagan	Cahuenga District Executive	(818) 933-0114
Derek Fortin	Director of Support Services	(818) 933-0129
Ross Harrop	Scout Executive	(818) 933-0125
Mike Heffernan	Facilities Specialist	(818) 933-0111
Elizabeth Hernandez	Urban Emphasis	(818) 933-0128
Ursula Kennedy	Quality Unit District Executive	(818) 933-0112
Paul Lacayo	Las Colinas District Director	(818) 933-0110
Tennille Leigh	Bill Hart District Executive	(818) 933-0113
Martha Londono	Controller	(818) 933-0118
Romy Longwell	Finance Director	(818) 933-0103
Jon Mackenzie	Director of Camping	(818) 933-0119
Sheryl McBride	Director of Field Services	(818) 933-0106
Dave Melton	Systems Manager	(818) 933-0108
Mary Thompson	Registrar	(818) 933-0116
Maria Osuna	Customer Service Manager	(818) 933-0107
Clif Stewart		(818) 933-0126
Colette Taylor	Finance Director	(818) 933-0104

Learning for Life **(818) 901-4891 phone / (818) 901-4890 fax**

Judy Apuzzo	Learning for Life—Special Education	(818) 933-0127
Brenda Bradford	Learning for Life, Exploring Executive	(818) 933-0105
Christine Demmitt	Learning for Life Director	(818) 933-0123

Valley Scout Shop **(818) 781-1296**

Antelope Valley Service Center **(661) 942-0582**

Karin Main, Customer Service Manager	Vince Miller, Field Director
Antelope Valley Scout Shop	(661) 942-7820

Westside Service Center & Scout Shop **(310) 839-9905**

Frankie Melvin, District Director, Crescent Bay	ext. 102
Wes Patterson, District Executive, Crescent Bay	ext. 104
Eric Singer, Store Manager	ext. 106
Tina Williams, Customer Service Manager	ext. 100

Western Los Angeles County Council
Office Hours — Spring 2005



Regular Hours at the Anna Ruggieri Service Center

Monday – Friday 8:30 AM to 5:30 PM

Anna Ruggieri Service Center Closed:

Good Friday – March 25, 2005

Regular Hours at the Antelope Valley Service Center

Monday – Friday 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM & 12:00 Noon to 4:00 PM

Antelope Valley Service Center Closed:

Good Friday – March 25, 2005

Regular Hours at the Westside Service Center and Scout Store

Westside Scout Store Open:

Tuesday – Friday 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Saturday 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Westside Service Center Open:

Monday – Friday 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Westside Service Center and Scout Store Closed:

Good Friday – March 25, 2005

Westside Scout Store Closed:

Good Friday – March 25, 2005

Saturday – March 26, 2005

New Camp Fees For 2005

<u>FACILITIES AND FEES</u>	<u>BSA GROUPS</u>	<u>ALL OTHERS</u>
<u>GROUP USE OF FACILITIES:</u> (All fees are per 24 hour period)	\$6.00	\$9.00
DAILY CAMP USE PER YOUTH OR ADULT (Up to 24 hours) ELECTRICAL HOOK-UP FOR CAMPERS (WHERE AVAILABLE)	\$6.00	\$9.00
CAMP JOSEPHO:		
ENITRE LOGDE - SOLE USE	\$225.00	\$400.00
CAMP WHITSETT:		
KITCHEN/DINING AREA	\$75.00	\$150.00
CABIN (Sleeps 8)	\$30.00	\$40.00
COPE	\$75.00	\$100.00
WALK-IN USE	\$25.00	\$35.00
COPE (per day fee)	\$125.00	\$150.00
CAMP WOLVERTON:		
CAMP SITE ONLY (Per person)	\$6.00	\$9.00
USE OF OTHER CAMP EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES:		
ARCHERY RANGE (PER PERSON/PER DAY) (Equipment supplied)	\$1.00	\$2.00
RIFLE RANGE (PER PERSON/PER DAY) (Equipment supplied)	\$1.00	\$2.00
**SWIMMING FACILITIES (Safe Swim Defense required)	\$1.00	\$2.00
**CANOES / KAYAKS / ROWBOATS (Per boat - per day)	\$10.00	\$10.00
MEAL SERVICE (WHITSETT / JOSEPHO ONLY) (2 weeks notice required)	\$18 PER THREE MEALS	

LAS COLINAS DISTRICT

April 15th , 16th & 17th

2005 CAMPOREE !!!

“TODAY’S CHALLENGES - - - TOMORROW’S ACHIEVEMENTS

We welcome all Troops and Packs (Webelos Dens) to join us at the 2005 Las Colinas District Camporee ! Located at the TIERRA REJADA RANCH - Moorpark the same great location as last years’ successful event – the 22 events represent this years’ theme, “ Todays’ Challenges - -Tomorrows’ Achievements”.

AND - “AN ADDITION”: This year we’re opening the challenge to ALL Unit Leaders as we invite you to participate in the “ADULT LEADER COMPETITION”. The events will determine the adult “Super Leader”, the “Wood Carving Maestro”, and “Camporee Master Chef” !!

We look forward to seeing all of you & having a great time !

For a copy of the Camporee Booklet and/or additional information, please contact this years’ Chairman, Steve Andress @ 348-1938 or Co-Chairman, Doug Lyon @ 707-1152.

2005 Scout Adventure Race

For additional event detail and online registration information please visit our website www.scoutar.com or contact Ed Shapiro at ed@uberfall.com.

The **Scout Adventure Challenge** is the country's premiere youth-based adventure race for those 14 and older. This 12-hour event incorporates all the traditional adventure racing disciplines: navigation, mountain biking, trekking, and kayaking, plus some special surprises. As with last year, this year's event will include an Adult division. Now in its 3rd year & supported by over 20 major sponsors, we've been blessed to have an opportunity to present this event on some of the most scenic & pristine private land in Orange County. This event will be sure to challenge even the best prepared teams.

Basic Race Details:

- 3rd Annual Scout Adventure Challenge
- **July 8th and 9th, 2005**
- Orange County, CA (exact location will be provided later)
- All teams consist of 4-person teams
- Youth and Adult divisions

Course Navigation:

Teams will use topographical maps, UTM coordinates, and the race instructions (which will be given to teams at the pre-race meeting) to navigate the course. The course will not be marked! The course will include manned checkpoints. In order to be ranked, Teams must move together as a unit and visit each checkpoint in sequential order. The course and disciplines are subject to change due to weather, safety, or other unforeseen concerns as determined by the race director.

Course Summary:

- **Trek/Trail Sections:** These sections will be held during the day and at night. The trek sections will be challenging with potentially over 4,000 feet of climbing.
- **Mountain Bike Sections:** With over 3,000 feet of climbing, this section includes steep climbs, steep descents, and beautiful fireroads with spectacular views from some of the highest peaks in Orange County.
- **Paddling Sections:** The paddle will follow some of California's most beautiful coastline, allowing racers to experience the spectacular scenery. This year's paddling section may include a 2nd paddle section over flat water.

Equipment/Support:

- The race will provide kayaks and paddles for each team (see mandatory gear list)
- This is a "Supported" race (i.e., each team must provide at least 1 crew person who can drive a vehicle)

Registration/Clinics:

- **REGISTER EARLY!** Registration will be taken on a first come first serve basis. Please be aware that event registration is limited due to the number of kayaks being supplied to us by our gracious sponsor!
- Check the "News & Updates" section periodically for scheduled clinics and race updates

Balboa Oaks Roundtable

All Scout Leaders

Looks like Roundtable is back on track! Spread the word to your fellow leaders there will be plenty of great info to be had. Next month, April 7th, in the Boy Scout breakout we will be discussing different types of activities such as a Patrol of the Year Contest, Strategy Camp and a Mystery Outing. On the Cub side we will be discussing outings. Tell us your favorites that the boys (and us big kids) enjoy. Learn how to facilitate an outing, get Tour Permits and discover resources to help plan new ones. For you old pros this is a great chance for you to share your expertise and knowledge with the up and coming leaders.

Also of great importance is that we will be offering B.A.L.O.O. training on Saturday April 2nd. Per Scout regulations every Pack must have at least one B.A.L.O.O. trained person on every outing.

We want everyone who has an announcement or presentation to be able to give it. Examples of announcements are Eagle Scout Projects, Webelos overnights, fundraisers, supplies available or needed, special activities etc. All that is required is to let it be known ahead of time so the program can be planned. Last Roundtable almost 1/2 of the presenters did not notify anyone until that night. It is important to give us a heads up to prepare a schedule. Remember when giving an announcement make it short and to the point, just a couple minutes. Droning is great if you are an unmanned reconnaissance aircraft, but at Roundtable it's a sleeping pill. If you have something to present contact Tom Wood who is in charge of the announcements. His email is TRBearScout@netzero.com Also copy Jack Fishel at jackfishel@hotmail.com and Anne McMunn at amcmunn@medpointmanagement.com

Each month we need a different Pack, Troop, Venture or Varsity unit to do the opening flag ceremony. All Scouts involved will earn a Flag Ceremony Patch. Contact Mike Walker with the month you prefer. We just managed to get Mike to stop using a chisel and stone tablets, he doesn't have an email. But you can get him on the old fashioned telephone (I'll bet it's a rotary dial) at (818) 885-9811.

Spread the word. Forward this email to everyone in your Scout circles. Remember Roundtable is always the 1st Thursday of every month and starts ***promptly*** at 7:00PM. It is held at the LDS Church on Plummer and Amestoy, just west of Balboa. Come in uniform if possible. We look forward to your participation and attendance.

Anne & Jack
Roundtable Commissioners

SAVE THE DATE----OCTOBER 21, 22 & 23 2005

IT'S BACK.....

BIGGER AND BETTER THAN LAST YEAR.....

YES, YES, YES.....

YOU GUESSED CORRECTLY THE BALBOA OAKS
SCAVENGER HUNT!!!!

Due to last years great success and participation it will now be an official Western Los Angeles County Council sanctioned event. It will be open to all districts in our Council. It will be officially known as the "WLACC Patrol Challenge".

If you didn't participate last year just ask around to anyone who did and you will hear about the fantastic time your Troop missed out on. A word of warning though, if you ask someone who did it last year be prepared to listen to a whole bunch of great stories and funny anecdotes. The stories are still being told with excitement 4 months after the event. You will also be able to read about it as the feature article in the upcoming September or October edition of Scouting Magazine.

Jack and I are already busy concocting all sorts of fun and challenging places to find, weird objects to obtain and all kinds of crazy, wild and fun things to do to earn enough points to be crowned, "The WLACC Patrol Challenge Champs". Competition will be stiff this year, we are projecting 100 patrols to participate. Due to the size of the Council we are working on having multiple starting locations to make it as fair as possible.

Do yourself a favor - be a hero to your Troop, Venture, Varsity or Webelos 2 Den and plan on attending this event. They will thank you. And you will thank yourself because it will be the most fun you will have at any event all year. And you can take that to the bank! LDS Troops don't get shut out on this event. Your challenge (for LDS only) will start Friday the 21 and end on Saturday night the 22nd.

Please forward this on to anyone you think might be interested or who want's to hear about it. Have them send me their email address to be put on the mailing list. (email addresses are not shared and are sent out "Bcc"). If you have any questions please email me or call Paul Oliver @ (818) 368-8110 or Jack Fishel @ (818) 989-1106. We will be sending out more updates as they become available. We look forward to challenging you!!!.....paul & jack



March 7, 2005

Dear Boy Scout Troop 307 Members, Family, and Friends,

You are cordially invited to participate in the **50th Anniversary Celebration** of Troop 307's existence as one of the best Boy Scout Troops in the Balboa Oaks District. Balboa Oaks District is within the San Fernando Valley of Los Angeles County. To celebrate this **Golden Anniversary**, there will be a Dinner and Silent Auction to be held on Saturday May 21, 2005 at the Granada Hills Church of Latter-Day Saints; 11315 White Oak Ave. Granada Hills. The doors will open at 5:00 pm, dinner will be served at 6:00 pm. During dinner there will be a short program honoring Boy Scout Troop 307, in the past and in the present.

This exciting event has been established to recognize the currently active scouts, scout alumni, Eagle Scouts, leadership, past and present Scoutmasters, our charter organization First Presbyterian Church of Granada Hills, local dignitaries, as well as friends and family that have so generously given of their time and support to Troop 307 over the years.

There are times that some of our Scouts and Scout families need financial assistance in order to participate in activities. This year we will again place part of the proceeds of this event into the Deluce Memorial Fund, which provides Camperships, uniforms and assistance for Scouts in need. We believe that no Scout should be left out of an activity due to lack of funds.

Your assistance and participation would be most appreciated either by the purchase of a ticket, donation of an item or service for the Silent Auction or purchasing an advertisement in our Event Program.

\$10 for a business card

\$20 for a ¼ page

\$30 for a ½ page

\$50 for a full page

\$65 for full inside front or back cover

\$75 for full back cover (if available)

At the heart of our efforts is the commitment to enable young people to fulfill their potential to lead positive, productive and rewarding lives. It takes many, many hands and caring people to assist in keeping alive the organizations that benefit our children and future leaders.

Please send any donation items to the Co-Chairperson & Scoutmaster:
Mr. Paul Oliver at 11224 Amestoy Ave, Granada Hills, CA 91344.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Thank you so much for your support.

Diane Freeman
Troop Committee Chair
(818) 998-2022
Dianefah@aol.com

Paul Oliver
Scoutmaster
(818) 368-8110
Pauloliver@verizon.net

Taxpayer ID # 95-4656954

BALOO TRAINING

Basic Cub Scout Outdoor Training

SPONSORED BY THE BALBOA OAKS DISTRICT

SATURDAY , APRIL 2, 2005 AT 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

AT

The Help Group
13130 Burbank Blvd. Sherman Oaks, Ca. 91401
(Across the street from Valley College)
)

***YOU MUST ATTEND THE ENTIRE COURSE TO RECEIVE YOUR
TRAINED PATCH***

- WHO SHOULD ATTEND – Cub Scout Leaders, Cub Scout Parents
- WEAR YOUR UNIFORM IF YOU HAVE ONE COME ANYWAY

IF YOU DON'T
COST \$ 10.00

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