

KIA KIMA DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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DISTRICT SENIOR EXECUTIVE PATRICK HEFFERAN:

Welcome to Scouting in Kia Kima District 2005. I am looking forward to this being the best year we have ever had in Kia Kima. We reached our goals in 2004 and are a Quality District. The District is off to a good start for 2005 with the District Retreat coming up on January 8, 2005 at Hope Mills United Methodist Church. POC is Jim Sheckels. Jon Jones who is heading up the Family FOS and is working hard on the 2005 campaign.

The retreat will plan the program for Kia Kima District for the next 18 months and tentatively for the next 24 months. If you plan on attending please notify Jim Sheckels.

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER JIM SHECKELS:

Thank you to all the Commissioners who have served Kia Kima District this past year. We are still in need of “A Few Good Commissioners”. If you feel that you can quality as a commissioner please give me a call.

Remember to attend District Roundtable the 1st Thursday of each month at MacPherson Presbyterian Church. Be sure to get your email address to Sadie Jackson if you would like to get your District Newsletter on line.

There is a Conference on Working with Youth with DisABILITIES on Saturday January 29, 2005 from 8:00 AM until 5:00 PM. Hosting is Mawat District and the cost is \$25.00. Check out the Freebee Table for registration forms. You can also pull the information off the Council website.

DISTRICT VICE CHAIRMAN PROGRAM KEN MOORE:

As you know the District Freeze-O-Ree was cancelled, but we had it on the calendar so we are still going and do some backpacking. I have reserved Camp Reeves January 14-16 for any Kia Kima Troop that wants to camp and backpack. Troop 771 will be going and using the Commissary area as base camp. I have reserved the Administration Building and the Health Lodge. Water for Troops is available at the Administration Building. Each Troop will be responsible for its own program. Another Troop is using one of the Jambo Fields so we must avoid that area.

Troops wishing to go please contact POC Ken Moore at moorekl@infionline.net or 910-424-8802.

I have asked to step down this year as Program Vice Chairman due to personal reasons. I will remain with Troop 771 and available to help out on the district at times. Thank all of you for all the support you have given me in my efforts to serve the district as Program Chairman.

District Leader Recognition Dinner Chairman Sadie Jackson:

Please get your nominations in ASAP for the 2004 Leader Recognitions to be given at the District Recognition Dinner March 4, 2005. The tickets are on sale at this time at \$12.50 each. Please see that

whomever you nominate is in attendance for the dinner. There will be no announcements as to who received the awards until the night of the dinner.

See Roundtable Commissioner Tony Garcia, any commissioner or member of the dinner committee for your tickets.

The next staff meeting will be Sunday January 16th, 3:00 PM at Hope Mills United Methodist Church. If you are staff and cannot attend please get your information to me either by telephone or email.

District Day Camp Director Ricky Flowers:

The 2005 Kia Kima staff is up and running. The location is locked in (Thanks Patrick) and the staff has held several meetings. We still need a lot of volunteers so come on out and help. Any amount of time will be appreciated. If it is only an hour, half a day, one day or the full week. I am grateful to all the volunteers who have helped out in the past and know that your contributions made Day Camp a success.

We will also be asking for you to help us on supplies (things that you would normally throw away). I will have a list by the March Roundtable. If you have any questions or suggestions please call me 910-864-4197 or rflowers@nc.rr.com.

Training Roger Rose:

Training 2005. The schedule for training will be finalized at the district retreat this month. Look for the complete schedule next roundtable or you can go to the Council web site for the calendar. You can also register on line for any training class.

If you are a Pack Trainer you need to complete Trainer Development Conference. This is next offered on January 22,2005. This registration can be done online also.

There will be a staff meeting for those on staff for the TDC in the Fayetteville area Wednesday January 12th, 7:00 PM at Hope Mills United Methodist Church.

If you are interested in being involved in training in any form please contact Roger Rose at Bobwhite538@earthlink.net for more information.

OA CHAPTER ADVISOR PAT McCOY:

OA Chapter Chief Nick Oschner:

HAPPY NEW YEAR from Lumbee Anilorac! With the start of the New Year come Unit elections. Please let our Ordeal Committee Chairman Jared Johnson know at Roundtable of several dates convient for your Troop; If Jared doesn't hear from you at Roundtable, expect a telephone call from him in the next couple of weeks. Any OA member (especially youth) who wishes to assist with Unit elections come to the January Chapter meeting. The meeting is Thursday January 27th at Westminster Presbyterian Church 7:00 to 8:15 PM.

Finally, all Ordeal Members who have been an Arrowman for at least 10 months should start preparing for the Brotherhood Conversion opportunity at the Spring Pow-Wow, March 18th – 20th.

For any questions or addition information please contact Nick Oschner or Pat McCoy.

DISTRICT VICE CHAIRMAN FINANCE STEVE WHEELER:

FOS District Family Enrollment Chairman Jon Jones:

First I would like to thank everyone who attended the training at the December Roundtable. I hope I provided everyone with enough information on this year's 2005 program and the requirements for the unit incentive award. The district is already off to a good start. Troop 40 conducted their FOS presentation at their Count of Honor on December 13th and collected over \$1000 in pledges. Job well done by Fred Booth the Unit Coordinator and the Troop.

During the January Roundtable please come and see me if you have changes to your presentation dates or the POC for your unit. I still need dates for the following units: Packs –171 -701-771 and 787: Troops with no dates are: 29- 77-701-740-746-787. Please get the dates to me at Roundtable or call/email. I need to know the dates so that the cards are printed and all resources are available for a successful unit presentation. Your unit's Trailblazer should contact the Unit Coordinator 1-2 weeks prior to the presentation date to discuss any issues and make sure all materials are available.

Remember to follow up with families who are unable to attend the presentation! The Goal is 100% contact of all families.

Kia Kima District Family Goal is \$26,000.

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Birthday:

January 08 – Barry Swift
January 17 – Pat McCoy
January 20 – Virginia Gentry
January 21 – Lori Pflieger
January 30 – Gay Autry

Anniversary:

January 07 – Gay & Sam Autry

Scout Corner:

Pack 742 ended its year with a Christmas party for the Scouts and their families. The preopening was refreshments for everyone. Tiger Den 2 performed the opening ceremony. The Cubmaster Keith Toler got everyone into the Christmas spirit by reading a story about Santa's House. Everyone participated, both in movement and sound. Not stopping there Keith told a few Christmas jokes.

There were two special guests at the Pack meeting. While the Boy Scout Tiger appeared for the Tigers and handed out their awards, Santa Claus showed up for all the Scouts and their siblings. Some of the Scouts thought they might be too old for Santa but they did not hesitate to talk to him and each one gave him a big smile as Santa had a gift for each Scout and sibling present. The little ones sat on his lap and told him what they wanted for Christmas. I think Santa enjoyed it as much as the kids did.

Taking a vacation for a couple of weeks we are looking forward to another great year in 2005, beginning January 4th with our first group of den meetings.

Pack 756 Jon Jones Cubmaster:

Pack 756 has been very active with over 50 scouts and adults attending the fall camporee in October. We had our Raingutter Regatta in November and our December Christmas pack meeting on the 13th. We were very happy with our popcorn sales and the boys received their prizes at the Christmas pack meeting. Also at the meeting 8 Scouts earned their Bobcat Badge and 6 Scouts were awarded their Webelos Badge. Tons of activity pins, belt loops and beads were handed out. Each Den put on a skit or song that helped liven up the evening. The boys worked at three craft projects table and refreshments rounded out the evening. Santa made a visit and handed out gifts to all the boys. Our Rocket Derby is in January – any guess that the boy's gifts were?

We are really excited about the New Year as our boys continue to work on advancements. Plus we are focusing our activities and events around the 75th Anniversary of Cub Scouts and earning the various 75th anniversary patches. Our Blue and Gold Banquet in February will also be the 75th.

Calendar:

January 06 – District Roundtable 7:00 PM MacPherson Presbyterian Church. Please bring a can of food for the Church Food Closet

January 17 – District Commissioner Meeting
Martin Luther King Day

January 20 – District Committee Meeting

January 25 – Newsletter Article Due

January 27 – OA Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM Westminster Presbyterian Church

February 03 – District Roundtable Soup Dinner 6:30 PM. Roundtable 7:15 please bring a can of food for the Church Food Closet.

February 17 – District Committee Meeting

February 21 – District Commissioner Meeting

February 24 – OA Chapter Meeting 7:00 – 8:15 PM Westminster Presbyterian Church

February 25 -- District Newsletter Article Due

No we have not forgotten the rest of the year: There will be revised calendar for 2005 in our February Newsletter.