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KIA KIMA DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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DISTRICT CHAIRMAN EDDIE MAYNOR:

Welcome to one and all to a New Year in Scouting for Kia Kima District. We are a Quality District for 2006 and I would like to thank each of you for all your hard work in attaining that goal. We were the first in Occoneechee Council to reach that distinction.

With each recharter year changes are made and below is listed a partial list of the position changes for 2007. I appreciate everyone that worked on the District Committee in 2006 and know that you will continue to support the committee for 2007.

District Chairman Eddie Maynor
District Vice Chairman Matthew Bowman
District Commissioner Sadie Jackson
District Registrar Pat Lambert
District Finance Chairman Steve Wheeler
District Friends of Scouting Chairman Jon Jones
District Membership Chairman – To Be Announced
District Program Chairman Shirley Dietrich
District Training Chairman Lee Newcomb
 Cub Scout Training – TBA
 Boy Scout Training --- David Batton
 BALLO Training -- Dave Ethington
 Den Chief Training -- TBA
District Camping Chairman Debbie Abbott
 Day Camp Director --- TBA
District Advancement Chairman Alma McIntire
District Order of the Arrow Advisor Patricia McCoy
District Venture Chairman Debbie Wiggins
Health & Safety –TBA
Marketing Chairman – TBA

Saturday January 06,2007 the Annual District Retreat will be held at Hope Mills United Methodist Church and I am grateful to Bill Walters for all his help in setting this up. If you are one of the chairmen and plan on attending and have not notified Sadie Jackson as yet please do so for the lunch count.

Remember to purchase your tickets for the Kia Kima Annual Leader Recognition Dinner March 2, 2007. You can buy then from any member of the District Committee or Commissioner Staff.

DISTRICT DIRECTOR BILL WALTERS:

Well, what can the District improve in 07? We were the number one District in the Council last year. Oh, and Tuocs achieved Quality District as well. Maybe we could encourage more leaders to attend training, bring a friend to roundtable, work together as a team, encourage Quality Units, encourage religious Awards, organize a Tiger Fun Day, Market your Pack or Troop, share resources, bring District Photos to roundtable, help another Pack or Troop or better, organize a Pack, Troop or Crew, promote summer activities, smile and most important have Fun. OK, maybe there are a few things we can improve in 07.

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER SADIE JACKSON:

The District has been re-chartered on time for the year 2007 with 18 on the District Committee, 22 Commissioners and 85 Merit Badge Counselors. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all the new people on the district committee and say welcome back to those returning to their positions from last year.

The commissioners have all signed up for another year of service to the units. There will be a reassignment for some commissioners due to recruiting of new commissioners, making the load a little lighter. I would like to say to the commissioners thank you for all your hard work and carrying the burden last year. All the changes will be in the February Newsletter as I think the commissioners should hear the changes at their January meeting first.

The new 2007 Centennial Quality Unit Award Commitment must be filled out and submitted to the District Commissioner by February 12th, so it can be submitted to Raleigh by February 15, 2007. Your commissioner will give you the new form either at Roundtable or visit your unit. If they have not by January 20th please call me at 425-7803 or email sjackson741@nc.rr.com.

At the December Commissioner meeting and Christmas party there was food and fellowship enjoyed by all. The commissioners brought stuffed animals or newborn clothes for Cape Fear Valley Hospital to the tune of 8 sets of clothes and 30 animals and toys. Santa did pay the commissioners a visit with gifts all around, even for those not in attendance. One of his Elves will deliver them at Roundtable so we were told.

The following is a list of the units that have signed up for the Roundtable opening and refreshments for the coming year. If your unit has not yet signed up there are dates available. Thank you to all the units that have signed up.

January -- Order of the Arrow
March Troop 742
May Troop 787
July Commissioner Cook out
September Troop 709
November Troop & Pack 29

February – Commissioner Staff Soup Dinner
April Pack 957
June Pack 756
August Open
October Pack 742
December Open

DISTRICT CHAPLAIN PASTOR JOHN LANCASTER:

The New Year is here and I am sure that most of you have made your New Year's resolutions by now. I hope that one of them was the resolution to continue to support your son and his leaders in the Cub Scout, Boy Scout and Venture Scout programs.

P.R.A.Y Announces Anchor Patch for Puzzle Set – Kneeling Scout Patch Available for Sale December 15.

P.R.A.Y has announced that the “kneeling Scout” segment will become the anchor for the Duty to God Puzzle patches. The kneeling Scout segment is the key component that gives meaning to the entire puzzle set. As the anchor patch, the kneeling Scout segment will be the first patch that a Scout receives. The anchor patch will be available every year regardless of the rotation. This kneeling Scout patch will be available for sale on December 15, 2006. (A color copy of the Puzzle Patch is on display at the check in desk in back. See Nick)

ORDER OF THE ARROW CHAPTER ADVISOR PAT MCCOY:

2007 is the 70th Anniversary of the Order of the Arrow and Lodge 104 is the Host fro the 2007 Conclave at Camp Durant, April 20-22.

This is going to be a very busy year for the Order of the Arrow, and we need all youth and adults to jump in and help. Nick Ochsner (Lodge 104 V.C. of program) has provided a workday schedule fro all at Camp Durant. Pick-up a schedule at "Freebee table" Any questions see Nick (Lodge 104 Program) or Andrew Argentieri (Lumbee Anilorac Chapter Chief) or Pat McCoy (Chapter Advisor 484-0030).

The O.A. Chapter will host January Roundtable and during the Boy Scout Split they will explain requirements for unit O.A. Elections, provide literature and answer any questions. Each Scoutmaster will be given forms to fill out for their unit O.A. Troop Representative and to schedule their unit elections in February.

Dates to Remember:

January 13 and 20th Workday at Camp Durant

January 25 -- OA Meeting – Election Training and Team Development.

February 10 – Workday at Camp Durant

February 17 – Workday at Camp Durant

February 17-18 – Arrowheads Training Campbell University

February 22 – OA Meeting 7:00 PM

March 10-17-24-31 Workday Camp Durant

March 16 –18 –Pow Wow Camp Durant

March 17 – Webelos OA Day

March 17 – Planning Meeting Camp Durant

March 22 – OA Meeting 7:00 PM

April 7 & 14 – workdays Camp Durant

April 20 –22 –2007 Conclave Camp Durant

April 26 – OA Meeting 7:00 PM

BIRTHDAY – ANNIVERSARY – ILLNESS – BEREAVED:

Birthday:

January 01 – Rev. Louise Hilbert

January 01 – Lisa Hyatt

January 04 – James W. Brown

January 05 – Donald Graves

January 10 – Kenneth L. Moore

January 12 – Susan Y. Knox

January 12 – Robert D. Degaetano

January 15 – Steve C. Howard Jr.

January 20 – Virginia R. Gentry

January 21 –Thomas A. Archer

January 22 – Michael D. Griffin

January 22 – Steve Adair

January 25 – O.C. Holloway

January 29 – Marcelle W. Barnes-Tull

January 30 – Lisa M. Woodrow

January 01 –Delane Hulen

January 01 – Daniel Mitchell

January 05 – Heman Robinson

January 08 – Barry Swift

January 10 – Jeffery H. Ritter

January 12 – Susan A. Harris

January 15 – Antonia V. Gantlin

January 17 – Patricia Ann McCoy

January 20 – Johnna King

January 21 – Larry M. Koonce

January 22 – Theresa A. Murphy

January 23 – Nathan K. Howie

January 26 – Michele S. Shearer

January 30 – Melanie Gay Autry

January 30 – Melissa M. Renfrow

January 31 – Christopher M. Mullena

Anniversary:

January 07 – Gay & Sam Autry
January 21 – Ron & Lori Pflieger

Illness:

Leroy “Chuck” Frink was injured in an accident in November and is not doing well at this time. He received a very serious head injury. At the present time he has had to drop out as Scoutmaster for Troop 716 and we hope that it will not be long before he will be able to be up and around again. Keep Church in your prayers.

Debbie Wiggins mother is out of the hospital and in a nursing home until she can fully recover. Our prayers and thoughts are with Debbie and her family during this time.

SCOUT CORNER:

SPOTLIGHT ON KIA KIMA LEADERS:

This will be the first in a series of leader spotlights for 2007. If you have a leader or parent in your unit that you would like to spotlight and recognize for their work in your unit please send in an article to the newsletter.

Kay Stewart Troop 716.

Kay has been in Scouting along with her son and husband for many years. While he is now in college she and her husband Marlin have found other deserving young men who need scouting and they have started a new Troop and Pack at Friendship Baptist Church in Hope Mills where she serves as Troop Advancement and Cubmaster for Pack 716. Kay was formerly with Pack and Troop 740 for many years and was an outstanding leader there.

Her devotion and belief in the Scouting program is still alive and well. The family’s land makes a great place for the Troop to go camping and yes along with the other animals, I hear they even saw bear tracks and where he had sharpened his claws or just scratched a tree, not sure which. The boys are learning about all the wildlife on the land there and from what I have been told they can track pretty well now.

In case many of you do not know Kay has a beautiful signing voice as well as always having a smile and kind word for everyone she meets. Look for her at Roundtable and get to know her if you do not already know her, I think you will be pleased.

Kia Kima Commissioner Spotlight:

The spotlight shines on a new Unit Commissioner this month, Dan Jutson. Dan is the Unit Commissioner serving Pack and Troop 771. Dan and his wife Henrietta have one son, Daniel a Scout in Troop 771. Dan is currently serving as a Signal Officer in the North Carolina National Guard with the rank of Captain.

Dan has served as a Cubmaster, Assistant Cubmaster and Den Leader in Pack 771. He has also served as an instructor for the council Trainer Development Conference and Webelos Leader Outdoor Weekend Course. He has also been Course Director for Occoneechee Council Den Chief Training and served on the Kia Kima Training Team and on Cub Leader courses.

He is an active member of the Society of Sons of the American Revolution and the Fayetteville Independent Light Infantry.

His knowledge of scouting and history are fascinating to listen to. If you would like your Scouts to have a good session talking to someone about Scouting or North Carolina ask Dan, they will not be bored.

Arrow of Light/Crossover Ceremony:

Packs can begin to request Arrow of Light/Crossover ceremony. The District Team will schedule ceremonies on a first-come first-serve basis.

Packs may request the ceremony for Blue and Gold Banquets as well as for Pack meeting. The ceremony has more impact when done at night and is great for retaining Tiger Cubs. The team is available for ceremonies from late January to the end of March each year. However, if that is not a good time, other arrangements can be made. The team is only active during late winter and early spring. No fall ceremonies are done.

The Current 2007 Schedule:

20 February Pack 701
10 March Pack 771
26 March Pack 957

If your Pack desires to have an Arrow of Light ceremony, you may contact Ken Moore, in person, by telephone 424-8802, or, by email MOOREKL2@infionline.net.

Arrow of Light/Crossover Ceremony Team Recruitment:

The District is recruiting Scouts to serve as Warriors for this year's ceremonial team. A full team consists of the Chief Akela, Chief of the Warriors, Chief of the Braves, a Medicine Man, a drummer and Warriors. The team has several individuals who help setup and teardown props and work the lights. Seven Warriors is ideal, but the ceremony can support up to 15. Scoutmasters may nominate candidates from their Troops to become a team member. Team members do **not** have to be members of the Order of the Arrow.

If you desire to serve or desire to nominate a Scout to serve on the Arrow of Light Team, you may contact Ken Moore, in person, by telephone 424-8802, or, by email MOOREKL@infionline.net. Or you may send me their name, telephone number and email address (if you have it). I will contact them or, better yet, they can contact me.

Troop 716:

Troop 716 held it's first Christmas feast on December 19th 2006. Marlin Steward made the Bar-B-Que and boy was it good. The dessert was a cake made and decorated by a Scout with no help from Mom. Kay Stewart prepared the rest of the meal. The entire Troop was present and special guests were the COR Tim Mitchell and his wife Sherril Mitchell as well as members of Pack 716. Robert A. Britt Assistant Scoutmaster came in from Pembroke for the night of festivities and let us all know that he had been accepted for Medical School.

Each Scout received a Christmas present from Kay and Marin as well as a campstool from the Scoutmaster Leroy Frink. They were also given a gift of fruit and Christmas candy. Everyone seemed to have a great time and already talking about next year and the Blue and Gold Banquet for the Pack in February.

District and Council Events Calendar:

January 04 – District Roundtable
January 06 – District Annual Yearly Retreat
January 15 – District Commissioner Meeting
January 17 – Key Three Meeting
January 18 – No District Committee Meeting (Retreat)
January 20 – Martin Luther King Day
January 20 – Commissioner Basic Training
January 25 – Order of the Arrow Meeting
Westminster Presbyterian Church 7:00 PM
January 25 – Newsletter Article Due.

February 01 – Annual Soup Dinner 6:30 pm.
Roundtable 7:15 PM MacPherson Presbyterian Church
February 04 – Scout Sunday
February 08 – Scout Anniversary
February 08 – Council Commissioner Cabinet Meeting
February 14 – Happy Valentine’s Day
February 14 – Key 3 Meeting
February 15 – Kia Kima District Committee Meeting 7:30 PM
February 17 – OA Camp Campbell Work Day
February 19 – District Commissioner Meeting
February 19 – President’s Day
February 19 – Pupil Holiday / Teacher Workday
February 20 – Strove Tuesday (Fat Tuesday)
February 21 – Ash Wednesday
February 22 – OA Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM
Westminster Presbyterian Church

February 24 – Newsletter Article Due
February 28 -- Lent

March 01 – District roundtable 7:15 PM
MacPherson Presbyterian Church
March 02 – Annual District Leader Recognition
Dinner 6:30 PM Hope Mills United Methodist Church
March 07 –Lent
March 08 – Council Commissioner Cabinet Meeting
March 09 – 11 –Catholic Scout Retreat
March 13 – Council Coordinated Committee Meeting
March 14 – Lent
March 14 – District Key 3 Meeting
March 15 – Kia Kima District Committee Meeting
March 16 – 18 – Order of the Arrow Spring Pow Wow
March 19 – District Commissioner Meeting 7:30 PM
March 19 – Pupil Holiday/Teacher Workday (Y)
March 21 – Lent
March 21 – Session 1 IOLS
March 22 – OA Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM
Westminster Presbyterian Church
March 23 –25 – Lutheran Scout retreat Camp Agape
March 28 – Lent
March 30 – Pupil Holiday /Teacher Workday (T)
March 30 – 31 – Session 2 IOLS
March 31 – Kia Kima District Pinewood Derby

PLEASE REMEMBER TO GET YOUR NOMINATIONS FOR OUTSTANDING LEADERS IN NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 1, 2007.

Forms are on the “Freebee Table in the back of the room.

Wanted: Youth Reporters to cover the Cub, Boy Scout and Venture sides of Scouting. Contact the Editor Sadie Jackson 425-7803 or email: sjackson741@nc.rr.com.