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KIA KIMA DISTRICT JULY NEWSLETTER

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DISTRICT DIRECTOR BILL WALTERS:

Bill has been on vacation and did not return in time to get an article in.
Hope he had a great one he deserves it.

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER KEITH D. REAGAN:

Thank you to all the units for turning your charters in on time. There will be no Roundtable in July. Enjoy the break and have a great summer. The commissioner service will be hosting the August Roundtable on Thursday, August 7th.

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Roundtable ADC Tony Garcia:

Thank you to Pack 775 for the opening and refreshments at the June Roundtable.

Commissioner Service has the opening and refreshments for the August Roundtable.

DISTRICT CHAPLAIN BILL BUCHNER:

We are living in a day when our world is on the brink of upheaval; World Leaders are seeking solutions for the complex problems they face. Our lives are to be characterized by humility, Prayer, seeking God’s face, and repentance. This will bring God’s attention to our cry, forgiveness of sin, and health for our land.

Throughout the history of our world, many times Christians have interceded with God in behalf of their country and its leaders. God heard and answered their prayers.

In the summer of 1776 the Founding Fathers of the United States were having difficulty in completing plans for forming the thirteen colonies into a nation. Although many plans were suggested, none seemed right. In the midst of their debate, Benjamin Franklin was asked his opinion. Hesitating a moment he slowly arose and delivered a brief but powerful talk based on Psalm 127:1, “except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it.” Then he said, “Gentlemen, everything we have tried so far has failed. Why don’t we try prayer? They paused for a time of prayer. From then on a spirit of unity prevailed.

Prayer has changed the course of history in the past. It can do the same today. Our greatest weapon against Satan is prayer. What a privilege God has entrusted to us, the privilege of bringing to Him the needs of our world, our communities, ourselves. A small remnant of praying people can change the course of world history.

(Excerpt from Be Still and Know by Millie Stramm)

DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN O.C. HOLLOWAY:

The summer has just begun and yet it will not be long before it will be time for the Race to Scouting. (Fall Round up.) I will be getting touch with you to find out if you will participate, what nights you will have open house and your point of contact.

You may contact me at omegadelta@embarqmail.com with your information, if you know who will be heading the event and I can get in touch with them.

DISTRICT PROGRAM CHAIRMAN SADIE JACKSON:

Remember the District Mid-Year Retreat Saturday July 5th, 8:30 am.

Day Camp Registrar:

Day Camp is over and a rousing success, thanks to the Directors, staff and a lot of caring parents who pitched right in. Some parents had signed up to help with Day Camp and their son's application did not get to us until Friday June 13th, and pre-registration was June 14th. We were unable to call all of them but they were there and worked very hard. A Big Hand to all of them! All of the Den Chiefs and Den Aides have already signed up to work day camp 2009, but I am sure Wayne and Kelly will be looking for more. You can sign up at anytime during the year; just go to kiakimadaycampdir@nc.rr.com. Leaders may also sign up and kept in the loop with the planning for 2009.

Camping Tracy Esterly:

Tracy is in Madison Wisconsin this week attending the AAU National Tae-Kwon- Do Championship with her sons who qualified in the Regional North Carolina Tournament.

Kia Kima Troops are attending summer camp in a lot of different places this year as well as Camp Durant.

Troop 747 and Troop 957 were at Camp Durant last week and Troop 797 will be attending this week.

Troop 742 will be at Raven Knob Scout Reservation the week of July 27—August 2, 2008

We hope that no matter where the unit goes that the Scouts have a good time, lots of fun and earn a lot of merit badges.

Packs attending Kia Kima Day Camp were:

Pack 29, Pack 77, Pack 701, Pack 716, Pack 740, Pack 742, Pack 745, Pack 746, Pack 747, Pack 751, Pack 756, Pack 763, Pack 775, Pack 771, Pack 787, Pack 957 and Pack 895. We only had 2 Packs who did not attend Kia Kima Day Camp Pack 171 and Pack 709.

Troops supplying Den Chief/Aides were: Troop 40, Troop 716, Troop 740, Troop 742, Troop 745, Troop 746, Troop 747, Troop 771 and Troop 957. These Scouts worked really hard and put in a long hot day helping younger Scouts.

If I have left any units off it was by error only, please let me know, so I can give your unit the proper credit.

Coming Home:

It is with a lot of pleasure that I am happy to announce that Jim and Becky Sheckels will be returning to the Hope Mills area the last of July. While Jim has served as our Web Master the entire time he was working in Virginia and has done an outstanding job, we are happy to have him back in body as well as spirit. They have already been asked to work on the Program Committee and once things get settled down will decide what they want to do.

Kia Kima Fall Camporee Chief:

Contrary to rumors the facts are: Due to a lot of preparation for the Fall District training (his first priority) Wayne has stepped aside as Fall Camporee Chief and stepping in to help get everything rolling is Patricia McCoy. Pat has a lot of obligations in September, October and November so we do appreciate her help in getting things going. By the August Roundtable the new Fall Camporee Chief will be selected and announced. Fall Camporee dates are October 3-5, 2008. Pat held her first camporee meeting on Friday June 27th, putting together a list of people and positions needed. I know that she will be calling on a lot of you for help. Working with her at this point will be Debbie Wiggins, Angie Minchey and Jonathan Minchey.

Activities and Civic Service:

Kia Kima will again this year have a booth at the Cumberland County Fair. If your unit would like to participate in a special way (set up your own display while you are there) or on a special day please let us know and sign up at the table in back at the August Roundtable.

Be sure to check out and attend some of the great things going on in Fayetteville and Hope Mills for the Fourth of July Celebration.

District Advancement Kay Stewart:

Congratulations to Trey Graham (T-701) and Noah Bresley T-957) for successfully passing their Eagle Scout Boards of review in June 2008. Well done!

During this time of year we are celebrating our nation's independence, it is fitting that Scouters reflect on the Scout Oath and our "Duty to God and Country". It is essential that we instill the true meaning of duty in the youth we guide. We all need to remember that those are not just words that we recite at a weekly troop meeting or at an awards ceremony. Many paid the ultimate price and many are willing to pay the ultimate price to preserve our independence. Let us all pray for those who are currently serving in our military, our government officials, and each other!

The *Citizenship in the Community, Citizenship in the Nation, and Citizenship in the World Merit Badges* provide priceless principals that guide us all as citizens. Because our youth have abundant access to the Internet, educational institutions, and word-of-mouth, it should not be assumed that they understand and appreciate citizenship. Some youths have no idea that they must register for the draft at age 18, or that their parents pay property taxes. As Adult Scouters we need to be ever mindful of the privilege of citizenship that has been afforded us and serve as solid examples for our youth.

The Americans Creed
By William Tyler Page
Adopted by Congress – 1918

I, believe in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people, for the people; whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic; a sovereign nation of many sovereign states; a perfect union, one and inseparable; established upon those principles of freedom, equality, and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

I, therefore, believe it is my duty to my county to love it, to support its constitution, to obey its laws, to respect its flag, and to defend it against all enemies.

District Training Chairman Wayne Chandler Jr:

As many of you know there is an undated Local Tour Permit Application #34426. The new Tour Permit can be found on Occoneechee Council's website under "Forms".

The new Permit requires that, "At least one registered adult who has completed BSA Youth Protection Training must be present at all other events that require a tour permit." It also states that. "Effective for tours beginning January 1, 2009, Youth Protection Training will be valid for two years from the date completed." However, in our council, Youth Protection Training is required annually.

Also, the new permit requires that, Effective for tours (beginning) on (or after) January 1, 2009, at least one adult must have completed Planning and Preparing for Hazardous Weather training." This new training module can be completed online from the National BSA website under the "My Scouting" tab, and then "E-Learning". To have these training courses credited to you, you must log in or create an account with your BSA ID number, which is found, on your membership card.

For any training that you have performed, please provide a copy of the completion certificates or training cards to your unit leader who in turn should forward them to the District Training Chairman Wayne Chandler Jr, 1816 Stockton Drive, Fayetteville, NC 28304. These records will be maintained and reviewed by the training committee so that we can ascertain the training needs of the District.

If you have any questions, call or e-mail me, B. Wayne Chandler Jr., @910-223-0051:
KiaKimaTrainingChair@nc.rr.com

"Every boy deserves a trained leader"

Kia Kima Day Camp Director B. Wayne Chandler JR:

Greetings from the Kia Kima Day Camp Director and Staff, although Day Camp has passed it is still fresh in our minds. The Day Camp staff and I would like to send out a heartfelt "Thank You" to all of those who made this year's Day Camp the success that it was. Our camp was blessed with volunteers that "Kicked everything up a notch."

An excellent program that included western style music demonstrated on the Harmonica, Guitar, and Banjo supported our theme, Days of the Wild, Wild West. Also, in the program was a visit from the "Snake Man" and NC Wildlife's Sensory Safari. On Thursday there was a surprise visit from an "Old West Sheriff and Indian Chief" who battled it out on stage.

Our Craft program included knot tying skills, and rain sticks, (next time, hold off on the rain sticks until after the Webelos overnigher, grin), and other trinkets that can be traded for furs or cherished for a lifetime.

The range was complete with bows and arrows, and BB guns. Many a buffalo and deer were shot during the week to provide the meat for Friday's shindig at Arnett Park.

A very special Thank You goes out to Mrs. Myra Holloway for allowing us to set up our camp and wigwams at Max Abbott Middle School.

After Day Camp there was a Pow Wow for Staff and Volunteers where a lot of positive feedback was received. Those thoughts and ideas will be applied to next year's Day Camp to make that experience even better.

If you have any questions please call or e-mail me, B. Wayne Chandler Jr., @ 910-223-0051, KiaKimaDay CampDir@nc.rr.com.

Kia Kima District Quartermaster Tom Lemrow:

I would like to thank all that helped with the set up and tear down of the Day Camp equipment from the District Quartermaster. A lot of preparation goes into getting the gear cleaned and moved to the site. Then just to repeat the process at the end. This year we got the chance to do a complete inventory of all the equipment that is on hand in the District. I could not have got the inventory even started without the help of some very dedicated Scouters. They put in a 12-hour day to ensure we had the shed not only correctly inventoried but also cleaned and packed away neatly so that it will be ready for next years Day Camp or the upcoming Camporee.

I am in the process now of compiling the inventory and putting it in a data base so that we can get eyes on what we have available to use for various events. Once I have that list ready, I will publish it with the guidelines for signing out and returning the equipment. This will enable us to not only keep better accountability of the District equipment but will also allow us to grow our equipment list by identifying what is needed for the future and what might need to be repaired or replaced. On that note there are some items that were previously loaned out from the Quartermaster shed that never found their way home. If anyone happens to find them could you please kindly return them so that they could be utilized for the good of the District? For those of you who found some of our lost equipment, I thank you for taking time out of your schedule to return them home.

Should you have need to contact the District Quartermaster I may be reached via email at thomas.lemrowjr@gmail.com.

Thank you again

BIRTHDAY; ANNIVERSARY; ILLNESS; GONE HOME:

BIRTHDAY:

July 01 – Linda Schmidt	July 05 – Sharon T. Johnson	July 06 – Robert Baskin
July 06 – Mike Lallier	July 07 – Modena Davis	July 09 – Amy C. Porter
July 10 – Ernest Szymkowiak Jr	July 11 – Henry J. Bowden	July 11 – Gregory Perkins
July 11 – Chris E. Schafer	July 11 – Stacey Larkins	July 13 – Ruth Smith
July 13 – John F. Campbell	July 14 – Mark A. Knox	July 14 – Kent R. Listoe
July 15 – Brain McKinney	July 16 – Daniel C. Griffin Jr	July 17 – Daniel J. Jutson
July 19 – Brandt T. Wood	July 19 – Dennis J. Cahill Sr	July 20 – Gerald M. Epps
July 20 – Lisa Rowley	July 22 – Stephenie Brockfish	July 30 – Gary Maffia

ILLNESS:

Debbie Wiggins mother has been placed back into the hospital. I understand it might be her heart. We all wish her well and our thoughts and prayers are with Debbie and her family at this time.

Marlin Stewart will be having surgery on Thursday July 3rd. We certainly wish him well and hope that it will not be long before he is up and around and is back to his old self. Well maybe improved a little (not in pain).

Pat McCoy has been ill since day camp and from talking to her she does not seem to be getting much better. Pat take care of yourself, we all need you in this district especially the Order of the Arrow.

Nelson Grimes gave all of us a little bit of a scare at the Friday cookout June 20th at Arnett Park. He is feeling much better and we are happy to report it was not a tick bite. His mom says he is doing fine and can't wait for Day Camp next year.

GONE HOME:

We wish to convey our condolences to the family of Scouter Jeff Parda of Pack 733. Jeff lost his life in the service of our country. He is a great loss to Scouting and will be missed. May God bless, watch over and take care of Amanda and the children.

Thank you Jack Hendrix and Steve Fox for letting us know.

If you know of someone who has a birthday, anniversary, illness lost a loved one or we need to acknowledge them for any reason please call or send the information to Sadie Jackson 910-425-7803 or sjackson741@nc.rr.com. Cards will be sent from the district to the ill or bereaved.

Scout Corner:

Boy Scout Camping Trip: By Caleb Scott, Tenderfoot Scout, Troop 716:

The Boy Scout Troop 716 went on a camping trip Friday, May 16th to Sunday, May 18th. There was no rain thankfully, and it started like this: On Friday, May the 16th, we got our supplies in the trucks and headed towards Camp Stewart. When we got there, we unloaded the trucks and set up the boundaries, kitchen, and the wood cutting zone. Then, the younger boys and the older boys played manhunt until we all went to bed. That was the loneliest experience I've ever had.

On Saturday, May 17th, everybody got up and some boys made breakfast. We had pancakes, bacon (yum!) and hot chocolate. We were mad to see that the parents had something better (tastier) than ours. Then, we started to do our requirements. The younger boys worked on our Totin'Chit, Firem'n Chit, identified poisonous plants and the rest of their requirements while D.J., Curtis, and David worked on a fence post and a post made entirely out of knots and logs. I think that learning about the Firem'n Chit is the best out of all of them. We ate lunch in the middle of this, then made a fire at night as the boys played manhunt again. After that, we all sat by the campfire. Innis and I told a dopey story and then went to bed. It was funny!!! That was my first campfire story.

On Sunday, May 18th, we got up and made a campfire and had breakfast. Tyler Crownhart said the sermon and we all then packed up and loaded up the truck. Then we headed to the church and all the boys got picked up and taken home.

(This was written entirely in Caleb's own words, nothing was changed)

Pack 716 John Cue Cubmaster:

Pack 716 held its June Pack meeting on June 24th. Receiving their Tiger Badges were Nicholas Cue, David Ritchie, and Richard Skinner. Bobcat Badges were awarded to: Christopher Cue and William Harloff.

Receiving the Arrow of Light and Crossing over to Troop 716 was Seth Horne. Tom Nelson Scoutmaster and Bob Baskin Assistant Scoutmaster welcomed him into the troop and invested him with his new insignia. Seth reached the age when he was eligible to crossover into the Boy Scouts, as he had earned his Arrow of Light. Since he did not crossover in April with the other Webelos he decided to do it in time for summer camp with the troop.

The July Pack meeting will be a family cook out and water day for the boys. I hear it might be possible that some of the leaders will be receiving a little water coming their way also.

District Events Calendar:

July 4 – Independence Day “God Bless America”
July 5 – District Mid-Year Retreat
July 12 – 13 – Council Cub-Adult Overnighter
July 14 – 18 – NRS/ATA Trap Camp
July 22 – Venture Roundtable
July 24 – OA Chapter Meeting 7:00 pm
July 25 – District Newsletter Article Due
July 25 – Kia Kima Fall Camporee Meeting 7:00 pm

August 06 – Smokey The Bear’s Birthday – 63 Years of Vigilance
August 07 – District Roundtable 7:15 pm, MacPherson Presbyterian Church. Cookout 6:30 pm
August 11 --Patriot Day
August 18 – District Commissioner Meeting
August 25 – Newsletter Article Due
August 25 – First Day of Traditional School
August 26 – Venture Roundtable
August 28 – OA Chapter Meeting 7:00 pm, Westminster Presbyterian Church

September 04 – Roundtable 7:15 pm, MacPherson Presbyterian Church
September 09 – Kia Kima Round-up First Night
September 09 – Yon Kippur
September 11 – Kia Kima Round-up Second Night
September 12 – 14 – Wood Badge
September 12-14 – Methodist Scout Retreat
September 14 – Grandparents Day
September 15 – Show-N-Sell Popcorn Orders are due
September 15 – District Commissioner Meeting
September 18 – District Committee Meeting
September 19 – 21 – OA Fall Fellowship
September 23 – Venture Roundtable
September 25 – Newsletter Article Due
September 25 – OA Chapter Meeting Westminster Presbyterian Church 7:00pm.
September 26 – Popcorn Show-N-Sell Distribution
September 27 – Popcorn Sale starts
September 28 – Wood Badge “Critter” Dinner

WE AS ADULTS EXPECT THE SCOUTS TO LIVE UP TO AND BY THE SCOUT OATH AND THE SCOUT LAW. TOO MANY OF US HAVE FORGOTTEN WHAT THEY ARE AND WHAT THEY MEAN, SO MAYBE WE SHOULD REFRESH OUR MEMORIES.

A SCOUT IS, TRUSTWORTHY, LOYAL, HELPFUL, FRIENDLY, COURTEOUS, KIND, OBEDIENT, CHEERFUL, THRIFTY, BRAVE, CLEAN, AND REVERENT.

