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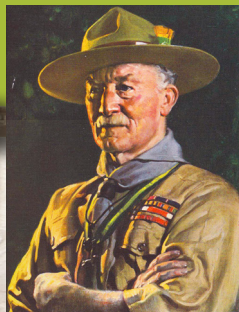
The Camel's

MAY 2016

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BSA Grand Canyon Council
Camelback District



"A week of camp life is worth six months of theoretical teaching in the meeting room."
Robert Baden Powell

Invest in the Future of our Youth

Your Generous Donation Supports District Activities in Developing in the Valley

We've made it easy to contribute to Friends of Scouting (Just go to the internet link below and you will see the following information and the person clicks on red "DONATE HERE" button. The generous FOS donor can then make their contribution paying by credit card.

Thank you for taking the time to strengthen BSA by making your FOS contribution early this year.

Mike Warren, District FOS Chair

<http://www.grandcanyonbsa.org/donate/fos-campaign-support/54899>

It's Time for Summer Camp

Whatever your camping interest might be, the Grand Canyon Council can fulfill a variety of outdoor program adventures at our four beautiful camps:

- Camp Geronimo, North of Payson
- Camp Raymond, West of Flagstaff
- Camp Theodore Roosevelt/ R-C Scout Ranch, East of Payson
- Heard Scout Pueblo, South Phoenix
- Lake Pleasant Camp, North of Phx.

<http://www.grandcanyonbsa.org/outdoors/camping/5824>

The council offers a variety of summer programs for Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturers through our camps.



Varsity Vision Course
May 7th
8am - 5pm



The key to a safe, quality Scouting program is trained leadership at all levels. Good training leads to successfully recruiting and retention of youth members. Participants in Varsity Vision will discuss the roles and responsibilities of a Varsity Scout team's leaders and how to keep positively engaged in the functions of a successful team that meets the aims of Scouting.

As a result of this course, participants will be able to:

- Explain the nature of the Varsity Scouting program and its value to youth.
- Outline the specifics of the Varsity Scouting program.
- Identify the aims and methods of Varsity Scouting.
- Identify Varsity Scouting's five fields of emphasis.
- Know how to conduct a safe Varsity Scouting program.
- Explain the relationship between team youth leaders and team adult leaders.
- Identify the main functions of Varsity Scout team leaders.
- List additional resources for Varsity Scout team leaders.

<http://www.camelbackdistrictbsa.org/#/varsityvision/cgtn>

Pinewood Derby Results



We want to thank you and your pack for participating in our 2016 Camelback District

Pinewood Derby. We hope everyone had a great time and the overall experience was a positive one. Please let me know if you have any pictures

of your racer(s) in action that you wouldn't mind having posted on the district website. We would love to have some more photos of the event!

Congratulations to all the top racers in our district and good luck in next years pack races!

Place	Tigers	Wolfs	Bears	Webelos I	Webelos II
1st	Skyler Pack 100	Tyler Pack 265	Matthew Pack 102	Jason Pack 249	Bob Pack 329
2nd	Owen Pack 41	Atticus Pack 329	Joshua Pack 6	Jason Pack 232	John Pack 324
3rd	Mason Pack 329	Jacob Pack 446	Robbie Pack 411	Berenger Pack 324	Dakota Pack 100

Camelback District New Eagle Scouts April

- **Elliot Herbert Allison**, Troop 6,
Project: Installed new fencing at the Arizona Small Dog Rescue Shelter
- **Andrew Johnson Astorga**, Crew 9269,
Project: Graffiti removal and neighborhood revitalization in the Alhambra High School neighborhood
- **Aaron Alan Churchwell**, Troop 401,
Project: Built new planter boxes for Growing Together – A Giving Garden
- **Samuel John Ellington**, Troop 6,
Project: Clearing out garden area, sifting soil for garden pods at Brunson Lee Elementary School
- **William Henry Fusillo**, Troop 644,
Project: Fire lane restoration at St Barnabas Church of the Desert
- **Edward Lewis Gaylord II**, Troop 644,
Project: Constructed new habitats for the Southwest Wildlife Conservation Center
- **Riley Blaise Johnson**, Troop 6,
Project: Courtyard renovation project at Arizona Animal Welfare League
- **Matthew Eric Keating**, Troop 446,
Project: Built new tables for the Arizona Peace Officer Shooting Range at Ben Avery Shooting Facility
- **Anuj Ketan Patel**, Troop 41,
Project: Compost bin project at Sonoran Sky Elementary School
- **Michael Cary Poulin**, Troop 127,
Project: Rebuilt raptor homes at Wild At Heart
- **Spencer Walker Sandvig**, Troop 41,
Project: Fence restoration project at Spur Cross Mountain Preserve



Arizona is 10th in the U.S. in awarding Eagle Scouts

1 Utah	5,765
2 California	4,887
3 Texas	4,125
4 Pennsylvania	2,378
5 North Carolina	2,066
6 Virginia	2,035
7 New York	1,949
8 Ohio	1,834
9 Illinois	1,663
10 Arizona	1,632

Your Annual Scouting Program Plan Satisfied Scouts and families A lifelong love of Scouting!

Committee Chairs, Unit Leader and Scouts:

Let's talk about one of the key elements of all successful scouting units and an indicator of a potentially successful year. Of course that would be the scout unit's annual program plan and planning conference.

Research conducted by Eli Lilly in Indianapolis, Indiana, showed that a common element of strong scout units is they all have a good annual program planned a year in advance that is then shared with all families in the form of a calendar. The important result of a shared annual program calendar is that your scout unit will attract more families and Scouts will stay involved longer.

Two other key elements of successful scout units identified in that study were training and having just the right leader to start with.

The BSA annual planning conference guide and planning calendar are available free on-line at MyScouting.org. Now is the time to begin preparing for another great year of Scouting.

First Job Interview?

All things
being equal,
your Eagle Scout
status can
tip the balance.



That happens in
Scouting
Camelback District • BSA

of the Hike Hackberry Month Springs in the Superstitions

Hackberry Spring is located off First Water Trailhead Superstition Wilderness. This would be a fall, winter, or spring hike – much too hot for summer! Excellent overnight hike for young scouts and/or beginner backpackers, could easily be a day hike as well. There is often water in Hackberry Spring (water must be treated). Some water collects in the rubble filled cement open tank at the bottom of the cliff. A metal pipe extends out from the tank over a dirt bank. Some cottonwood, willows, and mesquites provide nearby shade. Impacted campsites across the creek from the spring and more campsites a five minute walk down the creek bed.



Our scout patrol did the following loop in April 2016. We parked at the horse trailer parking lot half mile (left side of the road) before reaching the First Water Trailhead parking area. Leaving the horse parking lot (the lot is enclosed with waist high pipe) at the northeast corner we hiked on the unmarked trail in a north, northeast direction. The trail mainly follows a drainage and then goes up and over a pass, down into Hackberry Spring canyon. Other horse trails branch off in other directions, pick the trail that goes in a north, northeast direction (use a map-Goldfield topo or Superstition Wilderness Tonto NF map). Less than 2 hour hike, about 2 miles from horse trailer parking lot to Hackberry Spring. We camped and then the next day continued on the well-defined horse trail up and over to Garden Valley (a very flat area covered with mesquite trees and chain fruit cholla cactus). Going south, south-east through Garden Valley the horse trail merges with the popular Second Water Trail. Go right on Second Water to the Dutchman's then right on the Dutchman's and back to First Water Trail – just one-half mile farther to the horse trailer parking lot. Promote and practice the "Leave No Trace" principles; www.lnt.org



Special Salute

Brice Boyter

Brice has served in the Cub Scout's as a Wolf and Bear Den Leader as well as an 11 year-old leader in the Boy Scout's. He brings a wealth of information from his own days as a scout, where he earned his Eagle, and from his love of camping, and all things outdoors. He is usually the first to show up and the last to leave and doesn't stop working until everything is done. He has worked hard to complete his online trainings and successfully master Scoutbook even though technology isn't his thing. Brice is retired Marine Corps and served a tour of duty in Iraq. He is also a busy husband and father of 3. He is a shining example of a leader and a great example to the youth who he serves.

Roundtable Merit Badge Classes

May
Family Life
June
Family Life



For full details on the merit badge requirements, please look at: www.meritbadge.org

<http://www.camelbackdistrictbsa.org/#!merit-badge-schedule/c1zpe>

Guide to Safe Scouting

A "must have" guide book for every Scouting unit. Unit leaders and committees should have access to this guide book and use it when planning activities.

All participants in official Scouting activities should become familiar with the Guide to Safe Scouting. This Guide is available free on line from Scouting.org or for purchase at the BSA Scout Shop.

The Guide to Safe Scouting is an overview of Scouting policies and procedures gleaned from a variety of sources. For some items, the policy statements are complete. Unit leaders are expected to review the additional reference material cited prior to conducting such activities.

In situations not specifically covered in this guide, activity planners should evaluate the risk or potential risk of harm, and respond with action plans based on common sense, community standards, the Boy Scout motto, and safety policies and practices commonly prescribed for the activity by experienced providers and practitioners.

Perhaps this quote by Sir Robert Baden-Powell from his 1914 book Quick Training for War is appropriate to include here: *"... The books lay down definite principles and examples which serve to guide the leaders when applying their common sense to the situation before them. No two situations are ever precisely the same, and it is therefore impossible to lay down exact rules that should guide in every case, but a man who carries precedents and principles in his head has no difficulty in applying their teaching in supreme moments of sudden emergency ..."*

Registration is now open
Are you ready to blast off to
STARBASE PUEBLO
This 3-Day camp experience is packed with fun-filled activities
planned around "Starbase Pueblo" theme:

Cub Scout Day Camp

Cost \$75.00
after May 1st -
\$90.00



Participate in these
Fun exciting
activities!
Archery
BB Guns
STEM
Crafts
Swimming
Games/Sports
Decorate your
Space site

2016 Camp Dates				
Session 1 June 2-4 Thu.-Sat.	Session 2 June 6-8 Mon.-Wed.	Session 3 June 9-11 Thu.-Sat.	Session 4 June 13-15 Mon.-Wed.	Session 9 June 30-July 2 Thu.-Sat.
Session 5 June 16-18 Thu.-Sat.	Session 6 June 20-22 Mon.-Wed.	Session 7 June 23-25 Thu.-Sat.	Session 8 June 27-29 Mon.-Wed.	

www.grandcanyonbsa.org/StarBasePueblo

Outdoor Tech of the Month

Apps for Scouting

CAMP SCOUT!



Use this official Boy Scouts of America/Boys' Life magazine app to plan your next outing with ease. It lets you find BSA properties near you and with the activities you want to do.

IOS - Free

KNOTS 3D



This easy-to-use app is popular among Scouters and Scouts because it's fun and allows you to digitally tie, untie and rotate more than 90 knots with just your finger.

Android - iOS - \$0.99

DUTCH OVEN CALCULATOR



It could use a design update, but there's no simpler app for calculating the number of charcoal briquettes needed to cook a given recipe in a camping Dutch oven.

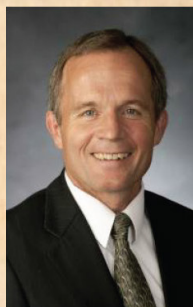
Android - Free



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
GRAND CANYON COUNCIL

Scouting Its Ties & Knots

a presentation by Brad Harris



All members of the Stake Presidency, Bishopric, Young Men's and Primary Presidency are encouraged to attend.

Sunday, May 15th

4225 North 56th St. - Phx, AZ 85018



4 PM Session-

A Guide to Connecting Scouts, Families & Successful Missionaries

The 4pm session is targeted to Stake leaders involved in Scouting

5 PM Session-

Raising Successful Missionaries | by Brad & Sandy Harris

The 5pm session is a general for both leaders, parents & youth

An Oregon Native from a Scouting family, Brad holds a bachelor's degree in youth agency administration and a master's degree in public administration from Brigham Young University. He earned his way up to becoming a field director in the Denver area; and an assistant Scout executive in his home state.

In 1998, Brad was selected to work for the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America in Irving, Texas, to help form a new division called Venturing. In his capacity as Associate Director of the Venturing division, he traveled throughout the United States, speaking to professional and volunteer Scout leaders. Currently, he is the director of the non-profit management minor and the American humanics certification program at BYU.

Brad served on the Young Men General Board of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He has served previously as a counselor in a stake presidency, bishop, stake high counselor, bishop's counselor, stake Young Men president, ward Young Men president, Venturing crew advisor, Varsity team coach, Cubmaster, and Webelos leader.

He and his wife, Sandy, are the parents of six children and live in Lindon, Utah.

Reporting Service Hours

Service hours are the currency of any non-profit organization and no less an objective for Boy Scouts.

Log your service in at <http://www.my.scouting.org>

First-Time Users – Log In

What you will need:

- Your unit ID (five to 11 digits)
- Your unit number (four digits, no letters – example Pack 62 = 0062)
- If you do not have this information, call your district or council and they can supply your unit ID.

To register on the site:

1. Place your cursor over the words **New Users** **Click Here** and click the **left mouse button**.
2. **Click I agree** at the Confidentiality Statement window. If you disagree, you will not be allowed to enter information into the site.
3. Use the **unit ID** (five- to 11-digit number) and local **unit number** (four-digit number) you received from the council to fill in the **three fields** on the user profile page. In the **second field**, select the type of unit you are registering. *If you have not received your unit's ID number or local unit number, call your local council or your district executive.* If you are a volunteer for several units, each unit will have a separate ID and local unit number. (Keep this information somewhere where you can find it, you will need it to change your user name or password.)

4. Enter your **name, address, city, state, zip code, e-mail address**.

5. Type in a **user name** of your choice. *If the user name you typed in is already in use, you will be asked to select another user name.*

6. Type in and verify your **password**. This can be anything you choose between six and 10 characters.

TIP: If your unit number has less than four digits, add zeros in front of the number so that you have four digits (**example: Unit 12 = 0012**)

7. **Click Register.** The Home page of the data collection site appears.

If you have problems logging in, contact the local council or your district executive to verify your unit ID.

Returning Users – Log In
Type the **user name** and **password** that you created

when you registered at the site.

- If you forgot your password, see the next section titled **Forgotten Passwords**.
- If you forgot your **user name**, you will need to contact your district executive or the council so that they can give you the user name you registered.