



Sunshine District Information Update



November 18, 2009

BSA Hockey Night

Nov 15th winners were: Victor Duran 187, Clay Sellers 248, Tristian Grus 187, Maria Duran 187, Connor Flahive 147, Ben Miller 64, Alex Geis 682 ---Nov. 14th winners were previously announced

BSA Football Day

Saturday, November 28th – This is another Scouting Day event – tickets are still available – call council office - \$15 each that includes a cool patch. Leaders and boys in Class A uniforms please. Agenda will be forth coming on the plans for the day.

Cubmobile

This event was held Saturday, November 14th. Tony Brown of Pack 179 led this event. The details for this event will be released at December Round Table – any awards will also be given out on that day.

Special Olympics

Sorry for the short notice – the event is this weekend - they really need **more – a lot more** help for this event. This year they do not have the volunteers that they need.

Dear Friend of Special Olympics,

A wonderful opportunity has presented itself for your company, club, or civic organization to come together and affect the lives of countless Special Olympics Athletes. On November 20 and 21 2009, Las Cruces is hosting the 2009 Special Olympics New Mexico Holiday Classic. This event is held annually and is attended by approximately 800 athletes, coaches, and parents from around the state. These athletes will be participating in bowling and basketball. The bowling competition will be held at Ten Pin Alley and the basketball competition will be held at the Activities Center on the campus of New Mexico State University.

We would like to extend an invitation for your group to help, as a community service project, with our events. There are several needs and various levels of commitment. Listed below are the details of the event and what is needed.

2009 Special Olympics New Mexico Holiday Classic
Volunteer opportunities available:

- Opening Ceremonies: Fri. Nov 20, 4:30pm–7:00pm at Dickerson’s Barn
(need 15 volunteers)
- Bowling lane assistants: Sat. Nov. 21, 7:30am-5:00pm at Ten Pin Alley
(need 32 volunteers for each session-can do morning or afternoon or all day.)
 - Session 1 7:30 am to 10:30am
 - Session 2 10:30 am to 1:30 pm
 - Session 3 1:30 pm to 5:00 pm
- Olympic Village: Sat. Nov. 21, 9:30am-2:00pm at NMSU Activities Center

(need 8 volunteers)

- Lunch clean-up: Sat. Nov. 21, 11:30am-1:30pm at NMSU Rentfro Gym
(need 15 volunteers)
- Basketball score and time keepers: Sat. Nov. 21, 7:30am–2:30pm NMSU Activities Center
(need 15 volunteers)
- Closing Ceremonies: Sat. Nov. 21, 5:00pm–10:00pm Dickerson's Barn
(need 15 volunteers)

Please contact Jennifer Richardson, Las Cruces Volunteer Coordinator at 575-642-3013, or email jenarich@hotmail.com if you would like to participate. I am also available for presentations if more information is desired. Thank you in advance for your assistance with the 2009 Special Olympics New Mexico Holiday Classic, you make this event possible and memorable for each athlete.

Presentation of the National Scout Mural

We will have the opportunity to view the mural in Las Cruces on January 19th. The location at this time will *most likely* be Veterans Memorial Park on Road Runner in Las Cruces.

The 100 Year Anniversary website

The website is continually updated, <http://scouting.org/100years/100years/> - if you haven't had the opportunity to browse this site take a few minutes to see some of the new things. There is a new BSA stamp coming out, BSA coins to be released, tell your families Scouting story, plant a tree, and much more.

New Merit Badge

The Boy Scouts of America is pleased to announce the release of the Scuba Diving merit badge. The official earn date of this merit badge is December 1, 2009. Pamphlets are in the NDC and available for local council service center and scoutstuff.org orders - just in time for Christmas!

The first new merit badge in over three years, Scuba Diving reflects the new direction of BSA to develop merit badges based on youth/Scout input to assure relevance and excitement around the merit badge offering. This merit badge, developed in association with PADI (Professional Association of Diving Instructors), leverages our spirit of outdoor adventure and expands our aquatics offering. More than 84 percent of Scouts surveyed were interested in the merit badge and recommended that BSA adopt it.

Events

If you have any events that you want to get out to the public by newspaper, magazine, etc and have questions or need help about how to do this, please let me know.

Council Calendar

We are in the process of getting information about Sunshine District to the Yucca Council for the online calendar. To find the calendar, go to yuccabsa.org and look under quick links for the calendar link.

Public Relations and Marketing Team

We need to build a Sunshine District Public Relations and Marketing Team. If you are interested, please let me know.

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