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Congratulations 2008 Popcorn Sales is over!



We are done what a year in popcorn WOW! I would like to take this time to say Thank You, to all of the Popcorn Chairs and the Scouts and Parents who worked hard in making this a great year in achieving an outstanding job well done. A round of Applause to you all. **Please** keep in mind that the 80% of the units 2008 sales must be in the Council office by **Dec 15** or before. Unit Charters must also be completed in order to get paid unit commissions. All invoices have been sent to the popcorn chairs. **Remember** to obtain the council participating patch. Please make copies of all order forms. Ask for Connie or Monica. They will be the ones who are signing out the patches. Please keep in mind to take all scouts' orders forms at once.

The fill-it-up patches & congratulations certificate from Trails-end, for which all 25 lines on one order form need to be filled must be turned into Trails-end at Fill it Up Program Trails End 14470 Bergen Blvd. Suite 100 Noblesville, IN 46060. Remember keep the original copies for your records.

One more reminder, \$1,500 extra incentives gets those sheets filled out and sent to Council to get the extra \$50 gift card. To qualify a scout for the scholarship accounts a scout must sell \$2,500 or more. Make copies of all orders forms, fill out the scholarship form and mail to the above location. If a scout already has a scholarship account set-up please mail in those order forms so the scout can add to his account. These forms will be emailed to the unit's popcorn chair, please help your popcorn chair and keep good records of your scout's sales.

By Dec 15, I would like to have from each unit a list of Top 3 sellers within the unit, forwarded to me so the scouts can be recognized at the District banquet. I can extend the due date for Top sellers due to the Holidays.

Eagle Report - We have had 15 Eagles for 2008 to date in Polaris district, and have 10 Eagles pending who have their projects approved and are awaiting a Board of Review (or completion of other requirements). I follow-up with the Scoutmasters of these Eagles waiting to hatch to see if they need assistance. If there are any concerns on the process please contact Pete Dunavant at pdunavan@elp.rr.com

Pete Dunavant

Up coming Events & Training

Re-Chartering I wanted to thank all of you who have already gotten these in and congratulate all those that qualified for our early recharter incentive.

These units include:

Packs 1, 2, 7, 8, 15, 20, 29, 72, 92, 96, 168, 278, 415, and

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Roundtable Commissioners;

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Leon Ekery

Tony McLean

Joe Garibay

Ward Champion

David Holguin

JR Flores

John Whitney
(ADC-LDS)

Polaris District Committee Meeting, All unit leaders are welcome to come. Tuesday January 6th at Ascension Lutheran Church from 5:30 to 6:30pm

Next Polaris District Commissioner's and Roundtable meetings are December 11th, 2008 at Bishop Flores Church from 6:30 to 9:00 pm

2009 Polaris District Commissioner's and Roundtable meetings are December 11th, 2008 at Bishop Flores Church from 6:30 to 9:00 pm

430 Troops 2, 4, 88, 164, 168, 415, and 429 Crews 168 and 264

In regards to the incentives, the troops and crews have had their discounts for Camp Dale Resler recorded. The packs will receive coupons for their Pinewood Derby Kits at roundtable this Thursday. For those of you who have not submitted their recharterers yet, please get those in as soon as you can. I will be giving you a call to see where we are at and to make sure we can get these in on time. I am always available to help you if you need it.

Curtis D. Nimer
District Executive

Heads up – Yucca Council Annual Scouters Conference, January 31, at EPCC Northwestern campus from 8:00am to 4:00pm, cost is \$5.00 A nice incentive goes with it too, in a drawing for a Woodbadge Scholarship to attend next year, WOW what a deal!! For more information contact Karen Edmonston at 505-882-3011 karenedmonston@aol.com or Council office

Burr it's Gold - Klondike Derby It's almost here what a great time to have the Boy Scout Klondike Derby at CDR January 17, 2009. Cost is \$10.00 per scout and \$5.00 per adult leader, if paid before December 31, if after an additional \$5.00 will be added to the price. Please pick up the information at the Council office for further details. All questions can be emailed to Geoffrey Becker at Gbecker1@elp.rr.com, please put BSA Klondike Derby in subject line.

Polaris Banquet - We invite all District leaders and parents to Polaris District's annual Awards Banquet! This fun event will be held January 23, 2009 at Western Hills Methodist Church, Stuart Life Center on Thunderbird Drive. The festivities begin at 6:30 pm with dinner starting at 7:00 pm. Early registration is due to Yucca Council with payment by January 9th. If you register early, the cost will be \$12 for adults and \$9 for youth 10 and under. Late registration will be accepted until January 19th. If you register late, the cost will be \$15 for adults and \$10 for youth 10 and under. We will not accept payment or registrations at the door! Please make sure you register by January 19th. NO registrations will be accepted after January 19th! Please help us keep costs down and allow us to provide a fun and enjoyable evening for all by registering early! We are striving to make the 2009 Polaris District Awards Banquet the best ever! Flyers with registration

forms will be available at the December and January Roundtables. They will also be emailed out to all Unit leaders. Make sure you have submitted your award nominations! Also recognized at the event will be Unit and District top popcorn sellers. Be sure your unit invites your top popcorn sellers. If you have any questions, please contact one of us!

Yours in Scouting,

2009 Polaris District Awards Banquet Co-chairs:

Tami Gandt (kamalag@elp.rr.com)

Tanya Marin (tvmr@msn.com)

Stephanie Fiochetta (sfiochetta@yahoo.com)

The Nominating Committee continues to await nominations from the district membership. The committee, whose members include: Gary Boudreaux, Manny Gonzalez, Jim Karol (chair), Michael Kelly, Karl Murphy, Noal Paulsen, Jack Peterson and Bob Seipel, will be reviewing your nominations. The Yucca council by-laws require all officers and members at large to stand for election each year. The election will occur at the district meeting at 5:30 PM on January, 6 2009 at Ascension Lutheran Church. All Charter Organization Representatives, Council Members at Large residing within the district and elected district members at large are eligible to vote. However, the committee will welcome any and all nominations. It is a nominating committee responsibility to contact nominees to determine if they are willing and able to serve. It is important to note that we will accept nominations in any format, e-mail, letter, back of an envelop, used napkin or phone call but the more information you can provide about the prospective candidate the better able the committee can perform its functions. All nominations must be submitted by December 16, 2008 so that the committee has time to perform its duties and prepare the ballot for the annual meeting on January 6th.

Thank you in advance, please contact Jim Karol jimkarol@yahoo.com and Curtis Nimer cnimer@bsamail.org

***Yours in Scouting,
Jim Karol
Nominating Committee Chair***

District Annual Awards and Recognition Nominations

The deadline is nearing; All nomination forms must be turned in no later

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then Dec 13, 2008 to be considered for nomination no exceptions. If no nominations are received for any given award, then that award will not be awarded. Below, are the nomination categories for: Scout Master of the year (1 award per year) and Cub Master (1 award per year) of the year and Venture Advisor leader “use SM&CM form” (1 award per year), Extra Miler Award (2 awards per unit per year), Polaris Star (5 awards per year), District of Merit (1 award per year), and the Silver Beaver (Council limited). A new one for Polaris is the Scouter-Spouse Award. Additional forms will be available at district roundtable or please contact Charlotte Polando at phnixflyt@att.net . Please forward nominations to Pete Dunavant at pdunavan@elp.rr.com and Curtis Nimer at cnimer@bsamail.org

Commissioner Corner by Michael Polando

The commission’s in Polaris have done a great job this year. They have stepped in when needed; they have become a trusted friend, a source of information, and a mediator. I would like to say thanks to Leon Ekery, Tony McLean, Joe Garibay, Ward Champion, David Holguin, JR Flores, John Whitney, Karen Edmonston and her staff, and long distance John Vasko and his staff. Happy Holiday and see you in 2009.

A note from Polaris – 2009 is going to be big, yes we all have our personal lives we live, and for most of us Scouting is our life. We eat breath, sleep and dream scouting. But we can meet the next challenge if it is set before us. Yes we are going through hard times, but some how some way we manage to get through and sometimes it is because of scouting friendships. We would like to say Happy Holidays, be safe, and take care and God Bless you all.

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