
Kia IMA DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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DISTRICT EXECUTIVE PATRICK HEFFEREAN:

Hello, all of you out there in Kia Kima land. 2005 is finally here. Hope that everyone had a joyous and restful Holiday Season. As many of you know, we have not had a working telephone in Kia Kima office in some time. Having called several times trying to straighten it out, we finally just decided to cancel the old number. My cell phone is the new district number. It is 910-494-2115.

First, I'd like to let everyone know that we have high hopes for growth this year in Kia Kima. We are working on around 20 new unit leads at the moment. With Matt Bowman steering our membership this year. I have little doubt that we will start a minimum of three Cub Packs, one Boy Scout Troop, and two Venture Crews. "Who knows" Maybe, we'll even squeeze in a new Explorer Post.

Secondly, I wanted to let everyone know how we are doing with finance. Steve Wheeler has our DCAD off to a good start, Jon Jones is plugging on our family campaign, and we are considering a few different people for our community campaign. So, please once again help out these volunteers as they strive to help us **ACHIEVE OUR 2005 FINANCE GOALS**.

I am always available to answer your request, questions or just talk.
My number is listed above and my email address is kiakimade@yahoo.com

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER JIM SHECKELS:

We are well on our way to a GREAT 2005! I have been busy working with our District Committee to help recruit and put in place your 2005 District Committee. We have not yet finalized who will be District Chairman, but I expect that will happen at the February meeting. We do have a commitment to take District Commissioner. I will announce that person's name during the February Roundtable.

In 2005, we will be using a new on-line recharter system. All units are encouraged, but not required, to use the on-line recharter instead of the paper recharter. The Districts that have rechartered thus far using the online system have told us it is easy, quick, and less error prone than the manual method we are used to.

We expect to charter several new units this year. That means we will need a few more Unit Commissioners to service those new units. If you are interested, or know someone that may be, please let me (or the new District Commissioner!) know.

You will receive a 2005-2006 District Calendar for each unit at the February Roundtable. I want to thank Tom Archer for all the work in compiling and producing the calendar for us. This calendar covers January 2005 – June 2006. You will note that the Council Camporee is listed with two possible dates in October – this is due to uncertainty of the location on the primary date 7 – 9 October. We will let you know as soon as we know.

You will also see in the calendar we had to move the District Spring Camporee to 6 – 8 May, SCOUTMASTERS – please note that this is a short two weeks before the Order of the Arrow inductions. Accordingly, please advise all your OA eligible to Be Prepared, as they will not know they are candidates for induction until the evening of 7 May at the Campfire.

I have recently taken over our district web site responsibilities. I just got the new account and password for it Tuesday, 31 January. I will begin updating the site as soon as I can, so watch for it starting this weekend. The site is www.kiakima.org. If you have any items or news for the web site, please send them to me.

Dave Miller, Unit Commissioner, is expecting to depart for Iraq as a contractor for one year. He should depart sometime this month. Please keep him and his family in your prayers so that he may have a successful tour and return home safely.

DISTRICT VICE CHAIRMAN PROGRAM SADIE JACKSON:

I am looking forward to working with each of you in the coming year. While I cannot give you the entire Program Team at this time as some positions have not been filled. The following positions are as follows:

District Training Chairman Roger Rose
Venture Chairman and Venture Training Debbie Wiggins
Camp Promotion Chairman (Outdoor) Sherry Unruh
OA Chapter Advisor Patricia McCoy
Activities and Civic Service Shirley Battle

As positions are filled we will let you know. If anyone would like to participate on any committee or event in the district please let me know. There is a place for everyone who wishes to participate. In fact we would like to see new faces working on district. All of us working together can give the Scouts and Scouters, training, special events, and information so they can have a lot of fun, fellowship and adventure. If you have any questions please contact me at 910-425-7803 or sjackson741@nc.rr.com.

District Training Chairman Roger Rose:

Training is alive and well for 2005! If you missed your chance to be on the training team last year NOW is your opportunity to join the fun. If you wish to be a part of the Cub Scout or Boy Scout training team please contact Roger Rose at bobwhite538@earthlink.net. We will be having several BALOO sessions, New Leader Essentials and IOLS. If you are a Pack or Troop trainer you can gain valuable experience for your unit by being on a district training team. Come and be a part of the most active team in the district. The more the merrier!

Please review the training calendar in the newsletter and on the web site.

NEW PROCEDURES: If you wish you may register for a training course on line. This is a very simple and fast procedure. Check out the Council web site at campdurant.com.

Advancement:

A heart-felt thank you to all Scouters who participated in aiding 39 Boy Scouts to receive Eagle Scout in Kia Kima District in 2004. To my knowledge, this is the greatest number of Eagle Scouts our district has honored in a single year.

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Camp Promotion Chairman Sherry Unruh:

I want to introduce myself. I am Sherry Unruh and will be the new Camp Promotion Chairman this year. I am looking forward to seeing all of our young men being able to share the great outdoors in the many events going on this year. Some of these are, OA-Webelos weekend, Cub Scout Day Camp, Boy Scout Camp, Spring and Fall Camporees. And many more. We would like all the boys to have a great outdoor

experience and with your help this can happen. Don't forget to let your units know that there is always funding available so that no boy need be left behind. Looking forward to a great year.

Spring Camporee – Camporee Chief Debbie Wiggins:

Kia Kima Spring Camporee will take place May 6 –7 –8 at Camp Bowers. The camporee staff is falling into place. Cub Program is Breece Mitchell; Webelos Program Shirley Battle; Traffic Control O.C. Holloway and Registrar Dorinda Marks. All registrations must go through Dorinda. The cut off to avoid a higher fee is April 20th. You can sign up at Roundtable, give a call and she will meet you to pick up your registration. We are hoping to have the Scout office open a couple of nights for you to register your unit.

We are still looking for people to work on the staff in several areas. We are asking each unit to provide 2 adults to help with the games for the Cubs and Webelos. We need 2 leaders or other adults from each Troop for the Boy Scout side to help with the events. We are not expecting the Unit Leader to do this, as they will be busy with their job as Cubmaster or Scoutmaster.

The camporee packet will be available at the March roundtable and on the District web page. The cost will be announced at that time. The theme is “Scouting Staying Alive From One To Ninety-Five”. The patch design was the work on many people working as a team.

There will be special recognition for camp gadgets made at camp.

There will be two campfires, one for the Cubs/Webelos and one for the Boy Scouts. If they wish they may attend both.

We are looking forward to a GREAT Camporee, so come on out and join the fun and fellowship.

OA Chapter Advisor Pat McCoy:

Order Of The Arrow --- Thanks to everyone for their support at the January Roundtable.

Unit elections for Order of the Arrow are scheduled and elections teams are assigned. If any unit would like the Chapter Chief “Nick Ochsner” to visit and explain “The Order Of The Arrow” prior to election --- Please see Nick at February Roundtable --- He and Ms. Pat McCoy will be glad to visit with any unit to explain the benefits of O.A. membership for youth and adults. Active membership benefits everyone including the District and Council.

Cubmasters --- Remember – March 19 Webelos OA Day –See Flyers
Campership Funds Game/Campership Application – See Jeff Cooke

Scoutmasters --- Remember --- Unit Elections –OA Troop Rep –Name –March 18 –20 OA Pow Wow –
Dues \$10 Yearly/\$104 Lifetime – Brotherhood eligible if has completed 10 months since Ordeal --- youth
and adults – Campership Funds Game/Campership Application Jeff Cooke --- Camp Durant Video --- See
Pat McCoy --- Feb 24 --- 7:00 PM – OA Meeting – Westminster Presby Church.

Campership Fund Game --- Cub Scouts/Boy Scouts – Kia Kima District--- Helping our scouting youth
attend Kia Kima Scout Day Camp or Boy Scout Camp --- Join the fun --- Make a change in a boy's life ---
Help assist him attending camp --- Thank—you ---for your support – See flyers or Jeff Cooke – VC of
Finance—

Arrowman --- Youth and Adults – Enjoy the Fun and Fellowship – OA meeting Feb 24 --- 7:00 PM –
Westminster Presb. Church – Village Drive.

Activities and Civic Service Shirley Battle:

The world-famous Budweiser Clydesdales will visit the Airborne and Special Operations Museum, Fayetteville, NC, on Saturday, February 5th for a public appearance from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. We hope you can arrange to see these magnificent horses, and will appreciate your spreading the word.

Scout Sunday is this month. If your unit participates please notify me at 910-531-4625 or email C14@DSS.Co.Cumberland..NC..US. There will be Scout Sunday ribbons for each unit that participates.

Scouting for Food will be coming up in April. If you are interested in heading this up let us know. There will be participation ribbons for all units that take part in this service to the community.

Day Camp Director Ricky Flowers:

We continue to look for more volunteers. We have added Dave Ethington to our staff to help Gregg Bowers (in case he has to deploy) as part of the Webelos program. Ruby Petty has agreed to join us and supervise our family picnic and procure “freebees” from the community. We also want to thank Esperanza Martin who has agreed to run the Tiger Program and Scott Happel who is interfacing with the local radio controlled model group. We might also have a volunteer to run the Cub Scout Program. More later. We are looking for a volunteer to run the program at Lake Rim on Friday June 24th. A love of the outdoors and fishing isn’t required but would be great to have.

We also need volunteers for Sports, Crafts (both Cub and Webelos), and Archery. Council is mailing the Day Camp Application forms soon. If you or your boys haven’t received one by the March Roundtable, please let me know. Applications are available at the freebee table. Also, you will find Council wide patch contest forms at the freebee table. The Council theme is Frontier Days – Space is also a frontier. Our next meeting is set for February 13 at the main Library downtown at 2:30. Thank you in advance.

District Dinner Committee:

The time is fast approaching for the Annual Kia Kima District Leader Recognition Dinner. It will be held March 4th at Hope Mills United Methodist Church on Legion Road in Hope Mills. The time is 6:30 PM and tickets are on sale at \$12.00 each. You may see any member of the committee or any commissioner to get your ticket. We are planning a little something different this year; the unit with the most paid adults present will receive a prize. Also the unit that has the best table decoration will receive a prize. There will be a short pause (about 5 minutes) where each unit may acknowledge their leaders (at the table) in the way they wish. A handshake, gift or just a” job well done”.

The menu will consist of 2 meats, (one being baked chicken), meatless lasagna, two vegetables, dessert, coffee and tea.

At this time there are not many award nominations in and as you know if we do not have a nomination for a specific award it will not be given. The awards committee looks at the award nominations that are presented to them. Please get your nominations in to Sadie Jackson either at Roundtable, email sjackson741@nc.rr.com, by mail 3628 Metric Drive, Hope Mills, NC 28348 or call and she will meet you to pick them up 425-7803. The deadline is February 3rd.

We have a very special speaker for the dinner; Mr. George Hardwick, the first District Executive in Kia Kima District when Rainey and Southern District combined to make Kia Kima. I can promise you the speech will be short and interesting.

The 2004 Eagles will be invited as our guests. At this time we do not have a sponsor for them, so if you know of anyone who would like to sponsor them please let us know. The class of 2004 has 39 Eagles. So you can see why we would need a sponsor for part if not all the Eagles.

DISTRICT VICE CHAIRMAN FINANCE STEVE WHEELER:

District FOS Family Enrollment Chairman Jon Jones:

There were 6 units who conducted their FOS Campaign in January, so we are on the way to reaching our district goal of \$26,00 for the family program. I appreciate their hard work as volunteers. February looks to be the busiest month with 9 units currently scheduled. I know there will be others so I ask for your assistance and cooperation during February. If you're comfortable giving the presentation to your unit it will sure help. If not I'll get a Trailblazer to the unit. If you have any questions don't hesitate to call me. I have 6 copies of the 2005 video for showing. However, this year the video is a DVD disc and not a VCR tape.

During the February Roundtable please come and see me if you haven't scheduled your presentations date!!

Units still not scheduled;

PACKS -171 - 751 -787

TROOPS - 29 -77 -740 -746 -787

CREWS - 711 and 746

Please get the dates to me at February Roundtable or call/email. I need to know the dates so that the cards are printed and all resources are available for a successful unit presentation. Your unit's Trailblazer should contact the Unit Coordinator 1 - 2 weeks prior to the presentation date to discuss any issues and make sure all materials are available.

Remember to follow up with families who are unable to attend the presentation! The goal is 100% contact of all families. Kia Kima District Family Goal is \$26,000.

Contact information: Jon Jones phone 425-9676, email jonandpaulajones@nc.rr.com

Birthday- Anniversary - Illness

Birthday

February 02 - Charles Morris

February 04 - Deborah Dianne Kalisz-Wehr

February 08 - Jennifer Marie Muench

February 10 - James Kuczera

February 12 - Keith I. Hutchison

February 14 - James Marks

February 17 --- Todd Muench

February 18 - Annie Scriven

February 21 - Charles Wayne Hall

February 27 - David M. Barns

February 04 - Todd J. Lake Sr.

February 07 - John F. Roberts

February 09 - Cathleen D. Stewart

February 10 - Leah R. Bartram

February 11 - Ron Loes

February 16 - Jon David Jones

February 18 -- Alonzo H. Libby

February 20 - Robert F. White

February 24 - Timothy M. Greenhaw

February 28 - Dawn L.Gent

Anniversary:

February 18 - Henry and Annie Scriven

February 22 - Mary and Charles Baham

February 25 - Cindy and Jeff Brown

Illness:

We hear that Anthony Abbott has been a little under the weather with his throat. Maybe with a little warm weather he will feel much better.

Scout Corner:

Pack 742 Keith Toler Cubmaster:

Pack 742 has been very busy over the month of January. At the January Pack meeting many Belt Loops and progress beads were awarded. In addition Bobcat, Tiger and Wolf Badges were presented. The Pack had a special guest "The Kia Kima Tiger " paid a visit to the unit and helped with the Tiger Ceremony.

The Pack Blue and Gold Banquet will take place February 21st at Hope Mills United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall at 6:30 PM. The theme is "Happy 75th Birthday Cub Scouting". I am sure there will be, many birthday cakes in the father and son cake bake.

Troop 771 Mike Mersereau Troop Historian:

Troop 771 has been busy working on the 2005 calendar. Our program themes for January and February are Backpacking and Camping. The Troop backpacked around the boundary trail at Camp Durant and Camp Reeves. This was the first backpacking experience for our new Scouts. And all Scouts who started finished. The weather was cold, but after a warm meal and good nights sleep all were ready to finish the hike on Sunday morning. The Scoutmaster cooked breakfast for the Troop Sunday morning. After we finished the hike and after worship service we returned home. Everyone had a great time and all are eager to do more backpacking.

Adam Hobgood received his Eagle Scout Badge on January 8th at LaFayette Baptist Church. On February 6th Neal Parikh will have his Eagle awarded at MacPherson Presbyterian Church.

Troop 742

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On January 14th, Troop 742 along with Webelos from Pack 742, held its "Annual Fun Night." In this annual fun night the Scouts are allowed to bring any electronic system, such as video games, laptops, TV's and CD players. The laptops and video games were set up in the gym and covered two walls. The CD players as well as musical instruments had the downstairs and music went on all night.

During the event the Scouts, Scoutmasters and fathers (Webelos Dads) had a ton of fun staying up all night in Hope Mills United Methodist Church, eating chips and snacks, playing games and music. All scouts who attended had a great time. The Scoutmasters were busy quite a bit of the night replenishing the snacks. Some of the adults found time to amuse themselves with games but they did not get any sleep. The Scoutmasters fixed breakfast the next morning for everyone.

When the time came to leave none of the boys were sleepy, just happy and cannot wait until next year to do it all over again.

Scout Shop News Sherry Unruh Manager:

Again we are starting a new and exciting year. We continue to receive new items each month but the most important thing going on this year is the celebration of the Cub Scouts 75th Anniversary. Not to be out done, it is also the 95th Anniversary of the Boy Scouts. We are experiencing a back order of the most important items for our Blue and Gold at this time but we are expecting these items to arrive in a week or two. (Hopefully in time for your event.)

This is also the year for our National Jamboree. We have all the clothing items to fit your family for this very important event. Don't forget to go visit our eight troops being sent from Occoneechee Council. It may be a once in a lifetime event for your youth.

Come in and visit us.

Calendar:

February 02—Groundhog Day
 February 03 – District Roundtable MacPherson Presbyterian Church. Remember it starts in February at 6:230 PM for the soup supper. Please bring a can of food for the church food closet.
 February 06 – Scout Sunday
 February 08 – Scout Anniversary – Boy Scout 95th and Cub Scouts 75th.
 February 12 – Scout Sabbath
 February 12 – Summer Camp Interviews
 February 13 – Day Camp Staff Meeting Maiden Lane Library downtown 2:30 PM
 February 14 – Valentine’s Day
 February 16 – Venture Roundtable 7:30 PM
 February 17 – District Committee Meeting 7:30 PM St. James Lutheran Church
 February 18 – Camporee Committee Meeting
 February 19 – OA Work Day
 February 19 – 20 -- National Jamboree Orientation
 February 21 – District Commissioner Meeting 7:30 PM
 February 21 – President’s Day
 February 22 – Baden-Powell’s Birthday
 February 24 – OA Chapter Meeting Westminster Presbyterian Church 7:00 PM
 February 25th Newsletter Article Due
 February 26 – Council Committee Workshop
 February 26 – Council Recognition Dinner
 February 26 – 27 -- Venture Pistol Certification

March 03 – District Roundtable MacPherson Presbyterian Church 7:00 PM. Please bring a can of food for the church food closet.
 March 03 – District Recharter Starts
 March 04 – District Leader Recognition Dinner Hope Mills United Methodist Church 6:30 PM
 March 05 – BALOO Training
 March 05 – Council TDC Highland Methodist Church Corner of Ridge Road & Boone Trail Raleigh
 March 05 – Council Eagle Banquet
 March 10 – Council Commissioner Meeting Raleigh
 March 11-13 – Catholic Scout Retreat
 March 11-13 – Lutheran Camporee Camp Agape
 March 12 – 13 – Jamboree Work Days
 March 12 – 13 – Jamboree JLT
 March 16 – Venture Roundtable
 March 17 – District Committee Meeting
 March 17 – St. Patrick’s Day
 March 19 – 20 OA Pow Wow
 March 20 – Palm Sunday
 March 21 – District Commissioner Meeting
 March 23 – IOLS Session 1
 March 24 – OA Chapter Meeting Westminster Presbyterian Church 7:00 PM
 March 25 – Good Friday
 March 27 – Easter
 March 28th Newsletter Article Due

April 01 – 03 – IOLS Session 2
 April 02 – Jamboree Work Day
 April 02 – NRA Basic Shotgun Instructor
 April 05 – Distinguished Citizen Dinner
 April 07 – District Roundtable 7:00 PM MacPherson Presbyterian Church. Please bring a can of food for the church food closet.
 April 09 – Scouting For Food

April 14 – Council Commissioner Meeting Raleigh
April 15 – 17 – OA Conclave
April 16 – New Leader Training
April 18 – District Commissioner Meeting 7:30 PM
April 20 – Venture Roundtable 7:30 PM
April 21 – District Committee Meeting 7:30 PM
April 22 – 24 – Jamboree Training
April 23 – District Pinewood Derby
April 25 – Newsletter Article Due
April 28 – OA Chapter Meeting Westminster Presbyterian Church 7:00 PM
April 29 – May 01 – Wood Badge Staff Training

May 05 – District Roundtable MacPherson Presbyterian Church 7:00 PM. Please bring a can of food for the church food closet.

May 05 – Recharter Turn In
May 06 – 08 – District Camporee Camp Bowers
May 07-08 – Council Boy Scout Event
May 08 – Mother's Day
May 12 – Council Commissioner Meeting
May 14 – Council Program Conference
May 14 – CPR/First Aid Training
May 14 – Den Chief Training
May 16 – District Commissioner Meeting
May 18 – Venture roundtable 7:30 PM
May 19 – District Committee Meeting 7:30 PM
May 20 – 22 – OA Spring Inductions
May 25 – Newsletter Articles Due
May 26 – OA Chapter Meeting Westminster Presbyterian Church 7:00 PM
May 27 – Last Day of School - Traditional
May 30 – Glory Days
May 30 – Memorial Day

June 02 – District Roundtable MacPherson Presbyterian Church 7:00 PM. Please bring a can of food for the church food closet

June 04 – CPR/First Aid Training
June 05 – 11 – Summer Camp Staff Week
June 08 – 11 – Webelos resident Camp
June 11 – 8:00 AM Cub Day Camp Staff Training
June 11 – Lake rim Fishing Derby
June 12 – 18 – Summer Camp Week # 1
June 12 – 28 – Venture Vortex
June 14 – Flag Day
June 16 – District Committee Meeting 7:30 PM
June 18 – Day Camp Setup and registration
June 19 – Father's Day
June 19 – 24 – Summer Camp Week #2
June 20 – 24 – Cub Scout Day Camp
June 20 – District Commissioner Meeting
June 23 – OA Chapter Meeting Westminster Presbyterian Church 7:00 PM
June 24 – Kia Kima Day Camp Fishing
June 24 – 25 – Kia Kima Webelos Overnight
June 26 – July 02- Summer Camp Week # 3