

- We need to increase funding to insure program delivery integrity and would recommend the following:
 - Get **Scouters on the United Way Allocation Committee** to insure a better understanding of the process, improve the Boy Scout application and improve the understanding of Boy Scouts of America by the United Way. If you are interested in serving, please contact our Council President, Steve Gunderson 433-0420, Council Executive, Keith Alder 243-0346, or the United Way directly 243-5364.
 - **Designate** your United Way **donation to go to the Boy Scouts of America Western Colorado Council**. This will take those funds out of the allocation process and move them to the designation pool insuring that they go directly to the Boy Scouts.
 - **Give directly to the Boy Scouts** through the Friends of Scouting (FOS) fund raising drive or by direct contribution to the Boy Scouts
 - **Help** our Council with **writing our grant applications** to include the United Way.

Scout Service Center Remodel

- If you are interested in helping in any way with the Scout Service Center remodel or would like to donate your expertise, please contact Steven Kesler, 970 242-5721.

OA Greager Scout Ranch Project

- ◆ If you are interested in helping in any way with the OA Greager Scout Ranch Project, please contact Jeff Ackerman, 970 249-1548.

Spring Recruitment Time! Come join the Recruit-O-Rama, May 17th.

- ✓ Start planning your Spring Recruitment NOW!
- ✓ Cubs to Crews can join the fun at Recruit-O-Rama, Saturday, May 17th in Grand Junction.
- ✓ Supplies, flyers and yard signs are available through your District Executive. Call or email your requests.
- ✓ Contact Cory Cook for Three Rivers District, 970 285-9610 cocook@bsamail.org or Mike Penkaty for Grand Mesa and Majestic Mountain Districts, 970 243-0346 mpenkaty@bsamail.org.

NEW to website, VENTURING NEWS

- ◆ We now have a place for Venturing Crews to get the latest news.
- ◆ Upcoming Powderhorn training dates, June 2-7, posted on council website. Powderhorn is the premier Venturing High Adventure resource management training course for Venturing Advisors, Sea Scout Skippers, and for Boy Scout leaders who are likely to be leading Venturers and Scouts on challenging outdoor activities.

Wood Badge Class, Aug 11-16th Grand Junction, CO

- ✓ Hurry, space is limited. Get your applications and \$50.00 deposit in soon. You must be trained for your position and you may need Leader Outdoor training prior to this class, depending on your current unit position. Classes are being offered in all districts this month and continuing in May. If you plan on attending Woodbadge, make sure you get to the training if you have not already been trained in your position. To learn more about Woodbadge, go to council website, under General News Items for details and application or check out the new website for Woodbadge, www.WesternColoradoWoodbadge.com.
- ✓ Contact Marjorie Sudekum, 970 243-4801 or email greywolfm@earthlink.net for more info.

SCOUT SHOP & COUNCIL OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, MAY 26TH IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY

Current Events for May

Spring Fundraiser for candles, trail-mix, brownies, cookies, has begun

- ❖ All Districts have begun the Spring Fundraiser. Brochure and details on council website.
- ❖ Sale ends May 11th.
- ❖ Payment is due to the Council Office on Tuesday, May 13th, please post date your check for June 6th.
- ❖ If you have any questions about the fundraiser, contact your District Executive, Cory Cook 970 285-9610 or Michael Penkaty 970 243-0346.

Boy Scout Leader Specific training, Thursday, May 1st, Session III.

- **Grand Mesa District.**
- Orchard Mesa LDS Church, 2949 US Hwy 50 at 6:30pm.
- Contact Ron Taylor for more info, 970 243-8911.

Majestic Mountain Spring Camporee, May 2nd-4th

- ◆ Hotchkiss Ranch, 1 mile south of Colona next to the Elk Ranch.
- ◆ Patrol registration on Saturday at 9am.
- ◆ \$8.00 registration fee per person.
- ◆ Contact Chuck Bishop, 970 249-4991 or Steve Munger, 970 323-6856, for more info.

Three Rivers District Spring Camporee, May 9th-10th **(Please note date change)**

- ◆ Stagecoach State Park, Harding Spur Campground, near Steamboat Springs.
- ◆ \$12.00 registration fee per person.
- ◆ Register for event on council website, Three Rivers District's Page then follow link to Troop 194's website.
- ◆ Patrol registration begins on Saturday at 8am.
- ◆ Contact Lew Cutter for more info, 970 871-0912.

Boy Scout Outdoor training, May 9th - 10th.

- **Grand Mesa District.**
- 4710 Kannah Creek Rd, Whitewater, map on council website.
- As soon as you can get there on Friday night.
- Contact Ron Taylor for more info, 970 243-8911.

Majestic Mountain District Awards Reception, Tuesday, May 13th.

- Majestic Mountain Roundtable, 6:30pm LDS Meetinghouse in Montrose, 1520 Hillcrest Dr.
- Potluck and Camp Cook-Off.
- Everyone's welcome, but be sure to bring a potluck dish.
- Contact Steve Ogg, oggcouple@msn.com or Daren Boyd, 970 249-9356 with questions.

Three Rivers District North Roundtable, Thursday, May 15th.

- ◆ Holy Name Catholic Church in Steamboat Springs on Oak Street at 7pm.
- ◆ Contact Cory Cook, 970 285-9610 with questions.

Boy Scout Outdoor training, May 16th - 17th.

- **Majestic Mountain District.**
- The Armory in Montrose, contact Dennis for assignments and details.
- Contact Dennis Neilson for more info, 970 249-3522.

Boy Scout Outdoor training, May 16th - 17th. **(Please note date change)**

- **Three Rivers District.**
- Jolly Ranch in New Castle, contact Dave for assignments and details.
- Contact Dave Smith for more info, 970 948-1850.

Cub Scout and Boy Scout Recruit-O-Rama, Saturday, May 17th

- ✓ **Grand Mesa District.**
- ✓ Open to the public 10am to 1pm.
- ✓ Get your unit involved by sponsoring a booth to showcase your scout activities.
- ✓ Grand Junction LDS Stake outdoor field, 2881 Orchard Ave.
- ✓ Registration begins at 9am.
- ✓ Contact Richard Kinney for more info, 970 589-9505.

OA Spring Fellowship/OA Key 3, May 30 - June 1

- OA Greager Scout Ranch from Friday evening to Sunday morning.
- Contact Warren Hall, 970 433-7086; Larry Ferguson 970 524-7175; Paul Campeau 970 254-1307.

Upcoming Events

NRA Basic Rifle, Shotgun Instructor Certification Class, June 6-8th

- ❖ For anyone over 21 and wanting to be a Merit Badge Counselor for Rifle or Shotgun Shooting.
- ❖ June 6th, 7th and 8th from 8am to 7pm.
- ❖ Class fee: \$175.00, go to council website for payment information and mailing instructions.
- ❖ Colorado Division of Wildlife, Hunter Education Building, 711 Independent Ave, Grand Junction.
- ❖ Contact Instructor Linn Armstrong, 970 234-0444 or 970 464-5177 with questions.

Majestic Mountain District Cub Scout Day Camp, Gunnison, Saturday, June 7th.

- ✓ Cooper Ranch in Gunnison at 8:30am.
- ✓ \$20.00 registration fee.
- ✓ Registration deadline is May 16th.
- ✓ Registration and Health Forms on council website.
- ✓ Contact Willy Isaacson, 970 641-1692 with questions.

Three Rivers District Cub Scout Day Camp, New Castle, June 7th - 8th.

(Please note date change)

- ◆ Jolley's Ranch in New Castle, check-in begins at 8am.
- ◆ \$35.00 registration fee.
- ◆ Registration deadline is May 19th.
- ◆ Registration and Health Forms on council website.
- ◆ Contact Robert Gilbert, 970 928-9057 with questions.

Grand Mesa District Cub Scout Day Camp, Grand Junction, June 9th - 12th.

- ❖ Veterans and Lions Memorial Park (Orchard Mesa Fairgrounds, Mon-Wed)
- ❖ Corn Lake State Park (Thursday)
- ❖ \$40.00 registration fee.
- ❖ Registration deadline is April 15th.
- ❖ Registration and Health Forms on council website.
- ❖ Contact Janet Penkaty, 970 314-4038 with questions.

WCC-BSA Golf Tournament, Friday, June 13th

(Please note date and location change)

- Chipeta Golf Course with Shotgun Start at 8am.
- \$75.00 per person
- \$150.00 Hole Sponsorship with Company Logo
- Contact Keith Alder, 970 243-0346 or Tom Mingus, 970 243-4806 if you are interested.

OA Americorps 5 Week, June 14th - 21st.

- ◆ Contact Warren Hall, 970 433-7086; Larry Ferguson, 970 524-7175; Paul Campeau, 970 254-1307

BSA Leave No Trace Master Educator Course, June 15 - 21

- ❖ Camp Shiloh in Kingston, New Mexico.
- ❖ Open to adult volunteers 18 and older who would like to be a Master Educator for Leave No Trace.
- ❖ Cost: \$240.00, includes meals and course materials.
- ❖ For details, check out council website under General News Announcements.
- ❖ Contact Jim Karol with the Yucca Council in El Paso TX for info, 915 585-2473 or jimkarol@aol.com

Majestic Mountain District Day Camp, Montrose, July 11th-12th.

- ✓ McNeil Fields, Montrose.
- ✓ \$30.00 registration fee.
- ✓ Registration deadline is May 30th.
- ✓ Registration and Health Forms on council website.
- ✓ Contact Carrie Ann Swaim, 970 252-3534, with questions.

Merit Badge Rally / OA Call Out, July 17th-19th.

- ❖ Meadowlake above New Castle.
- ❖ Contact Dave Smith for directions and more info, 970 948-1850.

2008 Cub Scout Campout July 24-26 "Mad Scientist" / OPEN to ALL Cub Scout Units in ALL Districts

- At the Fish Hatchery, near Rifle Gap State Park, exit 90 on I-70.
- Tent camping ONLY, no RV's.
- \$75.00 each per Cub Scout and \$40.00 each per other campers (ie leaders, parents, siblings)
- Registration deadline is June 12th.
- Late fee of \$20.00 will be applied after June 12th.
- No late registrations will be accepted after July 11th for any reason.
- Registration forms available on council website under Cub Scout News.

Wood Badge Training, August 11th - 16th

- Space is still available and registration has begun.
- Details and an application can be downloaded from council website under General News Items.
- Check out the new website www.WesternColoradoWoodbadge.com for updates and info.
- Contact Marjorie Suedekum, 970-243-4801, if you are interested in being on staff.

Repetitive

Executive Board Meeting

No meeting this month.

(Next meeting Wednesday, Sept 17th)

Executive Committee Meeting

No meeting this month.

(Next meeting Thursday, June 5th)

District Unit Commissioners Meeting

Grand Mesa 1st Tues of each month, 1st Presbyterian Church, 7pm.

District Committee Member Meeting

Grand Mesa 1st Tuesday of each month, 1st Presbyterian Church, 7pm.

Majestic Mtn 2nd Tuesday of each month, Montrose LDS Stake Center, 7:30pm

Three Rivers 1st Thursday of each month, Church of Christ, GWS 7pm.

District Roundtables

Grand Mesa 2nd Thursday of each month, 1st Presbyterian Church, 6:45pm

Majestic Mtn 2nd Tuesday of each month, Montrose LDS Stake Center, 6:30pm

Three Rivers 2nd Thursday of each month, Glenwood Springs LDS Church, 7pm

North Three Rivers, Thursday, May 15th, Holy Name Catholic Church, Steamboat Springs, 7pm

OA Chapter LEC / Key 3 Meeting

OA LEC, Saturday, May 10th, Scout Service Center, 6pm. (Next meeting Aug 9th)

OA Chapter Meetings

Grand Mesa 2nd Thursday of each month, First Presbyterian Church, 6:45pm.

Majestic Mtn 1st Wednesday of each month, Elks Lodge, 6:30pm.

Three Rivers 2nd Thursday of each month, Glenwood Springs LDS Church, 7pm

Council Office Closed

Monday, May 26th, 2008, Memorial Day

Friday, July 4th, 2008, Independence Day

Monday, Sept 1st, 2008, Labor Day

Thursday, Nov 27th and Friday, Nov 28th, 2008, Thanksgiving Holiday

Thursday, Dec 25th and Friday, Dec 26th, 2008, Christmas Holiday

Contacts

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For updates and complete detailed information, visit council website www.wccbsa.org

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Cory Cook, Three Rivers District Executive, **970 285-9610**, cocook@bsamail.org

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If you have an upcoming event or item that you would like posted on the monthly calendar, please e-mail your suggestions or item to skeichli@bsamail.org