

Leader Training—Every boy deserves a trained leader!

Is your unit fully trained? Has your committee gone through training? A Scoutmaster or Cubmaster can not do it alone. A functioning committee trained in their duties, decreases the burnout rate of a unit leader.

How do you get trained? Contact Dr. Curtis Long, Training Chairman, at clong@transedge.com or Scott Behrends at sbehrend@bsamail.org to set up training as a group, and don't forget to visit the online learning center at www.bmcbsa.org or www.scouting.org. This online resource is a great place to take Youth Protection, Fast Start, Safety Afloat and Safe Swim Defense training!

Centennial Quality Unit Award

Full is upon us and units will soon be coming into re-charter time. Now is a good time to refresh yourself on your commitment of goals for the Centennial Quality Unit Award that you filled out with your District Executive.

A quick refresher of what the general goals were:

- You committed to have a percentage of direct contact leaders trained.
- You committed to recruiting a number of new youth and retaining a certain %.
- You committed to recruiting new parents to help out in your unit.
- Committed to having 60 percent of your youth members advance in rank or improve by 10 percent.
- Commit to having 70 percent of your youth members having an outdoor experience or one activity per month.
- Commit to an annual program planning day.

If you need a copy of your goals or would like to see which leaders are officially in the computer as trained, please contact Scott Behrends at 1-800-821-4939 or sbehrend@bsamail.org or Andrea Watson at 1-800-821-4939 or awatson@bsamail.org.

LDS Scout Leaders—Special Scout meeting Saturday, Nov 3rd

On Saturday, November 3rd, President Charles Dahlquist, General Young Men's President, is hosting a special Scout training session for all LDS stake and ward Scout leaders in the Blue Mountain Council. The meeting is being held at the LDS Gage church building, across the parking lot from the Temple in Kennewick and will last from 8:30am-11:30am. Please make every effort possible to attend this very special meeting. It is not often that we have such an incredible opportunity to be taught by a general authority. For more information, contact Andrea Watson at 509-735-7306 or awatson@bsamail.org.

Winter Camp Training—December 1st

The Pioneer District will host Winter Camp Training on Saturday Dec 1, 2007, at Christ Lutheran Church in Walla Walla from 9:00 AM to approximately 4:00PM. Check in and registration will begin at 8:30am.

Scouts and leaders should bring a lunch as the lunch break will be short and instruction on winter cooking will be part of the break. Cost is \$5 to cover the patch and materials. Please contact Andrea Watson at awatson@bsamail.org if you have any questions. To register, contact the Walla

Walla Scout office at (509)525-7578.

Winter Camp training is the best way to prepare your Scout unit to participate in the annual Pioneer District Klondike Derby! Klondike Derby will be at Andie's Prairie OR tentatively on Feb 1, 2008. Who says it has to be warm to go camping?

Pioneer District

Serving communities in Walla Walla & Columbia Counties, WA and Umatilla County, OR

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| District Executive | Scott Behrends & Andrea Watson | 509-525-7578 or 1-800-821-4939 |

Calendar Dates

| October | |
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| 9 | Pendleton Roundtable - 7pm @ VFW Hall |
| 4 | Walla Walla Roundtable - 7:00pm @ LDS Stake Center 1821 S. 2 nd Walla Walla |
| 11 | New Leader Essentials Training - 7:00pm @ Dr. Curtis Long's Office, 120 East Birch Suite 11, Walla Walla |
| 13 | Cub Scout Specifics Training - 9:00am @ Dr. Curtis Long's Office, 120 East Birch Suite 11, Walla Walla |
| 20 | Jamboree-on-the-Air @ Red Cross, Kennewick, WA |
| 23 | Popcorn Sale Ends |
| November | |
| 1 | Walla Walla Roundtable 7pm @ LDS Stake Center 1821 S. 2 nd Walla Walla |
| 3 | LDS Scout Leaders mtg. w/ President Dahlquist - 8:30am @ LDS Gage Building (next to Temple in Kennewick, WA) |
| 6 | Pendleton Roundtable 7pm @ VFW Hall. |
| 17 | Bighorn Training - Sun Ridge Middle School in Pendleton |

Learn how to make snow shoes!

Troop 305 is going to be making snowshoes again this on Saturday, October 27th. If other troops are interested, they can contact Gary Wentz at 509-522-5293. Gary can handle about 20-25 pairs per day with the right mix of Scouts and adults to help. The cost is \$15; Gary provides all the tools and materials.