

# Notes of the Roundtable

January 5, 2010

### Japeechen District **Greater Pittsburgh Council Boy Scouts of America**

Field Director **Program Executive Development Executive** Unit Service Executive **Membership Executive** District Chairman **District Commissioner** Roundtable

> **Boy Scouts Cub Scouts Communications**

**Program** 

**Activities Camp Promotion** 

**Development** 

Membership Leadership (Training) Mark Eberhart Advancement

Finance

Jim Douglas Clay Shumway Darla Digiovanni Chris Edmonds Aaron Whigham

Art West Bill Ammer

Steve Kuniak Karen Brienza Angie Hart Steve Kuniak

Ronna Cullen Doyle Jamie Uber

**Rick Fellers** (open)

Andy Rodgers Eric Okunewick

# Calendar

#### January

- Roundtable (O'Hara Elementary) 5
- 8 Klondike Derby (Deer Lakes)
- 12 Eagle Board of Review, 7 PM (Springdale)
- 13 District Committee Meeting (Joey D's)
- Risk Zone/CS-Specific Training (St. Catherine's) 15

#### **February**

- Roundtable (O'Hara Elementary) 1
- Scout Sunday (home unit) 6
- Eagle Board of Review, 7 PM (Springdale) 9
- 10 District Committee Meeting (Joey D's)
- Risk Zone/SM-Specific Training (St. Catherine's) 12
- District Scout Sunday (tba) 13
- Pinewood Derby & Mall Show (Pgh Mills) 26
- 26 Trainer's Edge (Flag Plaza)

#### March

- 2 Roundtable (O'Hara Elementary)
- District Committee Meeting (Joey D's) 8
- 9 Eagle Board of Review, 7 PM (Springdale)
- 19 Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO)
- 26 University of Scouting

### General Session

**Sign-in** – 6:45 PM.

Opening – The meeting opened at 7:00 PM with The Pledge of Allegiance.

New District Staff Organization - Jim Douglas, our new Field Director, introduced the council's new organization structure at the meeting.

Previously, each district was staffed with one fulltime professional responsible for growing membership and units, finances, program and unit support. Realizing this can be a tall order for one professional, the council moved to a service-team concept. Each team will service an "area" made up of multiple districts, drawing on the strengths of each professional for the identified functions.

Japeechen District, along with Fort Pitt and

Tecumsa districts, will be serviced by:

- Jim Douglas, Field Director
  - (o) 412-325-7940
  - (c) 724-747-7855
  - (e) james.douglas@scouting.org
- Clay Shumway, Program Executive
  - (c) 412-559-7660
  - (e) clay.shumway@scouting.org
- Darla DiGiovanni. Development Executive (e) darla.digiovanni@scouting.org
- Chris Edmonds, Unit Service Executive (c) 724-205-3759
  - (e) chris.edmonds@scouting.org
- Aaron Whigham, Membership Executive (c) 412-537-3996
  - (e) aaron.whigham@scouting.org

### **Program**

Steve Kuniak

724-389-0731

## **Activities**

#### **Ronna Cullen Doyle**

412-486-1524

- Mall Show, Feb 26 Need units to provide displays and demonstrations. Boy Scout Race for those hosting a table, bring your old cars! Forms on the back table.
- District Scout Sunday, Feb 13
- First Aid Meet Being rescheduled to April due to Deer Lakes School availability conflict.

## **Camp Promotion**

#### Jamie Uber

412-782-2710

Mike Oehmke spoke about scheduling unit presentations for Heritage Reservation 2011. Each presentation brings one \$50 Campership. Presenters are needed. If interested, contact Mike Crane.

Leaders' meeting scheduled for Feb 22 & 24 at 7 PM. Guidebooks should arrive by mail before the meetings.

Still hiring staff for summer camp, 75 so far.
Winter weekends (three for Cub Scouts and one for Boy Scouts) are filling fast. Make your reservation soon.

## **Development**

**Rick Fellers** 

724-443-6519

## Membership

(open)

WANTED!

An active scouter, looking to try something new on the district level.

## Leadership (Training)

#### **Mark Eberhart**

724-449-6354

- Jan 15, Risk Zone & CS-specific (St Catherine's)
- Feb 12, Scout Leader Training (indoor, 1 of 2)
- Feb 26, Trainer's Edge
- Aug 26-28 & Sep 23-25, Woodbadge
   District scholarship available, contact Mark
- District Training <a href="http://www.gpc-bsa.org/Districts/Japeechen/Japeechen%20District%20Training.aspx">http://www.gpc-bsa.org/Districts/Japeechen%20District%20Training.aspx</a>

## **Advancement**

#### **Andy Rodgers**

412-487-8975

The District Advancement Committee is proud to announce the following Boy Scouts attained the rank of Eagle Scout this month:

??????

The next Board of Revew is scheduled for Janury 12.

## **Communications**

**Angie Harl** 

angieharl@comcast.net

No report.

### **Finance**

**Eric Okunewick** 

412-779-0289

No report.

# District Key 3

### **District Executive**

Clay Shumway

412-559-7660

No report.

### **District Chairman**

Art West

412-486-2800

**District Staff Reorganization** – Art expressed excitement about the new district service team.

**Friends of Scouting (FOS)** – Eric ????? encouraged all to schedule their FOS presentations.

He also mentioned a greater effort to focus on the "community." Looking for contacts on local Chambers of Commerce.

### **District Commissioner**

Bill Ammer

412-389-442

**Scouting for Food** – Sarina Austin is looking for units to return the Scouting for Food registration cards.

**Charters** – Out of 51 units in our district, only 36 have been filed with 13 being "on-time."

**Free rank advancements** – There is still time to file your application to receive these patches for free, as long as you filed your charter on-time.

**Journey to Excellence** - is the BSA's new quality unit award program replacing the Centennial Quality Awards Program. More info at:

 $\frac{http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/Awards/JourneyToEx}{cellence.aspx}$ 

**Philmont 2011** – there is still room with the GPC contingent, leaving Jul 16. Approx. cost will be \$1,500.

**Tour Permits** – required for any unit meeting or activity outside of their normal meeting place.

- Local for trips <500 mi, Nat'l for >500 mi.
- Must be filed 2 weeks prior to event.
- GPC requires Risk Zone on each permit.

**Blue & Gold Dinner Planning** – do not overload the program. Keep it fun. Some pack dinners have been more than 4 hours.

**New Leaders** – are key to a good program. Some units have been run by too few adults, sometimes as few as one. It is important to get new families involved and trained in your unit.

# Next Roundtable...

Our Next Roundtable will be on February 1 in the auditorium of O'Hara Elementary School. The meeting will open at 7 PM. Session topics to be covered:

- General First Aid
- Boy Scouts Local Camping
- Cub Scouts Pinewood Derby / Day Camp

Please arrive at 6:45 for sign-in, handouts and ask any questions you may have, prior to the meeting. Otherwise, you are asked to do this during the break.

#### **Duty Roster**

- Opening HELP! Volunteer needed
- Cookies Pack 194. Thank you!!!!
- Closing HELP! Volunteer needed

## **Available Literature**

**BS:** designates for Boy Scout Troops only **CS:** designated for Cub Scout Packs only

#### **New This Month**

- 2011 Scouting for Food Registration card
- Heritage Reservation 2011 (January Roundtable Notes)
- Heritage Reservation Summer 2011 rates
- Japeechen Pinewood Derby and Mall Show Feb 26, 2011
- Mark Hayward, entertainer www.markhayward.net
- The Magic of Scouting, entertainer www.dlcmagic.com

#### Available, Same as last Month

- 2011 Friends of Scouting Campaign Unit Presentation Registration Form
- 2011 Unit Promotion Request (summer camp)
- Deer Lakes Park Map
- Eagle Scout Legacy Walkway Program
- Family Friends of Scouting Presentation Request
- BS: Heritage Staff 2011
- Heritage Winter Weekends flyer
- BS: Share the Adventure Join Camp Staff flyer
- Summer Camp Checklist flyer
- The Trainer's EDGE (Feb 26) flyer
- Unit Leader Resource Guide Special Needs & Ability Awareness flyer
- BS: We Are Looking for the "Best of the Best!" Heritage Staff 2011
- · Words to Live By card

# **Boy Scout Session**

Steve Kuniak

724-389-0731

### This Month's Topic

The Boy Scout session discussed software available to manage Boy Scout advancements. A list was provided.

# **Cub Scout Session**

Karen Brienza

412-335-0980

Thanks to Pack 195 for the Roles grid from last month, distributed with the Notes of the Roundtable

### Mall Show, Feb 26 @ Pittsburgh Mills

Two tracks will run, allowing each pack to send their top two Tigers, Wolves, Bears and Webelos to the district races.

Special race for Boy Scouts hosting tables in attendance, just bring your old cars!

Units asked to sign-up for table displays and scout craft demonstrations from 9 AM - 1 PM. When attendance is high, the mall underwrites the cost of the trophies. There will be no patches.

Lowes Home Improvement and Dremel Tools with conduct demonstrations of their tools, ideal for Pinewood Derby car construction on Jan 15 from 11 AM to 1 PM at the Pittsburgh Mills store. For more detail, go to www.DremelDerby.com.

#### First Aid Meet (Deer Lakes School)

DATE CHANGE: TBA (Mar 19 or Apr ??), due to facility conflict.

Webelos are encouraged to attend. They will be judged on skills from their handbook. Also, may qualify for Readyman requirement.

### **Day Camp (Camp Guyasuta)**

Two available "weeks:"

- Jun 27 Jul 1 (five day week); and
- Jul 7 9 (abbreviated three day week).

Cost will increase \$5 over last year.

<u>New</u> Tiger Cubs (not Tigers crossing over to Wolf) qualify for the early registration discount, regardless of date the register.