

February 3, 2010

District Committee Meeting

The different committees on the District Committee held breakout sessions from 7:30 – 8:15.

When everyone met as a large group Kathi welcomed everyone and provided the results for the survey that was sent to all District Training Retreat participants. Overall, committee members enjoyed the training and would do it again next year.

The committee signed a Thank You card for Rich Brenner who graciously allowed us to use one of his board rooms as a meeting location for many years. The committee has now moved to the Sunnyview Retirement Center as it has grown too large for the board room.

Kathi requested committee members make their ScoutNow profiles more welcoming by adding a picture.

Debbie reported our most recent FOS numbers.

Kathi requested everyone send information to be included in the Polaris Star by Friday evening.

The Membership Committee gave a report about WeST Investigation Day – more troops participated than last year and most troops had about 12-20 Webelos visitors.

The Membership team is excited to promote Cub Camp as a recruitment tool.

The Pinewood Derby will be held on February the 13th at Vallco Shopping Mall, with check-in beginning at 9am.

Training

Cub Leader Training is the same day on February 13th.

There will be a Outdoor Leader Skills course on a Friday night in March – one of few non-Saturday classes.

Mary Enright asked if instead of OLS, a leader could demonstrate their skills and bypass the course.

Jerry McMillan responded that the point of the course is not to know outdoor skills, but to make sure you know how to teach them to others.

There will be a Chinese language OLS course later on in March. They will do a combined Scoutmaster Specific and OLS training.

Advancement

Polaris had 4 Eagles in January.

There are 3 scheduled Boards of Review for February. Wendy Glasser spoke of 4 projects that occurred in January. Wendy has received 3 additional Boards of Review requests.

Troop 522 has many newly minted merit badge counselors courtesy of Wendy's training with them.

Cub Camp

A nice brochure was mailed out to every single registered family with a Cub Scout.

There is a Camping Coordinator patch for the parent who holds that position in the pack.

Nor Cal Jamboree is fast approaching, April 15-18. The Goal is to have 700 participants from the Polaris District and 2,200 from the Santa Clara County Council.

Scout O Rama

The Scout O Rama Kickoff/Training will be February 27th at History Park from 10-11am. There will be a demonstration Push Cart Derby race.

The theme for the February Cub Scout Roundtable will be "Take Flight."

The Boy Scout Roundtable theme is "A Scout is Reverent" and religious emblems and Scout's Own will be discussed.

There are 2 upcoming Commissioner trainings:

February 6th is the Basic Training

February 27th will be the NorCal Commissioner's College at Adobe Systems