



# Pack 735 Gazette

All the news that's fit to print...

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## Scouting for Food

The food drive was a great success! We split up into teams and each team was assigned an area to canvas.

We ended up collecting 30 bags or boxes of food and estimated that this was roughly 300 items or 250 pounds of food which we delivered to the Fallbrook Food Pantry.

The above photo shows all the boys gathered around the food just before it was delivered. (Kelani was so thirsty we couldn't get him to put down his drink long enough to take a picture!)

The scouts participating were:

Max Arand, Austin Beard, Christopher Bridgeman, Tyler Brown, Max Brunner, Hunter Davis, Gregory Glaser, Kevin Huffman, Trenton Lopez, Brian McDowell, Brendan McReynolds,

Kellen Nani, Nico Nani, Kelani Peoples, Nicholas Rosetta, Preston Sheets, and Bryce Thayer. Each will receive a patch like the one pictured here which can be worn on a patch vest or jacket or displayed on a patch blanket or in a collector's binder.



## Pinewood Derby

Scouts, start your engines! Next month is the Pack 735 Pinewood Derby!!

The winner will be representing our pack at the San Diego 500 Derby held at the Scout Fair on April 21st.

When building your car, remember to follow the rules listed in the Pinewood Derby Guidebook that you received with the car kits.

We have heard that they are quite strict at the SD 500 so we will be inspecting the cars before each of our races to ensure that our winning car will be eligible for entry.

If a car is found to not follow the rules, the racer will be given an opportunity to correct the problem. If it cannot be corrected, the car can be raced in the unlimited heat but will not be eligible for the main race.

Next Pack Fun Fest:

**Wednesday, March 28, 2007**

**6:30pm, Community Center**

The full meeting will be devoted to the running of the Pinewood Derby.

Den Gatherings this month...

See attached calendar

## Den News

Den 4 – Wolves went on a great outing in February to the Los Jilgueros Preserve in Fallbrook. They had a fun time hiking throughout the park.

Most dens have a trip to the Bonsall Fire Station scheduled for a date in March (see the calendar for specific dates). This will be a wonderful opportunity to visit a working fire station and learn all about the brave men and women that protect us.

## Scout Fair

The San Diego – Imperial Council Scout Fair is coming! This annual community wide event showcases the BSA's first-class programs in a fun and exciting way. Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Varsity team members, Venturers and Explorers from across our Council join together for a day of good-old Scouting fun!

This year's Scout Fair takes place on Saturday, April 21, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, in the southeastern parking lot at Qualcomm Stadium. The theme is "The BSA Centennial Birthday Countdown Begins, Catch the Spirit".

Scout Fair offers something for everyone ... Scouts, siblings, adult leaders, family and friends. There are plenty of opportunities to participate, including:

- Sponsoring and running a fair booth.
- Racing in the world famous San Diego 500 Pinewood Derby.

- New this year for the first time is a Belt Loop Alley where Cub Scouts may earn belt loops.
- Selling Scout Fair tickets and earning money for our pack.
- And meeting our nation's finest at law enforcement, firefighting and military displays.

Invite your buddies and come be a part of the biggest Scout show in San Diego!

## Family Camp

Come camping with us on Memorial Day Weekend at the Mataguay Scout Ranch.

Enjoy the clear mountain air, go swimming, fishing, boating, or try new skills with BB-guns or bows and arrows at the archery range. Julian and the apple country are only minutes away from Mataguay, perfect for an excursion. Hike the numerous trails, be entertained by a traditional Saturday night campfire and spend a long weekend with the ones you love in a safe, natural environment.

When? May 25 – 27, 2007

Cost? \$10.00 per person

Food? Participants must provide their own food (except Sunday morning's camp wide pancake breakfast) -alcoholic beverages are not allowed. There is plenty of ground wood available for BBQs and other wood burning stoves.

If you want to attend but don't have camping gear, let us know – there may be families with extra (and if you are one of those families, also please let us know.)

## Summer Day Camps

What are Cub Scout Summer Day Camps? The simple answer is: **a huge amount of fun!** The longer answer is that they are themed programs organized by our district where the boys get to spend five days having fun, making new friends, and creating memories that will last a lifetime.

This summer there are two Day Camps planned. The first is scheduled for July 16 – 20 and will be held in Carlsbad. It is titled “Hooked on Scouting” and will have a pirate theme with swimming and other water activities planned.

The other camp will be held at the Vista Gas and Steam Engine Museum during the week of July 23 – 27. The theme of this camp is “Digging in the Dirt”. Fossil digs and panning for minerals will be just two of the themed activities organized. A BB gun and archery range staffed with BSA certified Range Masters will be available.

Both camps will also offer crafts, sports, and many other opportunities for fun and frolic. There is a cost of \$90 per boy per camp.

The camps are also looking for adult volunteers to help staff the camps. In fact, we (as a pack) are required to supply one full time volunteer for each four campers we send. Camp staff can be pack leaders, parents, grandparents, relatives, friends, etc. A volunteer does not need to commit to the full five days and there are significant discounts available for the camp fees of their sons. Please consider volunteering to help with one of these camps.

## Youth Protection Training

As a major youth-serving organization, the Boy Scouts of America has a unique

opportunity to help protect the youth of our nation and have, therefore, adopted a comprehensive set of policies and procedures designed to ensure that Scouting continues to be safe for all participants.

BSA Youth Protection Training is now required for at least one adult present during any scout event or activity. The leaders have completed this training but to be sure that we never have to cancel an outing due to the lack of a trained adult, it would good to have as many of the parents as possible trained as well.

The training is available on line at <http://olc.scouting.org/info/ypt.html> and takes less than an hour to complete. Once the course is completed you will be presented a certificate that may be printed. Print this out, keep a copy for yourself and give a copy to your pack or den leader. We will use this copy to register you with the council.

**Please**, consider spending just a few minutes to help your son get the most out of Scouting.

## Upcoming Events...

- Pinewood Derby – March Pack Fest
- Scout Fair in San Diego – April 21
- Family Campout – May 25 – 27
- Summer Day Camps – July

Please add these to your calendar. More details will follow.

### Joke of the Month

What is black and white and black and white and black and white?

A zebra on a Merry-Go-Round!