

# THUNDERBIRD DISTRICT

## CALENDAR

February

- 5 – District Committee
- 6 – Civics Day
- 9 – District Court of Honor
- 12 – OA Chapter Meeting
- 14 – Roundtable

March

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## DISTRICT EXECUTIVE'S MESSAGE

Now that we're starting a new year, it's a great opportunity to take a look at your unit's plans. Talk with your fellow leaders and evaluate your unit's program. Are your scouts advancing? Are your families engaged and involved with your unit's activities? If you need new ideas, or if you have plenty of ideas to share, come on down to our District Roundtable. They are held on the second Thursday of the month at the Madera United Methodist Church on 500 Sunset Ave.

## CIVICS DAY

Civics Day this year will be held on February 6<sup>th</sup>. Once again, Fred Iverson has been planning a great program this year. Show your "Duty to Country" and be a part of one of the oldest annual Scouting events in the country. For more information, please call 320-2100 x.121.

## DISTRICT NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We are looking for a few good men or women to serve on our District Committee. Among the positions we're looking for include District Chairman, Advancement Chairman, Finance Chairman and Camping Chairman. If you are interested in serving, or if you wish to nominate someone, please call 320-2100 x.121.

## POPCORN CAMPAIGN A SUCCESS!

The popcorn campaign held last fall was a record year for Thunderbird District. Scouts in Thunderbird sold almost \$30,000 worth of popcorn. Congratulations to Pack 341 of Oakhurst for being the district's top selling unit, selling just over \$8,000. Also, congratulations to Noah Rodriguez of Pack 341 for being the top seller in the district, selling over \$1,200 worth of popcorn. Way to go!

## BE A QUALITY UNIT THIS YEAR!

With the new year starting, it's now time to commit your unit to earning the Centennial Quality Unit award. Your Unit Commissioner will be contacting your unit to discuss how your unit can earn the award. Our district leadership is committed to helping you towards your goals. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your Unit Commissioner or call 320-2100 x.121.

## CAMPOREE PROMOTION

Spring Camporee for 2008 is right around the corner. Last year's camporee was exciting and we're looking forward to having an even better one this year. This year's camporee will be held on April 25-27. The location will be announced at a later date. If you have any questions, or need more information, please call 320-2100 x.121.

## FRIENDS OF SCOUTING

2008 is now here and that means the start of our annual Friends of Scouting campaign. Our goal this year is \$28,500. We would like to come out to your unit's special event, such as a Blue and Gold Dinner or Court of Honor, and take a few moments to promote this worthwhile cause. If you wish to schedule your unit for a presentation, or if you would like to make a donation, please call 320-2100 x.121.

## TRAINING

This year, Thunderbird District will be making a push to provide training to every volunteer. Training chairman Mark Jackson will be calling each unit to find out what training is need for our leaders. If there's any training your unit needs, please call 320-2100 x.121.

## CUB SCOUT DAYCAMP

It's not too early to start planning for this year's Cub Scout Day camp. This year's camp will be held on June 23-27 at the Lion's Town and Country Park in Madera. Camp Director Pattie Horn will once again be putting together a fun and exciting experience for our Cub Scouts. More information coming soon!

## SCOUT SUNDAY

February 3<sup>rd</sup> is Scout Sunday. It's an opportunity during the week of Scouting's anniversary to show our "Duty to God" to our community. For instance, encourage your Scouts to take part in a religious service or ceremony on Scout Sunday in uniform. Scout Sunday is a great opportunity to recommit to the values of Scouting.