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FRANKIE JO HERRON—What an amazing Scouting career!

After **48 ½ years** of faithful service to the Ouachita Area Council. Frankie Jo retired on April 30. A reception was held in her honor at the Scout Office and many people came to wish her a Happy Retirement.

Over 32,500 Scouts and over 650 Eagle Scouts have been administratively processed by Frankie Jo. She has served for nine different Scout Executives and an undeterminable number of District Executives.

The Mayor of Hot Springs, proclaimed April 30, 2009 to be Frankie Jo Herron Day in the City of Hot Springs.

Below is a message from Frankie Jo to the Scouters and families of OAC:

O what memories, experiences and challenges during my years of serving parents, Scouting leaders and Scouting Friends!

From the earliest days in the old City Hall (over the fire trucks, across the hall from the Mayor and the courtroom up-stairs), to the construction of a new Council Service Center that is 32 years old, to the 100th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America.

A shy (yes, shy) seventeen year old started a journey with the encouragement from one of the finest men I have ever known (Scout Executive Walter Rather) who met me while I was working at the C & W Cafeteria and a Senior at Cutter Morning Star High School.

A journey that has continued. God has truly blessed me with the opportunity to work with and for people who love their children and are willing to give "one hour a week" to see that the Scouting program is available for them to enjoy.

Some multi-generation families in Scouting, some retirees who still serve Scouting, some single parent families, some young men who are now retired...all a part of my journey. It has been so much more than just a job, I strive to make it a way of life, or to put it another way, "words to live by: ... On My Honor.

My deepest desire is for Scouting in the Ouachita Area Council to grow and prosper.

BEST WISHES ... ALWAYS! GOD IS SO GOOD, HIS LOVE NEVER FAILS!

POPCORN 2009



Details on prizes and the sale will be available at

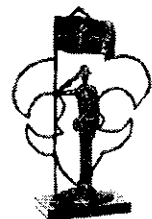
Program Preview—Thursday, May 7

at the Council Service Center.

Food will be served at 5:30 PM and the meetings will begin at 6:00 PM.

Everyone is invited (no cost), RSVP—501-632-6601

Congratulations to Grant Wilchman of Troop 99 chartered by Salem United Methodist Church in Benton. Grant's photo was 1 of 100 nationwide selected by Trails-End Popcorn in their photo contest "Best Popcorn Pix in America". Grant received a Nintendo DS-Lite game system for his effort. You can see Grant's photo and all of the other selected photos on the Trails-End web site.



2009 Village Good Scout Award

Honoring **Major General Tom Arwood**

Thursday, May 7, 2009, from 4:30-6:00 PM at "Gasoline Alley" in HSV,

Hosted by John Hollansworth of Holly Classics and RE/MAX of Hot Springs Village

Donation: \$25 per person *Refreshments will be provided* Questions—(501)623-6601

Diamond Lakes District

Garland, Montgomery and Pike Counties

District Chairperson: Vacant

District Commissioner: Steve Kirschman 991-3242

District Executive: Jacob Lynn 623-6601

AARRGGH!!! CUB SCOUTS!!!!



Get ready for ye **2009 Pirates of the Ouachita Cub Camp!**

This cub camp will be held on June 22-26 at Arc Isle in Hot Springs on the Shores of Lake Hamilton. We will learn to sail the 3 lakes and live a pirate's life on fun and salty living. Davie Jones, Black Beard, and Jack Sparrow would be proud.

Nothing but Jolly Rogers, peg legs, and eye patches as far as ye can see!!! Arrggh! Sign up at the Scout Office.



PROGRAM PREVIEW

Don't miss it! May 7, 5:30 PM at the Council Service Center. **FREE BARBAQUE!!** Every Pack, Troop and, Crew needs at least one representative to attend and learn about our upcoming year, popcorn sale, and Race to Cub Scouting. There will be some great door prizes given out. Don't miss it!

Nischa Sipo District

Clark, Hot Spring and Saline Counties

District Chairperson: Vacant

District Commissioner: Gail Boeckman 315-6155

District Executive: Starla Beall 538-8246

Come find out what's new in year 2009. Program Preview will be exciting this year, with awesome door prizes and gifts. **May 7th** at the council office in Hot Springs at 5:30pm

Ahoy! Cub Camp is quickly approaching, I hope you have had a chance to get registered. This past Saturday was the cut off for the early bird fee of \$40.00. Now the fees are regular priced at \$60.00 (April 15th- May 31st.) Find buried treasure, eat genuine pirate food and cross the monkey bridge. See the monkeys, parakeets and alligators there!!!

www.geocities.com/ouachitabsa

A special **THANK YOU** goes to Mr. Charles Mazander. He has lead the way and guided our FOS Campaign this year. Through his efforts, Mr. Mazander has raised over \$3,600 for Saline County. With a total of \$9,040....**WOW THANKS**

Get Your New/ Future Leaders Trained!

Training Schedule:

June 6th--Leader Essentials, Specifics & Youth Protection
June 11th-- Roundtable at 7:00, First Presbyterian Church in Benton

June 19 & 20th- Webelos Leader Overnight and BALOO (This will be held the last days of our Cub Camp)

Contact Janice Ray 501-317-0739

Visit www.ouachitabsa.org/districts

for up to date District information, events, dates, etc!!

An Evening of Quartet Singing

Sat. June 13 • 7:00 pm

Benton High School

**To Benefit The Ouachita Area Council,
Boy Scouts of America**

Sponsored by: Tee



Hall of Famer
Charles Key



Dove Brothers

Voyagers

Tickets available at the Council Service Center or the Benton Chamber of Commerce. Call the Scout Office for more information

Awards and Recognition

Every Month Camping Troops

Tour Permits in Council Office, those in **bold and underlined** have camped every month during 2009:

Troops camping in March: **1, 2, 7, 10, 15, 17, 18, 24, 33, 34, 53, 65, 75, 99**,

Troops camping in April: **1, 2, 7, 10, 15, 17, 18, 24, 34, 53, 75, 99**

Remember, you can go on line and complete a Tour Permit, you will need unit ID, your ID and a MyScouting account.

Arrow of Light Recipients

Austin Blacklaw, Joel Freeze, Justin Karp, Ben Majors, Logan Snapp, Marshall Terry and Evan Wahrmund of Pack 82 – Salem United Methodist Church (the wrong chartered partner was listed in the last issue).

Pack 8 – Mill Creek Baptist Church: Casey Cowan, Donnie Arendt, Nick White, Isiah Nero and Irie Thomas

Pack 65 – Piney Grove United Methodist Church: Cody Morgan, Alex Tucker, Chase Luman, Timothy Davis, Jackson McGee and Kiah Schauf

Training Awards:

Scoutmaster's Key – John Jackson, Troop 99, Salem United Methodist Church

TigerCub Den Leader Award – Jeffrey Shawn Neel, Pack 50, Bryant First United Methodist Church

2009 Eagle Scouts

Michael Hafferty - Troop 36, Bauxite

Eric Hughes – Troop 36, Bauxite

Mark your calendars!

25th Annual BSA Golf Tournament

Will be held **May 14**
at Belvedere Resort
in Hot Springs.



It is not too late to sign up, entry forms on our web-site or at the council office. Call us today!!

August 21-22, 2009

OUACHITA AREA COUNCIL, BSA



The Sporting Clays Classic V looks to be great! Held at Ross Rhodes Camp and we will have youth shooting teams. Make plans to join us this year. (First come, first serve on the First Flight)
Reservations are limited!

Despite the rain, **Camporee** weekend was great!! Such a great event that it made the front page of the paper on Sunday morning. Almost 200 Boy Scouts and Scouters camped at the Hot Springs Memorial Field Airport and all 200 had an AWESOME time. 15 of the boys attended Camporee as their first Boy Scout campout since crossing over and earned their first Merit Badge. **Congratulations** to all Troops that won awards. **Thanks to all** of the great volunteers who helped with Camporee: James Gomery and the Young Eagles, Troy Hogue from HSU Aviation, George Downie, Director of the Memorial Field Airport and Capt. Richard Davis, Civil Air Patrol.



COUNCIL PINWOOD DERBY OFFICIAL WINNERS!

Congratulations!

Held as a part of Fun Day on April 18th at Ross-Rhodes Camp

Design winners

- 1st—Adam Nichols, Pack 3
"Hot Dog"
- 2nd—Dillon McKinzie, Pack 82,
"Clone Cruiser"
- 3rd—Brian Harper, Pack 5
"Locomotion"

Speed winners

- 1st—Brooks Bishop, Pack 55
4.738
- 2nd—Erik Nieman, Pack 3
4.787
- 3rd—Jack Kelley, Pack 32
4.794

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CELEBRATING THE ADVENTURE ★ CONTINUING THE JOURNEY

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

- Council President: Dr. Robert Houston
- VP Administration: Jeff Stephens
- VP Finance: Forrest Spicher
- VP Membership: Dr. Cecil Cupp, III
- VP Marketing: Nat Lea
- VP Program: Dr. Ross Atkinson
- VP Risk Management: To be named
- Treasurer: Brad Hudgens
- Nat'l Representative: Dick Gladden
- Commissioner: Newton White
- Council Attorney: Judge Barbara Webb
- Scout Executive: Joe Farrell

Council Calendar

- May 7 Program Preview
HSV Good Scout Reception
- May 10 Mother's Day
- May 14 25th BSA Golf Tournament
- May 25 Memorial Day-Office Closed
- June 6 Leader Essentials, Specifics Training
- June 9 Council Board Meeting at Camp
- June 13 Quartet Singing, Benton High School
- June 15-19 NS Cub Camp-Mary Kennely
- June 19-20 Webelos Leader Training and BALOO
- June 21 Father's Day
- June 23-26 DL Cub Camp-Arc Isle
- July 3 Office Closed
- July 4 Independence Day
Freedom Festival, Benton
- July 10-22 Council Philmont Contingent
- August 3 School Night Recruiting Begins
- August 11 Council Executive Committee Meeting
- August 21-22 Sporting Clays Classic V

MEMORIALS

A Gift to the Ouachita Area Council Memorial and Tribute fund is a thoughtful way to express your joy on a special occasion or to remember the loss of a relative or friend. A special tribute greeting will be sent in your name to whomever you designate. Also, an acknowledgement of your gift will be mailed directly to you. All funds are held in trust by the Ouachita Area Council. Interest on the trust benefits local Scouting.

For more info, please contact the CSC at 501-623-6601.



The 2009 Friends of Scouting Campaign has been kicked off. FOS provides more than 32% of our Council's Budget. 83% of the budget goes to support the BSA Program. **Please take part in this year's campaign; your gift is an investment in the character of tomorrow's leaders.**

2009 Campaign	2009 Goal	Pledges to Date	% of Goal
Council	\$76,500	\$33,358	43.6%
HSV	\$18,000	\$6,515	36.2%
Diamond Lakes	\$30,000	\$11,446	38.2%
Nischa Sipo	\$30,000	\$10,852	36.1%
FOS TOTAL	\$154,500	\$62,171	40.2%

Visit our website (www.ouachitabsa.org) under the "Events" link for a printable 2009-2010 Calendar

Questions? Concerns? Suggestions? Email the Scout Executive at jfarrell@bsamail.org