

# The Echo

November/December 2005 Edition  Verdugo Hills Council, Boy Scouts of America



2005 - The Year of the Grizzly



## You Are Cordially Invited

To attend the  
Verdugo Hills Council  
**18<sup>th</sup> Annual**  
**Executive Board Breakfast Meeting**

Please join our host,  
**KEITH SWANER,**  
as he helps kick off our  
**2006 Friends of Scouting**  
**Board Campaign**

Wednesday, November 23, 2005  
7:00 a.m.

University Club  
175 N. Oakland Avenue  
Pasadena, CA 91101

Contact Christina at (818) 243-6282  
or [ccreech@bsamail.org](mailto:ccreech@bsamail.org)  
to let her know if you are able to attend.

## Welcome TONY ENTERANTE!

Effective October 1<sup>st</sup>, Tony Enterante became the Assistant Scout Executive here in the Verdugo Hills Council. A native of the New Orleans area, Tony most recently served Scouting as the Director of Camping Services in the Los Angeles Area Council. There, he was responsible for three camp properties and a budget exceeding \$1.5 million. Tony brings strengths in program development and field service as he joins the Verdugo Hills family. A major part of his new duties include service to the Foothills District. He is married to wife, Donna, and has a daughter, Ashley, who is also a Jr. Girl Scout. When you see Tony around, offer a big VHC hello!

## Scouting For Food

It's time to show the Scouting spirit and reach out to help the hungry in our communities. Scouting for Food is an annual food drive carried out by Scouts in this council and all over the country! The Scouts distribute food collection bags throughout their neighborhoods, then retrieve the bags of food a week later and take them to community food banks and Salvation Armies, who then distribute the food to those in need in the community and to other local homeless shelters and kitchens.

Hopefully this year we can collect more food than ever, and once again make a huge difference in the lives of those in our communities who have fallen on hard times. This is Scouting in action!

## Rechartering

By now, every unit should have their rechartering packet and should be well on their way to completing this year's rechartering process. This is a very important and timely event in the Scouting year. We need your assistance by getting all of the paperwork for your unit ready for renewal and back to the council BEFORE December 10, 2005. Help is available through the council if you have any questions, or need anything at all during your rechartering process!

Want current information about what's going on in the Verdugo Hills Council?

Check out our Web Pages at [www.vhcsa.org](http://www.vhcsa.org), or connect up with someone in your unit who's on the district email list.

### Foothill District:

Tony Enterante at [tenteran@bsamail.org](mailto:tenteran@bsamail.org)

### Iron Eyes Cody District:

Jim Willsey at [jwillsey@bsamail.org](mailto:jwillsey@bsamail.org)

### Learning for Life:

Terry Duffy at [tduffy@bsamail.org](mailto:tduffy@bsamail.org)



## Pinewood 500

The PINEWOOD 500 is a membership campaign to introduce a record number of youth to the fun and excitement of Scouting programs! The Executive Board of the Verdugo Hills Council is committed to providing the support to recruit the youth and engage the parents in a meaningful youth-development experience, by providing professional staff, trained volunteers and a fun-filled Scouting program.

We are encouraging EVERY unit in the council to do their part in the Pinewood 500 by holding at least one, if not several, recruitment events before the end of the year. If you need help organizing an event, just call the council, and we will be glad to provide whatever you need! There are several volunteer "Pit Crew" members who are ready and willing to help your unit with your Pinewood 500 recruitment. With everyone's help, we can bring this council's membership to new levels and bring this great program to more youth than ever before!

## Congratulations New Eagle Scouts!

The following young men have achieved the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout in the past two months:

James Juma	Crew 398
Greg Sagherian	Troop 127
Christopher DeVan	Troop 50
Elliott Adams	Troop 288
Krikor Moloyan	Troop 175
Kevin Markonich	Troop 391
Patrick Farmer	Troop 391
Bryce Yarbrough	Troop 303
Dro Amirian	Troop 333
Christian Nelson	Troop 319
Michael Smirke	Troop 319
Daniel Gordan	Troop 319
Spenser Ross	Troop 210
Stewart Rosen	Troop 394



## Cub-on

Thanks to several dedicated volunteers, the fall **Cub-Haunt** was a huge success! Over two hundred participants enjoyed a fun-filled weekend of camping, archery, bb guns, crafts, costume parades and other Halloween activities.

The camp staff, led by David Potter of Pack 139, received a record number of compliments and commendations for their amazing work on organizing such a great event.

If you've never been to a Cub-On (Cub Over-Nighter) then make sure you sign up for the next one coming up in the spring. But sign up soon, because after the overwhelming success of the Fall Cub-On, the next one is already filling up fast!

## William D. Boyce Award

The National BSA Office has announced the newest addition to the recognition knot program for volunteers: the William D. Boyce New Unit Award. This award is to recognize volunteers who successfully organize a new Scout unit following all BSA standards and guidelines.

The Verdugo Hills Council is proud to present this new award to the first recipient in the area, possibly in all of Southern California, **DAVID ANDREWS**, pictured at right, receiving the award from President-Elect Bob Bunker. After many months of hard work, Mr. Andrews has successfully started a new Cub Scout Pack, Pack 220, at the St. Robert Bellarmine church and school in Burbank. We congratulate Mr. Andrews' dedication to bring Scouting to as many boys as possible in our communities.



## Order of the Arrow

Welcome, new lodge members:

Eli Woods	Matthew Anderson
Jackson Turcotte	Joseph Severino
Colin Turcotte	

The Spe-Le-Yai lodge welcomes their new members and congratulates them on their dedication to Scouting and their willingness to follow the arrow.

The Spe-Le-Yai lodge also invites you to come support them by eating pizza! The Order of the Arrow will be hosting a fund-raising pizza dinner at Shakey's in La Crescenta, 3463 Foothill Blvd, on Thursday, December 1 from 5:30 to 8:30 PM. All funds raised will be used to send youth to the National Order of the Arrow Conference. Just mention that you are there for the Boy Scout fundraiser. Remember, no coupons or specials that night. See you there!

## Council Commissioner's Corner

### Harriet Payne Hammons

How is your unit doing? Are you having fun, new experiences, adventures, and lots of treks and outings? Are the adults putting fun in the meetings? This will help attract new Scouts! Encourage the boys to bring their friends.

Round Table will give you ideas, too. Mark your calendar for the 2nd Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the council.

Rechartering needs to be done right away and returned to the council.


Enjoy Scouting and do your part to keep up the Verdugo Hills excellence!

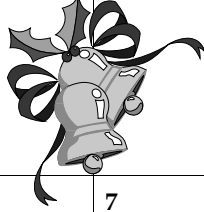


Call me if I can be of assistance: 818-399-5738.

## Council Advancement

Would you like to improve advancement prospects for the youth in the Verdugo Hills Council? Mary Ann Bauer, the recently appointed Council Advancement Committee Chair, is seeking volunteers to assist the committee in providing advancement services throughout the council. Please give her your contact information if you'd like to: be part of the committee (1st Thursdays, 7:30 pm), serve on Eagle Scout Candidates' Boards of Review (4th Thursdays, 7:00pm), help with a merit badge workshop, be an Eagle Scout Service Project Proposal reviewer/consultant/approver, or offer other services in this category (please be as specific as possible in your description). Some approvals by other Scout leaders are required before appointments to the various positions are official. After making the necessary inquiries, Mary Ann will let you know the results. Mary Ann's contact information is:

1561 West Glen Aylsa Ave., L.A. (Eagle Rock), CA 90041-2242  
(323) 255- 7744, MaryAnnBauer@excite.com.

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
<b>November 2005</b>		1	2 -Popcorn distribution -IEC cmsr meeting 7pm	3 -Eagle service Project workshop	4 -Popcorn distribution	5 -Scouting for Food bags distributed -Verdugo Hills Community Hike -Fthls Rechartering
6	7 -VHC Annual Golf Tournament	8 -HAT Meeting	9 -Exec. Cmte. Meeting 7am	10 -Round Table 7:30 pm -OA Lodge mtg.	11 VHC Closed -Intro to Outdoor Leader skills <b>Veteran's Day</b>	12 -HAT 1st Aid -Scouting for Food bags collected -Intro to Outdoor Leader skills
13 -Intro to Outdoor Leader skills	14	15 -Foothills Cmte. & Cmsr. mtg. 7pm	16	17 -Advisory Board Dinner & Mtg. -Eagle Scout Board of Review 7pm	18 -OA Vigil Weekend	19 -OA Vigil Weekend -HAT 1st Aid
20	21	22	23 -Executive Board Meeting & FOS Kickoff	24 VHC Closed  <b>Thanksgiving</b>	25 VHC Closed	26
27	28	29	30 -IEC District Dinner	<b><u>Verdugo Hills Council, Boy Scouts of America</u></b> Dates subject to change - please call Council to confirm. Phone (818) 243-6282 or Fax (818) 243-5169		

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4	5 -Popcorn money turn-in begins	6 -IEC Recharter turn-in night-LDS	7 -IEC Recharter turn-in night	8 -Round Table 7:30pm	9 -Popcorn money turn-in ends	10 -Area HAT Meeting	
11	12	13 -Foothills Cmte. & Cmsr. mtg. 7pm -HAT Mtg. 7pm	14 -Exec. Cmte Meeting 7am	15	16	17	
18	19	20	21	22 -Eagle Scout Board of Review 7pm	23 VHC Closed	24  <b>Christmas Eve</b>	
25  <b>Christmas Day</b>	26 VHC Closed  <b>Hanukah Begins</b>	27	28 VHC Closed For Inventory	29 VHC Closed For Inventory	30 VHC Closed	31  <b>New Year's Eve</b>	



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**Council Office Hours      Scout Shop Hours**

Monday - Friday      Monday - Friday  
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.      9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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