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Setting Up For Spring

Webelos Partner and Pals Weekend

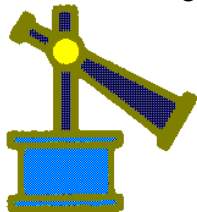
Science & Nature

April 25th through 27th is our spring Webelos Partner and Pals Weekend. This is a great opportunity for Packs to have their Webelos participate in a quality outdoor experience.

As a staff we have received input it ways to improve Webelos Partner and Pal weekends;

1. Alternate programs between Spring and Fall.
2. Have them earn an entire Activity Pin.
3. Start later, so we don't have to drive in Friday night traffic.

So this Webelos Partner and Pals weekend were going to start at 10 AM Saturday morning and focus on earning the Scientist Pin.



On Saturday we'll have hands-on exhibits at the Nature Center to help Webelos earn their Scientist Pin. At the Scoutmasters Lounge we'll have an Astronomy area where they can earn the Astronomy Pin and Belt Loop, and we'll have a "Star Party" Saturday evening after the campfire.

In addition we'll have the BB and Archery Ranges open, as well as the Handicraft area, and Trading Post. Saturday afternoon there will be a hike up to Castle Rock and a campfire program Saturday night.

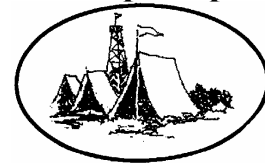
There is still time to sign up! Just call Toni at (714) 546-8558 ext. 136, or visit the website ssrlv.org and download the application, it's under the 'forms' section under 'SSRLV Cub Scout Programs' banner.

What's new @ SSRLV.ORG

We encourage you to visit ssrlv.org often; we're adding content on a regular basis. Recently we added the '08 Summer Camp Leaders Guide, and a LDS Week page.

If you have any suggestions, or photos, please email them to ssrlv@ssrlv.org. You can also download previous editions of 'The Lost Valley Tribune' there!

Summer Camp Preparations



On February 5th we had our first 'Down the Hill' meeting, answering questions regarding Summer Camp '08. Thank you to all those who attended, we had a great meeting, and will be putting together some additional information to assist Troops better plan for Summer Camp. This additional information will be available on the website soon.

We still have two additional 'Down the Hill' meetings scheduled;

- Tuesday April 29 @ 7:00 PM
- Thursday May 29 @ 7:00 PM

Both meetings will be at the council office at 1211 East Dyer Road, Santa Ana, Ca. in the Weingart Training Room.

Lake Virginia Update

With the continuing series of storms we're excited and hiring staff for the lake front this summer & for Family Camp. Both Canoeing and Rowing are scheduled to be offered.

After the first series of storms in January the lake level dropped two feet, but the latest series of storms have filled the lake back up to where water is flowing over the spillway of the dam. Every storm from here to summer helps top off the lake, and we'll keep you up to date on the lake level.

Getting Around Lost Valley on Bike

Lost Valley is a little over 1400 acres total, inside the camp we have developed about 200 acres. But during Summer Camp it can take 30 minutes to walk across camp, that's why over the years troops have brought bicycles to Lost Valley. Bicycles make it easy for Scouts to get across camp for Merit Badge classes, but there are rules to keep everybody safe, both Scouts and Scouters.

1. HELMETS - Everybody has to wear a bicycle helmet when riding their bicycle. Also you cannot wear a Scout hat or baseball cap under your helmet.

2. RIDE ON THE ROADS - Stay on the main roads inside the valley. Main roads are the roads that the general public can drive on; one exception is the road that leads to the Bike Lair/Grace Trading Post area. Never ride on horse/foot trails; you can only walk your bike on these trails.

3. OBEY SPEED LIMITS - One of the leading causes of bicycle accidents in the valley is speed. It is especially easy to go fast on the many downhill sections around the valley, but at the bottom of every downhill section is a patch of loose soil/sand caused by erosion that can make a rider lose control. Many medivac helicopters can be attributed to the combination of speed & soft sand.

4. RIDE SAFE - Please drive safely, No jumping your bike! Lost Valley is a wilderness camp; going to a hospital is usually an expensive helicopter flight out of camp.

5. RIDING ETIQUETTE - If you come upon a horse ride please stop your bicycle, dismount, and stand next to your bicycle. This helps not to frighten a horse, and throw the rider. If you are passing someone on the road let them know which side you'll be passing on. Also, please be aware there will be camp vehicles using the roads during the week.

6. LV BICYCLE LICENSE - Everyone will be issued a Lost Valley Bicycle License. If a staff member witnesses a violation they will remove a corner. If all four corners are removed then the Scout will lose the use of the bicycle for the remainder of their stay.

We want everyone to have a safe and great time at Lost Valley. We believe with your help these simple rules will help keep everyone safe.



Lost Valley Volunteers Needed

One of the great strengths of Scouting is that it's primarily a volunteer run organization. In every facet of Scouting you will find great volunteers working to make Scouting a powerful force in Young Men's lives and as a result shaping tomorrow's leaders.

Lost Valley also needs volunteers to help make this resource available to Scouts of every age. If you would like to volunteer, in any aspect from maintenance to staffing events, please give Toni a call at (714) 546-8558 ext. 136, or email us at ssrlv@ssrlv.org.

SSRLV CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

CLOSED

MARCH

14 - 16 Forestry MB
27 - 29 Woodbadge

APRIL

10 - 13 Woodbadge
11 - 13 Fish & Wildlife MB
25 - 27 Webelos Partner & Pal
29 *Down the Hill* Meeting at Council Office

MAY

23 - 26 Family Camp
29 *Down the Hill* Meeting at Council Office
30 - OA Ordeal

JUNE

- 1 OA Ordeal
7 - 13 National Camp School
20 - 26 Trailblazers
29 - Summer Camp 1

JULY

- 5 Summer Camp 1
6 - 12 Summer Camp 2
13 - 19 Summer Camp 3
20 - 26 Summer Camp 4
27 - Summer Camp 5

AUGUST

- 2 Summer Camp 5
3 - 9 Summer Camp 6
29 - 31 Holiday Family Camp

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Holiday Family Camp
19 - 21 Woodbadge
26 - 28 Webelos Partner & Pal

