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Kathy Turner receiving thanks from LEEPAAC

Exploring Director's Corner

Well as I start to learn the people, posts and programs of the Exploring District, I am impressed with the quality of leadership and motivation of leaders. I am proud to be your Director and look forward to serving you. This newsletter will be coming out quarterly. This idea came from a few advisors who asked for more communication from the Exploring District. As I meet more advisors, I want your input where I can assist all Posts. I want to also thank Kathy Turner for her dedication and tenure as the Exploring Director. Thanks for all you do! John Eastman

Investment in Character needs your help

Every year the Exploring District raises funds to support the operating expenses of the Exploring District. We ask individuals, companies and other organizations to support us financially. This year's goal is $45,000. Currently we have raised $10,560 or 23.4% of our goal. We need your help too. If you would like more information please contact John Eastman. It costs $150 per Explorer to deliver the program. Thanks!

Welcome new Engineering Post

Our newest Explorer Post is 1919 with Black and Veatch Engineering started in January. Black and Veatch has a long history with Exploring in Kansas City Missouri. The Post started with 10 youth excited about the career of engineering. Welcome to Exploring.

William T. Spurgeon Award Recipients

Congratulations to Ann Walton from Douglas County Sheriff's Office post advisor Post 104 and to Joseph Malouff post advisor Denver Police Department Post 83. They both received the Paul Spurgeon Award at the Council Dinner on March 20, 2013. The Spurgeon Award is the highest award that the Boy Scouts of America and Exploring can bestow upon a volunteer.

The William H. Spurgeon III Award was developed in 1971 in honor of the man who is regarded as the major leader in the development of special interest Exploring. Spurgeon, a business executive at the Irvine Company in Southern California, personally organized many special interest posts in the 1960s. He served for many years as a member of the National Council Executive Board and National Exploring Committee. His pioneering efforts led to the present Exploring program. He devoted much of the late

1960s to promoting Exploring and is particularly remembered as a dynamic speaker for Exploring Impact Plan luncheons across America. Spurgeon passed away in 1970.

Purpose

The award is designed for council use to recognize individuals or organizations contributing significant leadership to the Exploring program. The award is also presented regionally and nationally.

Awards to Individuals

The council may present the **Spurgeon Award** to men and women who have rendered outstanding leadership to the Exploring program either as an Explorer post adult leader or as a district, division, or council Exploring adult volunteer. Each council may determine the criteria and procedure for granting the award; therefore, each council develops its own nomination form.

Exploring District is looking for a few good volunteers

Did you know there is a volunteer district committee that supports all of the post within the district? Did you also know we help plan, strategize, fund raise, and develop activities and much more? Well we are looking for a few volunteers to help make Exploring even better. If you are interested in making a difference for thousands of young adults then let us know. It is one meeting a month (during lunch). Thanks from the Exploring Committee.

Up Coming Activities and Events

Scout Show 2013, April 27, 2013; 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
National Western Stock Show Complex
Hall of Education
4655 Humboldt St
Denver, CO 80216

Do a booth and or sell cards:

1. Reserve BSA Camp Cards by completing the online reservation form **no later than April 14, 2013**. Cards ordered after March 1st, must be picked up at the Scout Service Center in Customer Service only.
2. Collect all unsold Camp cards and monies raised, account for and consolidate all unsold cards, and turn in unsold cards with payment for your cards sold, no later than 3:00 PM on Saturday, April 27, 2013.
3. Recap your unit's total sales by individual Explorer and hand out patches. Share success stories and plan to improve next year!

Booth Set Up--Friday, April 26, 2013--12:00 PM-8:00 PM
Saturday, April 27, 2013-Doors will open at 7:00 AM for Booth Set Up

Hosting a Scout Show booth and participating in the 2013 Scout Show, allows your Explorers to show off some of the great things they have done recently, or develop a new and exciting activity for your Explorers to create. Ideas for a Scout Show booth can be found throughout the Exploring programs, and should, but don't necessarily have to incorporate this year's theme into your booth. Let your Explorers get creative and have fun with this, but please review the *Guide to Safe Scouting* before finalizing your booth plans to ensure your post's booth is appropriate. Have Fun!

Law Enforcement Exploring Conference

This year's Law Enforcement Explorer Conference is being held at Johnson and Wales University in Denver, CO, July 14, 2013 - July 19, 2013. The conference is designed for those Law Enforcement Post's youth to compete in the skills Explorers have learned. A complete list of events is available at our website in the leaders guide.

Women in Leadership Breakfast

Thursday June 19 7:30-9:00 AM at Cherry Hills Country Club.

We are looking for 10-12 female Explorers to be our guest and help with opening ceremony. Please let John Eastman know if you can assist. Our Key Note Speaker is Jean Galloway, president and CEO of Galloway Group. Jean has been very involved with the Denver Community with 9Cares Colorado Shares and help making Denver an incredible community. Attendees must RSVP to attend.

Denver After Dark

Friday October 18-18, 2013

Please mark your calendars for an exciting event to show case businesses on what they do in the wee hours of the evenings and finish with bowling and pizza. Registration will start September 2013.