

Hello Catholic Scout leaders, parents, scouts, families and friends,

Fall is here!!! And so is the latest version of our committee news!!!

RETREAT NEWS!!!!

Walk in the Son 2015 Retreat-- "*Seek and You Will Find*" will be held February 6-8, 2015 at the Heard Scout Pueblo. Scouts, Packs, Troops, Families are all welcome. The main part of the retreat is Saturday, February 7 with camping available one or both nights. Enjoy hiking, crafts, games, and Saint and Rosary patch activities. Please visit our website at www.phxdccs.org for the informational flyer, registration form and permission slips. Don't delay, send in your reservation now!

Looking for a niche to help our Catholic Scouts and committee?? Join the **retreat planning committee** and help plan and carry out this fabulous retreat!!! You can be part of helping our scouts grow in their faith while having a great outdoor, faith filled experience! The next **retreat planning meeting** will be held on Thursday, November 20 at 6:30 pm at the Diocesan Pastoral Center (DPC). Don't hesitate---*We Need YOU!* RSVP now and join our great team of leaders and make this retreat a big success!

RELIGIOUS EMBLEMS NEWS!!!

Religious Emblems Groups are forming NOW. If you know of scouts interested in earning the religious emblem for their age, please let us know. This includes Light of Christ, Parvuli Dei, Ad Altare Dei, Pope Pius XII, Family of God, I Live My Faith, Mary-The First Disciple and Spirit Alive. Information about these emblems can be found on our website under the "Emblems and Awards" tab. Please spread the word!

Religious Emblems Counselors---please inform us if you plan on working with scouts in these programs. The "Intent to Begin" form needs to be completed and mailed or emailed back and can be found on our website.

Religious Emblems Counselor (REC) Training--adults should be trained in order to coordinate, counsel or facilitate any of these groups. If you are interested in training, please contact Kathy at kpolo55@gmail.com.

MEMBERSHIP TEAM NEEDED!!!!

Are you interested in helping form new Catholic chartered units? Interested in reaching out to existing units and offering support?? We need you on our **Membership Team**!!! Please contact Kathy at kpolo55@gmail.com for more info!!!

LAST CALL!!!!

Spaces for the **2015 Saint George Trek** are filling up quickly. If you know of a scout that enjoys the outdoors and backpacking and who is seeking a faith filled outdoors experience, please let them know about this fantastic opportunity to backpack in the wilderness of the Philmont Scout Ranch with scouts, seminarians and priests from around the country! The Trek begins and ends in Albuquerque from July 8-July 23, 2015. More info can be found---you guessed it---on the website!

JOIN THE "BISHOP'S CREW!!

Diocesan Venturing Crew 2009 is seeking new members! Don't miss out on this great opportunity for scouting adventure and service to the Diocese. You can be dually registered in a troop or another crew and still be part of the diocesan crew. Please check the Venturing Tab on our website for contact information.

MANY THANKS!!

19 Scouts from units around the diocese greeted guests at the **Arizona Rosary Celebration** on Sunday, October 12. They did an outstanding job handing out programs, participating in the blessing procession and cleaning up the hall. Please visit our Face Book page to view pictures.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!

Friday, November 28--10 Commandment Hike, sponsored by the GCC Interfaith Committee. This is a 5 mile hike with stops at various churches who explain a bit about their faith tradition and one of the 10 Commandments. Sign up through the link at www.grandcanyonbsa.org.

Wednesday, December 10, Retreat Planning Meeting at the DPC. Come and help us plan another great retreat!!!

Wednesday, January 28, 2015--Quarterly Meeting at the DPC in Room 157 at 6:30 pm. Please join our committee and help us provide a great Catholic Scouting program to our youth.

**BE BOLD. BE CATHOLIC.
FAN THE FLAME!**