



Manatee District Advancement Update

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Unit Advancement Reports

On-Line Advancement Reporting is Here!

You can now submit your unit advancement report on-line from the Central Florida Council web site. You can navigate to the Internet Advancement page by using the "Quick Links" on Council's main page or go to www.cfbsa.org/en-us/leaders/internetadvancement.php. You will need an assigned user ID and your unit's four digit unit number. Please see Jim Breitmeier, District Advancement Chair, tonight to receive yours! You can also contact him at jimb1964@cfl.rr.com or call Council to receive your user ID for Internet Advancement.

Please provide this user ID to your advancement chairman or person responsible for reporting advancement in your unit. This person will become the unit's "advancement processor" and they will set up the unit account with their contact information. Only once account is allowed per unit. To change this information, and assign a new advancement processor, the unit will need to contact Council to have the account reset.

The Advancement Committee would like to thank the following units for reporting in June. No reports were submitted for the month of July.

Troops: 308, 314, 323, 575 & 732

If you have any questions regarding the status of your unit's advancement reporting, or questions relating to Internet Advancement, or advancement reports in general, please feel free to ask at any Roundtable or contact Lori Bell at 953-0148 or ScoutingB@aol.com

Council Advancement Committee Eagle Scout Workshop

Star and Life Scouts (and parents) are invited to a workshop on Saturday, October 14th, that will provide a guide to the Eagle Trail. The workshop will be held at the Wayne Densch Scout Service Center in the Riggs Conference Center. Check-in begins at 9 am and the workshop runs from 9:30 am – 1 pm. Cost is \$6 per scout (parents need not pay if attending with a scout). Please register on or before October 9th to insure you have a seat and a handout package. On-line registration for this workshop is not available at this time. Please visit the Manatee District website for the flier.

Life to Eagle Packets

The *Eagle Scout Leadership Service Project Workbook*, commonly referred to as a Life to Eagle packet is available on-line. The packet and Eagle applications can be downloaded at www.scouting.org/boyscouts/eagleproject/. Please encourage your Life Scouts to download theirs today!

Eagle Projects – New Point of Contact

Do you have Life Scouts ready for their Eagle Project? They (the boys) need to contact Mike Grofik 768-2452 or mgorfik@cfl.rr.com for District Advancement signature prior to the start of their project.

Eagle Board of Reviews – New Point of Contact

Unit Advancement Chairmen should contact Jim Breitmeier at 723-3606 or jimb1964@cfl.rr.com to schedule a District Advancement Committee member attending an Eagle Board of Review.

Eagle Board Letters of Recommendation

Please remember that four sealed letters of reference are required at Eagle board. The letters will not be shown to the applicant; they are for board members eyes only. At the end of the board, the letters will be collected and destroyed by a District Advancement Committee member.

Eagle Board Reminder

An extra copy of the Eagle project packet needs to be turned in at all Eagle Boards of Review. The Advancement Committee reviews these packets and selects three projects to go forward to Council to compete annually for an NESAs award.

Merit Badge Counselors

A completed adult application must be submitted with all Merit Badge Counselor applications. The adult application is required even if you are already registered with a unit. Please be sure to fully complete both forms and the adult application form must have the Advancement Chairman's signature along with all other normally required signatures. Forms need to be submitted directly to the Advancement Chair *NOT* to Council. Forms sent directly to Council will be returned to the District for Advancement Chairman's signature and delay the processing of your application. Please call Jim Breitmeier at 723-3606 with questions. Mail your adult merit badge applications and merit badge counselor forms (form #34405) to Jim Breitmeier at 7930 Timberlake Drive, West Melbourne, FL 32904

Merit Badge counselor lists were updated and distributed to troops in attendance at the April roundtable on the new CD format. Troops desiring to continue using the floppies may do so by returning the data disk to Jim Breitmeier and it will be updated and returned to Troop folders at roundtable.

Eagle Board Recognitions

Please join us in congratulating Jonathan Amgott of Troop 323, Timmy Keck of Troop 380, and Jonathan Mueller of Troop 57 who recently passed their Eagle Boards of Review.