

# The MANATEE Messenger

The official newsletter of the manatee district  
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### Cub Scout:

Volunteer Needed

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Volunteer Needed

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Volunteer Needed

## *Welcome Back to Roundtable!*

*Cub Scout Theme: All Aboard (Cub Scout Express)*

*Boy Scout Theme: Safety*



The Boy Scout train, 1930. Such was the importance of Scouting in the early twentieth century that a Royal Scott Class Locomotive was named 'The Boy Scout'

## **All Aboard! Quiz**

*(Match the railroad slang word with what it means)*

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|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Brass Hat    | A. Fastest Speed                  |
| 2. Frog         | B. Where 2 rails meet at a switch |
| 3. Gandy Dancer | C. Conductor                      |
| 4. Highball     | D. Railroad Worker                |
| 5. Piggyback    | E. Railroad Big Boss              |
| 6. Skipper      | F. Trailer on a flat car          |

## **Advancement:**

Updated Merit badge Counselor CD's are available. If you didn't pick one up before the summer break, please be sure to see Lori Bell to get yours this evening. Jim Breitmeier, District Advancement Chairman, would like all troops to print out a copy of their roster deletions, and turn it in no later than the September roundtable.

## IMPORTANT DATES:

**September 7-9:** OA Fall Fellowship

**September 14-16:** Fall Wood Badge Weekend One

**September 19:** Roundtable

**October 5-7:** Fall Cub Family Campout

**October 5-7:** Fall Wood Badge Weekend Two

**October 12-14:** Fall Camporee

**October 20:** University of Scouting

## Order of the Arrow:

Order of the Arrow Camping Promotion and Unit Election

Scoutmasters and Senior Patrol Leaders:

The Astatula Chapter of the Order of the Arrow would like to serve each troop and team in the Manatee District with a camping promotion and an Order of the Arrow Unit Election this fall. The camping promotion will include a promotional video for La-no-che, our great council camp. It will also involve a discussion concerning the involvement of every troop in District wide camping opportunities such as the Camporee, Webelos camping service and our very own District-wide call-out weekend to be held on November 16-18, 2007 at Camp Oklawaha.

The Unit Election is the first step toward the induction of new Order of the Arrow members. It is the process for your troop members to elect those members who best exemplify the scout oath and law in their daily lives. The Order of the Arrow seeks to recognize scouts who live the virtues of scouting and at the same time preserve the tradition of scout camping.

**"People often say  
motivation doesn't last.  
Well, neither does  
bathing. That's why we  
recommend it daily."**

*Zig Ziegler*

### **Welcome Song**

*(Tune: Auld Lang Syne)*

We welcome you to our Cub  
Pack,

We're glad you're here.

We'll start the air  
reverberating

With a mighty cheer.

We'll sing you in, we'll sing  
you out.

For you we'll raise a shout.  
Hail, hail the gang's all here  
today,

You're welcome to our Pack!

Please plan for and allow an OA Unit Elections team to make a presentation at your troop/team meeting during the months of September and October. Please also have on-hand a complete list of eligible scouts and their scout registration information.

Eligibility requirements for registered youth troop members are as follows:

1. Have 15 days and nights of camping, 5 of which are from a long-term camp
2. Hold the First-Class Rank or higher
3. Receive Scoutmaster Approval

If you have any questions regarding the process or would like to schedule a Unit Election for your troop/team please contact Terry Kneapler, Astatula Chapter Chief, at [tkneapler@cfl.rr.com](mailto:tkneapler@cfl.rr.com).

Thank you,

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Answers: 1-E, 2-B,  
3-D, 4-A, 5-F, 6-C