



# TROOP 776

White Buffalo District / Quivira Council  
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January 2005 Newsletter



## *Happy New Year*

### Troop 776 Events

#### January

- 03 PLC Meeting Only
- 10 Troop Meeting - GUMC  
Troop Leadership  
Applications Due  
SPL Elections
- 14/16 Trappers Rendezvous
- 17 Troop Court of Honor  
Leadership Appointments  
Selection by SPL
- 24 Troop Meeting - GUMC  
New Patrol Formations
- 31 New PLC Meeting Only

#### February

Activities TBA



### 2005 Trappers' Rendezvous Jan. 14th - 16th

Are you ready for Trappers? Gather up the items that you would like to trade and all your warm gear for one of the favorite outings of the year.

The Troop has been reviewing cold weather camping to help prepare Scouts and adults for Trappers'. Food for the weekend will be prepared and provided by the Troop.

Trading is always a fun part of Trappers'. But please keep in mind the trading policy:

- No fireworks, live ammo or fixed-blade knives.
- The State Fish & Game regulations prohibit possession of "migratory bird" feathers.
- No commercial/for-profit selling is allowed.

**See you there!**

Parents Info.....



## Troop Committee Meeting

Thursday  
January 19th  
7PM, City Hall

Registered Adults & Parents: Please join the Committee Members and become involved in the decision making process on important issues that effect Troop 776.

**See You There!**

## District Roundtable

January 6, 7:00PM

Riverlawn Christian Church  
4243 N. Meridian

## Order of the Arrow



January 6, 7:15PM

Riverlawn Christian Church

## Important Dates & Deadlines



- 1/03 PLC Meeting Only
- 1/10 Leadership Applications Due  
SPL Elections
- 1/14-16 Trappers' Rendezvous
- 1/17 Court of Honor  
Troop Appointments by SPL
- 1/24 New Patrol Formations
- 1/31 New PLC Meeting Only

### The Bridge Builder

By: Wm. Allen Dromgoole

An old man, going a lone highway, came at the evening, cold and gray, to a chasm, vast and deep and wide, through which was flowing a sullen tide.

The old man crossed in the twilight dim - that sullen stream had no fears for him, but he turned when he reached the other side, and built a bridge to span the sullen tide.

"Old man", said a fellow pilgrim near, "You are wasting strength in building here. Your journey will end with the ending day, you never again must pass this way. You have crossed the chasm, deep and wide, why build you the bridge at eventide?"

The builder lifted his old gray head. "Good friend, in the path I have come," he said, "there followeth after me today, a youth whose feet must pass this way. This chasm that has been naught to me, to that fair-haired youth may a pit-fall be. He, too, must cross in twilight dim; good friend, I am building this bridge for him."

**Adult Troop Positions Available  
See Tim Mitchell or Jeff Piper**

## Happy New Year!

Troop 776 has had a great 2004 and we all have fond memories of activities and campouts that took place. Also the Troop as a whole has accomplished a great deal and has been of service to our community.

We have seen Scouts grow and advance in rank this last year and have attended several Eagle Courts of Honor.

The new year brings thoughts of the future and what we want to accomplish over the next 12 months. This is a time when some people make "new year's resolutions".

Have you thought about what you want to accomplish at school, home and in Scouting during the next year? Maybe make the honor roll, advance to Eagle rank or do a project at home for the family? Maybe more service to your community?

The Chinese say that the journey of a thousand leagues begins with a single step. Setting goals is the first step in accomplishing the things you want to do. Make your goals realistic and something that you can reach with a little work.

After you have set your goals, make a list of specific things that you need to do to reach them. You'll eventually have a list of small tasks that need to be accomplished to reach your goal. Then work a little each week throughout the year on these tasks. Eventually you'll reach your goal one step at a time.

Here's to another great year of accomplishments for Troop 776!



## Troop Elections

On January 10th, the Troop will elect a new Senior Patrol Leader. After the new SPL is elected, he will appoint the Assistant Sr. Patrol Leader.

Any Scout interested in holding a Troop position should submit an application at this meeting. The application can also be downloaded off the Troop website. Holding leadership positions are required for rank advancement.

The new SPL will announce the Troop position appointments at the January Court of Honor on the 17th.

## January Birthdays

### Scouts

Jacob L.	01/06
TJ U.	01/08
Adam H.	01/17
Robert T.	01/29
Joe K.	01/31

### Adults

Todd M.	01/01
Ron T.	01/01
Brian L.	01/04
Linda R.	01/05
Marti J.	01/07
William H.	01/09
Sandy B.	01/17
John B.	01/21

*Happy Birthday!*