

Troop 6 rocks local Christmas parades



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Boy Scout Troop 6 helped celebrate the holiday season by participating in both the Bartlesville and Dewey Christmas parades.

Scouts from Troop 6 worked a number of hours to create their float. It was modeled around a Scouting Christmas idea. The float featured a tent erected amongst three small Christmas trees. Giant candy canes and tinsel strings adorned the float's sides. Over 2,500 lights provided illumination. And a selection of rockin' Christmas music pumped through the float's sound system, completing the presentation.

The Scout's float turned out to be an award winner. Bartlesville Parade judges named the Troop 6 float "Most Outstanding Non-Profit Entry."

Dewey Parade Officials awarded the float first place in the Youth Float category.

Cub Scouts and parents from Pack 15 joined the Troop 6 Scouts during the Bartlesville Christmas Parade. The young scouters enthusiastically waved and wished parade watchers a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

Troop 6 was the only area Boy Scout Troop participating in the Bartlesville Christmas Parade. When informed of this fact Troop 6 Scoutmaster Charles Lewis responded, "We are glad to be able to represent Boy Scouts

in the Cherokee Area Council by participating in this parade and supporting our community."

Troop 6 Scoutmaster Charles Lewis also commented on how well parade organizers ran this year's event.

"We have been a part of the Bartlesville Christmas Parade for many years," said Mr. Lewis. "This year's was the best run parade we have ever seen. Everything was well organized and rolled right on schedule. The parade officials, local police, firemen, and volunteers all did a super job."

Troop 6 joined the Dewey Christmas Parade on Saturday night. According to Troop 6 Committee Chairman Bobby Miller, "This is our third straight year to be a part of the Dewey Parade. They [the parade organizers] always do a great job running the parade and the people of Dewey are very supportive. We have a lot of fun being part of the celebration."

Troop 6 was very thankful for the help and support they received for this year's float. Greg Reynolds provided the trailer used for the float. He also pulled the float through both parades. AEP provided an indoor location for the construction and storage of the float.

To find out more about Troop 6 and see pictures from many of their activities, see their new Web site at www.troop6rocks.org.