

Roadrunner Reporter

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A monthly publication (except for the month of July) of the Roadrunner District, Longhorn Council, Boy Scouts of America.

District Roundtable is held on the first Thursday evening of each month except July from 7:30 to 9:00 pm at the **W. C. Martin United Methodist Church located at 2621 Bedford Rd** in Bedford.

Youth Protection Training is offered at *Emmanuel Presbyterian Church, 2701 Harwood Road, Bedford, which is around the corner from the Roundtable at Martin Methodist Church*. The course will be held from 7:30 to 9:00 pm on Roundtable nights. Effective June 1, 2001, Youth Protection certification must be renewed every 3 years. Call Phil Jones at 267-5818 or George Zahn at 354-5702 if you have any questions about these courses.

Council website: www.longhorn.org District website: www.roadrunnerDistrict.homestead.com

March, April & May 2001 Calendar Dates

April 2001

APRIL THEMES

Cub Scouts: Save It for Us
Webelos: 1) Sportsman, 2) Family Member
Boy Scouts: Forestry

May 2001

MAY THEMES

Cub Scouts: Here We Come!
Webelos: 1) Outdoorsman, 2) Handyman
Boy Scouts: Leadership

June 2001

JUNE THEMES

Cub Scouts: Wet and Wild
Webelos: 1) Traveler; 2) Artist
Boy Scouts: Special Cooking

Thu, Apr 5 Roundtable

Youth Protection Training

Wed, Apr 11 District Committee, 7
Thu, Apr 12 District Commissioners, 7
Tue, Apr 17 Council Dinner

Plan to attend District Banquet April 19

Thu, Apr 19 District Dinner @ TCC NE Executive Dining Room
Apr 20-22 Spring Camporee & O/A Call Out, Sid Richardson
Sat, Apr 21 Pinewood Derby
Rock training
Thu, Apr 26 District Eagle Boards
Eagle Project pre-certs
Apr 27-29 Pilot Outdoor Leadership Skills Training
Sat, Apr 28 Rock Certification
Canoe Race
Sun, Apr 29 Tower Certification

Thu, May 3 Roundtable

Youth Protection Training

May 4-6 O/A Ordeal, Sid Richardson
Thu, May 10 District Committee, 7
District Commissioners, 8
May 13 Mother's Day
Thu, May 24 District Eagle Boards
Eagle Project pre certs
Mon, May 28 Memorial Day

See Cub Scout section for other dates

Summer Activity Reminder

Parents who are with boys at Cub Day or Twilight Camp, Scout Summer Camp & overnights should have Youth Protection Training current certification. Effective 6/1/2001, YPT certification lasts for 3 years, not 5 as previously.

Thu, Jun 7 Roundtable

Youth Protection Training

Jun 2 Day Camp Walk Through
9-10 am, Lonesome Dove Ranch
Jun 3-9 Summer Camp Week 1
Jun 4-7 Cub Day Camp
Jun 9 Twilight Camp Walk Through
9 am, Villages @ Bear Creek Park in Euless
Jun 10-16 Summer Camp Week 2
Jun 11-15 Cub Twilight Camp
Thu, Jun 14 District Committee, 7
District Commissioners, 8
Jun 17 Father's Day
Jun 17-23 Summer Camp Week 3
Jun 24-30 Summer Camp Week 4
Thu, Jun 24 District Eagle Boards
Eagle Project pre certs

District Chairman

Bryce Boyd (817) 416-9941 H

Be a hero ... Be Prepared

Boys need lots of heroes like Lincoln and Washington. But they also need to have some heroes close by. They need to know some man of towering strength and basic integrity, personally. They need to meet them on the street, to hike and camp with them in close-to-home, everyday, down-to-earth situations; to feel close enough to them to ask questions and to talk things over man-to-man with them.

Our boys need to see your example in action everyday. Scouts are looking at a lot of role models. What kind of

role model are you? Are you the type that will leave the lasting impression upon a boy or just a passing thought.

If you give your scouts a quality program-planned out with your youth leaders you will be a leader remembered. A hero in their mind. Be challenging, Be prepared, Be a hero. Thanks to everyone for all you do.

It's Not Too Late To Reserve Spaces for April 19 District Banquet

The Roadrunner District Banquet will be held Thursday, April 19, at Tarrant County College NE Campus. The Banquet is the annual District meeting where adult leaders and units are recognized for their contributions to the Boy Scout program in our area.

This year in addition to the announcement of District award recipients, there will also be the announcement of boundaries for the two districts, the name and logo for the new District, and the Business Meeting where the leadership of the two Districts will be announced.

All units are encouraged to be represented at the Banquet. Banquet registration is \$15 per guest, and \$19 per guest after April 12. Registration will be available at the April Roundtable.

Each unit has received registration forms in the February and March Roundtable packets. If you have questions, or would like to register, please call Sami Roop, 817-421-0339.

District Commissioner

Gloria Coyle (817) 283-7148

Roundtable Still at Martin Methodist

Roundtable will continue to be held at W. C. Martin Methodist on Bedford Road in Bedford through June roundtable. There will be no July Roundtable. Location of subsequent Roundtable meetings may change; check for information at Roundtable.

Cub Scout Leader Training

Sami Roop (817) 421-0339

OWL Training Set for April 28-29

The next Outdoor Webelos Leader (OWL) training is scheduled for April 28-29 at Hills and Hollow in Denton. Roadrunner District is joining the Trailblazer District in this training. The cost for food and materials is \$15; \$20 for those who register April 15 or later. Contact Sami Roop, 817-421-0339 to register.

Cub Scout Basic Leader Training

The next Cub Scout Basic Leader Training will be Saturday, May 5, from 8:30-noon, at the LDS Church in Grapevine. All adult leaders who are taking on a new position within the Pack next year will need to train for that position. Check your Roundtable packets for more information, or call Sami Roop 817-421-0339.

Webelos leaders who attend Basic Training should also plan on attending Webelos Outdoor Leader (OWL) Training (see above).

Shooting Sport Leader Training

There will be a Shooting Sport Leader Training (BB & Archery) on Saturday, May 12, at the Grapevine Police Target Range. The training is free and will train registered leaders to run a BB & Archery range for Day Camp, Turkey Shoot-out & other District events.

Cub Scout Day & Twilight Camp

Cub Scout Summer Day Camp "The Greatest Day Camp On Earth" June 4-7 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Lonesome Dove Ranch, Southlake Texas Director: Lauri Shipp (817) 545-8658 email: lshipp@dfw.com Program Director: Amy Crowley (817) 283-3972 email: amycrowley@home.com

Twilight Camp Villages of Bear Creek Park, Euless, Texas June 11-15. Twilight Camp Director - Diane Morrison (817) 481-5422 email: demrn80@cs.com Program Director - Lisa Stevens (817) 399-1904

Important Dates:

- **Pack Camp Registration Turn In** - April 27, 7 - 9 pm at Park Place Office Building 1301 Airport Freeway, Bedford
- **BB and Archery Training** 9 am to 12 noon at Council office; call Joyce Spencer at 817-446-4327 to register
- **District Roundtable** 7:30 to 9 pm at Martin United Methodist Church, 2621 Bedford Road in Bedford
- **Youth Protection Training**, 7:30 to 9 pm at Emmanuel Presbyterian Church, 2701 Harwood in Bedford
- **Staff and Chaperone Training** - May, 7 - 9 pm at Park Place Office Building 1301 Airport Freeway, Bedford
- **BB and Archery Training** 9 am to 12 noon at Council office; call Joyce Spencer at 817 446-4327 to register.
- **Staff and Chaperone Training** 7 - 9 pm at Park Place Office Building 1301 Airport Freeway, Bedford
- **Staff and Chaperone Training** - May 21, 7 - 9 pm at Park Place Office Building 1301 Airport Freeway, Bedford
- **T-Shirt Pick Up** - May 21, 7 - 9 pm at Park Place Office Building 1301 Airport Freeway, Bedford
- **BB and Archery Training** 9 am to 12 noon at Council office; call Joyce Spencer at 817 446-4327 to register.

All Staff personnel and chaperones should attend the Camp Walk Through scheduled for the first two Saturdays in June:

- **Camp Walk Through for Day Camp** - June 2nd, 9-10 am Lonesome Dove Ranch, Southlake
- **Camp Walk Through for Twilight Camp** - Saturday, June 9th from 9-10 am, The Villages of Bear Creek Park, Euless.

Other Adult Leader Training

Pilot Outdoor Skills Training Course April 27-29, Camp Tahuaya

Mike Barnard, Longhorn Council Training Chairman, announced that the Council will conduct the first Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills course as a Council event. The course is designed for Boy Scout leaders and second year Webelos leaders, but is open to leaders of all Boy Scout programs. It is part of the all new BSA training continuum, and will be presented Friday through Sunday, April 27 - 29, 2001, at Camp Tahuaya, south of Waco.

All elements of the new Boy Scout training continuum will be in place by June 30, 2001. This course is one of 5 steps in the new training scheme. It replaces the outdoor portion of the existing Scoutmastership Fundamentals course and will provide skills equivalent to the skills required of First Class Scouts. Note that this will not be an "advanced" outdoor skills course.

Holding the course at camp Tahuaya will afford many Scouters the opportunity to experience this beautiful camp which may be new to many northern Council residents. The course will be limited to 160 total participants. Registration is open to all adult leaders of all programs within the Council. A reservation cut-off of April 13, 2001 will be strictly observed.

Reservation forms and information about the course will be on the Council web site, in the Council service centers, and through your District training chairpersons. For additional information contact your District training chairperson or Carl Nelson at (817) 268-6669 or www.cnelson@woodbadge.org.

Cub Scout Roundtable

Dave Kaiser (817) 267-5713

Cub Breakouts & Handouts

Remember that all of your Cub Scout leaders can find valuable information and helps at the monthly Roundtable meetings since there are breakout sessions for Cubmasters, Den Leaders, Webelos Den Leaders, and Committee members as well as one for Tiger Cub leaders.

We work a month ahead of the themes calendared in the BSA "Cub Scout Program Helps", so all you have to do is come and we'll make your life easy and fun. Always plenty of handouts including a \$2 packet of terrific ideas for the coming month. Call me or Gloria Coyle if you'd like to get a copy of this handout!

June Roundtable - Celebration

We will not have breakouts in June but will do an end of the year celebration in the same fashion as a pack would do an end of the school year program. No breakouts, but we will have a party and refreshments with awards for attendance.

Boy Scout Roundtable

Joe Marsh 540-1963

April: Caving

April's Roundtable will be done by a fellow from Mesquite named Mark Alman, Scoutmaster of Troop #67 in Mesquite, who will be doing a program on Caving. For those of you who missed the presentation, you can contact Mark at 972-279-2386.

May: Safe Swim, Safety Afloat

May is Scheduled to be splits although I would like to Schedule a "Safety Afloat", "Safe Swim Defense" training. Feedback, please?

Plans are in progress to provide a June Roundtable presentation on working with *Scouts with Disabilities*; if you have suggestions on presenters or other input, please contact Joe Marsh at 817-540-1963.

Order of the Arrow

Brad Borgstede (817) 498-6835

O/A Ceremonies Earning Praise

Below is a message received recently praising the O/A ceremony team's performance. Leaders of other units might want to be planning to involve O/A teams in future Cub Scout and Boy Scout ceremonies -- calendar now!

"On behalf of Pack 4 Leadership, we would like to extend a huge THANK YOU to the members of O/A who participated at last month's bridging ceremony. They were excellent! Having 21 boys from Pack 4 bridge over was certainly enhanced by the ceremony. Please let all the participants know of our gratitude. We will be certain to contact you next year. Thanks" - Joe Sullivan

[The participating Arrowmen were Brian Salin - Troop 928, Brad Roop - Troop 28, Wesley Abel - Troop 700 and

Matt Gauntt - Troop 28. The Adult Advisor was Brian Roop - Troop 28. The next time you see one of these Scouts make sure to thank them on behalf of the Roadrunner District. The Chapter Ceremony Team has now completed eight Arrow of Light / Bridging Ceremonies this year.]

Relations

Jim Richmond (817) 581-9013

roadrunnerdistrict.homestead.com

Please check our Roadrunner District website which now has the current district newsletter posted. By early April we will also have copies of past issues for your reference.

Attend April 19th District Dinner

Thanks to all of those who submitted nominations for District awards which will be presented at the April 19th District Dinner. Please support all award winners by coming to the dinner which will be held at the TCC Northeast campus.

Advancement

Pat Pool (817) 571-3266

Eagle Boards of Review

Eagle Candidates who have completed their projects and all other rank requirements and who are needing to schedule a Board of Review should have their Eagle Scout application certified by the Council office in Fort Worth, then prepare the following:

- two copies of their completed application
- two copies of the Council checklist
- two copies of 'statement of life's ambitions'
- two copies of their completed Eagle Project workbook
- a stamped, addressed envelope for each of the references listed on the Eagle Scout Application (leave the return address blank on the envelopes)
- two 9X12 envelopes with the candidate's name on each (one for each set of copies above)

This must be turned in to Pat no later than the first Thursday of each month for the Eagle Scout board of Review held on the fourth Thursday of each month.

Pat is usually at the Roundtable and can collect the information there. Pat is NOT a night owl and definitely begins getting an orange tint about 9 pm. He turns into a pumpkin at 10 PM so please do not call after 10 pm. All questions should be directed to Pat Pool at 571-3266 or by e-mail ppool88@home.com.

Pre-Certification of Eagle Projects

Eagle candidates who wish to have their Eagle Project proposals reviewed and pre-certified should contact Pat at 571-3266 and request their meeting with the District no later than the third Thursday of the month.

Pre-cert reviews are usually conducted concurrently with Eagle Boards of Review on the 4th Thursday of the month (3rd Thursday in November and December).

Please follow these steps in preparing for an Eagle Project pre-certification review:

(1) Follow ALL the directions in a NEW Eagle Scout Project Workbook. Use either the form from the Council Office or the current form off the Council Website - don't use your own structure for the project workbook.

(2) Once the plan is written and approved by the benefiting organization, get the Eagle Scout Advisor's approval (signature) and the approval of the Troop Committee (signature),

(3) Schedule Council Approval with Pat Pool (571-3266 or <ppool88@home.com> new e mail). The Council review and approval of the project usually takes place on the Fourth Thursday of the month.

Remember, a plan isn't a plan unless it is written down. Urge Scouts to be thorough in preparing a written plan for their project proposals!

Unit Pack, Troop, Team News

Pack #307 Religious Awards

Pack 307, chartered to William C. Martin United Methodist Church, is pleased to announce that the following boys have earned their religious awards.

God & Family awarded to: Holden Ford, Jeffrey Carter, Daniel Lowder, Jeffrey Listman, Michael Crowley, Steven Jones and Travis McDonald.

Parvuli Dei awarded to: Donny Flobeck, Carl Konosky, Nicholas St. Germain and Brian Scott.

Troop #928 Needs "Follow Me Boys"

I am looking for a copy of "Follow Me Boys" that I can borrow. Contact Steve Salin, Troop #928, 817-329-8336.

How to Submit Newsletter Info

Submit newsletter info to Charlene Taylor by fax (817) 431-8319, phone 431-7912, or e mail <ltaylor@gte.net>