



# Roadrunner Reporter

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A monthly publication of the Roadrunner District of the Longhorn Council of Boy Scouts of America.

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

**HELP!!!!** Our District Website needs a permanent home. We are looking for a company to donate approximately 50-100 megs of space and email capabilities. If you can help, please call Astrid Sumpter @ 817-858-9988. Thanks!

## October, November and December 2001 Calendar Dates

### October 2001

- Oct 1, Mon** – Popcorn Orders Begin
- Oct 4, Thu** – COR Training District Roundtable
- Oct 6, Sat** – Webelos Orienteering
- Oct 11, Thu** – District Committee Mtg. District Commissioner Mtg.
- Oct 13, Sat** – Cub Scout Basic Training
- Oct 16, Tue** – Recharter Training Session
- Oct 20, Sat** – Score-O
- Oct 25, Thu** – Newsletter Deadline
- Oct 26-27** – Popcorn Order Deadline
- Oct 27-28** – Turkey Shoot
- Oct 27, Sat** – Pushmobile Derby

### November 2001

- Nov 1, Thu** – District Roundtable Popcorn Orders Due
- Nov 6, Tue** – Youth Protection Training, @St. Timothy's Presbyterian
- Nov 8, Thu** – District Committee Mtg. District Commissioner Mtg.
- Nov 10, Sat** – University of Scouting
- Nov 17, Sat** – Popcorn Pickup
- Nov 27, Tue** – Recharter Turn-in Night
- Nov 29-Dec 1** – Roadrunner Rendezvous

### December 2001

- Dec 3-7** – Popcorn Money Deadline
- Dec 6, Thu** – District Roundtable
- Dec 13, Thu** – District Committee Mtg. District Commissioner Mtg.

### District Chairman

Warren Nagumo 817-581-8612

### Walking the Walk...

A few weeks ago, I had the privilege of attending a special dinner that was hosted by the Young Men of Arlington for the benefit of The Arlington Women's Shelter. One of the speakers for the evening talked about the fact that leadership is a process of "doing." He went on to say that the strength and effectiveness of a leader is not measured by their words, but by their actions. His challenge to those present was to consider what we do and how we live our lives and to ask whether our deeds are consistent with what we are saying?

Unfortunately, in this world, we see far too many hypocrites – people who "talk-the-talk," but who do

not "walk-the-walk." Young people, in particular, are likely to follow the example of our actions, rather than to go by what we say.

There are generally two reasons that people follow someone – either it's because (i) they have to; or (ii) they want to. In the first instance, the leader holds power and influence through fear. In the second, it is faith that holds the power and influence. Experience teaches us that leadership is always more effective if it is fueled by the desire of people to follow.

In Scouting, we learn that leadership is a *privilege*, not a *right*. As Scouters, we are tasked with the critical responsibility of shaping the minds and attitudes of young people in our community. They will emulate in their lives a lot of the life view and behavior that they see in us – even those things that we do not realize are being communicated to them. In our role as leaders, we cannot be effective teachers of moral and ethical values, or the ideals of



Scouting, as set forth in the Scout Law or Oath, if we do not exemplify these values and ideals in our conduct.

The goal of Scouting is not to teach young people to memorize and recite a bunch of high-sounding words, but to instill in our youth a practical and worthy model for life, leadership, and good citizenship.

One of the most important lessons that I believe Scouting teaches is how to manage and overcome adversity. How many times in our daily lives do we encounter individuals who "fix the blame" and not the problem? It's always much easier to criticize or to point out the faults in others, than it is to roll up our sleeves and "fix the problem." A good Scout and Scouter recognizes the strengths and talents of others and utilizes those resources to creatively achieve worthwhile objectives. A good Scout and Scouter works toward and finds the beneficial common ground, the team solution, and the win-win opportunity. I believe that the positive approach that Scouting instills in young people to deal with adversity is its most distinctive and valuable attribute. This is what sets Scouts and Scouting apart from all other youth programs.

During the past six months that I have served as District Chair, it has been a humbling experience to be able to observe the dedication and leadership skills that have been demonstrated by our unit leaders and other adult volunteers. You are a most talented and remarkable group. Our community is blessed by your servant hearts and capable leadership skills. In these particularly uncertain and difficult times, it's comforting to know that a new generation of Scouts, that you have helped to prepare, stands ready to provide leadership for our nation.

**District Vice Chairman**

Gloria Coyle 817-283-7148

**Thanks to our Volunteers!!**

Thanks to the following Roadrunner Scouters for helping make the Council Chariot Derby on Sept. 15 a success. 5 different districts were represented. Derby Chairman, was Art Rutherford, Pack 407. Special thanks to members of his pack: Vicky Rutherford and son, Mike and Jadonn Hassinger and sons, David Deucaster, Terry Thompson, Dale and Debra Childers and sons.

Support also came from John marsh, Troop 86, Judie Watson Pack 500, George Pifer, Troop 254, and scouts & parents from Troop 500.

The annual Tiger Cub Adventure Day on Sept. 22 had close to 200 tiger cubs from around the council. Much thanks goes to Judie Watson Pack 500 for

directing this event. Thanks goes again to volunteers from Roadrunner District! There is a huge list of who volunteered in the Activities Section in a thank you note from Judie!

**Volunteers are an IMPORTANT part of any Scouting activity....**

...whether on a den, pack, troop, district or council level. Therefore, if you plan to attend any of the following activities, please VOLUNTEER some time.

SCORE-O – SID - OCT 20 - parking/dining hall /scoring-call Gloria (283-7148)

PUSHMOBILE DERBY MOTOR SPEEDWAY - OCT 27 - judging/course monitors - call Gloria (283-7148)

TURKEY SHOOT - GRAPEVINE RANGE - OCT 27-28-registration/scoring/range - call Pat Hadley (267-4325)

FALL FESTIVAL/HAYRIDES - SID- OCT (every weekend)-call Kathy Moore (624-5527)

FRIGHT FEST--SIX FLAGS - OCT fri/sat/sun(every weekend) - call Kathy Moore (624-5527)

Gloria Coyle, Council Activities Chairman

**District Commissioner**

Bill Jesse 817-354-7142

**EVERY UNIT EVERY MONTH**

The biggest news to report this month is that Unit Commissioners have been assigned to almost all of the units in the Roadrunner District. The assignments are as follows:

**Cub Scouts:**

Dave Smith – Assistant District Commissioner (817-267-2342)

Donna Hargrove – Unit Commissioner: 333, 374 (817-282-3270)

Art Rutherford – Unit Commissioner: TBD

Judie Watson – Unit Commissioner: 254, 320, 407, 509 (817-282-0496)

Madelyn Toland – Unit Commissioner: 161, 546 (817-488-6712)

Fawn Walker – Unit Commissioner: 253, 371, 387 (817-540-0800)

Unassigned units (86, 307, 500, 525, 757, and 758) may contact either Dave Smith or me for any questions or problems that may arise until a Unit Commissioner is assigned.

**Boy Scouts:**



Bill Harrison – Assistant District Commissioner: 332, 333, 340, 757 (817-283-8052)

Michael Hardtke – Unit Commissioner: 86, 387, 500 (817-685-7346)

Bob Ricks – Unit Commissioner: 250, 354, 509 (817-485-0751)

Royce Moody – Unit Commissioner: 161, 253, 758 (817-571-0393)

**LDS Units:**

John Salisbury – Assistant District Commissioner – Boy Scouts (817-281-0116)

David Plate – Assistant District Commissioner – Cub Scouts (817-605-9909)

Michele Haynes – Unit Commissioner – Cub Scouts (817-284-3153)

Rachel Pilgrim – Unit Commissioner – Cub Scouts: 220 and 348 (817-428-4070)

Additional LDS unit assignments will be announced at a later date.

I would also like to announce that Astrid Sumpter has volunteered to fill the Assistant District Commissioner Information Technology. She can be reached at 817-858-9988. On October 16, 2001, starting at 7:00pm there will be a Recharter training class held at The Church of Jesus of Latter Day Saints – 4401 Loop 820 NE, Hurst. Please send at least one representative from your unit, we will be covering the electronic and hard copy recharter requirements.

Also, mark your calendars for November 10, 2001 for University of Scouting, presented by the Longhorn Council, to be held at Everman High School, 1000 S. Race, Everman. A Commissioners College will be offered at the same time and location. Additional information on courses and registration will be available at Roundtable.

Bill Jesse – District Commissioner

6300-6316 M & K Warehouse, Airport Frwy, Haltom City

Thursday, we will sort orders. All help needed from 4-8 pm.

Pickup times: Fri, Nov 16<sup>th</sup> 5-8 & Sat, Nov 17<sup>th</sup> 9-12

**MONEY DEADLINE – DEC 3-7**

Pay with **ONE** check to the Longhorn Council

Questions: JaDonn Hassinger (817-545-7743)

**Training**

John Lawrence 817-283-5079

**University of Scouting - November 10, 2001 – Everman High School**

Courses will be offered for Cub Scout Leaders, Boy Scout Leaders, Boy Scout Junior Leaders, Venturing Leaders, and District and Council Leaders. This experience will broaden a person's understanding and knowledge of the Scouting program through a variety of course sessions on specific topics, which are taught by experienced volunteers from our council.

Courses will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. A registration form is included in the unit round table information packet. Please complete the registration form and make your check or money order payable to Longhorn Council, BSA. Send registration forms and appropriate fees to the Longhorn Council, at the address provided on the registration form; or register and pay at the Longhorn Council Service Center.

**Cost**

The pre-registration cost is \$12.00 per person and includes a patch, handouts, and a wealth of knowledge. After November 5, 2001, the cost is \$15.00.

**Location**

Everman High School, 1000 S. Race, Everman, TX 76140. Everman High School is two miles south of Interstate 20 and east of Interstate 35W on the south side of Fort Worth.

For more information see the council web page: [http://www.longhorncouncil.org/training/university\\_of\\_scouting\\_2001.htm](http://www.longhorncouncil.org/training/university_of_scouting_2001.htm)

**Boy Scout Training - Twin Arrows**

Designed to assist Scoutmasters in training the Troops' boy leaders. Twin Arrows develops the leadership skills your scouts need to "keep the patrol together and get the job done right!" It's set in an "ideal" troop environment using and teaching Patrol Method and rotating leadership responsibility.

**Finance**

JaDonn Hassinger 817-545-7743

**Popcorn 2001 Timetable**

**ORDER DEADLINE - October 26-27**

Submit ALL 3 forms – Please print neatly.

- a. Unit Master Records (Retain pink copy for your records)
- b. Unit Order Form (Retain yellow & gold for your records)
- c. Prize Order Form Retain yellow copy)

Submit to: JaDonn Hassinger Drop off in box at 2401 Meadow Creek, Bedford, 76021

**POPCORN PICKUP – Nov 16 - 17**



Participants must be Boy Scouts at least 12 years old and First Class, with camping, cooking, and first aid experience

TA145 December 29, 2001 to January 1, 2002

TA146 March 9 to 12, 2002

TA147 March 16 to 19, 2002

For more information see the council web page:  
<http://www.longhorncouncil.org/training/twinarrow/default.htm>

### **Wood Badge - COURSES PLANNED FOR 2002**

The new syllabus and course structure will be introduced into the Longhorn Council in the spring of 2002. These courses will be conducted by the new syllabus and involve two 3-day weekends. They are planned for participants from all programs of the BSA.

SR-462 Camp Tahuaya – Mar 15-17, April 5-7

SR-466 Sid Richardson – April 12-14, May 3-5

SR-470 Sid Richardson – Oct 4-6, Oct 25-27

### **Tower and Rock Training**

Information on Tower and Rock Climbing Training is in the Unit Round Table Packets this month and may also be found on the Council web page. [www.longhorncouncil.org](http://www.longhorncouncil.org).

### **Youth Protection Training**

Greetings, Roadrunner District Scouters. I would like to take this opportunity to bring you up to date on this past month's YPT activities. Here it is, short and sweet.

We began our journey in September and launched the youth protection training program with the year's first class, which was hosted by St. Andrew Lutheran Church, home of Pack and Troop 333. Nine persons were in attendance for this session.

Please remember that your YPT is good for 3 years and in the Longhorn Council only. Those of you with certifications about to expire should plan to attend the next class if possible, and certainly feel free to invite parents from your unit to attend with you. All are welcome and the training is free. Don't forget, youth protection training is also adult protection training.

Our next class is scheduled for November 6th at St. Timothy Presbyterian Church, which is located in Bedford on Forest Ridge 100 yards north of Harwood. It will start promptly at 7:00pm. Hope to see you there!

Two classes will be held at the University of Scouting to become a Youth Protection Trainer on November 10<sup>th</sup>. If you are interesting in becoming a YPT Trainer, you must first be approved by either the DE, District Chairman, or District Commissioner.

Joe Robertson  
District YPT Coordinator  
hm: (817) 282-6272 joedr@home.com

### **Congratulations to the following:**

Congratulations to the following 9 leaders from Roadrunner District in completing Boy Scout Leader Basic Training: Ralph Fader, Troop 86; Michael Sampson and David Lampman, Troop 253; Tim Donegan, Troop 254; Marc Dodd, Stanley Garvin, Steve Staples and Joey Cryer of Troop 332; Catherine Pedroza, Troop 387. Also, to the following 6 leaders trained at Cub Leader Basic on September 8<sup>th</sup>. Mark Lawson, Pack 253; Connie Oster, Pack 307; Joe Robertson, Jim Fitch and James Savage, Pack 333; Dale Childers, Pack 407. Congratulations

**Merit Badge College** has been scheduled for January 26 and February 16 at the Tarrant County College Northeast Campus. We will be conducting the college in cooperation with Lakeview District. At this week's Roundtable, you will be asked to provide information about potential faculty members for the college from your unit. Please note that it is expected that your unit will provide counselors, if you enroll Scouts for the program. This is a key advancement event for the District, and we must have your volunteer support, if it is to succeed. See or call Pat Poole for details (817-571-3266).

The next **Cub Basic Training** class is on Saturday, October 13, 2001 10 a.m.-4 p.m. LOCATION CHANGE TO: Beck Elem. School, 401 Parkview Drive, Trophy Club, TX 76262. **LAST CHANCE TO RECEIVE BASIC TRAINING IN 2001!** For questions regarding this training, please contact: Kim Mauk 488-6947/ JaDonn Hassinger 545-7743/ Gloria Coyle 283-7148

**OWL (Outdoor Webelos Leader training)** - Fri-Sat, Nov. 2-3, 2001 Hills and Hollows, Denton, TX. Questions: Kim Mauk 488-6947.

## *Cub Scout Roundtable*

*Dave Kaiser      817-354-5147*

### **Cub Breakouts & Handouts**

The Cub Scout roundtable is being changed! You know the old adage, if it ain't broke - fixit! Well,



maybe not. We are going to theme-base the breakout sessions as opposed to position breakouts. This allows us to better perform our function, which is to serve as supplemental training. We will be providing a list of the sessions at each roundtable, as well as working into the future to provide a heads up for those who might see a session they want to attend. Encourage at least 4 members of your pack to attend so that you can benefit from the opportunities this program will provide.

October Topics: (1) Webelos to Scout transition, (2) camping locations and methods near the Metroplex, (3) camping equipment and tents, and (4) planning a campfire program.

**Boy Scout Roundtable**

Joe Marsh 817-540-1963

**Joint Roundtable Start**

The District Committee has decided that it would be great if we start each Roundtable as a joint function of the Boy Scout and the Cub Scout Roundtables. This should give us all a chance to get to know each other. Boy Scout leaders can developed relationships with Cub Leaders and vise versa. Hopefully this will lead to better Troop, Pack interaction and promote the overall program more effectively. I also hope the joint start will help with Webelo to Scout Transition.

November's Roundtable will focus on Webelos to Scout Transition. We are planning on doing a cookout similar to last year with a small charge to raise money to operate the Roundtables. After the Cookout we will discuss ways to help with Webelos to Scout Transition.

Please encourage several Leaders from your Troop to attend Roundtable each month. We will be offering support for Units wishing to develop a Venture program. Mike Stevens of the Roundtable Staff is freshly trained and has formed a Venture Patrol within his Troop incorporating five female Venture Scouts into an older Scout Patrol and planning a separate Calendar under a Venture Charter. Look for them at Score-O.

Yours in Scouting,  
Joe Marsh  
Boy Scout Roundtable Commissioner

**Boy Scout Advancement**

Pat Pool 817-571-3266

**Advancement News**

Congratulations to two fledgling Eagle Scouts for the Roadrunner District: Nicholas Tobler of Troop 250 and Eric Hughes of Troop 348. Both passed their Eagle Scout Boards of Review in September.

If you are a Life Scout in need of getting your Eagle Scout Leadership Service Project approved by the District in order for you to proceed with the project, please get in touch with Pat Pool, District Advancement Chairman at 817-571-3266. You should plan on at least five days to get your project approved.

**Activities**

**Cub Scout Turkey Shoot**

October 27th and 28th, 2001

Turkey Shoot is scheduled for October 27th & 28th "RAIN OR SHINE". Cost \$3.00 per boy. Real turkeys for the winners and patches for all. Register at October Roundtable or by contacting Turkeyshoot Chairman Pat Hadley: Hm. (817)267-4325 or e-mail patrickhadley@hotmail.com . Deadline Oct. 19th.

"VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED" If anyone is interested or in need of CPR or First Aid certification please contact Gloria Coyle (817-283-7148).

**Tiger Cub Adventure Day**

I would like to take time and thank a few people who made Tiger Cub Adventure Day a success.

Gloria Coyle, Martha Gollaher, Kate Watson, Troop 86 - John Marsh and Robbie White, Pack 500 - William Stansell and Bret Getz, Robert and Thomas Toney,

Pack 320 - Treston Taylor, Office Priest from the Euless Police Department and Brad Borgstede Order of the Arrow Chapter Advisor Woapalanne Chapter

Troop 28 - Blake Borgstede, Andrew Pappas, Brad Roop, Stephen Roop, and Andrew Sylvester Troop 700 - Wesley Abel

From the Tonkawa District - Moises Salazar and his two sons, Teresa Gravley, Linda Woolsey, Magaret Canizares, Jeanette Goodnight, Barbara Yoder

And to any others I may have missed!

Judie Watson

**Scouting For Food**

"A new approach to Scouting for Food is being developed and much needed information will be forthcoming to each unit shortly. The Roadrunner District has determined that the months of November thru February will be our focus. With the main drive



being February 2nd and February 9th. "Each Troop or Pack will be able to select the Food Bank they wish to benefit from their collected donations."

If you have any questions, please contact **Brenda West**, home (817) 581-9612, pager (214)344-2771, e-mail: mbcwestern@aol.com."

## Camping

George Pifer 498-1972; 354-4881

**Yes...We are STILL going Camping!!!**

**Roadrunner Rendezvous Scheduled for Nov 31-Dec 1,2, 2001**

Start planning now to attend the 15th annual Roadrunner Rendezvous Nov 31-Dec 1,2, 2000. It's a great time for the District to camp together and share a fun weekend.

Each troop attending will show what they do best with demonstrations through out the day for others to see and do. There will be some training opportunities that weekend also.

## Recognition

### Publicizing Unit / Individual Recognition

Please let us know if your Troop or Pack has any special awards or recognition that the newsletter can acknowledge. Heck...just tell us what you've been up to! It may just give other packs and troops some ideas....

### Austin Bhatt in Scouting Magazine

Austin Bhatt, pictured on page 20 in the September issue of Scouting Magazine has been involved in Scouts since he was a Wolf. The photo taken last year at Score-O was when he was a 2nd year Webelo in Pack 407. Austin is currently a 2nd class Scout in Troop 254 in Bedford.

Score-O 2000 was Austin's 3rd time to run the event. He started it as a Bear and loved it. He said

back then that it was like a big treasure hunt. (Score-O in an orienteering event sponsored by the council. Each group is given a map and the object is find as many flags as you can in a set amount of time. At the flag, the map is punched. The team with the most points in the set amount of time is the winner.)

Austin enjoyed camping as a Pack, then starting as a 1st year Webelo he attended all the events such as "Roadrunner Rendezvous," "A Story Worth Retelling" and "Webelo Camporee." Camping was an important part of his Cub Scout life and made the transition to Boy Scouts exciting and more comfortable for him.

"A Story Worth Retelling" was such a powerful event for Austin as a 1st year Webelo, that he and his den decided that they wanted to bridge during this campout when they went as 2nd year Webelos.

Austin earned his Arrow of Light and got the Super Achiever award for completing every achievement pin for Webelos.

As a Boy Scout, Austin is even more excited about Scouts. He is currently a patrol leader and should have completed his 1st Class rank by the time this is printed. He is learning all about leadership and its ups and downs. He has also earned 3 merit badges since becoming a Boy Scout last January.

Austin spent two weeks in Colorado at Summer Camp. He helped build the camp the first week (this included felling trees and building a bridge.) The second week he enjoyed camp with the rest of his patrol and troop. Austins' camping experience as a Webelo helped him to be away from home for those two weeks.

At home, Austin is involved with his family, Mom, Dad and sister Samantha. He is also involved in Church activities. As a 6th grade homeschooler, he is involved in many homeschool activities that have included rock climbing, sailing and horse back riding. Austins' family has been very active in his Scouting life.

## Roadrunner District Newsletter Submissions

Astrid M. Sumpter prepares the monthly district newsletter; submissions are subject to editing and approval of the District DE, Chairman, and Commissioner. News of coming events, unit successes, helpful suggestions on sites or resources, etc. are all welcome.

Please submit to Astrid by e-mail <astridsumpter@hotmail.com or astrid.sumpter@eds.com>, by phone (hm: 817-858-9988 – wk: 817-963-9403) or by mail: 1412 Shady Lane, #19, Bedford, TX 76021