

ROADRUNNER



REPORTER

**"There's Nothing Stronger Than The Heart Of A Volunteer"**

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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.

***Our District Website has a NEW HOME!!!***

The company [SolidWebhosting.com](http://SolidWebhosting.com) has been generous enough to not only donate a permanent home for us, but for Lakeview District as well...(with some "MAJOR" bells & whistles I might add). If you know of any other Troops/Packs, etc that need a free Host for their site, please let them know, as they are happy to help out the Boy Scouts of America. Also, a big thanks to [Office Depot](#) in Euless for supplying paper and to [Xerox](#) for a color laser printer.

**January, February and March 2002 Calendar Dates**

**January 2002**

- Jan 3, Thu** – District Roundtable
- Jan 10, Thu** – District Committee Mtg.  
District Commissioner Mtg.
- Jan 12, Sat** – Trout-O-Ree, Cub Scouts
- Jan 18-20** – Women's Retreat
- Jan 26, Sat** – Merit Badge College  
Trout-O-Ree, Cub Scouts

**February 2002**

- Feb 2, Sat** – Train the Trainer
- Feb 5, Tue** – YPT Training 7:00pm  
@ St. Timothy's Presbyterian
- Feb 7, Thu** – District Roundtable
- Feb 9, Sat** – MB College Session 2  
Trout-O-Ree, Cub Scouts
- Feb 14, Thu** – District Committee Mtg.  
District Commissioner Mtg.
- Feb 16, Sat** – Trout-O-Ree, Boy Scouts

**March 2002**

- Mar 7, Thu** – District Roundtable
- Mar 14, Thu** - District Committee Mtg.  
District Commissioner Mtg.
- Mar 21** - Basic Leader Essentials
- Mar 23** - Scoutmaster ASM Specifics

**District Chairman**

*Warren Nagumo* 817-581-8612

***"It was the best of times,  
and it was the worst of times..."***

For many of us, the New Year is a time of reflection and of hope. We review the year just past, counting our blessings and contemplating what could have (should have) been, and look forward with anticipation to the fresh, New Year that lies ahead. Undoubtedly, 2001 will be a year that none of us will ever forget. In the space of a single morning, our entire perspective of the world was

violently changed and our sense of values completely altered. Social freedoms that we had begun to take for granted were placed in jeopardy and our seemingly invincible economic foundations were shaken like never before. Even now, when we think back to the unimaginable horror and tragedy of September 11th, our rational minds wonder whether it could really have happened to us. It certainly was the worst of times...

Yet, even as the unfathomable evil was still unfolding, the great character of people everywhere was springing into action to meet the challenge. In the midst of tragedy and, in some cases, certain doom, individuals gave the very best of themselves through acts of courage,



sacrifice, honor, loyalty, compassion, generosity, and kindness. Hopefully, it is this side of 2001 that we will treasure foremost in our memories of last year. In terms of the human spirit, it was the best of times...

I believe that the events of this past year clearly demonstrate the importance of what Scouting teaches. In the worst of times, personal character and faith may be all the resources and direction that we have to rely on. For a Scout, who knows and lives by the values of honor, trust, loyalty, bravery, helpfulness, kindness, and reverence, that can be a lot...

As you think about the future that lies ahead and you make your resolutions for the coming year, please consider adding to the list a resolution to think about Scouting in a more global sense. Commit yourself to working to advance Scouting everywhere, not just in your unit and not just in our community. Work toward a world in which every boy has the opportunity to enjoy the benefits of Scouting, and more importantly, learns to live by the ideals that Scouting teaches.

Too idealistic or unrealistic, you say? Perhaps... But it's clear that we will never begin to approach this goal, even in our own District, if we do not have the courage to envision and commit to it.

How do we start? We begin by putting aside our "traditional" attitudes and prejudices about Scouting. In order to reach everywhere, Scouting cannot be restricted by boundaries, physical or mental. We need to stop viewing Scouting from a unit-centric perspective – no more "us and them." Friendly competition can be healthy; antagonistic rivalry is not. In the world of Scouting, there can only be "we."

The Scout Oath and Law together provide a model for personal character, attitude, and behavior. They teach the importance of personal responsibility and achievement, framed within a demand for positive and collective social interaction ("teamwork"). These ideals are what clearly separate Scouting from all other programs and activities (youth or adult) in what is typically a "me only" world.

Unfortunately, despite all of its virtues, Scouting has been, and continues to be under attack. But the "enemy" is not who we would normally think that it is. The "enemy" is not a competing youth program, school activity, religious organization, social movement, government agency, or hostile foreign power. These external agencies, while not particularly supportive of Scouting, are not, singularly or collectively, its primary adversary.

The principal obstacle and "enemy" to the Scouting movement is much more insidious and destructive than any of these, because it originates from within. It finds strength in attitudes, words, and actions that seek to divide our ranks. Whenever you hear a negative remark about a Scout, a Scouter, a unit, a district, a council, or the National office, you will know that the "enemy" is at work, quietly and persistently, tearing away at the ideals of Scouting.

Difficult though it may be to hear, the problem is clearly of our own making. Scouting does not reach its full potential, because we choose not to extend its reach. Scouts and units "fail" because we do not make an effort out to help them. As the saying goes, "we have found the enemy and the enemy is us..."

So, in the New Year, let us all resolve to re-dedicate ourselves to the ideals of Scouting and to a world of Scouting with no boundaries. Put aside the old prejudices and attitudes that are holding us back. Share with and help those around you – even if they're not part of your unit. Make a positive contribution to building the character of young people wherever you may find them. Do all these things without the expectation for personal recognition or reward, because that's what good Scouts do - even when no one else is watching. Have a great year in Scouting!

## District Commissioner

*Bill Jesse*

*817-354-7142*

Welcome to 2002. I hope everyone had safe and happy holidays. We have just completed recharter and I hope it was not too painful a process. I would like to hear feedback on the recharter process to see how it can be improved. If you have any comments or suggestions, please email me at [billjesse@attbi.com](mailto:billjesse@attbi.com) or call at 817-354-7142.

It is not too soon to be thinking of deserving scouters for recognition at the Roadrunner District dinner, scheduled for April 11th. Please contact any of the district staff for information on the nominating process.

## Finance

*Terry McCloskey*

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### **FOS - Friends Of Scouting**

Please select a FOS Unit Coordinator for your pack or troop who will set up a presentation date with your district FOS Chairman. Don't forget, holding a FOS presentation satisfies one requirement to earn the Commissioner's Award.

To those of you who have not as yet signed up, registration has been made very easy. Just decide when you want your presentation, then come by the FOS table at Roundtable. It will take almost 48 seconds to get you signed up. Quick, easy, and you help out the District. WOW, what a concept!

## Training

*John Lawrence*

*817-283-5079*

### **Boy Scout Training**

The Spring Rocking Chair class has now been scheduled:



- ◆ March 21, 2002      Basic Leader Essentials
- ◆ March 23, 2002      Scoutmaster ASM Specifics
- ◆ April 5-7, 2002      Outdoor Leader Skills – Hills & Hollows

This training is designed for the new Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster. But any parent or committee member is welcome and encouraged to attend. This training gives an excellent overview of the program side of Boy Scouts.

The course cost will be \$16. This covers all costs with the exception of the patrol food for the campout. Applications are now available!!!!

Dave Kaiser has accepted the position of Scoutmaster for this course. With Dave's enthusiasm, I am assured that the staff and course will be outstanding.

Applications will be available at the January Roundtable.

### **Troop Committee Training**

Boy Scout Committee training will be scheduled at the troop level. Committee members are considered "Trained" once they complete Troop Committee Training, not Scoutmaster Fundamentals. This is a change this year. Those Troop Committees interested in scheduling the training, call Pat Wax at 817-571-6776.

### **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. 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 - 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 – March 14–Orientation Mtg. April 12-14, May 3-5
- ◆ SR-470 Sid Richardson – Oct 4-6, Oct 25-27

Fact sheets and applications are in the unit information packets this month. Please duplicate as needed for those interested

### **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**

The next class is scheduled for February 5 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.

Please contact Joe Robertson, our District Youth Protection Coordinator for details at (817) 282-6272.

### **Train the Trainer**

#### **Saturday, February 2, 2002**

The Longhorn Council Training Committee will offer its annual course to train the district training staffs and any other volunteers with an interest in how to conduct training for adult leaders on Saturday, February 2, 2002.

This course is designed for leaders in all areas of scouting including Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Varsity Scouting, Venturing, commissioner service, and district/council operations. Participants will learn about the characteristics of a good trainer, different training styles, how to evaluate themselves and how to make their training styles more interesting for the audience.

Lunch is included in the \$ 5.00 registration fee. Pre-registration can be made by sending the following form with your fee to Camping Registrar, 4917 Briarhaven Rd., Ft. Worth, TX 76109. Registration fee at the door will be \$ 7.00. For more information contact your district training chairman or George Zahn at (972) 445-4100 or (817) 354-5702.

Registration Form:

[http://www.longhorncouncil.org/training/trainer\\_development\\_conf\\_brochure.pdf](http://www.longhorncouncil.org/training/trainer_development_conf_brochure.pdf)

## **Boy Scout Roundtable**

*Joe Marsh*

*817-540-1963*

January's Boy Scout Roundtable will have as its program, "Scouting with Special Needs Scouts". We all have, or will have, Scouts who are Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder, at the very least. You may encounter Scouts with Physical Special Needs and need good information on Scouting's approach to that subject. You will come away from January's Roundtable better "Prepared" for the challenge of "Special Needs Scouts".

## Boy Scout Advancement

John Lawrence

817-283-5079

### ***New Advancement Chairman for Roadrunner District***

John Lawrence, a long time member of the Advancement Committee, has become the new Advancement Chairman of the Roadrunner District effective January 1, 2002. Among John's recent scouting accomplishments, he was Committee Chairman for Troop 509. John earned his Wood Badge beads in SR-313. John has some new and exciting ideas to help the District and I look forward to his ideas coming to life in the near future. John can be reached at 817-283-5079 or, better yet, send him an e-mail at [johnlawrence@attbi.com](mailto:johnlawrence@attbi.com). Please call or e-mail him to arrange Eagle Scout Boards of Review and to schedule District reviews of Eagle Scout projects.

There is an "Excellent" newly updated Eagle Scout reference site. It is Randy Smith's "Eagle Project Planning Guide". The Web Link is:  
<http://www.flash.net/~smithrc/eagleprj.htm>

## Relationships

Jim Richmond

817-581-9013

### ***District Award of Merit***

Requirements:

- ◆ Must be a registered scouter.
- ◆ Must have rendered noteworthy service to boys - which may consist of a single plan or decisions that contributed to the lives of large numbers of boys or may have been given to small group over an extended period of time.
- ◆ Should have contributed some service to youth outside scouting.
- ◆ Consideration should be given to the nominee's position and the corresponding opportunity to render outstanding service beyond the expectation of duty.
- ◆ The nominee's attitude toward and cooperation with the District and Council is to be taken into consideration.

There are many scouters that should be recognized for their service and being nominated for the District Award of Merit is one way to show that you have noticed their service. Forms will be available at Roundtable and deadline for submission of the forms is roundtable March 7.

If you have any questions please contact  
Jim Richmond  
Vice Chairman Relations  
817-581-9013

### ***Visit & Check Out The District Website***

Please check Roadrunner District web site which is found at [www.roadrunnerdistrict.com](http://www.roadrunnerdistrict.com).

The site has the District Calendar, contact information, flyers and brochures of events that are coming up, and major resources for leaders to use.

We also welcome suggestions from Scouters on what kinds of information they would like to find at the web site. If you have any questions regarding the website, please contact Astrid Sumpter @ 817-858-9988 or [astridsumpter@hotmail.com](mailto:astridsumpter@hotmail.com).

## Activities

Valerie Glave

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### ***Tahuaya Trout-O-Rees***

The Longhorn Council is proud to present Trout-O-Rees for Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts in Camp Tahuaya's cold spring-fed lake. Each Trout-O-Ree will start at dawn and end at 4:00 PM. Prizes are awarded in numerous categories for each parent - son Trout-O-Ree team. Fishing must be done from the bank at Tahuaya Lake. Hot dog lunch, a tournament patch, and a limit of 5 trout are included for each registered participant. Trout will be ordered for each event immediately after the event registration deadline, so don't miss the deadline! Fishing gear and bait are NOT provided. **You can catch & keep up to 5 trout.**

\$35 per fisherman Limited to 200 fishermen per weekend (youth and adults) Camping is available and you can arrive the night before.

#### **Registration Deadlines are absolute!**

**We can only order fish for those who are pre-registered. The fish are shipped from a hatchery in Missouri.** The hatchery needs time to arrange shipping and the fish need time to acclimate to the lake. Registrations must be received on or before the deadline date. Registrations that are mailed must be received by the deadline. Five trout are ordered for each pre-registered participant. This is an all weather event. **NO REFUNDS.**

### ***Trout-O-Ree***

#### ***Dates & Registration Deadlines:***

Date	Deadline
<b>Cub Scouts</b>	
January 26, 2002	January 8, 2002
February 9, 2002	January 8, 2002
<b>Boy Scouts</b>	
February 16, 2002	January 8, 2002



For More information and the Registration Forms, go to the following web page:

[http://www.longhorncouncil.org/events01/trout\\_o\\_rees/trout\\_o\\_ree.html](http://www.longhorncouncil.org/events01/trout_o_rees/trout_o_ree.html)

### **Roadrunner District Dinner**

The Roadrunner District Dinner has been scheduled for Thursday April 11.

District Award of Merit nomination forms are due in by March 7<sup>th</sup> at the District Roundtable.

Can download District Award of Merit form from the council site.

<http://www.longhorncouncil.org/forms/disawrdmert.pdf>

### **Scouting For Food**

We now have food bags - a limited supply, but we do have them!

Please do not forget that Scouting for Food is an ongoing project from November till February 28, 2002. If you have not already contacted Brenda West to indicate the area your Troop/Pack/Crew would like to work, please do so as soon as possible.

If you are doing door-to-door be sure to let me know the area you are doing it in. Several areas have already been spoken for and some of the areas may well have changed from last year. Due to the new program please do not assume that you will get the same area as last year or the years before.

If you have already done Scouting for Food, please be sure to send me a report giving me an estimate of the quantity of food received, the food bank that you delivered it to, and the dates you did it. Thanks!

Brenda West  
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### **Womens Retreat at Lakeview Lodge**

January 18-20, 2002 at Lakeview Lodge & Conference Center Sid Richardson Scout Ranch Lake Bridgeport, Texas

A women's weekend of fun, high adventure and relaxation. Open to all women. You don't have to be in Scouts.

Just a short list of some of the activities: all equipment supplied by the Ranch ♦ Rifle & Archery (NRA Instructor will show you how) ♦ Hikes ♦ C.O.P.E. (Low and High Ropes Challenge Course) ♦ Astronomy ♦ Horseback Riding (Experienced equestrians will be with you at all

times) ♦ Drum Circle ♦ Tai Chi ♦ Map Reading & Orienteering ♦ Massages (Professional RMT) ♦ Cooking Classes ♦ Craft Activities (Craft supplies and instructors are provided. The craft hall is always accessible) ♦ Great food and fellowship!

Cost for the weekend: Deposit \$50.00 Balance due at camp \$140.00 Returning Guest Cost: \$125.00

For more information check it out here:

[http://www.longhorncouncil.org/events01/womens\\_retreat.htm](http://www.longhorncouncil.org/events01/womens_retreat.htm) and here <http://users.ticnet.com/johnson/retreat.htm>  
Registration Form: [http://www.longhorncouncil.org/events01/flyers/womens\\_retreat.pdf](http://www.longhorncouncil.org/events01/flyers/womens_retreat.pdf)

## **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....

### **A TALE OF CHRISTMAS JUST PAST**

When opportunity knocked, Pack 320 opened its door, used their brains and gladdened the hearts of a family. The Farrington Family had access to a lot of Christmas trees, which they donated to the Pack. The Pack used this opportunity to sell the trees in order to fund their Christmas Service Project. The elected to take the proceeds of the Christmas tree sale with another \$100.00 donated by the Mission Central which is run by Hurst United Methodist Church and become Christmas Providers for a family of 4 in Euless. Their extra time and effort produced good will and better lessons. The first year Webelos den made a field trip to Toys "R" Us to select the toys for the 3 children of the family. They also were able to provide 3 bikes, food and clothes to the family. What a better way to celebrate this year's season by providing Christmas to a family that would not have many reasons to celebrate, give good will, receive good will, and teach their Scouts an invaluable lesson. What a perfect year for this Pack to show others and themselves what makes Americans and, especially the Scouting family, thoughtful, resilient in the face of die situations. As Charles Dickens wrote, they might say of Pack 320, they knew how to keep Christmas very well!

### **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](mailto:astridsumpter@hotmail.com)>, by phone (hm: 817-858-9988) or by mail: 1412 Shady Lane, #19, Bedford, TX 76021



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