



ROADRUNNER REPORTER

"THERE'S NOTHING STRONGER THAN THE HEART OF A VOLUNTEER"

Council Website: www.longhorncouncil.org
 District Website: www.roadrunnerdistrict.org
 Resource Website: www.scouting.com

SPECIAL DATES OF INTEREST:

SEPTEMBER

- 06—Labor Day
- 11—Council Fall Canoe
- 11—Training: Baloo, Life To Eagle
- 18-19—District Cub Safe Shoot]
- 23—District Eagle Boards Of Review
- 24—Training: New Leader Essentials, Cub Specifics, Troop Committee
- 24—Cub Family Adventure
- 27—Popcorn Take Order Begins

OCTOBER

- 01-03—Netopolis' Sipo Schipinachk Birthday Party
- 01—Show-n-sell full payment due
- 02—Tiger Cub Adventure Day
- 02—Haunted House at Six Flags
- 02—Popcorn Final Payment With Product
- 07—Roundtable
- 09—Fall Festival
- 09—Cub Family Adventure
- 16—Fall Festival
- 16—Score-O
- 23—Fall Festival
- 30—Fall Festival

ACTIVITIES

2004-2005 Calendar

The 2004-2005 District Calendar is now available on the Roadrunner District website (www.roadrunnerdistrict.org).

Cub "Safe Shoot"

September 18 and 19, 2004 Cub "Safe Shoot" is Roadrunner District's new event that allows Cub Scouts and Webelos Scouts to learn about gun and archery safety by certified trainers and try their hand at target shooting at both BB Gun and Archery ranges. Top Scorer in each rank for both BB Gun and Archery will receive prizes. All boys will receive a patch for participating.

Fee per boy is \$5.00 to cover supplies, prizes for the event and patches for each boy. Make checks payable to the BSA. Please: Fees are to be paid in advance.

Start planning now to attend NOW! Slots will be scheduled on a first come first serve basis.

Scheduling and registration will begin at the August Round Table and again at the September Round Table. You can also call Pat Hadley up until September 14th and register and pay. Reservations and payment in advance only, please. We will do our best to accommodate all requests for slots. You may e-mail list of boys names with rank (Wolf, Bear, Web 1yr, Web 2 yr) and Pack #, contact name and phone #, what slot you want, etc. to Pat Hadley at patrickhadley@hotmail.com. Or call Pat at

817-545-5070.

Sorry, no Tiger Cubs for safety and logistics reasons at this event. Tiger Cub Fun Day will allow Tigers to shoot at that event in Oct. 2004

Tiger Cub Adventure Day

Come join us for a day of outdoor adventure with other new Tiger Cubs and their parent partners. This is a wonderful activity for Tiger Dens or just a Tiger and parent. There will be games, crafts, and many outdoor challenges, so come join the fun and ROAR with the rest of the Tiger Cubs. The adventure begins at 1:00pm and continues until 5:00pm. Bring an afternoon snack, a water bottle, and comfortable shoes!!

Oct. 2, 2004 Fort Worth: \$11, if paid by Wed. Sept. 29 \$16, if paid after Wed. Sept. 29

This fee includes all activity supplies, patches, and insurance. This is a rain or shine activity!

For more details, contact the Longhorn Council at 817-624-5500 or camping@longhorn.org

Fall Canoe Race

Sept. 11, 2004. Two races: a 6-mile Fun Race from Worth Ranch to the Highway 4 bridge and a 14 mile Race for experienced canoeists from the Dam to camp. 100-yard War Canoe Sprint in the afternoon. 14-

Mile racers will launch early. 6-Mile racers will have assigned start times to avoid congestion at the launch point. Lunch, boats, equipment, awards, and supper provided. Open to Boy Scouts, Venturers, Explorers, and adults. Parent/Youth teams welcome. Be sure to get the Early Registration Discount!

POPCORN

We have 19 units participating in POPCORN SHOW N SELL this year, so for the next few weeks you will be seeing scouts selling at local stores.

SHOW N SELL: FULL PAYMENT due Friday October 1, 2004 at Council Office.

PAYMENT with PRODUCT to RETURN due Saturday, October 2, 2004 9:00-NOON at Warehouse site. (remember credit will be given only for full cases)

TAKE ORDERS: KICK OFF-SEPTEMBER 2, 6:30 P.M. AT ST. PHILIP PRESBYTERIAN TAKE ORDERS OFFICIALLY BEGIN SEPTEMBER 27 TO OCTOBER 25.

POPCORN PICKUP IS NOVEMBER 19 AND 20 LAST DAY MONEY DUE COUNCIL, DECEMBER 10, 2004

For those units that have not considered selling popcorn: Do you have a problem paying for your re-charter on time? Do you spend several week-ends each year doing some

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kind of fundraising, only to make a few hundred dollars to show for the high amount of labor put into it?

Do you find you have more boys on scholarship for attending camps, etc.?

Do you wish you could do more unit activities?

If you are answering yes, Then participating in the popcorn fundraiser is an excellent way to help you.

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Haunted House at Six Flags

October, 2004

Weekends in October. A couple of hours skulking around the Longhorn Council's new-bigger-better haunted house, showing park patrons what real "Ghoul-Scouts" can do: and your entire group can enjoy Six Flags Over Texas for FREE! For anyone 14 years old and over.

Score-O 2004

October 16, 2004

The Longhorn Council's most popular event: a fast-paced, exciting Orienteering competition at SR2. Map training is held all morning. Your Den team gets a SCORE-O map one hour before the race starts.

Then you plan your strategy to find the most flags and score the most points in just 2 1/2 hours! For teams of Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Venturers, Explorers, and adults. Everyone can enter!! Cub Scout camping IS allowed.

Fall Festival & Haunted Hayrides

October 9, 2004 – Sid Richardson

October 16, 2004 – Sid Richardson

October 23, 2004 - SR2 and

Tahuaya

October 30, 2004 - SR2 and Braley

Family Fun for your entire Pack. Hot Dog supper, Festival Games, and cool Haunted Hayrides, PLUS BB Guns, Archery, Pumpkin carving, and Campfire. The whole family can join the fun! Every Weekend in October at Sid Richardson Scout Ranch (SR2): Oct. 4, 11, 18, & 25. At Camp Tahuaya on Oct 23. At Camp Jim Braley near Waco: Oct. 30.

Cub Scout Fun Day

Nov. 6, 2004

Have you heard? Are you looking to start this new scouting year off with a bang? Well we are and we are going to have a great FUN Day for all Cub Scouts and Webelos at one of the greatest place around - the Texas Motor Speedway! What a better way to show new scouts what Scouting is all about - FUN!!! Register early (before November 3) and save \$2.00 per Scout - only \$8.00 for a fun filled day! You can register/attend as an individual Scout or bring your Den - or even better yet - the entire Pack.

Registration begins at 8:30 am, activities open at 9:00 am. Bring your own lunch and water, water...LOTS of water - there is no potable water at the site. All activities will shut down from Noon till 1:00 pm for lunch, then we are back up and running till 4:00 pm.

!!! VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!!!!

We are planning 30+ activities, so we need volunteers to help....LOTS of volunteers. Can you spare a scout a day or a couple of hours? If so, please let us know. BOY SCOUTS we can use you to, but we are requesting that you be at least a 1st Class Scout.

Please let us know if you can help us out:

Michael & Brenda West
817-938-6011 (M-Cell), 817-680-4603 (B-cell)
817-605-9662 (M-work), 817-

378-2137 (B-work)

817-581-9612 (home - use the cell, we're scouters too and never at home)

brenda.west@tyc.state.tx.us - or - mbcwestern@aol.com

TRAINING

Hello Scouter's,

We have recruitment in full swing (new parents, new Scout positions), campouts being planned and a new Scout year off to a roaring start.

I recently told a story about a local Boy Scout who learned First Aid. Little did he know that after being asked to learn and relearn all that this Merit Badge entails, he at 13 years old would use these skills to save his own Grandfathers life.

Yes, this young man was prepared, he was prepared because a expert adult a Trained adult in this field taught this Scout to be prepared.

If this Scout did not know how identify that his grandfather was chocking and known what needed to be done his Grandfather probably would not be here today. His Grandmother bless her heart did not know what to do. This young man did.

The moral to this story is that it took Training to teach the Adult who taught the Scout who saved the life, that Scout and his Patrol had to teach First Aid to some of his pears as a refresher for the Boys in the Troop.

The question is..... are you and your prepared?. Is your Troop prepared, is your Pack prepared?

When you can answer yes to

the question then you should feel comfortable with the status of your Unit.

You need to train your replacement, Why? because you are not always going to be there. If all your Pack and Troop members are not trained your Unit will always struggle. Why? I was a Scout... am I not trained?. The answer is yes & no..... As a Scout you learned many valuable skills. As an adult you have learned many new skills, that you now apply in your daily lives. However you have not trained to deliver the program to the youth you serve. This is the reason why all members of all Units need to be trained.

You will see a vast improvement in you Unit, the more trained members you have. The more Round Table participants you have the more information you will gather. If you are new to Scouting you will meet many Scouter's with years of experience willing to share their knowledge.

See you at training!
Your in Scouting,
Peter Riddlebarger
District Training Chair

FAST START ONLINE

Fast Start is now available online for Cub Scout, Boy Scout and Venturing Leaders. <http://www.longhorncouncil.org/training/default.htm>

YOUTH PROTECTION

Yes, it's here again, back by popular demand. Popcorn season has arrived once more, so this month's roll call training is devoted to youth protection in the popcorn sales environment, particularly show and sell.

In the weeks to come, our boys will be fanning out with their troops and packs to businesses throughout the HEB

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area, setting up sales booths and showcasing some tasty products. The basic principles of youth protection still apply, so please remember to use them at all times. This means that two deep leadership must be maintained at the site, which is a minimum of one registered leader and one involved parent or guardian present at the event. It's not necessary to have two deep leadership represented at every booth set up at a large store with many entrances, but the no one on one contact rule is to be followed at all times. Do have at least one parent or leader at each

CAMPING**Webelos Woods –
at Lake Lewisville**

Sept. 18-19, 2004

Cost: \$15 per boy. \$20 after Sept 3rd. Sign up through the Longhorn Council.

Hosted by the US Army Corps of Engineers Lewisville office and the Longhorn Council's Tonkawa District as part of National Public Lands Day celebrations. The Corps and Lewisville Lake Environmental Learning Area (LLELA) educators will design conservation projects for us to do. Webelos and their parents will be

grouped by pack to participate in a two-hour project. We'll do conservation projects, National Public Lands Day ceremonies, lunch, and projects for FIVE Activity Badges (Readyman and Outdoor Group), the Cub Scout World Conservation Award, and the Wildlife Conservation Academic Pin and Beltloop, plus leather craft, BBs, Archery, animal tracks. Bring fishing gear. Adults and Webelos will receive a patch. Webelos will receive a hiking stick.. Saturday lunch is provided.

**Cub Scout Family Camping
Adventure**

Sept. 25, 2004 – Sid Richardson

October 2, 2004 – Camp Tahuaya

October 9, 2004 – Sid Richardson

A weekend of fun for the whole family! Archery, BBs, Climbing Wall, Scavenger Hunt, Crafts, Campfire program, Nature hikes, Outdoor games, Chapel, Special Displays, dining hall meals, and More!! Siblings welcome.

COMMISSIONER SERVICE

What is a Unit Commissioner?

The healthier a unit, the more wonderful things will happen for the youth involved in Scouting. To help make this occur, the Boys Scouts of America provides a program of unit service through adult Scouters specifically commissioned to help chartered organizations and unit leaders to achieve the aims of Scouting by using the methods of Scouting. These commissioned Scouters wear a shoulder patch with a wreath surrounding the Scout symbol.

Broadly stated the goals of the Unit Commissioner are:

1. Help see that the objectives of Scouting are being carried out.
2. Assure that each unit has strong, competent leaders.
3. Promote regular meetings of unit committees.
4. Encourage growth in youth membership.
5. Help assure that Scouts and units take an active part in Dis-

trict and Council activities.

6. Foster a positive relationship between the chartered organization and its unit leaders.

Unit leaders, Commissioners are a resource!

YIS,
Bill Harrison
Roadrunner District Commissioner

**BOY SCOUT ROUNDTABLE**

At a recent Eagle Court of Honor, I had the joy of briefly working with four Staffers from Twin Arrows. One was the honoree, the other three were a part of the ceremony. One of them was handed a Script, he passed the information on to the second, the third walked in without even knowing he was in the ceremony and he was running very late as an attendee. Before he had a chance to sit down the call for the three Eagle Scouts to come forward, light the candles and recite their parts was called for by the Master of Ceremonies. The Third Eagle, with no prior knowledge of what he was going to do was motioned into the procession heading for the front of the

Church! He fell into perfect step, with total trust and through nothing more than that trust was led to the front of the Church in front of 120 people and carried out his part of the ceremony flawlessly. The Adult in charge had only given instruction to One Scout....."he" led the others. Sounds corny but that brought tears to my eyes. That is what this great thing called Scouting is all about.

I heard a Scoutmaster, knowing the above situation ask the question, "why can't the participants of Twin Arrows come back and do that for the Troop"? Each of those guys was 18 and an Eagle with about five years of

Twin Arrows experience each. They have trained hundreds of Scouts in the Patrol Method and the eight lessons of Twin Arrows in a near perfect Troop Setting and had learned the lessons well. Most of the above hundreds they have had a chance to influence for a three or four day period and send them back to their Troops to "Do Their Best" as they learned in Cub Scouting. In Twin Arrows they learn more and apply that to what the overworked, frustrated very busy Scoutmaster is trying to tell those Scouts. Many times in a less than perfect setting.

All that to say, tonight we have

one of those Twin Arrows Staffers here tonight to tell you what you as a Troop Leader can reasonably expect of a Scout who has attended Twin Arrows, Longhorn Council Youth Leader Training. The program has just been revised this past summer. Much has changed but the basic premise of Youth Leadership as Baden Powell intended remains.

Yours in Scouting,

Joe Marsh

LDS ROUNDTABLE

Thank you for supporting Roundtable!

All LDS Scout leaders will be meeting in the Library at 7pm prior to Roundtable; which begins at 7:30pm. Please be prompt so that we may join the meeting on time.

Last month everyone should have

received their welcome packet which included Program helps, applications, and other helpful information including the Fast Start training CD. That is your first step in being trained. Also make sure that you take advantage of the districts New Leader Essentials and Cub Scout Leader Specifics training. Youth Protec-

tion classes are offered or can be done on-line. Every Scout leader must be trained!

In October, our focus will be on Registration forms. With Recharter coming up we need to make sure that all Leaders and Scouts are registered and that the forms are filled out

correctly.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

~Anita Romrell
LDS Roundtable
Commissioner
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CUB SCOUT ROUNDTABLE

September is here and recruiting time with it. Keep up the good work planning your rally nights and the follow up parent meetings. With advance planning and communication I know that your pack will be successful in building up its numbers. Another key to maintaining a successful pack it to keep the

leaders trained. Remind your leaders that as the boys advance in rank and age the leaders need to continue training for the new programs. For example, last years Bear Den Leader needs to be trained for Webelos and Outdoor Webelos Leader Training. See the training sched-

ule for dates and times.

Another good source of supplemental training is Roundtable attendance. In September the Cub Scout Roundtable topic will be the Cub Scout Outdoor Program. In October the topic will be the uniform

and how to make boys want to wear it. In other words, make wearing the uniform fun.

Yours in Scouting,
Theresa Hubert
Cub Scout Round Table Commissioner

ORDER OF THE ARROW

We had the Order Of The Arrow Ordeal August 27-29th. It was a big success in spite of the rain. The Ceremony Team did an awesome job on Pre Ordeal and Ordeal Ceremonies. The Ceremony Team consisted of Ben Wilhite, Chase Bruton, Kyle LeGrand and Austin Bhatt.

We had 5 Candidates from Roadrunner that passed their Ordeal.

Attention all Cub Scout Leaders: If you would like OA to participate in your Bridging or Arrow of Light Ceremonies, please contact Ben Wilhite ASAP to get it on our schedule. 817-540-4250. (if you wait until the last minute there is

no guarantee that there will be a ceremony team available)

Attention all Scout Masters: We are looking to build a new Ceremony Team. If you have OA members that would be interested in participating, have them come to the next OA meeting at the September

2nd Roundtable.

The "BIG" Event: Netopolis' Sipo Schipinachk Birthday Party. October 1-3 for all OA members. This event with many activities will be at Worth Ranch. For more information, come see Jeff Doggett at roundtable.

BOY SCOUT ADVANCEMENT

Greeting Fellow Scouters:

Please join me in congratulating the following candidates that have completed their Eagle Boards successfully:

David Slick Troop 757

Ryan Curley Troop 340

Kyle LeGrand Troop 340

Michael McTee Troop 387

Brandon LaPray Troop 220

Thank you to all the Scouters who gave up their time to help these boys complete their "Road to Eagle."

The big event this month will be our "Life to Eagle" seminar on

Saturday September 11, 2004 at St Timothy's Presbyterian Church on Forest Ridge in Bedford from 9-noon. Please be prompt, we have much to cover.

We would like to invite Scoutmasters, Committee Chairs, Advancement Chairs, present and future Eagle Advisors, as well as all Life Scouts and their parents to this informative seminar. This seminar will enable your troop as well as the boys to be better prepared for Eagle Project Precertification's and Eagle Boards. We are requesting at LEAST ONE representative from each Troop attend in addition to any boys. This seminar is only offered once a year.

Eagle Boards and Precerts will be

on September 23rd. I am requesting that all Precert appointments be schedule before September 16th.

BSTBP Doug Bhatt
817-267-4970

ATTENTION SCOUTMASTERS,
TROOP COMMITTEE CHAIRS
AND TROOP COMMITTEE ADVANCEMENT CHAIRS!!!

The merit badge councilor list is out. We need you to go thru the list and inform us of any address changes, telephone number changes, or people that have died. Seriously, we voted and the only way you can now get off the list is

when I read your obituary in the newspaper.

We also need a representative from your troop here in December. Lists will be passed out for the MBC's in each troop for updating. The next major update will be in February of 2005 as we need to have our list ready for the Council in March.

We appreciate your help in this.

Todd Constant
Merit Badge Councilor
Coordinator

COMMUNITY SERVICE OTHER

BSA Good Turn for America

Good Turn for America is a national call to service by the Boy Scouts of America to address the issues of hunger, homelessness, and poor health in our nation. In this effort, the Boy Scouts of America is partnering with some of the nation's most respected service organizations, including The Salvation Army and Habitat for Humanity. These organizations, and thousands of others, will work to provide opportunities for youth and volunteers to fight hunger and homelessness, and teach the habits of healthy living.

Youth and volunteers are looking for ways to serve their communities. At the same time, service organizations need dedicated volunteer help. By working together, we can improve our young people, our communities, and the nation.

In order to fight hunger, provide shelter, and teach the habits of healthy living, the Boy Scouts of America asks your assistance. If your unit/group participated in a service project to benefit your community, we ask that you report the details on the national Good Turn For America website. A username and password that will enable each unit to enter details about its service projects was listed on the label on each unit's Fall Program Packet at the August Roundtables (and was distributed at Roundtables in the spring). If you need your unit's access code, please contact your district executive. See Longhorn Council website for more information.

New Tiger Cub Uniform

IRVING, Texas – Beginning August 1, 2004, Tiger Cubs will join their brother Cub Scouts by wearing the complete blue Cub Scout uniform with appropriate Tiger Cub insignia. The orange T-shirt will continue to be available for Tiger Cubs to wear as an activity shirt and will continue to be the official uniform for adult Tiger Cub partners.

The change, announced at the Boy Scouts of America's 2004 National Annual Meeting, is part of the Scouting movement's continuing effort to promote Tiger Cubs as an integral part of the Cub Scout pack.

Alan Westberg, national director of Cub Scouting, says the new uniform will help build enthusiasm for the program among Tiger Cub Scout-age boys and their parents.

"Many boys get their first taste of Scouting in Tiger Cubs. We believe that by offering a uniform that is more similar to those worn by older Cub Scouts, we will help our newest members feel even more a part of the Scouting program."

The uniform has been an integral part of Scouting since the earliest days of the movement. The uniform builds a sense of belonging and team within the unit, and positively influences recruitment and retention.

- Blue Uniform Shirt
- Blue Uniform Pants or Shorts
- Tiger Cub Web Belt With Buckle
- Tiger Cub Crew Socks
- Tiger Cub Cap
- Tiger Cub Neckerchief
- Tiger Cub Neckerchief Slide
- Den Numerals
- Unit Numerals
- World Scout Crest Emblem
- Council Shoulder Patch
- Tiger Cub Immediate Recognition Kit
- Badges Of Rank

MEMBERSHIP GROWTH FOR YOUR UNITS:

Recognizing that one of the most effective recruiters for Scouting is an Existing Scout, the BSA has produced a Special SCOUT RECRUITER PATCH, awarded to any Scout who brings a new member to his Pack or Troop. But, It is up to every leader to encourage boys to invite their friends. Show the patch at pack/troop meetings. Have a bring a friend night so that they can see the program in action or Make a den or patrol contest to see who can recruit the most. Remember, scouting cannot survive, if new scouts aren't recruited each year. Let's make this a banner year.

Our District Executive, Gale, should be contacted for the patches



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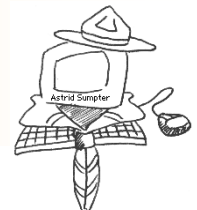
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NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS—

Submissions for each newsletter will be due no later than the Saturday evening before Roundtable. Submissions are subject to editing and approval of the District DE, Chairman, and Commissioner. News of coming events, unit successes, helpful suggestions, sites or resources, etc. are all welcome. Please submit to Astrid Sumpter by e-mail <astridsumpter@hotmail.com>, or by phone (hm: 817-283-0880).



SEPTEMBER 2004 CALENDAR

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