



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:

OCTOBER

Haunted House at Six Flags
01-03—Netopolis' Sipo Schipinachk Birthday Party
01—Show-n-sell full payment due
02—Tiger Cub Adventure Day
 Haunted House at Six Flags
02—Popcorn Final Payment With Product
07—Roundtable
08-10—Rock Climbing Training/Recert
09—Fall Festival
09—Cub Family Adventure
16—Fall Festival
16—Score-O
21—Rechartering Training
23—Fall Festival
30—Fall Festival

NOVEMBER

03—Youth Protection
04—Roundtable
04—OA Chapter Meeting
06—Cub Fun Day
13—University of Scouting
13—Highland Games
19-20—Popcorn Product Pickup

DECEMBER

01—Youth Protection
02—Roundtable
02—OA Chapter Meeting
26-30—Winter Camp/US Calvary Living History Camp
27-30—Twin Arrows JLT

ACTIVITIES

Online Recharting

Roadrunner District Scouters: Re-chartering will be done On Line for the first time this year in our District. Don't panic, it's easy, really! The training for this new way of re-chartering will be conducted for ALL units on Thursday, October 21 at 7:00 PM at St. Timothy Presbyterian Church on Forest Ridge just north of Harwood Road in Bedford. This is when re-charter packets will be distributed. **There will NOT be re-charter training on October 2 or October 9.** Please make sure you have the person in charge of re-chartering attend the meeting on October 21. If you would like to see how the program works please go to www.longhorncouncil.org and click on Commissioners and then on on-line re-chartering and you can try out the program. If you have any questions please contact District Commissioner at WJH_Harrison@hotmail.com or 817-283-8052 or me at 817-624-5527.

YIS, Gale J. Follett SDE

Detour at Sid Richardson

ATTENTION SCOUTERS
 Anyone planning to go to Sid Richardson scout ranch in the next few months, please be advised: The state is repairing the county bridge and BSA road (county road 3701) which we normally use to get to Sid Richardson is CLOSED. Please use the council website

(longhorncouncil.org). click on sid richardson scout ranch map for DETOUR MAP.

Cub Scout Safe Shoot

What a great way to begin the scouting year for cub scouts. On Sept 18 and 19 Roadrunner District hosted our annual Cub Safe-shoot at the Grapevine police range. Approximately 156 wolf, bear and 1st & 2nd year Webelos participated. This year was the first time our district added archery as well.

Having the event this early in the year gave those packs with newly formed Leadership a chance to participate in an activity without having to quickly come up with a Pack activity. Much thanks goes to the many volunteers and volunteer hours that go into an activity Such as this. From Pat Hadley, chairman for this event and his registration team, to Joe Robertson, bb range officer and his team; to Michael and Brenda West archery range officers and their team; and Dave Kaiser and his troop committee/scouts for providing refreshments.

The top winners in each sport from each rank will receive a prize and will be notified by Pat Hadley

TIGER CUB DAY

A great day for tiger cubs. Tiger Cub day was last Saturday, October 2.at Village of

Bear Creek Park, in Euless. About 282 tiger cubs came from all over Longhorn Council, not just HEB. Much thanks to Denice Taylor P320/T340 who has headed this event for the last 3 years and what a fantastic job she does. Also, much thanks to all the volunteer scouters of Roadrunner district that staffed this event, plus the many boy scouts of Roadrunner district that ran most of the activities. Every troop that had a boy scout at this event should be proud. They were great!

At the end of the day, there were happy tiger cub faces leaving the park.

Popcorn Fundraiser 2004

Show n Sell is now over. TAKE ORDERS are now on thru October 25, 2004.

Thanks to all the units that are participating in this worthwhile fundraiser. Units can earn up to 35% commission, and there are prizes for the boys that sell based on the amount of popcorn they sell, bigger sales, bigger prizes.

It is still not to late to sign up. Contact Gloria 817-283-7148 or Jana at 817-282-6272 (they have extra popcorn order forms).

POPCORN PRODUCT PICKUP will be NOVEMBER 19-20, 2004

ACTIVITIES CONT

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 ½ 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 Fun Day - Race To The Top - November 6, 2004

What you haven't heard...or worse than that, you haven't passed the information along to your fellow Cub Scouters? Saturday, November 6, 2004 at Texas Motor Speedway will be the date and location of this years Cub Scout Fun Day! A day that we have planned to be nothing but fun...Fun...FUN for all. Registration begins at 8:30am. Activities will run all day, except from Noon till 1:00pm (be sure to bring a sack lunch and your own water). At 4:00pm all gas powered vehicles, battery operated

transportation, and even those two legged powered conveyances will depart and go home. Don't miss this great day of fun!

For a registration form, please log onto www.longhorncouncil.org, go to the Cub Scout section and you will be able to access a registration form. This event is set-up for entire Packs, Dens, or even the individual Scout. If you register beforehand, you will save \$2.00. Pay \$8.00 now or \$10.00 at the gate. All registrations need to be mailed or delivered to: Cub Scout Fun Day, Longhorn Council, 4917 Briarhaven Road, Fort Worth, TX 76109.

If you have any questions, please contact the directors: Michael or Brenda West at 817-938-6011 (cell), 817-581-9612 (home), or at mbcwestern@aol.com.

Highland Games - in conjunction with the Gathering of the Clans

Nov. 13, 2004

Camp Tahuaya. The Games will be held on the same weekend as the Gathering of the Clans festival in Salado. Troops and Crews may camp at Tahuaya, participate in the morning Highland Games at Camp, and visit the nearby Highland Festival in the afternoon and evening. This is a Venturing Event, that is also open to Boy Scouts, Varsity Team members, & adults. The Highland Games program includes: clackneart (small stone throw), Braemar (big stone throw), hammer throw, sheaf toss, caber toss, weight toss, Highland dancing, and more. Equipment, kilts, and awards provided. Adult, youth, male, and female divisions in highland games.

TRAINING

Hello Scouters,

We are now through our first couple of training courses for the year. Baloo went off without a hitch. New Leader Essentials and Leader Specifics however met with its share of challenges.

We were also able to offer Den Chief Training. During the NLE portion of the program Miss Denice Taylor put on a Den Chief Training program for approximately 6 Scouts. It is always exiting to see the Den Chief program at work.. For those of you who are searching for a Den chief contact Denice at 817-284-3134, she will be glad to put you in touch with a Trained Den Chief willing to serve.

Yes, this is a call for Trainers. We were short of trainers for our NLE/LS courses. While attendance was lighter than expected almost all attendees were from Roadrunner.

We need staff for upcoming courses and we would encourage any of our former trainers to please come forth a look at the schedule and see if you can lend a hand.

We are in the process of scheduling a COR Training session for those of you needing to get your COR's up and running. This course will be offered during one of the upcoming Roundtable's. Look for information to come.

Could not make the last round of training; feel free to ask if there are other dates available to take care of your training needs. The district Web site is a great resource or you may contact me at 817-605-9846.

YIS, Peter Riddlebarger—
Training Chairman

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

For this month's roll call training, I have decided to touch on a couple of barriers to abuse within scouting. The BSA has adopted these policies to provide additional security for our members. They are primarily for the protection of our youth members, however, they also serve to protect our adult leaders from false accusations of abuse.

Two-deep leadership
Two registered adult leaders or one registered leader and a parent of a participant, one of whom must be 21 years of age or older, are required on all trips and outings. The chartered organization is responsible for ensuring that sufficient leadership is provided for all activities.

No one-on-one contact
One-on-one contact between adults and youth members is not permitted. In situations that require personal conferences, such as a Scoutmaster's conference, the meeting is to be conducted in view of other adults and youths.

Youth protection training will be held on Wednesday, November 3, 2004 at Saint Philip Presbyterian Church. Class will begin at 7:00 pm in the church library, which is located on the west end of the building. Please make arrangements for care. At the request of church staff, children will not be permitted to accompany their parents to youth protection training.

Joe Robertson
Youth Protection Chairman

TRAINING CONT...

**University of Scouting**

Adult Leader Training for You and Your Unit

November 13th, 2004
at the TCC NE Campus
828 Harwood Road
Hurst, TX 76054

Check-in: 8:00AM
Classes: 8:30AM - 4:30PM

Fees: \$10 by Nov. 1st, \$20
after Nov. 1st

See the Longhorn council website for more details
(www.longhorncouncil.org)

Rock Climbing Training (& Rock/Tower Recert. Classes)

Oct. 8-10, 2004

Rock Climbing Training (& Rock/Tower Recert. Classes). This course is designed to certify ADULTS to lead climbing and rappelling activities for their units on rock. Completion

of this training qualifies the participant as a BSA Instructor, able to lead single or multi-unit activities at any location. Course is Friday evening through late Sunday afternoon at SR2. There is no class size limit, but pre-registration is required. Course participants may also get a Tower card on Sunday afternoon. 4-hour Rock and Tower Recert classes are held Saturday at 8:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Re-Certification courses are ONLY offered to currently certified Instructors who are coming up on their renewal time.

Twin Arrows JLT

Dec. 27-30, 2004
Troop 154, at Camp Shuman. Applications will be on the council website in November.

COMMISSIONER SERVICE

Recharter time is here with a new twist. Each unit will have access to their unit records via the internet. One individual from each unit should be assigned the task of connecting and doing your recharter on line. The traditional recharter packages minus a charter (the

list of official members) will be provided units on Thursday October 21st at 7:00 pm, at St. Timothy's Presbyterian Church on Forest Ridge. Formal instruction on how to recharter will be provided.

Your Commissioner Service can be a resource to help Units through the process. I hope to see a representative from each unit that evening.

YIS,

Bill Harrison

District Commissioner Roadrunner District

BOY SCOUT ROUNDTABLE

Welcome to November,

First of all, I would like to thank Charlie for helping out in our Roundtable each and every month with his "Scouting Gems" offering a connection and an explanation in a fun way to our Scouting traditions. Thank you very much Charlie.

I would also like to congratulate the two winners from September Roundtable in Charlie's Philmont quiz. Congratulations to Linda Jones and Bobby Rains for knowing all the like extras about Philmont.

After watching Florida get raked be four Hurricanes this past month and reading that one in five houses in that State have been damaged, I read about a Scoutmaster who had been asked by the Mayor of his town to please help. The Mayor knew the Scouts could cook and rehydrate 1000 or more folks a day, offer awnings to get folks out of the sun and be runners for the Emergency workers freeing more employees to do their jobs. Scouting in Action! Thinking about this and realizing that I had no information on what part,

if any our local Governments had in mind for Scouts in the event of an emergency, I went to talk with Hurst, Bedford and Eules fire officials, as they are the "Emergency Managers" locally. I came across Section Chief R.G. Nash with Order of the Arrow patches hanging on his bulletin board and O.A. manuals sitting on his desk. He is a father in Troop 254 and has been working with 254 to get their Scouts up to speed on Emergency Preparedness by working with them on the Merit

Badge. Chief Nash and Deputy Chief Carl Collum both of the Bedford Fire Department thought it was a good idea to address the Roundtable on this subject. Tonight our speaker will be Deputy Chief Carl Collum of the Bedford Fire Department with information on how Scouts can help in the event of an Emergency. Who to contact and how to get involved.

Yours in Scouting,

Joe Marsh

ORDER OF THE ARROW

Roadrunner District welcomes Tony Wooten as OA (Order of the Arrow) Chapter Advisor

Tony comes on board with 31 years in the scouting program.

Chapter meetings are held the first Thursday of each month at 7

p.m. at the same location as our roundtables (St Philip Presbyterian Church, Precinct and Pipeline, Hurst).

Tony reports that the 1st conclave of our lodge was held on October 1,2,3 at Worth Ranch. Everyone that attended had a great time.

The weekend was called the "Big Event". Happy Birthday to Netapolis Sipo Schipinachk

Coming in the near future: Renewal of OA Dues and Troop Elections

To contact Tony: Hm: 817-

283-1836

Cell: 817-300-6630

E-mail: top-scout@sbcglobal.net

BOY SCOUT ADVANCEMENT

Hi Scouters- last month we had five Precerts and all of them passed on the first go around-great job advisors. Just a couple of date reminders. This month the Eagle Boards and Precerts will be October 28. Next month the Boards and Precerts will be on November 18, with BOR pa-

perwork turned in on November 4. In December the Boards and Precerts will be held on December 16 with turn ins on December 2. Please make your Eagle candidates aware of these dates.

On September 11 we had our annual Life to Eagle seminar. We

had six troops officially represented and twenty two parents and scouts. Two of our troops were represented by seasoned advisors who attended last years' seminar. Thank you to all who attended and we hope that you walked away with a better under-

standing of the Eagle Candidate process.

BSTBP
Doug Bhatt
District Advancement Chairman
Roadrunner District
817/267-4970

FINANCE

2005 Family Friends of Scouting Campaign

The Longhorn Council depends on the Friends of Scouting Campaign for 30% of its operating budget. A significant portion of that campaign comes from families enrolled in scouting (42% of the Friends of Scouting campaign). Currently 19% of scouting families provide support through tax deductible pledges and gifts to the Council. This funding is used to provide direct support to units through training classes, weekend activities, communication

services, monthly continuing education, advancement record-keeping and recruiting for new members and leaders. It is also used to develop community and council wide service projects and other efforts designed to enhance and extend scouting for the boy, the family, and the unit leaders.

Now is the time for unit leaders to start preparing their units for the 2005 FOS campaign. If you have not already scheduled your 2005 FOS presentation date (thumbs up to Packs 307, 320, and 333) please do so as soon as possible.

If you have a favorite presenter, please let me know and I will do my best to meet your request. I also need each unit to select a unit coordinator to work with my team to facilitate the presentation and follow up processes.

Our district met its 2004 goal (as well as 2003) and I would like to make it three in a row for 2005. As a re-chartering reminder, having scheduled your 2005 FOS presentation is a requirement to earn the Commissioner's Award, which

entitles a unit to free cloth rank advancement patches for a year.

If you have any questions or would like to schedule a presentation, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Bill Jesse
FOS Chairman
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CAMPING

Cub Scout Family Camping Adventure

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.

Winter Camp and US Cavalry Living History Camp

Dec. 26-30, 2004

Three options: traditional Merit Badge Camp at Lakeview Lodge, Horsemanship program (part of the Merit Badge camp), and an 1872 U.S. Cavalry Outpost for youth age 13 and older. 9:00 a.m. December 26th to 8:00 PM campfire, December 30th. Cavalry Outpost includes authentic uniforms, food, and equipment, a large battle reenactment against

local Civil War reenactment groups, and a overnight stay in the barracks at Fort Richardson on December 30-31.

US Cavalry Living History Winter Camp

December 26-31, 2004

Learn the the history of 1870's frontier Texas as you serve for a week as a Cavalry soldier. The 1872 U.S. Cavalry Company program is for Boy Scouts age 13 and older, and Venturing Crew members age

14 and older. Schedule: 9:00 a.m. December 26th to 8:00 PM campfire, December 30th, with an overnight stay in the barracks at Fort Richardson on December 30-31. Cavalry Outpost includes authentic.

OTHER

**SCOUTING'S BOTTOM LINE
WHEN BOYS JOIN SCOUTING,
WHAT DO THEY BECOME?**

For every 100 boys who join Scouting:

- 2 will become Eagle Scouts
- 17 will become future Scout Volunteers
- 12 will have their first contact with a church
- 1 will enter the Clergy
- 5 will earn their Church Award
- 18 will develop a lifelong hobby
- 8 will enter a vocation learned through the Merit Badge program
- 1 will use Scouting skills to save his own life
- 1 will use Scouting skills to save the life of another person
- RARELY will one be brought before the juvenile court system

Scouting's alumni record is equally impressive.

- 85% of Student Council Presidents were Scouts
- 89% of Senior Class Presidents were Scouts
- 80% of Junior Class Presidents were Scouts
- 71% of Football Captains were Scouts

Scouts also account for:

- 64% of Air Force Academy Graduates
- 68% of West Point Graduates
- 70% of Annapolis Graduates
- 72% of Rhodes Scholars
- 85% of FBI Agents
- 26 of the First 29 Astronauts

A Harris & Associates survey conducted in 1995 finds that of people who were Scouts:

- 98% graduate from high school compared to 83% of non-Scouts
- 40% graduate from college and only 16% of non-Scouts graduate
- 33% have \$50,000 plus incomes and non-Scouts, 17%

**Boy Scout and Adult
Volunteers are Needed:**

Volunteers and ideas are needed! We are the directors this year for the Cub Scout Fun Day at Texas Motor Speedway on Saturday, November 6, 2004. We are planning at least 30 individual activities for the Cubbies, but WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We need volunteers to help work the stations, run the archery and BB ranges, help set-up and clean up. Our plans this year are to run 2 ranges each, so we need several certified rangemasters and assistants. We need people with ideas on fun activities for the Cub Scouters. Troop(s) to help show how to do lashings, build a monkey bridge and other activities that are planned. Did you help last year? Whether you did or not, if you can spare a day, we need your help.

If your Troop or volunteers from your Troop can help us, we need them and would greatly appreciate the help. This is a great day for Boy Scouts to earn service hours. If a Boy Scout wants to help without his Troop being there, we ask that he be at least a First Class Scout. Please contact us – immediately would be better – so we can start finalizing our plans and have time to purchase whatever supplies are needed. You can reach us at:

Michael West - mbcwestern@aol.com, cell: 817-938-6011, work: 817-605-9220; or

Brenda West - Brenda.west@tyc.state.tx.us, cell: 817-680-4603, work: 817-378-2137.

Home: 817-581-9612.

Troop 387 Garage Sale

The 12th annual Troop 387 family Garage/parking lot sale
When: Saturday, Oct. 30
Beginning at 8 a.m.

Where: Dr. Michael Bell, DDS
office parking lot
308 Harwood Road,
Hurst (just west of Brown Trail)

Questions/donations: Bob
Ricks 817-485-0751

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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).



OCTOBER 2004 CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7 ROUNDTABLE	8	9 Fall Festival Cub Family Ad- venture
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 Fall Festival Score-O
17	18	19	20	21 Recharting Training	22	23 Fall Festival
24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30 Fall Festival