



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.scoutxing.com

SPECIAL DATES OF INTEREST:

APRIL

7-9-SR 747 Woodbadge
 7-9 - Spring Camporee
 20 - Council Dinner
 Eagle Board of Review/Precert
 27-District Dinner

MAY

4 - Roundtable
 11-Committee Meeting
 13 - Scout Show
 25-Commissioners Meeting

JUNE

12-16 - Twilight Cub Scout Day
 Camp

ACTIVITIES

Annual District Dinner & Awards Ceremony

Thursday, April 27, 2006. 7pm. TCC NE Campus in Hurst.
 Cost: \$18.00 per person. \$22.00 if received after April 23, 2006 Catered by Carrabba's Italian Grille of Hurst Reservations to Gloria or our District Executive, Alan Earl.

Note: Ping Mayo is working on the district slideshow for this dinner. She needs your help. Please call 817-590-8164 or email her at kpscscouts@sbcglobo.net if you have photos from your unit that you would like to share.

Also Denise Taylor, another member of the Dinner Committee is looking for door prizes for the dinner. Please call 817-284-3134 or email at datay@airmail.net. Deadline is April 15 to donate items or photos.

Silver Beaver Recipient

Roadrunner Scouter selected as Silver Beaver Recipient:
 Bill Harrison, our District Commissioner has been selected as one of the Silver Beaver recipients from Longhorn Council. He will receive his award at the annual council meeting and banquet on Thursday, April 20, 2006.

If you wish to attend the banquet, go to the Longhorn council web page for dinner reservation form.

Congratulations Bill!

Scout Show 2006

Start your engines for the May 13th 2006 Scout Show! It will be a day of excitement for all those that attend the Scout Show at the Fort Worth Stock Yards!
 It runs from 10 am to 3pm. The Scout Show is sponsored by the Longhorn Council as an opportunity to showcase your unit at the show and also raise money for spring and summer

activities when you participate in the discount card sales.
 The Roadrunner District will be having a sign-up table at our March and April Roundtable:

1. Sign up to participate in the Scout Show and / or
 2. Sign up to participate in the 2006 discount card sales.
- can do either or both.

1. **Scout Show** Please turn in a reservation sheet for your unit that lists what kind of activity, demo or game you would like to do to Denise Taylor. Each unit will have a booth size approximately 10' by 10'. Please plan for something overhead for shade. Show case your unit flags or banners at your booth. Designate a "Scout Show Activity Coordinator" for your unit. April 14 is the requested deadline to reserve a booth site for the Scout Show.

2. **Longhorn Council Discount Cards.** Please turn in a Scout Show coupon card order form to Ping Mayo. Designate a "Discount Card Coordinator" for your unit. Ping will be coordinating the Discount card sales for our district.

The Longhorn Council will supply each unit with the Discount cards customized to the community of the unit. Scouts sell the cards for \$10.00 and the unit makes \$3.00 on each card sold. Unit orders for Blitz Day need to be turned in at the April Roundtable at the latest so that the cards can be available for distribution. Please contact Ping. The Roadrunner District Blitz Day (One- Day Sales campaign) will be Saturday April 15th at St. Phillip's parking lot.(east side)

starting at 830am. On Blitz Day, the unit keeps 40% of the sales money! Cards can continue to be sold after that date but Blitz Day really can help you earn more money.

Patches for Scout Show participants will be distributed at the Scout Show on May 13th. Hope you will plan to participate! Ping Mayo (H-817-590-8164) and Denise Taylor (H-817-284-3134) Roadrunner Scout Show Committee Members

CAMPING

Roadrunner District 2006 Spring Camporee

Sid Richardson Scout Ranch. Your Troop is invited to attend the annual Roadrunner District Spring Camporee. This year's theme is "Team Quest". The Camporee dates are April 7-9 2006 at Camp 9. This will be team building skills. I would like to thank all the troops that are participating. At this time, we have 13 troops and 2 crews coming. This is a total of 272 youth and adults. Remember we would like to have your money by the April roundtable. Thanks for all your help, Jim Thomson

Twilight Cub Scout Day Camp

June 12-16, 2006. Time: 3:30pm-8pm Location: Village of Bear Creek Park in Euless. On-time registration fee: \$65. Late registration: \$75. Camp Director: Richard Sea - 817-318-0870 (richardsea@comcast.net) Camp Program Director: Irene Phaup-817-847-6322 (iphaupt@emsisd.com)

Richard and Irene are looking for Adults and Boy Scouts to fill Mission Support Specialist positions. Additional Adults are needed for Mission Training Coordinators to escort the Cubs during camp

ORDER OF THE ARROW

Hello my fellow Arrowmen,

I hope this article finds everyone healthy and happy.

I want to remind everyone that we are holding out Woaplanne chapter Order of the Arrow Call outs this next Saturday night April 8th at the Spring Camporee. This year we have 52 Candidates youth and adult. The fire band has been lifted so we will be having a full ceremony. For the Candidates who are unable to attend this Call out, we will try to have a chapter Call out before the Spring Ordeal in May but, this has not been finalized yet. We should have a great Camporee and Call out. I hope to see you all there. The Chapter Chief or I may be calling on some of you to assist us with some of the preparations on Saturday, so if you have some time and would like to help out please let me know.

I would also like to remind everyone that your dues expired at the end of December each year. So if you have not paid you 2006 dues yet you can see me or go to the Council office service center and pay your dues and get your card there. I always have cards, patches and registration forms with me.
SEE YOU ALL AT THE CAMPOREE!!
Tony Wooten

TRAINING

Hello Fellow Roadrunner Scouters,

New Boy Scouts arriving into Troops daily. Summer Camp planing in full swing. This is always an exiting time of the year for the Troops and most of for those new parents and new Boy Scouts.

This migration to Boys Scouts always bring new training opportunities for Troops and their new members. As your Troops begin to register the new scouts please remember that you need help. I am sorry, I know all Troop can always use their share of trained help.

The Roadrunner District trainers are ready to support your needs. Please review the council Calendar for upcoming courses. If the dates do not match up with your need please suggest that they consider going out of council to get their training under way.

As always feel free to ask questions we will be glad to be of service.
Peter Riddlebarger

Woodbadge

2006 Courses SR-746

Brock Smith, Course Director
Sid Richardson - Mar 31 - Apr 2
Sid Richardson - April 21 - 23
w - 940.627.6333 h - 940.627.7422
bsmith@woodbadge.org

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Joe Woodwell, Course Director
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jwoodwell@woodbadge.org

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630.248.6239
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Combined Lakeview/Roadrunner Training

March 2006

Scoutmaster Outdoor Leader Skills
(Lakeview Lead)
Friday-Sunday, March 3-5 - Hills and
Hollows, Denton
Outdoor Webelos Leader Training
(Lakeview Lead)
Friday-Saturday, March 3-4 - Hills and
Hollows, Denton

COMMISSIONERS CORNER

Scouters,

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped with our District programs during the 2005-2006 year. It is the dedication, and selfless service of our volunteers that make Roadrunner the great District that it is. I you can attend the District Dinner / Awards Banquet on April 27th where we can formally recognize our volunteers.

I am completing my two year tour as District Commissioner this month. Karl Ross, my ADC for LDS units has been asked to take on the role as District Commissioner. I have been asked to serve as the District Vice Chairman for the coming year. Come to the District Annual meeting next Thursday, April 13th and voice your opinion. Appointees must have Council approval, but are voted on by the District volunteers.

YIS, Bill Harrison

BOY SCOUT ADVANCEMENT

Hello Scouters--
Please congratulate James Peterson from Troop 348. He has completed and passed his Eagle Board of Review.

All Scout leaders—VERY IMPORTANT!!!!!! Due to the District Dinner being on the same night as our scheduled BOR's and Precerts in April I will be moving up the BOR's and Precerts to April 20. Please let your scouts know this info so that they can plan accordingly. Eagle packets must be in by April 6 and the cutoff for Precert scheduling is April 13.

See you at the District dinner.

CUB SCOUT ROUNDTABLE

Cub Scouters,

Spring is in the air and just around the corner. Stop and look at the beauty of budding nature. Cub Scouts can help nature along by planting flower gardens to attract butterflies and bees to pollinate. Learn about helpful insects such as ladybugs, praying mantis, and spiders by going on an insect safari. Amaze yourselves and friends by building an ant farm and watch these critters at work. Make bug jars and display your bug zoo at the pack meeting. This is the time to be outdoors-there are endless choices for dens and packs.

YIS, Theresa Hubert

CAMPING CONT...

missions. Mission Control personnel Certified in Projectile Launch Stations are needed to coordinate Space Defense simulation stations.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

SCOUTING FOR FOOD:

This will be my final call for totals on your Scouting for Food campaign for 2006. If your Unit has not contacted me to provide me with the following information, please do so by the end of this week. I need:

Number of items donated

Agency where donations were delivered

Number of Scouts involved

Number of Adults involved

You guys always do an awesome job on the Scouting for Food campaign. I really appreciate all the work that each Unit does to help our local communities. Thank you!

Please send me your report as quickly as possible: e-mail: brenda.west@tvc.state.tx.us or by phone: 817-378-2137 (wk), 817-581-9612 (hm).

YIS, Brenda J. West

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Combined
May 2006
Cub Scout NLS and Leader Specific
Training (Roadrunner Lead)
Saturday, May 13, 9am – New Council
office
Troop Committee Challenge
(Roadrunner Lead)
Saturday, May 13, 9am – Location
TBD

ONLINE COURSES

Youth Protection (in English and Spanish)
Fast Start is now available online for
Cub Scout, Boy Scout and Venturing
Leaders.
Safely Afloat Training
Safe Swim Defense Training

<http://www.longhorncouncil.org/training/default.htm> For all online training

FINANCE

2006 Family Friends of Scouting Campaign

As you can see from the above data, the 2005-2006 Friends of Scouting Campaign is well under way. We have completed 29 presentations and have collected close to 53% of the District's goal of \$55,000.

My records indicate the following units have NOT scheduled a FOS presentation. Please contact me ASAP to set up at presentation date. We will not have any possibility of reaching our objective if we do not have 100% participation.

Pack 253, Pack 371, Pack 374

Based on current projections, the District IS on pace to meet its goal of \$55,000. This favorable projection is contingent on the remaining units pledging at the same 2005 level. If your unit has had their presentation and you are aware of families that were not present, please let your respective unit FOS coordinator or myself know so we can do our best to contact them about the possibility of a pledge. As we all know, volunteers drive the scouting program, but funding is necessary to provide the program's "fuel".

For any additional information please contact me at 817-354-7142 or email at bill-jesse@comcast.net. Thank you in advance for helping making this a successful campaign.

MEMBERSHIP

WEBELOS TO SCOUT TRANSITION

Packs, in your box tonight you will find a Webelos to Scout Transition form that needs to be completed and returned to us -tonight- if possible. We need this information in order to track our Webelos for the District and to get a count of how many Cub Scouts are transitioning over to Boy Scouts. The completed form can be given to either Michael West, Brenda West, or Alan Earl.

Troops, as you take in these new boys, please be sure to have an application completed on them and turned the applications into either us or Alan Earl. After the Packs have completed their Webelos to Scout Transition report, we will be confirming that all necessary paperwork has been completed. If your Unit has already submitted your applications, Thank You!

Remember, with summer camp just around the corner we need to be sure all boys are registered so that they have insurance coverage.

If you have any questions, please contact either of us: Michael & Brenda West - e-mail: brenda.west@tvc.state.tx.us , 817-378-2137 (wk), 817-581-9612 (hm), 817-938-6011 (cell) or Alan Earl at e-mail: bsaroadrunner@aol.com , 817-231-8527.

YIS, Michael and Brenda West

SPRING RALLYS

Spring has sprung, the Webelos have transitioned and now it is time for us to set our eyes to looking for new upcoming Tiger Cubs and Cub Scouts. Your Pack may have lost several boys due to your Webelos crossing over. Lets work together to fill those empty slots with new boys. That being said, it's time for **Spring Rallys!** Each Pack will find a Roadrunner Round-up sheet that needs to be completed indicating what date you desire to conduct a Rally at your Chartered Organization. Due to the number of Packs in our District, we are requesting three different dates from you. We will attempt to meet as many first choices as possible, but please understand there are only so many of us to conduct the Rally's. Please be sure to plan on conducting your Rally at your Chartered Organization. Alan

Earl, our District Executive will take care of printing flyers for the various schools, and checking with the schools to see if we can go in and do boy talks. If someone with your Pack is available to help with the boy talks we would really appreciate it!

Once you have completed the form, please be sure to turn it into either Michael or Brenda West, or you can e-mail the information to us at: brenda.west@tvc.state.tx.us , 817-378-2137 (wk), 817-581-9612 (hm), 817-938-6011 (cell) or send it to Alan Earl at e-mail: bsaroadrunner@aol.com , 817-231-8527. If you e-mail it to us, you will receive an e-mail back confirming receipt of your request.

Remember, any new boys that complete an application and pays their registration are eligible to attend Cub Scout Twilight Camp this summer! What better way to show them how much fun Cub Scouting is all about! Please, don't miss this great opportunity to expand your Pack! Complete the form and turn it in as quickly as possible!

YIS, Michael and Brenda West

RECOGNITION / OTHER

Webelos High Sea Adventure

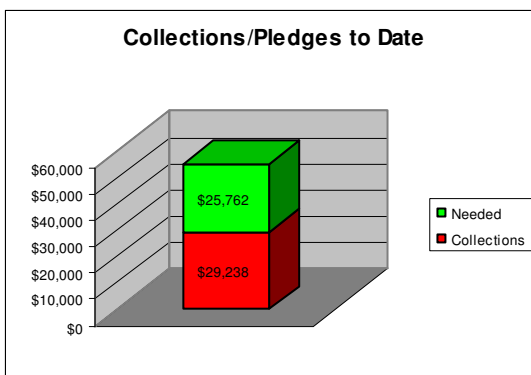
The annual Webelos High Sea Adventure will take place May 20, 2006, at Lake Grapevine. Boy Scout Troop 250 invites all Webelos and their parents to this activity, which will run from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

We hope to get all the boys out sailing or canoeing with our adult leaders and Boy Scout first mates. Shoreline sailing and canoeing lessons will be available. There will also be fishing and waterfront games. This is a great opportunity to see Boy Scouts in real action.

Troop 250 will provide lunch, drinks, boats and life jackets. Contact Scoutmaster Richard Gladstone at gladstone20@comcast.net or 817-545-2419 by May 7 to reserve your spot.

This is an event you don't want to miss!

Collections/Pledges to Date



ROADRUNNER DISTRICT CONTACTS

District Executive—Alan Earl (817-231-8527)

Email: bsaroadrunner@aol.com

District Chairman—Eric Wilhite (817-685-1637)

Email: ewilhite@ci.euless.tx.us

District Commissioner—Bill Harrison (817-283-8052)

Email: wjh_harrison@hotmail.com

District Vice Chair—Gloria Coyle (817-283-7148)

Email: lgycoyle@sbcglobal.net

Activities Chair—

Advancement Chair—Doug Bhatt (817-267-4970)

Email: recreate@comcast.net

Camping Chair—Jim Thomason (817-354-6322)

Email: jbothom@sbcglobal.net

Public Relations Chair—

Training Chair—Peter Riddlebarger (817-605-9846)

Email: pcriddle@sbcglobal.net

Boy Scout Roundtable—Tim Rogers (817-355-5195)

Email: tirogers00@comcast.net

Cub Scout Roundtable—Theresa Hubert (817-858-0682)

Email: tepe3a@mac.com

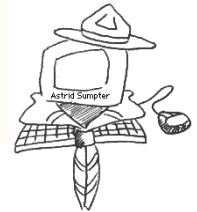
Order of the Arrow Advisor—Tony Wooten (817-283-1836)

Email: topscout@sbcglobal.net

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: 817-283-8999).



APRIL 2006 CALENDAR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3	4	5	6 Roundtable	7 Camporee	8 Camporee
9 Camporee	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 Eagle Board of Reviews Council Dinner	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 District Dinner	28	29
30	31					