

JOURNEY TO EXCELLENCE



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**2012 Annual Report
Golden Spread Council, BSA**

Message from the Council Leadership

Continuing on the successes of the past several years, 2012 set new records for Scouting in our Golden Spread Council.

The year began with a visit by Chief Scout Executive Bob Mazzuca to our Good Scout Lunch. This event honored Ben and Peggy Bruckner and Rod Schroder and was a great way to begin the New Year. We also presented Silver Beaver awards to Audrey House of Hooker, Oklahoma, and James Schulte and Jeff Popp, both of Amarillo, Texas.

Spring activities included a Cub Scout Loop-a-Rama, Boy Scout Camporee, and Merit Badge University, among many others. Attendance and program were exemplary in all cases. Summer activities included an additional week at Camp MK Brown Boy Scout Summer Camp; new opportunities included the "Western Heritage" program which proved to be a huge hit with Scouts.

In the fall our Cub Scout Spook-o-Ree event continued to be a hit with boys and families. The event expanded to three weekends, and attendance increased to 991 Cub Scouts (plus their families and siblings!). Throughout the year we saw increases in membership which resulted in 6,111 youth members in 2012. Providing leadership to these youth are more than 1,900 dedicated adult volunteers. We applaud their hard work on behalf of our youth.

2011 saw the beginning of the "Journey to Excellence" program from BSA. It is designed to recognize councils for quality membership, program, finance, and governance. In 2011, our council attained GOLD status in the Journey to Excellence; this designation is designed to recognize the top 10% of councils. In 2012, our council again achieved GOLD status in the Journey to Excellence.

As you review the information in this Annual Report we believe you'll see that Scouting is growing and vibrant in the panhandles of Texas and Oklahoma!



Puff Niegos
President



Rob Law
Commissioner



Andy Price
Scout Executive



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2012 - Achievements

- **GOLD JTE Status** – The council attained the highest level of recognition from Boy Scouts of America again in 2012. Only 23 councils in the Southern Region have attained GOLD status two years in a row.
- **Eagle Scouts** – 79 Boy Scouts attained the rank of Eagle Scout in 2012. This year marked the 100th anniversary of the first Eagle Scout.
- **Membership** – Scouting grew more than 10% in 2012 to serve more than 6,100 youth and 1,900 adults throughout the panhandles of Texas and Oklahoma.
- **Advancement** – 4,020 advancements were earned in 2012. This represents an increase of nearly 13%.
- **Western Heritage** – The newest program at Camp MK Brown was the “Western Heritage” program instituted in 2012 to great success. Scouts learned about horsemanship, Native American culture, branding, chuckwagon cooking, and many more things.
- **Service to Underprivileged Youth** – The council expanded its service to underprivileged youth throughout the panhandles to 732 youth in 23 Scouting units.
- **Spook-o-Ree** – This popular Cub Scout program grew to 4 different weekend activities with more than 2,000 attendees.



Journey to Excellence

“Scouting’s Journey to Excellence” is the BSA’s new council performance recognition program designed to encourage and reward success and measure the performance of our units, districts, and councils. It is replacing the Centennial Quality Awards Program as a means of encouraging excellence in providing a quality program at all levels of the BSA. Units, districts, and councils are recognized as Bronze, Silver, or Gold depending on a points system.

Congratulations to the following units that also attained GOLD status:

Pack 1776 (chartered to Comanche Trail Church Of Christ)
Pack 3001 (chartered to Ridgecrest School PTA)
Pack 3004 (chartered to University Church Of Christ Inc)
Pack 3006 (chartered to Belmar Elementary PTA)
Pack 3007 (chartered to Friends of Sleepy Hollow Elementary)
Pack 3016 (chartered to Kiwanis Club Vega)
Pack 3021 (chartered to St Marys Knights Of Columbus Council)
Pack 3024 (chartered to Olsen Park PTA)
Pack 3025 (chartered to Plum Creek Fellowship)
Pack 3039 (chartered to Dumas First Christian Church)
Pack 3056 (chartered to Friends of Friona Pack 56)
Pack 3076 (chartered to Kiwanis Club Vega)
Pack 3077 (chartered to Lions Club Lake Tanglewood)
Pack 3080 (chartered to Eighty Scouts, Inc.)
Pack 3081 (chartered to Friends of Southlawn Pack 81)
Pack 3097 (chartered to Friends of Bushland Elementary School)
Pack 3130 (chartered to Gene Howe PTA)
Pack 3146 (chartered to Rotary Club of Boise City)
Pack 3256 (chartered to Perryton First United Methodist Church)
Pack 3257 (chartered to Booker United Methodist Church)
Pack 3271 (chartered to First United Methodist Church Canadian)
Pack 3404 (chartered to Pampa First Christian Church)
Pack 3425 (chartered to McLean United Methodist Church)

Pack 3435 (chartered to Lions Club Memphis)
Pack 3472 (chartered to Methodist Church Wheeler)
Pack 3479 (chartered to First United Methodist Church of Miami)
Pack 3480 (chartered to New Life Alliance)
Pack 3501 (chartered to Panhandle Lions Club)
Pack 3548 (chartered to First United Methodist Church)
Pack 3565 (chartered to Borger Kiwanis Club)
Troop 10 (chartered to St Stephens West)
Troop 54 (chartered to St Anthonys Catholic Church)
Troop 62 (chartered to River Road Baptist Church)
Troop 80 (chartered to Eighty Scouts, Inc.)
Troop 87 (chartered to St Thomas The Apostle Catholic Church)
Troop 94 (chartered to St Stephen United Methodist Church)
Troop 98 (chartered to Paramount Baptist Church)
Troop 199 (chartered to Dumas First Christian Church)
Troop 413 (chartered to St Matthews Episcopal Church)
Troop 472 (chartered to Wheeler Banking Center)
Troop 473 (chartered to First United Methodist Church Shamrock)
Troop 501 (chartered to Panhandle Lions Club)
Troop 507 (chartered to Kiwanis Club Borger)
Troop 1221 (chartered to St Marys Knights Of Columbus Council)
Troop 1581 (chartered to Borger Elks Lodge #1581)



And congratulations to the following units that earned SILVER status:

Crew 2012 (chartered to Marine Corps League Roan Creek 992)
Pack 2954 (chartered to American Legion Hanson Post 54)
Pack 3010 (chartered to Windsor PTA)
Pack 3019 (chartered to Friends of Lefors Elementary)
Pack 3036 (chartered to First Assembly of God)
Pack 3038 (chartered to First United Methodist Church Stratford)
Pack 3041 (chartered to St Anthonys Catholic Church)
Pack 3075 (chartered to Friends Of Bivins Elementary)
Pack 3142 (chartered to Panhandle Centenary United Methodist Church)
Pack 3143 (chartered to Guymon Knights Of Columbus #3309)
Pack 3250 (chartered to LDS Perryton Branch)
Pack 3301 (chartered to St Thomas The Apostle Catholic Church)
Pack 3431 (chartered to First United Methodist Church Wellington)
Pack 3450 (chartered to Lions Club Childress)
Pack 3473 (chartered to First United Methodist Church Shamrock)
Pack 3578 (chartered to Green Country Equipment Inc)
Pack 3883 (chartered to White Deer First United Methodist Church)
Pack 3939 (chartered to Cal Farleys Boys Ranch)
Troop 4 (chartered to University Church Of Christ Inc)
Troop 51 (chartered to Nazarene Christian Academy)
Troop 66 (chartered to Historic Route 66 Association of Amarillo)
Troop 73 (chartered to Friends of Bushland Middle School)
Troop 86 (chartered to St Paul United Methodist Church)
Troop 124 (chartered to LDS 3rd Ward Amarillo)
Troop 142 (chartered to Panhandle Centenary United Methodist Church)
Troop 257 (chartered to Booker United Methodist Church)
Troop 271 (chartered to First United Methodist Church Canadian)
Troop 404 (chartered to Pampa First Christian Church)
Troop 425 (chartered to McLean United Methodist Church)
Troop 433 (chartered to Clarendon First Christian Church)
Troop 548 (chartered to Billy Dixon Square And Compass Club)
Troop 939 (chartered to Cal Farleys Boys Ranch)
Troop 1776 (chartered to Comanche Trail Church Of Christ)

The following units earned BRONZE status:

Pack 3026 (chartered to Buckner Community Program Whittier)
Pack 3027 (chartered to Buckner Community Program Robert E Lee)
Pack 3096 (chartered to Friends of Forest Hill Parents)
Pack 3107 (chartered to Friends of Eastridge Elementary)
Pack 3117 (chartered to YMCA Amarillo North Branch Family)
Pack 3118 (chartered to YMCA Amarillo Midtown Branch)
Pack 3119 (chartered to YMCA Amarillo South Branch)
Pack 3120 (chartered to YMCA Amarillo North Branch Family)
Pack 3121 (chartered to YMCA Amarillo Midtown Branch)
Pack 3122 (chartered to YMCA Amarillo South Branch)
Pack 3123 (chartered to Friends of Rogers Elementary)
Pack 3132 (chartered to Christian Heritage Church)
Pack 3163 (chartered to Victory Memorial United Methodist Church)
Pack 3164 (chartered to Hooker United Methodist Church)
Pack 3316 (chartered to The Salvation Army of Amarillo)
Pack 3581 (chartered to Parents of Pack 581)
Pack 3628 (chartered to Dykeman Maverick Boys and Girls Club)
Pack 3702 (chartered to Friends of San Jacinto)
Pack 3726 (chartered to Wesley Community Center)
Troop 17 (chartered to Claude American Legion Post 344)
Troop 46 (chartered to Central United Methodist Church)
Troop 132 (chartered to Christian Heritage Church)
Troop 163 (chartered to Victory Memorial United Methodist Church)
Troop 250 (chartered to LDS Perryton Branch)
Troop 551 (chartered to Spearman Lions Club)
Troop 560 (chartered to LDS Borger Ward)
Troop 581 (chartered to Lions Club of White Deer)
Troop 2954 (chartered to American Legion Hanson Post 54)



Operating Budget

2012 Revenue

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|---------------------------|-----------|
| Friends of Scouting (net) | \$429,406 |
| Project Sales | 60,764 |
| Special Events (net) | 114,400 |
| Legacies & Bequests | 5,631 |
| Foundations & Trusts | 45,496 |
| Other Direct Support | 100 |
| United Way | 308,482 |
| Sale of Supplies (net) | 59,247 |
| Product Sales (net) | 256,275 |
| Investment Income | 158,531 |
| Camping Revenue | 76,550 |
| Activity Revenue | 90,038 |
| Other Revenue | 20,171 |

Total Support & Revenue \$1,625,091

2012 Expenses

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|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Salaries | \$748,003 |
| Employee Benefits | 121,376 |
| Payroll Taxes | 62,010 |
| Employee Related Expenses | - |
| Professional Fees | 24,606 |
| Supplies | 150,718 |
| Telephone | 12,609 |
| Postage & Shipping | 15,038 |
| Occupancy | 85,727 |
| Rental & Maintenance | 39,748 |
| Printing | 11,067 |
| Travel | 112,588 |
| Conferences & Meetings | 35,043 |
| Specific Assistance | 37,518 |
| Recognition Awards | 48,514 |
| Interest Expense | - |
| Insurance | 37,895 |
| Other Expense | 11,519 |
| Charter & National Service Fee | 22,919 |
| Transfers to Properties Fund | 27,500 |

Total Expenses \$1,604,398

Revenue less Expenses \$20,693



Scouting Membership

| Youth: | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Cub Scouts | 3,172 | 3,026 | 3,076 | 2,946 | 3,383 | 3,623 |
| Boy Scouts | 1,104 | 1,128 | 1,104 | 1,220 | 1,127 | 1,290 |
| Venturers | 945 | 1,120 | 1,105 | 1,121 | 989 | 267 |
| Explorers | 73 | 48 | 57 | 44 | 51 | 931 |
| Total Youth | 5,294 | 5,322 | 5,342 | 5,331 | 5,550 | 6,111 |

| Units: | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Packs | 103 | 103 | 105 | 107 | 111 | 110 |
| Troops | 75 | 73 | 75 | 76 | 75 | 76 |
| Crews | 40 | 43 | 40 | 38 | 35 | 27 |
| Posts | 3 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 15 |
| Total Units | 221 | 223 | 225 | 224 | 225 | 228 |

| Adults: | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
|---------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Packs | 871 | 908 | 871 | 789 | 795 | 937 |
| Troops | 747 | 768 | 706 | 713 | 696 | 750 |
| Crews | 150 | 188 | 175 | 158 | 126 | 103 |
| Posts | 12 | 16 | 22 | 16 | 17 | 59 |
| Unit Commissioners | 23 | 17 | 25 | 24 | 18 | 24 |
| District Committees | 59 | 61 | 63 | 53 | 49 | 51 |
| Total Adults | 1,862 | 1,958 | 1,862 | 1,753 | 1,701 | 1,924 |



Leadership



President
Commissioner
Scout Executive
Treasurer
VP-Administration
VP-District Operations
VP-Endowment
VP-Finance
VP-Marketing
VP-Membership
VP-Program
VP-Properties
VP-Special Events

Puff Niegos
Rob Law
Andy Price
Brian Bruckner
Will Miller
Clint Averitte
Barry Peterson
Paul Strouhal
Edie Carter
José Garcia
K. C. Hamill
Bob Rathbun
Riley Hill

2012 Board Members

James Anderson, Amarillo, TX
Matt Hand, Amarillo, TX
Jim O'Connor, Amarillo, TX
Dick Barnes, Amarillo, TX
Paul Harpole, Amarillo, TX
Jack Perkins, Hooker, OK
Jay Barrett, Amarillo, TX
Eddie Henderson, Amarillo, TX
David Prescott, Amarillo, TX
Alan Bellinghausen, Amarillo, TX
Heath Hendricks, Amarillo, TX
Bill Quackenbush, Amarillo, TX

Scott Bentley, Amarillo, TX
Ben Ed Hillhouse, Wheeler, TX
Tom Riney, Amarillo, TX
Richard Carter, Borger, TX
Bob Juba, Amarillo, TX
Duane Rosa, Amarillo, TX
John Curry, Pampa, TX
Mark Koetting, Amarillo, TX
Dean Sather, Amarillo, TX
David Eck, Amarillo, TX
Bill Magrogan, Amarillo, TX
Todd Singletery, Guymon, OK

Bill Gething, Pampa, TX
Bill McCarty, Amarillo, TX
Duwane Skipper, Booker, TX
Gary Gibson, Amarillo, TX
Bob McGinnis, Amarillo, TX
Lisa Veggeberg, Amarillo, TX
Charlie Graham, Amarillo, TX
Joni Mickna, Amarillo, TX
Lee Waters, Pampa, TX
George Hall, Clarendon, TX
Jeff Nunn, Amarillo, TX
Brian Weis, Amarillo, TX



2012 Eagle Scouts



Sean Abbott, Troop 142
Taos Anderson Troop 264
Juston Balenseifen, Troop 580
David Ballard, Troop 580
Bret Barnard Troop 38
Matthew Braden, Troop 80
Michael Bridenstine, Troop 104
Eli Bromlow, Troop 104
Eric Bromlow, Troop 104
Christopher Caldwell, Troop 88

Tucker Carver, Troop 127
Michael Crane, Troop 124
Andrew Crowell, Troop 94
Kaleb Denny, Troop 86
Grant Eagleston, Troop 1776
Timothy Eklund, Troop 501
Nathan Fike, Troop 86
Brandon Foglesong, Troop 62
Ryan Forslund, Troop 87
Noah Friend, Troop 80
Joe Garcia, Troop 1581
Peyton Garnett, Troop 256
James Graham, Troop 199
Timothy Grimes, Troop 87
Aidan Hamrick, Troop 80
Blake Hartman, Troop 31
Blaine Hunt, Troop 264
Andrew Jameson, Troop 1221
Kyler Jenkins, Troop 10
Nathaniel Jines, Troop 256
Zachary Johnson, Troop 633
Jerrod Johnston, Troop 592
Andrew Jones, Troop 501
Matthew Kell, Troop 580
Greg Kelly, Troop 256
Keyan Keys, Team 6150
Jamison Kitchen, Troop 94
Alex Laughlin, Troop 80
Rollins Mayfield, Troop 31
Chester McKnight, Troop 1221
Lane Myers, Troop 507
Isiah Nolan, Troop 1221
Tommy Nuttall, Troop 80
Freddy Oakley, Troop 80
Thomas Olson, Troop 87

Austin Prescott, Troop 73
Jacob Raab, Troop 10
David Ray, Troop 80
Colton Reed, Troop 73
Dathan Reeves, Troop 413
David Rice, Troop 86
Jordan Rivera, Troop 88
Tristan Roach, Troop 80
Isaiah Robinson, Troop 10
Salvador Sanchez, Troop 1221
John Sappington, Troop 31
Brady Sayers, Troop 4
Mason Sharp, Troop 80
Hagen Smith, Troop 94
Steven Smith, Troop 73
Adison Smothermon, Troop 80
Russell Spurlock, Troop 38
Daniel Steele, Troop 633
Nathan Sweet, Troop 80
Jacob Talley, Troop 79
Trevor Tedrick, Troop 87
Robert Thompson-Wright, Troop 4
Alex Tow, Troop 73
Bryce Watson, Troop 80
William Weaver, Troop 142
Brent Weiss, Troop 501
David Weld, Troop 46
David West, Troop 98
Dylan Wilhelm, Troop 10
Nolan White, Troop 199
Timothy Whiteley, Troop 507
Connor Willimon, Troop 551
Jonathan Wynne, Crew 80
Scott Zimmerman, Troop 87





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