



APRIL 2023 NEWSLETTER

OFFICE HOURS

The Golden Spread Council Office and Scout Shop are open:

Monday thru Friday 8:30 - 5:30

OFFICE CLOSURES

The Golden Spread Council will be closed for the following holidays in 2023:

Good Friday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas Day

SCOUT SHOP SATURDAY HOURS FOR 2023:

The Scout Shop will be open on the following Saturdays from 8:30 - 12:30:

April 15, May 20, June 17, September 30, October 14 & 21, November 18

The Scout Shop will be closed for inventory on December 28 and 29.

ADDITIONALLY:

We are extending hours on the 1st Monday of each month to 8:30 - 6:30 pm:

April 3, May 6, June 5, August 7, September 11, October 2, November 6 and December 4, 2023

Be sure to check out our website calendar for ALL of the exciting events happening in the Golden Spread

Council or follow this link:

<https://goldenspread.org/>



SCOTT KILIAN'S BLOG



From the Assistant Scout Executive Scott Kilian

From the Assistant Scout Executive, Scott Kilian

Wow Spring is upon us and I think we are all ready to get outside and do yard work, clean out the car, plan our summer trips AND do SCOUTING!!! I always feel that this is why children join scouts - not to just work on Cub Scout Adventures or Scouts BSA Merit Badges etc. Let's get OUTSIDE!!!

We have many camps scheduled that we hope everyone is aware of and are planning on attending. Unfortunately in the past, we've had to cancel some because of little to no registrations and that is a concern. Again, scouting is FUN when it's outside. Please take a look at our website: www.goldenspread.org and simply click on "Events" and you will see everything going on for about 18 months out!

Speaking of the calendar, in the past we have printed hard copies of our council calendar and handed them out at the Program Preview in May. We have found that most people no longer use/want hard copies but reference items on their phone or computer. We have decided not to print them this year BUT there is an alternative to continue to have a hard copy if you choose too. We would like everyone to create an account on Blackpug (simply go to any one of the listed events and click on "My Account" and then click on Register), our online event and camp reservation system, and when you do that, you have the opportunity to look at the calendar for literally years ahead, filter it to your district and council only event and many other filters AND you can print off as many months as you wish. This way, everything you see is current unlike the hard printed copies that were most likely, OLD NEWS! We will also have some printed copies in that format at the Scout Shop for those of you who would like one copy.

We recently conducted Scouting for Food and what a success. In Amarillo, we saw scouts working the neighborhoods and I visited the Food Bank and the leadership was thrilled with the participation and we are on track to provide, with monetary donations from the public, over 80,000 meals if not more after the totals are counted! A big thank you to all scouts, leaders, and parents who took the Saturday morning to canvass the town and collect food for those in need. If your community wants to participate in 2024, please let your local District Executive know now so we get it on the books!

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Lastly, we are hiring for our afterschool program in Amarillo called ScoutReach. These employees do the Cub Scout program for many different sites (schools primarily) to children who may not have the opportunity, for various reasons, to be in a traditional pack. Our Council Board annually approves both the program content and the finances that are involved to participate in this program. We have an **immediate** need for 2-3 additional Scout Reach Program Aids. The hours vary but are all after school to about 6pm depending on the site. Sometimes we have additional work opportunities when school is out of session. This position is great for someone who is attending Amarillo College, West Texas A&M, or is a retired person who has the energy and desire to work with young children and do scouts! An adult application and full background check is required as well as a current valid drivers' license, insurance, and is legally allowed to work in the United States. If you want more details, please call Gemma Mitchell today at 806-358-6500.



COUNCIL EVENTS

EDITOR'S NOTE

Hello Golden Spread Council volunteers, parents, staff and board members!

Happy Easter or Happy Easter Bunny as my son said it! Easter is April 9th so I hope you have your Easter shopping done and Easter baskets full of goodies and ready to go. It always seems late when Easter falls in April; however, spring is truly around the corner once Easter passes. Let's hope that we get lots of April showers to bring us May flowers!



Lots of events coming in **2023** so read all about it! The list of Cub Scouting and Scouts BSA activities is up in this newsletter for next year so put them on your calendar! Be sure to visit the council website at www.goldenspread.org regularly to get information on upcoming events, registration and deadlines and any date changes that may occur.

The newsletter will be going out every month and will contain the most current information available for council, district, and unit events. Please send unit event information, dates and pictures to Gemma Mitchell at gemma.mitchell@scouting.org or call 806-282-8296 and leave me a voicemail. **Please turn in all submissions for the newsletter in non-PDF format each month by the 25th!** Don't forget to forward all of your unit fun and activities to your district executive! If you don't know who they are or how to contact them, look on the green tabbed district pages here in the newsletter.

We are really excited to get this newsletter out to you and we are even more excited to include you and your youth! The youth of the Golden Spread Council is why we all do what we do in Scouting and when we stay focused on them, we all win!

Yours in Scouting,
Gemma Mitchell



COUNCIL EVENTS

2023 GOLDEN SPREAD COUNCIL CUB SCOUTS AND SCOUTS BSA CAMPING AND ACTIVITIES

January 21: **Merit Badge University** (WTAMU)
February 24-26: Wood Badge Weekend # 1 (Camp Don Harrington)
March 3-5: **OKPIK Winter Adventure Camp** (Camp MK Brown)
March 25: Scouting for Food (Cub Scouts and Scouts BSA event)
March 25-26: Wood Badge Weekend # 2 (Camp MK Brown)
April 14-16: **Camporee** (Camp MK Brown)
April 28-30: Philmont Family Weekend
June 4-9: **National Youth Leadership Training Course (NYLT)** (Camp MK Brown)
June 11-14: **Polaris Camp** (Camp MK Brown)
June 18-24: **Scouts BSA Summer Camp** (Camp MK Brown)
July 21-23: **Cub Scout Resident Camp** (Camp Don Harrington)
August 7-10: **Merit Badge Week** (Camp Don Harrington)
September 15-17: **Webelos Woods Camp** (Camp MK Brown)
September 23-24: **Cub Scout Family Campout** (Camp Don Harrington)
October 21: **Spook O Ree** (Camp MK Brown)
October 28: **Spook O Ree** (Camp Don Harrington)
November 11: **Environmental Science Merit Badge Class** (Camp Don Harrington)
November 18: **Duty to God workshop**

For details on all of these camps, activities and to register, visit www.goldenspread.org. Click on the “Event Registration” tab and scroll to the date to find the camp/activity.

Please check with your unit leader for details on how to register for these events as some are unit registrations and others may be individual registrations.



If you haven't liked us already, go to the Golden Spread Council page on Facebook and like us! We also put a lot of information about upcoming events and news on this page.

COUNCIL EVENTS



Order of the Arrow Nischa Achowalogen Lodge

Important Dates

OA Section

Coming Soon on the Nischa Achowalogen web page – Meet your 2023 LEC members ! Check it out from time to time.

2023 Important Order of The Arrow Dates

Section Conclave	4/21 - 4/23	Wichita Falls
Beaver Day	5/5 – 5/7	Camp MK Brown
Summer Ordeal	8/18 - 8/20	Camp MK Brown
Vigil Honor Inductions	10/13 - 10/14	Camp MK Brown
Fall Fellowship	11/3 - 11/4	Camp Don Harrington

NOW IS THE TIME TO GET YOUR 2023 DUES PAID!

Training Section

NYLT (National Youth Leadership Training) Registration is NOW OPEN!

When and Where Does NYLT take place:

June 4, 2023 - June 9, 2023 at Camp MK Brown

Cost - \$275 per person

Go to Events Calendar – Scroll down for “NYLT” to register. www.goldenspread.org.

POWDERHORN! - Coming Soon! Be on the lookout for the date!

Those Who Chose You.....Need You”

COUNCIL EVENTS

CAMPOREE 2023!



Camporee time is here! This fun-filled event will be held on April 14-16, 2023 at Camp MK Brown! We have brought the shotgun event back for this year and made some changes to the log lift event to give it a fresh look. Cost is \$30.00 for Scouts and \$15.00 for adults which includes lunch on Saturday! An optional Camporee T-shirt is available for purchase for \$14.00 (t-shirt is a new polyester blend that is lighter!). The newly designed patch is shown above and the new design for the t-shirts is shown below! For more information and to register go to www.goldenspread.org and get your unit registered for this year's Camporee!



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What is National Youth Leadership Training?

National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) is a weeklong course which features instruction in skills that can be used at home, at school, on the job, and at the Scout unit level. Through activities, events, games, and adventures, NYLT participants will work hard and play hard together as they put into action the best Scouting has to offer.

Course Goals:

The primary goal of NYLT is to develop Scouts as leaders by teaching the skills necessary to manage group dynamics and performance. These leadership skills include:

Finding Your Vision

Setting Goals

Preparing Plans

Developing a Team

Solving Problems

Effective Teaching

Effective Leadership

Effective Communication

Servant Leadership

Resolving Conflict

Making Ethical Decisions

Valuing People

How Do I Sign Up?

Visit www.goldenspread.org or click on the NYLT Flyer below to register today! There you will also see more information on what to expect from your NYLT experience and how to prepare for camp. For questions contact David Sirmon at 806-678-0348 or by email at 4sirmon@suddenlink.net.

[NYLT FLYER](#)

COUNCIL EVENTS

Welcome to Philmont Family Weekend April 28-April 30, 2023



Come join us for Philmont Family Camp this year in the beautiful Sangre de Cristo mountains of New Mexico! This is a fun weekend to just get away from it all and enjoy all of the family activities that Philmont and the surrounding towns have to offer! **Hurry, registration closes on April 14th!**

For more information go to www.goldenspread.org and look for “2023 Philmont Family Weekend”.

COUNCIL EVENTS

2023 SCOUTS BSA SUMMER CAMP

Camp MK Brown – Mobeetie, Texas

June 18-24 \$260.00 per scout/\$150.00 adult

(Early bird fee-in council only- see Leader's Guide for more information)

Merit Badges this year will include:

Pioneering, Orienteering, Fishing, Astronomy,
Robotics, Home Repair, Shotgun, Wilderness
Survival, Animal Science, Kayaking, plus more!!

Additional FUN will include:

Frisbee Golf, GPS Course, 9 Square in the Air,
Obstacle Course, Tetherball, and Board Games!

Evening Fun will include:

- * Open Aquatics Activities to include CORCL's, Stand-up Paddleboards, Paddleboats, Canoes, WigWag's and of course swimming.
- * Ice Cream Social- get to know your fellow campers and eat some Ice Cream!
- * Cobbler Cookoff- Who is the best cook in camp?
- * Water Carnival- Get wet in this popular event!!



We are also offering our First-Year Camper Program, called Polaris. This is for Scouts that need to earn requirements for Scout, Tenderfoot, First Class, and Second Class. They will be in this program everyday but will also earn two merit badges! We have an excellent program for these young scouts and under the direction of an experienced adult director.

For more information please call us at 806-358-6500 or
Email: goldenspreadcouncil@scouting.org

How to Register for Camp:

- ⇒ Check out our Camp Video for more info! Visit www.goldenspread.org and click on "Camp".
- ⇒ Complete the Summer Camp Registration Form at www.goldenspread.org and click on "Camp".
- ⇒ Submit the Registration Form AND the deposit by December 2, 2022 and receive a \$10.00 discount per scout off the camp fee (Offer for "in" council scouts only).

COUNCIL EVENTS

Basic Life Support for the Health Care Provider

This course is for anyone considering completing the BSA Lifeguard Training anyone who already has completed this course but has expired, or is planning on taking the Wilderness First Aid Course either in our council or another council this year. No others will be allowed to register since this is advanced CPR.

Details

- ⇒ Thursday, May 11, 2023
- ⇒ Location: Scout Service Center
- ⇒ 6:30pm to 9:30pm
- ⇒ This course is primarily for adults and youth who are at least 14 years old

Instructor

This class instructed by
Joel Young!

\$25



Registration

- ⇒ Visit www.goldenspread.org
- ⇒ Payment is made on online only

* This class registration closes on April 28. No walk-ins will be allowed. Please be on time for class!



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806-358-6500 www.goldenspread.org

Acct: 1-6801-157-20

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Wilderness First Aid Training

Wilderness First Aid is the assessment of and treatment given to an ill or injured person in a remote environment where definitive care by a physician and/or rapid transport is not readily available. This course goes far beyond what you may know as "first aid". After completing this course, you will be better prepared in a remote situation. At least one person who is planning on attending ANY Scout High Adventure Base is required to complete this course but it's open to any adult and youth 14 years of age and up who wants this certification.

May 20—May 21, 2023

**Class begins promptly at 8:30am each day and ends at 5pm.
Class will take place at Camp Don Harrington- directions are
located at www.goldenspread.org**

Fees

- \$50.00 per person. This fee includes a completion certificate, course supplies, printing and camp support
 - Please visit www.goldenspread.org to view the refund policy
- ** Registration closes on May 5. ** NO EXCEPTIONS**

**This is an Emergency Care and Safety Institute Course created
for the Boy Scouts of America (equivalent to Red Cross Course)**

Notes

- You must have CPR prior to attending Wilderness First Aid. This is offered on May 11. Register online (see below)
- Lunch is not provided so we suggest you bring a Sack Lunch and Beverage. Coffee will be available during the day.
- This class has a **minimum of 10** participants to be held- no max! If the class is cancelled due to low registration, registrants will be notified on May 5 and refunds will be made later in the week.

Registration Instructions

All registrations are online only. Please visit
<http://www.goldenspread.org> and click on the Event and look for "2023
Wilderness First Aid Training"
NO WALK-IN'S WILL BE ALLOWED



COUNCIL EVENTS

SCOUT SHOP SALE!

15% off all drinking bottles and Mugs April 1-30, 2023

Do you have your Nalgene bottle or mug ready for any camp coming up?

It's one of the top 10 Essentials you'll need for camp.

The best part of having a mug is to have it filled up with a slushie from the camp trading post! Summer camps are fast approaching!

April 3, 2023 - 1st Monday of the month scout shop is open till 6:30pm

April 15, 2023 - Saturday Scout Shop open 8:30am - 12:30pm



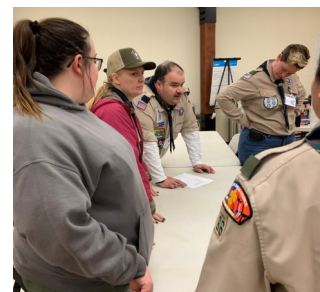
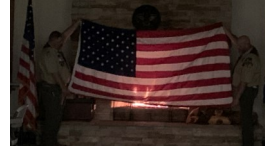
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Good Friday

April 7, 2023

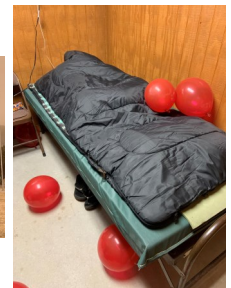
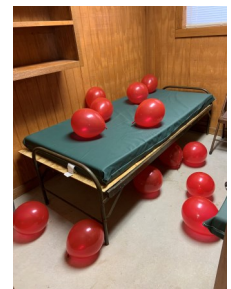
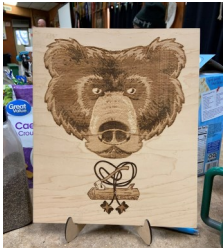
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ADOBE WALLS

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District Chair: Jason Eugea Ph # 806-335-6805

District Commissioner: Kris Anaya Ph # 806-626-8833

Roundtable/District meeting combined: 1st Thursday of the month – 6:30 pm at First United Methodist,
201 E Foster, Pampa, TX

The Adobe Walls District Presents:

“Scout Executive Fireside Chat”

**A Conversation with our Golden Spread Council Scout Executive
Brian Tobler**



Thursday April 13th 2023 6:30 to 8:00 pm

First United Methodist Church

201 East Foster Pampa Texas

Please RSVP by April 6th 2023 to gaylyne.manns@scouting.org or 806-207-0037

Snacks will be provided!

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201 E Foster, Pampa, TX

Mark Your Calendars!

**April 13th - Fire Side Chat with our
Scout Executive**

May 13 – Fishing Derby

June 10 – Cub Day Camp

See Flyers in this Newsletter!



Pack 423 in Pampa are busy selling camp Cards.



The Wolf Den in Pack 501 Panhandle clean up the baseball field.



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OKPIK!



Western Heritage at OKPIK



Graphic Design MB at OKPIK



Fly Fishing MB at OKPIK
I SEE WATER!!!



SPS Arching Truck



Merit Badge Class



The man himself, James Murry

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Troop 413 Pampa brings in the Colors
At the Pampa Friends of Scouting, Good
Scout breakfast.



Doug Carmichael is the emcee
at the Pampa Friends of Scouting, Good
Scout breakfast.



John Warner is the guest speaker and Honoree
at the Pampa Friends of Scouting, Good Scout
Breakfast



John Curry congratulates John Warner
at the Pampa Friends of Scouting, Good
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Adobe Walls District 2023 Fishing Derby

MK Brown Saturday May 13, 2023

9:00 am to 1:00 pm Check in at 8:15 am

Please pre-register by May 5, 2023

**\$5.00 per Scout, \$3.00 per Adult or Sibling Lunch will be
served about 11:30 am**

Register at: www.goldenspread.org

Click on "EVENTS" Tab

You will need to bring:

**Fishing gear/tackle, bait, lawn
chair, and cloths appropriate
for the weather.**

No fishing licenses required.

Catch and release only!!



For more information contact Gaylyne 806-207-0037

gaylyne.manns@scouting.org

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THE ADOBE WALLS AND LONE WOLF
DISTRICT'S PRESENT

CUB SCOUT ADVENTURE DAY CAMP 2023

WHEN: JUNE 10 FROM 9AM TO 3PM

WHERE: CAMP M. K. BROWN

WHO: ALL TIGER, WOLF, BEAR, AND WEBELO
SCOUTS AND PARENTS/LEADERS

WHAT: THE THEME IS "BACK TO THE RACES"

SCOUTS WILL HAVE FUN PARTICIPATING IN
SEVERAL TYPE OF RACES SUCH AS THE
OBSTACLE COURSE, POOL NOODLE FRISBEES,
AND EVEN BOATS ON THE LAKE AND OTHER
FUN ACTIVITIES! BRING YOUR BATHING SUITS!

SPEND THE DAY WITH YOUR SCOUT (S) AND
MAKE MEMORIES THAT WILL LAST A
LIFETIME!!!

FEE: \$25 FOR SCOUTS AND \$10 FOR ADULTS
WHICH INCLUDES PROGRAM SUPPLIES, USE
OF CAMP, AND LUNCH.

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Roundtable: 1st Thursday of every month from August thru June - 7:00 pm at the Scout Office

2023 Golden Eagle District Fish Fest/Lake Clean Up May 13th Medi Park-Amarillo

\$5 per Scout (includes Burrito)/All others fish for \$3 each person.

(Participants over 18 years of age must meet State of Texas Fishing License Requirements.)

Register on-line at [Goldenspread.org](https://goldenspread.org) Starting April 18th-May 12th

8:00-8:30 Check In/Burritos/Rules

9:00-11:00 Fishing Derby

11:00-11:30 Judging/Lake Clean Up

11:30-Noon Awards

Trophies will be awarded for Largest, Smallest, First, Last , & Most fish caught.

Each Scout must be supervised by a parent or adult leader at all times in accordance with Youth Protection guidelines. All fish must be caught with a pole and hook. Netting and Noodling are not allowed. Bring Fishing gear & tackle, bait, lawn chair, sunblock and weather appropriate clothing. 1 Pole per Scout.

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GOLDEN EAGLE DISTRICT DAY CAMP 2023



OFF TO THE RACES!!!



JUNE 3, 2023 9AM TO 3PM-CAMP DON HARRINGTON

JOIN US FOR A DAY FILLED WITH GAMES AND FUN!

\$25 PER SCOUT

\$10 PER ADULT



LUNCH PROVIDED



REGISTRATION OPENS MAY 1, 2023

REGISTRATION CLOSING MAY 31, 2023

(WE WILL NEED TIME TO SHOP FOR SUPPLIES AND COMPLETE SET UP. LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED)



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These 3 girls from Troop 4086 came and helped at the Good Scout Lunch on March 1, 2023!

Three generations of Scouts from Troop 4086 camp in the Big Bend area during Spring Break. There was a total of 5 scout and 4 scouters who made the trip and what an eventful week it was!



Scouts and Scouters who received the triple crown award for high adventure! Congratulations!



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From Tigers to Scouts BSA - proud mom Earon McCurdy does scouting right alongside her babies!



Sister bridging sister to Troop 4086 and brother bridging brother to Troop 87.



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Lone Wolf District



Come Visit the Lone Wolf District!

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The boys from Troop 256 - Perryton came to help serve at the Perryton Chamber of Commerce banquet!



The boys from Perryton Troop 256 and Justin Jett from Darrouzett Troop 258 attend the Merit Badge Fair



Thank you to the Perryton Rotary Club for inviting us to be your program!



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Thank you Jim Lear for leading our Radio Merit Badge!



TAKING OVER THE AIRWAVES—The Top of the Panhandle Amateur Radio Club of Perryton has received a grant of \$7,500 to introduce local Boy Scouts to amateur radio. The grant will be spent on materials for helping Scouts achieve their amateur radio license and provide radios for them to use for a year. The funds will also provide for kits for antennas, electronic accessories, and other equipment. Pictured are, from left, Jim Lear, the president of the Top of the Panhandle Amateur Radio Club, Liam Drum, Ernesto Pina, and Dalton Uptergrove.

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Kerry and Cynthia Symons were the honorees at the Perryton Good Scout breakfast on March 30, 2023.

Colby Waters was the honoree at the Perryton Good Scout breakfast on March 30, 2023. Colby is an Eagle Scout and the Assistant City Manager of Perryton.



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District Chair: Jeremy Bradford Ph # 972-955-7177

District Commissioner: Chuck Jewell 806-220-3288



IT'S PINEWOOD DERBY TIME!



The Pinewood Derby season is upon us and Chris, Ethan, Josef and Allie were hard at work putting the axels and tires on 350 pinewood derby cars! Thank you program aides for spending your evening hammering away for these youth! Lots of racing pics to follow!

