

# SEPTEMBER 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: 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:

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: 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

It's recruitment time for the Golden Spread Council and we are excited to recruit hundreds of new boys and girls into your pack!

Our staff has been preparing for this over the last two to three months talking to school superintendents and principals to arrange to talk to the children and get the school doors open when they are supposed to be. We have a great relationship with the schools, and we appreciate their support.

Where can you help? You can help by attending the recruitment night and having a short (2-3 minute) presentation about what your pack does, when and where they meet, and all the cool things that you have done and are planning on doing. Please don't use scout lingo if possible - saying we are attending the Spook-O-Ree means nothing to a non-scouter but you can say we are attending a fun, fall themed event at Camp Don Harrington in late October and we shoot BB guns, paint pumpkins, go on a hay ride, and get free face painting for all the scouts! These a just a few fun things we will do as a group.

Your District Executive has done a great job in working with each pack's leadership while making sure someone is representing your pack at each school. If you need more information, please contact your District Executive.

We are also working with community members to start new packs and troops and we need your help with that. If you know of an organization that has children 5 to 17 and need to have a discussion about scouting can help them grow, please let your District Executive know. We are looking for church youth groups that may need more structure and/or programming to help them with their youth ministry. How about a business or civic club who would like to sponsor (charter) a new unit in the community? We are always looking for those types of opportunities and you might be able to help.

As a reminder, the Cub Scout Family camp will take place at Camp Don Harrington this year on September 23rd, and we hope your pack will attend. This was put into place to offer all the new scouts an opportunity to bring their family to camp and have some fun and start creating the memories of scouting but it's open to all cub scouts and their families. Many of you attended last year and it's a very small taste of what's to come which is the Spook-O Ree. Please pass the word and get registered today at: <a href="https://scoutingevent.com/562-2023CSFamWeekend">https://scoutingevent.com/562-2023CSFamWeekend</a> Have a fantastic pack recruitment this fall, and I'll see you around!!!





#### **EDITOR'S NOTE**

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

WooHoo it's fall ya'll! Well, only in that school is back in full swing and it's recruitment time!! We are actively doing buzz ups at the elementary schools as I type this and nightly sign ups for packs in the Golden Spread Council. We want to help you succeed in your pack and troop recruitments! Get in contact with your district executive and find out how they can help you build your unit membership. We still have a lot of events happening this fall and



popcorn sales that new families can be a part of so don't delay! Get your recruiting event lined up today!

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 <a href="https://www.goldenspread.org">www.goldenspread.org</a> 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



# 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 <a href="www.goldenspread.org">www.goldenspread.org</a>. 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.



# Order of the Arrow Nischa Achowalogen Lodge

### **Important Dates**

The following are key dates for Order of the Arrow Members. The LEC (Lodge Executive Committee) sets these dates and events – if you wish to have additional events / activities added – Talk to them!!

#### 2023

#### Pay your dues! (\$15, subject to change by the LEC)

Fall Fellowship November 3 - 4 (Brotherhood Induction Nov 3 and Lunch Banquet Nov 4) – CDH Fall Fellowship is coming very soon and will include Lodge Office Elections. Check out the Lodge Web page please, scroll to the bottom and click on the link "Lodge Officer Election", where you will find officer expectations, and what is required in a written letter expressing your interest. Letters are due October 20, 2023 by Noon (2 weeks before Fall Fellowship). All interested need to be approved by your unit leader, Lodge Key 3, and Supreme Chief of the Fire.

#### 2024

#### Please Pay your dues! (\$15, subject to change by the LEC)

LEC Lodge Leadership and Development – TBA – Early January 2024

Section G3 TRIAD – January 2024 Camp Constantine

Unit Elections – Ongoing through May 1st, please try have these completed by May 1st for the year.

LEC Dates - TBD

Section Conclave – April 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> Mikanakawa Lodge, Camp Constantine – Circle Ten Council, Dallas, TX

Beaver Day May 3-5 MK Brown (Ordeal and Brotherhood Inductions)

NOAC – University of Colorado at Boulder, CO. July 29th – Aug 3<sup>rd</sup>. Conference Dates, Contingent travel dates will be set in early 2024 - final travel options/decision will be a joint delegate decision.

Summer Ordeal - August 23<sup>rd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> MK Brown (Ordeal and Brotherhood Inductions)

Fall Fellowship Nov 1st - 2<sup>nd</sup> (Brotherhood Induction Only Nov 1st and Banquet Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>) - CDH

#### **Key 3:**

Aden Cothrin (806-570-0749), Lodge Chief Joe Rahija (806-930-0645), Lodge Advisor Chase Roach (806-341-4491), Staff Advisor

Those Who Chose You....Need You"



Join us for NOAC 2024! This fun-filled weeklong event will be held from July 29th - August 3rd, 2024 at the University of Colorado Boulder. You will be joining as many as 8,000 Arrowmen from all 50 states! This event is second in size ONLY to the BSA National Jamboree! Lots more information to come on NOAC 2024 so be sure to keep checking the newsletter and/or the Golden Spread Council website!





# Golden Spread Council

presents the annual

# cub Scout Family Campout

September 23, 2023 - Noon to September 24, 2023 - 11:00am Check-in begins at Noon with events starting at 1:30pm

## Camp Don Harrington

15427 FM 1541 (S. Washington St., Canyon, TX)

Cub Scouts: \$20

Includes Program supplies, dinner Saturday and breakfast Sunday, Tent camping, Campfire program

Have a friend who might like scouts and would like to have fun with you?

Bring him/her with you for \$20 – pay at check-in!

Adults- \$15
Includes dinner Saturday and breakfast Sunday, Tent camping, Campfire program

Siblings and other family members-\$15

FREE: Siblings (4 years old and below)

Family Deal #1-1 Scout/1 Sibling/2 Adults-\$50 (Each additional sibling/scout-\$15 each)

#### CAMPING ARCHERY BB GUNS GAMES OBSTACLE COURSE and MORE!!

Camp Checklist

- ⇒ Tent and sleeping bag
- ⇒ Toiletries as needed—showers available
- ⇒ Change of clothes! This is a rain or shine camp
- (bring a raincoat/jacket if needed-check the weather before leaving home!)
  - ⇒ Water bottle or canteen
    - ⇒ Sunscreen and a hat

What not to bring:

\*Pets and RV's!

#### **OPEN TO ALL CUB SCOUTS AND FAMILIES**

(Families are welcome to attend even if your Pack is not coming as a group!)
REGISTER ONLINE AT www.goldenspread.org—Event Registration Tab

OR

Call us before September 16 at 806-358-6500



<u>Hurry! Registration closes September 10th!!! Go to https://scoutingevent.com/562-2023WebelosWoods to register today!</u>



National Clean Up Day is September 16th, 2023! This is a great way to help your community out by giving a helping hand to cleaning up Amarillo! This event is sponsored by the Amarillo Parks and Rec department.



#### POPCORN!!!

It's almost that time of year! As you begin your Back to Pack and Back to Troop activities, don't forget to set your unit up for financial success this fall by adding in the timeframe for your popcorn sales to your Back to Scouting events! This is a great way for your scouts to fund their entire year of scouting and to help cut costs for new families coming into Scouting! Mark these dates down and be ready to sell some Popcorn!!! Go to www.goldenspread.com for more information.





#### 2023 Popcorn Sales Plan & Timetable

Online Sales

Now through October 13

Show N Sale Order Placed in the Leader Portal

Show-N-Sale- Product Distribution

Location TBA-Pending Distribution Amounts August 24-26

Take Order Kickoff & Sales Materials Distribution

Scout Service Center 401 Tascosa Road, Amarillo 10am August 26

Show-N-Sale Sale Dates August 24 - October 13

Take Order Sale Dates

All Unit Neighborhood Blitz September 24 - September 30

"Fill it Up" Drawings

September 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 October 6, 13

Show-N-Sale Money Due to the Council

October 20, by 5:00pm

All Take Order Sales Placed in the Leader Portal October 17, by 5:00pm

Take Order Sale Pick Up and Distribution October 26-28 - Location TBA-Pending Distribution Amounts

Take Order Money Due to the Council November 17, by 5:00pm

\$1,000 POPCORN SELLERS CLUB PARTY at AMP'D

25 TOP SELLERS PARTY at THE SCOUT SERVICE CENTER

January 27, immediately following the AMP'D Party





#### POPCORN PICKUP & DISTRIBUTION

SHOW-N-SELL PICKUP August 24 -26

TBA Amarillo, TX.

SHOW-N-SELL MONEY DUE October 20, by 5:00pm

**TAKE ORDERS DUE** By Tuesday, October 17 Use leftover Show-N-Sell product to fill Take Order

TAKE ORDER PICKUPS October 26-28 TBA Amarillo, TX.

TAKE ORDER MONEY DUE November 17, by 5:00pm

Be sure to bring a large enough vehicle to haul your order:

EARN MORE! EARN EASIER!

20 cases Mid-SizeCar 40 cases Mid-SizeSUV 60 cases Minivan 70 cases Large SUV







1.25 Points Per \$1 Sold APP CREDIT / DEBIT CARD & ONLINE DIRECT 1 Point Per \$1 Sold CASH

Scan the QR code to download the APP thru Apple or Google Play to start earning today! Trail's End pays all transactions fees.

### **REMINDER:** Changes to Cub Scout Overnight Camping take effect September 1st!

Effective September 1, 2023, Cub Scout packs who are conducting their own overnight camping activity may now camp up to TWO consecutive nights. Cub Scout packs who are conducting their own overnight camping activities must continue to have at least one registered adult leader who is trained in Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO), oversees the planning, and is in attendance for the pack campout. This updated policy also applies to Webelos and Arrow of Light dens who may conduct den coordinated campouts. The policy will be updated in the Guide to Safe Scouting and other resources on September 1. An updated version of BALOO training will also be released at this time.

ACTION: Reminder that Cub Scout camping is limited to their council's designated locations with appropriate facilities. As councils prepare to communicate this change to their local packs, now is the time for the council to review the approved Cub Scout overnight campsites and make any necessary updates. As this announcement is communicated to your packs, it is important to ensure that your council's list of approved pack overnight camping locations is easily accessible from your website and is included in your communications.

For additional information regarding Cub Scout camping, including required youth protection policies, please review the Guide to Safe Scouting.

https://www.scouting.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/430-90218-PackOvernightForm Fillable.pdf



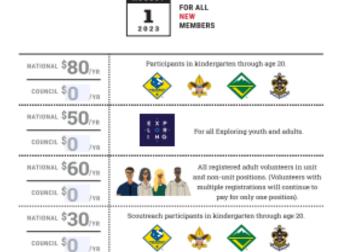




### **NEW FEE STRUCTURE TAKES PLACE AUGUST 1ST!**

### Golden Spread Council, BSA 2023 Annual Membership Fees

EFFECTIVE



#### **NEW-MEMBER JOINING FEE**

#### ONE-TIME

HATIONAL \$25

COUNCIL \$0

\$25

Same flat fee no matter when you join during the year. (no prorating) New members pay joining fee in addition to membership fee.









This fee is for Merit Badge Courselors who are not already registered volunteers.

No joining fee for adult volunteers, Exploring participants, participants previously registered in any BSA program, or those transferring from one program to another.

#### UNIT CHARTER FEE

\$100/YR For all new and

rechartering units.

#### SCOUT LIFE MAGAZINE FEE





What: Duty to God Workshop

When: Saturday, November 18, 2023

Time: 9:00-12:30 for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd graders (lunch provided)

9:00-2:00 for 4th and 5th graders (lunch provided)

Where: Pinnacle Community Church 7305 S. Coulter St.

Cost: \$20 (includes workbook, certificate, knot and lunch)

RSVP: www.goldenspread.org to register under "Duty to God Workshop"

Come join us as we put on a Duty to God workshop for all Tiger, Wolf, Bear and Webelos Cub Scouts. This will be a one-day workshop that will help satisfy the Duty to God Adventure for all levels and the workbook will be provided (there will still be some activities to do with family!). The Cub Scout will in turn earn the religious knot to be worn on the uniform and begin work toward earning the religious emblem of their chosen faith.

We will have some interfaith praise and worship to open the day, then begin learning about our Duty to God, break for lunch and play games, finish learning and then end the day with a special presentation. Come join us for a fun day filled with lots of activity!

Parents and Cub Scout leaders, we want you to stay and enjoy this workshop with your Cub Scout! If you want to eat lunch, cost will be \$10 for food.

Deadline for registration will be November 10, 2023 so don't wait!

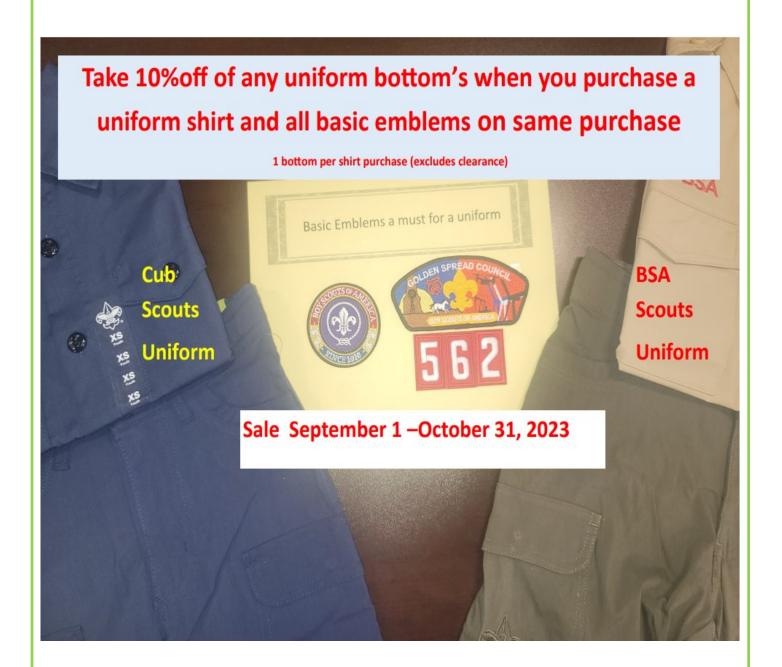


### **SCOUT SHOP SALE!**



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For all of your uniforming needs to start your Scouting year off right! Take advantage of this amazing sale from September 1 through October 31st!



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

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

Roundtable: 1st Thursday of the month - ZOOM

District meeting - 2nd Thursday of the month - 6:30 pm First United Methodist Church 201 E Foster St., Pampa

### **RECRUIT, RECRUIT Reminder:**

Cub Scout Family Campout September 23, 2023 - Noon to September 24, 2023 - 11:00am Camp Don Harrington

> 2023 Spook-O-Ree October 21 @ Camp MK Brown

Register online for both events. www.goldenspread.org



Adobe Walls Key 3





Robert Hamlin and James Murry

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Mama and her Lion Pack 548, Fritch



Mama and her Bear Pack 423, Pampa







Color Guards at a recent event in Fritch Troop 548 and Pack 548

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Clarendon Troops 433 and 4433 are welcomed into the Nischa Achowalogen Lodge, Order of the Arrow! Congrats!

Troop 565, Borger, learn Auto Maintenance Merit Badge



Troop 472, Wheeler, NICE!!

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It's Back to School time! Packs and Troops enjoyed Back to School events and had information about their units available!

Troop 472, Wheeler raises a huge Flag at a recent Community Event



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Troop 548 rafting on the Arkansas River near Buena Vista, Colorado!

Troop 548 at Bent's Fort near La Junta, Colorado

### TROOP 548 HAD A GREAT SUMMER!

Members from Troops 256 and 548 went backpacking. They backpacked to Clarity Tunnel from Monk's Crossing Trailhead at Caprock Canyons to observe the bat colony.





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If you have not registered your unit for Popcorn Sale, please do so today!!! <a href="https://www.trails-end.com/unit-registration">www.trails-end.com/unit-registration</a>

Let me know how I can help you!!

**Gaylyne Manns your Senior District Executive** 

### **GOLDEN EAGLE**

District Executive: Michael Lopez - michael.lopez@scouting.org Ph. # 505-699-6552

District Chair: Tyson Berryman Ph # 806-670-9484

District Commissioner: DeLynn McGehee Ph # 806-681-1623

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

Golden Spread Council, Golden Eagle District Amarillo, Texas



<u>Date & Time:</u> September 9, 2023 3:00 pm <u>Location:</u> Faith Southwest *Methodist Church* 

> 4415 Wesley Rd, Amarillo, TX 79124 (Corner of Wesley Rd. and 45th Ave. First street east of Soncy Rd.)

Check in and set up time: 3:00 – 3:30 pm Cooks' Meeting: 3:35 pm (draw for presentation order)

Cooking time: 3:45 – 6:45 pm Judging: 7:00 pm Awards Presentation: after judging

#### ALL TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE

**LOCATION:** The Dutch Oven Cook-Off registration, cooking, judging and award ceremony will take place on the northeast lawn and baseball field of the church.

There are two entry divisions: ENTRÉE and DESSERT (cobblers and dump cakes will not be judged). Contestants are permitted to enter each category.

**CONTESTANTS WILL PROVIDE:** Dutch Ovens, cooking tables, culinary water, charcoal, charcoal starters, cooking utensils, table covers, items for clean-up, additional tables needed for prep, presentation dishes, cutlery for judges, all food and other essential items necessary to prepare their recipe(s)

SAFTEY: Contestants shall provide fire safety tools in their work station (Water buckets, Shovel, etc.)

**TEAMS:** Contestant teams will consist of two or four persons. Adult Supervision (must be over the age of 18). Scouts BSA team members must be over the age of 10. (two to four). Cub Scouts (two to four) must be assisted by a Cubmaster, or a Asst. Cubmaster or a Den Leader (one).

DRESS CODE: Class "A" Uniforms should be worn for judging.

**PRESENTATION:** When the entry is presented in the judging area, entries will be judged on aroma, appearance, taste, quality of entry, team dress, cooking technique, and presentation. All team entrants will prepare their contest recipe(s) during the Cook-Off. Teams who prepare any portion of an entry prior to the contest will be disqualified. A judging criteria sheet will be provided.

**DISCLAIMER:** Judges' decisions on contestant rules and the Cook-Off Committee's decision on policies and procedures are final. Complete contestant rules will be distributed to all Cook-Off teams at the Cook-Off and are available upon request.

# **LONE WOLF**

District Executive: Aaron Couch - aaron.couch@scouting.org Ph # 806-710-0424 for information

District Chair: Jim Lear Ph # 806-202-4507

District Commissioner: James Bentley Ph # 806-260-1596

Roundtable: 1st Thursday of the month - ZOOM

#### Lone Wolf District



Come Visit the Lone Wolf District!

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Troop 256, Perryton joined up with Troop 548, Fritch to go on a backpacking trip in August. They backpacked to Clarity Tunnel from Monk's Crossing Trailhead at Caprock Canyons to observe the bat colony.



# **QUANAH PARKER (SCOUTREACH)**

District Executive: Gemma Mitchell - gemma.mitchell@scouting.org Ph # 806-282-8296

District Chair: Jeremy Bradford Ph # 972-955-7177 District Commissioner: Chuck Jewell 806-220-3288



### WE ARE HIRING FOR SCOUTREACH!!

Calling all college students (Must be 18 or older!)
We need YOU!

This is a fun position that gets to mentor and play with elementary age children as they learn the Cub Scouting program.

Scouting families: If you have youth or know youth (or if you are retired or a stay at home mom) that may be interested in working for the Golden Spread Council, please contact Gemma Mitchell at 806-358-6500!

