

OCTOBER 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: Thanksgiving, Christmas Day

SCOUT SHOP SATURDAY HOURS FOR 2023:

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

EDITOR'S NOTE

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

It's October already! It's also Spook O Ree time! This is the premier event of the year for Cub Scouts so don't miss out! For all of the new families joining us - Welcome and have a great time! This is one of the items that we promise to new Cub Scouts when they are recruited so get registered today! For more information, check out our calendar on goldenspread.org and the link is <u>https://scoutingevent.com/562-2023Spookoree</u> and register at the camp you wish to attend! Have some spooky fun!



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 <u>www.goldenspread.org</u> 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 <u>www.goldenspread.org</u>. 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!!

<u>2023</u>

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.

<u>2024</u>

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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 19th-21st 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 3rd. Conference Dates, Contingent travel dates will be set in early 2024 - final travel options/decision will be a joint delegate decision.
 Summer Ordeal - August 23rd – 24th MK Brown (Ordeal and Brotherhood Inductions)
 Fall Fellowship Nov 1st – 2nd (Brotherhood Induction Only Nov 1st and Banquet Nov 2nd) – 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!



HURRY! Registration is closing soon on this amazing event! Don't miss out on the Cub Scout event of the year!

2023 Spook-O-Ree

October 21 @ Camp MK Brown and October 28 @ Camp Don Harrington

This Halloween themed event is for the whole family to join in on! There are tons of things to do as you spend the afternoon shooting BB guns, jumping on the Inflatable Bouncy House, painting a pumpkin, challenging yourself through the Obstacle Course, riding on the Hay Wagon, trying out your Archery and Slingshot skills, and visiting our awesome Trading Post where you can purchase all the latest scout items and maybe a slushy or two!

If you still have energy after the day, you can join in more fun when it gets dark at the famous Spook House where you will see and hear the sounds of Halloween up close AND of course, the Spook Walk where strange things come out of the woods!

You can campout Friday and/or Saturday night to make extra memories at NO Cost to you! Simply make your desire to camp known on the registration link for the event.

This event is just \$30.00 per scout and siblings (ages 5 to 17) and FREE for adults. We offer family deals and of course you can buy a commemorative T-shirt and Dinner for Saturday night!

For all the details, please visit www.goldenspread.org and click on "Events" then scroll down to Spook-o-Ree. Be sure to choose the correct location that you will be attending!

Questions? Call 806-358-6500



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 August 15

Show-N-Sale- Product Distribution Location TBA-Pending Distribution Amounts August 24-26

Take Order Kickoff & Sales Materials Distribution Amarillo Scout Service Center 401 Tascosa Road, Amarillo 10am August 26

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

Take Order Sale Dates August 24 - October 13

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 January 27, by 10:00am

25 TOP SELLERS PARTY at THE SCOUT SERVICE CENTER January 27, immediately following the AMP'D Party



Earn amazon.com Gift Cards and choose the prize YOU want!

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

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

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







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Environmental Science Merit Badge



Hosted by West Texas A & M University Environmental Science Department Conducted at Camp Don Harrington

This class is conducted by experts in the field of Environmental Science in both the academic setting and the real world. While earning the Environmental Science merit badge, Scouts will get a taste of what it is like to be an environmental scientist, making observations and carrying out experiments to investigate the natural world. Environmental Science is one of the required merit badges for the World Conservation Award for Scouts BSA, and one of the required merit badges for the William T. Hornaday Awards for Scouts BSA.

- November 11, 2023
- Arrive 8:30am to check-in (Admin Building) with class starting at 9:00am. Class will end at 5:30pm. Might end earlier if all goes well!
- Lunch will be served on-site on Saturday along with snacks during the day.



REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

- Registration takes place online beginning August 15.
- Please visit www.goldenspread.org and click "Event" tab then scroll down to Environmental Science Merit Badge".
- Lunch will be served as will snacks. Water bottles are encouraged as well as a hat and sunscreen. Dress for the weather. This is a rain or shine event.
- Adults are welcome but must pay \$10.00 fee- no exceptions
- Your Scout will contact you via phone about one hour prior to needing to be picked up. Sometimes this class is over early depending on the size of the class. Please make sure you are available to pick up your scout.
- Registration ends on November 3.
- Credit Card payment is required.
- Once the registration ends, we will NOT accept anymore due to WT's requirements.



Golden Spread Council, BSA 401 Tascosa Rd. Amarillo, TX 79124 806-358-6500 www.goldenspread.org

Important Information

- This will be an outdoor event- no classroom instruction! Everything will be hands on! All requirements will be completed
- This is a rain or shine event
- Bring a hat and camera (if you want to take photos)
- Bring a pen
- Bring a change of pants (you might get wet taking samples)
- Bring a change of shoes (NO open toe shoes will be allowed)
- Lunch and all supplies for Scouts is included in the 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!



NEW FEE STRUCTURE TAKES PLACE AUGUST 1ST!

Golden Spread Council, BSA 2023 Annual Membership Fees



SCOUT SHOP SALE!



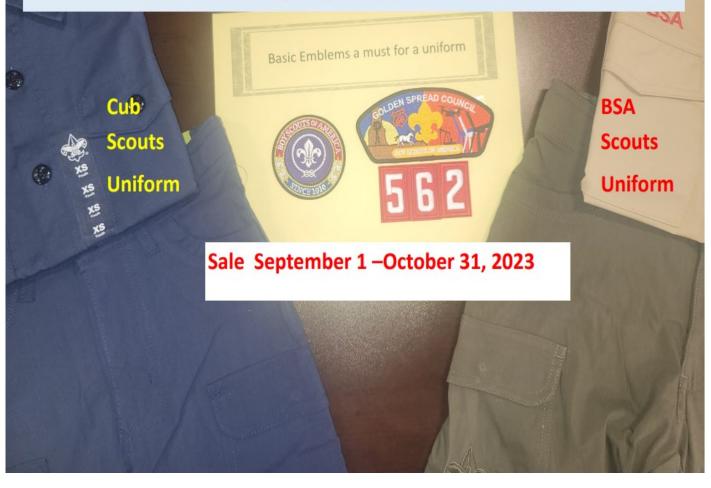
These are the discontinued microfiber and the cotton shirts. We only have sizes youth small and ladies extra small and Long sleeve medium (While supplies last)

SCOUT SHOP SALE!

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!

Take 10%off of any uniform bottom's when you purchase a uniform shirt and all basic emblems on same purchase

1 bottom per shirt purchase (excludes clearance)



EDITOR'S CORRECTION:

Many thanks to Chris & Becky Imel and Venture Crew 2023 for hosting Cub Camp 2023! This was to have appeared in the September newsletter and was accidentally omitted.



ADOBE WALLS

District Executive: Gaylyne Manns - gaylyne.manns@scouting.org Ph. # 806-207-0037

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

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

Roundtable: 1st Thursday of the month - ZOOM

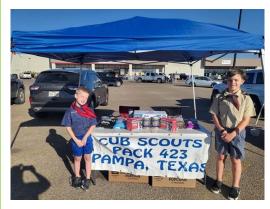
District meeting - 2nd Thursday of the month - 6:30 pm 201 E Foster St., Pampa

> Next District Meeting will be November 9th 6:30 pm at First United Methodist, 201 E Foster, Pampa, TX

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2023 Spook-O-Ree October 21st Camp MK Brown





Pack 423 from Pampa out selling their popcorn!



Troop 425 in McLean made good money selling at the local convenience store!

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Troop 565 from Borger raise the Flags at Family Camp at Camp Don Harrington Thanks guys!



Pack 548 from Fritch is making memories while taking a hike by Lake Meredith!





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Pack and Troop 501 from Panhandle has their annual BIVOUAC. New scouts that were just recruited described it as "So Much Fun"!

LET ME KNOW HOW YOUR POPCORN SALES ARE GOING? WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP?

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



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Eagle Scout builds 'Bug Hotel' for Wild West Wildlife Rehabilitation Education Center



Congratulations goes out to Meredith Flake from Troop 4086 in Amarillo! She has completed her Eagle Project by building a "Bug Hotel" for Wild West Wildlife Rehabilitation Center. This hotel will eventually house many insects native to the Texas Panhandle as a nesting place for them to reproduce and stay safe. Elementary students will also be able to learn the importance of these insects and why they are important in the nature chain. Her story even ran on the local news channels! Go check it out as you visit and tour Wild West Wildlife Rehabilitation Center.

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!

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!), Retirees, stay at home moms, 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 that may be interested in working for the Golden Spread Council, please contact Gemma Mitchell at 806-358-6500!

