

## **APRIL 2024 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 2024: Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving - November 27-29, Christmas - December 24-25th.

#### SCOUT SHOP SATURDAY HOURS FOR 2024:

The Scout Shop will only be open for Saturday hours on:

September 21 & 28

October 5 & 12

The Scout Shop will be closed for inventory on December 30 and 31.

The Scout Shop will no longer be open extended hours on the 1st Monday of each month.

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 April and the first few signs of spring are here! Easter is over and done and now we get to start the first of our spring activities - Camporee on April 13th! Then, for our OA members, Section Conclave is the next weekend -April 20th followed by Philmont Family Weekend from April 26-28th! This weekend in Philmont is always a great way to spend time with the family and just have some fun together! The Philmont staff is phenomenal and they will treat you right! Get registered today!



Lots of events coming in **2024**! The list of Cub Scouting and Scouts BSA activities for 2024 are located in this newsletter so you can get 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



## 2024 GOLDEN SPREAD COUNCIL CUB SCOUTS AND SCOUTS BSA CAMPING AND ACTIVITIES

January 20: Merit Badge University (WTAMU)

March 1-3: OKPIK Winter Adventure Camp (Camp MK Brown)

March 23: Scouting for Food (Cub Scouts and Scouts BSA event)

April 12-14: Camporee (Camp Don Harrington)

April 26-28: Philmont Family Weekend

June 2-7: National Youth Leadership Training Course (NYLT) (Camp MK Brown)

June 16-22: Scouts BSA Summer Camp (Camp MK Brown)

July 19-21: Cub Adventure Weekend (Camp Don Harrington)

August 5-8: Merit Badge Week (Camp Don Harrington)

September 6-8: Powderhorn (Camp MK Brown)

September 20-22: Webelos Woods Camp (Camp MK Brown)

September 28-29: Cub Scout Family Campout (Camp Don Harrington)

October 19: Spook O Ree (Camp MK Brown)

October 26: Spook O Ree (Camp Don Harrington)

November 9: Environmental Science Merit Badge Class (Camp Don Harrington)

November 16: 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>2024</u>

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

Unit Elections – Ongoing through May 1<sup>st</sup>, 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> at Mikanakawa Lodge, Camp Constantine – Circle Ten Council, Dallas, TX

Beaver Day - May 3-5 at 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.

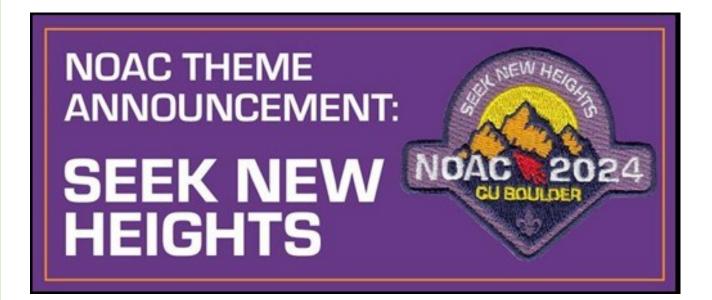
Summer Ordeal - August 23<sup>rd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> at MK Brown (Ordeal and Brotherhood Inductions)

Fall Fellowship Nov 1<sup>st</sup> – 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!



April is the last month to sell Camp Cards!! Sell, sell, sell for your unit's summer activities!

## **GOLDEN SPREAD COUNCIL, BSA PREVIEW**



## 2024 CAMP CARD SALE



Golden Spread Council, Boy Scouts of America

Youth join Scouting because the program provides excitement and adventure in camping in the great outdoors. That starts with unit leaders and parents encouraging ALL Scouts to attend a camping experience. To help pay for that experience, we offer two primary funding sources throughout the year- Popcorn and Camp Cards. Both provide parents the opportunity to help pay for camp and Scouts learn how to communicate with confidence, the value of money, salesmanship, proper budgeting, and the value of earning your own way.

The "Camp Card" is an easy fun program to help Scouts earn money to help pay for all types of summer camp or day camp adventures. And, the dollars earned can be used for other Unit approved Scouting activities as well (Talk to your Unit Leader for details). Scouts participating in this program will earn 50% commission (\$2.50) for each \$5 Camp Card they sell. The sale will begin on March 7, 2024, and end on April 16, 2024. Council monies due April 30, 2024. That gives Units 6 weeks to sell and a week to collect any unsold cards and/or monies due.

### The Council TOP selling Cub Scout, Scouts BSA Scout, and Venture Scout will receive a \$200.00 Visa Gift

#### Now through February 6 Pre-order Camp Cards directly with your District Executive

March 7th: Roundtable Camp Card Kickoff & Distribution

March to April: Sell Camp Cards and earn \$\$ for Camp and other Scouting activities!

Weekly Fill it Up Drawings: March 8, 15, 22, 29 April 5, 12

Neighborhood Blitz: March 25 – March 31

April 16: Sale officially ends

April 30: All Top Seller Forms, any unsold cards and money is due to the Council

#### June to September:

Have FUN, save money, and attend Scout Camp and other Unit Activities!!!!

# Fill It Up Weekly Drawings: The Council will be

providing a weekly "Fill It Up" Contest Drawing for any Scout that sells 20 Camp Cards. Camp Card Coordinators will sign off on approved sales and then email, fax, or drop forms off at the Council Office Those forms will be entered for a chance to win. Best of all—<u>Sell 20—turn in a form</u>. Multiple forms may be turned in each week, but all 20 sales must be new, and not previously used. Winners will be drawn each Friday during the sale, and they'll have the option to receive a \$25 Scout Shop Gift Card or a \$25 credit for any Council Sponsored Camp or Event. See Entry Form for more details.

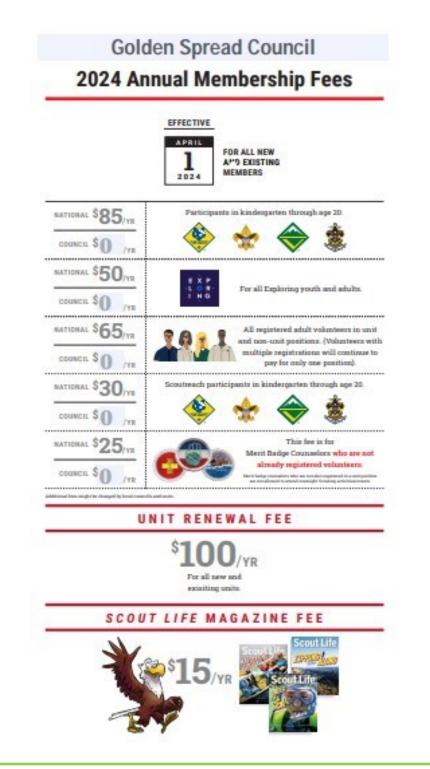


The more cards Scouts sell, the more money they earn to fund their Summer Camp Experience!



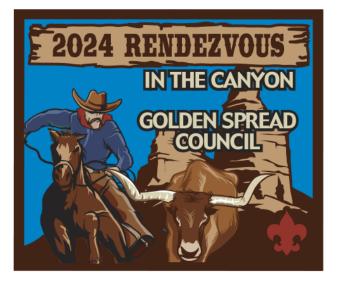
#### **NEW ANNUAL FEES FOR 2024!**

The new fees for 2024 have arrived and go into effect on April 1st. There is no more \$25.00 new member fee so keep that in mind for your spring and fall recruiting!



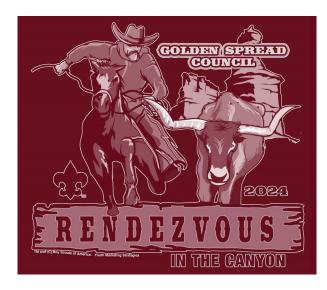
## **IT'S CAMPOREE TIME!**

Registration will be closing on April 3rd! Hurry to get your unit signed up!



Camporee time is here! It's time to Rendezvous in the Canyon at Camp Don! This fun-filled event will be held on April 12-14, 2024 at Camp Don Harrington! We have re-worked the first aid relay, the "A" trestle event as well as the Campsite inspections to make this event even better!

Cost is \$30.00 for Scouts and \$15.00 for adults which includes lunch on Saturday! T-shirt sales are now closed! The newly designed patch is shown above and the new design and color for the t-shirts is shown below! For more information and to register go to <u>www.goldenspread.org</u> and get your unit registered for this year's Camporee!



### MKB WORK DAY - APRIL 6TH!



## There is still time to register and come join us as we work to prepare camp for the summer camp season!

This is a day where volunteers can go to Camp MK Brown and help us do project around the camp in preparation for upcoming activities and summer camp. We typically need general labor and the occasional skilled labor depending on the projects. This year, we will be hauling branches and tree limbs from downed trees and getting some of the campsites that haven't been used in a while, ready for use! This will allow us to shut down others that are getting overused and damaging the ground cover. We serve a nice lunch to everyone who helps out. We prefer that no children attend but will consider older Scouts BSA members. There is no camping this weekend so plan ahead. If you would like to participate, register online at Black Pug or call the office at 806-358-6500 and let us know!



## **SCOUT SHOP SALE!**

# Sale April 1-30,2024

15% off all camping Gear while Supplies Last (Excludes all bags, Backpacks)

#### **Important Dates**

#### April 4,2024

Golden Eagle Round Table at scout office 7pm April 6,2024 MKB Volunteer Work Day (Last day to register April 3,2024) April 12,2024 Camporee at CDH (Last day to register March 29,2024) April 19,2024 OA Section Conclave (Last day to register April 14,2024) April 20,2024 Golden Eagle Space Derby (Last day to register April17,2024) April 26,2024 Philmont Family Weekend (Last day to register April 19,2024)



## We have a great selection of Mess kits! Do you need a Mess kit for NYLT, Summer Camp ?





## 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	Effective Leadership
Setting Goals	Effective Communication
Preparing Plans	Servant Leadership
Developing a Team	Resolving Conflict
Solving Problems	Making Ethical Decisions
Effective Teaching	Valuing People

## How Do I Sign Up?

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

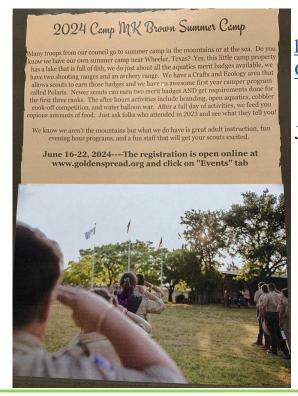
#### NYLT FLYER

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND GET READY FOR SUMMER CAMP 2024!!



Registration is already open and Camp MK Brown will be waiting for you to come have fun and adventure. We have a couple of new merit badges that will be offered (more to come!) and its always a blast at camp! Get your unit/scouts registered today at <u>goldenspread.org</u>.

The Leader's Guide is available at the link below:



https://scoutingevent.com/Download/562130155/ OR/2024\_Camp\_MK\_Brown\_Leaders\_Guide.pdf

Join us for the fun of camp this summer!



## **ADOBE WALLS**

District Executive:

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

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Troop 565 Borger helped with the fire relief in Borger. Way to go Scouts!

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James Murry receives his new Eagle Scout Neckerchief at OKPIK. Presented by Robert Hamlin.

Thank you James for all of your hard work on OKPIK and your service to Scouting! It's because of amazing volunteers like you that the youth and other adult volunteers of the Golden Spread Council get to enjoy great programs!

There might have also been some dust in the air making an eye or two water....

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#### **IT'S TIME TO FISH!**

Adobe Walls and Lone Wolf Districts'

Cub Scout Fishing Derby & Lake Fryer Community Service Day!

Saturday, May 11, 2024

Check in begins at 9am, with activities from 10am-2pm Scouts: \$5 Extra Family Members: \$3 Lunch Provided

No fishing licenses required. Catch and release only!!

You will need to bring:

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



SCOUTS NEEDING ILST TRAINING:

ILST training will be available as well! Please contact your Scoutmaster, or Troop 256 leadership for more information! We would love to see you at NYLT this year!

https://scoutingevent.com/562-2024AWLWFishingderby

Come join us for a day of fishing, food and fun! Bring the whole family out on Saturday, May 11th and practice those fishing skills as there will be prizes for the Largest fish, Smallest fish and Most Unusual Catch! Also, come ready to serve and clean up a beautiful lake and camping area!

## **GOLDEN EAGLE**

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District Chair: Richard "Buddy" Todd Ph # 806-367-3847

District Commissioner: Dallas Sharp Ph #

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

#### LET'S SCOUT FOR FOOD!

Scouting for Food was held on Saturday, March 23rd and was a great success! Many thanks to the volunteers and units that showed up to help raise over 51,000 meals for the High Plains Food Bank!



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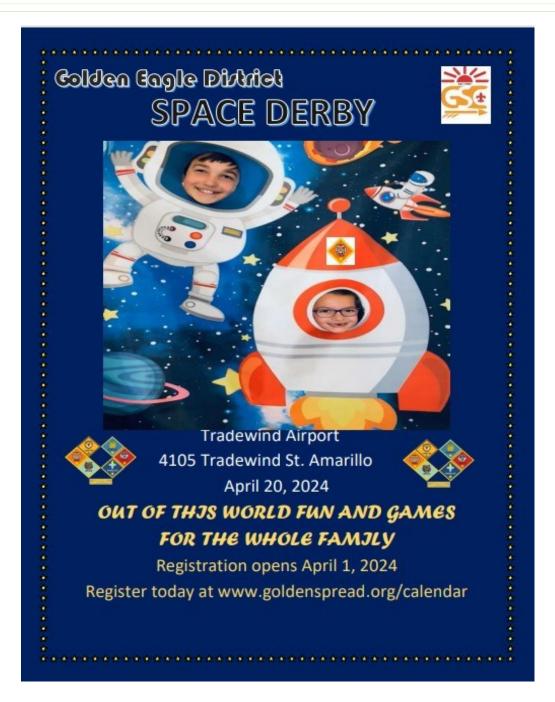


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Lone Wolf District



Come Visit the Lone Wolf District!

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## **QUANAH PARKER (SCOUTREACH)**

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#### PINEWOOD DERBY TIME!

Cars, cars and even more cars! It's time for Pinewood Derby in Scoutreach and we have had a lot of fun racing our cars! This is always such a fun event for the youth!

Drivers - Start your engines!

