

JULY 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:

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 July already! Happy Independence Day! The office will be closed on Thursday, July 4, however, it will re-open at normal time on Friday, July 5th. Here are some tips to have a happy, fun and safe 4th of July:

- 1. Never allow young children to handle fireworks.
- 2. Anyone using fireworks or standing nearby should wear protective eyewear; never hold lighted fireworks in your hands.
- 3. Only use them away from people, houses and flammable material; never point them at another person.
- 4. Do not try to re-light or handle malfunctioning fireworks.
- 5. Keep a bucket of water nearby to fully extinguish fireworks that don't go off or in case of fire.

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 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





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 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 and there are a lot of Cub Scout and Scouts BSA units that put pictures out there also!



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!!

2024

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

LEC Dates - TBD

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 $23^{\text{rd}} - 24^{\text{th}}$ at MK Brown (Ordeal and Brotherhood Inductions)

Fall Fellowship Nov $1^{st} - 2^{nd}$ (Brotherhood Induction Only Nov 1st and Banquet Nov 2^{nd}) – 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"

MEET OUR NEW EMPLOYEE!

We are please to announce that Jeff Sulik has been selected as the Golden Spread Council Field Director and started on Monday, June 10^{th} .

Jeff has a Bachelor of Arts in Biology from the university of Toledo, a Master of Business Administration from Rochester Institute of Technology, and over 25 years experience in director Residence Life. He has served in several leadership positions in Scouting and is the proud parent of two Eagle Scouts and one Star Scout.

Please join us in welcoming Jeff to the team!







WHO IS INVITED?

All Scouting Parents, Leaders, and Volunteers!
Any Youth Attending will do Activities & Service with
the Order of the Arrow

AGENDA

10am-12pm Informational Session
12pm-2pm Lunch, Council Committee Booths, &
Networking
1:45pm-2pm Closing

INFO TOPICS

The Future of Scouting in the Golden Spread Council Growing & Retaining Membership How to Keep Scouting Affordable Parent/Leader/Unit Resources Council Program & Activities

BOOTHS TO VISIT

Training / Activities & Summer Camp / Order of the Arrow /
Properties / Membership & Recruitment / Scout Shop / Popcorn
& Camp Cards / Commissioner Service / Friends of Scouting /
Technology & Marketing / District Leadership / Scouting &
Community Relationships



Free (Please RSVP)

Lunch will be Provided

Attend and Win Prizes!

Meet the Golden Spread Council Board & Staff

Network with other parents & leaders!

Learn about Scouting Resources

Provide Input & Suggestions





After the network forum at Camp Don Harrington, please join us for the Sod Poodles Game for game night! This is princess and pirate night so the whole family can dress up! There will be a pre-game infield parade with our princesses and pirates plus a firework show after the game is over. Join us for a night of fun!

Contact the council office at 806-358-6500 if you need more information!



JOIN THE "NUTS AND BOLTS" TEAM

A group of adults who volunteer at Camp Don Harrington on various scheduled times and days to assist in making camp the best it can be!

WHO CAN JOIN IN? ANY BSA REGISTERED ADULT WHO IS AVAILABLE ON ANY OF THE LISTED DATES! THIS COULD BE RETIRED FOLKS WHO WANT SOMETHING TO DO, STAY AT HOME DADS AND/OR MOMS, WORKING FOLKS WHO WANT TO TAKE A HALF DAY TO VOLUNTEER.

SO WHAT IS EXPECTED OF YOU? ON THE DAY (S) YOU CHOOSE TO HELP OUT AT CDH, THE TEAM WILL BE PROVIDED AN EXTENSIVE LIST OF PROJECTS ONCE YOU ARRIVE. YOU OR A GROUP OF OTHER VOLUNTEERS WILL PICK A PROJECT THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO WORK ON AND FOR A MINIMUM OF 4 HOURS THAT DAY, YOU WILL WORK ON THAT PROJECT. IF THE PROJECT CANNOT BE COMPLETED IN THAT TIME FRAME, IT WILL REMAIN ON THE LIST UNTIL COMPLETED ANOTHER DAY!

WHAT TYPE OF PROJECTS ARE AVAILABLE AND DO I NEED SKILLS? THERE IS A WIDE RANGE OF PROJECTS FROM PICKING UP BRANCHES, TO LIGHT TREE TRIMMING TO PAINTING, TO BUILDING RENOVATION, TO SIMPLE CLEANING! THERE IS SOMETHING FOR EVERY ADULT AGE, SKILL LEVEL, INTEREST, AND ARE ALL FOR MALE AND FEMALE VOLUNTEERS- WE WELCOME EVERYONE!

WHY ARE WE PUTTING THIS TEAM TOGETHER? THERE IS AN OVERWHELMING AMOUNT OF PROJECTS TO BE DONE TO IMPROVE THE GROUNDS AND HAVE BETTER PROGRAM AREAS FOR YOUTH. OUR RANGER SIMPLY CANNOT DO IT ALONE.

WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME? VOLUNTEERING TO HELP MAINTAIN A PROPERTY IN WHICH WE ALL ENJOY, HAVE FUN, FELLOWSHIP, AND LAUGHS THAT ARE WORTH YOUR TIME AND ENERGY. WE WILL PROVIDE A SMALL BREAKFAST OR LUNCH TO ALL VOLUNTEERS (DEPENDING ON THE SCHEDULED TIMES). PENDING SUCCESS OF THIS PROGRAM, VOLUNTEERS MAY BE PROVIDED A COOL HAT!!!

OK I'M INTERESTED, NOW WHAT DO I DO? WE WILL START THIS PROGRAM IN JUNE AND RUN THROUGH DECEMBER AS A TRIAL BASIS. SIMPLY LOOK AT THE SCHEDULE, SEE WHAT DAY YOU ARE AVAILABLE (NO NEED TO DECIDE RIGHT AWAY- YOU CAN LET US KNOW THE DAY BEFORE), AND USE OUR NEW GROUPME (CDH NUTS AND BOLTS TEAM) TO LET US KNOW YOU ARE COMING AND/OR YOU CAN CALL OR TEXT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING VOLUNTEERS OR RANGER KEN. WE WILL PROVIDE EVERYTHING YOU WILL NEED TO DO THE PROJECTS. AS A REMINDER, YOU ARE EXPECTED TO VOLUNEER FOR 4 HOURS BUT YOU MAY STAY LONGER IF YOU WOULD LIKE!

VOLUNTEERS: SCOTT- 806-679-4238 OR DELYNN - 806-681-1623 OR RANGER KEN - 806-679-9617



HERE ARE THE SCHEDULED DATES AND TIMES

JUNE 5: 830AM TO 100PM

JUNE 8: 830AM TO 100PM (COUNCIL WORKDAY)

JUNE 18: 830AM TO 100PM JUNE 21: NOON TO 5PM JUNE 27: 830AM TO 100PM

JULY 10: 830AM TO 100PM JULY 16: NOON TO 100PM JULY 24: NOON TO 5PM JULY 26: 830AM TO 100PM JULY 30: 830AM TO 100PM

AUGUST 8: 830AM TO 100PM AUGUST 22: NOON TO 5PM

AUGUST 24: 830AM TO 100PM (COUNCIL WORKDAY)

SEPTEMBER 5: NOON TO 5PM SEPTEMBER 7: 830AM TO 100PM

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OCTOBER 5: 830AM TO 100PM OCTOBER 10: 830AM TO 100PM OCTOBER 21: 830AM TO 100PM OCTOBER 24: NOON TO 500PM OCTOBER 30: 830AM TO 100PM

NOVEMBER 5: 830AM TO 100PM NOVEMBER 7: NOON TO 5PM NOVEMBER 18: NOON TO 500PM NOVEMBER 21: NOON TO 5PM

DECEMBER 4: 830AM TO 100PM

DECEMBER 7: 830AM TO 100PM (COUNCIL WORKDAY)

DECEMBER 18: NOON TO 500PM

ALL DATES AND TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

It's Time to Start Thinking about Fall Recruiting!

Here are some ideas to help your unit get ready for fall recruiting and welcoming new families to Scouting!

Make this a great year for your unit!

Growing Membership

Marketing Ideas for your Unit

- 1. Pack Booth at Meet the Teacher Night
 - a. A great way to directly talk to parents about joining Cub Scouts
 - b. Have a fun activity or giveaway to draw people to your booth
 - c. Have a display board on hand to promote the fun experiences your Pack has had
- 2. Social Media for your Pack or Troop
 - Ask the parents to share posts of your Unit's activities on their community Facebook page and invite families to join the fun
- 3. Have your Scouts wear their uniform to school
 - a. A great day to have them bring an "Invite a Friend" Card
- 4. Hand out Custom Invitation Cards made by the Council Office (no cost to your unit):
 - Invite a Friend: Special Invitations cards that can be customized for your unit
 - b. Halloween Cards: Special invitation cards to drop in candy buckets
 - Valentines Cards: Special invitation cards your Scouts can hand out on Valentines Day
- 5. Update your Unit's BeAScout Pin
 - Your Unit Leader (Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, or Crew Advisor), Committee Chair and Chartered Organization Representative have access to update your unit's pin. To update your pin:
 - i. Have one of them go to My.Scouting.org
 - ii. In the drop-down menu, select your unit, then Organization Manager
 - On the next screen, selection Unit Pin on the left-hand side to see the fields you can update
 - iv. Enter all the updated information for your unit and then click save at the bottom of the screen
 - Note that it may take a few hours, or up to overnight, for the updated information to show up
- 6. Order Custom Flyers from the Council Office (no cost to your unit):
 - a. Hand out at community events, church, while selling popcorn, etc
- 7. Personal Phone Calls/Emails
 - Have an existing leader in your unit reach out to other families to personally invite them to join your Pack
- 8. Designate a Pack or Troop Meeting as a Recruitment Night
 - a. Have a simple and fun activity such as Rain Gutter Regatta and serve Ice Cream
 - Offer an incentive to each member of your Pack if they bring a friend not currently in Scouts to attend

SCOUT SHOP SALE!

15% off all Craft kits! July 1-31, 2024

While supplies last

July 4th

Happy 4th of July (independence Day!)

Office and Camps Closed 4th July

Open July 5th office open camps closed

No July Eagle District Round table

July 19, 2024

Cub Scout Adventure Camp

July 29, 2024

NOAC (Order Of the Arrow)

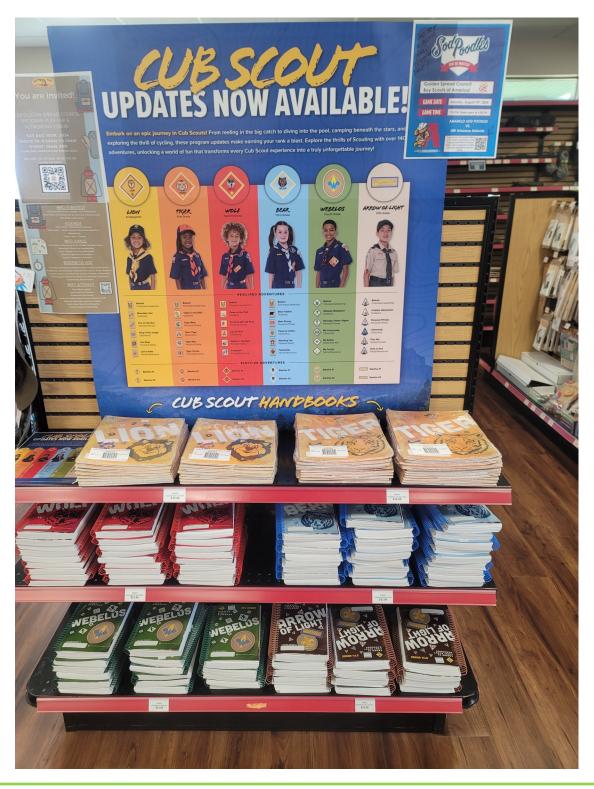






SCOUT SHOP INFO!

The new Cub Scouting program takes effect June 1, 2024! We have all of your handbook needs to help get you started on a great new Cub Scouting Fall!



NYLT 2024











































ADOBE WALLS

District Executive: Colter Morrison Ph # 580-716-0231

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

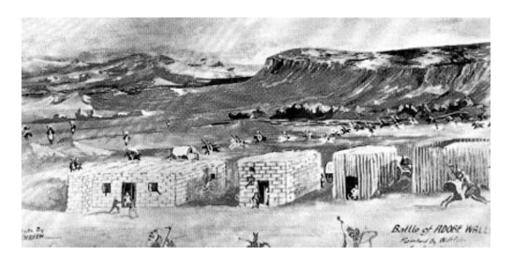
District Commissioner: Kris Anaya Ph # 806-626-8833

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



First Adobe Walls, Texas circa 1864



Second Battle of Adobe Walls, Texas circa 1874

GOLDEN EAGLE

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GOLDEN EAGLE DISTRICT PRESENTS

MERIT BADGE WEEK 2024 AUGUST 5TH-9TH, 2024

• GOLF	MOVIE MAKING
• DRONES	• ROBOTICS
• WELDING	• ART
• SWIMMING	• SKATING

TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL THE SCOUT OFFICE (806) 358-6500 OR GO TO $\,$

https://goldenspread.org/calendar/

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Golf-Learn to play the outdoor game on the Preston West Par 3 course with Merit Badge Counselor Doug Walker. This merit badge can be mostly completed in one morning. Class takes place on August 5, 2024, from 8:00 am to noon at the Preston West Golf Course (9101 Coulter St. South, Amarillo). Arrive at least 20 minutes early for check-in. Course Fee of \$30 cover green fees and club rental (club rentals are not fully complete golf club sets). 10 seats available.

Movie Making-Learn the art of brainstorming, storyboarding, and filming video or movies in this 2-day course taught by Merit Badge Counselor Byron Burkhard. Required prerequisite material must be completed before the class on August 5. Then, sign up to complete the merit badge by showing off your work on August 6th or 8th. The class takes place at Camp Don Harrington from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm with a one-hour lunch break. Lunch not provided. Only 10 seats available. Course Fee -\$20

Drones-Drones are quickly becoming a valuable tool for work and play. This half day class, Taught by Merit Badge Counselor Byron Burkhard, will teach the basics of drones and Federal Aviation Administration drone policy. The class takes place at Camp Don Harrington from 8:00 am to noon. Only 4 seats available. Course fee-\$20

Art Session 1-Explore and learn about the different forms of art, principles of art, and career opportunities with Merit Badge Counselor Sarah Chase. Session 1 takes place August 7th from 8:00 am to noon at Camp Don Harrington. Only 10 seats available. Course Fee is \$10

Art Session 2-Explore and learn about the different forms of art, principles of art, and career opportunities with Merit Badge Counselor Sarah Chase. Session 2 takes place August 7th from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm at Camp Don Harrington. Only 10 seats available. Course Fee is \$10

Swimming-Lifesaving is an Eagle Required Merit Badge that is only offered to scouts that have completed the Swimming Merit Badge. In this course, which is only for those that are classified as a swimmer, scouts will learn and demonstrate swimming techniques such as the breaststroke, backstroke, and rescue techniques. Any registrants that are not currently classified as being a swimmer will be turned away. Required items to bring include the BSA Annual Health and Medical Record (Parts A&B), Merit Badge Blue Card, Closed Toed Shoes, Cloths to put of your swimsuit for rescue practice, sunblock, and towel. Click Here to get the full list of requirements and required items. This is an all-day course, taking place that the Camp Don Harrington Swimming Pool, starts at 8:00 am to 5:00 pm with a one-hour lunch. Lunch is not provided. Sign up today as this class fills up fast. Only 20 seats available. Course Fee \$20.

Skating- Have fun as you learn, from a professional, how to skate, how to perform an ice rescue, and the powerful hockey stop. This all-day course will take place August 9th from 8:00 am to noon. Lunch not provided. Report to class at the Amarillo Ice Ranch (301 South Grant). The WAIVER OF LIABILITY form must be completed and turned into the scout office no later than August 8th, 2024. 50 seats available. Course Fee \$10

Welding – Learn the basics of welding in this all-day class on. All materials will be provided. Class starts at 8:00 am and goes through 5:00 pm with a one-hour lunch break. Lunch not provided. This class will take place at AMTECH (3601 Plains BLVD, Amarillo) Only 6 seats available. Course Fee \$20.

Robotics- Explore the exciting world of robo-technology in this fun and informative course. August 6th at the Scout Service Center (401 Tascosa Road). Class time is 8:00 am to 5:00 pm with a one-hour lunch break. Lunch not provided. Only 10 seats available. Course Fee-\$20.

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Registration closes July 5th for Cub Adventure Camp at Camp Don Harrington!



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NO JULY ROUNDTABLE

FOR

GOLDEN EAGLE DISTRICT

ROUNDTABLE WILL RESUME August 1, 2024

7:00 pm Scout Office

Please check out the new Cub Scout Leader Training

https://www.scouting.org/programs/cub-scouts/adult-leader-training/

LONE WOLF

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

District Chair: Lori Daniel Ph # 806-228-1771

District Commissioner: Audrey House Ph # 580-522-1085

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!)
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!





