

SEPTEMBER 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:

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!

Happy almost fall! The summer days are now over for all of the kiddos now that school is back in session and we look forward to the dog days of summer and early days of fall which raises the question - what are the dog days of summer? Sirius is the "dog star". In ancient Greece, Egypt, and Rome, it was believed that Sirius's dawn rising in mid-to-late summer contributed to the extreme weather of the season. In other words, the "combined heat" of super-bright Sirius and our Sun was thought to be the cause of summer's sweltering temperatures. The name "Sirius" even stems from the Ancient Greek *seirios*, meaning "scorching." Sounds familiar to the weather we've been having huh? For the ancient Egyptians, Sirius's



dawn rising (known to them as Sothis) also coincided with the Nile River's flood season. They used the star as a "watchdog" for that event. Of course, the appearance of Sirius does not actually affect seasonal weather here on Earth, but its appearance during the hottest part of summer ensures that the lore surrounding the star lives on today!

Lots of events still to come 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 28-29: Cub Scout Family Campout/Webelos Woods (Camp MK Brown)

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

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"



NOAC FUN!



























There were all sorts of festivals and gatherings, including Boulder Bash, Elevate Festival, and Section Gatherings at NOAC 2024! These events included fun games, competitions, and fellowship among Arrowmen. You got to meet new people, learn more about yourself and your peers, and experience new things. Who wouldn't want to go to something like that? Whether for patch trading, fun experiences, meeting new people, or even getting away from your house for a week, we at the Nisha Achowalogen Lodge hope you will come to the 2027 NOAC to change the OA forever!





We are extremely proud to announce that Tim Beecher and Cortney Grosz received the National Distinguished Service Award in the Order of the Arrow. Tim and Cortney, along with 50 other individuals, were honored at a special banquet in Boulder, Colorado. We appreciate the dedication you've given to the organization and lodge as youth and adults. The Distinguished Service Award (DSA) was created in 1940 to honor those who rendered service to the Order beyond the lodge level. The award is presented to Arrowmen, youth and adult, who have rendered distinguished and outstanding service to the Order on a sectional, regional, or national basis. The award is presented at National Order of the Arrow Conferences. Since the time the first awards were presented, fewer than 1,200 Distinguished Service Awards have been awarded.

Congratulations gentlemen from the Golden Spread Council! We appreciate your service and dedication to Scouting!





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IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN! JOIN THE "NUTS AND BOLTS" TEAM AT THE CAMP DON HARRINGTON WORKDAY!

SEPTEMBER 7, 2024 (SATURDAY)

Arrive at 8:30am for a safety briefing project list

Lunch will be provided starting at Noon.

The day will conclude after lunch

Please bring work gloves, and a positive outlook!

All available projects will be for anyone to participate in— No specific skills are required and are for all adult scouters—Please— NO Youth. We will have 2-3 projects to consider and we will provide all necessary supplies and equipment!

So what is the "Nuts and Bolts Team"? This is a group of volunteers who dedicate their time at Camp Don Harrington on various days for the week and an occasional Saturday with the goal to work only on projects outside of what the Rangers specific responsibilities entail. We have developed a list of over 160 projects that includes everything from cleaning windows in the Dining Hall to major building renovations and everything in between! To join our Nuts and Bolts Team GroupMe, please go to GroupMe and look for CDH Nuts & Bolts Team and join or contact Scott below. Here, we let you know a few days before a scheduled workday and you can consider joining us!

To join us for this workday, please register online at https://scoutingevent.com/562-SetpCDHWorkDay

NLT September 6 at Noon so we know you are coming and can take care of lunch for you!!!!!

Any questions should be directed to Volunteers:
Scott at 806-679-4238 or Delynn at 806 - 681-1623

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 (COUNCIL WORKDAY)

SEPTEMBER 16: NOON TO 5PM SEPTWMBER 25: 830AM TO 100PM

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)

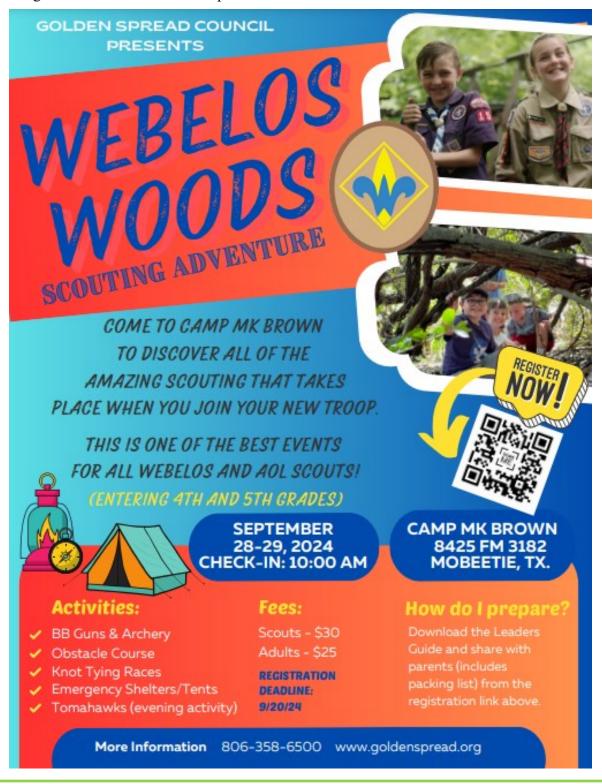
DECEMBER 18: NOON TO 500PM

ALL DATES AND TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Registration is now open for this fun, family event held at Camp MK Brown this year! Don't delay in getting your youth signed up. Registration deadline is September 20, 2024!



Registration is now open for this fun weekend where the Scouts BSA troops get to meet and mingle with the Webelos and Arrow of Light as they begin to transition from Cub Scouting to Scouts BSA! Hurry and get your youth registered as the deadline is September 20th!



SCOUT SHOP SALE!

Welcome back to School!

Have a great year!

Events For August

August 1

Golden Eagle District Round Table 7pm at Scout Office

August 2-3

Volunteer for Golden Spread Council Sporting Clays Games

August 5 - 9

Merit Badge week

Uniform Sale August 1, 2024 – September 30, 2024

Save 20% off on Uniform pants when you purchase uniform Shirt and all basic emblems on same transaction.





REGISTRATION OPENING SOON!



OCTOBER 19, CAMP MK BROWN
OCTOBER 26, CAMP DON
HARRINGTON

ENJOY HAY RIDES, CARNIVAL GAMES, SPOOK WALK, HAUNTED HOUSE, BB GUNS, ARCHERY, SLINGSHOTS, AND MUCH MORE!

WWW.GOLDENSPREAD.ORG

BALOO TRAINING!

Attention all Cub Scout leaders! BALOO training is now available for you! This in person training is required before a Cub Scout Pack can go camping and it is a super fun weekend. We have exciting events coming up for Cub Scouts this fall so don't delay - get your leaders signed up today!



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





Troop and Pack 548 of Fritch presented the colors to start the Small Fry Fishing Tournament at Lake Meredith on August 3. They also celebrated the summer with a fun for all family members end of summer swim party!





GOLDEN EAGLE

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

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 pm at the Scout Office





Troop 10 recently celebrated their Eagle Scouts with a Court of Honor. Notice in the picture with all the scouts....they are all Eagles with the exception of one who is working on his Eagle project this weekend! Scoutmaster James Huddleston thought that was the most Eagle Scouts in one room he had seen in a while! Great job Troop 10 Eagles helping celebrate your newest Eagle, Logan Robinson!





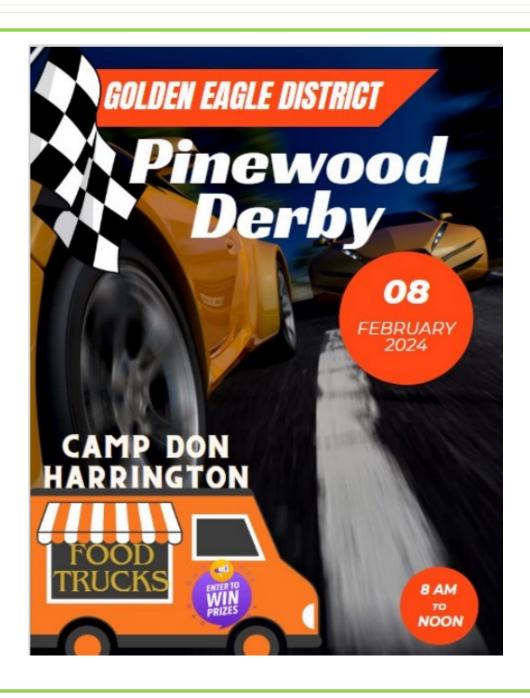
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Lone Wolf District - Meet Your Key 3!



Audrey has been scouting since she was a young girl. She earned the highest Girl Scouting award, the Gold Award in 1985. She became a BSA leader in 2003 and a scout master in 2005. Her two boys grew up in scouting and earned the rank of Eagle Scouts in 2010 and 2012. Audrey has enjoyed the many scouting adventures and trainings through the year and looks forward to many future adventures!



Lori has been a Lone Wolf volunteer and parent for over 10 years. She has held various volunteer positions including the unit, district, and council levels. Her goal is to keep scouting alive in Lone Wolf so future scouts can enjoy all the benefits the program offers. She enjoys all types of adventures, academics, gym, and travel.



Hi, my name is Bert Couch, and I am the District Executive for the Lone Wolf District. I achieved the rank of Eagle Scout in 2000, and started working for the Golden Spread Council in 2023. Prior to working for the Golden Spread Council, I worked for the Moore County Hospital District as their Lead Purchasing Agent. My hobbies include spending time outdoors with my wife and kids, as well as playing the guitar and woodcarving. I genuinely appreciate all the friendly folks here in the Lone Wolf District, and I look forward to continuing to serve as your District Executive!

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Lone Wolf District









THE LONE WOLF DISTRICT HAD FUN AT NOAC THIS SUMMER!!

Thank you Payton Maddox, Tom and Audrey House, Michelle Uptergove, Rachael Jett, Lori Daniel and youth from Troop 256 in Perryton for representing the Golden Spread Council!







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!





