



AUGUST 2025 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 2025:

Labor Day, Thanksgiving - November 26-28, Christmas - December 24-26th.

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

The Scout Shop will no longer be open on Saturdays in September and October.

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/>

COUNCIL EVENTS

EDITOR'S NOTE

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

It's August already! Where did the summer go??

Time for all of the kiddos to start back to school on August 14th, the 23rd annual Sporting Clay tournament is at Camp Don on August 1-2, we will start recruitment of the elementary schools at the end of the month and we have the Fall Kick-Off Extravaganza on August 16th at Camp Don and then the Sod Poodles game that evening!! Mark your calendars for August 16th and be sure to have all of your unit leaders there!

The newsletter has been updated with all of the activities, office closures for holidays and Scout Shop hours for 2025 so be sure to look them over and mark your calendars accordingly so that you will always be ready for the upcoming year! As we learn of and can release information, we will pass it along to you!

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



COUNCIL EVENTS

2025 GOLDEN SPREAD COUNCIL CUB SCOUTS AND SCOUTS BSA CAMPING AND ACTIVITIES

- January 25: **Merit Badge University** (WTAMU)
- February 8: **District Pinewood Derby races** (Check the calendar for your district locations!)
- March 1-2: **OKPIK Winter Adventure Camp** (Camp MK Brown)
- March 21-23: **Weekend #1 of Woodbadge Training** (Camp Don Harrington)
- March 22: **Scouting for Food** (Cub Scouts and Scouts BSA event)
- April 5-6: **Weekend #2 of Woodbadge Training** (Camp MK Brown)
- April 11-13: **Camporee** (Camp MK Brown)
- April 25-27: **Philmont Family Weekend**
- May 10: **District Fish Fests** (Check the calendar for your district location!)
- May 31: **Cub Scout Day Camp** (Camp Don Harrington)
- June 1-6: **National Youth Leadership Training Course (NYLT)** (Camp MK Brown)
- June 7: **Cub Scout Day Camp** (Camp MK Brown)
- June 15-21: **Scouts BSA Summer Camp** (Camp MK Brown)
- June 27-29: **Cub Scout Adventure Weekend** (Camp Don Harrington)
- September 19-21: **Webelos Woods** (Camp MK Brown)
- September 27-28: **Cub Scout Family Campout** (Camp Don Harrington)
- October 18: **Spook O Ree** (Camp Don Harrington)
- October 25: **Spook O Ree** (Camp MK Brown)
- November 8: **Environmental Science Merit Badge Class** (Camp Don Harrington)

For details on all of these camps, activities and to register, visit www.goldenspread.org. 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!

COUNCIL EVENTS

There is still time to rent the pool for this summer and the CDH Pool is a great way to get your Scouts together and spend time at camp this summer. Reserve your private pool party at Camp Don for only \$5 per attendee before the pool closes in September! For more information click on the link below: <https://campreservation.com/562/Facilities/455/14733>



COUNCIL EVENTS

Come join us for our annual program year kick-off at Camp Don. This is open to all leaders and parents in your unit so be sure to get signed up and bring your friends from your Cub Scout pack or Scouts BSA troop with you!

Register at <https://scoutingevent.com/562-2025ProgramNetworking>

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FREE
INCLUDES
LUNCH

Fall 2025 Kick-Off Extravaganza



ALL SCOUT FAMILIES AND LEADERS
CAMPING AVAILABLE
ADVANCED RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 2025
10AM-1:30PM (CHECK IN AT 9:30AM)
CAMP DON HARRINGTON
15427 FM 1541, CANYON, TX

Capital Campaign Update	Parent/Leader/Unit Resources
Growing & Retaining Membership	Keeping Scouting Affordable
Council Activities & Properties	High Adventure
Scout Shop	Order of the Arrow
Membership & Recruitment	Popcorn & Camp Cards
Training	Scoutbook

JOIN US LATER THAT EVENING FOR SCOUT NIGHT AT HODGETOWN!



- PURCHASE DISCOUNTED TICKETS FOR SCOUTS, FAMILY & FRIENDS BY AUGUST 9TH
- 7:05 GAME TIME - ARRIVE AT 6PM FOR PRE-GAME ON FIELD PARADE
- DRONE SHOW W/FIRWORKS FINALE
- SCOUT UNIFORMS ENCOURAGED

COUNCIL EVENTS

When you are done having fun, fellowship and learning at Camp Don, come join us for the Sod Poodles game! The Scouts get to take part in the field parade before the game and then get to have a nice relaxing evening with their families! Oh, and you might get to meet Ruckus also! Register at: <https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/2025golden2>



The poster features a blue background with a white and yellow cowboy hat logo on the left. The text 'YOU'RE INVITED!' is written in large, bold, blue letters. Below this is the hashtag '#Dig this Town' in a cursive font. The event title 'Scout Night at HODGETOWN!' is centered, flanked by the Scouting America Golden Spread Council logo. Three red-bordered boxes provide details: 'GAME DATE: Saturday, August 16th, 2025', 'GAME TIME: 7:05PM Gates Open at 6PM', and 'PROMOTION: Drone Show w/ Firework Finale'. The matchup 'AMARILLO SOD POODLES VS. CORPUS CHRISTI HOOKS' is listed in red. At the bottom left is a photo of a white marmot, and at the bottom right is a QR code with instructions to scan it for seating.

YOU'RE INVITED!

#Dig this Town

Scouting America Golden Spread Council Scout Night at HODGETOWN! Scouting America Golden Spread Council

GAME DATE: Saturday, August 16th, 2025

GAME TIME: 7:05PM Gates Open at 6PM

PROMOTION: Drone Show w/ Firework Finale

AMARILLO SOD POODLES VS. CORPUS CHRISTI HOOKS

Scan the QR Code to get your seat(s) for Scout Night at HODGETOWN! Scouts need to be at the North gate when it opens at 6pm to participate in the on-field parade

COUNCIL EVENTS



Order of the Arrow

Nischa Achowalogen Lodge

Vigil Honor Announcement!

This weekend at Summer Ordeal, we had the privilege of announcing our 2025 **Vigil Honor Candidates!**

The Vigil Honor is the **highest recognition** that the Order of the Arrow can bestow upon a member. It is reserved for those who have gone **above and beyond in service**, shown exceptional **dedication to Scouting and the lodge**, and truly **live out the principles** of the OA—**Brotherhood, Cheerfulness, and Service.**

It is not something one earns by rank or time, but rather something that is **bestowed by the lodge in recognition of unselfish devotion** to others. This honor is a reflection of **who they are when no one is watching.**

Please join us in celebrating and congratulating the following candidates:

Payton Maddox

Meredith Flake

Tobi Sandoval

James Shockley

Their Vigil journey has just begun, and we are honored to walk it with them. May we all strive to serve as they have.

Come celebrate with us at Fall Fellowship, November 7-8 as these Arrowmen complete their Vigil journey!

COUNCIL EVENTS

Come join us on **September 6th** at Camp Don for a volunteer workday! It's free to come out and help. It's time to start working on the camp for the fall activities that will be coming. Cub Scout Family Camp in September and Spook O Ree in October are highly anticipated activities for Cub Scout families! The slingshot frame needs to be fixed, we need help cleaning up downed tree limbs, signs need to be painted, and there is just general work to be done. There is a lot to come help with at Camp Don! We will even feed you lunch - just register on Black Pug so we know you are coming! <https://scoutingevent.com/562-SeptCDHWorkDay>

CAMP DON HARRINGTON VOLUNTEER WORKDAY

SEPTEMBER 6
CHECKIN AT 830AM NEAR THE MAIN GATE
START AT 9AM THROUGH NOON

FREE LUNCH AT NOON

ALL ADULTS WELCOME TO ATTEND.

PLEASE REGISTER FOR THIS WORKDAY ONLINE
BY SEPTEMBER 4:

[HTTPS://SCOUTINGEVENT.COM/562-
SEPTCDHWORKDAY](https://scoutingevent.com/562-SeptCDHWorkDay)

COUNCIL EVENTS

SCOUT SHOP

Welcome Back To School
and a new year of Scouting adventures.
Bring your friends, get them to join your scouting adventures.

August Sale 1-31, 2025 (while supplies last)

Buy any uniform shirt & basic patches
at regular price (Excludes Clearance)

and get any bottom for 15 % off



We have lots on
Clearance!

Patches, Pins, Clothing , add
them to your collection.

If you don't have a scouting
collection started this would
be a great way to get started.

Your adventure for August 2025.

Aug 1-2

Asking Troop to help with sporting games at the GSC
Sporting Clays at Camp Don Harrington

Aug 7

Golden Eagle Roundtable at Scout office 7pm

Aug 14

Adobe Walls Committee meeting/ Roundtable
At First Methodist Church in Pampa at 6:30pm

Aug 16

Fall 2025 Kick off Extravaganza at Camp Don; check in at
9:30am (register for free lunch)
2025 Scouting Night at Hodgetown; arrive at 5pm at the
north gate by old city hall for Scouts Parade and Unit Picture.

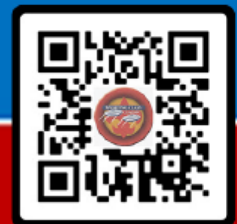
COUNCIL EVENTS

It's time for the 23rd annual Shoot for Scouting Sporting Clays event at Camp Don! If you have a team and want to come support this fun and challenging event - contact Chase Roach today! You can call the office at 806-358-6500 or email him at chase.roach@scouting.org.

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 **SHOOT** 
FOR SCOUTING
23rd ANNUAL
SPORTING CLAYS CLASSIC

SAVE THE DATE
AUGUST 1 & 2, 2025



Camp Don Harrington
Call 806.358.6500 to Reserve a Team Today!

SCAN ME

COUNCIL EVENTS

IT'S POPCORN TIME!!

2025 Popcorn Unit Registration

Hello Popcorn selling Scouts, Leaders and Kernels!

Unit Registration is open. Follow the link below:

<https://pecatonicariverpopcorn.com/login.php>

(The New Unit Council Key is 562GSC)

If your unit isn't listed please contact me directly at my email address: chase.roach@scouting.org



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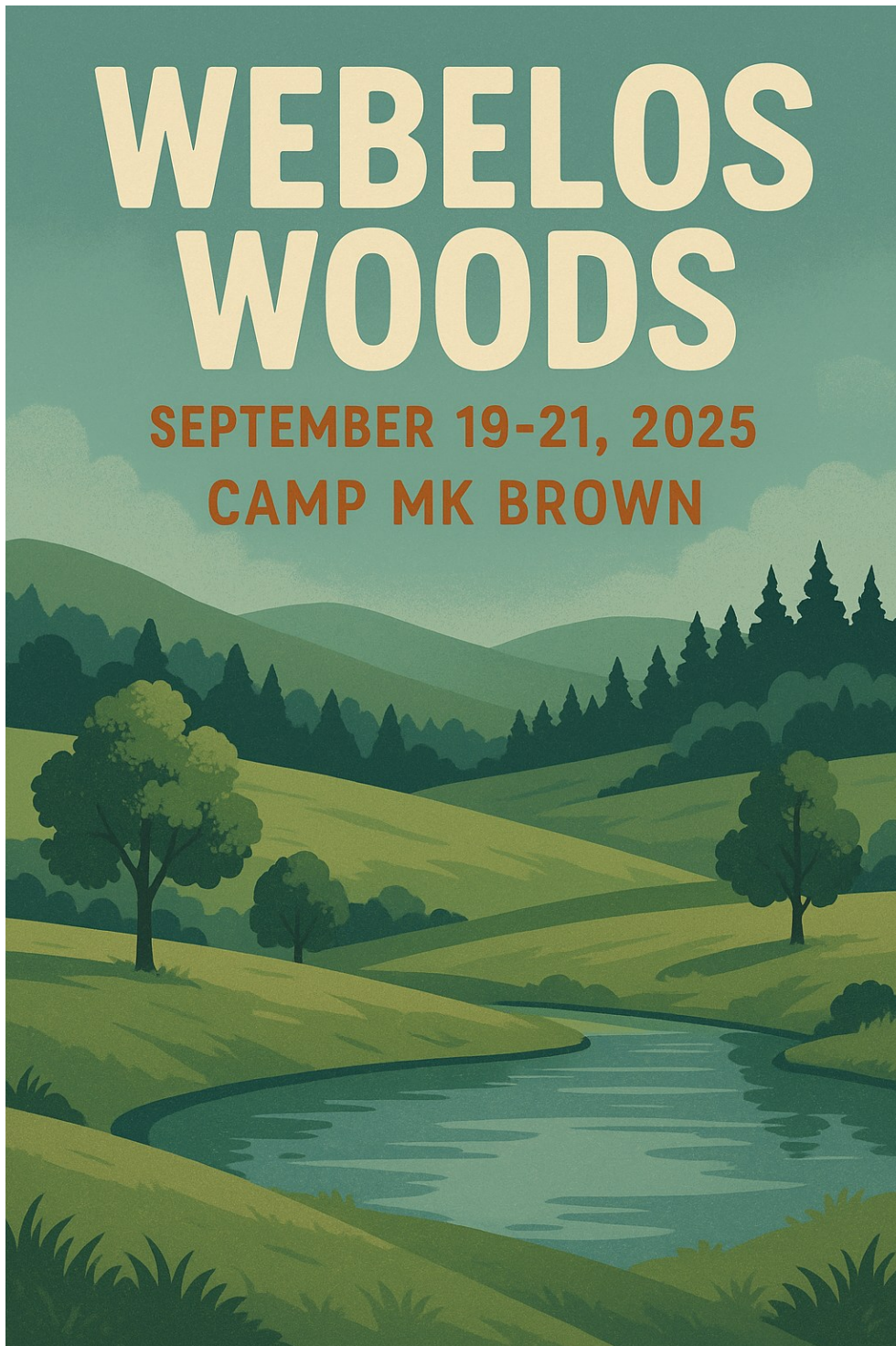
Camp Don played host to 36 youth and 12 staff from the City of Amarillo Parks and Recreation summer program on July 24th for a summertime field trip! Camp Director Bob Altman reported that everyone that came had a blast!!



COUNCIL EVENTS

WEBELOS WOODS!!!

Time to Save the Date for Webelos Woods! This is open to all 4th and 5th graders in Cub Scouting to be hosted by the troops in your area! For more information go to <https://scoutingevent.com/562-2025WebelosWoods> - registration opens 7/31/25! Leader guide coming soon!



COUNCIL EVENTS

CUB SCOUT FAMILY WEEKEND!

Registration is now open! To register go to: <https://scoutingevent.com/562-2025CubFamilyWeekend>



GOLDEN SPREAD COUNCIL
SEPT. 27-28 2025

15427 FM 1541
Canyon, TX.

Check-in: 10:00am
Events: 1:30pm

REGISTER NOW!



CUB SCOUT family campout

OPEN TO ALL CUB SCOUTS AND FAMILIES
(Families are welcome to attend even if your Pack is not coming as a group!)

CUB SCOUTS: \$20 Includes: Activities/Supplies Dinner Saturday Breakfast Sunday Tent Camping Campfire Program	ADULTS: \$15 Includes: Dinner Saturday Breakfast Sunday Tent Camping Campfire Program	SIBLINGS/OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS: \$15 / attendee FREE: SIBLINGS (4 years old & below) FAMILY DEAL: \$50 1 scout 1 sibling 2 adults (\$15 for each extra siblings)
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Register before 9/19

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Please visit our website for a complete list of what to bring and what not to bring to camp!

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CUB SCOUT FAMILY WEEKEND!

Registration is now open! To register go to: <https://scoutingevent.com/562-2025CubFamilyWeekend>



The poster features a central image of a large wooden building with a porch, surrounded by greenery. Overlaid on this image is the text "GOLDEN SPREAD COUNCIL" and "SEPT. 27-28 2025". Below the main image are three circular inset photos: one showing a family setting up a tent, one showing the Cub Scouts logo, and one showing a group of smiling Cub Scouts. The background is a dark blue with a pattern of small white dots. The text "CUB SCOUT family campout" is prominently displayed in white. Two columns of text list "Events:" and "What to Bring:". At the bottom, there is a yellow banner with the Scouting America logo and contact information.

GOLDEN SPREAD COUNCIL
SEPT. 27-28 2025

15427 FM 1541
Canyon, TX.

Check-in: 10:00am
Events: 1:30pm

CUB SCOUT family campout

Events:

- Archery
- BB Guns
- Games
- Hiking
- Fishing
- Campfire Program
- Saturday Dinner
- Sunday Breakfast

What to Bring:

- Tent
- Sleeping Bags
- Toiletries (showers at camp)
- Weather appropriate clothes (we camp rain or shine)
- Water Bottle
- Fishing Tackle
- Sunscreen/Hat
- Saturday Lunch
- Bug Repellent
- Please leave pets at home

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www.goldenspread.org

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SPOOK O REE!!!

Time to Save the Date for Spook O Ree 2025!! This year Camp Don Harrington will be host on October 18 and Camp MK Brown will host on October 25! More information coming soon but seriously - get these dates on your calendar for the biggest Cub Scouting event of the year!!

<https://scoutingevent.com/562-2025Spookoree>

Patch design courtesy of Hunter Imel - Pack 3



COUNCIL EVENTS

Service Hours Volunteer Opportunity!!

The Alzheimer's Association has reached out to us to see if there are any Cub Scout Packs or Scouts BSA Troops that would come help on Saturday, September 20th for their annual walk. Please contact Marisa Vasquez at 806-412-0729 for more information!

NOW

IS OUR MOMENT.



AMARILLO,

Now is the moment we've been waiting for. With new treatments emerging in the fight against Alzheimer's and all other dementia, now is the time for hope.

Now is the time for action.

Help us keep the momentum going in your community at the Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's®, the world's largest fundraiser to fight the disease.

WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S

ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION

AMARILLO Walk to End Alzheimer's Saturday, September 20

Sam Houston Park

4101 Line Ave | Amarillo, Texas 79106

For more information contact:

Marisa Vasquez
mdvasquez@alz.org
806-412-0729



REGISTER TODAY!

Scan the QR Code
or visit

act.alz.org/amarillo

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DISTRICT EVENTS

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

It's time, it's time, it's time!! The time is finally here to start Cub Scout recruitment!! School is about to start in many of the Adobe Walls communities so start thinking about contacting your schools for their annual Back to School night and if your unit can set up a booth or table to promote Cub Scouting! We also need your unit help to go to the sign up nights for the schools after we do the Buzz Ups in the schools. It's just time to start back to school! If you have any questions, contact Colter Morrison at 580-716-0231.



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SCOUT ME IN **SOMETHING** Family Scouting
FOR EVERYONE

Cub Scouts Ages 5-10
Cub Scouts is a year round family program. This educational program builds character, citizenship, and personal fitness.

DISTRICT EVENTS

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

GOLDEN EAGLE DISTRICT

MONTHLY ROUNDTABLE MEETING



FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
7:00 PM

**INFORMATIVE TOPICS AND DISCUSSIONS FOR CUBMASTERS, SCOUTMASTERS, OR
ANY ADULT THAT WANTS TO KNOW HOW TO BETTER SERVE YOUTH**

SCOUT OFFICE - 401 TASCOSA ROAD

MORE INFORMATION: (806) 358-6500 or
goldenspread.org/calendar/

DISTRICT EVENTS

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



DISTRICT EVENTS

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!

