



# North Shore District Newsletter

## August 2019

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### Scouting Calendar

#### August

- 8 District OA and Roundtable  
10 & 17 [NRA pistol instructor training](#)  
16-17 [North Shore BALOO training](#)  
12 [Scout shop](#) resumes normal hours  
24-25 [OA lodge leadership development](#)  
30-31 [Capitol Trade-o-ree](#)

#### September

- 5 District committee meeting  
7 [Cub Leader Expo @ Fickett](#)  
7 [Cub BB gun & archery RSO training](#)  
6-8, 20-22 [Powder Horn](#) training  
12 District OA and Roundtable  
14 [Venturing is Happening](#)  
20-22 [STEM Adventure Weekend](#)  
25 [Climbing training classroom](#)  
27-28 [Climbing training practical](#)

#### October

- 3 District committee meeting  
10 District OA and Roundtable  
11-13 [Wood Badge](#) Weekend 1  
18-20 [Hornaday](#) Weekend

#### November

- Nov 1-3 [Wood Badge](#) Weekend 2  
7 District committee meeting  
14 District OA and Roundtable

### Popcorn Dates

- Aug 1 Take Order & Online begins  
Aug 30 Unit Show & Sell order due  
Sep 21 Show & Sell begins  
Oct 27 Show & Sell, Take Order ends  
Nov 2 Take Orders due

### STEM Events

- Aug 1 Signup opens for [STEM Adv Weekend](#) including Supernova Mentor Training  
Aug 27 iFly Nova for Cubs (Up and Away)  
Aug 29 iFly Nova for Scouts (Up and Away)  
Sep 20-22 [STEM Adventure Weekend](#)  
Oct 18-20 [Hornaday Weekend](#)  
Dec 3 & 5, Feb 11 & 13 more [iFly Nova](#) Classes  
Mar 21 [STEMboree](#)

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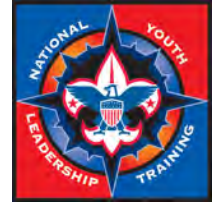
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## Training

- **NLYT - Youth**

See the [council website](#) to learn more about National Youth Leadership Training at Green Dickson. Talk with your scoutmaster before registering.



- **Wood Badge - Adults**

Want to have the most Scouting fun ever? Wood Badge - or NYLT for adults - is the premiere Scouter training program. This fall's course will provide an amazing two weekends of hands-on training October 11-13 and November 1-3 at Lost Pines. This 2019 course will be extra-exceptional because North Shore scouters make up nearly half of the staff! You don't want to miss this amazing opportunity for skills, fun, self-improvement, networking, and camaraderie. Sign up [here](#). Only 19 spots left! Act quickly and secure your place. Orientation is in September.

- **Powder Horn - Adults and older Youth Leaders**

During Texas Powder Horn (September 6-8 and 20-22 at Camp Tahuaya), you "learn by doing" with expert consultants who demonstrate the skills and explain where resources, such as equipment, facilities, guides, instructors, and certifications can be obtained. You get to try the activities yourself so you know how much fun your unit will be able to have. A staff of experienced Scouters and experts from all over Texas will guide you through the adventure! Then we help you bring ideas back to your unit with resources and an online community of knowledgeable Scouters to offer advice and answer questions. See the [Texas Powder Horn brochure](#) and the council page [here](#) with a video and link to sign up.



- **Roundtable - Adults**

Join us for this month's North Shore District Cub Scout Roundtable. We will offer information on two different topics during this fun and entertaining session for you to choose from.

- ❖ **Cub Scout Topic:** Join Scouting Night - Learn how to get the most out of your recruiting night. Check out the latest information on recruiting for your Cub Scout Pack.
- ❖ **Scouts BSA Topic:** Planning for Webelos recruitment.

**When:** Thursday, August 8th at 7:00 pm

**Where:** Good News Methodist Church, 1610 E. New Hope Drive, Leander, TX 78641



- **District Training - Adults**

BALOO (Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation) for Cub Leaders will be offered August 16-17 (7 PM Friday to 7 PM Saturday) at Good News United Methodist Church, 1610 E. New Hope, Leander. Cost is \$20. Registration link is [here](#).

This is an overnight course designed as an introduction to the Cub Scout and WEBELOS outdoor program for those leaders who are interested in adding a camping component to their Pack activities. BSA's Cub Scout and WEBELOS camping policies will be taught along with the necessary tools to help units carry out a successful camping experience. If you have questions or would like more information, please contact our District Training Chair Ryan Baldwin at [breakaway@utexas.edu](mailto:breakaway@utexas.edu).



## Service

- **Project Ideas**

Our district chair for service projects is Nathan Hayden [nathanhayden@gmail.com](mailto:nathanhayden@gmail.com). He has a list of 37 project opportunities for all levels. Two opportunities from justserve.org are listed below. Contact him to find your next pack, troop, crew, ship, or Eagle project.

- **Vet Fest 2019**

November 2, from 10am - 1pm, we need volunteers to come and help set up for this year's Vet Fest. Afterwards, we will need additional help with traffic control. Also, from 5-6pm, we need volunteers to come and help with cleanup and takedown. Vet Fest is a free event for Veterans dedicated to all veterans from all branches. This will be a huge event, and as always, volunteers are the secret to success. Sign up for [Setup/Traffic Control](#) or [Takedown](#).

- **Formula 1 service opportunity**

Dates are Friday 11/1 through Sunday 11/3. We will especially need help on 11/2 and 11/3 (although we could use help on 11/1 as well prior to the concert). We are looking for scouts who would feel comfortable around large crowds. They will help guide visitors around the track and generally be good Scouts BSA ambassadors. For the flag ceremony on the track, scouts must be 16 or older. More details to come as we get additional volunteers and details from COTA (Circuit of the Americas). Contact [<brian.hankey@gmail.com>](mailto:brian.hankey@gmail.com) for more information.



## Order of the Arrow

For members of the OA, if you are interested in planning fun events, come to the monthly OA chapter meetings on the second Thursday of every month, 7 PM at Good News UMC (the same place as Roundtable).



## News from the District Chair

Ever wonder how the District works? We would love to have you join us at our Committee Meetings held the first Thursday of the Month at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints building at 1801 East Park Street (across from Gupton Stadium). We meet on the West side of the building from 6:00-7:00 PM. Our next meeting will be September 5th. Please send me a note letting me know you plan to attend. Thank you for all you do for the youth in your units.

Best regards,

Kevin F. Clark, District Chair  
512-771-5845, [kfclark1962@yahoo.com](mailto:kfclark1962@yahoo.com)





Mason Nelson, North Shore Eagle Scout, was one of the **National Eagle Scout Association** award recipients of the Mabel and Lawrence S. Cooke scholarship for \$25,000. This fall he plans to attend the University of Michigan to study computer science. A graduate of Hill Country Christian School of Austin, Mason has been in Scouting since third grade, as a Cub Scout, member of Scouts BSA Troop 234, and Sea Scout Ship 681. He has served on the staff at several NYLT courses, including as course Senior Patrol Leader, and has trekked to Philmont and Sea Base. A recent Vigil inductee, he has also filled several roles with the North Shore OA, currently as chapter chief.



This scholarship is awarded based on school and Scouting participation, academic performance, and financial need. Applicants must meet the minimum SAT (1290) or an ACT (28) score to be considered. This scholarship is awarded as follows: \$48,000 – One awarded annually, \$25,000 – Four awarded annually (One per BSA region). For more Eagle scholarship opportunities, see <https://nesa.org/for-eagle-scouts/scholarships/>

Ward Hoffman, District Executive  
North Shore District

**Recharter** time is approaching. Are you ready? What do you need to do?

1. Make sure your unit has a Unit Recharter Leader.
2. Make sure your unit turns in all applications for New Members as soon as possible.
3. Make sure your unit makes October 1<sup>st</sup> the deadline for getting current members to commit to Rechartering.
4. Have your Roster complete with New and Current members by October 11<sup>th</sup>.
5. Now your Unit Recharter Leader is ready to Recharter.



**Rechartering**

The key to a successful Recharter is getting the Roster accurate as soon as possible. If you have questions, reach out to your Unit Commissioner or myself. We will have help sessions throughout the process.

Thank you making our program work for our youth.

Craig Nesbitt, District Commissioner  
[canesbitt@sbcglobal.net](mailto:canesbitt@sbcglobal.net)

## Call for Newsletter Input

Please send in your text and photos of summer camp highlights, derbies, campout reports, recipes, fishing tips, service projects, Wood Badge ticket items, important dates, and any other activities you wish to share. Deadline is the end of the month for inclusion in the next month's edition. Email to [communications@northshoredistrict.org](mailto:communications@northshoredistrict.org).





Join us for the  
**Ben Hur Shrine Circus**

**Labor Day Weekend 2019**

August 30<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM

August 31<sup>st</sup> at 11 AM, 3 PM and 7 PM

September 1<sup>st</sup> at 1:30 PM and 5:30 PM

at the

**H-E-B Center**

2100 Avenue of the Stars

Cedar Park, TX 787613

For tickets and more information, visit [www.hebcenter.com](http://www.hebcenter.com)



**The first 500 scouts to attend wearing  
their uniform receive a FREE patch!**

## North Shore at Philmont 2019

After delaying a year due to the Ute Park and Morris Creek fires, Crew 625A made up of scouts from Crew 158 and Troop 258 trekked through Philmont. We toured the southern region of Philmont and visited a new camp in the neighboring UU Bar Ranch.

On the last day with our hometown ranger, JT Devenport, we stopped for a photo at The Notch. Thanks JT!

To our surprise, we found Elijah R. and the Capitol Area Council Contingent Crew at Beaubien towards the end of our journey.

Our crew enjoyed the conservation project to prevent further fires and better maintain the forest. On our final full day, we also crossed paths with the crew from Troop 271 (Hi Mr. Ryan and Brendan! Hope your trek was just as amazing.)





## Cub Leader Expo: Passport to Adventure, Saturday September 7 @ Fickett

The Council is hosting the Cub Leader Expo: Passport to Adventure on Saturday, September 7 at the Fickett Center from 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM. The purpose of the event is for Cub Scout leaders to learn more about resources available to them from your District, the Council and the Community. Registration is now live at <https://www.bsacac.org/training/cub-scout-leader-expo/> There is no cost to the leaders but we would appreciate leaders registering to assist us in ordering enough breakfast tacos.

## North Shore Eagle Scouts

This is the list of Eagles from our district since the last newsletter. Congratulations to all! Future editions will post monthly updates. Please send photos to [communications@northshoredistrict.org](mailto:communications@northshoredistrict.org)



7/9/19 - Thomas Rabago & James Rabago - Troop 202

7/23/19 - Jonah Kelley - Troop 198



7/28/19 - Iain Summerlin - Troop 271

