



North Shore District Newsletter

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Scouting Calendar

Given changing guidance on social distancing measures, all events are tentative pending health and safety recommendations.

Council virtual scouting camps:

[Cub Scout Camp-in-a-box](#)

[Techlab STEAM Camp](#)

[Lost Pines Virtual Merit Badge Program](#)

More council [#ScoutingAtHome activities](#)

June

- 4 District Committee Meeting
- 11 District OA and Roundtable
- 14 Flag Day
- 21 Father's Day
- 27-28 [Paddle Craft Safety Training](#)

July

- 2 District Committee Meeting
- 4 Independence Day
- 9 District OA and Roundtable

August

- 6 District Committee Meeting
- 10 Scout shop resumes normal hours
- 13 District OA and Roundtable
- 14-15 [Shotgun training](#)
- 14-16 [Mega Training Weekend](#)
- 15 [Climbing recertification](#)

Fall

- Sep 11-13 Powder Horn weekend 1
- Sep 25-27 Powder Horn weekend 2
- Sep 25-27 STEM Adventure Weekend
- Oct 2-4 OA Fall Assembly
- Oct 9-11 Wood Badge weekend 1
- Oct 16-18 Fall Camporee
- Oct 24 Cub Scout Spook-o-ree
- Oct 31 Council Volunteer Awards
- Nov 7-8 Wood Badge weekend 2

BSA information regarding COVID-19

<https://www.scouting.org/coronavirus/>

<https://www.scouting.org/coronavirus/covid-19-faq/>

Council updates

<https://www.bsacac.org/activities/coronavirus/>

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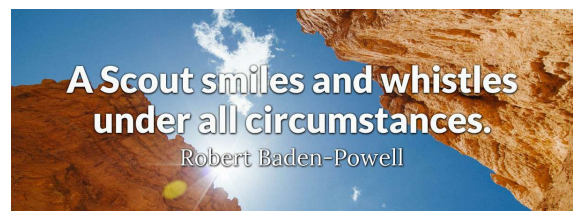
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Letter from the District Chair



Dear North Shore Scouting Family,

Another month has come and gone in the world of Covid-19. As we see businesses begin to open there is still a lot of uncertainty in our world.

While BSA has cancelled large gatherings such as in-person Day Camps and Summer Camps, we will still be able to take advantage of scouting from our homes.

Day Camp in a box and online Merit Badge and STEM Classes are just a few of the ways we will be able to continue the scouting journey this summer.

Keep at it scouts and scouters. Scouting is still strong and needed in 2020.

Best regards,

KFC
Kevin F. Clark
District Chair, North Shore District
Cell 512-771-5845

Letter from the District Commissioner



Hello North Shore –

The times being what they are, we've missed our Spring recruiting season. The Council membership committee is making plans for a strong Fall Join Scouting Night. However, many families will be looking around for something to do with their kids this Summer going into the Fall. This is where Scouting comes in. We need to be prepared and vigilant for opportunities to engage new families with Scouting. This means you and your units. One very easy way is to update your units' Beascout.org pin. Below is a link to an article that has great information and further information to help you make sure your units pin is up to date.

[Bryan On Scouting – *BeAScout.org: The smart and simple way to recruit Scouts during COVID-19*](#)

So the process to update your pin has moved over to our standard tools from the “Legacy tools” section. This will make keeping the information updated much easier than it used to be.

Once a new family finds your unit, they might ask for more information or they might want to get an application. We will talk next month about what that looks like and what you as a Unit Leader need to do with that information.

Keep on Scouting –

Craig Nesbitt
North Shore District Commissioner

Training - For up-to-date opportunities, visit the [North Shore District webpage training link](#)

- **North Shore District Roundtable - Adults**



ROUNDTABLE

See You Second Thursday Every Month
SYSTEM

	Breakout Option 1	Breakout Option 2
Thursday, June 11, 2020	<p>Scouting Spotlight on Hiking Special Guest Speaker!</p> <p>Ever wonder what it would be like to hike one of the great trails in this country? Come to Roundtable to hear from a young man who hiked the Pacific Coast Trail from Mexico to Canada. Brooks Nentwig will give his insights into the trail, long-term hiking, and the love of conservancy that his trek instilled in him.</p>	<p>Dutch Oven Cooking</p> <p>For those who don't currently cook with cast iron on campouts or that are worried that it's difficult, no worries! We will have a discussion about how easy Dutch oven and cast iron cooking can be and how your scouts can cook dinner and dessert. We will also have a demonstration of equipment used for outdoor cooking.</p>

Join us June 11th at 7:00 pm for a virtual Roundtable filled with camaraderie, food and awesome information!

Put together your favorite sweet ingredients to compete in the North Shore District Dessert Cook-Off and you could walk away with the coveted Golden Spoon! We wish we could be together to try your dish but be ready to share your recipe with us electronically on the zoom virtual meeting so we can make our own with our Scouts. Judging will be based on appearance and combination of delicious ingredients!

Who: Roundtable is for ALL Cub Scout and Scouts BSA volunteers

What: North Shore District Roundtable

When: Thursday, June 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Where: <https://Dell.zoom.us/j/93211390121?pwd=L0YxVINPTEd3bmZkVVdTRVRJbWhCUT09>

Meeting ID: 9311390121 Password: CACNSDRT

- **NYLT - Youth**

National Youth Leadership Training. Requires scout to be first class, at least 13 years old, have completed Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops (ILST), and have a recommendation from their Scoutmaster/Crew Advisor/Skipper. See the [council website](#) to learn more about CAC NYLT held 4 times per year at Green Dickson. Summer 2020 courses have been cancelled. Next Courses are Winter: December 27-Jan 1, Spring Break 2021 and Summer 2021 (two weeks in June).



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

Learn all about advanced skills and activities for older youth. Join us September 11-13 & 25-27, 2020. 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. See the [Texas Powder Horn brochure](#) and the council page [here](#).



- **Wood Badge - Adults**

Want to have the most Scouting fun ever? Ask anyone with beads about it! Wood Badge is the premiere Scouter training program. You don't want to miss this amazing opportunity for skills, fun, self-improvement, networking, and camaraderie. [October 9-11 & November 7-8, 2020.](#)



Service

• Project Ideas

Our district chair for service projects is Nathan Hayden <nathanhayden@gmail.com>. He has dozens of project opportunities for all levels. Contact him to find your next pack, troop, crew, ship, or Eagle project.



• Eagle Project Opportunities

Interested in doing an Eagle project at Jones Brothers Park in Jonestown, Texas? Here some potential project areas:

- Beautification of our Canyonland Trail
- Weed barrier and ground cover (decomposed granite)
- Remove non-native plants
- Add distance markers
- Extension of the Trail up to Shady Park
- Flag retirement area at Jonestown Veterans Memorial Park



Or visit the Jonestown parks and let us know what you have in mind.

Please contact Parks and Recreation Director, Carol Gyergyo if interested.

cgyergyo@jonestown.org

(512) 267-3243 option #4

<https://www.jonestown.org/parksrec>

Advancement During Social Distancing



The District will be re-evaluating the situation regarding Eagle Boards of Review during the Committee Meeting on June 4.



CAC Video - Scout Shop Procedures with Shop Manager Ronda Motl

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7j34yi3lgZ8&list=PLe-MGCKcMaKZhUN4QxCirg35vdetlVVNI&index=>

Questions and Answers: Cub Scouting/Scouts BSA/Venturing/Sea Scouting Rank Advancement and the Coronavirus (COVID-19)

<https://www.bsacac.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/QandA-COVID-19-Related-Advancement-Difficulties.pdf>

Time Extensions for completing Eagle Rank requirements due to COVID-19

<https://www.bsacac.org/resources/eagle-scouts/>

Bryan on Scouting - How to conduct a board of review through videoconferencing

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2020/03/16/how-to-conduct-a-board-of-review-through-videoconferencing/>

Order of the Arrow North Shore Chapter



Summer Assembly Cancellation

The summer assembly scheduled for July has been cancelled. The next scheduled assembly is October 2-4, 2020.

Brotherhood Ceremony

The North Shore OA will host a Brotherhood “walk” ceremony in compliance with state and city guidelines for outdoor events on June 13 at Austin Baptist Church at 7016 Ribelin Ranch Dr., Austin, TX 78750 at 8:30 pm (for twilight). Details, including parking instructions and safety precautions (masks, temperature checks, social distancing, etc.), will be provided to those who register. Registration will be closed on June 6th or once the number of registered candidates reaches 20, whichever comes first. Please register using the following link: <https://bit.ly/3bWaxoR>. Please keep in mind that a lot of preparation is being performed in order to offer this, so we ask for your flexibility as we adjust plans for the times of COVID-19.

Q&A What is Brotherhood? After 6 months of service as an Ordeal member and fulfilling certain requirements, a member may take part in the Brotherhood ceremony, which places further emphasis on the ideals of Scouting and the Order. Completion of this ceremony signifies full membership in the Order.

How do I prepare for the Brotherhood walk? Study the Brotherhood program guide at: <http://www.tonkawa99.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/10/WIMACHTENDIENK.pdf>.

Will there be other opportunities to complete the Brotherhood walk if I miss this one? Yes, either hosted by the North Shore OA or by other chapters within the Lodge. Typically, Brotherhood walks accompany Lodge fellowships, assemblies, and semi-annual district events, such as Camporees.

Upcoming Schedule

<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Jun 11, 7 PM	Chapter Meeting	Virtual
Jun 13, 8:30 PM	Brotherhood Walk	Austin Baptist Church picnic area
Jul 9, 7 PM	Chapter Meeting	Virtual or Good News United Methodist Church
Aug 13, 7 PM	Chapter Meeting	Virtual or Good News United Methodist Church
Sep 10, 7 PM	Chapter Meeting	Good News United Methodist Church
Oct 2-4	Fall Assembly + LEC	LPSR
Oct 8, 7 PM	Chapter Meeting	Good News United Methodist Church
Nov 7	Lodge Leadership	Fickett
Nov 12, 7 PM	Chapter Meeting	Good News United Methodist Church
Nov 14	One Day of Service	TBD
Dec 10, 7 PM	Chapter Meeting	Good News United Methodist Church
Dec 12-13	Winter Vigil	LPSR

Membership

Remember to retain your membership in the OA, dues must be paid annually. You can contact the Fickett Center to pay dues over the phone or mail a check with the notation “OA Dues 2020.” If you have any questions about your dues status, feel free to reach out to our chapter advisor, David Nelson, at nelsods@gmail.com.

OA Elections

To schedule an election, click on the election request at <https://sites.google.com/site/oatonkawanorthshore>. Please specify whether the unit is meeting in person or virtually.

Photos #NSDBSA #NorthShoreScouts

Scouting continues! Please post and share all your activities and send them to the newsletter.



Mikey Wolf of Troop 2008 participates in Taps Across America on Memorial Day 2020.

See more here: [CBS Austin - TAPS ACROSS AMERICA](#)



Pack 170 #ScoutingAtHome



Service project for Good News UMC. How can you help your Chartered Org?



Troops 258 & 358 held a virtual Court of Honor in May. Awards were delivered ahead of time to each scout to be presented by a parent when recognized online.

May Campout & Campin – s'mores, cooking, dessert competition, and a shelter building contest (indoor and outdoor) – Troops 258 & 358

