



North Shore District Newsletter

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Scouting Calendar

All in-person events are tentative pending health and safety recommendations.

Council virtual programs:

[Cub Scout Adventure Boxes](#)

[#ScoutingAtHome activities](#)

September

Powder Horn postponed to fall 2021

5 OA Lodge Leadership Development

5-7 Scout office and shop closed

7 Labor Day

16,18-20 [Climbing Tower Training](#)

19 [Venturing is Happening \(probably\)](#)

19-20 [CAC Online Merit Badge Weekend](#)

25-26 [Online STEM Adventure Weekend](#)

27 [In-person STEM Adventure Weekend](#)

October

Wood Badge postponed to Feb 26-28, Mar 13-14

3-4 OA Fall Assembly

10 [NRA Range Safety Officer training](#)

14,17,24-25 [Climbing Natural Area Training](#)

16-18 North Shore Fall Camporee (see [page 8](#))

16-18 [Hornaday weekend \(virtual\)](#)

24 Cub Scout Spook-o-ree

23-25 [CAC Online Merit Badge Weekend](#)

31 [Council Volunteer Awards \(online\)](#)

November

26-29 Scout office and shop closed

December

19-22 [Webelos Extreme Winter Camp](#)

20-24 Lost Pines Winter Camp - Session 1

27-31 Lost Pines Winter Camp - Session 2

27-Jan 1 [NYLT 2020 Winter](#)

Scout shop hours Aug 17 to Oct 3

Mon-Fri 10 AM to 6:30 PM, Sat 10 AM to 2:30 PM

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Council COVID-19 updates

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

BSA information regarding COVID-19

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

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

Sign up for the monthly Newsletter at [THIS LINK](#).

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Letter from the District Chair



Your District Committee Needs You!

While every scouter and parent is welcome to join us in our District Committee Meetings, did you know that every Chartered Organization Representative is a *de facto member* of the District Committee? This ensures that the voice of every unit is heard and has part in the running of the district. In addition the committee is made up of chairs for different areas and district members at large. There is room for everyone.

Please join us the first Thursday of the month in our scheduled Zoom meeting:

Topic: North Shore District Committee Meeting

Time: Sep 3, 2020 07:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada), and every month on the First Thursday at 7:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/350479709?pwd=SVF6Z2oyYjk4WEExQMGFaMVJobDMYzZ09>

Meeting ID: 350 479 709, Passcode: 458314

Our current committee has the following members, and we can always use more members to help lighten the load.

District Chair - Kevin F. Clark

District Commissioner - Craig Nesbitt

Field Director - Bill Kohl

Finance Committee

- Committee Chair - Open
- Popcorn Chair - Kristi Palm
- Friends of Scouting Chair - Open

Membership Committee

- Committee Chair - Open
- Join Scouting Night Coordinator - Open

Advancement Committee

- Committee Chair - Open
- Merit Badge Counselor Coordinator - Open
- Eagle Advancement Chair - Stephanie Laster

Activities Committee

- Co-Committee Chairs
 - Chris Bratton
 - Kevin Taylor
- Order of the Arrow Chapter Advisor - David Nelson

● Cub Day Camp

- Camp Director - Kristi Palm
- Program Director - Tim Pacl

Training Committee

- Chair - Ryan Baldwin
- Cub Training Chair - Open
- ScoutsBSA Training Chair - Open
- Venture Training Chair - Open

Communications Committee

- Chair - Tim Pacl
- Newsletter Specialist - Tim Urban
- Website Specialist - Russell Hunter

Commissioner Corps

- District Commissioner - Craig Nesbitt
- Round Table Commissioners
 - Bianca Beadles
 - Jeffrey Hines
 - Tim Pacl

If you have any questions, please reach out to me and I will answer any questions you may have.

Kevin F. Clark

North Shore District Committee Chair

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

- **North Shore District Roundtable - Adults**

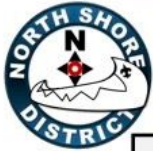
Who: Roundtable is for ALL Cub Scout and Scouts BSA volunteers

What: North Shore District Roundtable

When: Thursday, September 10, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Where: <https://Dell.zoom.us/j/93211390121?pwd=LOYxVINPTEd3bmZkVVdTRVRJbWhCUT09>

Meeting ID: 9311390121 **Password:** CACNSDRT



ROUNDTABLE

See You Second Thursday Every Month
SYSTEM

Breakout Topic: Recruiting During the Pandemic

Thursday,
Sep 10, 2020

Recruiting is an integral part of our service to the youth and units in our communities and can have its difficulties during a normal year, let alone during a pandemic. Join us as we share some information on recruiting Cub- and Scouts-BSA-aged youth, both during the virus and when we return to "normal."

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- **NYLT - Youth**

Next courses are [Winter 2020](#) (Dec 27-Jan 1), [Spring Break 2021](#), [Summer 2021](#) (2 weeks).

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.



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

Postponed to September 2021.

Learn all about advanced skills and activities for older youth with expert consultants who demonstrate the skills and explain where resources, equipment, facilities, guides, instructors, and certifications can be obtained. See the [Texas Powder Horn brochure](#) and the council page [here](#).



- **Wood Badge - Adults**

Rescheduled for [Feb 26-28](#), [Mar 13-14, 2021](#)

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.



ILST - Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops - during Covid

Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops (ILST) exposes scouts to basic leadership principles and tools. The modules are Troop Organization, Tools of Leadership, and Leadership and Teamwork. The sessions are highly interactive and use games and discussion to engage the scouts. See <https://www.scouting.org/training/youth/> for a syllabus for your unit.

Troops (and Crews and Ships) should offer this training periodically for their units to help their youth leaders. ILST is the first exploration in leadership training for scouts and a prerequisite for National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT, in council) and National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE, at Philmont or Summit).

Last month Troops 258 and 358 held their semi-annual leadership training for newly elected leaders. In the past, the troops have conducted the training during a Patrol Leaders Council campout. This time, the troops' PLCs participated in all three modules in one day. Each session was planned for our current safety situation including masks, smaller groups, distancing, modified games, and hand sanitizer.



Many of our instructors are scouts who have been to NYLT or staffed NYLT. This is a way for them to refresh the leadership concepts as well as share their knowledge and skills with the troop. The remaining instructors are our adults who have been through or staffed Wood Badge.

If you haven't offered this training for your unit and want help getting started, feel free to contact me.

Heather Spencer <hspencer112@gmail.com>

Scoutmaster Troop 258

NYLT Course Director Summer 2021 week 2

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>

Order of the Arrow North Shore Chapter



Lodge Leadership Development, Saturday September 5, 2020

LLD is held once a year and provides an opportunity for all Tonkawa arrowmen to learn and provide input on what the upcoming 12 months will hold for our lodge. The weekend is a combination of vision casting and leadership training, and of course fellowship with your brothers.

When: September 5, 2020

Where: Via Zoom

Who: Required for all lodge officers, chapter chiefs and adult advisers. Open to all lodge members, youth and adult

Cost: No cost. Just look for the Zoom Link at <http://www.tonkawa99.org/lld/> on September 5

What to Bring: A Cheerful Spirit, and something to write with and write on.

Chapter Officers

On August 14, the chapter elected officers for the next year. We applaud the 2019-2020 officers for their work and welcome the new officers into their roles.

2020-2021 (Incoming)

- Chapter Co-Chiefs: Areg Vartanian and Joseph Urban (Troop 258)
- Vice Chief of Programs: Jayden Harden (Troop 150)
- Vice Chief of Inductions: Evan Roberts (Troop 271)
- Vice Chief of Communications: John-Elie Merriman (Troop 271)

2019-2020 (Outgoing)

- Chapter Chief: Elijah Roberts
- Vice Chief of Programs: Thomas Wilson
- Vice Chief of Ceremonies: Evan Roberts
- Vice Chief of Communications: Areg Vartanian
- Vice Chief of Elections: Joseph Urban

Next Ordeal Opportunity: October 2-4, 2020.

As currently scheduled, the next ordeal opportunity will be at the Fall Assembly in October.

Upcoming Schedule:

<u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Sep 5, 10AM-5PM	Lodge Leadership Development (all elected officers should attend)	Virtual
Sep 10, 7PM	Chapter Meeting	Virtual
Oct 2-4	Fall Assembly + LEC	LPSR (tentative)
Oct 8, 7PM	Chapter Meeting	Virtual
Nov 7, 2PM	LEC	Virtual
Nov 12, 7PM	Chapter Meeting	Virtual
Nov 14	One Day of Service	TBD
Dec 10, 7PM	Chapter Meeting	Virtual
Dec 12-13	Winter Vigil	TBD

OA Elections

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

OA Continued

Join the North Shore OA Group Chat

Most North Shore OA communications are handled by chat on group.me. You may request to join the chat group by requesting it here: https://groupme.com/join_group/27939390/v77ECm

Tonkawa Lodge Positions Open

The Lodge is looking for Scouters to serve in a number of offices, listed below.

If you are interested in serving the lodge in any capacity, please check out the following link.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScMBIBA23NpbJjh4Z9VXCDtswZGF02hSIK15jvPht800jmY2A/viewform>

Tonkawa Open Roles:

- Brotherhood Committee Chairman
- Camping Promotions Committee Chairman
- Fellowship Committee Chairman
- Membership Committee Chairman
- Service Committee Chairman
- Vigil Committee Chairman (Must be a Vigil Honor member)
- Media Committee Chairman
- Ordealmaster
- Head Elangomat
- Head Ceremonialist
- American Indian Activities Representative
- Lodge Historian
- Lodge Webmaster
- Thunderbird Society Chief

North Shore Eagle Scouts

The North Shore District is proud to introduce our newest Eagle Scout! Congratulations, Logan!



August 20, 2020 - Logan Henderson - Troop 158



Recharter Information from Council

As we prepare for another successful recharter season there are some things you can be doing right now that will have a positive impact on your unit recharter.

1. Identify your URL (Unit Recharter Leader). Already know who it is? Great! Complete this [survey](#) so we make sure they are receiving our emails.
2. Like and follow the Capitol Area Council [Facebook Page](#).
3. Subscribe to the Capitol Area Council [Youtube channel](#).
4. The Capitol Area Council Recharter webpage is your one stop shop for all things recharter! Remember to bookmark the [CAC Recharter page](#) to stay up to date on Recharter news.
5. The 2020 Recharter codes will be going out in our next email! Stay tuned for more info!

We are excited to share with you the [2020 Recharter Timeline](#). This will give you and your unit the vital details on completing your recharter by the November 30th deadline. Below you will find the details of the 2020 recharter Plan. This plan can be found on the [CAC Recharter page](#) and a video explaining the details of the plan is available for view online at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rjdeBmF0z9M>.

We realize that the uncertainty around COVID-19 might affect how you approach your annual recharter process. Our recharter team along with your unit commissioners are working to review current practices and identify ways we make sure to practice social distancing when getting Recharter signed and turned in to the Fickett Center.

Should you have any questions about the 2020 recharter process, please do not hesitate to reach out to your local staff member or your unit commissioner for support. Details on who to contact can be found online at <https://www.bsacac.org/resources/districts/>. Don't forget to complete this [brief survey](#) to help us confirm we have the correct contact information for your Unit Recharter Leader (URL).

Finally, thank you for all you do to further Scouting in Central Texas! Scouting would not be able to continue without the support you provide every day to the youth in our communities.

Sincerely,
CAC Recharter Task Force

Recharter Timeline

Month	Event
August	<p>Video - The council recharter task force releases a short video to kick off the recharter process, gives unit leaders an overview of the process, and advises of the tasks they should complete in August and prepare to complete in September.</p> <p>Unit Recharter Leader (URL) Identification - Unit leaders discuss and identify the primary point of contact for the 2020 charter renewal process and provide URL contact information to the Council. The council will gather the URL contact info and share this with the District Commissioner Staff.</p> <p>Membership Roster Review - URL and unit leaders review the official membership roster in my.scouting.org and prepare for reconciliation.</p> <p>Training Roster Review - URL and unit leaders review the current YPT status of adult members and manage the process of training completion.</p>

<p>September</p>	<p>Video - The council recharter task force releases a short video describing what tasks should already be completed, what should be completed in September, and what they should be prepared to complete in October to meet the deadline.</p> <p>Units submit new member applications - URL and unit leaders submit complete applications, YPT, and payment for any youth or adults for the 2020-2021 school year.</p> <p>Required YPT training completed - URL and unit leaders review the current YPT status of adult members and manage the process of training completion.</p> <p>District offers recharter training - District personnel offer recharter information and training to URL and unit leaders. Roundtable may be too early in the month. Consider scheduling an information session via Zoom, Facebook, or pre-recorded video.</p> <p>Distribute unit recharter codes - Internet recharter codes distributed to the URL and unit leaders in mid to late September.</p>
<p>October</p> <p>Key Date: Oct 1 Online Portal Opens</p>	<p>Video - The council recharter task force releases a short video describing what tasks should already be completed, what should be completed in October, and what they should be prepared to complete in November to meet the deadline.</p> <p>Internet portal opens – URL and unit leaders are notified when the portal opens and are asked to log in to test the code and record contact information.</p> <p>Unit leaders log into the portal and begin the reconciliation process</p> <p>District personnel offer help/review sessions – October Roundtable may be too early for units. Consider scheduling an informal session later in the month.</p> <p>Units submit complete recharter packet and payment – Complete recharter packets are due no later than Monday, November 30.</p> <p>Units receive feedback - Service center provides immediate feedback upon review and district personnel notify the URL and unit leaders of their status. Especially any items that may delay their renewal. Suggest methods of resolution.</p>
<p>November</p> <p>Key Date: Nov 30 All recharter Due to Fickett Center</p>	<p>Video - The council recharter task force releases a short video describing what tasks should already be completed and what should be completed in November to meet the deadline.</p> <p>District offers help/review sessions – Roundtable may be too early for units. Consider scheduling a review session later in the month.</p> <p>Units receive feedback - Service center provides immediate feedback upon review and district personnel notify the URL and unit leaders of their status. Especially any items that may delay their renewal. Suggest methods of resolution. Consider removing individual members to successfully renew the charter for the unit.</p> <p>Deadline for recharter packet and payment – Complete recharter packets are due no later than Monday, November 30. Thanksgiving is Thursday, November 26.</p>
<p>December</p>	<p>District personnel work with units regarding late submissions and pending items.</p> <p>Units receive feedback - Service center provides immediate feedback upon review and district personnel notify the URL and unit leaders of their status. Especially any items that may delay their renewal. Suggest methods of resolution. Consider removing individual members to successfully renew the charter for the unit.</p>
<p>January</p> <p>Key Date: Jan 31 Unresolved Unit Charters Dropped</p>	<p>District personnel work with units regarding late submissions and pending items.</p> <p>Units receive feedback - Service center provides immediate feedback upon review and district personnel notify the URL and unit leaders of their status. Especially any items that may delay their renewal. Suggest methods of resolution. Consider removing individual members to successfully renew the charter for the unit.</p>

Fall Camporee & Webelos AOL Recruitment

Information for Troops and Packs - what we know and don't know and some suggestions for operation this fall.

For Troops

- North Shore District fall camporee is scheduled for October 16-18, 2020 at Smilin V.
- Event is organized by the Order of the Arrow.
- As of press time, only Council-level events may apply for camping at council properties this fall (no Districts or Units).
- District Plan B: TBD
- Unit Plan B suggestion: Troops should plan an alternate activity for recruitment.



For Webelos Arrow of Light (AOL) dens

- North Shore District fall camporee is scheduled for October 16-18, 2020 at Smilin V.
- As of press time, only Council-level events may apply for camping at council properties this fall (no Districts or Units).
- If it happens, Webelos may possibly be able to attend on Saturday, October 17 (day only).
- District Plan B: TBD
- Unit Plan B suggestion: Dens should reach out to local troops for an alternate visit activity.

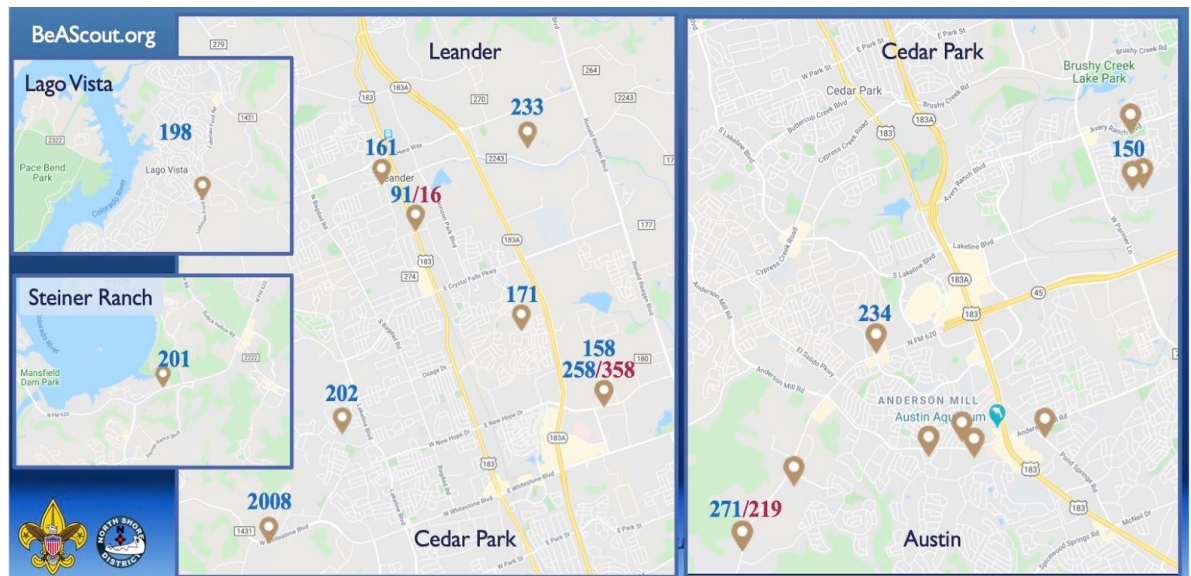


For everyone: BSA Policies regarding Webelos camping

- If you have been in Scouting a while, note that BSA has changed how Webelos may interact with troops, as reflected in the [Guide to Safe Scouting](#) (GSS) and other BSA documentation.
- Camping with a troop is no longer required for any Webelos Adventure requirements, any outdoor activity with a troop will count.
- The GSS age guidelines for Webelos camping specify “Day Visit Only” for camporees. Other files say “Webelos Scouts should not compete or participate in activities designed for Boy Scouts. Webelos Scouts should not spend the night at the event if the program is Boy Scout-based.”
- Webelos may participate in den camping, which may be held in coordination with a troop, though not at camporee as that violates the GSS.
- “A Webelos Scout may participate in overnight den camping when supervised by an adult. In most cases, the Webelos Scout will be under the supervision of [a] parent or guardian. It is essential that each Webelos Scout be under the supervision of a parent-approved adult. Joint Webelos den/troop campouts including the parents of the Webelos Scouts are encouraged to strengthen ties between the pack and troop. Den leaders, pack leaders, and parents are expected to accompany the [youth] on approved trips.”
- And don't forget that all Webelos den overnights must be led by an adult who has completed Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO) training.

North Shore has 19 troops: 16 for boys (blue numbers) and 3 for girls (red numbers). See the map for troop locations or search at BeAScout.org.

Note: pins without a number are outside the North Shore district.



Popcorn Season is Here!

2020
POPCORN SALE

Units who ordered popcorn for Wagon Sales and Show & Sell have inventory now.

Please make sure you are using the [Trail's End app](#) to move popcorn to Scouts and track inventory. Using the app makes things easier for your Unit Kernel! Payments can be taken right in the app from your customers for all sales types - Online Direct, Take Order, Show & Sell, and Wagon Sales.

If a customer provides you with cash, use your own debit or credit card to deposit that money into the unit's Trail's End account. This option is available in the Wagon Sale page. It will show as a Pay Now. This will allow people to turn in money without having to physically hand cash to your Unit Kernel. Unit Kernels can see those deposits immediately and they are credited against the amount the unit owes Council for popcorn.

Units who sold Online Direct from July 1-August 15 will receive 5% back in the form of an Amazon gift card. Cards will be sent to the Unit Kernel and should be shared with the Unit Committee for unit usage.

For Scouts who earned the [Trail's End Scholarship](#) prior to the end of 2019, they have the current and next two seasons to contribute 4% of their sales to their account. Trail's End Scholarship forms need to be submitted each year. If using the [Trail's End app](#), you don't need Council signature prior to submission.

For units who are only doing Online Direct, you are doing awesome! We are seeing success with Facebook videos from Scouts, as well as the 50 State Challenge. Please reach out to your District Kernels for assistance if needed!

For units doing Take Order only, encourage use of the [Trail's End app](#) and have their default set to undelivered. It will help them and you! Take Order orders are due in mid-October and product will be available in mid-November. Remember, no chocolate products are available for Take Order this year.

Units with product who are doing Show & Sell, booth selection was held and locations are in unit hands. Please remember that you must have District approval to be at a location that is not on the District list. If you have a location that you would like, please email NorthShorePopcornCAC@gmail.com with details and we will see what we can do.

All Scouts selling at Show & Sell and Wagon Sales must wear a mask and keep a safe distance while following all CDC and State of Texas rules for safety. Booth locations should be single-family only (1 Scout and 1 parent unless it's a sibling pair.)

During these difficult and unprecedented times, supporting Scouting is even more critical. Units should use the ideal year of Scouting to see what fundraising assistance they need.

Your North Shore District Popcorn Kernels are here to assist! We can be reached at NorthShorePopcornCAC@gmail.com. If you are not getting messages from the Google groups please send an email and we can get you added or figure out why you're not getting messages if you are already added.

Good luck this popcorn season!



Dutch Oven Recipes - by Michael Dial

Here are a couple of my favorite Dutch oven dishes. The Mountain Man Breakfast is great for feeding a large group if you have a couple of ovens. The Dutch Oven Caramel Apple Cobbler is famous with my Den at Pack 160.

Mountain Man Breakfast

Should serve 8-12 or 4-6 hungry scouts/scouters
2 lb bag of potatoes (hash browns, tater tots, etc.)
2 lb breakfast meat (sausage, bacon, some of each)
1 dozen eggs, stirred
12 oz package shredded cheese

Either on a camp stove or over a full spread of coals underneath the oven (frying is the only time you don't just put a ring of coals around the bottom) cook the breakfast meat and remove – perhaps break the breakfast meat into pieces. Cook the potatoes in some/all of the grease from the breakfast meats. Return the breakfast meat to the oven. Pour over the eggs. Sprinkle on the cheese.



Move the coals so that you have ½ ring underneath (every other spot) and a full ring around the top. Cook until the eggs are set and the cheese is melted, about 40 minutes.

Alternatively (no coals for whatever reason – burn ban, etc.) cook over a low flame until the eggs are set and the cheese is (mostly) melted. Use care as the bottom may burn.



Dutch Oven Caramel Apple Cobbler

For many people, cobbler is one of the most common Scout dishes. Here's a simple recipe to serve 4-6:

2 cans pie filling (Caramel Apple available at HEB & Walmart)
1 box yellow cake mix
¼ pound butter (1 stick)

For the above, you can make this in a pan placed in a 12" Dutch oven (8"x5" works, other sizes of disposable aluminum pans will work, just bend them so they fit in the oven - low cleanup). You can multiply this several times to make directly in a Dutch oven or in a Dutch oven with an aluminum liner. For large groups, go wild – as long as you have a couple of inches between the top of the cobbler and the Dutch oven lid you should be fine.

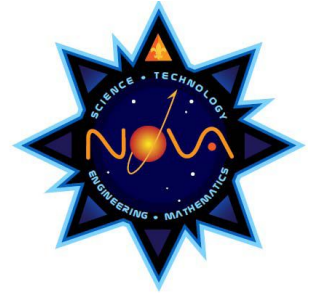
Many people use two sticks of butter for this recipe – the key is to have enough butter slices to cover the top so that all the cake mix gets moistened by the melting butter.

The cook time all depends on the size - when it smells done and the top is brown it's done.

STEM Adventure Weekend

Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math classes for all Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scout youth.

- Online classes September 25-26, 2020 - Registration OPEN!
- Possible camp classes September 27, 2020 at Lost Pines - watch the website for info.
- Registration and program guidebook here:
<https://bsastemnova.org/stem-adventure-weekend>



Choose 1, 2, 3, or 4 classes at \$18 each.

There are 17 online classes to choose from:

Astronomy

Composite Materials

Digital Technology

Electricity

Electronics

Insect Study

Model Design & Building

Nova Grow - all about farming and agriculture

Nova Mendel's Minions - all about genetics

Nova Shoot - all about space and projectiles

Nova Splash - all about water

Nova Whoosh - all about engineering

Nuclear Science

Oceanography

Programming

Radio

Space Exploration

Venturing Is Happening

ONE OF THE BIGGEST RECRUITING EVENTS OF THE YEAR!

WHO: Your Crew, Post, Ship, any Prospective Scouts and all your friends!

WHAT: Outdoor fun for your unit and a great recruiting tool

WHEN: Check-in opens Saturday, September 19, 2020 at 8:30 AM. Events run 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. This will be a one-day only event – no overnight camping.

WHERE: Lost Pines Scout Reservation in Bastrop, Texas.

REGISTRATION: <https://bsacac.doubleknot.com/event/venturing-is-happening/2595922>

\$25 per person for Early-bird Registration (before 9/1/20)

\$30 per person after 9/1/20

\$20 per Prospective Scouts (must bring copy of membership form)

No charge for nonparticipating adults. Units must bring their own food.

Day only event - no overnight events.

ACTIVITIES: Pistol Shooting, Swimming Pool, Rifle Shooting, Shotgun Shooting, Fun games ... See if you can win! Bring med form, water bottle, lunch....sunscreen... mask...lots of fun! We are still waiting final approval to hold this event and all events are subject to cancellation based on the current state of COVID-19.



VENTURING • BSA®

Cub Scout Adventure Boxes

When your Pack looks toward the Fall do you wonder:

- How are you going to keep your Scouts active and advancing?
- How will you recruit new Scouts if there's no program happening in your den?
- How do you overcome supply shortages for the materials you need to complete advancement requirements?

We want to make your life a little easier and keep your Cub Scouts earning Adventures and moving ahead through the program. <https://www.bsacac.org/activities/cub-scout-activities/adventure-boxes/>

ADVENTURE BOXES What are they?



Everything to earn your
Cub Scout's rank



Everything to earn your Cub
Scout's rank electives

- Rank-specific curated program
- Two boxes offered for each Cub Scout rank (Lion in development)
 - Box 1: All activities needed to complete all requirements and elective for rank
 - Box 2: All activities needed to complete most rank electives
- Combination of activities, short videos, worksheets
- Self-directed activities
- Materials needed to complete the adventures
- Videos are on our council's YouTube channel (private playlists)
- CyberChip is included for each box

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



North Shore in the News - North Shore's own David Nelson (OA Chapter Advisor) dusted off his journalistic talents to write a feature "Trek On: Scouting in the Time of COVID-19" for the Four Points News. The article profiles a few units in our area and covers how they have adjusted to the pandemic. The story was published in the Hill Country news online ([Hill Country News, posted August 12, 2020](#)) and printed on pages 6-7 of the [Four Points News, Sunday, August 23, 2020](#). Each article includes different photos so check them both out. Thank you, David, for this great Scouting promotion!



Raingutter Regatta

This past weekend Pack 202 hosted our annual Raingutter Regatta!

In order to promote a safe and healthy socially-distanced environment for the regatta this year, we used two tables across from each other, separated by 8 ft, each with their own inflatable regatta track. These inflatable tracks are available at the Scout Shop and are great investments for a super fun Pack activity each year!

Like our regatta in 2019, we used [Challonge.com](#) [spelling correct] to manage our brackets and ran a double-elimination tournament where it was quite a close matchup between all our scouts. Ultimately, one of our most experienced boat-builders took the 1st place spot with a 4-1 record after an exciting battle back from the loser's bracket to win the tournament!

All the scouts did their best and showed scout spirit throughout the tournament and we look forward to another exciting tournament next year!





Advancement Day

Troop 161 held an "Advancement Day" in preparation of our upcoming Court of Honor. Several of the older Scouts spent time working with the younger Scouts on requirements to help them earn their next rank. Several boys knocked out a ton of requirements and multiple Scouts were able to sit for a Scoutmaster conference. Everyone enjoyed seeing one another in person while following the safety guidelines during the ongoing pandemic. Scouting with a mask on isn't much different than Scouting without one... the boys laughed a lot, learned a lot, and continued on their scouting journey surrounded by tons of oak trees!





Troop Visit - Pack 170 Arrow of Light scouts visited Troops 258 & 358 to get their first glimpse of Scouts BSA, some via online connections. After months without troop camping, Troop 358 checked out their tents and practiced setting them up. Troop 258 refreshed their knot skills and learning some requirements for the Animation merit badge.



ILST Training - Troops 258 & 358 enjoyed a safe ILST to mark the start of their new Patrol Leaders' Council. For more about [ILST during Covid](#), see page 4.

