

North Shore District Newsletter

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Scouting Calendar

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

Council programs: <u>#ScoutingAtHome activities</u>

October

October			
SatSun	Cub Pumpkin Palooza every weekend at		
	Camp Tom Wooten, Lost Pines		
3	Cub Scout Leader Expo online		
3-4	OA Fall Assembly		
10	NRA Range Safety Officer training		
10-11	BSA Aquatic Training - Paddle Craft		
16-18	No Camporee (choose your own adventure)		
16-18	Hornaday weekend (virtual)		
16-18	JOTA-JOTI Passport to Global Citizenship		
	and Friendship		
24	Cub Pumpkinpalooza at Smilin V		
24-25	CAC Online Merit Badge Weekend		
31	Council Volunteer Awards online		

November

11	Veterans Day	
14	Hour of Code event	
26-29	Scout office and shop closed	

<u>December</u>

10.22

19-22	wedelos 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

Wahalos Extrama Winter Camp

27-Jan 1 NYLT 2020 Winter 24-Jan 1 Scout shop closed





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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.scouing.org/coronavirus/covid-19-faq/

Sign up for the monthly Newsletter at THIS LINK.

"What Scouting says to people is: every child has a right to have an adventure. Life is about grabbing opportunities."
- Bear Grylls, Chief Ambassador of World Scouting

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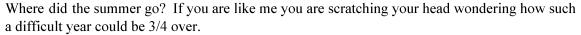
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Letter from the District Chair





Fall is a great time of year, cooler temps, and shorter days make me long for the chance to go camping and my favorite part of camping, outdoor cooking.

This year looks very different for scouting and we are all having to examine how we navigate a new school year in a virtual environment.

Sadly we will not be having a traditional Fall Camporee/Webelos Woods event, but rest assured we are working diligently to figure out a safe way to help our Webelos select a troop to continue their scouting careers.

Speaking of Scouts and their careers...We are excited for the inaugural class of Female Eagle Scouts this year.

Chartered Organization Representatives, SAVE THE DATE November 5, 2020 at 7pm for our annual District Elections that will be held during our November District Committee Meeting. CORs will receive an email invitation in late October. All scouters are welcome to attend, but we need our CORs to attend and vote. As always we welcome all scouters to join us in the monthly District Committee Meeting. Reach out to me and I will get you an invitation to our monthly Zoom meeting.

If you have not already taken the new Youth Protection Training to stay current for charter renewal, I encourage you to do it sooner than later.

We are still looking for a new storage unit for our District Day Camp supplies (we store other stuff there too), so let me know if you have had good success with a storage facility in the District that might just be scout friendly.

I look forward to the day when we can meet again in person and I am here to help you with any questions you might have about the District or Scouts in General. Please reach out.

Until next month, stay safe, and stay scouting.

Kevin F. Clark North Shore District Chair kfclark1962@yahoo.com Cell 512-771-5845



Training - For up-to-date opportunities, visit the North Shore District webpage training link

• North Shore District Roundtable - Adults

ROUNDTABLE



Cub & Scouts BSA Leaders

Recharter 2020

Join us for a discussion on this very important annual requirement. The recharter process doesn't have to be a difficult one. We will discuss everything you need to know about the process and review the tools that will help make your life easier.

Safely Meeting and Camping in Person

Everyone is anxious to do all of the things that attracted them to Scouting and get off of Zoom! Join us to learn what you need to think about when planning in-person meetings or outdoor events like camping. KISMIF... Keep it SAFE, make it FUN!

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

What: North Shore District Roundtable

When: Thursday, October 8, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

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

Meeting ID: 9311390121 Password: CACNSDRT

• NYLT - Youth

Next courses are Winter 2020 (Dec 27-Jan 1 at Lost Pines), Spring Break 2021, Summer 2021.



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 <u>council website</u> to learn more about CAC NYLT normally 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 <u>Texas Powder Horn brochure</u> and the council page <u>here</u>.

Wood Badge - Adults

Rescheduled for <u>Feb 26-28</u>, <u>Mar 13-14</u>, <u>2021</u>

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.



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

Please contact Parks and Recreation Director, Carol Gyergyo <cgyergyo@jonestown.org> if interested. (512) 267-3243 option #4

https://www.jonestown.org/parksrec



SCOUTS

Order of the Arrow North Shore Chapter

Fall Assembly, October 3-4, 2020.

Registration is currently full for the fall assembly, which has been reduced in size and duration due to COVID protocol. Thirteen ordeal candidates from North Shore are registered to attend, and five post-ordeal members are attending. We expect the next assembly with ordeal opportunity to take place December 5-6 at Lost Pines. As soon as registration opens, we will notify the North Shore chapter.

Tonkawa 99 Mailing List: If you are not getting regular communications from the Lodge, you can sign up for e-mail communications at http://tonkawa99.org/engage

Upcoming Schedule:

Date/Time	Event	Location
Oct 3-4	Fall Assembly + LEC	LPSR
Oct 8, 7PM	Chapter Meeting	Virtual
Nov 7	LEC	Virtual
Nov 12, 7PM	Chapter Meeting	Virtual
Nov 14	One Day of Service	TBD
Dec 10, 7PM	Chapter Meeting	Virtual
Dec 5-6	Fall Assembly #2	LPSR
Dec 12-13	Winter Vigil	LPSR

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.

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



North Shore Eagle Scouts

Updates **Announced** for Inaugural Class of Female Eagle Scouts:



- 1. The window for the Inaugural Female Class is now **Oct 1, 2020 to Feb 8, 2021**. Female Scouts with board dates within this window will be part of this class. The window was previously defined as Oct 1, 2020 to Jan 31, 2021.
- 2. National will process Eagle applications from this Inaugural Class 'in batches on a rolling basis starting in October as they are received'. Female Eagle Scouts will receive their credentials shortly after their application is processed by National. Previously, the plan was for National to return all credentials in early 2021. The applications in this Inaugural Class will have boards of review dates set to Feb 8, 2021, regardless of when the board occurred.



Units and districts should still sign and date the Eagle application with the actual date of the board of review, as normal. When the information gets transmitted to National for final approval, the date will be set to Feb 8, 2021. The official board date in the BSA database will be Feb 8, 2021.

Popcorn



Popcorn Season is halfway over! The North Shore District has done an outstanding job! \$36,262 in take order and/or in person sales from 11 units! \$36,662, have sold Online Direct from 31 units and 169 Scouts!

Here are the important dates coming up!

- October 11 Storefront Sale Ends
- October 18 Take Order and Wagon Sales Ends
- October 21 Last Day for Unit to Unit Transfers/Last Day to submit a Return to Council request (Return to Council cannot exceed 10% of your original August order)
- October 22 Take Order due in Trail's End Popcorn System (Your Unit Popcorn Kernel may have an earlier date! Be sure to check with them!)
- October 31 Online sales end for 2020 Council prize and bonus commission eligibility
- November 13 Popcorn Distribution Day Take Order and Council Prize pick up
- November 27 Unit Payment Deadline

Once your Unit Invoice is paid with Council, your unit kernel can submit for Trails End Prizes. Once the Unit Kernel releases the Trails End Prizes, Trails End will approve them for release to the Scouts Trails End App account in 5 days.

If your unit does not owe Council and Trails End owes the unit money, you can request a pay out at any time! Go into the Trails End Unit Kernel website, update the unit banking information and request a payout. This will be deposited into your unit account at the next weekly payout.

If you have any questions, please reach out to your unit kernel or you may email northshorepopcorncac@gmail.com.

Thank you for all the help you all have done for your Units, the District and our Council!! Way to go Scouts!

Recharter Information

On **October 1, 2020**, the online internet recharter system opens. At this time, you can use the link that has been provided to your Key 3 and designated Unit Recharter Leader.

Online Recharter System: https://www.bsacac.org/resources/rechartering/

Many Scouting units have had delayed or very different starts to their year. The Capitol Area Council recommends that you complete your online recharter **AFTER** you have held your unit's Fall Recruitment activities.

It is recommended that the person responsible for your unit's recharter, Unit Recharter Leader (URL), has completed the following between July – September.

- 1. Contact all your current youth and adult registrants to see if they are continuing with the program in 2021. If yes, collect applicable registration fees and *Boys' Life* subscription fees.
- 2. Review the current YPT status of Adult members and manage the process of training completion. In accordance with the BSA's policy, each adult leader must complete Youth Protection Training every two years. The training can be completed online by clicking here.
- 3. Identify your URL (Unit Recharter Leader). Already know who it is? Great! Complete this <u>survey</u> so we make sure they are receiving our emails.
- 4. Like and follow the Capitol Area Council Facebook Page.
- 5. Subscribe to the Capitol Area Council Youtube channel.
- 6. 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.
- 7. Don't forget! The September Recharter video is available. Make sure to view this month's video. The video can be found at https://www.bsacac.org/resources/rechartering/

Beginning on October 1st units should plan to login into the internet Recharter system and complete the following tasks.

- 1. Log into the recharter system and download the council's version of your unit's roster.
- 2. Compare the council roster to your unit's "working" roster. We recommend that you collect applications for ALL who are not included on the council roster and get them to the council office as soon as possible. Once these applications post, you can download the council roster again to refresh it.
- 3. Update addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses for all unit registrants.
- 4. If position changes are required for adult leaders, now is the time to make them. For example, if one of your Den Leaders is going assume the role of Cubmaster for 2021, that change can be made during the online recharter process without submitting an adult application. This is the only time this type of change can be made without submitting an application.

These are the most time-consuming, and tedious, steps of the recharter process. Don't underestimate the amount of time it will take to complete them.

Also be aware that the BSA membership fee has changed. The new fee structure is listed below.

- \$66 for youth in Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scouting
- \$42 for youth in Exploring
- \$42 for adult members in all programs
- \$75 for a unit charter fee

Recharter Information Continued

The deadline to have recharter paperwork submitted to the Capitol Area Council office remains **November 30, 2020.** This provides ample time for the Council Registrar to review the submittal and ensure it is ready to process on January 1.

Units whose recharter paperwork has not been submitted, reviewed and deemed ready to process by **December 31, 2020** will be considered to be in poor standing.

On January 1, 2021, units that have not completed the recharter process will experience the following issues, they will no longer be able to:

- 1. Purchase adult and youth recognition items (including youth advancement) at the Capitol Area Council's Steve Matthews Scout Shop.
- 2. Use, or reserve, facilities at The Frank Fickett Scout Training and Service Center.
- 3. Use, or reserve, facilities at Capitol Area Council properties (Lost Pines Scout Reservation, Camp Green Dickson, Smilin V Scout Ranch, etc.).
- 4. Other possible unforeseen limitations on Scouting opportunities and activities

After **January 29, 2021**, to reinstate units whose recharter has not been processed, the following paperwork must be submitted:

- 1. New Unit Application
- 2. Annual Charter Agreement
- 3. **NEW** Adult Applications for **ALL** adult leaders
- 4. **NEW** Youth Applications for **ALL** youth

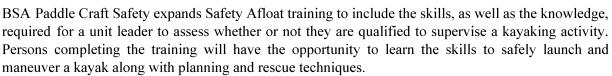
Our goal is to help you recharter your unit on time. All Commissioner and professional staff resources are available to assist you in this effort. Let us help you make the recharter process as stress-free as possible and provide a smooth, uninterrupted transition of your unit's program into 2021.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your Unit Commissioner or Craig Nesbitt - District Commissioner.

Thank you for keeping Scouting going in your local communities. You are making a difference in the life of every youth served by your unit.

Paddle Craft Safety

BSA Aquatics Supervision 2: Basic Kayaking and River Kayaking





There are 2 modules of training for kayaking: (1) Basic and (2) River (moving water). The training modules are open to any registered adult leader, Scout or Venturer, who is age 15 or older. The Basic Module Paddle Craft Safety is a prerequisite to the River (moving water) Module.

Basic Module Saturday 10/10, 8:30am – 6pm

River Module Saturday 10/10, 7-9pm; Sunday 10/11, 8:00am - 5pm

Cost: \$65 for one module, \$100 for both modules.

Includes: Breakfast and Lunch both days and Dinner Saturday night

Location: San Marcos River Retreat on the San Marcos River near San Marcos/Martindale

Registration Deadline: October 5, 2020

Fall Recruitment Information for Webelos AOLs

North Shore has 16 troops: 13 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.





Troop Meeting Information:

- Troops 16 & 91 Meets at ACTS Church Leander
- Troop 150 Meets at Lord of Life Church
- Troop 158 Meets at Good News United Methodist Church on Mondays
- Troop 161 Meets at Leander United Methodist Church
- Troop 171 Meets at Jumano Park
- Troop 198 Meets at Rolling Hills Community Church
- Troop 201 Meets at St. Luke's on the Lake Episcopal Church
- Troop 202 Meets at Knowles Elementary on Mondays
- Troops 219 & 271 Meets at The Church at Canyon Creek on Tuesdays
- Troop 233 Meets at VFW Post 10472
- Troop 234 Meets at Austin Vineyard Church
- Troops 258 & 358 Meets at Good News United Methodist Church on Wednesdays
- Troops 2008 Meets at Christ Episcopal Church

Two District Meet & Greet Events Coming in November

AOL Dens will have TWO opportunities to learn about troops:

- Saturday Drive-up/Drive-through Location TBD
- Zoom meet & greet Date and time TBD

Watch the District email and website for details coming soon.



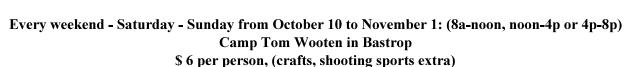
2020 Cub Scout and Family Fun at Pumpkinpalooza

Activities put on by Capital Area Council Camping Staff

Saturday, October 24th from 1-5pm Smilin V Scout Ranch in Liberty Hill \$10 per youth/\$5 adult (children under 5 free)

Activities Include:

- Pumpkin Painting
- Silk Screening (bring your own t-shirt)
- BB Guns
- Slingshots
- Elephant Toothpaste
- Haunted Trail
- And a whole lot more!



Activities Include:

- Pumpkin Painting
- Elephant Toothpaste
- Orienteering
- Haunted Trail
- Nature Hikes
- And a whole lot more!

Get more information and register at https://www.bsacac.org/pumpkinpalooza/ or contact teresa.northcutt@scouting.org

Cub Scout Leader Expo

Passport to Adventure

An opportunity for Cub Scout Leaders to identify resources available to deliver a fun and safe program



October 3, 2020 On-Line Event

Opening at 8:30 with special guest Anthony Berger, National Director of Cub Scouting Program 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

- Welcome to Cub Scouting What You Need to Know
- Different Ways of Engaging Cubs during COVID
- Advancement During COVID What's Changed
- Three levels of Scout Book training (Introduction, Advanced, Problem Solving)
- Shooting Sports for Cubs
- STEM NOVA How To
- Going Beyond Rank, What Other Awards are There?
- Camping with Cubs Learn about All the Opportunities

Register today to enter the giveaways for camp scholarships and other prizes!

https://bsacac.doubleknot.com/event/cub-scout-leader-expo-2020/2726634



Photos #NSDBSA #NorthShoreScouts

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



VENTURING IS HAPPENING!

It happened!

For the first time since March, Capitol Area Council opened Lost Pines to Venturers across Texas on Saturday, September 19 for Venturing is Happening. This annual event allows Venturers and prospective Venturers to try more adventurous activities and socialize with youth across the council.

Council Venturing Officers Association (VOA) President Calvin Beck and Vice President of Communications Joseph Urban led the event with the help of a few Venturers and Advisors. Though this year was slightly different with COVID safety protocols in place, Venturers still enjoyed shooting sports and the pool.

interested in If you are Venturing (ages 14-20), please contact our local North Shore Crews 158, 201, and 271. The Council VOA plans 2-3 events per year including Venturing is Happening every September Shoot. and Splash, Geocache every April. Crew Presidents are encouraged to attend the VOA meetings held on the second Wednesday of Jack Pape, Troop 271 and Crew 158, joined the month.

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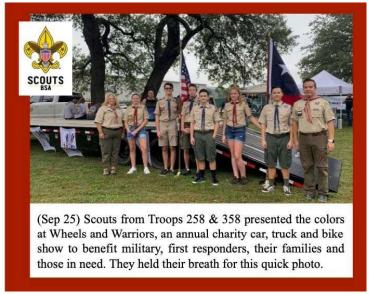


Joshua Hynes (Troop 158), Jack Pape (Crew 158), and Adam Thompson (Troop 158) relax in the pool.



Venturers from Missouri City, Texas, enjoyed an afternoon in the pool including the log rolling challenge.





Troop 171 Cleans Up

Troop 171 got to see each other in person when they cleaned up the hiking trails in Jumano Park for Block House Creek. Safely masked and gloved up they got back into the trails they love and made the place look much better for the neighborhood.













Troop 234 Starts Camping Again



After six months away from camping due to the COVID pandemic, Troop 234 hit the camping trail in late September at Krause Springs near Spicewood. While maintaining social-distancing and mask protocol, the troop was able to pull off a successful camping trip. The troop integrated Scout games, such as First Aid, relays, trivia, and football, with swimming at the springs. The scouts all expressed relief at the chance to be in the outdoors again.

