

# THE SPRING

## SACRED SPRINGS DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### September

##### Capitol Trade-o-ree

September 3-4, 2021 | 8A - 9P

Council Service Center

##### District Roundtable

September 9, 2021 | 7P

Via Zoom

##### Powder Horn Training

September 10-12 and September 24-26, 2021

Camp Tahuaya

2603 Tahuaya Dr, Belton, TX, 76513

##### District Committee Meeting

September 16, 2021 | 7P

VIA Zoom

#### October

##### Wood Badge Weekend 1

October 8-9, 2021

Camp Tom Wooten, Bastrop, TX

##### District Committee Meeting

October 21, 2021 | 7P

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FOR MORE DATES PLEASE GO TO  
[WWW.SACREDSPRINGS.ORG/CALENDAR](http://WWW.SACREDSPRINGS.ORG/CALENDAR)

### MESSAGE FROM THE DISTRICT CHAIR

My name is Roy Stiles. Over the summer I accepted the position of Sacred Springs District Chair. I thought in this first newsletter I'd provide a little information about myself, my Scout story and my path to where I find myself now.

I was a Cub Scout and a Boy Scout as a youth. I have 2 daughters Cora, a Life Scout and Jaylyn, a Second Class Scout in Troop 328. After I heard the news that girls could be part of the Boy Scouts of America program, I rejoined Scouts for the benefit of my daughters and of course that quickly spread to, for the benefit of all youth.

In August of 2018, we joined Pack 4 in Dripping Springs. Pack 4, having no female AOL Den, I, like many parents of females was a Den Leader on my first day. A couple weeks later at the first Pack meeting of the new school year we learned that the previous year's Cubmaster was not returning and so on week 3 or so I was the Cubmaster of Pack 4.

It quickly became clear that when my oldest daughter would get her AOL in January there was not going to be any Troop in Sacred Springs for her. So I started taking training: SM, IOLS, Committee Training, Den Leader, and Cubmaster and I attended University of Scouting, as well as round tables in Sacred Springs and BeeCave, etc. I started attending boys' troop meetings and talking to all the Scout Leaders I could find about how their programs worked, at the same time working to deliver a quality program as Cubmaster for Pack 4.

## MESSAGE CONTINUED

With my wife Jerilyn as our Committee Chair and I as Scoutmaster, we formed Troop 328 at the Presbyterian Church in Dripping Springs with 8 girls on February 1st, 2019. Today we have over 20 scouts, including 3 Eagle Scouts and we are continuing to grow.

Last February I attended Woodbadge and later in the spring our District Executives Chris Workman approached me and asked if I would be willing to serve as District Chair. After some consideration and discussion with other District and Council leaders, I agreed to take the position. I'm already getting to know the many dedicated volunteers working on the District Committee and with the help of Art Trevethan, who has since agreed to be our District Commissioner, I look forward to helping deliver a quality program for the District and finding ways to support all our Units to help them be as strong as possible.

## TRAINING

### DISTRICT TRAINING CHAIR: BJ BLOODWORTH

**The leader who tries to train others without setting a good example;  
is building with one hand and pulling down with the other**

#### Are you Trained?

Check your position requirements [HERE](#).

#### Upcoming Training Opportunities

##### **BALOO Training - Cub Scout Leaders**

Training for Cub Scout leaders in order to hold pack camping trips. One leader must have this training.

Pre-Requirement Online @ [my.scouting.org](http://my.scouting.org)

October 8-9, 2021

Camp Tom Wooten, Bastrop, TX

Register [HERE](#)

##### **Wood Badge Training - All Scouts Leaders**

Training for all scouts who want to take their leadership skills to the next level.

October 8-10 and November 6-7, 2021

Lost Pines Scout Reservation

758 FM 1441, Bastrop, TX 78602

Register [HERE](#)

#### Training Opportunities Cont.

##### **Powder Horn Training - All Leaders and Scouts 14+**

You'll have fun outside learning from experts on how to arrange equipment, facilities, guides, instructors, and other aspects of outdoor fun for your unit.

September 10-12 and September 24-26, 2021

Camp Tahuaya

2603 Tahuaya Dr, Belton, TX, 76513

##### **IOLS Training - Scout Leaders**

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills training allows leaders to learn practical outdoor skills to lead Scouts out-of-doors.

November 12-13, 2021

VFW Post #4443

7614 Thomas Springs Rd, Austin, TX 78736

Registration information [HERE](#)



## MEMBERSHIP

DISTRICT VICE CHAIR: TIMMIE SMITH



Has your unit held a Join Scouting event this fall? If so, please let Chris Workman and I know how it went. If you haven't held your event yet there's still time! Please email [timmie.smith@gmail.com](mailto:timmie.smith@gmail.com) to request flyers, buddy cards, and other promotional materials to get the word out about your JSN event!



### Covid Strikes Again!

It is time to get creative and think how to gain members the non-traditional way. Here are some ways to promote the program.

1. Be seen in the community. Make sure to uniform up when your den, pack, patrol, and troop have official functions.
2. Have information ready to hand out when in the community ie: service projects, community events, popcorn sales.
3. Invite potential members to an outdoor activity. Hikes or fun days in the park can help spark interest with the youth in your area.

### New Recharter System and Date

Please be advised that the BSA is rolling out a new system for recharter. More information to come.

The new deadline for recharter is December 31st, not November 30th, but please use your time wisely and give you and your members time to get all materials and payment together.

## ADVANCEMENT

### Cub Scout Adventures Retire

The following Cub Scout Adventures will retire in May 2022

#### **Tiger**

Family Stories | Earning Your Stripes | Tiger Tales | Tiger Theater

#### **Wolf**

Collections and Hobbies | Grow Something | Hometown Heroes | Motor Away

#### **Bear**

Beat of the Drum | World of Sound | Make It Move | Robotics

#### **Webelos/Arrow of Light**

Looking Back Looking Forward | Maestro | Project Family | Build My Hero

Adventures in Science | Fix It | Movie Making

## ADVANCEMENT CONTINUED

Check out these Preview Adventures

### **YO YO Adventure**



This adventure develops eye-hand coordination and teaches fundamental concepts of gravity, motion, and energy.

### **Snaps Adventure**



This adventure introduces the concept of modular design and building.

### **Protect Yourself**



This adventure is designed to provide your Cub Scouts information on how to Recognize, Respond, and Report abuse as part of the BSA's Personal Safety Awareness program.

Updated Guide to Advancement is Now Available.  
Check it out [HERE](#)

Do you have an idea for a Cub Scout Adventure?

Let the BSA know. You can fill out your adventure idea along with any requirements. Fill out the for [HERE](#)

## LEADER CORNER

Every month The Spring will showcase activities and scouting tips and tricks. Do you have any knowledge you want to pass on to fellow scouters? Please contact Felicia - District Communications Vice Chair @ [comms.sacredsprings@gmail.com](mailto:comms.sacredsprings@gmail.com)

## CUB SCOUT AND SCOUT ACTIVITIES

### Popcorn and Adventure

Did you know that you can use popcorn sales to achieve some of the Scout requirements?

This is a great way to get scouts excited about popcorn sales and add a personal touch to your popcorn pitch.

Make popcorn art, create a catchy sign for your table, or some popcorn garland.

Check it out [HERE](#)



## SCOUTING RECIPES

### Fireless Smores'

Let's face it, we have all been rained out and the promise of smores' is another added disappointment. When in a pinch try these fireless smores' to keep your campers happy.

#### Ingredients

Graham Crackers  
Marshmallow Cream  
Nutella

#### Directions

Break your graham crackers in half.  
Cover one side with marshmallow cream and the other with nutella.  
Combine and get messy!  
\*Tip\* If you want to get real fancy you can touch the marshmallow cream for a minute to get that warm, gooey marshmallow feel.

## THANK YOU!

Volunteers, parents, and fellow scouters thank you for all you do!

A special thank you to this months contributors:

Roy Stiles - District Chair | BJ Bloodworth - Training Chair | Timmie Smith - Membership Vice Chair

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