



# Buffalo Council



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## Buffalo Tracks

1101 West Texas  
Midland, Texas 79701  
July/August/September  
2004

**Council President- Kyle Womack: 697-1447**  
**Council Commissioner - Ron Harkrider: 367-5711**  
**Scout Executive- Mark W. Compton: 570-7601 ext. 13**

### 2004 RENDEZVOUS

The 2004 Rendezvous was a great time with over 2200 Scouts and Scouters in attendance from over 6 councils at San Angelo State Park in April. Thanks to all the volunteers that made this a successful event!

### 2004 BTR Summer Camp a Huge Success

The 2004 summer camp season at Buffalo Trail Scout Ranch has been a huge success. With 2300 Scouts from all over the state of Texas and New Mexico, thousands of merit badges earned, and countless memories made, we can all be proud of the summer of 2004 at BTR. Over 60 staff members and dozens of volunteers worked together to provide 8 weeks of camp that no one will soon forget. The staff has done a wonderful job in providing a quality program, as well as maintaining the tradition of excellence that we are all used to at our beautiful camp. Thanks to all of you who camped with us this summer and we look forward to seeing you all again next year!

### BSA Spring Fling Shootout VI

Our 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Sporting Clay was a great success on Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at Windwalker Farms. We had the most shooters ever at 290. **Thanks to all the Scouts and Scouters who volunteered to help run this event.** Also, a big thanks to **Keith King and the Committee** for their hard work. **Most importantly Thanks to all our Sponsors and Shooters** for supporting this Clay Shoot and the Scouting Program in West Texas!

### Hughes Aquatic Week-ends

We had two Aquatic Merit Badge week-ends at the Hughes Aquatic Base on June 12-13 and June 25-26 for individual Scouts. There was a good turnout and all had a great time while earning some badges. **Thanks to Bill Morris and his staff** for two great weekends!

### Rockhounds Campout

**Thanks to the Rockhounds** for letting us have this great event again this year! Thanks to **Sam Valenzuela and his volunteers** for overseeing this event. We had over 350 Scouts and their families attend on Saturday June 5<sup>th</sup>!

### National Jamboree 2005

This will be your next opportunity before 2010 and the 100-year anniversary of Scouting to attend Jamboree. **Chip Chapman & Jay May** have been selected as Scoutmasters for the two Troops from the Council. There are 14 spots left for Scouts on this once in a lifetime trip. There are application forms at your local Scout Service Center. This will be 6 days in Washington D.C. and 9 Days camping at Fort A.P. Hill, Caroline County, Virginia. Will leave on July 20<sup>th</sup> 2005 and return on August 3<sup>rd</sup>. The trip will cost \$1980 and can be paid in \$100 monthly installments. For more information call **Charles House** at 683-6743 or **Ron Harkrider** at 362-0344 or **Warren Wallace** at 270-3507.

### Philmont-2004

The Buffalo Trail Council contingent was lead by **Bill Huston** and **Tim McKinney** and had 9 Scouts from around the Council. They had a great trip and **Thanks to Bill and Tim** for leading the group!

### OA Fellowship Weekends

On August 14-15 the OA will be at BTR for close camp weekend. Also, on Sept. 11-12 at Hughes Aquatic Base for Close Camp. Ordeal and Brotherhood elevations will be offered at each of these weekends. Our camps rely on our service to keep maintained and in tip top shape. Please make your reservations with your local Scout Service Center ASAP. Hope to see you all there!

### 28<sup>th</sup> Annual BSA Pro-am Golf Tournament

To be held on Monday August 30<sup>th</sup> at 1pm at Hogan Park Golf Course in Midland. This is a fun tournament where a two person team is paired with a local area pro and amateur of pro players' choice. Lots of great prizes to win, barbecue supper and awards to follow. Make a hole in one and win a truck or other prizes on par three holes. For more information or entry forms call Brad Connel at 570-7601 Ext 15.

### Roundtables for all Adult Leaders Coming in August

Provide a great program for your unit, know what is going on in your district and council, get helpful tips from past leaders and enjoy a great time. See your district calendar for more information and times.

### Fall Roundup

Get your unit Fall Roundup Chairperson ready for your District Kickoff coming in August. See your district calendar for more information! Get Ready for your unit to rally for new Scouts!

### Popcorn Sales

Get your unit Popcorn Kernel ready for our Kickoff immediately following Fall Roundup in Early September. Great Sales means more \$\$ for Scouts and your Unit Program!

### BSA Challenge at BTR

On Labor Day weekend September 3-6<sup>th</sup> at BTR will be the BSA Challenge for all older Boy Scouts age 14 and above and Venturers. This will be a great weekend full of adventure on top of Forbidden Mountain! Please register at the Scout Service Centers and call **Donna Cowdrey** for more information at 682-3351 or **Tim Parnell** at 559-3691.

### AIRSHO 2004

Airsho will be held on October 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> this year. Free admission to all Scouts and Scouters in uniform who volunteer to help. The Commemorative Air Force greatly appreciates the help of the Order of the Arrow Lodge, Scouts and leaders during AIRSHO who park cars, direct traffic and help with cleanup of the Airport grounds. The CAF has numerous service projects appropriate for the ranks of Star and Life and a few on the level of Eagle Projects. If you are interested, call Col. Jim W. Adams at 694-6375.

### Boy Scout, Webelo Outdoor, & BALOO Training

If you have not been through training this is the only one in the fall. Training helps us to deliver a better program and its fun. Don't miss this opportunity! This training will be held on October 8-10 at Hughes Aquatic Base at Lake Colorado City. Please sign up at your Scout Service Centers. For more information call Gary Wood at 697-7084 or Warren Wallace at 270-3507.

### My Son & Me Cub Weekend

To be held at Buffalo Trail Scout Ranch in the Ft. Davis Mountains on October 15-17. This is a great camping opportunity for you and your son! Please sign up at your Scout Service Center! Forms will be available mid August.

### **Council Calendar**

#### **July**

July 21 Executive Board Meeting, 6:30pm BTR

#### **August**

Aug 14-15 OA Fellowship Weekend – BTR Close Camp

#### **September**

Sept 3-6 BSA Challenge – BTR for Older Boy Scouts and Venturers

Sept 6 Scout Service Centers closed in observance of Labor Day

Sept 11-12 OA Fellowship Weekend – HAB Close Camp

Sept 16 Council Commissioner Meeting 7:00pm Midland Scout Service Center

Sept 21 Council Cub Day Camp Committee Meeting

Sept 23 Executive Board Meeting, 6:30pm Big Spring Scout Service Center

### **District Calendars & Information**

#### **Big Bend District — 2004**

Dist. Chair – Dr. Dan Petrosky 729-3550

District Comm.– Harris Clanton 837-5763

229-4239

#### **August**

4 Roundtable in Presidio at 5pm  
For info call **Brian Carlson** at 229-4239

9 Roundtable in Fort Davis at 7 pm  
First United Methodist Church  
Call **Dan Petrosky** 729-3550

10 Roundtable in Terlingua at 7pm  
For Info call **Bernadette LaFever** at 371-2588

#### **September**

1 Fast Start Training in Presidio at 5pm at School Cafeteria

1 Roundtable in Presidio at 5pm  
For info call **Brian Carlson** at

13 Roundtable in Alpine at 7 pm  
Sul Ross Wesley Center on Ave B  
Call **Dan Petrosky** 729-3550

13 Fast Start Training in Alpine at 7pm at Sul Ross Wesley Center

14 Roundtable in Terlingua at 7pm  
For Info call **Bernadette LaFever** at 371-2588

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#### **October**

6 Cub Leader Training - Presidio School Cafeteria 5pm

11 Cub Leader Training – Alpine Sul Ross Wesley Center 7pm

12 Cub Leader Training - Terlingua

School Library 7pm

Call **Bunny or Dan Petrosky** at 729-3550 for more information. All Unit Leaders and Adults welcome. See you all there!

**Big Bend FOS Campaign — 2004**

On April 21<sup>st</sup>-President of West Texas National Bank in Apline, **Mr. Doug Burns** hosted the “kick-off” for our FOS (Friends of Scouting) Campaign — Thanks to **Doug Burns, Bob Ward and Bill Ivey and all the volunteers** who helped in this years campaign! Thanks to **Gerry Ellis** and **Troop 432** for Presenting Colors that day!

**Chaparral District**

District Chair- James Riggen- 689-1503

Dist. Comm.- Barbara Biffle- 570-7757

District Director-Brad Connel-570-7601x15

**August**

- 2 Nominations for District Committee accepted as of this date
- 12 District Committee/Commissioner Fall Kickoff Meeting 6:00pm, First Presbyterian Church, 800 W Texas, Lynn Hall
- 12 Roundtable Fall Kickoff 7:00 pm, First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas, Lynn Hall
- 18 District Key Three
- 19 Fall Roundup Kickoff for all Packs and Troops Membership Chairs, First Presbyterian Church, 7:00pm in the Koinonia Room
- 23 Cub & BSA Rallies Rural & Private Schools 6:30pm
- 24 Cub & BSA Rallies Rural & Private Schools 6:30pm
- 30 Cub & BSA Rallies MISD, 6:30pm
- 31 Cub & BSA Rallies MISD, 6:30pm

**September**

- 1 Cub Leader Fast Start, MSSC, 6pm
- 2 District Committee, MSSC, 6pm
- 2 District Commissioner, MSSC, 7pm
- 7 Cub & BSA Rallies MISD, 6:30pm
- 8 Cub Leader Fast Start, MSSC, 6pm
- 9 Popcorn Kickoff for all Unit Kernels First Presbyterian Church, 6pm, Koinonia Room
- 9 Cub Leader Roundtable, MSSC, 7pm
- 9 Boy Scout Leader Roundtable, 7pm, First Presbyterian Church, #201FLC
- 9 Venturing Roundtable, 8pm, 201FLC First Presbyterian Church
- 11 Basic Leader Essentials Training 9am  
Leader Specifics Training 1pm,  
Midland Scout Service Center
- 13 Cub & BSA Rallies MISD, 6:30pm
- 14 Cub & BSA Rallies MISD, 6:30pm
- 15 Cub Leader Fast Start, MSSC, 6pm
- 15 Key Three
- 15 Basic Leader Essentials Training, 7pm, Midland Scout Service Center
- 16 Leader Specifics Training, 7pm, Midland Scout Service Center
- 18 Basic Leader Essentials Training 9am  
Leader Specifics Training 1pm,  
Midland Scout Service Center
- 22 Cub Leader Fast Start, MSSC, 6pm

- 25 Chaparral Popcorn Sales Kickoff for all Units – Holly wood Tall City 10 9am – Movie & One Day Sales Blitz
- 29 Basic Leader Essentials Training, 7pm, Midland Scout Service Center
- 30 Leader Specifics Training, 7pm, Midland Scout Service Center

**2004 Friends of Scouting**

We are at almost 90% of our 100,000 Goal and expect to be at goal before long. If your unit has not done a Friends of Scouting presentation please call Brad at 570-7601. Thanks to **Charlie Spence, Devin Phiffer, and Gib Wheeler** for leading the FOS Community Campaigns in 2004.

**District Roundtable's:**

Please promote District Roundtable to your Cub Den Leaders and Assistant Scoutmasters. This is great training for Cub Leaders on the next months' program and all aspects for Troop Leaders. There are a lot of great ideas brought up at roundtable that are very helpful. **Roundtable is held the second Thursday of the month. Roundtable Kickoff is on August 12<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at First Presbyterian Church, 800 W Texas in Lynn Hall. Everyone Come!** Find out what is going on this fall and get your Council & District information!

**Training for Leaders**

Please get all of your leaders trained ASAP! This will help insure that you provide the best quality program to the Scouts. **If you have change positions you need to go through specifics for that new position. Also all Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, and Crew Advisors need to be trained.** Check with your Scout Service Center on your training status.

**Fall Roundup Kickoff**

All Cub Packs and Boy Scout Troops! Get Ready for Fall Rallies at your Schools. We will be setting all Rallies, on dates shown on district calendar, with principals on the week of the 26<sup>th</sup>. Please Contact Brad Connel at 570-7601 ext 15 with questions. **We need your membership chair or another representative from your unit to attend the Fall Roundup Kickoff on Thursday August 19<sup>th</sup> at First Presbyterian Church, 800 W Texas in the Koinonia Room at 7:00pm.** We will go over your date, give out flyers for your school and etc.... See you there!

**Chaparral Popcorn Kernel Kickoff**  
Unit Popcorn Kernels come get your units information packet on Popcorn Fundraiser. We will meet on **Sept 9<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at First Presbyterian Church 800 W Texas in the Koinonia Room.** Start planning a successful fund-raiser for your unit and scouts. Sales Kickoff Day will be on Sat. Sept 25<sup>th</sup> at Hollywood Theatre on Loop 250 at 9am. We will have a movie and special forms to sell with that afternoon on a one day blitz! Lots of prizes to Win!

**Summer Day Camp**

Over 100 Cub Scouts and the volunteers had a blast at the new location. Thanks to

**Nick Cook, Jamie Subia and their committee for all their hard work in making this a great Success! Thanks** also to the **Girl Scouts** for letting us use their great facility.

**Chaparral District Camporee**

Set for Oct 22-24 at Hughes Aquatic Base at Lake Colorado City for all Webelos and Boy Scout Troops. Call **Mona Free** at 699-2369 or **Robbie Shepard** at 682-8821 for more information on this fun event!

**Comanche Trails District**

District Chair – Carl Rogers W 498-4150  
 District Comm. – Steve Harry –H 367-1158  
 Dist. Exec. – Tiffanye Thomas – 337-2144

**August:**

30 District Committee Mtg.  
 7:00 p.m.-Odessa Office

**September:**

7 District Committee Mtg.  
 7:00 p.m.-Odessa Office  
 8 District Commissioners Mtg-  
 6:30 p.m. – Troop 775 Scout Hut 8  
 Cub & Boy Scout Leaders  
 Round-Tables 7:00 p.m.  
 Troop 775 Scout Hut,  
 2501 E. Pearl  
 9 Fast Start Training, Odessa SSC  
 16 Fast Start Training, Odessa SSC  
 23 Fast Start Training, Odessa SSC  
 30 Fast Start Training, Odessa SSC

**October:**

4 District Committee Mtg.  
 7:00 p.m.-Odessa Office  
 5 District Commissioners Mtg-  
 6:30 p.m. – Troop 775 Scout Hut  
 5 Cub & Boy Scout Leaders  
 Round-Tables 7:00 p.m.  
 Troop 775 Scout Hut,  
 2501 E. Pearl  
 7 Fast Start Training, Odessa SSC  
 12 Basic Leader Training-Essentials  
 6:30 p.m.-Odessa Office  
 14 Cub Leader Specific Training  
 6:30 p.m.-Odessa Office  
 23 Pushmobile, Location TBA

**Adult Training**

Adult Training will be conducted in September & October. Training will include Fast Start, Cub Basics, New Leader Essentials & Specifics, and Youth Protection. Contact **Tiffanye Thomas 337-2144** or go by the Odessa Scout Office to sign up and for more information.

**Roundtables**

Fall Roundtables will be quite exciting! **Becky Yancy** will be providing new activities. All Units should have at least one leader attend Roundtable each month to get the newest information on District and Council events. Roundtable for both Packs and Troops is the first Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m., at Troop 775 Scout Hut 2501 E. Pearl St.

**Friends of Scouting Family Campaign**

The 2004 Friends of Scouting (FOS) campaign exceeded the Goal of \$25,000. Total raised was 34,860. **Kathv Womack**

did a great job as the Chair for the Comanche Trails. Special recognition is deserved by **Ralph Harding and Ed Stewart**. Without their hard work we would not have exceeded our goal.

**Lone Star District**

Dist Chr. – Carl Johansen 267-5275  
 Dist Com. – Jim Billings 267-5725  
 Dist. Exec. – David O’Neill 263-3407

**September**

1 Snyder Roundtable, 5:30 pm  
 China Dragon  
 2 District Commissioner Mtg.  
 Service Center, 6:00 pm  
 2 Big Spring Roundtable  
 Service Center, 7:00 pm  
 13 District Committee Meeting  
 Service Center, Noon

**October**

4 District Committee Meeting  
 Service Center, Noon  
 6 Snyder Roundtable, 5:30 pm  
 China Dragon  
 7 District Commissioner Mtg.  
 Service Center, 6:00 pm  
 7 Big Spring Roundtable  
 Service Center, 7:00 pm  
 30 Pushmobile Race

**Rally Season Here Soon!**

Before we all know it school will be starting and Cub Scout activities will be back in full force! Be on the look out for your school and Pack rallies in August and September. We will be working hard to offer Cub Scouts to all boys in our District and we will need your help at the rallies to make this happen. Cubmasters will be in touch with you soon to give you more details on times, dates, and places. See you all there!

**Lone Star Day Camp**

For those of you that did not make it to day camp this past June, you missed out on a fun and exciting event! We had 50 Cub Scouts and 22 staff at Hughes Aquatic Base on June 16-18 to enjoy three days of great activities. Thanks to all Staff who made this event a great one for the kids...we couldn't have done it without you!

**Scout Putt-Putt Night**

Make plans now to attend the family Scout night at Park-N-Putt in Big Spring. Always held after the fall rallies, this event gets all new and old Cub Scouts and their families together for some good clean fun! Only \$1.00 per person for a full round of Putt-Putt golf on the night of September 30<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 6:30 PM. Come join the fun!

**Fall Pushmobile**

Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup> from 1-3 PM to be at Wal-Mart in Big Spring for the fall Pushmobile race! Get your new boys and old boys together to create that award winning car that will take the championship trophy! This is always a fun event for the Cubs and parents alike, so start making your plans now to be there!

**Sand Hills District — 2004**

District Chair- Valera Gatewood 445-4814  
 Dist Comm-Frank Dotson 943-3748

**August**

- 2 Roundtable at 7pm in Monohans  
 Bethel Baptist Church  
 Call Johnny Puckett 943-5418
- 3 Roundtable 7pm in Pecos  
 Call Valera Gatewood 445-4814
- 11 Roundtable in Van Horn 5pm  
 Call Coach Lujan 283-1822

**September**

- 6 Roundtable at 7pm in Monohans  
 Bethel Baptist Church  
 Call Johnny Puckett 943-5418
- 7 Roundtable 7pm in Pecos  
 Call Valera Gatewood 445-4814
- 8 Roundtable in Van Horn 5pm  
 Call Coach Lujan 283-1822
- 6 Fast Start Training in Monohans  
 7pm at Bethel Baptist
- 7 Fast Start Training in Pecos at  
 7pm at Church of Christ
- 8 Fast Start in Van Horn at 5pm  
 School Cafeteria

**October**

- 4 Roundtable at 7pm in Monohans  
 Bethel Baptist Church  
 Call Johnny Puckett 943-5418
- 5 Roundtable 7pm in Pecos  
 Call Valera Gatewood 445-4814
- 13 Roundtable in Van Horn 5pm  
 Call Coach Lujan 283-1822!
- 4 Basic Leader Essentials Training  
 In Monohans, 7pm Bethel Baptist
- 5 Basic Leader Essentials Training  
 7pm in Pecos at Church of Christ
- 13 Basic Leader Essentials Training  
 5pm in Van Horn at School Caf.

**Sand Hills FOS Campaign — 2004**

On April 27th - President of West Texas National Bank in Pecos, **Mr. John Grant** hosted the "kick-off" for Sand Hills' FOS (Friends of Scouting) Campaign. **Thanks to John Grant & Ms. Armstrong and all volunteers** for their help this year in the Campaign!

**Council Youth Recognitions:****2004 BTC, BSA Eagle Scouts to Date:****Big Bend District:**

**Eric S. Roddy**, T-41, Alpine  
**Richard R. Savery**, T-41, Alpine

**Chaparral District:**

**Brendan S. Lauritzen**, C-231, Midland  
**Keith B. Windham**, T-158, Midland  
**Zack Setzler**, Troop 175, Midland  
**David A. Zant**, Team 231, Midland  
**Aubrey L. Olson**, T-270, Midland  
**Zachary G. Bias**, T-109, Midland  
**Stuart G. McDonald**, T-131, Midland

**Ryan W. Calhoun**, C-231, Midland  
**Michael H. Orr**, T-80, Midland  
**Christopher R. Chapman**, C-231, Midland  
**Jason W. Pribyla**, T-10, Tarzan  
**Cole A. Wehner**, T-160, Midland  
**Timothy R. Sneed**, T-233, Midland  
**Justin M. Stephenson**, T-152, Midland  
**Kenneth J. Faircloth**, T-232, Midland  
**Ryan J. Morris**, T-109, Midland  
**Christopher N. Clavin**, T-19, Midland  
**Michael J. Rigger**, C-152, Midland  
**Klein K. Allison**, T-19, Midland  
**Comanche Trails District:**  
**Timothy Wilhem**, T-34, Odessa  
**Sean Little**, T-34, Odessa  
**Michael Ellsworth**, T-178, Odessa

**Lone Star District:**

**Blake J. Chudej**, C-5, Garden City  
**Barrett K. Munson**, T-27, Snyder  
**Cole C. Ferqueron**, T-5, Big Spring

**Buffalo Trail Council, BSA  
Youth Religious Award Recipients****God and Me (Ages 6-8)**

**Chase Acuff**, Pack 216 – Midland  
**First United Methodist Church in Alpine:**  
**Dart Dodds**                      **Wright** Gatewood  
 David Martinez                  Eli Rodriquez  
**First Baptist Church in Alpine:**  
**Brooks Freeland**    **Brandon Gilmore**  
**Wesley Frick**, Church of Christ-Panhandle  
**Chad Maytubby**, Pack 58 – Odessa  
**Nathan Horrell**, St. Lukes UMC Odessa  
**Forrest Carlson**, New Hope Lutheran  
**Brady Weber**, Big Spring  
**Means Memorial UMC – Andrews:**  
**Joey Aceves**                      **Isaac Doyle**  
**Sam Hooper**                      **Chisum Makell**  
**Jimmy Morgette**                **Robert Morgette**  
**Nathan Shelton**                **Austin Stafford**  
**Andy Stringfellow**              **Alex Stringfellow**  
**God and Family (Age 9-10)**

**Collin Smith**, University Baptist – Alpine  
**Gunner Burklow**, P722 Northridge UMC  
**First United Methodist Church in Alpine:**  
**Trevor Brawley**                **Clayton Dowell**  
**Grady Ellis**                      **Ryan Ellis**  
**Forrest Gatewood**              **Nick Harrison**  
**Aaron Macas**                    **Joshua Mills**  
**Cameron Stinnett**

**God and Church (Ages 6-8 & 11-13)**

**Keaton Smith**, University Baptist-Alpine  
**First Baptist Church in Alpine:**  
**Wesley Freeland**                **Atticus Freeland**  
**Quinn Nugent**