

Boy Scout & Varsity Programs and Activities 2009-2010

2009-2010 event fliers are available on the council website at www.longhorncouncil.org, along with calendars, schedule information, training information, news, and directions & maps for camps and facilities. For more information: camping@longhorn.org. Register for 2010 summer camp or high adventure by September 15th and get 2009 camp prices.

- August 28-30** **Order of the Arrow Ordeal – last Ordeal of 2009** Sid Richardson Scout Ranch.
- September 1** **Weekend Camp – Online Payments Begin** Online reservations for weekend camping will now include online fee payments for programs, equipment, and facilities requiring fees at all Longhorn Council camps
- September 12** **Paddle the Brazos Fall Canoe Race.** Worth Ranch. Two Races: 6-mile Fun Race; 14 mile Advanced Race for teams of experienced canoeists. 14-Mile racers will launch early. Lunch, boats, equipment, awards, and supper provided. Open to Boy Scouts, Venturers, Explorers, and adults.
- September 12** **Order of the Arrow Lodge Banquet and Elections.** First Baptist Church, Burleson, 7:00PM. Dinner, awards, lodge elections, 2009 slideshow. Also, elections for new officers and annual business meeting.
- September 11-13** **Wood Badge Course SR-970, Weekend 1.** SR2. Course Director: Raul Pena, rpena@woodbadge.org.
- September 19** **Tower Training (& Recert. Classes)** at SR2. 10-hour class designed to certify **ADULTS** to lead Tower climbing and rappelling activities for single units (This certification does NOT cover multi-unit activities). There is no class size limit, but pre-registration is required. Open to adults only. 8:00 a.m. to 6 PM – Must arrive on time.
- October** **Haunted House at Six Flags.** 5 Weekends in October. Commit to cover 1 time slot skulking around the Longhorn Council's new-bigger-better haunted house, showing park patrons what real "Ghoul-Scouts" can do, and then your entire group can enjoy Six Flags Over Texas. Oct. 2-4, Oct. 9-11, Oct. 16-18, Oct. 23-25, Oct. 30-Nov. 1.
- October** **Haunted Hayride Spooks** - if your Troop or Crew would like to camp at SR2 or Tahuaya in the month of October during a Fall Festival, bring your scariest costume and help us spook the Cubs on the Haunted Hayrides. Contact camping@longhorn.org to sign up. **SR2 weekends:** Oct. 10, 17, 24, 31. **Tahuaya weekends:** Oct. 24, 31.
- October 2-4** **Wood Badge Course SR-970, Weekend 2.** SR2. Course Director: Raul Pena, rpena@woodbadge.org.
- October 8-10** **Wood Badge Course SR-971, Weekend 1.** SR2. Thursday – Saturday Course.
- October 9-11** **Rock Climbing Training (& Rock/Tower Recert. Classes)** at SR2. This course is designed to certify **ADULTS** to lead climbing and rappelling activities for their units on rock. Completion of this training qualifies the participant as a BSA Instructor, able to lead single or multi-unit activities. Course is Friday evening through late Sunday afternoon at SR2. There is no class size limit. Pre-registration is required. Open to adults only.
- October 17** **SCORE-O 2009** at SR2. The fall Orienteering competition. Score-O is map reading and problem solving in the woods. Map training is held all morning. For teams of Venturers, Boy Scouts, Explorers, adults, and Cub Scouts.
- October 16-18** Venturing Living History Weekend: **Battle of Ogletree Gap , Copperas Cove Texas.** Reenactment at the Ogletree Gap Heritage Festival. Two battles on Saturday and one on Sunday. Saturday night there is a period dance. Open to Boy Scouts, Varsity, and Venturers; must be 14. Venturers can earn the Living History elective.
- October 29-31** **Wood Badge Course SR-971, Weekend 2.** SR2. Thursday – Saturday Course.
- November 6-8** Venturing Living History Weekend: **Battle for Myers Landing– McKinney, Texas.** The first year for this battle. Open to: Boy Scouts, Varsity, and Venturers; must be 14. Venturers can earn the Living History elective.
- November 14** **Highland Games** at Camp Tahuaya. The Games will be held on the same weekend as the Gathering of the Clans festival in Salado. Troops and Crews may camp at Tahuaya, participate in the morning Highland Games at Camp, and visit the nearby Highland Festival in the afternoon and evening. This event is open to Boy Scouts, Varsity Team members, Venturers, & adults. The Gathering of the Clans festival in Salado is a public event with a separate fee.
- November 14** **University of Scouting** at TCC NE. Advanced training courses for Scouters.
- November 20-22** Venturing Living History Weekend: **Battle of Liendo Plantation, Hempstead, Texas.** One of the few reenactments in Texas with actual historic ties to the Civil War and one of the best attended reenactments in Texas. Open to: Boy Scouts, Varsity, and Venturers; must be 14. Venturers can earn the Living History elective.
- December 26-31** **Winter Camp - SR2.** Checkin 6 PM–9 PM, Dec. 26th. Leave noon Dec. 31st. **Traditional Merit Badge Camp** at Lakeview Lodge. **Blacksmith Option:** Learn the basic skills of a blacksmith in our historic Blacksmith Shop, and earn Metalworking MB. **Living History Camp: 1872 U.S. Cavalry Outpost** for youth age 13 and older. Cavalry Outpost includes authentic uniforms, food, and equipment, including 1870's period cannons, carbines, and a gatling gun. Participate in a series of trainings and battle reenactments, including a large battle with local Civil War reenactment groups. Final night includes an overnight stay in the barracks at Fort Richardson, 20 miles west of SR2.
- December 26-31** **U.S. Cavalry Winter Camp: Frontier Living History - 1872 U.S. Cavalry Outpost** for youth age 13 and older. Cavalry Outpost includes authentic carbines, cannons, uniforms, food, and equipment, several battles against

local outlaws and Indians. Also includes an overnight stay in the Historic barracks at Fort Richardson. Open to: Boy Scouts, Varsity, and Venturers. Venturers can earn the Living History requirement

- December 26-31** **Twin Arrows JLT** at Camp Tahuaya. Applications will be available on the council website in the Training section.
- January 16** **Boy Scout & Venturing Trout Tournament** at Tahuaya. Limit 80 fishermen. Includes lunch & awards.
- February 6** **Boy Scout & Venturing Trout Tournament** at Tahuaya. Limit 80 fishermen. Includes lunch & awards.
- February 27** **Klondike Derby** at Camp Tahuaya. Test your winter camping and outdoor skills at the Longhorn Council Klondike Derby. Open to Boy Scout Troops, Varsity Teams and Venture Crews. Each patrol/crew must build and bring a sled.
- March 5-7** **Tahuaya Wood Badge Course - Weekend 1** at Camp Tahuaya.
- March 13** **Tower Training (& Recert. Classes)** at SR2. 10-hour class designed to certify **ADULTS** to lead Tower climbing and rappelling activities for single units (This certification does NOT cover multi-unit activities, like camporees). There is no class size limit, but pre-registration is required. Open to adults only. 8:00 a.m. to 6 PM.
- March 15-20** **Twin Arrows JLT** At SR2. Applications will be available on the council website in the Training section.
- March 27-28** **Spring Orienteering Meet** at SR2. Two events in one: (1) individual and team competitions, and (2) group map hikes. Everyone can enter: Boy Scouts, Venture Crew Members, Explorers, adults, families, Cub Scouts, ROTC units, and the public. Choose from 7 map courses from beginner to expert. Co-sponsored by Longhorn Council and NTOA.
- March 26-28** **Tahuaya Wood Badge Course - Weekend 2** at Camp Tahuaya.
- April 9-11** **SR2 Wood Badge Course - Weekend 1** at Sid Richardson Scout Ranch.
- April 16-18** **Rock Climbing Training (& Rock/Tower Recert. Classes)** at SR2. This course is designed to certify **ADULTS** to lead climbing and rappelling activities for their units on rock. Completion of this training qualifies the participant as a BSA Instructor, able to lead single or multi-unit activities. Course is Friday evening through late Sunday afternoon at SR2. There is no class size limit. Pre-registration is required. Open to adults only.
- April 24** **Spring Canoe Race** at Worth Ranch. Two Races: 6-mile Fun Race; 14 mile Advanced Race for experienced canoeists. 14-Mile racers will launch early. Lunch, boats, equipment, awards, and supper provided. Open to Boy Scouts, Venturers, Explorers, and adults.
- April 30-May 2** **SR2 Wood Badge Course - Weekend 2** at Sid Richardson Scout Ranch.
- May 16** **Adventure Race – NEW FORMAT** at Sid Richardson Scout Ranch. NEW FORMAT for 2010. Adventure Race for teams of two, three, or four racers, or for individuals. Competition includes: running, canoeing, kayaking, mt. biking, shooting, and climbing. Part of the race will use will use the new mountain bike trail. Open to Troops, Teams, Crews, and the public.
- June-July** **Texas High Adventure Base.** Join us at one of our nationally-known high adventure programs.
Chisholm Trail Adventure Chisholm Trail is Texas High Adventure - a unique program for older youth and adults. It's a backpacking program using boats instead of boots. Use a pontoon boat for a week to travel to the high adventure outposts and water sports bases on our 15 miles of Lake Bridgeport shoreline! Troops and Crews from 43 states, England, and Scotland have come to Chisholm Trail. Must be 13 or older.
Steele Island Wakeboarding Spend a week learning wakeboarding skills on Lake Bridgeport. Limited to 24. Must be 13.
Brazos River Canoe Trip. Spend your week of high adventure on the scenic Brazos River, earn your 50 Miler award, and test your canoeing, camping, and fishing skills. 3 miles of hiking and 47 miles of paddling on the Brazos.
Colorado River Canoe Trip. Spend your week of high adventure on the scenic Colorado River west of Camp Tahuaya. Test your canoeing, camping, and fishing skills.
- July 4-10** **Aquatic and Lifeguard School.** New program to comply with new BSA Lifeguard Requirements. Emphasis on a wider range of Aquatics skills. Youth and adults age 15 & older may earn BSA Lifeguard and Red Cross Lifeguard. Youth and adults 16 & older may complete the new "Swimming and Water Rescue" and "Paddle Craft Safety" courses. Scouts age 13 and 14 can improve their skills & meet requirements for Swimming, Lifesaving, Rowing, Canoeing, Kayaking, Sailing, Motorboating, Watersports, & Snorkeling. New BSA Lifeguard age req. is 15.
- July 11-17** **Shooting Sports Camp.** Learn to shoot! Intensive course of shooting with two program tracks: (1) work on advanced shooting skills and NRA marksmanship qualifications, or (2) earn rifle, shotgun, and archery MBs (if needed)
- July 11-17** **F-16 Flight Simulator Week.** Earn Aviation MB in our 16 new F-16 flight simulator cockpits and fly team-based air combat missions at our new flight center. You'll do "downed" pilot recovery and "escape and evade" night missions, as well as lots of swimming and fun!
- July 11-17** **Wakeboard Advanced School** Join our expert wakeboard staff for a week of intermediate to advanced wakeboarding instruction and fun. Plan to ride hard - many more hours than you would at a standard ski school. Limited enrollment. Must be 14 or older. Details online in the Camp Leaders' Guide. Cabins & meals provided.
- July** **Twin Arrows NYLT** – Two Mon-Sat courses at SR2. Applications will be available on the Twin Arrows website.
- July 19-24** **Wood Badge Summer Course** at Lakeview Lodge. Monday-Saturday.