

Troop 839



Summer camp Strake-2021

We're going places



SPL note from Sean

Hey Troop!

We had a blast hiking and backpacking at Colorado Bend. We had the opportunity to take on challenging trails and cook our own backpacking food. I look forward to this next month as we welcome a new patrol of scouts into our troop and prepare for the shooting campout. We've got a great month ahead of us troop!

March Newsletter

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Spring Break camp outs





Announcements and Upcoming Events

- Scouts are able to get signoffs at campouts
- Swim Test Schedule @ Lifetime Fitness - W. Lake Houston & Will Clayton location
 - Saturday, May 14, 10:00 - 11:00 AM
 - Tuesday, May 17, 6:30 - 8:00 PM
 - Thursday, May 19, 6:30 - 8:00 PM
- April 18th Final Payment due for Camp Alexander

Coming up in April

- Orientation campout, April 2, 2022 Lake Houston Wilderness Park
- Shooting Campout April 8-10 Longview, TX
- April 18, 2022 - 6:15 PM - Scout Meeting
- April 28, 2022 - 6 PM - Merit badge registration
- May 2, 2022 - 6:15 PM - Scout Meeting



Positions of Responsibility

SPL	Sean S	Troop Guides:	
ASPL	Alex L		Tyler P
ASPL	Tyler L	Noah K	
ASPL	Andrew W	Seth G	
Quartermaster	Nate M	Patrol Leaders:	
Chaplain's Aide	Morgan L		
Scribe	Josh Y		
Historian	Andrei B		
Librarian	Cade S		
Webmaster	Scott S		
Bugler	Christian T		
			Badgers
		Dragons	Seth S
		Junkyard Dogs	Oliver B
		Viking	Matthew L
		Texas Bandits	Hayden C
		Wolverines	Leo S

Rank Advancements and Merit Badges

Rank advancements

- Leo S. First Class 3/7/2022

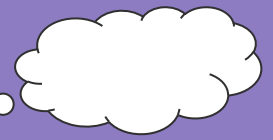
Merit badges

- Chris S

Citizenship in Community 3/7/2022

Communication 3/7/2022

Scoutmaster's Thoughts



Hey Troop!

We sure did have a busy March with 2 camp outs on back to back weekends and welcoming our newest Patrol to the Troop - The Wolves. The Troop got to experience 2 extremely beautiful parts of Texas with camp outs at Big Bend Ranch State Park and Colorado Bend State Park. Big Bend is an enchanted place and from the pictures Mr. Spijkerman shared, it looked like everyone had a great time. The following weekend was spent backpacking and hiking around Colorado Bend State Park (I guess this was a "bent" week). Most of this summer's Philmont crew got some practice miles under their belts and the day hikers got a chance to cool off in the Colorado River after nearly 7 miles on the trails. Everyone agreed, this was a place to visit again. I know there must have been some tired legs at the end of Spring Break with several scouts going on both camp outs. We ended the month by welcoming the Wolf Patrol to the Troop 839 family. I know they are in good hands with Seth G and Noah K as their Troop Guides. I'm looking forward to seeing them grow in Scouting and forming new friendships with the other Scouts in the Troop.

Now onto April! Why am I so excited? Because it's Shooting Sports time! This is one of my favorite camp outs with the Troop and it's been a long 2 years since we last hit the range. Who's going to win the shotgun and rifle competitions? Will the Scouts outshoot the adults again? I may be looking for a rematch with a couple of the Scouts. No matter what, it is going to be a blast.

YIS

Jorge Pinon

Committee Notes

1. Jorge Pinon, Scoutmaster

Scouts are able to get signoffs at campouts. They will see a troop guide or an adult leader. Scouts are able to approach an adult that they are comfortable with. Are troop guides turning away scouts? If so, please let Mr. Pinon or Mr. Lyons know, so they can speak with the TG and or scouts.

A parent asked for the committee to explain how Blue cards work and when and whom to ask to receive a blue card. Carl Torres is in charge of Merit badge blue cards.

Investure is coming up. The new scouts will have a meeting on Monday, Mar 28, 2022.

PLC to 11th , Regular troop meeting 11th, committee meeting is 19th

No meeting on Memorial Day as there is low attendance.

Adults are needed on the orientation campout.

April 18, 2022 - 6:15 PM - Scout Meeting

- Collect Merit Badge Registration Forms
- Final Payment due to Camp Alexander **STACY**

April 24, 2022 - 4:00 PM - Merit Badge Form Cross Check Meeting

- Stacy's House

April 28, 2022 - 6 PM - MERIT BADGE REGISTRATION

- Stacy's house, bring a laptop, come at 5:30

May 2, 2022 - 6:15 PM - Scout Meeting

- Collect all registration forms
- Do not accept incomplete forms - return the whole packet for correction
- Use checklist to ensure every scout has everything
- Divide alphabetically among us when collecting to expedite

1. Steven Patterson, Bark Mulch

21,000 bags delivered.

A Debrief meeting will be scheduled. This is to analyze the data from the day of delivery. Thoughts for Day of Delivery. Email to Kent Lyons, App, lunch, trailers, porta-potties, etc.

What did we do right?

2. Carol Casto, Fundraising/Tshirts

New scouts next week.

Carol is to talk about shirts on April 18th. Carol will order new name tags for the scouts

3. David Godell, District Happenings

Meet for coffee.

The recharter is being processed.

District Roundtable, 2nd week of the month @ Strawbridge UMC.

Day of Service: April 26, 2022, Lake Houston Park - Geared toward skill scouts.

Additional information: 2 tablecloths, red with the troop's logo on the front will be ordered by Carol Casto.

Next meeting: April 19, 2022