

# Cub Scout Tracks

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## Spring Campout

It is time to go camping again. Get your gear ready for the weekend of April 4, 5, 6 at the Paradise Cove Resort. Please note that this is a change from previous information as the Episcopal Recreation Center has been sold and is now unavailable. We currently have a large number of sites reserved but need to know if we need more. We will still plan to share sites between two or three families.

## BSA Family Award

We are wrapping up our first year of the BSA Cub Scout Family award. Even though you can start it at anytime you have a year to complete it. This award shows the importance that the BSA puts on a family unit. So what is the BSA Cub Scout Family award? This award recognizes families for their participation in activities that they are already doing for their son. In my case my daughter, who thinks she is a scout already, can earn a patch or pin by doing family activities. The purpose of the program is to strengthen families and to encourage family involvement in scouting. If you have any questions contact Ken Pickering, [kenpick@swbell.net](mailto:kenpick@swbell.net) or phone 214-616-9781.

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## Mark Your Calendar

### February

15 Blue & Gold Banquet

16 Scouting for Food



### March

1 District Pinewood Derby

9 Committee meeting

17-21 GI SD Spring Break

27 Pack Meeting & Webelos Crossover

### April

4-6 Spring Campout & AOL Ceremony

13 Committee Meeting

26 Gray Owl Bike Rodeo

### May

10 Scout Show at Market Hall

15 Pack Meeting (Ranch 111 Pavilion)

## Get Ready for this Years Spring Family Campout!

We plan to have many outdoor activities centered around a fishing theme. All parents will need a fishing license valid on Lake Texoma. These can be purchased at the Locust Grocery which is just around the corner from the camp.



On Saturday night we will have a special Arrow of Light Ceremony for the boys who have completed this award. Please plan to bring your chair, flashlight and sturdy walking shoes as the trail is steep and rocky and is quite a distance from the road.

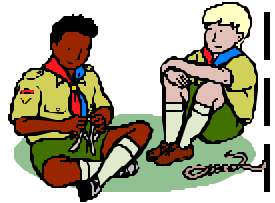


Dens should plan to cook and eat their Saturday evening meal together. All other meals will be done as a family (unless specified by your den leader)

We will have our dessert Pig Out on Saturday evening, please bring a yummy homemade desserts to share. We have a volunteer to head this event, but could use a parent from the Tigers or Wolves to help out and learn so that they might lead this next year.

## SCOUT SHOW

Mark your calendars for the annual Circle 10 Scout Show. This year the scout show will be held at Market Hall in Dallas on Saturday May 10th from 10am -3pm. During this event Pack 161 will have a booth to show off our scouting skills and you will have the opportunity to visit all the other Cub scout, Boy Scout and Venturing booths both inside and outside Market Hall.



Each den (scouts and parents) will have a one hour time slot to work our booth to make sure that it runs smooth.

Each year the we also participate in selling Scout Show tickets. These tickets are actually cards that have discounts to local retailers, restaurants, etc. The tickets will be sold for \$10 each with much of that money coming back directly to benefit Pack 161. I encourage each scout to sell as many tickets as they can.

