NORTHERN STAR DISTRICT Cub-O-Ree

SATURDAY, May 4th, 2013

Camping Option: May 3rd thru 5th, 2013

THEME: "UP & AWAY"

INFORMATION PACKET

**** Registration Deadline: Midnight on MONDAY, APRIL 29, 2013 ****

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Come to Camp Karankawa this Spring to have fun while you learn cool Scouting skills!

What is a Cub-O-Ree?

For those who have never attended a Cub-O-Ree, it is a day full of fun activities for Tiger Cubs, Cub Scouts, and Webelos Scouts. (Note: Siblings may attend as well and participate in activities that are age-appropriate). Cub-O-Ree activities include outdoor games, crafts, food, bb guns, archery, various competitions and a campfire. The Cub Scouts and their adult leaders will participate in and move between activities that are hosted by local Boy Scout Troops and parent volunteers. The Cub-O-Ree also offers an opportunity for Cub Scouts to interact with other boys from Packs across the Coastal District.

Cub-O-Ree will be set up as a split camp with younger Cub Scouts (current Tigers and Wolves) involved in activities together and older Cub Scouts (current Bears and Webelos) involved in more advanced activities.

The registration fee for each Cub Scout includes the day's activities, supplies, and a patch. In addition, a hot dog lunch will be provided for all registered Cub Scouts, adults and siblings for lunch. However, Packs should plan to make or supply their own supper after the activities have ended and before the Camp Fire has begun.

Note: The registration fee for each Cub Scout includes the day's activities, supplies, and a patch to the Scout Only. In addition, a hot dog lunch will be provided for all.

Additional costs may be incurred at the Pack level if your Pack is doing group meals.

Costs

Tigers, Cub Scouts and Webelos: **$12 each SCOUT**
Parents & Siblings: **$6 each**

Registration

Registration is by Individual Family Online only. To register, go to www.bacbsa.org, click on Coastal District, Click Coastal Cub-o-ree and proceed with registration. Debit Card, Visa Mastercard and check routing is accepted.

Additionally, each Pack should have an event organizer that should verify that:

1. Health forms are completed containing actual dates of children's vaccinations and in the possession of the Unit leader.
2. Your families have the latest information on the event.
3. Your pack has a Baloo Trained Leader in attendance.
4. Be the contact liaison with the event director and registrar.

Refund Policy

No refunds. Most of the money goes to supplies and food that is purchased at least two – three weeks before the event. A pack may substitute another attendee for any other that is unable to attend after the registration deadline.

What to Wear

Weather in May can change quickly. Check the weather before you leave and dress comfortably.

Pack t-shirts are highly recommended to allow adult leaders to keep track of their crowd. Show your pack spirit at the event!

Everyone must wear closed toed and heal shoes!! **(No Crocs or sandals.)**
Make sure they are comfortable. Be prepared!

Gear Your Pack Will Need To Have

Each pack should have the following:

1. You are encouraged to bring bottled waters for the boys to drink during the day. We will have coolers of water available at several locations around the camp activities, but bottled water will allow your boys to drink while holding their place in line or if they are moving between locations that are not near a water station.

2. Garbage bags for your pack's trash (water bottles, supper supplies, etc.)

3. Foul weather gear for rain or cold

4. Copies of each boy's annual BSA health and medical record.

Overnight Camping Option

For those choosing to do some overnight family camping, facilities and camping areas will be available on Friday and Saturday nights. Family camping is by tents only. You should bring your own tents, camping gear, and supplies. The camping area will be partitioned into pack camp sites. [Note: Camping fires will depend upon the status of the burn ban in our area in May so you MUST plan your meals accordingly and/or bring camp stoves.] Bring your own tables, chairs, ice chests, etc.

Important!!! You will be responsible for all your meals and drinks if family camping (except for hotdog lunch on Saturday).

You must observe Bay Area Council Camping Rules

Every Pack leader & adult attending Camp Karankawa must familiarize themselves with the Bay Area Council policy on use of camp facilities.

GENERAL RULES

1. All units and organizations should make reservations at least two weeks in advance with the Council Service Center on Galveston Island, Texas. A copy of the current "Short Term Camp Reservation Confirmation and Permit" is attached to this policy. COUNCIL AND DISTRICT EVENTS MUST BE SCHEDULED A MINIMUM OF 90 DAYS IN ADVANCE.
2. Designated unit leaders, event directors and/or guests/ visitors must check in with the Campmaster or Camp Ranger upon arrival at camp. The Camp Karankawa sign in front of the Ranger's residence will indicate where and with whom to check in.
3. The Scout Oath and Law, Cub Scout Promise, Explorer Code, and Outdoor Code are the laws of the camp. Each unit will be given a copy of the Outdoor Code, along with these policies, upon arrival at camp.
4. A registered adult Scouter, 21 years or older, must be in charge of each unit at all times. In addition, two deep leadership will be strictly enforced. The whereabouts of the youth while at camp must always be known by the designated leadership.
5. Events with coed participation must have both male and female adult leadership 21 years of age or older, at all times.
6. **The camp speed limit for all vehicles is 15 mph on paved and 10 mph on all dirt or unpaved roads.**
7. ***NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES* are allowed in campsites for any reason. They will be parked in designated parking areas. A Unit's trailer must be parked in designated areas only.**
8. **There are only four designated parking areas for campers, three in the Boy Scout area and one in the Cub Scout area. Parking areas are for parking of vehicles and should not be used for camping. Vehicles should use the allotted space as efficiently as possible. *In order to protect the environment and to ensure Emergency Access when needed, ALL OFF ROAD PARKING IS PROHIBITED. Special designated overflow parking may be assigned by the Council for large District or Council events.***
9. **Recreational vehicles and campers should be parked in parking lots only. Hook ups for utilities are not available.**
10. **No individual will be allowed to ride on the outside of a vehicle or in the bed of a pickup truck, or in a trailer. No more than the legally allowable number of passengers shall ride inside any vehicle at any time. COUNCIL AND DISTRICT EVENTS MAY BE GRANTED AN EXEMPTION UNDER NATIONAL POLICY (SECTION 10 "GUIDE TO SAFE SCOUTING"). Seat belts should be worn in vehicles at all times.**
11. **PERSONAL firearms, ammunition, air rifles, pellet guns, bows and arrows, and slingshots are *NOT* allowed in camp at any time.**
12. Use of Rifle and Shotgun Ranges, Tower for Rappelling, Cub Frontier, Black Powder and all related equipment for these facilities will be restricted to council and district Boy Scout, Varsity, and Explorer

activities. Exceptions to this rule may be made by agreement of three of the following: *COUNCIL PRESIDENT, COUNCIL COMMISSIONER,, COUNCIL PROGRAM VICE-PRESIDENT, and/or SCOUT EXECUTIVE (i.*e. *;District Cub Frontier programs). These facilities will be used only under the direct supervision of properly qualified and certified personnel. In no instance will the requirement for appropriately trained supervision be waived*.

13. **Dogs and other personal pets are prohibited. Exceptions will be made for Blind / Handicap Service Animals when accompanying their partner.**
14. **No open flames, candles, stoves, gasoline or kerosene lanterns, or heaters are allowed in tents.**
15. Gasoline and/or propane lanterns and stoves must be operated in a safe manner under adult supervision. Fuel supplies will be stored separately and secured.
16. Be careful with fires. Some camp sites are equipped with fire rings. Fires should only be built in those rings when provided. No fires are to be left unattended day or night. Provide shovel and fire bucket with sand, water or other fire protection equipment.
17. Conserve water, turn off faucets, and wash stands and/or showers. Facilities are not to be used to wash dishes or laundry.
18. Do not cut any live trees, shrubs, or underbrush. *Exceptions* to this rule will be allowed under the following conditions: Ranger or Campmaster may approve the cutting of saplings and underbrush as long as cutting is done on a small scale in areas that are not visible from trails, program areas, or camp sites. This cutting should be done to provide materials for program use such as teaching lashing, building of camp gadgets, etc. The preferred plant for cutting should be Yaupon (Ilex Vomitoria).
19. Do a conservation good turn while in camp. Consult with the Ranger or Campmaster for advance approval.
20. Keep noise down between 10:00 p. in. and 6:00 a.m. Respect your neighbor.
21. **No alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs will be allowed in camp.**
22. **The use of tobacco products inside any buildings or facilities at Camp Karankawa is strictly prohibited. The use of tobacco products in front of Scouts is prohibited under BSA National Policy.**
23. All persons stay on camp property. Do not trespass on adjacent property.
24. **All trash will be placed in the dumpster provided by the council. In cases where the dumpster is full, all trash will be removed from camp and taken home. At no time will trash be buried.**
25. **Before leaving camp, designated unit or event leader will "check out" with the Ranger/Caretaker or Campmaster at the Leaders Lodge.**
26. The possession or use of any fireworks on Camp Karankawa is forbidden.
27. A pay telephone is provided at the Chief Rich Lodge. Posted are all the emergency numbers, as well as those for the Scout Executive and Council President. At no time will youth be allowed to use this phone without the supervision of an adult leader.
28. The altering of existing facilities is strictly forbidden except with the specific approval of the Council Executive or his designee.
29. **The proper clean-up of all facilities used must be done before leaving camp. Clean-up will be approved by Ranger/Campmaster.**
30. Two-wheel carts are provided for the use of transporting equipment to or from campsites. These carts can be dangerous if improperly used. Youth should be restricted from horseplay on these carts and should be supervised at all times when using them.
31. All illegal activities will be reported to the appropriate civilian authorities.
32. Key Access to any Camp Building must be obtained from the Camp Director and / or the Camp Ranger
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NOTE: THE VIOLATION OF ANY OF THESE RULES MAY BE GROUNDS FOR IMMEDIATE REMOVAL FROM CAMP.

Timeline

May 3rd, 2013 5 PM Camp Karankawa open for those choosing to camp out.

May 4th, 2013 Day activities for Cub-O-Ree start at 8:45AM, ARRIVE EARLY!!!!

May 5th, 2013 All campers must check out before Noon.

Check-in

Check-in for the Cub-O-Ree is Friday, May 3rd after 5 p.m. Gates will be locked at 10 p.m. each night.

Check-out

Check-out will be from 9 a.m. to Noon on Sunday, May 5th. Please plan on carrying all your trash out with you.

Unit Packets

Unit Leaders will receive a packet at check-in. The packets will consist of the following:

Activity schedule for each Pack. Please follow the order of activities for your Pack! When one activity is completed you may move on to the next.

A wrist band for each paid participant (adults included) to indicate that they are an allowed visitor of Camp Karankawa & to receive a Hot Dog Meal.

Patches

Patches will be given for each registered Youth paying the $12.00 registration fee. They will be delivered after the event at Roundtable to the unit per the patch ordering process after registration closes of the event.

Standards of Privacy and Safety

Use the buddy system at all times including using the restroom. Campsite bathrooms and showers are available for overnight campers and portable toilets will be available for the areas near the Cub-O-Ree activities on Saturday.

Children should not be near the lake unless accompanied by an adult or unless they are involved in an activity (i.e. Row boating) observed by the appropriate trained staff!

Medications

Medications should be kept with an adult with the exception of rescue inhalers and epi-pens where the doctor permits the child to use these emergency medications on their own. At the time of check-in, the Pack's event organizer shall inform us of any boy carrying an inhaler or epi-pen.

First Aid Emergencies

Minor cuts and bruises should be handled by the Pack First Aider using the pack First Aid Kit.
Any emergencies or accidents that may require additional attention should be reported immediately to Staff and HQ.

No Smoking Allowed

No smoking is permitted in camp in the view of any Cub Scout. With the number of boys anticipated at the Cub-O-Ree, it is difficult to imagine how anyone would find a location to smoke. This rule will be strictly enforced. Remember to set a good example.

Secrets to a Camp Success

Remind parents to listen to the weather reports and pack accordingly.

Remind everyone that there will be a lot of walking at Cub-O-Ree and to wear comfortable shoes.

Remind Parents and Siblings about appropriate attire.

Due to the fact that this year's Cub-O-Ree will be set up as a split camp, each Pack will need enough adult leaders to observe and control their boys in two groups at different parts of the Camp Karankawa grounds. Remember to follow the BSA's 2-deep leadership policy! Any Pack leader may move between the groups (as long as none of the boys are left unattended), but the distance will require a great deal of walking to do so. Do not assume that you will be able to easily cover both groups. In fact, you should plan to have a Pack leader designated for both groups.