



Chisholm Trail District May Newsletter

As we move into May and then summer, our thoughts and prayers are for each of you in these unprecedented times. Even though our normal summer activities are curtailed, we're still looking forward to unique Scouting activities designed to support all units, Cub or Scouts BSA, and we encourage everyone to participate and enjoy some great Scouting fun.

Be safe, we'll get through this together!

Latest information always available at Roundtable!

Continue to keep up with the latest District news by attending Roundtables! We'll be meeting on May 14th @ 7:00 pm via Zoom, with separate sessions for Cub Scouts and Scouts BSA. Due to Zoom requirements, pre-registration for the Scouts BSA is necessary.

**Thursday, May 14th
7:00 pm**

Cub Scouts Zoom Roundtable: [Meeting Link](#)
Password: Cubs

Scouts BSA Zoom Roundtable: ([Register](#))

Note that District Roundtable will not be held in June nor July, but we hope to meet everyone back (in person) at our annual hot dog social in August!



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Welcome to Ship 911!

We are proud to have a new unit joining Chisholm Trail District: Ship 911! Ship 911 has been a member of the National flagship fleet for the past 6 years, since 2015! We'd like to welcome Skipper Dave Aronson and the rest of the crew to the district.

For those unfamiliar with Sea Scouting, they focus on Scouting fun and values through an aquatic perspective. If you're interested in learning more, reach out to them at skipper@ship911.org.



Summer Council News

Scouts BSA



Summer Camp at Lost Pines will be replaced with a series of online merit badge classes taught by our talented and dedicated camp staff. Troops that signed up for 2020 Summer Camp will be asked if they would like to move their reservation to 2021 Summer Camp or take part in this summer's virtual merit badge program.

The Summer session of National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) at Camp Green Dickson is cancelled. Council will contact everyone who had previously signed up to ask if they want to move their reservation to the Winter 2020 NYLT course or one of our 2021 NYLT courses.

There is no decision yet regarding the **Council Philmont Contingent**. The Philmont Scout Ranch is continuing to assess the opportunity for summer visits and the Council plans to provide another update on May 15.

Cub Scouts

The **traditional Cub Scout day camps have been cancelled**, but there will be three separate, virtual camps, each with on-demand video instruction available to adjust to your schedule. Activities will encourage your Scout to get instructions, and then leave their screen and build, make, and explore.

The sessions' themes are **"Great Outdoor Adventure,"** (June 8th) **"Weird Science,"** (July 6th) and **"Under the Stars"** (July 27th). Each session comes with a box of materials that can be shipped directly to your home. Learn more

about one or all these sessions by [visiting the Day Camp page](#).

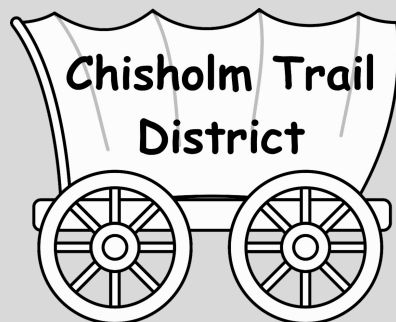
Cub Scout Family CampCation and Webelos Extreme Adventure Camp are both cancelled. The Council will contact everyone who had previously signed up to ask if they want to move their reservation to [TechLab](#) or our 2021 sessions.



Have you been to TechLab?

TechLab is an innovative partnership between the Boy Scouts of America and Austin I.S.D. for youth from 3rd through 9th grades.

TechLab STEAM Day Camp will be a live, structured daily online program featuring activities in robotics, 3D modeling, digital media, environmental science, programming, and more with supplies shipped direct to camp participants. Learn more and sign up by [visiting the TechLab website](#).



District Events

The bad news: The CT Merit Badge Fair will be cancelled for this year, and our April Camporee (which was "delayed") will be cancelled as well.

The good news: Webelos Woods hosted by T5131 in Oct is still on the books! Look forward to some district-wide fun this fall!

Order of the Arrow Information

Virtual OA Unit Elections can be held and requested at this link: <http://ctbsacac.org/order-of-the-arrow/>.

There have been updates to the OA camping requirement for eligibility: Virtual Campouts can only count as 3 nights a month for OA camping requirement (National Rule). This and all of the COVID-19 updates can be found here: <https://oa-bsa.org/coronavirus>

Venture Crews and Sea Scout Ships need to submit Advancement Reports for eligible candidates; please email this information to [Trey Walls](#).

Summer Ordeal and **NOAC 2020** have both been cancelled.

Does your unit excel in its OA participation? Nominate your unit for the OA Unit of Excellence Award! Details [here](#).



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