



SQUARE KNOT NOTES

Monthly Edition

From your Sam Houston Area Council Commissioner Team

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A SCOUT IS COURTEOUS

A Scout is always polite to everyone and always uses good manners.



S'MORE SCOUT FUN

Summertime is a great time to get outside and to have S'more Scout Fun! Scouts can experience fun in a campfire program full of songs, skits, awards, and great memories. At the campfire, the Scouts will treat each other with politeness because each boy knows that is how he wants to be treated.

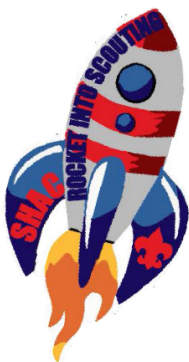
ROCKET INTO SCOUTING

Get ready for membership fun,
because it's time to

ROCKET INTO SCOUTING!

Every new Cub Scout in Sam Houston Area Council who joins between August 1 and September 30, 2016, will receive a free **Estes Model Rocket!** The rockets will be distributed to units by District Executives upon receipt of completed and paid applications for new youth.

When a new Cub Scout and his family attend the pack's Parent Orientation meeting, the pack leaders can present rockets to the newly-recruited Cub Scouts. All boys who register at Sign-up Night will also receive a special edition **ROCKET INTO SCOUTING** patch!



Commissioners provide much-needed support, guidance, and encouragement to their packs during fall recruiting season. Please touch base with your assigned units in August to see how their Sign-Up Night plans are coming together and how you can help them be successful. If you have any questions about this year's Fall Recruiting program, please see your District Executive for more information.

SCOUT DAYS

Scout Days are awesome opportunities to get your Scouts, friends and family together for some exciting experiences around the area with other Scouting families. All Scout Days are offered at a discounted price of admission.

Wet 'n Wild Scout Day, August 27: "Splash into Safety" and join Wet 'n Wild for Scout Day. A section of the park opens at 9:00 a.m. exclusively for Scouts to see lifeguards in action with lifesaving rescues, first aid practice and skills you can use every day. Select attractions will open at 9:30 a.m. for the Scouts and their families. The Scout Day special event ticket will also include lunch in one of the private pavilions and a souvenir patch. Pre-purchased tickets are \$33.99 each, plus tax. The deadline to purchase tickets is August 15, 2016. To purchase tickets, call (281) 355-3300 ext. 113 or ext. 114.

Scout Day with Astros vs Rays, August 28: Join the Houston Astros and celebrate Scout Day at Minute Maid Park. Arrive early to participate in a pregame parade and stay late for a post game run around the bases! Please wear your uniform. Contact Brent Broussard at (713) 259-8316 or Broussard@astros.com.

Battle of the Piney Woods, October 1: Scouts are invited to watch Stephen F. Austin vs. Sam Houston State at a special discount. Tickets are \$20 per seat and include a commemorative event patch. Scouts can participate in a pregame football experience on the field with Houston Texans ambassador JJ Moses. The event is limited to 200 participants and is being held at NRG Stadium. For more information, contact Cameron Walker at 832-667-2103.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 8/1-9/30 Every Cub Scout unit should hold Sign-Up Night
- 8/13 Trainer's Edge
- 8/16 Popcorn Kickoff
- 8/20 District Committee Training

UNIT STRONG

Strong units keep in touch with all of their members. August is a great time to reach out to members that you may have not seen over the summer and invite them to return as the new school year begins.

Have a great idea? A pressing concern? A success story? Send email to squareknotnotes@yahoo.com. We serve *you*! Do you call communication feedback a gift? It truly is! On the web at http://www.samhoustonbsa.org/leader_resources/the_commissioners_concept or via email at squareknotnotes@yahoo.com.