



SQUARE KNOT NOTES

From your Sam Houston Area Council Commissioner Team



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Have A Fun, Safe *Scouting* Summer!

Summer 2008 has begun! There are numerous opportunities in Sam Houston Area Council to add Scouting to the vacation plans for Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturers.

Boy Scout - Super Troop

If you know a Boy Scout who...

- ✓ Missed summer camp with a troop
- ✓ Wants a different camping experience
- ✓ Likes to attend a second summer camp

You know a boy who needs SUPER TROOP!

The **Super Troop** program at **El Rancho Cima** provides **merit badge** sessions, Scouting skills and a chance to make new friends. Led by council District Executives, Super Troops are organizing **now** for this summer. The fee is \$235.

Older Scouts and Scouts who have done a week of merit badges this summer may choose the outdoor challenges of the **Super Troop program at Hamman Scout Camp**. Hamman offers **Pack & Paddle** (canoeing for 13+), **Trek** (hiking for 13+) and **Topping Out** (climbing for 14+) programs. The fee is \$275.

Trail to Eagle is an opportunity for 1st Class Scouts and above, who are at least 13, to earn **Eagle-required merit badges** at **Walter Scout Camp at Horseshoe Bend**. It will be held July 13-19. The fee is \$275.

Find more information at samhoustonbsa.org/home/camping. For availability and questions about these summer opportunities, contact **SHAC Camping Services** at 713-756-36303 or camping@shac.org.

Enjoy this issue of Square Knot Notes. If you have a question about this topic or any of the Square Knot Notes, contact us at: squareknotnotes@comcast.net

Venturing

High-Adventure Luau at Bovay

Join Venturing crews and Sea Scout ships from all over the Sam Houston Area Council for a weekend of fun, fellowship and adventure on August 29 & 30 at Camp Bovay.



They're celebrating good friends, good food and the end of the summer season with camping, small boat sailing, swimming, hand gun shooting, archery, volleyball, The Limbo, Guitar Hero Rock Off, a dance and much more!

Contact Traci Talley at 713-419-6020 and IH4BT@aol.com for details and registration.

Cub Scouting

The purpose of the **National Summertime Pack Award** is to encourage packs to provide a year-round program by continuing to meet during the time periods when school is out of session.



A pack can qualify for the National Summertime Pack Award *certificate* and *streamer* by planning and conducting three pack activities—one each in June, July, and August. This award can be an incentive for greater attendance at summer pack activities.

Dens with an average attendance of at least half their members at the three summer pack events are eligible for a *den participation ribbon*. Boys who participate in all three pack events are eligible to receive the *National Summertime Pack Award pin*, which they can wear on their uniform. Find the award application at:

www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/33748.pdf

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in Every Unit in America”**

