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What's Happening Around the Council

* = multiple-day event

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	New Year's Day **JAN 1** *camps & offices closed*	2	3	4	5 Wilderness First Aid Training - CV*	6 *Feast of the Epiphany* Nisha Kittan Lodge Winter Banquet Okpik Troop Mtg 2 of 3 - BR STEM University - Southeast Missouri State University
Orthodox Christmas 7 Ad Altare Dei & Pope Pius XII applications due	8	9	10	11	12	CSAW/BSAW 13 Basic Rifle Training - SF
Orthodox New Year 14	*Martin Luther King Jr. Day* 15 *camps & offices closed*	16	17	18	19	Okpik Troop Mtg 3 of 3 - BR 20 Chief Range Safety Officer Training - SF
21	22	23	24	25	26	Basic Instructor Training - BR 27 Commissioner Conference University of Scouting
28	29	30	Silver Beaver nominations due 31	**FEB 1**	*Groundhog Day* 2 Scout Sabbath	Council Coordinated Operating Committee Meeting 3
Scout Sunday 4	5	6	7	*Scouting's anniversary* 8	9	CSAW/BSAW 10 Pistol Instructor Training - SF
11	*Lincoln's birthday* 12	13	*Valentine's Day* 14 *Ash Wednesday*	15	*Chinese New Year* 16 NYLT Staff Development 1 of 3* - BR	Wilderness First Aid Training - BR* 17 Basic Shotgun Training - SF
18	*Presidents' Day* 19 *camps & offices closed*	20	21	*Washington's birthday* 22	23	STEM University Southern Illinois University Carbondale 24 Range Safety Officer Training - SF
25	Wood Badge Informational Dinner - BR 26	27	28	*Purim* **MAR 1**	Wilderness First Aid Training - CJ* 2	Camp Expo - BR 3
Challenge Course & Rock Climbing Re-Qualification - BR 4	5	6	7	Horsemanship Merit Badge Skill Center 1 of 4 - BR 8	Super Training Weekend - Shooting Sports* - CL 9	CSAW/BSAW 10 Horsemanship Merit Badge Skill Center 2 of 4 - BR Radical Robotics
Daylight Savings Time begins 11	12	13	14	15	NYLT Staff Development 2 of 3* - BR 16 Native American Cultural Weekend - WL	*St. Patrick's Day* 17 Cub Scout STEM Day - Vatterott College Northpark Horsemanship Merit Badge Skill Center 3 of 4 - BR Wilderness First Aid - BR*
18	19	SPRING 21	22	23 Scout Orienteering Festival - BR ⇨	Basic Instructor Trng - BR 24 CS Fishing Leader Trng - BR Den Chief Training - BR Horsemanship Merit Badge Skill Center 4 of 4 - BR Scoutbotics	
Palm Sunday 25	26	27	28	*Maundy Thursday* 29	*Good Friday* 30 *Passover begins* *camps & offices closed*	*Holy Saturday* 31

BR = Beaumont Scout Reservation; CG = Camp Gamble; CJ = Camp Joy; CL = Camp Lewallen; CM = Camp May; CV = Camp Vandeventer; FE = Camp Famous Eagle; PR = Pine Ridge Scout Camp; SB = Swift High Adventure Base; SF = S bar F Scout Ranch; WL = Camp Warren Levis

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TRIBUTE TO A LEADER

Throughout my years in Scouting, I've had many experiences and met many great people who I will never forget. I want to tell you about a recent experience with one of those great people that will stay with me forever.

Like many of us, he became a Boy Scout when he was a young boy and was instantly hooked. He went to Scout camp for the first time and loved it. In fact, he kept going back to camp for 50 consecutive summers. He became a Scoutmaster and over the course of 35 years in that position, almost 20 percent of the boys in his troop became Eagle Scouts. Through his years in Scouting, he changed hundreds of lives, maybe even thousands, and through those young men I believe he had a major impact on his community.

When I first met Mark, I'm not afraid to say I was somewhat intimidated by him. He sat at a camp leaders meeting, arms crossed, just staring at me. He looked tough and asked pointed questions. But as I got to know him over the next six-plus years, I got to know his love of Scouting, his camp, and his Order of the Arrow Lodge. They meant the world to him, and he took them seriously. Slowly, we developed a mutual respect through our belief in Scouting, and the importance of summer camp in a boy's life. Then we became friends and eventually close friends.

This fall, Mark informed me that he was battling cancer. As he came to St. Louis for treatments, he would frequently stop by the office to visit, or call to let me know how he was doing. We always discussed camp and the need to preserve each of our Order of the Arrow Lodges. Then, just before Thanksgiving, I received a call from Mark's wife telling me Mark was not going to make it, and that he wanted to see me. On the day he passed away, unable to speak due to his breathing tube, Mark wrote about his concern for Anpetu-We Lodge and Order of the Arrow. Later that week at his funeral, I was in awe at the outpouring of respect from Scouts, leaders, and former Scouts from all walks of life, spanning several decades, there to pay tribute to a simple man from Perryville, Missouri who believed Scouting changed lives and communities throughout southeast Missouri.

Mark reminded me of the power and value of Scouting, the importance of our local leaders, and that our local traditions matter. He set an example that we can all follow.

Thank you for your leadership of the Scouting program.

Yours in Scouting,

Ronald S. Green
Scout Executive

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CUB SCOUT 2018 SUMMER CAMP

Why Cub Scout Camp? Simple, Cub Scouts is fun with a purpose, and Cub Scout Camp is too! Your Scouts will enjoy outdoor adventure like swimming, hiking, camping, archery, and much more while earning advancements and awards and making lifelong friends and memories.

CUB SCOUT DAY & TWILIGHT CAMP

Camp Name	Dates	Location	Time	Cost
Boone Trails STEM Twilight Camp	June 4—8	Cottleville Knights of Columbus	5:30—8:30 p.m.	$60
Larson Park Webster Groves Day Camp	June 4—8	Larson Park	9 a.m.—4 p.m.	$75
Camp Vandeventer Day Camp	June 11—15	Camp Vandeventer, Waterloo, IL	9 a.m.—4 p.m.	$75
O'Fallon, IL Sportsman's Club Day Camp	June 11—15	O'Fallon, IL Sportsman's Club	9 a.m.—4 p.m.	$75
Pine Ridge Day Camp	June 11—13	Pine Ridge Scout Camp, Makanda, IL	9 a.m.—4 p.m.	$75
Tower Grove Park Twilight Camp	June 11—14	Tower Grove Park	5:30—8:30 p.m.	$60
Bee Tree Park Fishing Twilight Camp	June 18—21	Bee Tree Park, South County	5:30—8:30 p.m.	$60
Belleville Bicentennial Park Twilight Camp	June 18—21	Belleville Bicentennial Park	5:30—8:30 p.m.	$60
Cuivre River Twilight Camp	June 18-22	Cuivre River State Park, Troy, MO	5:30—8:30 p.m.	$60
Deer Creek Park Day Camp	June 18—22	Deer Creek Park, Maplewood	9 a.m.—4 p.m.	$75
Ste. Genevieve Twilight Camp	June 18—22	Ste. Genevieve County Fairgrounds	5:30—8:30 p.m.	$60
Castlewood State Park Day Camp	June 25—29	Castlewood State Park, Ballwin	9 a.m.—4 p.m.	$75
Edwardsville Sportsman's Club	June 25—29	Edwardsville Sportsman's Club	9 a.m.—4 p.m.	$75
Mineral Area College Twilight Camp	June 25—29	Mineral Area College	5:30—8:30 p.m.	$60
Staunton Sportsmans Club Day Camp	June 25—29	Staunton Sportsmans Club	5:30—8:30 p.m.	$60
Camp Joy Twilight Camp	July 9—13	Camp Joy, Carlyle, IL	5:30—8:30 p.m.	$60
Festus Day Camp	July 9—13	Festus Elks Lodge	9 a.m.—4 p.m.	$75
Jackson/Cape Girardeau Day Camp	July 9—13	North Cape County Park	8 a.m.—3 p.m.	$75
Simpson Park Shooting Sports Twilight Camp	July 10—13	Simpson Park, South County	5:30—8:30 p.m.	$60
Poplar Bluff Twilight Camp	July 11—13	New Covenant Church	5—9 p.m.	$60
Millennium Park Twilight Camp	July 16—20	Millennium Park, Creve Coeur	5:30—8:30 p.m.	$60
Egyptian District STEM Day Camp	July 19—21	Zion United Church of Christ, Creal Springs	8:45 a.m.—4 p.m.	$75
Arnold Day Camp	July 23—27	Arnold Elks Lodge	9 a.m.—4 p.m.	$75
Florissant Knights of Columbus Day Camp	July 23—27	Knights of Columbus- Florissant	9 a.m.—4 p.m.	$75
Godfrey/Camp Warren Levis Twilight Camp	July 23—27	Camp Warren Levis, Godfrey, IL	9 a.m.—4 p.m.	$75
Mt. Vernon Outland Airport Twilight Camp	July 23—27	Mt. Vernon Outland Airport	5:30—8:30 p.m.	$60
Sullivan Twilight Camp	July 23—27	Sullivan Fairgrounds	5:30—9 p.m.	$60
Union City Park Day Camp	July 23—27	Union City Park	9 a.m.—2 p.m.	$75
Kennett Day Camp	*TBD*	Kennett Scout Hut	9 a.m.—4 p.m.	$75
STEM Twilight Camp	July 23—26	Beaumont Scout Reservation, High Ridge, MO	5:30—9 p.m.	$60

Boone Trails Shooting Sports, McNair Park, and Sikeston day camp information coming soon.

What's new in 2018?

- We are going all out for STEM! The day camp theme is Weird Wacky Science, and overnight camp will have new STEM-related advancements, including a NOVA Award at Arrow of Light Camp.
- Everyone loves to learn! That's why we have increased our focus on advancements, ensuring more Scouts leave camp with more accomplished.
- Provisional leader option at overnight camps. Scouts who could not go to camp because no parents or leaders could attend can now go under the "Provisional" option on the registration page.

CUB SCOUT OVERNIGHT CAMP

Arrow of Light Camp (6 days/5 nights)
Who: Webelos and Arrow of Light
Cost: $280/$325 with provisional leadership; $85 per adult
Where: Camp May, Beaumont Scout Reservation (High Ridge, MO)
When: June 10-15, June 17-22 or July 8-13

Webelos Camp
Who: Webelos and Arrow of Light
Cost: $165/$200 with provisional leadership; $70 per adult
Where/When:
Camp May, Beaumont Scout Reservation: June 24-27, July 8-11 or July 15-18
Camp Warren Levis: July 12-15
Pine Ridge Scout Camp: July 8-10 or July 12-14

Cub Adventure Camp
Who: All levels of Cub Scouts
Cost: $165/$200 with provisional leadership; $70 per adult
Where/When:
Camp May, Beaumont Scout Reservation: June 28-July 1, July 5-8 or July 19-22
Camp Warren Levis: June 7-10, June 14-17, June 21-24 or June 28-July 1

Family Camp *(formerly Parent & Pal)*
Who: All levels of Cub Scouts plus the whole family!
Cost: $30 per person
Where/When:
Camp May, Beaumont Scout Reservation: June 16-17, June 23-24 or July 14-15
Camp Lewallen: July 7-8
Camp Famous Eagle, S bar F Scout Ranch: June 30-July 1 or July 14-15

Grizzly Day Camp
Who: All levels of Cub Scouts
Cost: $110
Where: Beaumont Scout Reservation
When:
June 25—29: Gizmos & Gadgets
July 16—20: Jurassic Camp Grizzly
July 23—27: Guardians of the Grizzly Galaxy
July 30—August 3: Heroes of Mythology

Early Bird Pricing: Register by April 2 and receive $20 off overnight camp and $10 off day and twilight camp. (Early bird discount does not apply to Family Camp.)

NYLT Helps Scouts Develop Their Own Leadership Style

Photos by Chad Deschane

Patrick (second from left) on staff at National Youth Leadership Training.

Scouting is famous for acronyms. Spend just five minutes talking with a Scouter and you'll likely hear things like OA, DE, YPT, IOLS, Jambo- okay, not technically an acronym but Scout-speak nonetheless. As summer approaches, there's another acronym that becomes more common- NYLT, or National Youth Leadership Training. This week-long training course helps Scouts and Venturers grow and improve their leadership skills. It's highly touted in the Scouting world as one of the best leadership courses for youth, and it occurs every summer in the Greater St. Louis Area Council.

"In my eyes, Scouts get a couple different things out of the course," said Patrick Siemonsma, an NYLT graduate and member of Troop and Crew 52. "They get to see a model troop in action: how to set up a meeting, run a troop, set up the different jobs and everything along those lines. They get to see how a good Scout program works.

"We throw them into a patrol with people they don't know and they must do something with that the entire week. They must grow as a patrol and come up with their individual identity, and that shapes Scouts into leaders. They get to develop their own leadership style in that way."

Those who know Patrick today might be surprised to learn that the outgoing 17-year-old used to be a quiet and reserved kid.

"Before NYLT, Patrick was kind of a shy, quiet guy," said Patrick's dad, Doug. "He earned merit badges and went camping, but he was never much of a leader. He was just getting through it. He knew being an Eagle Scout was important, but he never really understood the leadership part of it."

Patrick graduated from NYLT in 2013. During his course, he was elected permanent patrol leader for a patrol that was eventually chosen as the overall top patrol at the end of the week. Since that time, he has also been a senior patrol leader for his home unit, Troop 52, chartered to Wolf Branch District 113 Parent Teacher Committee, and earned the honor of Eagle Scout of the Year in the former Lewis & Clark Council.

"What separates NYLT from other places is it sets such a strong foundation for your leadership style on how you cultivate it," said Patrick. "That's not to say other leadership courses don't do that, but to me, NYLT is unique in that it really kind of tailors to everybody. Participants get out of it what they put in."

Though Doug never took NYLT as a Scout, or Junior Youth Leadership Training as it was called back then, he's a firm believer in encouraging youth to attend this premier course.

"I had no clue NYLT would have such an impact on Patrick," Doug revealed. "It was a life-changing event for him. It's potentially a life-changing event for any kid." Patrick's Scouting experiences also helped Doug realize something important about himself.

"When I get to be too much of a parent, Patrick reminds me to give him some space. I was trying too hard to make him successful, and I needed to let him be successful on his own. The Scouting program allows for that if you just let your kid do it."

2018 NYLT Schedule

June 10–16, Boy Scout Only
June 17–23, Boy Scout and Venturing
June 24–30, Boy Scout and Venturing
July 8–14, Boy Scout Only
July 15–21, Boy Scout and Venturing

All courses take place at S bar F Scout Ranch.

Cost: $260
- Send two Scouts more than in 2017 and receive $25 off per scout.
- Send three Scouts more than in 2017 and receive $35 off per scout.
- Send four or more Scouts than in 2017 and receive $50 off per scout.

What are the qualifications to attend NYLT?

To attend NYLT, a Scout must be:

- A registered member of the BSA who has attended long-term Boy Scout camp for a minimum of two years
- First Class rank or higher
- At least 12 years old
- A member of a troop whose Scoutmaster has completed the adult Boy Scout Leader Basic Training Course
- A current or prospective youth leader approved by the Scoutmaster or Crew Advisor

Venturing participants must meet all of the above but the First Class rank requirement.

NYLT Pack & Paddle

The Pack & Paddle course is conducted in the S bar F Scout Ranch backcountry and on Nims Lake during the NYLT courses. In addition to developing leadership skills, attending Scouts and Venturers practice low-impact camping, hiking, canoeing, and learn the proper use of a compass for navigation. The Pack & Paddle outpost adventure program follows the NYLT syllabus.

To attend Pack & Paddle, a candidate must:

- Meet all NYLT requirements
- Be 14 years old by date of summer camp
- Pass the BSA swim test (swim 100 yards using strong strokes)

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Register at stlbsa.org/training/university-of-scouting

UPCOMING TRAINING COURSES

Challenge Course

The Challenge Course includes a series of outdoor challenges -- beginning with basic group initiative games and progressing to more complicated low-course and high-course activities. Participants climb, swing, balance, jump and think through solutions to a variety of challenges.

- Apr. 25 (BR), May 5-6 — SF

Re-Qualification: *If your instructor card for Challenge Course or Rock Climbing is expired or about to expire, you may get re-qualified during this one-day course.*

- Mar. 4 — BR

Cub Scout Leader Outdoor Experience/BALOO

Leaders who plan to take Cubs on overnight camping trips must first take this course. Leaders become familiar with fire building, hiking, nature, and other activities — and then take those skills back to their dens.

- Apr. 28-29 — BR
- May 5-6— CV

Powder Horn

This outdoor high-adventure course is designed to motivate and prepare adult and youth leaders to provide their unit with a variety of safe high-adventure activities.

- April 26-29 — BR

Wilderness First Aid

Wilderness First Aid is required for those units going to Philmont, Sea Base, the Summit, or Northern Tier It is recommended for back-country camping, hiking, canoeing, or other high adventure. Certification is good for two years.

- Feb. 17-18, Mar. 17-18 or Apr.13-15 — BR
- Mar. 2-4 — CJ

Wood Badge

Wood Badge is advanced training for adult leaders designed to enhance leadership skills and develop more effective Scouters. The Wood Badge program gives participants a greater understanding of Scouting's aims and methods.

- May 18-20 & June 1-3 — BR

BR = Beaumont Scout Reservation CJ = Camp Joy CV = Camp Vandeventer

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Friends of Scouting

Friends of Scouting Makes A Difference

The Boy Scouts of America develops today's youth into tomorrow's leaders. We do this by creating opportunities for learning and growth that foster and strengthen self-confidence, values, respect for others, character, and leadership abilities. These lessons shape their entire lives.

Friends of Scouting (FOS) is the annual giving campaign of the Greater St. Louis Area Council. ***The FOS campaign provides nearly 20% of the Council budget every year.*** That means nearly a quarter of every dollar in the council budget comes from the generosity of Scouting families, alumni and community supporters. Without this funding, our council could not provide the resources necessary to provide a quality, adventure-filled scouting program.

Your FOS contribution has meaning:

- materials for exciting programs
- insurance for leaders and participants
- maintain camp properties for your Scouts and future Scouts
- underprivileged youth have opportunity to join regardless of financial situation
- summer camp fee assistance
- volunteer training
- young people grow into successful adults

In Scouting, youth explore places they have never been as they're introduced to countless hobbies, interests, sciences, and even future career choices.

Please support Scouting by donating during your unit's Friends of Scouting presentation.

Photos by Bruce Levitt, Ron Jennings, and Bob Vogt

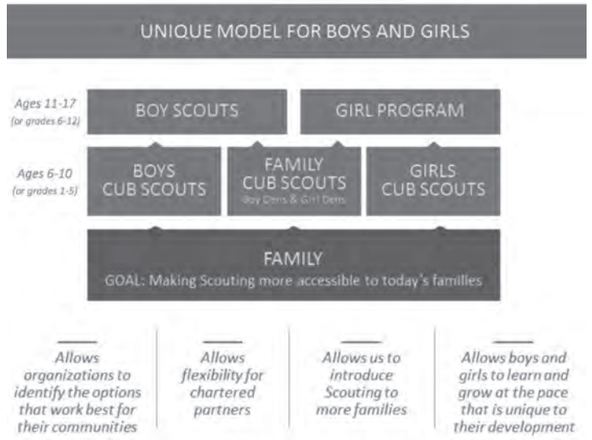
BSA Expands Programs to Welcome Girls to Cub Scouts; Older Girl Program for Earning Eagle Available in 2019

On October 11, the Boy Scouts of America Board of Directors unanimously approved to welcome girls into its Cub Scout program and to deliver a Scouting program for older girls that will enable them to advance and earn the highest rank of Eagle Scout.

It is important to note that the BSA did not decide to make the Cub Scouting and Boy Scouting programs co-ed; instead, the organization has introduced a unique model that builds on the benefits of a single-gender program while also improving character and leadership opportunities for both boys and girls.

Starting in 2018 (exact start date yet to be confirmed as of press time), families can choose to sign up their sons and daughters for Cub Scouts. Chartered partner organizations may choose to establish a new girl pack, establish a pack that consists of girl dens and boy dens or remain an all-boy pack. Cub Scout dens will be single gender — all boys or all girls.

Photo by Ron Jennings



Using the same curriculum as the Boy Scouts program, the organization will also deliver a new program for older girls, which will be announced in 2018 and projected to be available in 2019 (with a more specific start date to be determined soon), that will enable them to earn the Eagle Scout rank. This unique approach allows the organization to maintain the integrity of the single-gender model while also meeting the needs of today's families.

This decision expands the programs that the Boy Scouts of America offers for both boys and girls. Although known for its iconic programs for boys, the BSA has offered co-ed programs since 1971 through Exploring and the Venturing program, which celebrates its 20th anniversary in 2018. The STEM Scout pilot program is also available for both boys and girls.

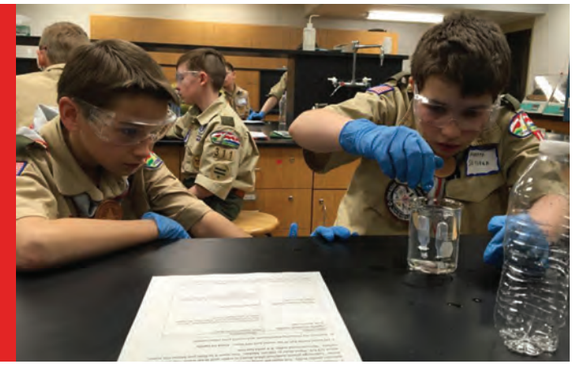
For more information about the expanded opportunities for family Scouting, please visit scoutingnewsroom.org/family-scouting.

STEM UNIVERSITY

February 24
Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Go from low-tech-- how to read a compass- to high-tech-- reading GPS.

» visit a college campus
» work with STEM experts
» fun, hands-on educational activities



CUB SCOUT STEM DAYS

March 17 | Vatterott College Northpark (Berkeley, MO)
April 7 | Vatterott College (Fairview Heights, IL)

Tigers, Wolves, Bears and Webelos can earn a STEM-based Adventure with the fun and enthusiastic instructors from Mad Science. Scouts will complete and take home cool hands-on projects. Tigers can earn the **Curiosity Intrigue** and **Magical Mysteries** Adventures, Wolves can earn the **Air of the Wolf** Adventure, Bears can earn the **Make it Move** Adventure, and Webelos can earn (most of) the **Earth Rocks** Adventure.

Congratulations Supernova Honorees

During the annual Einstein Recognition Dinner on November 17, the Council STEM Committee honored Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Venturers who earned Supernova awards in 2017. Honorees and their families enjoyed dinner and an awards ceremony under the "stars" at the Saint Louis Science Center Planetarium. Each Scout received a laser-engraved leather neckerchief slide. The evening, hosted by KSDK meteorologist Scott Connell, concluded with a star show featuring real supernovas.

Photos by Ron Jennings, Tom Kroenung, and Rock Wamsley

For information on STEM awards and year-round activities, go to stem.stlbsa.org. Keep up with more STEM news and activities on Facebook by "liking" facebook.com/ScoutingAndStemGreaterStLouisArea.

The Boy Scouts are partnering with Goodwill for a donation drive on April 21. There will be several donation sites all over the region where the community can drop off their unused items and electronics. All items will be accepted free of charge, and donors do not need to sort their items prior to dropping them off. Participants will receive a tax receipt for their donation.

Conservation and taking care of the environment have always been important to the Boy Scouts. By teaming with Goodwill for this donation drive, we are helping keep items out of landfills.

Stay tuned to stlbsa.org/earth-day for more details.

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BOY SCOUT SUMMER CAMP

The Greater St. Louis Area Council offers one of the premier summer camp experiences in the Boy Scouts of America. Scouts will encounter challenges and find programs that stir the imagination. Using the outdoors as our classroom, boys will build character and skills that can be used in their everyday lives.

Cost:
$270

Specialty Weeks:
LDS Week | June 11-16
Ranger Program | 6 sessions
Eagle Trail | July 22-28
STEM | July 22-28
Horse Camp | July 29-Aug. 4

Featured Activities:

- Rock Climbing
- Water Skiing
- ATVs
- Stand-Up Paddle Boards
- Climbing Wall
- Fishing
- Floating Iceberg Climbing Wall
- Huck's Cove Water Park
- Mountain Biking
- Shotgun and Rifle Shooting

Provisional Troops:
Scouts who can't attend summer camp with their troop can sign up for our provisional troop at Famous Eagle or Swift Base! Leadership will be provided and Scouts can sign up individually.

	June 10-16	June 17-23	June 24-30	July 1-7	July 8-14	July 15-21	July 22-28
Camp Joy	x	x	x				
Camp Lewallen	x	x	x		x		
Camp Famous Eagle	x	x	x	x	x	x	
Camp Gamble		x	x	x	x	x	x

New merit badges in 2018:

- *Robotics (all camps)*
- *Electricity (Camp Gamble)*
- *Game Design (Famous Eagle)*
- *Energy (Camp Lewallen)*

Plus, Scouts can now earn these NOVA awards at summer camp:

- *Shoot! (Famous Eagle, Camp Gamle, Camp Joy)*
- *Whoosh! (Famous Eagle, Camp Lewallen)*
- *Let It Grow! (Camp Gamble)*

Second week discount: Attend a week of Boy Scout or Venturer summer camp and get $100 off a second week of camp (excludes NYLT and Horse camp). Or, get $50 off a GSLAC camp if you spend a week at another council's camp or high-adventure base.

Family discount: A $100 family discount is available for siblings who also attend a GSLAC Boy Scout camp.

VENTURING SUMMER CAMP

One of only a few summer camp facilities dedicated solely to Venturing Summer Camp, Swift High Adventure Base at S bar F Scout Ranch is truly a unique program for your Venturing Crew but is also open to Explorer Posts, and older Scout Patrols.

Western Week | June 10—16
Outdoor Olympics | June 17—23

In addition to themed activities, campers can experience activities such as:

- Rock Climbing
- High/Low Challenge Course
- Rappelling
- Stand-Up Paddle Boards
- Sailing
- Equestrian Programs
- Mountain Bike Course
- Mountain Boards

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North Star Scout Earns Every Merit Badge

"I think that's an attribute of the Scouting program," said Erika Bailey. "Having that ability to try different career fields and different interests to figure out what you really like, and what you really don't like."

For Nigel Bailey of Troop 942 at St. Andrew United Methodist Church in the North Star District, that meant trying 137 different career fields and interests. The 16-year-old has earned every single merit badge available in the Boy Scouts of America, including the exploration merit badge just released last February.

To help reach this momentous achievement, Nigel created a spreadsheet to stay on task.

"He had a spreadsheet that he would go over with me," Erika, Nigel's mother, explained. "And he basically plotted this out where he only did one thing for a merit badge a day. It wasn't like he sat down and crammed for a merit badge. He would decide three months at a time what merit badge he was going to work on."

While some badges were more fun than others, some of his favorites included scuba diving, veterinary science, and welding. Nigel even takes a welding class a couple days a week now at North County Tech.

Read the whole story at stlbsa.org/news.

Nigel helps distribute food to those in need at the Northside SDA Food Pantry.

Eagle Easel

Eagle Scouts from Aug. 10, 2017 to Dec. 6, 2017

Big Muddy
Ethan Penrod, Troop 7044
Chance Duringer, Troop 7058
Conrad Keene, Troop 7066
Wesley Cantrell, Troop 7041
Mark Nighswander, Troop 7058
Matthew Satterlee, Troop 7004
Clayton Berger, Troop 7004

Black Gold
Charles Melton, Troop 127
Cole Herrmann, Troop 127

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Matthew Jensen, Troop 368
Alex Callahan, Troop 351
Austin Hahn, Troop 72
Joseph Tierney, Troop 351
Jonathan Wayland, Troop 963
Roger Melton Jr., Troop 918
Christopher Doering, Troop 984
Robert Garner, Troop 351
Jonathan Leimbach, Troop 873
Carter McCain, Troop 978
Nicholas Lambert, Troop 990
Nathaniel Anthony Williams, Troop 856
Jack Anthony Barger, Troop 997
Zackary Charles Hopkins, Troop 813
Seth Potthoff, Troop 911
Logan Cozart, Troop 972
Austin Mansdoerfer, Troop 970
Jonathan Niemeyer, Troop 964
Reece Gillam, Troop 970
Jack Robertson, Troop 997
Austin Bear, Troop 858
Patrick Simoni, Troop 628
Lucas Timothy Sproull, Troop 968
Alexander Brisso, Troop 533
Seth Thomas Edgar, Troop 918
Tyler Oser, Troop 72
Jacob Welch, Troop 975
Sean Barstow, Troop 975
Anthony King, Troop 674
Christopher King, Troop 674
Hunter Coutts, Troop 949
Christian Witte, Troop 72
Matthew Bahan, Troop 353
Daniel Pratt, Troop 628
Spencer Neumeier, Troop 760
Joseph Wingbermuehle, Troop 533

Cahokia Mounds
Brock Hennig, Troop 1034
Ryan Johnson, Crew 2039
Gavin Kohlbrecher, Troop 1040
Evan Kohler, Troop 1034
Agustin Margarida, Troop 1030
Colin Walsh, Troop 1031
Zachary Winslow, Troop 1226
Austin Turner, Troop 1030
Dylan Russell, Troop 1036
Spencer James, Troop 1038
Ian James, Troop 1038
Edgar McClintock, Troop 1216
Jonathan Self, Troop 1046
Jarod Willis, Troop 1038

Cherokee
Lance Roberts, Troop 4272
Liam Files, Troop 4041
William Feezor, Troop 4323
Spencer Clay, Troop 4041
Micah Wallace, Troop 4041
Christian McDaniel, Troop 4272
Grant Stoner, Troop 4041

Egyptain
Hunter Hoane, Troop 7085
Seth Traiteur, Troop 7156
Jeremiah O'Saile, Troop 7018

Gravois Trail
Asher Agers, Troop 824
Tyler Derickson, Troop 121
Cameron Geraci, Troop 824
Benjamin Riethmeier, Troop 25
David Aslin, Troop 602
Peter Boucher, Troop 331
Jacob Minner, Troop 815
Tanner Friedman, Troop 166
Connor Lenihan, Troop 662
William Winkler, Troop 646
Andrew Greeno, Troop 580
Nathan Gallop, Troop 585
Ryan Browne, Troop 648
Derek Book, Troop 116
Martin Sharpe, Troop 165
John Angeli, Troop 169
Evan Knobbe, Troop 580
Alexander Strebler, Crew 2161
Andrew Tueth, Troop 725
Thomas Weber, Troop 708
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John Benwell, Troop 721
Clayton Bach, Troop 821
John Benwell, Troop 721
George Tsichlis, Troop 580
Nathan Friedman, Troop 166
Isaiah Minner, Troop 815
Evan Brooks, Troop 776

Kaskaskia
Joshua Sallman, Troop 343
Donald Muertz Jr, Troop 320
Matthew Biesiegel, Troop 30
Victor Rahlfs, Troop 305
Jacob Henry Weidenbenner, Troop 320
Alex Nobbe, Troop 323
Garrett Headen, Troop 343
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New Horizons
Jacob Alu, Troop 456
Chad Dorch, Troop 623
Blake Elder, Troop 301
David Hill, Troop 323
Mason Epperly, Troop 685
Benjamin Kelly, Troop 300
Thomas Richard Rosen, Troop 803
Dominic Bottom, Troop 323
Jayce Graham, Troop 809
Neal Jackson, Troop 357
Casey Lane, Troop 801
William Chen, Troop 750
John Caleb Higgins, Troop 505
Michael Colletti, Troop 371
Brendan Muldoon, Troop 314
Erik Murer, Troop 601
William Nolte, Troop 787
Andrew Zoghby, Troop 792
Kevin Harter, Troop 751
Jacob Berns, Troop 323
Brendan Charles, Troop 323
Nicholas Jablonski, Troop 623
John Gordon, Troop 313
Adam Wilson, Troop 603
Mason Todd, Troop 631
Evan Blanke, Troop 310
Austin Mueller, Troop 505
Joseph Castleman, Troop 300
Zachary Arrindell, Troop 361
Ryan Bauer, Troop 792
Harrison Krause, Troop 360
Evan Hubert, Troop 601
Nathan Stucki, Troop 802
Noel Fehr III, Team 6802
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August Hellmuth, Troop 624
Benjamin Madsen, Troop 834
Kristopher Parsons, Troop 805
Matthew Stephens, Troop 805
Christopher Brinkley, Troop 387
Michael Stoeckel, Troop 323
Jack Bailey, Troop 603
Jacob Cichelero, Troop 505
Matthew Lehmann, Troop 314
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Christopher Swiecicki, Troop 631

North Star
Steven Berghold, Troop 884
Jonathan Nipper, Troop 271
Adam Turbe, Troop 884
Luke Conway, Troop 608
Alexander Michael Dawson, Troop 713
Nathan Kalkbrenner, Troop 613
Obadiah McAdoo, Troop 884
Michael Rose, Troop 551

Osage
Chase Kelemen, Troop 329
Andrew Barns, Troop 449
Reid Posinski, Troop 439
Isaiah DeVore, Troop 433
Vincent Hoffman, Troop 443
Thomas Kelpe, Troop 433
Caleb Rehklau, Troop 462
Justin Mintert, Troop 359

Ozark Trailblazers
Thomas Ward, Troop 27
Jerritt Hargis, Troop 21
Benjamin Bader, Troop 404
Nathaniel Burgan, Troop 403
Ian Kemp, Troop 27

Pathfinder
Avery Fredman, Troop 11
Matthew Tonn, Troop 344
Matthew McMahon, Troop 493

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Kodiak Challenge Accepted

Photos by Chad Deschane

Last year, more than 150 Scouts and Venturers from the Greater St. Louis Area Council completed the Kodiak Challenge.

Kodiak is designed to be an adventure that pushes the boundaries of every participant— one that will encourage you to try new things that may be out of your comfort zone. It is an experience—but one that has its underpinnings in the application of the leadership skills Scouts learned in the Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops or Crews, NYLT, and/or NAYLE. It is, as is all of Scouting, an adventure with a purpose.

2018 Kodiak Challenge information will be available soon at stlbsa.org/venturing-summer-camp.

Left to right: Cole Nordmann, Alex Abernathy, Kyle Nordmann, Mallory Bugg and Chris Dunn

Scouts Win Trip To LA For Justice League World Premier

DC and Warner Bros. invited fans from across the country to create a video about how they planned to celebrate the release of the Justice League movie last fall. Five Scouts from the Greater St. Louis Area Council submitted a video... AND WON! The lucky group of Scouts had the unique opportunity to take an all-expenses paid trip to LA for the world premier of Justice League on Nov. 15!

View their winning video on stlbsa.org/news.

2019 Philmont Lottery

Interested in going to Philmont in 2019? Register now for the lottery to be a part of one of GSLAC's contingents!

Council contingents participate in 12-day treks at Philmont and have transportation organized by the council through a local bus service.

Spots are limited. Register for the lottery by February 16, 2018.

A drawing will be held shortly thereafter and units will be notified of their placement via email. You can register for the lottery at scoutingevent.com/312-2019philmontlottery.

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Help guide youth in positive directions by becoming a merit badge sponsor. From American Business to Wordwork — and 135 badges in between — merit badge completion forms a basis for a Scout's future.

Join these organizations and companies by becoming a merit badge sponsor for one calendar year. Your company banner will be displayed at Boy Scout Summer Camp, and your logo and name recognition will appear on our website and Facebook pages, as well as in our newsletter. You also have the opportunity to host merit badge clinic(s) at your location.

For more information or to become a merit badge sponsor contact james.nolan@scouting.org.

Merit Badge Skill Centers

For more information, visit the Achievements and STEM pages or Calendar at stlbsa.org.

Archaeology Feb. 17, Cahokia Mounds Interpretive Center

Law June 6, St. Louis Old Courthouse

Public Health May 31, St. Louis County Public Health Department

Railroading March 3, St. Louis Amtrak Station

Scuba Diving Feb. 13, Y-kiki Divers South County

Some merit badge centers have a fee or other costs.

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Listed are tributes received through November:

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Honor a friend or relative with a lasting gift to the Boy Scouts of America. Donations to the Memorial Tribute Fund are a gratifying way for individuals, businesses, or groups to remember special friends. Tributes are suitable for memorials or special occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries, or holidays. Your tribute will benefit the youths of our communities forever All funds received in the Memorial Tribute Fund are held in the St. Louis Boy Scout Trust of the Greater St. Louis Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, with the earnings supporting Scouting in perpetuity. Donations can be made online at stlbsa.org.

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Veterans Awards

	years
Libby Quinlan, Jr	5
Dawn Beutler	10
Joseph Stemler	10
Tracy Stemler	10
Brian Zak	10
Raymond Parker, II	35
Hilding Holroyd	55
Paul McLaughlin	65
J. Anthony Dill	70

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Matthew Shenouda, Troop 344
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Asher Gruenbacher, Troop 344
Alexander Christian Migala, Troop 21
Tylor Krieger, Troop 284
Walter Klein, Troop 344
Thomas Hoerner, Troop 49
Andrew Olson, Troop 512
Christian Baugher, Troop 954
Andrew Holder, Troop 769
Nickolas Jensen, Troop 525
Benjamin Schutte, Troop 643

Piasa Bird
Dalton Brunnworth, Troop 52
Memphis LaFuria, Troop 52
Zane Mike, Troop 492
Jeremy Bruch, Troop 52
Noah Buske, Troop 52
Aaron Fox, Troop 16

River Trails
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Michael Simpson, Troop 557
Jacob Berry, Troop 372
Allen Rodgers, Troop 406
Kyle Felbab, Troop 450
Joel Marler, Troop 406
Jonathon Beutler, Troop 416
Brandon Brock, Troop 372
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Elijah Lambert, Troop 891
Vincent Koning, Troop 535
Benjamin Erick Ottosson, Troop 891
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Shawnee
Ralph Street, Troop 4011
Seth Sievers, Troop 4311
Austin Phillips, Troop 4155
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Seth Pemberton, Troop 4011
Dylan Corvick, Troop 4004
Nicholas Hodges, Troop 4002
Austin Lambert, Troop 4011
Kyle Seabaugh, Troop 4210
Dalton Seabaugh, Troop 4210
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Sioux
Joshua Green, Troop 4200
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Cody Vandriel, Troop 85
Travis Halverson, Troop 85
Jackson Howell, Troop 553
William Phillips, Troop 44
Mark Thomas-Patterson, Troop 35
Ryan Vonbokel, Troop 225
Myles Josato, Troop 94
Lucas Paul Schauster, Troop 11
Thomas Joseph Fulford, Troop 46
Cole B Sowders, Troop 53
Sean Luc Duvall, Troop 585

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Zachary Williams, Troop 6
Benjamin Poag, Troop 500
Phillip Schlichting, Troop 281
William Hulsey, Troop 110

16-year-old Carterville Scout Saves Grandma From Choking

by Marilyn Halstead

Photo by Reed Bigelow

Jacob Dozier (right) with grandmother, Pat Dozier.

For Pat Dozier of Carterville, April 19, 2017, started like any other day. At about 3:45 p.m., things changed.

Dozier and her husband, Marion, picked up two of their grandchildren, Jacob and Jolene, from school and took them home. Dozier said her husband was watching television in the living room.

"I got up and got some jelly beans," Dozier said.

She popped the jelly beans into her mouth and immediately got choked. Dozier put her hand to her throat, the sign of choking, but her husband did not see or understand what was happening.

However, someone did get her sign — her 16-year-old grandson, Jacob Dozier. As Dozier ran into the garage, Jacob came running up behind her and performed the Heimlich maneuver.

The obstruction was immediately cleared and Dozier could breathe again.

Jacob, a Life Scout in Troop 77, had been through CPR training, which included the Heimlich maneuver. The training was led by Marty Hagan, a volunteer Carterville firefighter and Jacob's previous Scout Master.

"She put her hand on her throat," he said, adding that he knew she needed help and was glad he was there.

"I don't know what I would have done if he had not been there," Pat Dozier said.

Jacob's mom, Amy Dozier, asked how he learned this lifesaving technique.

"I learned it in Boy Scouts," he calmly answered.

For his quick action, Jacob earned the Medal of Merit Award from Boy Scouts of America. The National Council of Boy Scouts of America presents four awards to outstanding Scouts or those who have provided special service to others. The Medal of Merit is awarded to Scouts who have performed some act of meritorious service above and beyond that normally expected of a youth or adult member of BSA.

Jacob was a special guest at the Carterville City Council meeting Oct. 10, where he was presented the Medal of Merit during a special Boy Scout Court of Honor. He also was honored with a proclamation from the city of Carterville. Mayor Brad Robinson read the proclamation and gave Jacob a copy of it at the meeting. Many family members, fellow Boy Scouts and friends attended the meeting, including Hagan.

Jacob started in scouting as a Tiger Scout. He has been a member of Boy Scouts for 11 years. His dad is William Dozier.

"I didn't know they would make such a big deal," Pat Dozier said.

Although she was back to normal immediately, she may not eat any jelly beans for a long time.

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Brian P., Pack 12

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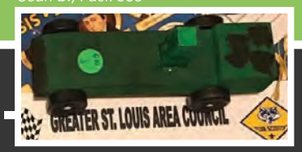
Rosemann & Associates, Construction Industry Pinewood Derby



Sean B., Pack 369

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Lilly B., sister of Blake in Pack 721

Kayden M., Pack 7014

Ethan, Pack 797

Tips For Planning The Best Pinewood Derby Ever

adapted from **BRYAN ON SCOUTING** *blog.scoutingmagazine.org*

Encourage Scouts to actually build their own cars

Building a Pinewood Derby car is a life-changing bonding experience for parent and son. The Cub Scout isn't — and shouldn't be — expected to do it all himself.

Damon E. came up with a breakdown you can try in your pack: "Tigers do about 20 percent of the work, 40 percent for Wolves, 60 percent Bears, 80 percent Webelos," he says. "By the time they're a fifth-grade Webelos, the Scout is doing almost 100 percent of the work with just a safe guiding hand of a parent or adult."

Plan a Pinewood Derby workshop

How do you ensure the Scouts have a hand in making their car? Bring them all under your roof. Host a designated car-making workshop where parents and sons build the cars together and parents bring tools to share. It's fun, and it's a great way for the less mechanically inclined to learn a thing or two.

Hold side races for parents

Try as you might to encourage Scout-built cars, there are still some ultra-competitive dads and moms out there. Harness that competitiveness into a race just for parents (and/or siblings).

Schedule smarter

Create a tournament bracket that gives each Scout several races, even if he loses them all. Scheduling is a decision for you and other Cub Scouters, but you have several options at your disposal.

- Elimination-style races
- Round-robin formats

Stagger arrival times

If you know the Webelos race won't start until 5 p.m., do the Webelos Scouts and their parents really need to show up at 3:30 with everyone else? Give parents specific, staggered arrival times to minimize waiting around.

Give siblings plenty to do

Set out a big container of Legos for the sisters and brothers of racers to enjoy during the Derby. Distribute racing-themed coloring pages and colored pencils. Invite someone to run a face-painting station or make balloon animals. Whatever you do, be sure to offer something to keep those nonracers occupied.

Pick teams

Great Pinewood Derbies require great volunteers. I like this site's breakdown for how to assign the necessary teams for Derby day:

- A Track Team that sets up the track, tests it and runs the race.
- A Food Team that keeps Cub Scouts and parents happy and well-fed.
- A Pit Team that checks in the families and weighs and inspects the cars.
- An Activities Team that handles anything not related to the race — pictures, face-painting, skits and songs, and anything else to keep Scouts entertained.

Make memories, take pictures

A Pinewood Derby will be over in a couple of hours, but the memories will last forever. That's especially true if you take official race day photos of Scouts and their families.

Read the complete article at blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2015/12/15/10-tips-for-planning-the-best-pinewood-derby-ever.

Nominate An Exceptional Scouter

Each year, the council recognizes a class of volunteers with the Silver Beaver Award during the council's annual meeting and recognition dinner. This award is the highest honor a Boy Scout council can bestow on an adult volunteer.

If you know a volunteer who has provided noteworthy service to the Scouting program and has had a tremendous impact on our youth, complete a nomination form and return it to your district executive. But hurry, the deadline to nominate is Jan. 31!

Visit stlbsa.org/council-annual-meeting for a nomination form.

SCOUTING IN THE COMMUNITY

Big Muddy
Pack 44 — participated in Veteran's Day parade

Boone Trails
Pack 391 — led opening ceremony for a parade
Pack 948 — retired more than 3,000 flags

Thunderbird
Pack 103 — flag retirement ceremony

St. Louis Scout Shop now open Saturdays!

SCOUT SHOP LOCATIONS & HOURS

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