



Greater St. Louis Area Council

# Venturing Program Guide

**2023-2024**

A comprehensive program guide for crews and ships from September 2023 through August 2024





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**All specifically for Venturing and Sea Scouting!**

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### Venturing

Provides positive experiences through exciting and meaningful youth-run activities for pursuing special interests, growing by teaching others, and developing leadership skills.

### Sea Scouting

For over 100 years, Sea Scouting has promoted better citizenship and improved members' boating skills through instruction and practice in water safety, boating skills, outdoor, social, service experiences, and knowledge of our maritime heritage.

(both programs are for young women & men ages 14-20 or 13 years old & completed 8th grade)





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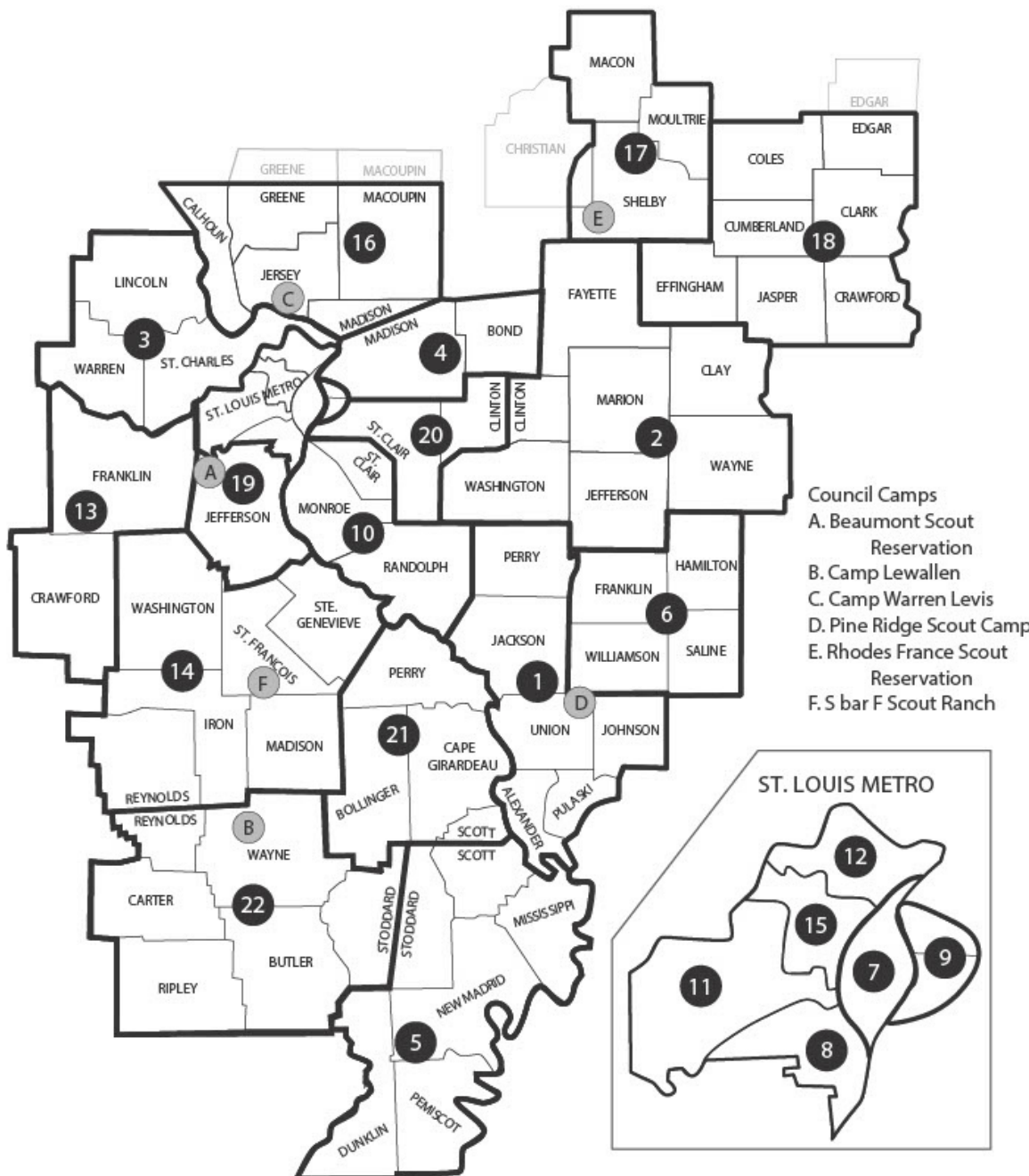


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1. Big Muddy District
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4. Cahokia Mounds District
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# COUNCIL SERVICE CENTERS

***We are here for you.***

All service centers are open Monday- Friday. A Scout Shop is also available at each location. The BSA Outfitters locations are open on Saturday.  
[stlbsa.org/shop](http://stlbsa.org/shop)

## **MacArthur Service Center**

4568 West Pine Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63108  
314-361-0600 or 800-392-0895  
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Scout Shop: M-F, 9 a.m.-5

## **Central Illinois Service Center**

and Scout Shop  
262 W. Prairie Ave., Decatur, IL 62523  
217-429-2326  
8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## **Ritter Service Center**

and Scout Shop  
3000 Gordonville Rd., Cape Girardeau, MO 63703  
573-335-3346 or 800-335-3346  
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

## **Southern Illinois Service Center**

and Scout Shop  
803 East Herrin St., Herrin, IL 62948  
618-942-4863 or 888-942-4863  
9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Closed for lunch: 12:30-1 p.m.)

## **BSA Outfitters - 2 locations**

|   |  |
|---|--|
| 13347 Manchester Rd.<br>Des Peres, MO 63131<br>314 -984-0014<br>M-Th, 9 a.m.-7 p.m.<br>F, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.   Sa, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. | 5205 N. Illinois St.<br>Fairview Height, IL 62208<br>618-222-1574<br>M-F 10a-6p, Sa 10a-3p |
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# CALENDAR & BUDGET

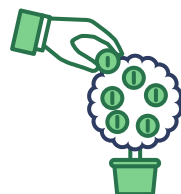
## PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

**Every youth deserves a fun, robust, educational and exciting program! Creating a plan at the beginning of the year will help ensure success for your crew and Scouts!**

- **First, brainstorm about fun activities, adventures, and experiences your crew could have this year. Include all the Scouts and parents, if you can, to get the most and best ideas:**
  - **What council and district level activities will you include, like summer camps, fall events, trainings, etc.?**
  - **What resources do you have in your Crew or Ship? Are there parents who work at locations where you could do tours, service projects or outings such as the local fire station, radio/tv station, or cultural institutions like museums or historic sites?**
  - **What are some fun activities you may want to include, however big or small, like picnics, a trip to Six Flags, weekend camp outs, etc.?**
  - **Reach out to your unit commissioner, as well, while you are going through the process. It is that individual's job to help your unit have a healthy program.**
- **Next, your Crew committee can review all the suggestions, narrow down to the activities that make sense for your unit, and plan on when they make the most sense to do.**
- **Lastly, communicate the plan to your families. That can be as simple as a printed list with the event dates to be handed out at meetings or emailed out. You could also use the talents of a parent or leader and take advantage of the services offered in Scoutbook to communicate events via calendars and reminders, create Facebook events, or create a Google calendar. Some times the best method of communication is a variation of multiple mediums!"**

## BUDGET & FUNDING

Program planning needs to also include a funding plan. Use the budget planning tool on the next page to see how much your year of Scouting will cost, and what your individual youth and/or crew fundraising goals should be.



*See a sample budget worksheet on the next page:*



# SAMPLE BUDGET WORKSHEET

| Sample Crew Budget               |                         |                    | Crew Operating Budget                               |   | Actual Budget          |                                   |   |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|---|---|------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| Annual Cost Per Venturer/Unit    | No. of Venturers/Adults | Total Unit Cost    |   |   | Annual Cost Per Person | No. of Venturers/Adults           | Total Unit Cost                         |
| \$ 75.00                         | 16                      | \$ 1,200.00        | <b>PROGRAM EXPENSES:</b>                            |   |                        |                                   |   |
| \$ 25.00                         | 5                       | \$ 125.00          | Registration - Youth                                | Total Youth                                       | \$ 75.00               |                                   | \$ -                                    |
| \$ 45.00                         | 6                       | \$ 270.00          | Joining fee   | Total Youth                                       | \$ 25.00               |                                   | \$ -                                    |
| \$ 12.00                         | 5                       | \$ 60.00           | Registration - Adult                                | Total Adults                                      | \$ 45.00               |                                   | \$ -                                    |
| \$ 100.00                        | 1                       | \$ 100.00          | <i>Scouts Life</i>                                  | Total subscriptions @ \$12 ea                     | \$ 12.00               |                                   | \$ -                                    |
| \$ 15.00                         | 22                      | \$ 330.00          | Unit charter fee                                    | Yearly flat fee @ \$100                           |                        |                                   | \$ 100.00                               |
|                                  |                         |                    | Awards & Ranks                                      | Purchase through Scout Shop                       | \$ 15.00               |                                   | \$ -                                    |
|                                  |                         |                    | Activities  | Location  |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
| \$ 15.00                         | 22                      | \$ 330.00          | (1) Activity  |   |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
| \$ 15.00                         | 22                      | \$ 330.00          | (2) Activity  |   |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
| \$ 15.00                         | 22                      | \$ 330.00          | (3) Activity  |   |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
| \$ 15.00                         | 22                      | \$ 330.00          | (4) Activity  |   |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
| \$ 15.00                         | 22                      | \$ 330.00          | (5) Activity  |   |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
| \$ 15.00                         | 22                      | \$ 330.00          | (6) Activity  |   |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
| \$ 20.00                         | 22                      | \$ 440.00          | District events                                     | Camporees   |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
| \$ 15.00                         | 22                      | \$ 330.00          |   | Other   |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
| \$ 15.00                         | 22                      | \$ 330.00          | Special activities                                  | Ranger Day  |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
| \$ 15.99                         | 16                      | \$ 255.84          | Handbooks   | One for each new Venturer @ \$15.99 ea.           | \$ 15.99               |                                   | \$ -                                    |
| \$ 50.00                         | 5                       | \$ 250.00          | Training  | ILSC, Powder Horn, Kodiak, NYLT, NAYLE, etc.      |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
| \$ 20.00                         | 22                      | \$ 440.00          | Crew equipment purchases                            | Tents, cook stoves, etc                           |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
| \$ 50.00                         | 2                       | \$ 100.00          | Advisor camp fees                                   |   |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
| \$ 50.00                         | 1                       | \$ 50.00           | Advisor recognition                                 | Thank yous, veterans awards, etc.                 |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
|                                  |                         | \$ 6,260.84        | <b>TOTAL UNIT BUDGETED PROGRAM EXPENSES:</b>        |   |                        |                                   | \$ 100.00                               |
|                                  |                         |                    | <b>INCOME:</b>                                      |   |                        |                                   |   |
| \$ 52.00                         | 22                      | \$ 1,144.00        | Annual dues (weekly)                                |   |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
| \$ 500.00                        | 1                       | \$ 500.00          | Surplus from prior year (beginning fund balance)    |   |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
|                                  |                         | \$ -               | Other income source                                 |   |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
|                                  |                         | \$ 1,644.00        | <b>INCOME SUBTOTAL:</b>                             |   |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
|                                  |                         | \$ 4,616.84        | <b>TOTAL FUNDRAISING NEED:</b>                      |   |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
| \$ 12,857.00 x 25% = \$ 3,214.25 |                         |                    | <b>FUNDRAISER CREW GOAL:</b>                        |   |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
| \$ 12,857.00 / 25 = \$ 514.28    |                         |                    | ___% includes qualifying for all bonus dollars      |   |                        |                                   |   |
| <b>Unit Goal</b>                 | <b>No. of Members</b>   | <b>Member Goal</b> | <b>FUNDRAISER GOAL PER MEMBER:</b>                  |   |                        |                                   |   |
|                                  |                         |                    |   | Need  | Commission             | Unit goal                         |   |
|                                  |                         |                    |   |   |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
|                                  |                         |                    |   | Sales goal  | No. of Venturers       | Venturer goal                     |   |
|                                  |                         |                    |   |   |                        |                                   |   |
| <b>Camp Fees Budget</b>          |                         |                    | *Resident camp                                      | *Total youth @ \$325 ea.                          |                        |                                   | \$ 500.00                               |
| \$ 370.00 x 25 = \$ 9,250.00     |                         |                    | Additional sales that would cover summer camp costs |   |                        |                                   |   |
| \$ 500.00                        |                         |                    |   |   |                        |                                   | Additional camp sales goal per Venturer |
|                                  |                         |                    | <b>UNIT DETAIL:</b>                                 |   |                        |                                   |   |
| Date budget completed: 7/1/20xx  |                         |                    | Advisor: _____                                      |   |                        | Date budget completed: _____      |   |
| Unit No.: 555                    |                         |                    | Assistant advisor: _____                            |   |                        | Unit No.: _____                   |   |
| District: Somewhere              |                         |                    | Committee chair: _____                              |   |                        | District: _____                   |   |
| Projected No. of Venturers: 16   |                         |                    | Treasurer: _____                                    |   |                        | Projected No. of Venturers: _____ |   |
|                                  |                         |                    | Fundraiser chair: _____                             |   |                        |                                   |   |
|                                  |                         |                    |   |   |                        |                                   |   |
|                                  |                         |                    | <b>OPTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES:</b>                      |   |                        |                                   |   |
| \$ 1,200.00                      | 12                      | \$ 14,400.00       | High adventure                                      | Philmont, Sea Base, Northern Tier, jamboree, etc. |                        |                                   | \$ -                                    |
|                                  |                         |                    |   | approx \$1,200 ea.                                |                        |                                   |   |

\* Many units include all or a portion of the resident camp fee in the annual budget. This helps ensure that all youth have the opportunity to attend.

<https://www.scouting.org/programs/venturing/crew-resources/annual-program-planning/>



*This is an example, your budget may include more or fewer lines, depending on your program.*



# FUNDING YOUR PROGRAM

**Popcorn Sales** benefit your Crew and help fund the council camp scholarships, Scouting for Food, and much more!

- There is no up-front cost to your unit.
- Units pay for only the product they sell.
- Sales support local Scouting.
- A built-in prize program encourages Scouts to sell.
- Popcorn sales teach Scouts the responsibility and value of earning their way.
- Popcorn is easy to sell.
- Scouts can earn free camping at a Greater St Louis Area Council camp of their choice!
- Sign up at <http://stlbsa.org/popcorn-fundraiser>
- Sale begins in August and runs through December.

*Sell through*

1. *Show & Sell (sell in person at a display table or booth),*
2. *Take Order (ask neighbors and friends to place an order),*
3. *Online Sales (create your own online store through our vendor)*



**Camp Cards** are an easy sale that helps youth earn funds for camps and activities!

- No upfront costs
- Earn 50% profit on every card sold
- Cards are different by region, supporting local businesses
- Visit <http://stlbsa.org/camp-cards> to learn more



**Coffee Sales** benefit your crew or ship and youth earn money for camp while also helping fund the council camp scholarships, camp improvements, and much more!

- There is no up-front cost to your unit.
- Units pay for only the product they sell.
- Sales support local Scouting.
- A built-in prize program encourages Scouts to sell.
- Coffee sales teach Scouts the responsibility and value of earning their way.
- Coffee is easy to sell.
- Sign up at <http://stlbsa.org/coffee-fundraiser>.





Beyond the Council supported fundraisers on the previous page, submit this application to the local service center for all other crew fundraisers.

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Received in council service center \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

## UNIT MONEY-EARNING APPLICATION

Applications are not required for council-coordinated money-earning projects such as popcorn sales or Scout show ticket sales.

Please submit this application to your council service center at least two weeks in advance of the proposed date of your money-earning project. Read the 10 guides on the other side of this form. They will help you in answering the questions below.

☐ Pack

☐ Troop

No. \_\_\_\_\_ Chartered Organization \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Team

☐ Crew

Community \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Submits the following plans for its money-earning project and requests permission to carry them out.

What is your unit's money-earning plan? \_\_\_\_\_

About how much does your unit expect to earn from this project? \_\_\_\_\_ How will this money be used? \_\_\_\_\_

Does your chartered organization give full approval for this plan? \_\_\_\_\_

What are the proposed dates? \_\_\_\_\_

Are tickets or a product to be sold? Please specify. \_\_\_\_\_

Will your members be in uniform while carrying out this project? (See items 3-6 on other side.) \_\_\_\_\_

Have you checked with neighboring units to avoid any overlapping of territory while working? \_\_\_\_\_

Is your product or service in direct conflict with that offered by local merchants? \_\_\_\_\_

Are any contracts to be signed? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, by whom? \_\_\_\_\_

Give details. \_\_\_\_\_

Is your unit on the budget plan? \_\_\_\_\_ How much are the dues? \_\_\_\_\_

How much does your unit have in its treasury? \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_

(Chartered Organization Representative)

(Unit Leader)

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

(Chairman, Unit Committee)

(Address of Chairman)

**FOR USE OF DISTRICT OR COUNCIL FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Approved subject to the following conditions \_\_\_\_\_

## GUIDES TO UNIT MONEY-EARNING PROJECTS

A unit's money-earning methods should reflect Scouting's basic values. Whenever your unit is planning a money-earning project, this checklist can serve as your guide. If your answer is "Yes" to all the questions that follow, it is likely the project conforms to Scouting's standards and will be approved.

**1. Do you really need a fund-raising project?**

There should be a real need for raising money based on your unit's program. Units should not engage in money-earning projects merely because someone has offered an attractive plan. Remember that individual youth members are expected to earn their own way. The need should be beyond normal budget items covered by dues.

**2. If any contracts are to be signed, will they be signed by an individual, without reference to the Boy Scouts of America and without binding the local council, the Boy Scouts of America, or the chartered organization?**

Before any person in your unit signs a contract, he must make sure the venture is legitimate and worthy. If a contract is signed, he is personally responsible. He may not sign on behalf of the local council or the Boy Scouts of America, nor may he bind the chartered organization without its written authorization. If you are not sure, check with your district executive for help.

**3. Will your fund-raiser prevent promoters from trading on the name and goodwill of the Boy Scouts of America?**

Because of Scouting's good reputation, customers rarely question the quality or price of a product. The nationwide network of Scouting units must not become a beehive of commercial interest.

**4. Will the fund-raising activity uphold the good name of the BSA? Does it avoid games of chance, gambling, etc.?**

Selling raffle tickets or other games of chance is a direct violation of the BSA Rules and Regulations, which forbid gambling. The product must not detract from the ideals and principles of the BSA.

**5. If a commercial product is to be sold, will it be sold on its own merits and without reference to the needs of Scouting?**

All commercial products must sell on their own merits, not the benefit received by the Boy Scouts. The principle of value received is critical in choosing what to sell.

**6. If a commercial product is to be sold, will the fund-raising activity comply with BSA policy on wearing the uniform?**

The official uniform is intended to be worn primarily for use in connection with Scouting activities. However, council executive boards may approve use of the uniform for any fund-raising activity. Typically, council popcorn sales or Scout show ticket sales are approved uniform fund-raisers.

**7. Will the fund-raising project avoid soliciting money or gifts?**

The BSA Rules and Regulations state, "Youth members shall not be permitted to serve as solicitors of money for their chartered organizations, for the local council, or in support of other organizations. Adult and youth members shall not be permitted to serve as solicitors of money in support of personal or unit participation in local, national, or international events."

For example: Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts and leaders should not identify themselves as Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts or as a troop/pack participate in The Salvation Army's Christmas Bell Ringing program. This would be raising money for another organization. At no time are units permitted to solicit contributions for unit programs.

**8. Does the fund-raising activity avoid competition with other units, your chartered organization, your local council, and the United Way?**

Check with your chartered organization representative and your district executive to make certain that your chartered organization and the council agree on the dates and type of fund-raiser.

**The local council is responsible for upholding the Charter and By-laws and the Rules and Regulations of the BSA. To ensure compliance, all unit fund-raisers MUST OBTAIN WRITTEN APPROVAL from the local council NO LESS THAN 14 DAYS before the fund-raising activity.**

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<https://stlbsa.org/resources/helpful-forms-and-links>



# Scoutreach Assistance Request Form

## Greater St. Louis Area Council

*Scoutreach is assistance that is offered for those desiring Scouting but due to financial hardship are unable to cover the full cost of membership in the Boy Scouts of America.*

Name of Scout seeking Assistance: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit type and number of individual seeking assistance: **Pack** \_\_\_\_\_

Does the Scout seeking assistance have any siblings registered in the BSA?

No ☐ Yes ☐ (If yes, how many registered: \_\_\_\_\_)

Does the Scout seeking assistance have a parent or guardian registered in the BSA?

No ☐ Yes ☐ (If yes, how many parents / guardians (\_\_\_\_))

Does the Scout's unit participate in the Family Friends of Scouting campaign?

Yes ☐ No ☐

Does the Scout's unit participate in Product Sales (popcorn) campaign?

Yes ☐ No ☐

For the individual to receive assistance through Scoutreach there must be an important and urgent need for assistance. We ask that families pay some amount for the registration in which they can afford and then to ask for the difference that is needed to complete the amount needed for registration.

**Amount family of individual can pay: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Amount of Assistance Requested: \$\_\_\_\_\_**

For assistance to be granted the BSA asks that the parent or guardian of the individual needing assistance please give a brief statement (2 to 3 sentences) stating the need for assistance and the reason it is needed. For assistance with this statement please talk with the Scouting Unit Leader for more information. **Please write reason below:**

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**Upon completion of this form, please sign and obtain signature of unit leader. Then submit with your Application**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent / Guardian asking for Assistance

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Unit Leader



## **DID YOU KNOW THAT Home State Health Insurance CAN COVER THE COST OF REGISTRATION FOR SCOUTING**

No youth will be denied a Scouting experience due to financial hardship.  
For youth only, sorry but this is not able to be used for adult membership.

For more information on how to join, call Missouri Care USA Health Insurance at 1-855-694-4663

**Monday - Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.**

Please ask for Member Services and they will be able to help you get the form needed.

They'll provide you with a Club Voucher. Once you get your voucher in the mail,  
you can use it at one of our listed clubs. Missouri Care USA Health Insurance  
will pay for your membership.

Application at <https://stlbsa.org/resources/helpful-forms-and-links>

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**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 that a significant portion of the council budget comes from the generosity of Scouting families, alumni and community supporters. Without this funding, our council could not supply the resources necessary to provide a quality, adventure-filled Scouting program.

### **Each FOS contribution to the council provides tremendous assistance for:**

- insurance for leaders and participants
- improving camp properties for your Scouts and future Scouts
- financial assistance for families in need
- volunteer training and support
- growing the Scouting program

***We need your help!*** A volunteer would like to attend your unit's meeting to share more information about Friends of Scouting and give families an opportunity to donate. As you are planning your calendar, make sure you schedule 5-10 minutes for a FOS volunteer to talk at a spring Crew gathering. We would also like 5 minutes at a meeting 1-2 months BEFOREHAND to introduce the campaign and share your unit's unique donation website.



# MEMBERSHIP

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We believe that Scouting is the best leadership and character development program for youth and strive to ensure that every youth in every community has the opportunity to join. As a leader in your Crew or Ship, you can ensure other families in your community receive that invitation, while also ensuring that your unit grows and continues to thrive and provide life changing program for young adults.

## How to grow your crew or ship

Most youth join Venturing crews or Sea Scout ships through peer to peer recruitment or through a partner Scouts BSA troop.

Best practices to ensure your crew or ship is growing are:

- Build a relationship with the local Scouts BSA troop(s) so that when their Scouts are interested in moving on and doing more high adventure, they already are familiar and comfortable with your unit.
- Host a open house every year. Families' locations and schedules are ever changing, so some Scouts will join your crew because they are new to the community or are looking for new and different activities.
- Encourage Scouts to recruit their friends, perhaps by having every Scout invite a friend to attend a certain activity or event with the crew or ship.
- Host a booth at the local high school promoting Venturing / Sea Scouting activities.



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**For resources and ideas to help with recruiting, visit: For resources and ideas to help with recruiting, visit:  
<https://stlbsa.org/recruitment/>**



# SCOUTBOOK

**Scoutbook** is your online resource to assist with managing your unit. Included in this free app are calendars, award tracking, and other tools including ways to communicate with parents.

**SCOUTBOOK IS FREE FOR EVERYONE REGISTERED IN SCOUTING.**



## YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING

**PROTECTING OUR YOUTH CAN ONLY BE ACHIEVED BY EVERYONE COMMITTING TO THAT PROTECTION.**

The BSA places the highest importance on providing a secure environment for all Scouts. Youth Protection Training is required for all BSA -registered volunteers- regardless of position- and must be completed every two years. However, you do not have to be registered member of the BSA to take the training. Every parent involved in Scouting is encourage to complete the course which is available 24/7 at [my.scouting.org](https://my.scouting.org)

- No new leader can be registered without first completing the training.
- No Unit may re-charter without all leaders current on their Youth Protection Training.
- **Adult Registration Requirement to Take Effect September 1, 2023.** Two registered adult leaders at least 21 years of age are required at all Scouting activities, including all meetings. There must be a registered female adult leader at least 21 years of age in every unit serving females.

**Learn more at: [scouting.org/youthprotection](https://scouting.org/youthprotection)**

## 2023 National Jamboree



Face the Challenge! The 2023 National Jamboree will be here soon! Scouting's flagship event is one-of-a-kind. Join 30,000 Scouts, leaders, and staff at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia to experience everything from one of the longest zip lines in North America, a world-class skate park, all-terrain vehicles, treetop canopy tours, rock climbing, patch trading, stadium shows, and much more! Held every four years, the Jamboree is an amazing opportunity for everyone to experience the best of Scouting, all in one place. Get a visitor pass @ <https://jamboree.scouting.org/visitors/>







# VENTURING LEADER TRAININGS

Get trained and put on the best program ever.

A trained leader is knowledgeable and more confident in their role.

Trained leaders

- impact the quality of programs
- leader tenure
- youth tenure
- safety
- and whole lot more!

In short, a trained leader is better prepared to make the Scouting program all it can be!



## E-LEARNING AT [MY.Scouting.org](https://my.scouting.org)

Visit [my.scouting.org](https://my.scouting.org) and follow the instruction to sign in and create an account to access dozens of supplemental training courses designed to provide orientation beyond the basic training offered in leader-specific training.

## UNIVERSITY OF SCOUTING

**NOVEMBER 4, 2023**

**Webster University** in Webster Groves, MO

University of Scouting is a multi day event offering the widest variety of training opportunities in all program areas. This training event is for all registered leaders, covering a plethora of topics, from shooting sports to basic leader training.

## WOOD BADGE

**2023 FALL COURSE: SEPTEMBER 29-OCTOBER 1 & OCTOBER 14-15, PINE RIDGE**

**2024 SPRING COURSE: APRIL 26-28 & MAY 18-19, BEAUMONT SCOUT RESERVATION**

Advance adult leader training designed to enhance leadership skills and develop more effective leaders. The Wood Badge program gives participants a greater understanding of Scouting aims and methods.

## SPECIAL NEEDS AWARENESS TRAINING

**HELD ON DATES IN THE FALL AND SPRING AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS AROUND THE COUNCIL. GET INFORMATION AT THIS LINK [STLBSA.ORG/SPECIAL-NEEDS-SCOUTS](https://stlbsa.org/special-needs-scouts)**

For all ages. There will be activities for Cub Scouts, Disabilities Awareness Merit Badge for Scouts BSA, and other programs for older youth. Attend this training with professionals in the field of Special Needs and Education for the opportunity to learn how to provide the best services for every Scout.

# VENTURING YOUTH TRAININGS

*Get trained this year!*



## National Youth Leadership Training

NYLT is advance training for youth leaders in Scouts BSA troops and Venturing Crews. Through this week long outdoor training conducted during summer camp, male and females Scouts grow and improve their leadership skills while following the guidelines of the Scout Oath and Law. NYLT offers a land-based and water-based course. The water based course, called Pack and Paddle is conducted in the S bar F Scout Ranch back country and on Nims Lake. In addition to their leadership skills, participants also practice low-impact camping, hiking, canoeing, and learn the proper use of compass for navigation.

### 2023 Summer Offerings:

Three weeks at S-F - June 11-17, June 18-24, or July 9-15  
July 23-29 at Camp Warren Levis  
Weekend course: August 18-20 & August 25-27, Beaumont

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## Den Chief Training

A Den Chief is a member of Scout BSA troop, Venturing crew, or Sea Scout ship who assists a Cub Scout leader at den and pack meetings and other Scouting events. Den Chief training is for Scouts who desire a leadership role and are interested in working with younger Scouts.

Check out our council website for training dates coming in Fall 2023 and virtual in Spring 2024!





# VENTURING EVENTS

## *Must-attend events and activities*

### FALL FUN RALLY - 50TH ANNIVERSARY

**SEPTEMBER 22-24, 2023**    **Beaumont Scout Reservation**

The Fall Fun Rally is a non-stop weekend of activities, programs, trainings, gatherings, and displays will be held. Spanning shooting sports to STEM, climbing to Sea Scouts, trainings to evening parties, the weekend has something for everyone.

### VENTURING/SEA SCOUTING - STL AFTER DARK

**JANUARY 13, 2024**    **Something fun to do in the winter...**

This event has varied over the years as one to stay up all night with your friends, be a lock-in format, or one that involves over night tours and adventures around St. Louis. Bond with your crew/ship and make new friends at this action-packed event!

### TASTE OF VENTURING

**MARCH 22-24, 2024**    **Camp Warren Levis**

Venturers and those interested in learning more about Venturing are invited to this exciting event. Experience high adventure, camp out under the stars, and enjoy loads of games, shooting sports, STEM, and aquatic activities.

### CELEBRATION DINNER

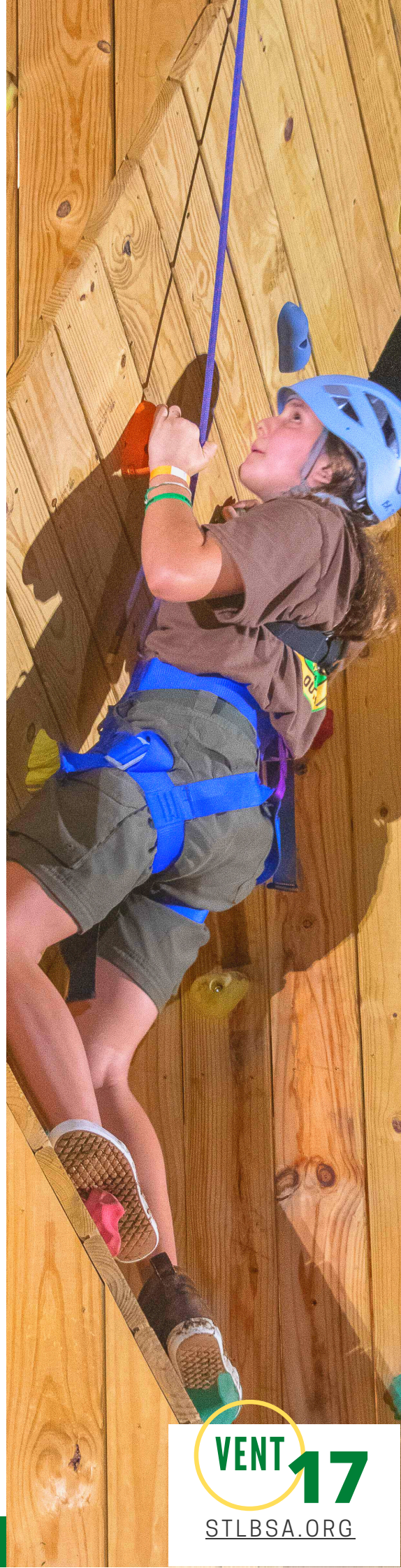
**MAY 15, 2024**

Join with all of Venturing and Sea Scouting in the Greater Saint Louis Area Council to look back over the past year. All in Venturing and Sea Scouting, as well as friends and family, are invited to attend. The Ranger, Quest, TRUST, Summit, Sea Scout Quartermaster, Venturing Leadership, Sea Scout Leadership awards will be presented, and the Venturing Pathfinder and Discovery will be recognized.

### SWIFT'S BIG KICKOFF

**JUNE 1, 2024**    **Swift High Adventure Base**

Help to improve the Swift Base and set up some of the programs for the summer. Then after completing some amazing projects, try out some of the fun! Mountain boards, waterfront, boats, games, sports and more will all be available. Saturday night will be a Bonfire Celebration and potluck dinner.





# COMMUNITY SERVICE

## DO A GOOD TURN FOR YOUR COMMUNITY.

A service project is a community service opportunity that puts Scout spirit into action. Projects can take many forms such as a community cleanup, repairing a place of worship, improving a wildlife habitat, or organizing a recycling effort.

Be sure to report all service hours. We want to keep track of all the good Scouting does for the community, and it is a key measurement goal in the Journey to Excellence program.

To easily log your unit's service hours, visit the Scoutbook app and load into Internet Advancement.



### SCOUTING FOR FOOD

NOVEMBER 11, 2023 | BAG DISTRIBUTION DAY  
NOVEMBER 18, 2023 | BAG COLLECTION DAY

[SFF.STLBSA.ORG](https://sff.stlbsa.org)

Scouting for Food is the council's annual service project and the largest one-day food drive in the Boy Scouts of America.

The campaign is launched on "Bag Distribution Day" when Scouts distribute more than 1 million plastic bags to residences. The Scouts return to neighborhoods the following week on "Bag Collection Day," to retrieve the bags filled with donated non-perishable food.

Each year, Scouting for Food collects about 2 million items of food— enough to provide more than 1.5 million meals for those in need.

### MEMORIAL DAY GOOD TURN

MAY 28, 2023 & MAY 26, 2024

**Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery and  
Good Turn for Jewish War Veterans (St. Louis)**  
<https://stlbsa.org/calendar/>



For more than six decades, Scouts have been decorating graves with an American flag to honor veterans for Memorial Day.

At Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, the tradition, entering its 72ND year, is one of the longest running Memorial Day events within the Boy Scouts of America. This Good Turn begins with a solemn procession into the cemetery and short 30-minute ceremony honoring deceased military personnel. Following the ceremony, Scouts and Venturers place an American flag at more than 150,000 graves throughout the cemetery.

Members of all religions and ages are also invited to help place over 8,000 flags on the graves of our war veterans at eight local Jewish cemeteries in the St. Louis area. The event is sponsored by the Jewish War Veterans and the Jewish Committee on Scouting. Youth perform a brief ceremony at each grave site for a meaningful experience.

Scouts of all ages and from all districts are invited to participate in both Good Turn events.



# DUTY TO GOD

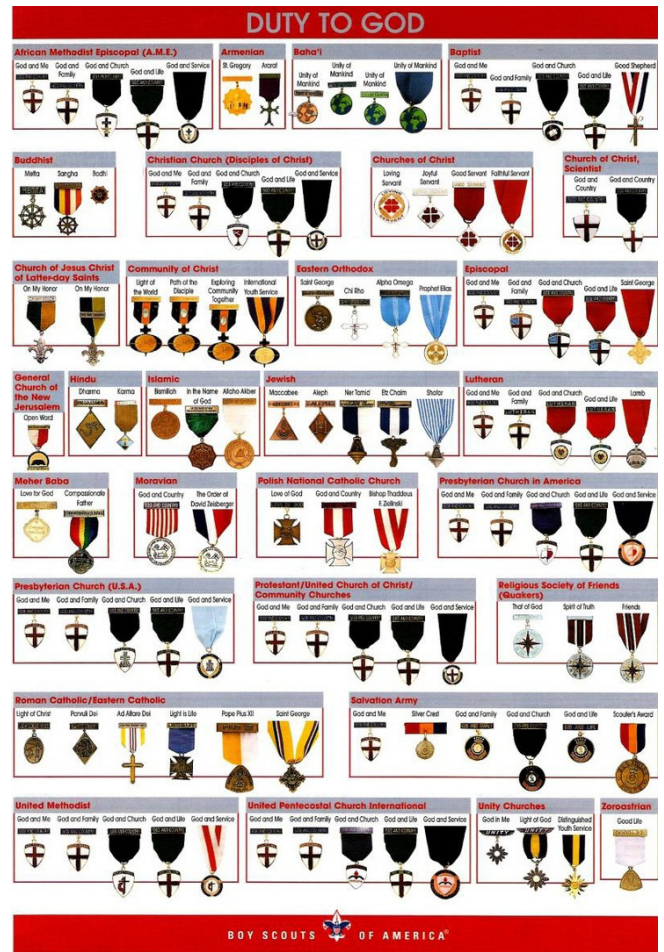
## Religious Emblems Programs

A Scout is reverent. They are reverent toward God. They are faithful in their religious duties and respects the convictions of others in matters of custom and religion.

To encourage members to grow stronger in their faith, religious groups have developed the religious emblems programs. The various religious groups administer the programs. Check with your local council service center or contact the religious organization directly to obtain the curriculum booklets.

<https://www.scouting.org/awards/religious-awards>

<https://stlbsa.org/advancement-awards/religious-emblems-program/>



## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- Greater St Louis Area Council, BSA: [stlbsa.org](https://stlbsa.org)
  - <https://stlbsa.org/resources/helpful-forms-and-links/>
- National BSA: [Scouting.org](https://www.scouting.org)
  - Venturing Leader resources:  
<https://www.scouting.org/programs/venturing/>
- Scout supplies: <https://www.scoutshop.org/>
- Council apparel and camp goods: <https://gatewaytraders.org/>
- Scoutbook: <https://scoutbook.scouting.org/>
- Volunteer succession planning:  
<https://stlbsa.org/resources/resources-toolbox/>
- Training and unit resource: <https://my.scouting.org/>



# CAMP PROPERTIES

## COME EXPLORE WITH US

### **S-F Scout Ranch**

120 US-67  
Farmington, MO 63640

One of the foremost Scout camps in America, "The Ranch" features 5,200 wooded acres including Nim's Lake, a 270-acre swimming, boating, and fishing facility at the heart of the property. The 3-Notch Trail system explores all points of S-F and offers a great experience for backpacking, trail cooking, and team building.

Leadership Hall is our 16,000 square foot climate-controlled dining facility, complete with AV capabilities, private restrooms, and a large stone fireplace.

S-F features the "tree houses," which are elevated, 3-sided bunk structures on the edge of Nim's Lake. Additional cabins are located near the camporee field and at Swift Base. Adirondack and tipi camping is also available. Don't forget to visit Castle Rock, one of the most popular destinations at S-F!

### **Camp Warren Levis**

5500 Boy Scout Lane  
Godfrey, IL 62035

Camp Warren Levis, located just north of Alton IL, is 250 rolling acres of outdoor fun. A beautiful private lake accommodates boating and fishing activities.

Swaim Lodge Dining Hall, is climate controlled in the winter and seats up to 200 people.

Program areas include a bouldering wall, canoes, pedal boats, council ring, GaGa pit, pool, archery, BB guns, rifle, climbing/rappelling at Pere Marquette State Park, and a chapel.

### **Camp Lewallen**

1588 Wayne Route K  
Silva, MO 63964

Located along the St. Francis River in Southeast Missouri, Camp Lewallen features a new Climbing Complex, all terrain vehicle programs, a serene private lake, and large open fields.

The Earl Jarvis Dining Hall is a large dining facility with plenty of meeting room and a large fireplace.

Mount Logan serves as the backdrop to this Scouters' paradise, and features two trails to explore its beautiful view.

Visit [www.stlbsa.org](http://www.stlbsa.org)  
for more information about the  
properties and to make reservations.





# CAMP PROPERTIES

## COME EXPLORE WITH US

### Beaumont Scout Reservation

6480 Beaumont Reservation Dr,  
High Ridge, MO 63049

In Southwestern St. Louis County sits 2,400 acres of wooded, rolling hills and adventure called the Beaumont Scout Reservation. This multi-use property is located just 20 minutes from downtown St. Louis.

Beaumont offers countless activities and facilities for Scouts, featuring:

- New climbing complex
- Mud Cave exploration
- Swimming pool
- High and low challenge courses
- Cub World
- Nagel Explorer Base (home of the council's horse programs),
- 8 Cabins (including climate-controlled options)

At the heart of Beaumont is the Emerson Center, a multi-use dining and meeting facility. This building includes:

- 5,000+ square foot dining hall
- Climate-controlled comfort
- Two built-in AV areas
- Large industrial kitchen
- Multiple breakout rooms

The Emerson Center is commonly used for Blue and Gold banquets, Courts of Honor, various trainings, and other large events.

### Rhodes France Scout Reservation

815 North 500 East Road, Pana, IL 62557

Rhodes France is located about 40 minutes south of Decatur, Illinois.

With two lakes, an in-ground swimming pool, excellent shooting sports facilities, and a well-stocked trading post, Scouts will never be short of things to do.

### Pine Ridge Scout Camp

1139 Pine Ridge Lane, Makanda, IL 62958

Tall pines, abundant wildlife, Little Grassy Lake, and beautiful sunsets make Pine Ridge Scout Camp an excellent location for Scouts. This 150-acre camp is just southeast of Carbondale, Illinois. Kayaking, canoeing, fishing, and more.

Two cabins, dining facility, pavilion, and many beautiful campsites are available to enjoy.

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[STLBSA.ORG](http://STLBSA.ORG)



# Property Comparison

| Feature                                    | Beaumont Scout Reservation | S F Scout Ranch | Rhodes France Scout Reservation | Camp Warren Levis | Pine-Ridge | Camp Lewallen | Baker Lodge | Kickapoo |
|--|----------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|------------|---------------|-------------|----------|
| <b>Cabin Type</b>                          |                            |                 |                                 |                   |            |               |             |          |
| Bunkhouse-style cabins                     | X                          | X               |                                 |                   | X          |               | X           |          |
| Family/small group cabins                  |                            |                 | X                               |                   |            |               |             |          |
| Adirondacks (3-sided open air cabin)       | X                          | X               |                                 |                   |            |               |             |          |
| <b>Activities</b>                          |                            |                 |                                 |                   |            |               |             |          |
| Challenge/COPE course                      | X                          | X               |                                 |                   |            |               |             |          |
| Council Ring (outdoor amphitheater)        | X                          | X               | X                               | X                 | X          | X             |             |          |
| Climbing and/or rappelling                 | X                          | X               |                                 | X                 |            |               |             |          |
| Pool (summer only)                         | X                          |                 | X                               | X                 |            |               |             |          |
| Horse Programs                             | X                          |                 |                                 |                   |            |               |             |          |
| Archery Range                              | X                          | X               | X                               | X                 | X          | X             |             |          |
| Shotgun Range                              | X                          | X               | X                               | X                 |            | X             |             |          |
| Rifle Range                                | X                          | X               | X                               | X                 |            | X             |             |          |
| BB Range                                   | X                          | X               | X                               | X                 | X          | X             |             |          |
| Paddlecraft (kayaks, canoes, rowboats)     |                            | X               |                                 | X                 | X          | X             |             |          |
| Sailing                                    |                            | X               |                                 |                   |            |               |             |          |
| Fishing                                    |                            | X               | X                               | X                 | X          | X             | X           | X        |
| <b>Business</b>                            |                            |                 |                                 |                   |            |               |             |          |
| Hi-Speed Internet                          | X                          | X               |                                 | X                 |            |               |             |          |
| Audio/Visual (Projector, screen, speakers) | X                          | X               | X                               |                   |            |               |             |          |
| Small group (<50) indoor meeting space     | X                          | X               | X                               | X                 | X          |               |             |          |
| Large group (>50) indoor meeting space     | X                          | X               | X                               | X                 |            |               |             |          |
| Indoor Commercial Kitchen                  | X                          | X               | X                               | X                 | X          | X             | X           |          |
| Outdoor Chapel                             | X                          |                 |                                 | X                 |            | X             |             |          |



## ~OUTDOOR ADVENTURES AWAIT~

### Greater St. Louis Area Council Challenge Course and Climbing - Program and Training Overview

The Greater St. Louis Area Council offers multiple Challenge Course and Climbing opportunities for our Scouts. These include two different High and Low Ropes courses, climbing towers at Beaumont, Lewallen and Camp Warren Levis, and natural rock face climbing and rappelling.

#### Training and Reserving Sites and/or Gear

TO REGISTER FOR TRAINING: Register and pay online using the links on our training page: <https://stlbsa.org/training/challenge-course-climbing/>

TO REGISTER TO USE THE CHALLENGE COURSE OR CLIMBING GEAR:

Register as explained during training for one or two spots on any Saturday or Sunday; the Challenge Course site, Climbing Towers and Climbing gear are reserved using the same system as you use to reserve a campsite.

**IMPORTANT:** ONLY CERTIFIED INSTRUCTORS MAY "CHECK OUT" CHALLENGE COURSE AND CLIMBING GEAR. The unit is required to provide one or two trained and qualified instructors.

#### Instructor Training Details

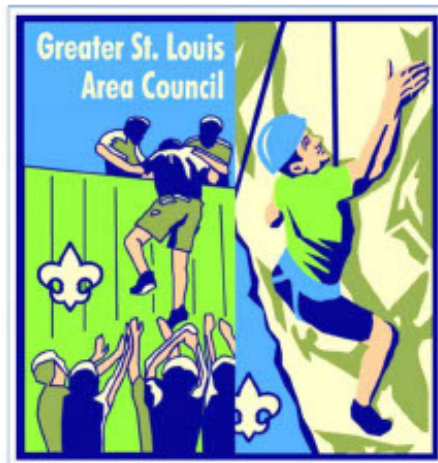
The initial training for the CHALLENGE COURSES, CLIMBING TOWERS and ROCK CLIMBING AND RAPELLING are conducted twice each year. Each initial training includes a Wednesday evening meeting at Beaumont, and a weekend training from early Saturday morning until Sunday evening. To use the Beaumont Challenge Course, instructors should take the one-day orientation which usually follows the main S Bar F training.

#### Timing of Training Events

| Training  | Location                | Spring Training | Fall Training |
|---|-------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Challenge Course  | S Bar F                 | May             | October       |
| Beaumont Orientation  | Beaumont                | June            | October       |
| Rock Climbing & Rappelling  | S Bar F                 | June            | August        |
| Climbing Towers   | Beaumont & Warren Levis | May             | October       |
| <i>Tower Training is also offered at Camp Lewallen summer camp every week</i> |                         |                 |               |
| Recertification   | Beaumont                | March           | September     |

After you have completed the training, you demonstrate your skills during a unit outing to become certified. Once certified, you can re-certify every two years.

Training activities are supervised by experienced Course Directors and Training Staff



### Benefits of Challenge Course and Rock Climbing/ Rappelling for your Unit

**Challenge Courses** provide an opportunity for each participant to achieve success as an individual and as a member of a patrol or team. The objectives include building confidence, developing leadership skills, and attaining a sense of common cooperation among team members.

**Rock Climbing & Rappelling** have become very popular because they provide excitement and a challenge as the participants attempt to master the rock face or tower. Tower climbing provides a similar thrill but can be accomplished any time, since the towers are lit for night climbing.

### Age Requirements

**Scouts BSA** units and Venture Crews are eligible to participate in the Challenge Courses and tower or natural rock face climbing and rappelling.

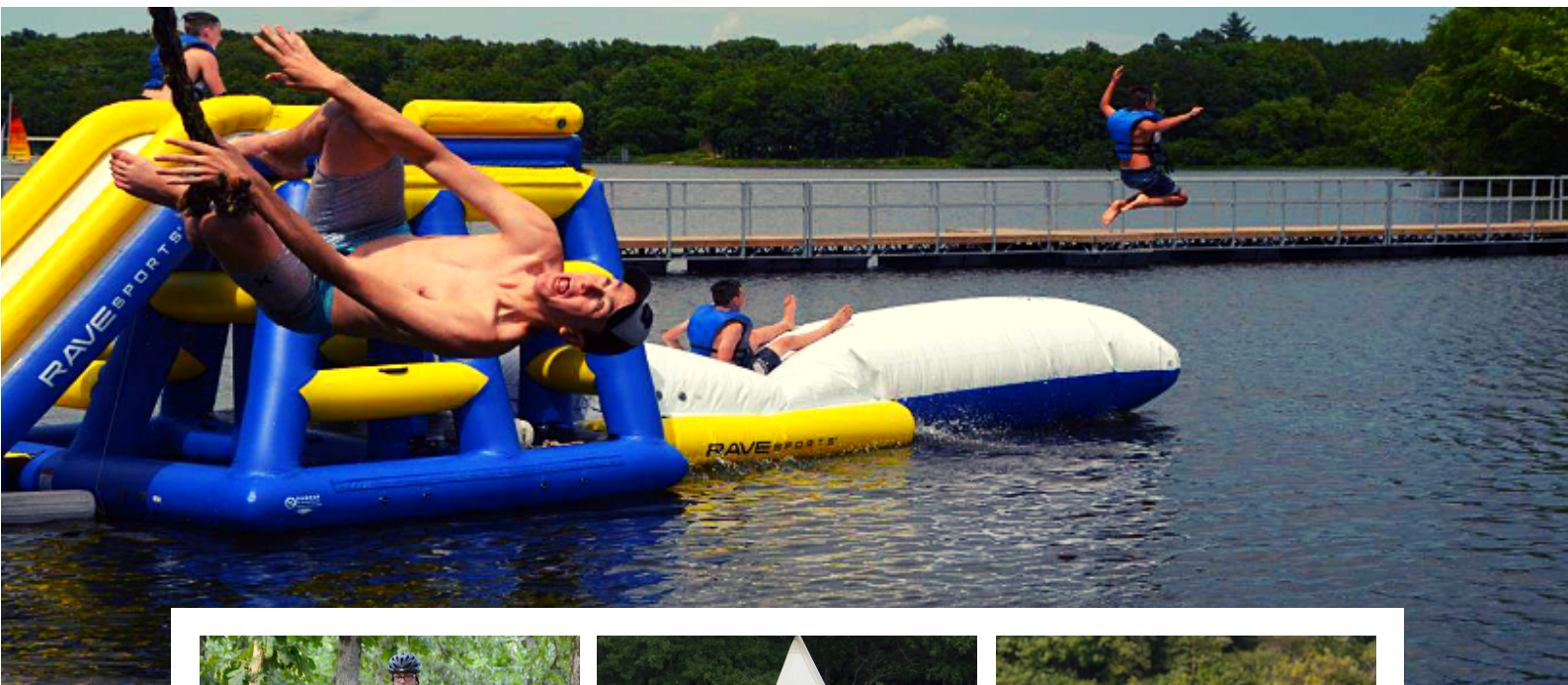
**Cub Scouts** are eligible for Tower climbing only (no rappelling).

**Adults** must be 21 years or older to take Challenge Course, Rock Climbing or Tower training.

Questions? Contact the Challenge and Climbing Training Director  
[gslac.cc.training@gmail.com](mailto:gslac.cc.training@gmail.com)



# THE BEST SUMMER YET



## ***Venturing summer camp***

A year of Venturing is not complete without spending a week at Swift High Adventure Base, the premier Venturing Summer Camp in the Midwest!

### **One of the few Venturing Camps in the U.S.!**

High and low challenge courses, sailing, water skiing, tubing, & kneeboarding, horses, pistol, rifle, & shotgun shooting, Sporting arrows, Dances, Kodiak Challenge, Rock climbing & rappelling, Mountain boarding, Powderhorn

Will this be your second week of summer camp in 2023?  
Make sure to ask about our 2nd Week Discount!

Get all of the dates, locations and times here: [STLBSA.ORG](https://STLBSA.ORG)





# VENTURING SUMMER CAMP



## Specialty Camps

**What is a Specialty Camp?** Specialty camps offer programs focused on a particular interest. All specialty camps provide adult supervision, so Scouts can attend individually, if needed.

### S-F Ranger Program



Explore the back country of S-F  
Blacksmith  
Black powder rifle shooting  
Cook trail meals  
Explore old homesteads

**Qualifies for 2nd Week Discount**

### Skilled Trades Camp

Enjoy a week of camp with an emphasis on learning about careers and trades!

Multiple trades and career related merit badges @ Swift High Adventure Base.

Leadership is provided for all who attend!

**Qualifies for 2nd Week Discount**

### Horse Camp



Horsemanship  
Trail rides  
Swimming  
Shooting Sports  
Climbing  
Challenge Courses

Visit [stlbsa.org](http://stlbsa.org) for  
dates and prices.

### Eagle Trail



Eagle-required merit badges  
Life-to-Eagle process  
Cultural programs  
STEM merit badges and Novas  
Sessions in late July and December

### STEM Week



40 STEM merit badges to choose from!

Visits by engineers, chemists, mathematicians, and more!

NOVA Awards

Evening STEM programs and exhibits

**Qualifies for 2nd Week Discount**

# VENTURING SUMMER CAMP

***CAN'T ATTEND CAMP WITH YOUR CREW? JOIN A PROVISIONAL UNIT!***

Youth who can't attend summer camp with their crew can sign up for our provisional crew at Swift Base!

Leadership will be provided and youth can sign up individually.  
Youth will have access to all of the programs offered at these camps.

## CAMPERSHIPS

Every youth deserves the opportunity to attend summer camp, regardless of financial situation. The Greater St. Louis Area Council offers several ways for Scouts to earn their way to camp, including popcorn sales, camp cards, and coffee sales.

For those Scouts who need additional assistance, camperships can be awarded to Scouts in need. A campership application is available at [stlbsa.org](http://stlbsa.org)

## DISCOUNTS

Second week discount: Attend a week of Scouts BSA or Venturing summer camp and get \$100 off a second week of camp (excludes National Youth Leadership Training, 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 discount is available for siblings who also attend a GSLAC camp.



## CAMP STAFF

### THE ULTIMATE CAMP EXPERIENCE

Each year, the Greater St. Louis Area Council hires dedicated and passionate individuals to serve on summer camp staff. Staff members help provide a fun, positive experience for campers—while earning a salary! They also have the opportunity to earn a college scholarship worth up to \$1,250.

Check the Camp Staff page at [stlbsa.org](http://stlbsa.org) later this Fall for the 2024 Camp Staff application and interview information.

## TAKE CAMP STAFF FOR A TEST DRIVE AS A CIT!

The Counselor In Training (CIT) Program allows youth who are 14 or 15 years old to participate for up to three weeks as a volunteer camp staff member. Participants work in several program areas giving them the experience to decide if working as a full-time camp staff member in the future is something they would enjoy. The program is conducted at Camp Warren Levis, Rhodes- France, and Camp May. Lodging and meals will be provided. CIT applicants will take part in the camp staff interviews in late 2023.





# EXPLORING™

DISCOVER YOUR FUTURE

## WHAT IS CAREER EXPLORING?



Exploring is another great program resource in our Council and provides exciting hands-on activities and adult mentorship for youth, 14-20 years of age, looking to discover their future, their career. Primarily a school year based program meeting once or twice a month with some summer opportunities. It is a fantastic program toward workforce readiness.

Whether you're a local organization looking to strengthen the community, build a pathway of talent, or a young person wanting to uncover the possibilities of your future, Exploring is a great place to start. Our Council hosts 92 Exploring Posts around the region with major focuses on Aviation, Business, Engineering, Fire/EMS, Health Care, Law Enforcement, and Skilled Trades.

Beyond the Post meetings, an annual recognition dinner is held to recognize the leadership achievements of youth, adults, and sponsoring organizations involved in our local programs.

Go to the link below to find out more on local Exploring programs, how to get involved, and steps our Council Exploring Committee takes to start new Post opportunities.

Ready to get involved in Exploring near you? Find an Exploring Post at <https://stlbsa.org/exploring/> or contacting us at [stl.exploring@scouting.org](mailto:stl.exploring@scouting.org).



# September 2023

AH -Arrowhead BM- Big Muddy BG – Black Gold BT – Boone Trails CM – Cahokia Mounds  
 CH – Cherokee EG – Egyptian GT – Gravois Trail IL – Illini KA – Kaskaskia KE – Keystone  
 NH – New Horizons NS – North Star OS – Osage OT – Ozark Trailblazers PF – Pathfinder  
 PB – Piassa Bird RD – Redhawk RT – River Trails SE – Soaring Eagle SH – Shawnee SX – Sioux  
 Camps: BR (Beaumont), CL (Camp Lewallen), PR (Pine Ridge), RF (Rhodes France), & WL (Warren Levis)

| Sunday  | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday   | Saturday  |
|---|--|---|--|---|--|---|
|   |  |   |  |   | 1<br>Popcorn Sale Begins<br>Show and Sell Pickup   | 2<br>Basic Instructor Training - BR   |
| 3<br>Anpetu-We Lodge Reunion<br>Shawnee Lodge Reunion<br>Nisha Kittan Lodge Fall Reunion                    | 4<br>Labor Day<br>Office Closed<br>Roundtable: KE, PF                    | 5<br>Roundtable: BT, CM, EG, GT, NH,<br>SH, SX<br>Commissioner: CM, SH, EG            | 6<br>Challenge Course Training - BR<br>Eagle Board: OS, NH               | 7<br>Roundtable: BM, BG, KA, NS, OT,<br>RT, SE<br>Eagle Board: SH, KA<br>Commissioner: KA, SE, BM, BG<br>District Committee: KA,<br>OA Chapter: | 8<br>Anpetu-We Lodge Reunion<br>Shawnee Lodge Reunion<br>Nisha Kittan Lodge Fall Reunion   | 9<br>Anpetu-We Lodge Reunion<br>Shawnee Lodge Reunion<br>Nisha Kittan Lodge Fall Reunion  |
| 10<br>Anpetu-We Lodge Reunion<br>Shawnee Lodge Reunion<br>Nisha Kittan Lodge Fall Reunion                   | 11<br>Roundtable: CH<br>District Committee: CH<br>Eagle Board: BT        | 12<br>District Committee: GT<br>Commissioner: BT, NH, OS                              | 13<br>Roundtable: PB<br>Commissioner: PB<br>Eagle Board: NH              | 14<br>Roundtable: AH, RD<br>District Committee: RH, SE<br>Commissioner: RD, RT, AH<br>Eagle Board: CM, SE, PB, PF<br>Cub Launch: BG             | 15<br>Rosh Hashana<br>Back Country Ldr. Skills S-F<br>Woapink Lodge Fall Fellowship<br>Woapink Lodge Exec Cmte<br>Camporee: EG, BM                         | 16<br>Rosh Hashana<br>Back Country Ldr. Skills S-F<br>Woapink Lodge Fall Fellowship<br>Challenge Course S-F<br>Camporee: EG, BM<br>The Experience@The Ink House |
| 17<br>Rosh Hashana<br>Back Country Ldr. Skills S-F<br>Woapink Lodge Fall Fellowship<br>Challenge Course S-f | 18<br>Rosh Hashana<br>District Committee: KE, PF<br>Commissioner: KE, PF | 19<br>Roundtable: IL<br>District Committee: CM, NH,<br>OS, PB, SH<br>Commissioner: GT | 20<br>District Committee: BM, BG<br>Eagle Board: OT<br>Life to Eagle: NH | 21<br>District Committee: IL, NS, RT,<br>SX<br>Commissioner: IL<br>Eagle Board: BM, BT, CH, EG,<br>SH   | 22<br>Venturing Fall Fun Rally 50 <sup>th</sup><br>Mom & Me<br>Camporee: KA, BG<br>Illinois Sporting Clays<br>Cub Launch: SH<br>Scouts Leader Training: GT | 23<br>Venturing Fall Fun Rally 50 <sup>th</sup><br>Mom & Me<br>Camporee: KA, BG<br>Illinois Sporting Clays<br>Cub Launch: SH<br>Scouts Leader Training: GT      |
| 24<br>Yom Kippur<br>Venturing Fall Fun Rally 50 <sup>th</sup><br>Mom & Me                                   | 25<br>Yom Kippur<br>Eagle Board: PF                                      | 26  | 27<br>STEM Committee Meeting<br>Eagle Board: NH                          | 28<br>District Committee: OT<br>Commissioner: OT<br>Eagle Board: RT<br>Merit Badge U: BG  | 29<br>Sukkot<br>NYLT Fall Course #5<br>OA G&S Section Conclave<br>Wood Badge Fall Course wkd 1   | 30<br>Sukkot<br>NYLT Course #5<br>OA G&S Section Conclave<br>Wood Badge Fall Course wkd 1<br>Ldr Outdoor Experience RF  |
|   |  |   |  |   |  |   |



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| <b>1</b><br>Sukkot<br>NYLT Fall Course #5<br>OA G&S Section Conclave<br>Wood Badge Fall Course wk1<br>Ldr Outdoor Experience RF<br>Challenge & Climbing Recert. | <b>2</b><br>Roundtable: CH, KE, PF<br>District Committee: CH                  | <b>3</b><br>Commissioner: CM, SH, EG<br>Roundtable: GT, BT, CM, NH,<br>SH, SX, EG                | <b>4</b><br>Eagle Board: OS, NH   | <b>5</b><br>Roundtable: KA, SE, BM, BG, NS,<br>RT, OT<br>Eagle Board: KA, SH<br>Commissioner: KA, SE, BM, BG<br>District Committee: KA, AH | <b>6</b><br>Simchat Torah & Shmini Atzeret<br>Camporee: OS, CM, PB, NS<br>Webeloree: RT | <b>7</b><br>Simchat Torah & Shmini Atzeret<br>Intro to Outdoor Skills BR<br>NRA Shotgun Inst. Course BR<br>Climbing Tower Trn - WL<br>Climbing Tower Trn - BR<br>Cub Launch<br>Camporee: OS, CM, PB, NS<br>Webeloree: RT |
| <b>8</b><br>Intro to Outdoor Skills BR<br>NRA Shotgun Inst. Course BR<br>Woapink Lodge LEC<br>Camporee: OS, CM, PB, NS<br>Webeloree: RT                         | <b>9</b><br>Eagle Board: BT<br>Roundtable: KE, PF                             | <b>10</b><br>District Committee: GT<br>Commissioner: BT, NH, OS                                  | <b>11</b><br>Roundtable: PB<br>Commissioner: PB<br>Challenge Course Training<br>Eagle Board: NH | <b>12</b><br>District Committee: SE, RD<br>Commissioner: AH, RD, RT<br>Eagle Board: CM, SE, PB, PF<br>Roundtable: RD, AH                   | <b>13</b><br>Spookoree - RF<br>VSOA Office Orientation - BR<br>Camporee: PF, RT         | <b>14</b><br>Spookoree - RF<br>VSOA Office Orientation - BR<br>Ldr Outdoor Experience - BR<br>Wood Badge Fall Course wk2<br>Fall Fright Fest<br>Map & Compass Adult Trn - BR<br>Camporee: PF, RT                         |
| <b>15</b><br>Spookoree - RF<br>Ldr Outdoor Experience - BR<br>Wood Badge Fall Course wk2<br>Camporee: PF, RT  | <b>16</b><br>District Committee: KE<br>Commissioner: KE, PF                   | <b>17</b><br>Roundtable: IL<br>District Committee: BT, CM, NH,<br>OS, SH, PB<br>Commissioner: GT | <b>18</b><br>District Committee: BM, BG<br>Commissioner: BM                                     | <b>19</b><br>District Committee: IL, NS, RT,<br>SX<br>Commissioner: IL   | <b>20</b><br>Haunted Hayrides - WL<br>Camporee: SH, BT, GT                              | <b>21</b><br>Haunted Hayrides - WL<br>Nisha Kittan Brotherhood - WL<br>Scoutbotics at SLU<br>Camporee: SH, BT, GT  |
| <b>22</b><br>Haunted Hayrides - WL<br>Camporee: SH, BT, GT  | <b>23</b><br>Final Popcorn Orders Due<br>Popcorn Sale Ends<br>Eagle Board: PF | <b>24</b>  | <b>25</b><br>Eagle Board: NH  | <b>26</b><br>District Committee: OT<br>Eagle Board: RT<br>Commissioner: OT   | <b>27</b><br>Haunted Hayrides - WL<br>Camporee: NH                                      | <b>28</b><br>Haunted Hayrides - WL<br>Anpetu-We Lodge Ldr Develop.<br>1st Class Rank Orienteering - BR<br>Camporee: NH<br>Life to Eagle: OS  |
| <b>29</b><br>Haunted Hayrides - WL<br>Challenge Course Training - BR<br>Camporee: NH  | <b>30</b>   | <b>31</b><br>Halloween   |   |  |   |  |

# November 2023

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 PB - Piassa Bird RD - Redhawk RT - River Trails SE - Soaring Eagle SH - Shawnee SX - Sioux  
 Camps: BR (Beaumont), CL (Camp Lewallen), PR (Pine Ridge), RF (Rhodes France), & WL (Warren Lewis)

| Sunday  | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday   | Saturday  |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|---|
|   |  |  | 1<br>All Saints Day (Catholic)<br>Eagle Board: OS, NH                        | 2<br>Roundtable: KA, SE, RT, NS, BM,<br>BG, OT<br>Eagle Board: KA, SH<br>Commissioner: KS, SE, BM, BG,<br>NS<br>District Committee: KA<br>OA Chapter: BG, SE, KA | 3<br>CPR/AED & Wilderness 1 <sup>st</sup> Aid                                  | 4<br>CPR/AED & Wilderness 1 <sup>st</sup> Aid<br>University of Scouting |
| 5<br>USA Archery Lvl 1 Coach Trng.<br>Woapink Lodge Ldr. Develop. | 6<br>Eagle Board: BT<br>Roundtable: PF, CH<br>District Committee: CH | 7<br>Commissioner: SH, CM<br>Roundtable: OS, SH, BT, CM,<br>NH, GT, EG, SX                               | 8<br>BSA's Birthday<br>Roundtable: PB<br>Commissioner: PB<br>Eagle Board: NH | 9<br>Roundtable: AH, RD<br>Eagle Board: SE, CM, PB, PF<br>Commissioner: RD, RT, AH<br>District Committee: SE, RD<br>OA Chapter: NH, BT                           | 10<br>Observance Veterans Day<br>- Scout offices closed<br>CPR/AED Training BR | 11<br>Veterans Day<br>Scouting for Food Bag Out Day                     |
| 12  | 13<br>District Committee: KE<br>Commissioner: KE                     | 14<br>District Committee: GT<br>Commissioner: OS, BT, NH<br>Eagle Board:                                 | 15<br>District Committee: BM<br>OA Chapter: OS<br>Life to Eagle: NH          | 16<br>District Committee: RT, NS, SX   | 17<br>Einstein Recognition Dinner  | 18<br>Scouting for Food Bag Collection<br>Post SFF Bowling party: GT    |
| 19<br>OA Chapter: PF  | 20<br>Commissioner: PF<br>District Committee: PF                     | 21<br>Roundtable: IL<br>District Committee: OS, SH, BT,<br>CM, PB<br>Commissioner: GT<br>Eagle Board: KE | 22   | 23<br>Thanksgiving (offices closed)  | 24<br>Council offices closed   | 25  |
| 26  | 27<br>Eagle Board: PF  | 28<br>District Committee: NH   | 29   | 30<br>District Committee: OT, IL<br>Commissioner: OT, IL   |  |   |



# December 2023

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|---|--|--|--|--|------------------------------------|---|
|   |  |  |  |  | 1                                  | 2<br>Basic Instructor Trn. – BR<br>Roundtable: SX |
| 3<br>Anpetu-We Lodge Banquet<br>Woapink Lodge Exec Cmte mtg | 4<br>Roundtable: KE, PF, CH<br>District Committee: CH<br>Eagle Board: BT | 5<br>Roundtable: OS, SH, BT, NH, GT,<br>EG<br>Commissioner: CM, SH, EG                           | 6<br>Eagle Board: OS, NH   | 7<br>Hanukkah (Jewish)<br>Roundtable: KA, SE, OT, NS, BM,<br>BG, RT<br>Eagle Board: SH, KA<br>Commissioner: KA, SE, BM, BG<br>District Committee: KA, AH | 8<br>Hanukkah (Jewish)             | 9<br>Hanukkah (Jewish)<br>STEM U UMSL             |
| 10<br>Hanukkah (Jewish)                                     | 11<br>Hanukkah (Jewish)  | 12<br>Hanukkah (Jewish)<br>District Committee: OS, CM,<br>NH, GT<br>Commissioner: OS, NH, GT, BT | 13<br>Hanukkah (Jewish)<br>STEM Committee meeting<br>Roundtable: PB<br>Commissioner: PB<br>Eagle Board: NH | 14<br>Hanukkah (Jewish)<br>Roundtable: AH<br>Commissioner: AH, RT<br>Eagle Board: CM, SE, PB   | 15<br>Hanukkah (Jewish)            | 16  |
| 17<br>Shawnee Lodge Banquet                                 | 18<br>District Committee: KE, PF<br>Commissioner: KE, PF                 | 19<br>Roundtable: IL<br>District Committee: SH, BT, PB<br>Eagle Board: KE                        | 20<br>District Committee: BM, BG<br>Eagle Board: OT  | 21<br>District Committee: SX, OT, NS,<br>RT<br>Commissioner: OT  | 22                                 | 23  |
| 24<br>Christmas Eve   | 25<br>Christmas (Christian)<br>Council Offices Closed                    | 26   | 27<br>Virtual Eagle Trail Workshop   | 28<br>Virtual Eagle Trail Workshop<br>Eagle Board: RT  | 29<br>Virtual Eagle Trail Workshop | 30  |
| 31<br>New Years Eve   |  |  |  |  |                                    |   |

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# January 2024

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Camps: BR (Beaumont), CL (Camp Lewallen), PR (Pine Ridge), RF (Rhodes France), & WL (Warren Lewis)

| Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday   | Saturday   |
|--|--|--|---|--|--|--|
|  | 1<br>New Years Day<br>Council offices closed   | 2<br>Roundtable: BT, OS, SH, CM,<br>PF, NH, GT, SX<br>Commissioner: SH, CM                                   | 3<br>Eagle Board: OS, NH  | 4<br>Roundtable: KA, SE, OT, RT,<br>NS, BM, BG<br>Commissioner: KA, SE, BM,<br>BG, NS<br>District Committee: KA, AH<br>Eagle Board: KA | 5  | 6<br>Orthodox Christmas Eve<br>Nisha Kittan Banquet<br>NRA Rifle Instructor Crse - BR<br>STEM U SEMO   |
| 7<br>Orthodox Christmas<br>NRA Rifle Instructor Crse - BR<br>District Dinner: OT             | 8<br>Roundtable: KE, CH<br>District Committee: CH  | 9<br>Commissioner: BT, OS, NH<br>District Committee: GT  | 10<br>Roundtable: PB<br>Commissioner: PB<br>Eagle Board: NH               | 11<br>Commissioner: AH, RD, RT<br>District Committee: SE, RD<br>Eagle Board: SH, CM, SE, PB,<br>PF<br>Roundtable: AH, RD               | 12<br>Ultra Running Group - BR<br>CPR/AED & Wilderness 1 <sup>st</sup> Aid<br>Klondike: CM, PB | 13<br>Ultra Running Group - BR<br>STL After Dark VSOA<br>Woapink Lodge Banquet<br>Klondike: SH, CM, PB |
| 14<br>Ultra Running Group - BR<br>STL After Dark VSOA<br>Klondike: SH<br>District Dinner: OS | 15<br>MLK Jr. Day (offices closed)<br>Ultra Running Group - BR<br>District Committee: KE<br>Commissioner: KE | 16<br>Roundtable: IL<br>District Committee: BT, OS,<br>SH, CM, NH, PB<br>Commissioner: GT<br>Eagle Board: KE | 17<br>District Committee: BM, BG<br>Eagle Board: OT<br>Be A Scout Day: OT | 18<br>District Committee: SX, RT, NS<br>District Dinner: NH  | 19<br>Nisha Kittan Ldr Develop. WL<br>District Dinner: BT                                      | 20<br>Nisha Kittan Ldr Develop. WL<br>Craftsmen Merit Badge Wksp.<br>Klondike: GT                      |
| 21<br>Nisha Kittan Ldr Develop. WL   | 22<br>District Committee: PF<br>Commissioner: PF<br>Eagle Board: PF  | 23   | 24<br>Eagle Board: NH   | 25<br>District Committee: OT<br>Commissioner: OT<br>Eagle Board: RT  | 26<br>Klondike: NH<br>District Dinner: SH  | 27<br>STEM U SIUE<br>Klondike: NH, BT<br>District Dinner: AH   |
| 28<br>Klondike: NH<br>District Dinner: PF  | 29   | 30   | 31  |  |  |  |



# February 2024

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 Camps: BR (Beaumont), CL (Camp Lewallen), PR (Pine Ridge), RF (Rhodes France), & WL (Warren Lewis)

| Sunday  | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday   | Saturday   |
|---|--|---|---|--|--|--|
|   |  |   |   | 1<br>Roundtable: KA, SE, OT, RT, NS, BM, BG<br>District Committee: KA<br>Commissioner: KA, SE, NS, BM, BG<br>Eagle Board: KA, SH<br>OA Chapter: BG, KA | 2  | 3<br>Council Coordinated Operating Committees Meeting CCOCM<br>Klondike: OS, OT<br>District Hike: OS<br>District Dinner: PB      |
| 4<br>Scout Sunday<br>OA Chapter: NH             | 5<br>Roundtable: KE, PF, CH<br>District Committee: CH  | 6<br>Commissioner: SH, CM, EG<br>Roundtable: OS, SH, CM, NH, GT, BT, SX, EG                               | 7<br>Eagle Board: OS, NH  | 8<br>BSA's Birthday<br>Roundtable: AH, RD<br>Eagle Board: SE, CM, PF<br>Commissioner: RD, RT, AH<br>District Committee: SE, RD<br>OA Chapter: BT       | 9<br>Klondike: BM, EG, RT  | 10<br>NRA Shotgun Instruct. Trn. S-F<br>Klondike: BM, EG, AH, RT   |
| 11<br>NRA Shotgun Instruct. Trn. S-F            | 12<br>Lincoln's Birthday   | 13<br>District Committee: GT<br>Commissioner: OS, NH, BT  | 14<br>Ash Wednesday (Christian)<br>Valentine's Day<br>Roundtable: PB<br>Commissioner: PB<br>Eagle Board: NH | 15<br>District Committee: RT, NS, SX   | 16<br>CPR/AED & Wilderness 1 <sup>st</sup> Aid<br>NYLT Staff Dev. #1 – BR<br>District Dinner: KE | 17<br>CPR/AED & Wilderness 1 <sup>st</sup> Aid<br>NYLT Staff Dev. #1 – BR<br>District Dinner: KA, BG<br>Merit Badge U: OT        |
| 18.<br>CPR/AED & Wilderness 1 <sup>st</sup> Aid | 19<br>President's Day (offices closed)<br>District Committee: KE<br>Commissioner: KE           | 20<br>Roundtable: IL<br>District Committee: OS, SH, CM, NH, BT, PB<br>Commissioner: GT<br>Eagle Board: KE | 21<br>Eagle Board: OT<br>District Committee: BM, BG<br>OA Chapter: OS                                       | 22<br>Washington's Birthday<br>Eagle Board: RT<br>District Dinner: SE  | 23<br>Klondike: KA, SE, BG   | 24<br>Map & Compass Adult Ldr. Trn.<br>STEM U SIUC<br>Klondike: KA, SE, BG<br>District Pinewood: PB<br>SEMO Boyce Scout Ball: SH |
| 25  | 26<br>Wood Badge Info. Dinner<br>District Committee: PF<br>Commissioner: PF<br>Eagle Board: PF | 27  | 28<br>Eagle Board: NH   | 29<br>District Committee: OT<br>Commissioner: OT   |  |  |
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# March 2024

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 PB – Piassa Bird RD – Redhawk RT – River Trails SE – Soaring Eagle SH – Shawnee SX – Sioux  
 Camps: BR (Beaumont), CL (Camp Lewallen), PR (Pine Ridge), RF (Rhodes France), & WL (Warren Levis)

| Sunday  | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday   | Saturday   |
|---|--|--|---|--|--|--|
|   |  |  |   |  | 1<br>Camporee: NS  | 2<br>Commissioner College<br>NRA RSO Training – BR<br>SEMO Merit Badge U<br>Camporee: NS   |
| 3<br>Challenge & Climbing Recert BR<br>USA Archery Lvl. 1 Coach Trn.<br>Camporee: NS  | 4<br>Roundtable: PF, KE, CH<br>District Committee: CH                                    | 5<br>Roundtable: OS, EG, SH, CM, GT,<br>BT, SX<br>Commissioner: SH, CM, EG                               | 6<br>Roundtable: NH<br>Eagle Board: NH, OS                      | 7<br>Roundtable: OT, BM, NS, KA, SE,<br>BG, RT<br>Eagle Board: SH, KA<br>Commissioner: KA, SE, BM, BG,<br>NS<br>District Committee: AH, KA | 8  | 9<br>Horsemanship MB Skill Cntr. 1<br>Scout Orienteering Festival BR<br>District Pinewood: BT, KE  |
| 10  | 11   | 12<br>District Committee: GT<br>Commissioner: OS, BT   | 13<br>Roundtable: PB<br>Commissioner: PB, NH<br>Eagle Board: NH | 14<br>Roundtable: AH, RD<br>District Committee: SE, RD<br>Commissioner: AH, RD, RT<br>Eagle Board: CM, SE, PB, PF                          | 15<br>Nisha Kittan Native American<br>Culture Weekend – WL | 16<br>Nisha Kittan Native American<br>Culture Weekend – WL<br>CPR/AED & Wilderness 1 <sup>st</sup> Aid<br>Horsemanship MB Skill Cntr. 2<br>STEM College Lake Land<br>District Pinewood: OS, OT, KA |
| 17<br>St. Patrick's Day<br>Nisha Kittan Native American<br>Culture Weekend – WL<br>CPR/AED & Wilderness 1 <sup>st</sup> Aid | 18<br>Eastern Orthodox Lent Begins<br>District Committee: PF, KE<br>Commissioner: PF, KE | 19<br>Roundtable: IL<br>District Committee: OS, SH,<br>CM, BT, PB<br>Commissioner: GT<br>Eagle Board: KE | 20<br>District Committee: NH, BM, BG<br>Eagle Board: OT         | 21<br>District Committee: SX, NS, RT,<br>IL  | 22<br>Taste of Venturing – WL<br>NYLT Staff Dev. #2 – BR   | 23<br>Taste of Venturing – WL<br>NYLT Staff Dev. #2 – BR<br>Horsemanship MB Skill Cntr. 3<br>Shoot O Ree   |
| 24<br>Palm Sunday (Christian)<br>Taste of Venturing - WL  | 25<br>Eagle Board: PF  | 26   | 27<br>Eagle Board: NH   | 28<br>Holy Maundy Thursday<br>(Christian)<br>District Committee: OT<br>Commissioner: OT<br>Eagle Board: RT                                 | 29<br>Good Friday (Christian)<br>(offices closed)          | 30   |
| 31<br>Easter (Christian)  |  |  |   |  |  |  |

# April 2024

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| Sunday  | Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday  |
|---|---|--|--|--|---|---|
|   | 1<br>Roundtable: KE, PF, CH<br>District Committee: CH                                 | 2<br>Roundtable: OS, SH, CM, NH,<br>GT, EG, BT, SX<br>Commissioner: SH, CM, EG                               | 3<br>Eagle Board: OS, NH   | 4<br>Roundtable: KA, SE, OT, RT,<br>NS, BM, BG<br>Commissioner: KA, SE, BM,<br>BG, NS<br>District Committee: KA<br>Eagle Board: SH, KA | 5<br>Solar Eclipse Council Festivals<br>at PR, CL, and S-F<br>Camporee: GT  | 6<br>Solar Eclipse Council Festivals<br>at PR, CL, and S-F<br>BSA Lifeguard Training<br>Back Country Ldr. Skills S-F<br>Commissioner: OS<br>Camporee: GT<br>Life to Eagle: OS   |
| 7<br>Solar Eclipse Council Festivals<br>at PR, CL, and S-F<br>Back Country Ldr. Skills S-F<br>BSA Aqua Supervision -<br>Swimming & Water Rescue<br>Camporee: GT | 8<br>Solar Eclipse Council Festivals<br>at PR, CL, and S-F                            | 9<br>Commissioner: NH, BT<br>District Committee: GT  | 10<br>Roundtable: PB<br>Commissioner: PB<br>Eagle Board: NH          | 11<br>Commissioner: RD, RT, AH<br>District Committee: SE, RD<br>Eagle Board: CM, SE, PB, PF<br>Roundtable: AH, RD                      | 12<br>Intro to Leadership Skills BR<br>Shawnee Ldg Spring Conclave<br>Anpetu-We Spring Reunion<br>Nisha Kittan Spring Fellowship<br>Trail Guide Training BR | 13<br>Intro to Leadership Skills BR<br>Shawnee Ldg Spring Conclave<br>Anpetu-We Spring Reunion<br>Nisha Kittan Spring Fellowship  |
| 14<br>Intro to Leadership Skills BR<br>Shawnee Ldg Spring Conclave<br>Anpetu-We Spring Reunion<br>Nisha Kittan Spring Fellowship                                | 15<br>Venturing Awards Deadline<br>District Committee: KE, PF<br>Commissioner: KE, PF | 16<br>Roundtable: IL<br>District Committee: OS, SH,<br>CM, NH, BT, PB<br>Commissioner: GT<br>Eagle Board: KE | 17<br>District Committee: BM, BG<br>Eagle Board: OT                  | 18<br>District Committee: SX, RT, NS   | 19<br>CPR/AED & Wilderness 1 <sup>st</sup> Aid<br>Parent & Pal – WL<br>NYLT Staff Dev. #3 – BR<br>Camporee: OT<br>Fore the Scouts Golf Event: SH            | 20<br>CPR/AED & Wilderness 1 <sup>st</sup> Aid<br>Parent & Pal – WL<br>NYLT Staff Dev. #3 – BR<br>Camporee: OT<br>District Dinner: RD<br>District Pinewood: BG  |
| 21<br>CPR/AED & Wilderness 1 <sup>st</sup> Aid<br>Parent & Pal – WL<br>Camporee: OT   | 22<br>Passover (Jewish)<br>Eagle Board: PF  | 23<br>Passover (Jewish)  | 24<br>Passover (Jewish)<br>Council STEM Committee<br>Eagle Board: NH | 25<br>Passover (Jewish)<br>District Committee: OT<br>Commissioner: OT<br>Eagle Board: RT   | 26<br>Passover (Jewish)<br>Wood Badge Spring Wknd 1<br>Camporee: EG, BM, OS, SH,<br>KE, RT<br>SEMO CL Fish Tourney: SH                                      | 27<br>Passover (Jewish)<br>Wood Badge Spring Wknd 1<br>Cub Scout Range Master Trn.<br>Special Needs Awareness Trn.<br>Unit Pre-camp Swim Tests<br>Camporee: EG, BM, BT, OS,<br>SH, KE, RT<br>Scouts Leader Training: GT |
| 28<br>Passover (Jewish)<br>Wood Badge Spring Wknd 1<br>Camporee: OS, SH, KE, RT   | 29<br>Passover (Jewish)   | 30   |  |  |   |   |



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| Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday  |
|--|--|---|---|--|---|---|
|  |  |   | 1<br>Eagle Board: OS, NH  | 2<br>Roundtable: BM, OT, RT, KA, CM, SE, NS, BG<br>Eagle Board: KA<br>Commissioner: KA, SE, BM, BG, CM, NS<br>District Committee: KA, AH<br>OA Chapter: BG, KA | 3<br>Woapink Ldg. Spring Fellowship<br>Camporee: KA, PF | 4<br>Woapink Ldg. Spring Fellowship<br>BSA Aquatics Supervision -<br>Paddle Craft Safety - CL<br>Leader Outdoor Experience WL<br>Climbing Tower Training - WL<br>Climbing Tower Training - BR<br>Camporee: CM, KA, PF<br>Trap Shoot: OT |
| 5<br>Eastern Orthodox Easter<br>Woapink Ldg. Spring Fellowship<br>BSA Aquatics Supervision -<br>Paddle Craft Safety - CL<br>Leader Outdoor Experience WL<br>Camporee: KA, PF<br>OA Chapter: PF | 6<br>Roundtable: KE, PF, CH<br>District Committee: CH    | 7<br>Commissioner: SH, EG<br>Roundtable: EG, BT, OS, SH, GT, NH, SX                               | 8<br>Roundtable: PB<br>Commissioner: PB<br>Eagle Board: NH            | 9<br>Roundtable: AH<br>Eagle Board: SE, CM, SH, PB, PF<br>Commissioner: AH, RD, RT<br>District Committee: SE, RD<br>OA Chapter: BT                             | 10<br>Nisha Kittan Vigil Weekend WL                     | 11<br>Nisha Kittan Vigil Weekend WL<br>Cub Scout Rangemaster Trn. -<br>Cape Girardeau office  |
| 12<br>Mother's Day   | 13   | 14<br>District Committee: OS, GT<br>Commissioner: OS, BT, NH                                      | 15<br>Eagle Board: OT<br>District Committee: BM, BG<br>OA Chapter: OS | 16<br>District Committee: RT, CM, NS, SX<br>OA Chapter: NH   | 17  | 18<br>Challenge Course Trn. - S-F<br>Wood Badge Spring Wknd 2<br>1 <sup>st</sup> Class Orienteering Event - BR<br>Camporee: PB  |
| 19<br>Challenge Course Trn. - S-F<br>Wood Badge Spring Wknd 2<br>VSOA Celebration Dinner   | 20<br>Commissioner: KE, PF<br>District Committee: KE, PF | 21<br>Roundtable: IL<br>District Committee: BT, SH, NH, PB<br>Commissioner: GT<br>Eagle Board: KE | 22<br>Eagle Board: NH   | 23<br>Eagle Board: RT<br>Commissioner: IL<br>District Committee: IL  | 24  | 25  |
| 26<br>Memorial Good Turn: GT<br>Jewish Committee for<br>Scouting - Good Turn   | 27<br>Memorial Day (offices closed)                      | 28  | 29<br>Climbing Tower Training - BR                                    | 30<br>District Committee: OT<br>Commissioner: OT   | 31  |   |

# June 2024

AH -Arrowhead BM-Big Muddy BG –Black Gold BT –Boone Trails CM –Cahokia Mounds  
 CH –Cherokee EG –Egyptian GT –Gravois Trail KA –Kaskaskia KE –Keystone  
 NH –New Horizons NS –North Star OS –Osage OT –Ozark Trailblazers PF –Pathfinder  
 PB –Piasa Bird RD –Redhawk RT –River Trails SE –Soaring Eagle SH –Shawnee SX –Sioux  
 Camps: BR (Beaumont), CL (Camp Lewallen), PR (Pine Ridge), RF (Rhodes France), & WL (Warren Lewis)

| Sunday  | Monday  | Tuesday   | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday   | Saturday                           |
|---|---|---|--|--|--|------------------------------------|
|   |   |   |  |  |  | 1<br>VSOA-Swift's Big Kick Off S-F |
| 2<br>STEM on CAMPus SEMO<br>STEM on CAMPus EIU<br>Anpetu-We Lodge LEC | 3<br>STEM on CAMPus SEMO<br>STEM on CAMPus EIU<br>Roundtable: PF, CH<br>District Committee: CH<br>Twilight Camp: SE | 4<br>STEM on CAMPus SEMO<br>STEM on CAMPus EIU<br>Roundtable: OS, NH, SX<br>Twilight Camp: SE           | 5<br>STEM on CAMPus SEMO<br>STEM on CAMPus EIU<br>STEM on CAMPus UMSL<br>Eagle Board: OS, NH<br>Twilight Camp: SE            | 6<br>STEM on CAMPus UMSL<br>Roundtable: OT, RT, BG<br>Commissioner: BG<br>Eagle Board: SH<br>Twilight Camp: SE | 7<br>STEM on CAMPus UMSL<br>Twilight Camp: SE  | 8<br>STEM on CAMPus UMSL           |
| 9<br>NYLT Course 1 – S-F  | 10<br>NYLT Course 1 – S-F   | 11<br>Shavout (Jewish)<br>NYLT Course 1 – S-F<br>Commissioner: OS, NH, OT                               | 12<br>Shavout (Jewish)<br>NYLT Course 1 – S-F<br>Eagle Board: NH   | 13<br>NYLT Course 1 – S-F<br>Commissioner: RD, RT<br>District Committee: RD<br>Eagle Board: CM, SE, PF         | 14<br>NYLT Course 1 – S-F                      | 15<br>NYLT Course 1 – S-F          |
| 16<br>Father's Day<br>NYLT Course 2 – S-F                             | 17<br>NYLT Course 2 – S-F<br>District Committee: PF, KE<br>Commissioner: PF, KE<br>Twilight Camp: PF, GT            | 18<br>NYLT Course 2 – S-F<br>District Committee: OS, NH, PB<br>Eagle Board: KE<br>Twilight Camp: PF, GT | 19<br>Juneenth (offices closed)<br>NYLT Course 2 – S-F<br>District Committee: BG<br>Eagle Board: OT<br>Twilight Camp: PF, GT | 20<br>NYLT Course 2 – S-F<br>District Committee: SX, RT<br>Twilight Camp: PF, GT                               | 21<br>NYLT Course 2 – S-F<br>Twilight Camp: PF | 22<br>NYLT Course 2 – S-F          |
| 23<br>Challenge Course Orient. - BR                                   | 24<br>Eagle Board: PF   | 25  | 26<br>Eagle Board: NH  | 27<br>District Committee: OT<br>Eagle Board: RT  | 28   | 29                                 |
| 30  |   |   |  |  |  |                                    |

# July 2024

AH - Arrowhead   BM - Big Muddy   BG - Black Gold   BT - Boone Trails   CM - Cahokia Mounds  
 CH - Cherokee   EG - Egyptian   GT - Gravois Trail   KA - Kaskaskia   KE - Keystone  
 NH - New Horizons   NS - North Star   OS - Osage   OT - Ozark Trailblazers   PF - Pathfinder  
 PB - Piasa Bird   RD - Redhawk   RT - River Trails   SE - Soaring Eagle   SH - Shawnee   SX - Sioux  
 Camps: BR (Beaumont), CL (Camp Lewallen), PR (Pine Ridge), RF (Rhodes France), & WL (Warren Lewis)

| Sunday                   | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday  | Saturday                  |
|--------------------------|--|---|---|---|---|---------------------------|
|                          | 1<br>Roundtable: CH<br>District Committee: CH                          | 2<br>District Committee: SX   | 3<br>Eagle Board: NH  | 4<br>Independence Day<br>(offices closed)   | 5   | 6                         |
| 7<br>NYLT Course 3 – S-F | 8<br>NYLT Course 3 – S-F<br>Twilight Camp: SH                          | 9<br>NYLT Course 3 – S-F<br>Commissioner: NH<br>Twilight Camp: SH   | 10<br>NYLT Course 3 – S-F<br>Eagle Board: OS, NH<br>Twilight Camp: SH   | 11<br>NYLT Course 3 – S-F<br>Commissioner: RD<br>District Committee: RD<br>Eagle Board: PB, CM, SE, PF<br>Roundtable: OT<br>Twilight Camp: SH | 12<br>NYLT Course 3 – S-F<br>Twilight Camp: SH  | 13<br>NYLT Course 3 – S-F |
| 14<br>STEM Summer Camp   | 15<br>STEM Summer Camp<br>Cub Scout Nova Camp<br>Twilight Camp: SH, BG | 16<br>STEM Summer Camp<br>Cub Scout Nova Camp<br>District Committee: PB<br>Eagle Board: KE<br>Twilight Camp: OT, SH, BG | 17<br>STEM Summer Camp<br>Cub Scout Nova Camp<br>District Committee: BG<br>Eagle Board: OT<br>Twilight Camp: OT, SH, BG | 18<br>STEM Summer Camp<br>Cub Scout Nova Camp<br>Commissioner: SX<br>Twilight Camp: OT, SH, BG  | 19<br>STEM Summer Camp<br>Twilight Camp: SH, BG | 20<br>STEM Summer Camp    |
| 21<br>NYLT Course 4 – WL | 22<br>NYLT Course 4 – WL<br>Eagle Board: PF<br>Twilight Camp: BG       | 23<br>NYLT Course 4 – WL<br>Twilight Camp: BG   | 24<br>NYLT Course 4 – WL<br>Eagle Board: NH<br>Twilight Camp: BG  | 25<br>NYLT Course 4 – WL<br>District Committee: OT<br>Commissioner: OT<br>Twilight Camp: BG   | 26<br>NYLT Course 4 – WL<br>Twilight Camp: BG   | 27<br>NYLT Course 4 – WL  |
| 28<br>Horse Camp - BR    | 29<br>Horse Camp - BR  | 30<br>Horse Camp - BR   | 31<br>Horse Camp - BR   |   |   |                           |



# August 2024

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 CH – Cherokee EG – Egyptian GT – Gravois Trail KA – Kaskaskia KE – Keystone  
 NH – New Horizons NS – North Star OS – Osage OT – Ozark Trailblazers PF – Pathfinder  
 PB – Plaza Bird RD – Redhawk RT – River Trails SE – Soaring Eagle SH – Shawnee SX – Sioux  
 Camps: BR (Beaumont), CL (Camp Lewallen), PR (Pine Ridge), RF (Rhodes France), & WL (Warren Levis)

| Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday   | Saturday  |
|--|--|--|--|---|--|---|
|  |  |  |  | <b>1</b><br>Horse Camp - BR<br>Roundtable: OT, NH, BG, RT, KA, NS, BM<br>District Committee: KA, AH<br>Commissioner: KA, NS, BG, BM,<br>Eagle Board: KA, SH<br>OA Chapter: BG, KA | <b>2</b><br>Horse Camp - BR  | <b>3</b><br>Horse Camp – BR<br>Eagle Scout Association -<br>Merit Badge Make Up - BR                                |
| <b>4</b>   | <b>5</b><br>Eagle Board:<br>Roundtable: KE, PF, CH<br>District Committee: CH | <b>6</b><br>Commissioner: SH, EG<br>Roundtable: SH, OS, GT, SX, EG, BT                               | <b>7</b><br>Eagle Board: OS, NH  | <b>8</b><br>Roundtable: AH<br>Eagle Board: CM, SE, PF<br>Commissioner: AH, NH, RT   | <b>9</b><br>NYLT Course 5 – 1 <sup>st</sup> Wknd BR  | <b>10</b><br>NYLT Course 5 – 1 <sup>st</sup> Wknd BR<br>Roundtable: PB<br>Commissioner: PB<br>OA Chapter: PF        |
| <b>11</b><br>NYLT Course 5 – 1 <sup>st</sup> Wknd BR<br>Eagle Board: PB              | <b>12</b><br>OA Chapter: NH  | <b>13</b><br>District Committee: GT<br>Commissioner: OS, BT  | <b>14</b><br>Climbing Training - BR<br>OA Chapter: OS                                  | <b>15</b><br>Roundtable: RD<br>District Committee: NH, RT, NS, SX, RD<br>Commissioner: RD   | <b>16</b><br>NYLT Course 5 – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wknd BR<br>Woapink Lodge Induction Wknd<br>District Committee: PB | <b>17</b><br>NYLT Course 5 – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wknd BR<br>Woapink Lodge Induction Wknd<br>Woapink Lodge Vigil Reunion |
| <b>18.</b><br>NYLT Course 5 – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wknd BR<br>Woapink Lodge Vigil Reunion | <b>19</b><br>District Committee: KE, PF<br>Commissioner: KE, PF              | <b>20</b><br>Roundtable: IL<br>District Committee: SH, OS, BT<br>Commissioner: GT<br>Eagle Board: KE | <b>21</b><br>Cub Leader Training Pt.2<br>Eagle Board: OT<br>District Committee: BM, BG | <b>22</b><br>Eagle Board: RT  | <b>23</b>  | <b>24</b><br>Climbing Training – S-F<br>Shawnee Lodge Ldr Develop.  |
| <b>25</b><br>Climbing Training – S-F<br>Climbing Training - BR                       | <b>26</b><br>Eagle Board: PF   | <b>27</b>  | <b>28:</b>   | <b>29</b><br>District Committee: OT<br>Commissioner: OT   | <b>30</b>  | <b>31</b>   |
|  |  |  |  |   |  |   |

# SCOUTING IS A PATH TO SUCCESS



Scouts are **TWICE** more likely to get a bachelor's degree (75.6% of Scouts alumni compared with 36.0% national average)



Scouts are **TWICE** more likely to get an advanced graduate degree (29.0% of Scouts alumni compared with 13.4% national average)



Scouts are more likely to make almost **DOUBLE** of the personal income as an adult (\$62.5k individual median income compared with \$33.7k national median)



Scouts are more likely to have very good or exceptional (750+) credit scores (55.7% of Scouts alumni compared with 39.7% national average)



Scouts are more likely to move up in their socio-economic status. Scouts that come from low-income family background are, on average, more likely to make almost twice the personal income as an adult compared to their non-scout peers with similar childhood family background.



## SCOUTS ARE CHANGE AGENTS

BSA strives to bring larger, broader, and longer social impact. The BSA values (Character, Leadership, Citizenship, and Fitness) imprinted during childhood go a long way. BSA alumni continue to change the world by taking more leadership roles in organizations, engaging in more entrepreneurial activities, and undertaking more civic duties.



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