

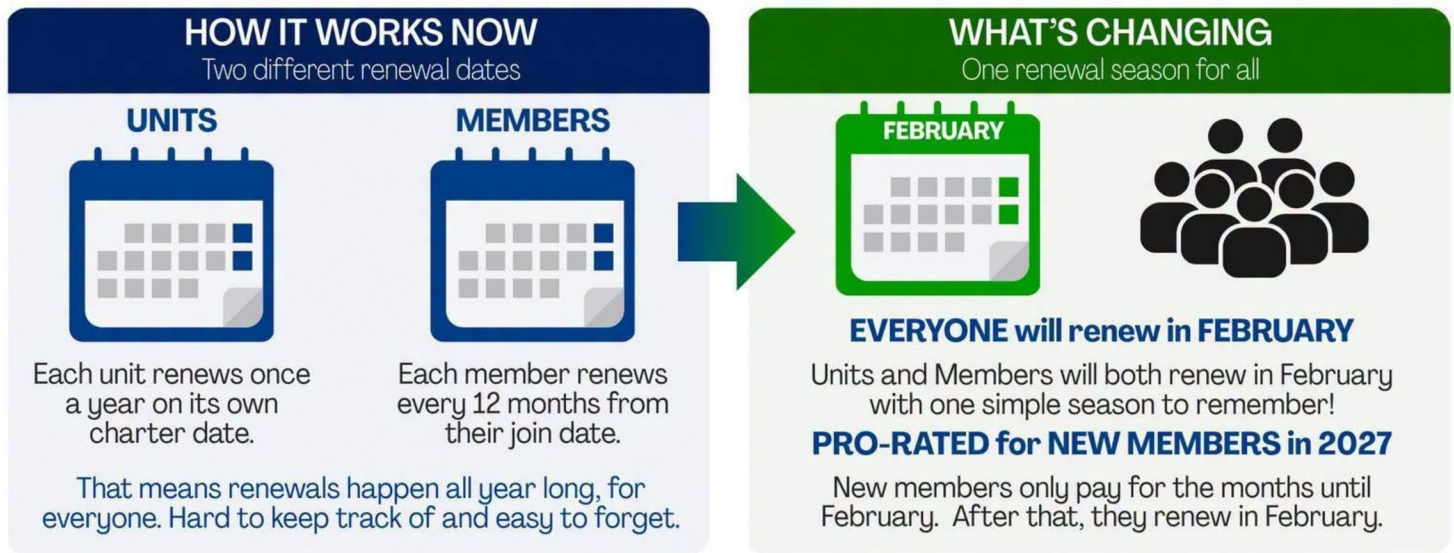


GREATER ST. LOUIS AREA  
SCOUTING

# Renewals Are Moving to February!

A simple change that makes a stronger Scouting experience.

Beginning in Fall 2026, Scouting America is creating one easy renewal season for everyone, both individual members and units, so volunteers can focus more on Scouting and less on paperwork.



## The Transition Plan (2026–2028)

A two-year plan to get everyone to one February renewal.



## Why This Change is Great for Scouting

- 1. Restores a true renewal season.** One renewal period for all.
- 2. Lowers barriers to entry.** Pro-rated pricing makes it easier for families to join.
- 3. Captures peak-season joiners.** More new members in the fall means stronger units.
- 4. Eliminates the lapse period.** Fewer accidental interruptions in membership.
- 5. SAFEGuarding Youth Training is tied to renewal.** Youth protection is easier to take and track.
- 6. Simplifies Leader Roles.** One renewal process means leaders are back in control.

