



Next - Roundtable Thursday, April 4 – at Barrington location

Barrington United Methodist Church
98 Algonquin Rd, Barrington, Illinois (Just west of the Palatine Road intersection with Algonquin Road)

7:30 p.m. start and 8:45 p.m. completion (Network and conversation opportunities before and after)
Those with roundtable announcements need to arrive by 7:15 pm to meet with the roundtable commissioner.

Program: Scouts and Native American Culture

Scouting has long associated the qualities of a good Scout to the qualities of Native Americans. There is more to the Native American cultures than the simplistic view associate with “Indians.” The topic of the April roundtable will be how Scouts can honor the qualities of Native Americans while being sensitive to the range of their cultures and traditions.

Joe Podlasek, Executive Director of the [Trickster Gallery](#) in Schaumburg, an award winning writer/activist and member of the Ojibwa tribe who is also of Polish descent. He is also member of the National Urban Indian Family Coalition, and Chicago Cultural Alliance. Joseph will describe what it means to be a Native American, who is a Native American and their view of how Scouts can respect, honor and employ Native American values in the Scouting program. Also a perspective of Native American culture and traditions will be provided based on volunteer experiences working with the Oglala Lakota Sioux at the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota.

The Boy Scouts of American in order to properly honor Native Americans recently established a Cub Scout bridging ceremony to be performed by Order of the Arrow members across the country. This roundtable presentation will provide perspective to those changes as well as how leaders can appropriately included Native American values in their unit program.

The roundtable is open to all unit leaders, committee members and parents.

The next District Committee meeting will be Thursday, April 11 at the Garlands in Barrington.

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PTAC All Districts Pinewood Derby

Sunday, April 28, 2019 - Woodfield Mall - Grand Court, Schaumburg, Illinois

Top Scouts from unit pinewood derby speed and design completion should be registered for the PTAC All Districts Pinewood Derby. Registration is [online](#) for Scout and open competition. Scouts from each rank within a Pack for the top three design and speed contestants are eligible for the Scout completion. [More](#)

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Jungle Adventure Day Camp

Jungle Adventure Day Camp is an outdoor program filled with fun and learning for youth entering first through fifth grade in the fall. Scouts may invite a friend or sibling. Tiger, Wolf, and Bear Scouts will enjoy this adventure discovering nature around them. Webelos Scouts should attend the overnight program called [Webelos Camp](#). For 2019 there are two forms of Day Camp.

- A **one-day** Jungle Adventure Day Camp - Saturday, June 15 in Palatine. (\$25 by May 31)
- A **five-day** Jungle Adventure Day Camp with pre and post care options - July 15–19 in Schaumburg. (\$135 by May 1)

Adults: Adults register for reduced fee and will supervise and assist Cub Scouts as program helpers. They must be Youth Protection trained and submit trained certificate at time of registration. Training is available online at my.Scouting.org

Den Chiefs may attend at the reduced adult registration rate but do not count for the leadership ratio. With approval from their Troop leadership, Den Chiefs may count their time as service hours.

BSA Health Form Parts A and B (no doctor signature needed) are required for all youth and adults attending day camp. Link to [BSA Health Form](#)

Registration is open [online](#) now

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Camp Adventure Placemats and Presentation

Just fill out the [online form](#) with your information or email Mary Hoy hoymy@hotmail.com

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National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)

Two Summer 2019 sessions: June 16–22, 2019 and June 23–29, 2019

Now is the time for Troop leaders and parents of Scouts 13 years and older to get Scouts ready for NYLT. Summer 2019 [National Youth Leadership Training](#), NYLT, registration is now open [online](#). The 2019 PTAC course is being held twice at Owasippe Scout Reservation in Twin Lake, Michigan. The fee of \$280 includes transportation from one of several locations within the borders of the Pathway to Adventure Council to and from the Owasippe Scout Reservation, food, and course materials. “Camp Cash” may be applied, and scholarships are available with [online](#) application due by April 15, 2019. Fearless Girl Scholarships are available to cover the registration fee for all eligible female Scouts. [More](#) Questions: email nylptac@gmail.com

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PTAC Council-Wide Camporee – Future Frontier

October 11–13, 2019 – Busse Woods, Elk Grove Village, Illinois

Important Update: Unit leaders are asked to report their unit’s anticipated number of attendees by June 1 for event planning purposes. Payment will NOT be required at this time. Starting September 1, units will be asked to finalize attendance numbers and make payment. Fees for the weekend will be \$18 per Scout, leader and adult with new joining Cub Scouts free. Report anticipated attendance online at <https://scoutingevent.com/456-FutureFrontier2019> and press “Click Here to Continue” button to enter number of projected participants and unit information.

This first annual council-wide camporee will be October 11–13, 2019. Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturers, and Sea Scouts will be able to participate in exciting program activities, competitions, BMX cycling, robot building, hands-on STEM experiments, obstacle courses, rocket launches, outdoor skills, crafting, and space-themed games with an incredible closing show completing the weekend. Camping will be available for Troops and Packs accompanying them. This event will be the Cub Scout new member introduction to Scouting adventure. [More](#)

Adult leaders interested in assisting with activities, administration / logistics, finance, fundraising / sponsorships, or marketing / promotions should email Robert Gale, event organizer, at PTACcamporee2019@gmail.com.

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Scout Camping

Webelos Overnight Camp

Summer Webelos Overnight Camp is open to Scouts who will be Webelos next school year, so current third- and fourth-grade boys and girls can participate. There are six four-day sessions to choose from beginning June 23 and ending August 3, 2019. Webelos Parent/Leader Guides are available online for [Camp Napowan](#) and [Camp Wolverine in the Owasippe Scout Reservation](#).

Webelos Overnight Camp information and registration for [Camp Wolverine in the Owasippe Scout Reservation](#) and [Camp Napowan](#) is available now.

[Registration help](#) Early bird fees applies to May 31. [More](#)

Cub Scout Family Camp

Family Camp is a weekend overnight camping experience for Cub Scouts and their families at Camp Betz in Berrien Springs, Michigan. There are five weekend sessions to choose from starting June 28 through August 2, 2019. [Registration is open online](#). (<https://scoutingevent.com/456-FamilyCamp2019>) [More](#)

Scouts BSA Camp

Camp Napowan, Wild Rose, Wisconsin June 16 – August 3
Camp Blackhawk and Wolverine at Owasippe Scout Reservation Twin Lake, Michigan June 23 – August 3

2019 Camp Leader Guides:

[Camp Napowan](#)

[Owasippe Scout Reservation \(Camp Blackhawk and Camp Wolverine\)](#)

More about and registration: [Camp Napowan](#), [Camp Blackhawk](#), [Camp Wolverine](#)

Save \$25 per Scout, register [online](#) by May 15, 2019

Scouts can go to camp even if they are not able to attend with their troop. Contact the Outdoor Adventure Help Desk at PTAC.Camping@Scouting.org to be connected with a local troop going to camp at a time that works with the family schedule.

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Leader Development

Online training is always available through My.Scouting.org

Cub Scouts

BALOO - Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation Training

BALOO is the Cub Scout leader training required for any Cub Scout den or pack outdoor event, including pack camping overnights and Webelos den overnights. BALOO training is comprised of two components—an online component and this practical, hands-on component. Both components must be completed to qualify as a “TRAINED” Cub Scout outdoor leader.

Saturday, May 4, 2019, at 7:30 a.m., through Sunday, May 5, 2019 Noon
St. Peter Lutheran Church & School, 202 E. Schaumburg Road, Schaumburg, Illinois
Registration closes April 19. [More](#)

and

Saturday, May 4, 2019, at 8:00 a.m., through Sunday, May 5, 2019 11:00 am
Izaak Walton League, 1841 S River Road, Des Plaines, Illinois
email Shar Wyatt at Shar55555@juno.com

Scouts BSA

Wilderness First Aid

The two-day, 16-hour, certificate course for leaders attending high-adventure programs in 2019 or desiring advanced first-aid training will be available at the Bridgeview Community Center monthly. The next course begins April 6, 2019. [More](#)

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills – IOLS

Friday, April 12, 2019, through Sunday April 14, 2019

Camp Crown, Trevor, Wisconsin

and

Friday, April 26, 2019, through Sunday April 28, 2019

Camp Lakota, Woodstock, Illinois

This course is part of the required training to be considered trained for the Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster positions. The other required training is Scoutmaster Specifics course offered [online](#), and the [online](#) weather hazards course.

The U.S. Grant Pilgrimage Theme for 2019 is Spirits of 1869. While attending the Grant Pilgrimage units will have admission to the Galena Historical Museum, and Blacksmith shop, and camping in the Mississippi valley area. Registration is [online](#). Early registration ends April 1. [More](#)

Organized by the BlackHawk Area Council BSA

Emergency Preparedness Merit Badge Workshop

(Ideal for Scouts who are not strong swimmers with a desire to advance)

April 27, 2019, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Sponsored by Rolling Meadow Park District and open to all

[More](#) about fees and registration

Merit Badge Clinic

Saturday, May 11, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. to Noon

Barrington United Methodist Church, 98 Algonquin Road, Barrington, Illinois

Eighty merit badges including all three Citizenship merit badges and many rare and new merit badges will have counselors available to meet Scouts in traditional counselor meetings. No fee. [Online registration](#) is open through Monday, May 6. [More](#)

Scout Swimming

Scouts can complete Aquanaut activity, BSA Swim Test for First and Second Class requirements or high adventures qualification, Life Saving Merit Badge, and Swimming Merit Badge at the Playdium in Glenview. Session starts May 12. [More](#)

Railroading Merit Badge Workshop

Saturday, June 1, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Chicagoland Lionel Railroad Club's Train House, 1311 Schoolhouse Road, Units 3 & 4, New Lenox, Illinois

Scouts BSA interested in earning the Railroading Merit Badge are welcome to learn and earn, but workshop is limited to 80 Scouts. The full-day event includes lunch. To register or for questions contact Herbert Koch at herbwkoch@gmail.com or 708-577-3156 [More](#)

Philmont 2020

Pathway to Adventure Council is sponsoring a 2020 Council Contingent trek at [Philmont Scout Ranch](#). The contingent will leave Chicago on July 5 returning July 19, 2020. The fee per person, estimated at \$1,950, will include Philmont registration fee, all trip transportation, meals, lodging, Shakedown weekend, Taste of Philmont, 10-mile Shakedown Hike, two tee shirts, a laundry bag for transporting a backpack, Philmont belt and buckle, Tooth of Time crew photo, side-trips and more. [Registration](#) closes April 27, 2019. [More](#)

3rd Annual Triton Merit Badge College

Saturday, November 16, 2019, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

2000 5th Ave, River Grove, Illinois

Learn and earn in state-of-the-art labs under the direction of professors and seasoned volunteer merit badge counselors. There will be over 15 merit badge workshops to choose from. Registration is limited and will open online in May. [More](#)

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In Other News

- **Cub Scout Summertime Award:** This award is available for Scouts, Dens, and Packs holding and participating in activities during June, July, and August. [More](#)
- **“Help USA Troops”:** This grassroots service project provides cheer to US service members and invites all Packs, Troops, and Scouts to participate. [More](#)
- **Arrow of Light Bridging Ceremonies:** To make a reservation, please send an e-mail to signalhillaol@lakotalodge.org and follow the instructions given in the automatic response.
- **Young Eagles – Flight Experience:** This is offered to youth on Saturday mornings by the Chicago Executive Airport in Wheeling, Illinois. The experience is scheduled for Saturday, April 27, 2019; Saturday, June 15, 2019; Saturday, August 17, 2019, and Saturday, October 19, 2019, but is subject to favorable weather conditions. Reservations are required. Call 847-484-7142 for reservations. [More](#)
- **Scout Tech** (Trading Tech, Building Tech, Civic Tech, and Med Tech): This is an exciting and innovative way for Scouts to learn and earn merit badges from counselors working for leading organizations in Chicago and suburbs. [Trading Tech](#) merit badge workshops will be delivered during the weeks of June 24, July 8, and August 5, 2019. Watch for the full schedule of Scout Tech program offerings, which will appear on the [PTAC calendar](#) beginning April 15.
- **Microsoft Merit Badge Workshops:** These are held regularly at the Woodfield Mall Microsoft Store for many technology and STEM merit badges. Advance registration is required. [More](#)
- **OA Call-Out:** Order of Arrow Takhone Lodge #7, Allemakewunk and Schiwa’pew Kaak Chapters, will conduct an OA callout ceremony for newly elected members Saturday, May 4, 2019 at Camp Alphonse in Deer Grove Forest Preserve in Palatine beginning at 5:30pm with a traditional silent procession. All units who wish to participate should plan to arrive at Camp Alphonse between 5:00 p.m. and 5:15 p.m. Parking space is limited, so plan to carpool. Participants should wear their Scout uniform and OA members wear the OA sash in addition to their Scout uniform. Questions contact Allemakewunk Chapter Chief, David V at allemakewunk@oa7.org or Chapter Adviser Mr. Niggemann at allemakewunkadviser@oa7.org.
- **BSA National Outdoor Award:** Your Scouts (First Class and above) can earn National Outdoor Awards in Camping, Hiking, Aquatics, Riding, Adventure and Conservation. Check out the easy-to-understand infographic explaining what it takes to achieve the Awards. Check it out. [More](#)
- **Eagle Scout Age Extension:** A one-time limited exception to the Eagle Scout award age requirements is available as part of the Scouts BSA transition. Young men or young women who are at least 16 but not yet 18 on Feb. 1, 2019, and register as a member of Scouts BSA on or before Dec. 31, 2019, may request a time extension of up to 22 months to work on earning the Eagle Award. [More](#)
- **Support Pathway to Adventure Council Scholarship Funds:**
 - **Wood Badge Fund** contributions of \$100 or more receive a limited-edition Council Wood Badge Shoulder Patch. [More](#)
 - **National Youth Leadership Training Fund** - Patron patch purchases support need based scholarships for youth to attend NYLT. The limited edition patches (50 patches) costs \$150 with the majority of the purchase price tax deductible as allowed by law. Purchase yours at <https://scoutingevent.com/456-24630>

- **Women in Scouting Awards and Signal Hill District Fundraiser:** Honorees at this inaugural event will be Karen Darch, Mayor of Barrington, Susan Corr, President of the Barrington Area Chamber of Commerce, and Wendy and Tom Herb, wife and President and Chief Executive Officer of The Garlands, who have made a profound impact on Scouting in Signal Hill and PTAC. The event is Thursday evening April 25 at The Garlands of Barrington, IL. [More](#)
- **PTAC History Project:** Anecdotes, stories, and photos are being collected to convey the deep connections Scouting has maintained with our communities over time. If able to provide materials contact is Tom Wetzel, PTAC Social Media Chairman, directly at 708-771-1533 (office), 708-446-2973 (cell), or twetzel@wetzelandassociates.com
- **Adult Leaders needed for 2021 National Jamboree:** The Jamboree Committee is forming and seeking adult leaders for the Jamboree Troops to be at the BSA Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia. Pathway to Adventure Council will be sending at least four Troops and a Venture Crew to the National Jamboree. [Link to apply for participation as Jamboree leader or committee member.](https://goo.gl/forms/N8iVLRh3XL2ANGNN2) [HTTPS://GOO.GL/FORMS/N8iVLRh3XL2ANGNN2](https://goo.gl/forms/N8iVLRh3XL2ANGNN2)

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Further information about activities, training and reference material is available on the [Signal Hill District Webpage](#).



New Flyers

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Cub Scout flyers

- [Day Camp - Jungle Adventure - 2019 07 15 *](#)

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Scouts BSA flyers

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Subscribe to the Signal Hill email distribution list [here](#) to receive Scouting activity, training and event notices.

There are also special Scouting distribution lists for:

[Cub Scout Pack leaders and parents](#)

[Webelos den leaders and parents](#)

[Scouts BSA Troop leaders and parents](#)

[Venturing Crew leaders and parents](#)

If you are a Cubmaster or Assistant, Scoutmaster or Assistant, Committee Chair, or Chartered Organization Representative for a Pack or Troop email Signal.Hill.NWSC@gmail.com to be added to one of those lists.

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The PTAC NWS Community service center and scout shop are at
617 E Golf Road, Arlington Heights, Illinois
The phone number for all PTAC professionals and service centers is 312-421-8800

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