



Next - Roundtable Thursday, May 2 – 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: Membership and Popcorn will be the features. The PTAC Spring and Fall membership programs will be presented as well as resources available to units and how to use the PTAC program to most effectively introduce youth to Scouting. There will be a 2019 Popcorn program introduction and launch of unit representative sign up for the August kickoff.

Roundtable is open to all unit leaders, committee members, and parents as a communication and education forum. It is the first Thursday of each month, except for July and August. The district commissioner team has created a feedback survey to better understand how to make these forums more effective and focused on subjects that are relevant. All unit leaders are asked to complete the survey, but all adult leaders are encouraged to participate.

Please select the following link to provide your feedback on how to make roundtable more effective and focused on subjects relevant to you:

https://drive.google.com/open?id=14EAUM0j1vdIfr3PMnG0rdjKaMB8EwSxQQ-qnD0E_XOE.

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CLICK HERE for Roundtable Survey

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Looking Forward

Here are activities just over the horizon to be aware and keep a look out over the summer for additional information:

- **Cub Scout Day Camp**
 - Saturday June 15, 2019 - one-day camp at Deer Grove East forest preserve in Palatine – Early-bird discount ends May 31, 2019 and registration closes June 8.
 - Monday through Friday July 15–19, 2019 - five-day camp is in Schaumburg with before and after program care available – Early bird discount ends May 31, 2019 and registration closes July 8. [More](#)
- **Webelos Overnight Camp** - early registration fees applies through May 31 - Scouts who will be Webelos next school year select from six four-day sessions beginning June 23 and ending August 3, 2019 at Camp Wolverine in the Michigan Owasippe Scout Reservation and Camp Napowan in Wisconsin. [More](#)
- **Cub Scout Family Camp** - Camp Betz in Berrien Springs, Michigan. Early-bird discount ends May 31, 2019 with five weekend sessions to choose from beginning June 28 through August 2, 2019. [More](#)
- **Scouts BSA Camp** – early registration fees apply to May 15 - [More](#)
 - Camp Napowan, Wild Rose Wisconsin one-week sessions begin June 16 through August 3
 - Camp Blackhawk and Wolverine at Owasippe Scout Reservation Twin Lake, Michigan one-week sessions begin June 23 through August 3
- **Free weekend at a PTAC summer camp** – chance to try out a different camp and do camp activities
 - Camp Napowan September 20–22 [registration fee applies after September 6 and closes September 16] [More](#)
 - Owasippe Scout Reservation September 27–29 [registration fee applies after September 14 and closes September 23] [More](#)

- **Fall program kickoff** – August 15 roundtable will begin the membership drive and new school year program.
- **PTAC Council-wide Camporee** – October 11–13, 2019 at Busse Woods Elk Grove Village, IL [More](#)
 - **June 1** unit anticipated attendance should be entered [online](#) for event planning, payment is NOT required,
 - **Starting September 13** 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.
 - **September 21** late registration fee of \$25 applies.

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Scouts BSA - Life to Eagle Seminar

Life Scouts, parents and leaders should attend this FREE Life to Eagle informational presentation to learn about:

- Current Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook and latest changes
- Eagle Project approval process and procedures effective January 1, 2016
- Available tools and resources
- Preparation and submitting Eagle Scout Rank Application according to the latest requirements

Advance registration requested.

Wednesday May 1, 2019 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

First United Methodist Church, 1032 Maple Avenue, Downers Grove, Illinois [More](#)

and

Saturday May 18, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Our Savior's United Methodist Church, 701 E Schaumburg Road, Schaumburg, Illinois [More](#)

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National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)

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

The Summer 2019 National Youth Leadership Training courses are filling fast! Get your spot before they are gone. A \$50 late fee will be charged starting May 18. If you have already registered, here are some key dates and important information.

May 1 – watch for an NYLT information e-mail with things you need to know about coming to NYLT this summer.

May 20 at 7:00 p.m. – NYLT Scoutmasters will hold a zoom meeting to talk about the courses. Details will be sent in the e-mail to registered participants.

June 1 – two non-returnable copies of attendee's ABC medical form are due. NYLT staff member will be at service centers to collect forms and answer questions from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. as follows: Chicago, May 20; Arlington Heights, May 22; La Grange, May 23; and Munster, May 30. If those dates aren't convenient, please drop the forms off at any service center by June 1 marked "NYLT Medical, Attn: Mary Sabol, Arlington Heights Service Center".

See you at Owasippe for a great leadership learning experience! Questions: email nyltpac@gmail.com [More](#)

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Leader Development

Online training is always available through My.Scouting.org

Cub Scouts - BALOO - Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation Training

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](#)

Webelos Unplugged

October 4–6, 2019

Camp Lakota, Woodstock, Illinois

Don't miss this fun fall Scouting event. There will be a weekend of camping for Webelos Scouts and parents with the chance to learn from Scouts BSA, sleep in tents, complete Adventures, cook food, and have fun outdoors at Camp Lakota's 120 acres of varied terrain of woodlands, wetlands and prairies. Webelos will have the opportunity to work with Scouts BSA members while earning adventures during the day and a campfire in the evening. Watch for registration to open online. [More](#)

Questions contact: Mary Hoy at hoymy@hotmail.com Boy Scout Troops interested in coming out to support the event should also contact Mary Hoy.

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In Other News

- **Reconvened 2019 PTAC Annual Meeting:** The annual Council meeting will be reconvened Thursday, May 2, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. via video conference from the Pathway to Adventure Council service centers. The slate of PTAC officers and resolutions will be presented by the council leadership for consideration and vote by Charter Organization Representatives. CORs must be present at one of the service centers to participate and vote. The video conference location is the Northwest Suburban Center for Scouting at 617 E. Golf Road, Suite 101, Arlington Heights, Illinois.
- **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 5:30 p.m. 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 Serious About Youth Protection** - Boy Scouts of America's Youth Protection efforts and Volunteer Screening Database, VSD, are two key elements for protecting youth. Individuals are added to the VSD based on violations, or suspected violations of BSA policies. Individuals don't need to have been convicted to be added to the VSD as there is a very low threshold for removing someone from Scouting programs. The BSA believes victims and routinely removes individuals based on only allegations of inappropriate behavior. When an individual is added to the VSD, they are removed entirely from any Scouting program and prohibited from re-joining anywhere. Every instance of suspected abuse is reported to law enforcement. [More](#)
- **Cub Scout Summertime Award:** This National BSA award is available for Scouts, Dens, and Packs holding and participating in activities during June, July, and August. [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.

- Chess Merit badge at Advantage Futures June 25 9:00 a.m. to Noon [More](#)
- Entrepreneurship Merit Badge at FourStar June 25 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. [More](#)
- Law Merit Badge at CME Group August 5 9:00 a.m. to noon [More](#)

Watch the [PTAC calendar](#) for the full schedule of Scout Tech program offerings.

- **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](#)
- **Triton Merit Badge College:** Saturday, November 16, 2019, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at 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. Over 15 merit badge workshops to choose from. Registration is limited and will open online in May. [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 new 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](#)
- **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>
- **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](#)
- **Essential Scouts BSA leader resources** - The BSA has refreshed and retooled a pair of online resources for Scouts BSA volunteers.
 - [Program Resources page](#) Quick-start guide to Scouts BSA where you'll find a collection of links for starting a Scouts BSA troop, helping Scouts earn merit badges, guiding youth leaders toward more effective troop meetings and more.
 - [Program Updates page](#) Where the National Scouts BSA Committee posts the latest information on any changes to the program.[More](#)
- **BSA contingents to 2020 Scouting events in Brazil and Poland** - Registered BSA members who meet the age requirements are invited to attend as participants, unit leaders, or staff.
 - JamCam 2020 - January 4 to 10, 2020 in Foz do Iguaçu, Brazil
 - European Jamboree 2020 - July 27 to August 6, 2020 in Gdańsk, Poland[More](#)
- **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)
- **CTA (Council Training Academy) call for courses and instructors** – The CTA dean is looking for courses and instructors to make the 2019 CTA valued to Scouting volunteers. If you have an idea for a course that would engage Scout volunteers, enhance the Scout program offering or make units run better, please submit a proposal with the possible course title, brief description and information about the course.

[Submission Form](#)

Courses proposals should be submitted to Sam Meyer at sam.meyer314@gmail.com by August 31, 2019.

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



New Flyers

Flyers are posted when available on the Signal Hill District Webpage under Roundtable. New flyers this month include the following:

Cub Scout flyers

- [STEM award path to Supernova Award 2019 04 05](#) *
- [STEM Cub Scout Supernova Award tracking form - Rev2 19 03-31](#) *
- [Webelos Unplugged 2019 10 04](#) *

See the [District Membership tab](#) for Troop profiles and membership resources

Scouts BSA flyers

- [NYLT course information - PTAC 2019 06 23](#) *
- [OA Callout 2019 05 04](#) *
- [STEM award path to Supernova Award 2019 04 05](#) *
- [STEM Scouts BSA Supernova Award tracking form - Rev11 19 03-31](#) *

Venturing flyers

- [STEM award path to Supernova Award 2019 04 05](#) *
- [STEM Venturer and Sea Scout Supernova Award tracking form - Rev02 19 03-31](#) *

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If your unit has a Scouting-related announcement desired to be included in the Flyers and announced with the News and Flyers distribution, send the electronic version; e.g. PDF, JPG, Word Doc; to ScoutNews.SignalHill@gmail.com. Once the webpage is available flyers received will be posted on the [Signal Hill District webpage on the Roundtable tab](#) and included in the next notice.

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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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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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