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All Activity/Event, Training, and Reference flyers for Cub Scout, Scouts BSA, and Venturing are at the [Signal Hill District Webpage Roundtable tab](#). New flyers are added through the month. New ones can be found by looking for the \*.

**STEM** now has its own section on the [Signal Hill District Webpage Roundtable tab](#). Go to the bottom for the information needed to add STEM to your unit program.

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

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## Key Dates on the Horizon

- May 15, 2019 – **Scouts BSA Summer Camp** early bird registration ends for Camp Napowan and Camps Blackhawk and Wolverine at Owasippe Scout Reservation [More](#)
  - May 18, 2019 – **National Youth Leadership Training** in June, early bird registration ends [More](#)
  - May 18, 2019 – **Life to Eagle Seminar** in Schaumburg for all Life Scouts, parents and leaders [More](#)
  - May 31, 2019 – **Cub Scout Day Camp** early bird registration ends (registration closes June 8) for
    - Saturday June 15, 2019 camp in Palatine [More](#)
    - Monday through Friday July 15–19, 2019, five-day camp in Schaumburg [More](#)
  - June 1, 2019 – **PTAC Council-wide Camporee** unit anticipated attendance for October 11–13, 2019, should be entered [online](#) for event planning, payment is NOT required.
  - June 6, 2019 – **Signal Hill Roundtable** – End of school year gathering of leaders at Kimball Hill Park [More](#)
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## All Districts Pinewood Derby Results

The April 28 event at Woodfield Mall was memorable for Cub Scouts who entered 220 pinewood derby cars and competed in design and speed with Cub Scouts from nine PTAC districts and two area councils. For the first time in PTAC history, girl Cub Scouts placed in both design and speed competition!

Overall Speed Winners included:

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|--|---------------------------|
| • Weblos and overall winner - Garrett Huskie | • Wolf - Joey Glass       |
| • Arrow of Light - Elliot Baik               | • Tiger - Dean Harrington |
| • Bear - Nathan Hessling                     | • Lion - Luca Casal       |

For making the 2019 All Districts Pinewood Derby possible, a big thanks goes to the following:

- Simon Management for letting PTAC use their Grand Court at the Woodfield Mall for the event
- Marcy Brandis, Route 66 Raceway and Chicagoland Speedway Marketing Manager, for providing the display race cars.
- Troop 309 for the Lego Track, which allowed everyone to build and race Lego cars all day
- Scouts BSA from Troops 209, 21, and others for assisting with registering, handling, and judging cars
- North Woods and Signal Hill adult leaders who helped handle the crowds and engagement of families at the mall
- Mike Currier for 10 years of service running the speed event who upon leaving for Colorado was presented a recognition plaque

- Mike Gutschick for organizing the event

Cub Scouts be ready for the All Districts Pinewood Derby in 2020.  
Watch of announcements of dates and registration.

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## Commissioner's Roundtable Survey

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://forms.gle/EXCga58H2PDmptXe6>.

CLICK HERE for Roundtable Survey

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## Leader Development

Online training is always available through [My.Scouting.org](http://My.Scouting.org)

### 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 last course of the season begins June 1, 2019. [More](#)

### **Venturing, Scouts BSA - Powder Horn**

(Adult leader training for high-adventure activities)

Thursday through Sunday June 6–9, 2019  
Oconomowoc, Wisconsin

Powder Horn is designed to help the Scouting unit by exposing adult leaders to safely conducted outdoor/high-adventure activities of a fun and challenging nature. This course is open to any adult registered in the BSA who has completed basic BSA safety training. [More](#)

### **Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA - Wood Badge 2019**

August 16–18, 2019, and September 13–15, 2019, Camp Sol R Crown, Wilmot, Wisconsin [More](#)

August 23–25, 2019, and September 21–22, 2019, Camp Big Timber, Elgin, Illinois [More](#)

September 20–22, 2019 and October 26–28, 2019, Camp Frank S. Betz, Berrien Springs, Michigan [More](#)

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## 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 [hovmy@hotmail.com](mailto:hovmy@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

- **NYLT 2019 update** – Only a few openings are left in Course One; June 16-22, 2019 at Owasippe Scout Reservation. [More](#).
- **NYLT 2020**  
There will be a two weekend Winter 2020 NYLT course held at Camp Big Timber in Elgin, Illinois. It will be January 17-19 and February 14-16, 2020. Registration is to open July 1, 2019.  
NYLT Summer 2020 courses will be held at Owasippe Scout Reservation; tentative dates: are June 14-20 and June 21-27, 2020. The dates will be locked by September 2019 with registration to open February 1, 2020.
- **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](mailto:sam.meyer314@gmail.com) by August 31, 2019.
- **Eagle Scout Application Extension Update:** If your Scout is eligible for the Eagle Scout age requirement extension, do not hesitate! Please, request an extension right away. A "HOW TO" guide is found [online](#) . To find out if your Scout is eligible, see this link: <https://voiceofscouting.org/bsa-eagle-extension>
- **2019 Golf Classic** – Support Scouting and enjoy an opportunity to golf at an outstanding private course, Kemper Lakes Golf Club, Kildeer, Illinois, July 15 [More](#)
- **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 from Scouting 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](#)

- **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. Scout 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](#)
  - Welding Merit Badge at Plumbers Local 130, July 8. There are morning and afternoon sessions. [More](#)
  - American Labor Merit Badge at Operating Engineers Local 399, July 10, noon to 3 p.m. [More](#)
  - Law Merit Badge at CME Group August 5, 9:00 a.m. to noon [More](#)
  - Personal Management Merit Badge at US Bank, August 8, 9 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. [More](#)

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

- **Scouts BSA Girl Troop Facebook Group** – is the place to find updates on the Scouts BSA program for girls. Youth and adults are invited to join the group. To join, please click here: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/453389998744439/>

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

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## Next - Roundtable Thursday, June 6 – at Rolling Meadows location

**NEW Place**

### Kimball Hill Park

3266 Kirchoff Road, Rolling Meadows, Illinois

(East of IL Rt. 53 on north side of Kirchoff Road behind the Baskin Robbins and Ben Franklin Bank)

**NEW Time**

Come for dinner at 6:30 p.m. Main course will be provided along with plates and utensils.

Please bring a dish to share with the group. Program is to end by 8:00 p.m.

Those with roundtable announcements need to arrive by 6:15 pm to meet with the roundtable commissioner.

**Program:** End of school year gathering of leaders for celebration and recognition. This will be an outdoor event with shelter, if needed, and food. Note the **new location**:

Kimball Hill Park - Rolling Meadows, Illinois

[http://rmparks.org/locations/kimball\\_hill\\_park](http://rmparks.org/locations/kimball_hill_park)

Watch for exciting program details and special guests.

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

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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](mailto: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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