

2025-2026

# Unit Program & Finance Planning Guidebook

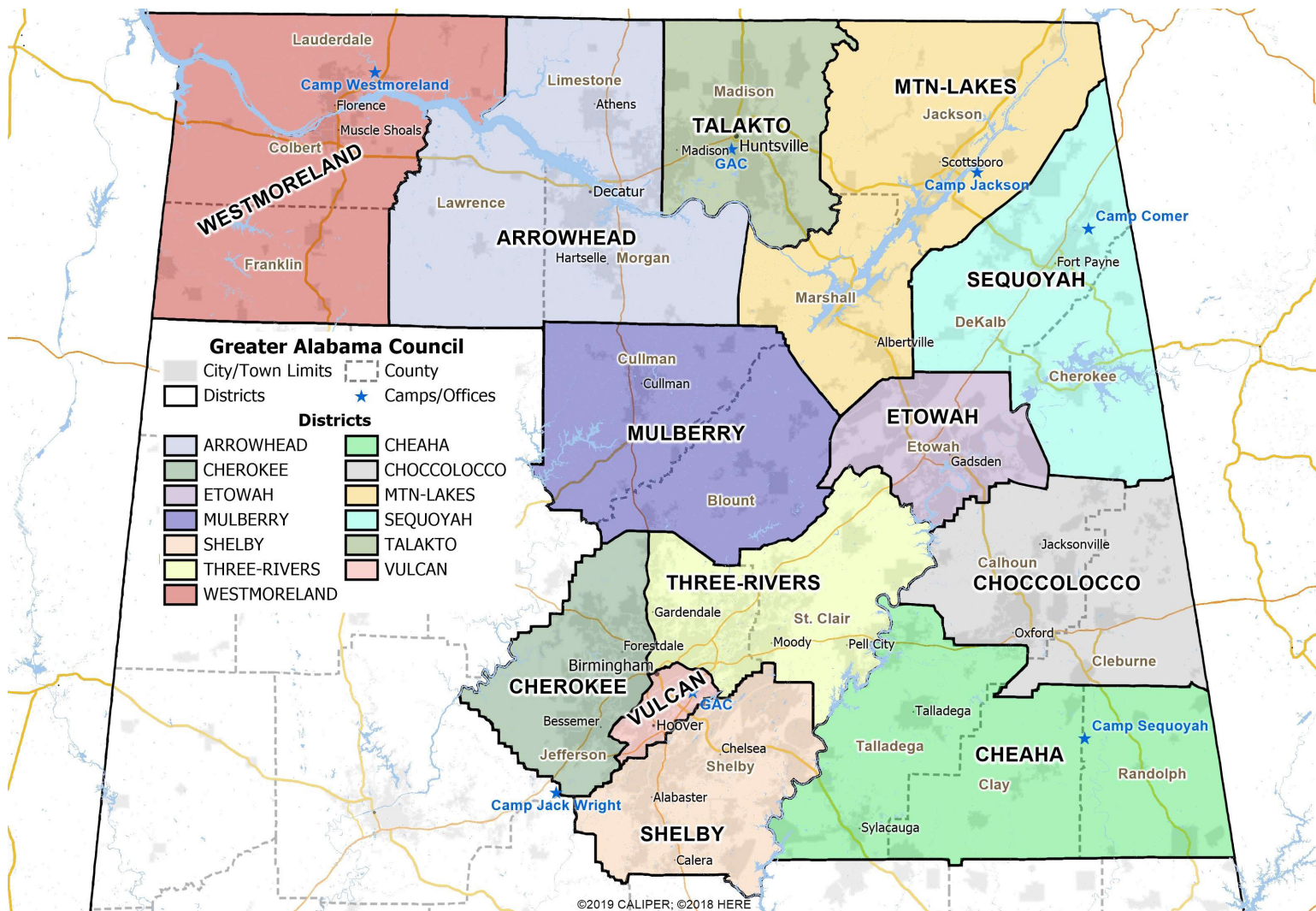


**Scouting**  **America**  
Greater Alabama Council



# About the Greater Alabama Council

The Greater Alabama Council serves the youth of North and Central Alabama. Our Council serves the counties of Blount, Calhoun, Cherokee, Cleburne, Cullman, DeKalb, Etowah, Franklin, Jackson, Jefferson, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Limestone, Madison, Marshall, Morgan, Randolph, St. Clair, Shelby, and Talladega.



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 [www.youtube.com/user/GACScouts](https://www.youtube.com/user/GACScouts)

# Annual Program & Funding Planning for Units

It doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure out what keeps Scouts in the program. They like to have fun, do challenging activities, earn merit badges, go places, and learn new things. That is what we call program, and it doesn't just happen by chance. It takes planning and preparation. This all starts with your unit's annual program planning conference which is a set of meetings, held in May or June, when the unit schedules the key activities and events they want to do for the next year, along with creating a plan for how they will pay for these activities. What this looks like is slightly different from unit to unit, but the core elements of the plan will be the same.

Parents always want to know the answer to two questions: **What are we going to do, and how much is it going to cost?**

Strong units have an annual plan with associated funding plan that can easily be shared with their Scouting families. The following items will help guide your unit.

## Use This Guidebook as a Tool

The first pages of this guidebook provide training, program opportunities, and best practices. The calendar pages (blue) are left bank by design to allow you to fill in the dates, events, and activities that are specific to your unit's plans.

The right side of the calendar pages have three sections. The top section (red) shows Council events and programs. The middle section shows typical events or activities that a unit may plan during that month. The bottom section (green) shows District events and programs.

Use the map on page 2 to identify your District. Your unit is welcome to participate in events, programs, and trainings being held in other districts.

We have added program labels to help you identify events based on program type.



Cub Scout Event



Venturing Event



Scouts BSA Event



Sea Scout Event

Scouting by the month  
January 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Council Events

Typical Unit Events

District Events



## Program Planning Conference - Steps for Success!

The program planning conference is a unit meeting to plan and schedule your next year of program along with creating the plan to pay for these activities. Start the meeting by outlining the importance of having a strong annual plan and state any rules you will follow during the meeting. While this meeting is similar for all units, please remember that in Troops and Crews the youth are the ones who should be leading this meeting. Training videos are available in [my.scouting.org](http://my.scouting.org) or at [www.1bsa.org/unit-program-planning-and-finance/](http://www.1bsa.org/unit-program-planning-and-finance/).

### PRE-WORK

Before the scheduled face-to-face conference, the committee chair and unit leaders gather the following information:

- Key school and community event dates
- Personal dates that may affect your unit's activities
- Last year's unit annual plan (if you have one)
- Important chartered organization dates
- District and Council dates (pages 16-39)
- Unit priorities and goals

To maximize the efficiency of your planning, the following people should attend the conference:

- Chartered Organization Representative
- Your unit commissioner (optional)
- For Troops & Crews: Youth Leadership
- All unit committee members & unit leaders
- Anyone else you think might be helpful

### Step 1 - COLLECT

Take the dates you collected prior to the meeting and put them into your master calendar—including meeting dates—either on a hard copy or by plugging the information into an electronic calendar on a computer.

### Step 2 - REVIEW

Review what the unit did last year. Ask questions like, what events went well, what events didn't go well? Did we earn the National Summertime Award? How did we do with weekly attendance? Did we participate in day camp, summer camp, or high adventure? Did we sell popcorn and camp cards? Feel free to ask as many questions as you want, but do not spend too much time on this, as the key issue is planning the upcoming year. Just use this research to help guide what you might want to keep, replace, or improve.

### Step 3 - BRAINSTORM

Brainstorm activities your unit might want to do in addition to weekly meetings. Include things such as: Blue and Gold Banquet, Courts of Honor, Pinewood Derby, Scouting for Food, Weekend Campouts, community service activities, youth recruitment events, District Events, Council Events, etc. Remember the brainstorming rule, which is anybody can suggest anything without critique or criticism. Feedback and analysis come later, after all the ideas have been captured. Once you have a list of things your unit might want to do, start prioritizing the list. Take a vote(s) on which activities to include on the schedule, then add the activities to your calendar.

### Step 4 - ASSIGNMENTS

After the dates have been placed into the calendar, the next step is to assign the person who will be responsible for each event (if possible).



## Step 5 - FINANCE & FUNDING

There are a variety of expenses related to your unit's annual plan. These costs need to be estimated with a plan to fund them. Expenses can be broken into 2 categories, and it is important that the finance plan provides a way to fund both.

**Unit Expenses:** These are expenses that the unit typically pays for such as purchasing advancements, unit gear, pinewood derby cars, etc.

**Family Expenses:** These are expenses that the family typically bears the cost of such as Summer Camp, Cub Haunted, uniforms, or weekend campouts, etc.

Your unit's funding plan should be simple, easy to explain, and state the expectations of each Scout/ family. It should fund the unit expenses AND offer a way for families to subsidize their Scouting journey. Consider a plan that gives families options. We also highly encourage the use of the Payment Log Function located in Scoutbook, also referred to as Scout Accounts.

### **Examples of Good Finance Plans:**

- Our Pack charges dues of \$225 which covers all Pack activities for the year. These dues are paid in mid-November as part of the re-charter process. Families participate in our Popcorn Sale from August to October. From the commission earned, our Pack keeps just 20% and 80% goes into the Scout's account in Scoutbook. The family can use these funds for anything Scouting related including paying the \$225 Pack dues, registration fees for events like Cub Haunted, or purchasing their uniform.
- Our Troop sells Christmas trees. Scouts work 3 shifts, but can work more if available. Our Troop keeps about 30% of the commission to cover unit expenses. Based on the number of shifts they work, the rest goes into the Scout's Account in Scoutbook. Scouts can use these funds to pay for anything Scouting related including uniforms, weekend campouts, Summer Camp, or NYLT. We also encourage our Scouts to participate in the Council Popcorn and Camp Card sale as a way to fund their Scout Adventures.

In both examples, the families are incentivized to participate in the fundraiser, and families that would rather just pay out of pocket are given that option. Using Scout Accounts in Scoutbook is extremely helpful in ensuring that all families pay their own way and help the unit stay financially viable. Please see the BSA Fiscal Policies and Procedures for BSA Units for more information on Scout Accounts.

## Step 6 - PUBLISH YOUR PLAN

Review your plan to ensure you have captured everything your unit wants to do in the upcoming year. Include your unit's funding plan with the expectations of each Scout/family. Publish your plan and distribute to each family. Sharing the annual plan with your families could be the most important step in retaining your Scouts and building tenure. Create a printable flyer that can be given to new and prospective families.

Annual program planning is an ongoing process.

Review the plan regularly to make sure you are still on track

Additional resources including examples can be found at [www.1bsa.org](http://www.1bsa.org).





[my.scouting.org](http://my.scouting.org)

My.scouting.org is a portal for adults and leaders providing access to their account data, online training, and more. It is run separately by the national Boy Scouts of America organization, and not by our local council.

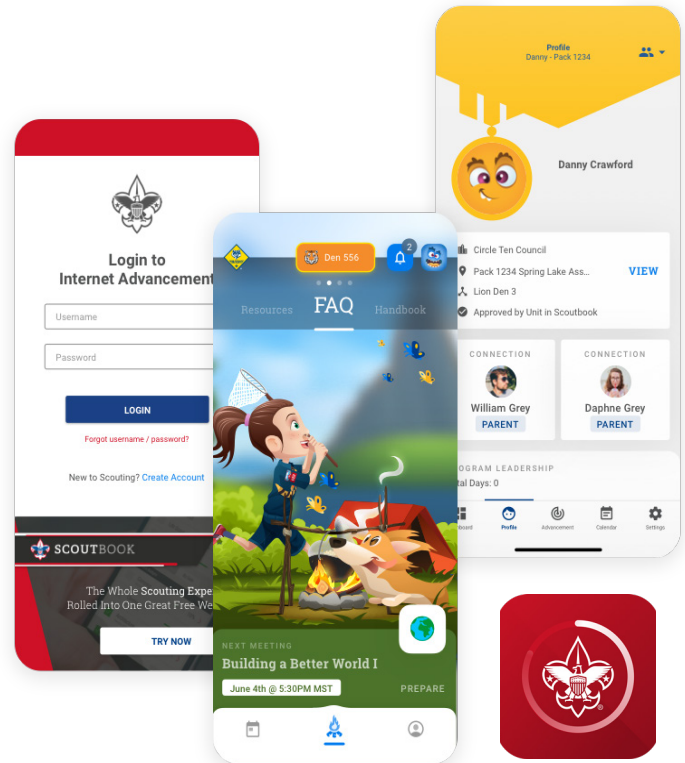
Through my.scouting members of the Unit Key 3 can:

- Update your unit's beascout.org pin
- Accept online and transfer applications for youth and adults
- Change the position roles of your registered adult leaders

## Scoutbook

Scoutbook is Scouting America's free official tool for advancement records-keeping and reporting. Its primary purpose is to help Scouts, parents, and registered leaders track and report advancement records. It can also help Scout units track who needs to take or retake Youth Protection Training, plan events, and send messages to their members.

- Tracks advancement
- Activity, service, & camping logs
- Quick POs for Scout Shop advancement purchases
- Unit calendar with event sign-up tool
- Email & texting tool
- **Payment log (Scout accounts)**
- Merit badges & counselors
- Unit roster with Scout and leader contact information
- Manage your dens, patrols, & youth leadership roles
- This is the BSA's database.



## Who uses Scoutbook?

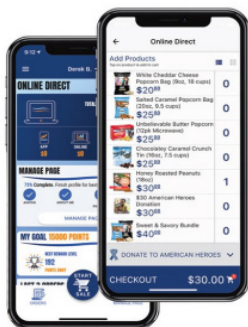
- **Adults (leaders)** – BSA creates your account when you join; an adult volunteer designated as a Scout unit's Scoutbook Administrator can also create an adult's account. This Administrator has the ability to choose which adults can be connected to your Scout unit.
- **Adults (parents)** – Parents use their adult account to control who can access their Scout's account. A unit's Administrator controls which adult accounts are connected to their unit.
- **Youth account** – Scouts can't get an account until their parent "invites" them to join. Once a Scout has an account, they can track their advancement progress just like they would if they had adults "sign off" on requirements in their handbook.

[www.scoutbook.com](http://www.scoutbook.com)





# POPCORN SALE



## WHY SELL POPCORN?

- Easy and turn-key way to fund your Unit's program
- Helps families pay for their Scouting Adventures.
- Scouts learn life lessons by "earning their own way."
- Amazon Gift Card Prizes!
- Sell online to friends and family out of town.
- App allows ALL Scouts to accept Credit Cards.
- Show-n-sell locations secured by Trails-End and available for sign-up directly from the app!



## CALENDAR

Virtual Leader Training: 9:30am Saturday, July 19th  
Virtual Leader Training: 7pm Tuesday, July 22nd

Orders Due: Sunday, Aug 10  
Order Pickup: Thursday, Aug 21  
Continuous replenishment offered as needed  
Second Order Due: Sunday, Sept 7  
Second Order Pickup: Thursday, Sept 18  
Final Payments Due: Friday, Dec 2  
Gathering of Heroes Saturday, Jan 31

## COMMISSION STRUCTURE

30% - Base Rate  
+1% - Attend either Virtual Unit Leader Training  
+2% - Join the GAC Popcorn Community on Facebook and submit a photo of unit Kick-off to the page by Aug.30th  
+1% - For unit participation in online, wagon, and store-front sales (all three methods)  
+1% - Average Scout sale of \$500 based off of Oct. 1 Scoutbook Roster  
Online Direct Sales are 30%

## Gathering of Heroes Celebration!

Our top 50 selling Scouts will be invited to the Gathering of Heroes party on Saturday, Jan 31st.



The Gathering of Heroes includes tons of super hero themed fun and excitement!



## Patches!

- Scouts will receive a patch for selling at least one item!
- Scouts will earn a special patch for receiving \$250 in American Heroes donations!

[www.1bsa.org/popcorn](http://www.1bsa.org/popcorn)



# Cub Scout Recruitment Bootcamps!

Inviting new families to join Scouting is the most important thing we can do. Every fall, a sign-up night is held at each elementary school across the nation. These sign-up nights are heavily advertised and are the main way that most families sign-up to participate in Scouting. The Unit New Member Coordinator is a member of the Unit committee that organizes these sign-up nights, inviting new families to join and ensuring they feel welcome.

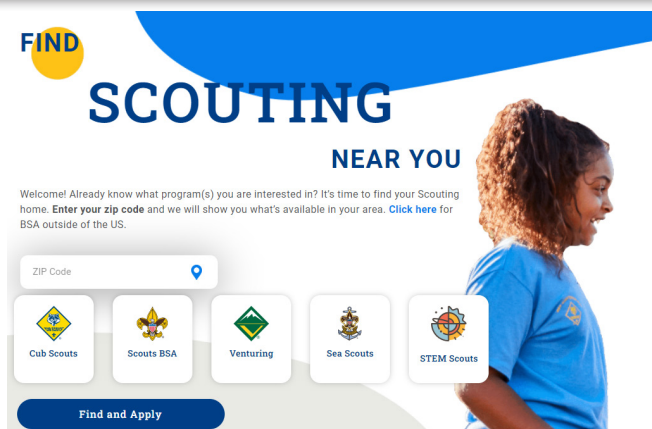
**LEADERS!** Attend a Recruitment Bootcamp to learn how we will help your Pack be successful!

Location	Date	Time	Location
Anniston	July 17th	6:30pm	TBA
Birmingham	July 17th	6:30pm	Birmingham Scout Office
Cullman	July 17th	6:30pm	TBA
Huntsville	July 17th	6:30pm	TBA

Order your free marketing materials online at [1bsa.org/membership-growth](http://1bsa.org/membership-growth) , and we'll deliver them to you at Bootcamp!



Keep your BeaScout.org Pin Updated!



Accessed through [my.scouting.org](http://my.scouting.org), keep your unit's BeaScout.org pin updated. Tell families about your unit and accept online adult and youth applications.

visit [www.1bsa.org/membership-growth/](http://www.1bsa.org/membership-growth/)

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# Position Specific Training for Unit Volunteers

Are you the Cubmaster? Den Leader?  
Scoutmaster? Committee Chair?  
Or in any leadership position in your unit?

Every Scout deserves a trained leader, & every leader deserves to be trained!

Find training for your position online at  
[my.scouting.org](http://my.scouting.org)  
or attend a classroom training provided by one of our  
Districts. Visit [www.1bsa.org/adult-leader-trainings](http://www.1bsa.org/adult-leader-trainings)



Planning on going camping?

- Complete Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation – BALOO (Cub Scout Leaders)
- Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills IOLS (Scouts BSA & Venture Leaders).

These trainings are required to take youth camping, so don't procrastinate! Learn everything you need to know to keep Scouts safe and having fun in the outdoors. Dates for these trainings are found in the calendar or at [www.1bsa.org](http://www.1bsa.org)

## Scout Days!

Scout Days are unique opportunities for Scouts and their families to attend exciting events and experiences with other Scouting families. Through partnerships with various local and national organizations, Scouts can attend events at a discounted price of admission, and a portion of the proceed supports the Scouting movement.

Scout Days include: sporting events, car races, museums, zoos, theme parks, and more. Often these tickets include extra experiences, such as on-field flag ceremonies or a special patch.

Our partners typically include NASCAR and Talladega Superspeedway, The Birmingham Legion, Auburn University, Birmingham Barons, UAB, Memphis Grizzlies, The Atlanta Braves, the Rocket City Trash Pandas, and more!

Scout Days are advertised in the Digital Eagle Newsletter and can also be found at <https://1bsa.org/scout-days/>

## Website & Digital Eagle eNewsletter

Stay up to date on the latest happenings within Scouting and the Greater Alabama Council by signing up to receive our monthly eNewsletter - The Digital Eagle.

Sign-up for other distribution lists like Summer Camp, Cub-chatter, Popcorn sale, Exploring, and your District. The eNewsletter sign-up can be found on the homepage of our website.

Our website [www.1bsa.org](http://www.1bsa.org) is a great location to get information on Council & District programs and offerings. Don't hesitate to contact us if you ever need anything! We are here to help!

[www.1bsa.org](http://www.1bsa.org)

Office: 205-970-0251



# The Beautiful and Always Sunny Comer Scout Reservation!



## 2026 Registration

**Week 1: June 7-13**

**Week 2: June 14-20**

**Week 3: June 21-27**

**Week 4: June 28- July 4**

**Week 5: July 5-11**

Scouts BSA Summer Camp at Camp Comer, sitting high-atop Lookout Mountain in Northeast Alabama, is a unique and beautiful camp. With cooler summer temperatures, dark evening skies, and permanent year-round campsites, Comer is a wonderful Summer Camp or weekend camping trip destination! Located on the shoreline of beautiful, 88 acre lake Republic, the waterfront includes separate boating and swimming areas. Camp offers all typical summer-camp Merit Badges plus: Bird Study, Astronomy, Healthcare Professions, Pottery, Sculpture, Programming, Sustainability, Fishing, and more!



**Over 55 Merit Badges!  
Sci-Tech Programs!  
Famous Comer Shindig!**

**Great Hiking!**

**Waterslide!**

**50' Climbing Tower**

**Chimney Climbing!**

**Comer 5K Challenge!**

**Banana Relay Race!**

**Whitewater Rafting!**

**Fishing!**

**World-class shooting facilities!**

## **GREAT AMENITIES!**

Fiber Internet!

Platform Tents with Decks!

Adirondacks with Bunk Beds!

Great Showers with on-demand

Hot Water!

Air Conditioned Scoutmaster Lounge!

## **Trailblazer**

Scouts complete Trail to 1st Class advancement, do a 5-mile hike, go swimming and boating, and receive a special patch!



# Great Hiking!



**Comer HD!** *(High Adventure for older Scouts)*

**Zip Lining! Caving!**

**Hike to a hidden swimming hole!**



# Camp Sequoyah

## THIS IS YOUR ADVENTURE!



### 2026 Registration:

**Week 1: June 7-13**

**Week 2: June 14-20**

**Week 3: June 21-27**

**Week 4: June 28- July 4**

**Week 5: July 5-11**

Scouts BSA Summer Camp at Camp Sequoyah is all about having FUN and using the Patrol Method. Senior Patrol Leaders (SPL) will lead and guide their fellow Scouts to ensure they have an amazing time at camp. When you arrive, The SPL's first task is to plan out and schedule your troop's afternoon activities! Your troop will do three activities together every afternoon! Create your schedule based on what you and your fellow Scouts want to do!

### Afternoon Activities!

War Canoe!

Metal Forge!

Boat & Shore Fishing!

Rifle Shooting!

Shotgun Shooting!

Sidewinder Waterslide!

Stand Up Paddleboards!

Canoeing & Kayaks!

Swimming!

Climbing!

Hawk Throwing!

Hiking!

Mountain Biking!

Troop Merit Badges  
and More!



Nestled in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains, in the shadows of Mt. Cheaha, Alabama's highest peak, possessing a beautiful 86-acre lake, extensive mountain bike trails, and tree-shaded campsites, Camp Sequoyah truly is a Land of 1,000 dreams!

### 55 Merit Badges Offered!

### Awesome Evening Programs!

### Adventure Valley Mud Run!

### Famous Water Carnival!

Sequoyah Mountaineering Corps (Program for older youth)!

### Unique Eagle Bound Program

Earn the Swimming Merit Badge in our unique Trail to First Class Program! Scouts will complete rank requirements that tend to be more difficult for the troop to complete on their own. Participants will receive a special patch to commemorate their experience!



Our Council operates 5 camping properties that are available for use year-round by Scouting units and outside groups. For more information and pricing, please contact us at (205) 970-0251 or visit [www.1bsa.org/camping-properties/](http://www.1bsa.org/camping-properties/)

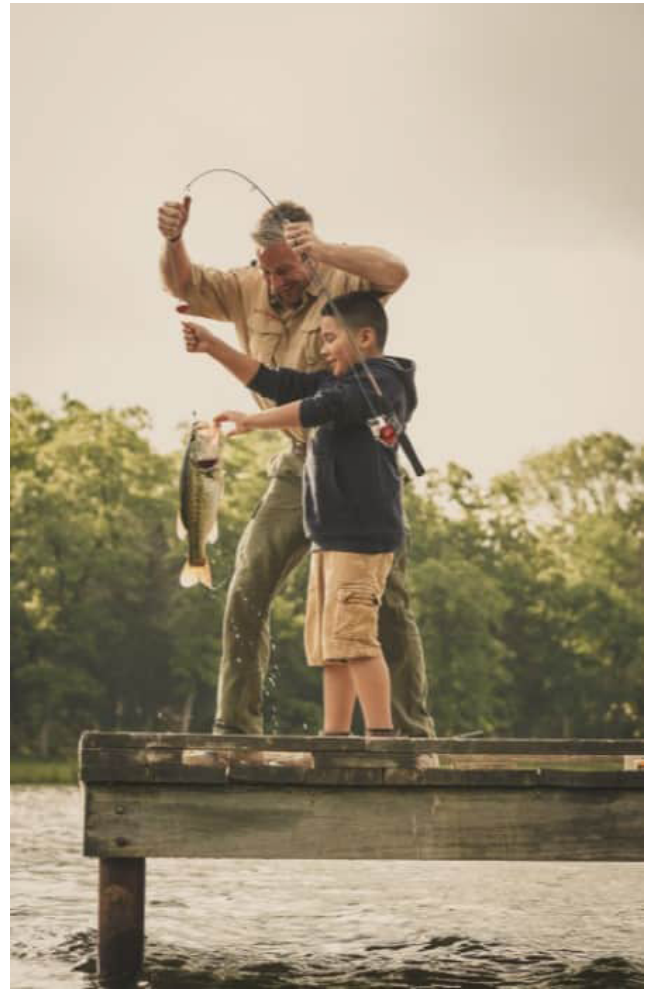


# CUB SCOUT FISHING DERBY

Attention all Cub Scouts and Families! Join us for fishing, fun, prizes, and a patch! Don't know how to fish? That's ok! We'll teach you! Poles, bait, and other fishing supplies will be furnished, or bring your own. Prizes for the Biggest Fish, Smallest Fish, & Ugliest Fish! Attend any or all of the dates below!

Cost: \$10.00 per Scout,  
\$5.00 for additional Scouts or siblings.  
Events start at 9am and end at 12pm.

Sept 13:	Joe Wheeler Marina, Rogersville
Sept 27:	Sylvania Lake, Sylvania
October 4:	Camp Sequoyah
October 18:	Aldridge Gardens, Hoover
November 1:	Brahan Spring Park, Huntsville



## Cub Haunted Weekend

Every Halloween ghosts and goblins are on the prowl at our council camps! This exciting overnight campout experience for Cub Scouts is packed with events and activities! Fun for the entire family!



Oct 10-11 at Camp Comer  
Oct 11-12 at Camp Comer  
Oct 17-18 at Camp Comer  
Oct 18-19 at Camp Comer  
Oct 24-25 at Camp Comer  
Oct 24-25 at Camp Westmoreland  
Oct 25-26 at Camp Comer

Cost: \$70 per Cub and Partner,  
\$90 for 2 Cubs and Partner



Haunted Hayrides!  
BB Guns & Archery!  
Haunted Trails!  
Costume Contests!  
Haunted Houses!  
Campfire Programs!  
Face-painting!  
Games & Crafts!





## Cub Scout Day Camp 2026

Chock-full of adventures, attend Day Camp! BB guns & Archery, STEM & Scout Crafts, Field Sports, Nature hikes and much more! Scouts will complete program adventures and work on advancement!



### 2026 Theme: DINOTOPIA!

June 1 - 5 at Camp Westmoreland (\$75)

June 4- 6 is Mulberry's Day Camp (\$40)

June 8 - 12 is Arrowhead's Day Camp (\$75)

June 8 - 12 at Oak Mountain (\$125 Regular / \$95 Early)

June 8 - 12 in Huntsville (\$125 Regular / \$95 Early)

## Cub Scout Cast Iron Quest

July 12th at Sloss Furnace. This is a full day of Scouting fun including an IRON POUR! Archery, Sling-Shots, Museum, and more!



## Joy to the Woods Holiday Campout



Dec 12-14th at Camp Sequoyah. This Pack 2-night, 3-Day camping opportunity offers fun activities including Archery! BB-Guns! Sling-Shots! Campfire program! Holiday crafts! and more! Camping is optional and Scouts and Packs can choose to attend Saturday only.



## Cub Adventure Weekend

Calling all Cub Scouts! Get ready for a weekend of fun at Camp Comer! As an intrepid adventurer you will test your skills on daring explorations, activities, shooting sports, competitions, and more! Exciting activities for the entire family! Are you ready for adventure?

May 1st - 3rd 2026 at Camp Comer

Cost: \$70 per Cub and Partner

\$90 for 2 Cubs and Partner

## Cub Scout Summer Camp

Cub Camp is a 4-day 3-night overnight camping experience for our Tigers, Wolves, and Bears! Held at beautiful Camp Comer, Scouts will participate in thrilling and adventurous activities including shooting sports, swimming, boating, waterslides, fishing, hiking, scout skills, and much more! The fun doesn't stop when the sun goes down. Evening programs, activities, campfires, and more! Meals are served in the Dining Hall 3 times a day with plenty of delicious options. Attend cub camp and make memories that will last a lifetime!

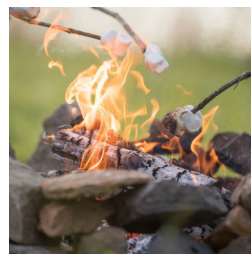
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## Webelos Camp

4 Days and 3 nights of Scouting adventure! Webelos get a taste of Scouts BSA summer camp while completing Webelos Adventures! Scouts will have a BLAST as they canoe, swim, go climbing, take hikes, shoot bb-guns and archery, adventure games, and more! Open to all youth who will be at least Webelos by June 1st.

July 2026





# COOSA LODGE, WWW

## ORDER OF THE ARROW

For over 110 years, the Order of the Arrow (OA) has recognized Scouts and Scouters who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives. The OA is Scouting's National Honor Society and its members, known as Arrowmen, maintain camping traditions and spirit, promote year-round and long-term resident camping, and provide cheerful service to others. OA service, activities, adventures, and training for youth and adults are models of quality leadership development and programming that enrich and help to extend Scouting to America's youth.

Greater Alabama Council is the home of the Coosa Lodge of the Order of the Arrow. The program is led by our local youth leadership with the lodge chief leading our lodge and the chapter chiefs leading each District chapter.

### How do I become a member?

To become a member of Scouting's Honor Society you must be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America in a Scouts BSA Troop, Venture Crew, or Sea Scout Unit. You must be of First-class rank or higher. You must complete 15 nights of Scout camping while registered; that includes a long-term camp of at least 5 consecutive nights. Lastly, you must be approved by your leader and elected by the youth members of your unit. Adults who meet the camping requirements may be elected following nomination to and approval by the lodge adult selection committee.

### Attend Induction Weekend!

Have you been elected by your Unit to become a member of the OA? Take your next step by completing your Ordeal at one of our Induction Weekends. Register online at [www.coosa50.org](http://www.coosa50.org).

### Need an OA Election?

Does your Troop need to hold an Order of the Arrow Election? Make the request at [www.coosa50.org](http://www.coosa50.org), and a member of our Unit Election team will contact you to schedule and guide you through the process.

### 2025-2026 Lodge Events

August 15 - 17	Induction Weekend at Camp Comer
September 12-14	Re-scheduled Spring 2025 Carnival Event ( <i>For All Scouts</i> )
November 7-9	Fall Fellowship at Camp Comer ( <i>Lodge elections</i> )
December 5-7	Lodge Leadership Development Retreat ( <i>By invitation only</i> )
January TBA	OA Section E-6 Winter Event
January 24	Lodge Winter Banquet
March 14-16	Spring Fellowship at Camp Comer ( <i>For All Scouts</i> )
April 17-19	Section E-6 Conclave
May 1-3	Induction Weekend at Camp Sequoyah

Leadership: Lodge Chief: Zion Tipton (Youth)  
Lodge Advisor: John Kelton (Adult)  
Staff Advisor: Erick Simmons, [erick.simmons@scouting.org](mailto:erick.simmons@scouting.org)



[www.coosa50.org/](http://www.coosa50.org/)





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BADGE**  
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## Wood Badge

Wood Badge is the ultimate leadership training program for adult leaders. Similar courses on the corporate side cost thousands of dollars per attendee. This course delivers the latest in 12 leadership skills that will help you be the best leader possible. These are skills that will become part of your everyday life. You will use these skills at home, church, and anywhere leadership is needed. The course is made to provide the highest quality course with the most experienced staff to a diverse audience. We promise you friendship, camaraderie, knowledge, personal awareness, and most of all, fun!

The five-day course is split over two weekends.

Weekend 1: March 20-22 / Weekend 2: April 10 - 12

[www.1bsa.org/woodbadge/](http://www.1bsa.org/woodbadge/)

## National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)

Attention all YOUTH! NYLT is an inspiring six-day program, designed to provide youth with communication, planning, interpersonal skills, and experiences that they can use in their home units and in other life situations demanding leadership of themselves or others. Participants will be engaged in an outdoors leadership training experience led by their own Scouts BSA peers. This is a challenging hands-on leadership training program for Scouts ages 13 and older of at least First-Class Rank; or registered Venturers or Sea Scouts. This is a top-tier leadership course that ALL Scouts should attend!

Winter 2026 Course: January 17 - 19; February 14 - 16 at Camp Comer

Summer 2026 Course: June 20-26 at Camp Westmoreland

[www.1bsa.org/nylt/](http://www.1bsa.org/nylt/)



## University of Scouting & Merit Badge College

Attention Adults! Whether you are new to Scouting or a veteran, the University of Scouting has something for you! This annual one-day supplemental training event offers more than 100 classes that emphasize programs, skills, and resources to help you deliver high quality opportunities to your Scouting youth. Come and learn practical skills and gain valuable knowledge in a fun and festive atmosphere. Be the best leader you can be!

In conjunction with University of Scouting, we offer a **Merit Badge College**. While leaders take training, your Scouts can take up to two badges led by experienced instructors during the day.

Saturday, February 28th at the University of Alabama in Huntsville

[www.1bsa.org/university-of-scouting/](http://www.1bsa.org/university-of-scouting/)



# JULY 2025

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## Council Events - July

### Unit Leader Popcorn Kick-off:

Virtual on July 19th 9:30am

Virtual on July 22nd 7pm

### Summer Camp



June 1 - July 5

Camps Comer and Sequoyah

### RECRUITMENT BOOTCAMPS!



July 17th in Anniston

July 17th at Bham Scout Office

July 17th in Huntsville

July 17th in Cullman

### Webelos Camp @ Camp Comer



July 6-9

### Cub Summer Camp @ Camp Comer



July 9-12

## Typical & Recommended Unit Events - July

### Cub Scout Packs



Webelos Camp

Cub Camp

Program Planning wrap-up

### Back to the Pack Event



Re-engage your families and prepare for fall events and recruitment! Learn more about this at:

[1bsa.org/membership-growth](https://1bsa.org/membership-growth)

### Scouts BSA Troops



Summer Camp or Campout

Program Planning wrap-up

## District Events - July

### Cheaha:

July 12 - Cub Activity Day

### Cherokee:

July 31 - Fall Membership Kick-off

### Choccolocco:

July 12 - Cub Activity Day

### Etowah:

July 12 - Cub Activity Day

### Mountain Lake:

July 11 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mulberry:

July 10 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

July 10 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Shelby:

July 3 - Committee & Comsr Mtg.

### Talakto:

July 3 - Roundtable & OA Chapter Mtg

July 31 - Committee & Comsr Mtg.

### Three Rivers:

July 14 - Fall membership Kick-off



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## Council Events - August

### Popcorn:

Aug 10 - Popcorn Orders Due  
Aug 21 - Popcorn Pick-up

### Order of the Arrow

Aug 16-18 - Induction Weekend  
at Camp Comer

### Exploring:

Aug 5 - Exploring Leader's Dinner  
Aug 11 - Explorer Explosion

## Typical & Recommended Unit Events - August

### Cub Scout Packs

Unit Popcorn Kick-off  
Hold sign-up for Scouting nights  
Parent Orientation Meeting  
Pack Meeting  
Den Meetings

### Scouts BSA Troops

Unit Popcorn Kick-off  
Plan an Event Recruitment Night for Sept.  
Invite Arrow of Light Scouts to a meeting

## District Events - August

### Arrowhead:

Aug 7 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Aug 7 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
Aug 7 - Fall Membership kick-off

### Cheaha:

Aug 7 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Aug 22 - Fall Membership Kick-off

### Cherokee:

Aug 14 - Roundtable/ Committee Mtg.

### Choccolocco:

Aug 7 - Roundtable / District Mtgs  
Aug 7 - OA Chapter Mtg  
Aug 22 - District Membership Kick-off

### Etowah:

Aug 7 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Aug 22 - Fall Membership Kick-off

### Mountain Lake:

Aug 1 - Fall Membership Kick-off  
Aug 7 - Roundtable/District Mtgs



### Mulberry:

Aug 14 - Roundtable/ District Mtgs.  
Aug 14 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
Aug 14 - Fall Membership Kick-off  
Aug 17 - Merit Badge Sunday

### Sequoyah:

Aug 12 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Shelby:

Aug 2 - Fall Membership Kick-off  
Aug 7 - Roundtable / Comsr Mtg.  
Aug 7 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
Aug 30 - Leader Specific Training  


### Talakto:

Aug 7 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Mtg.  
Aug 7 - Fall Membership Kick-off  
Aug 28 - Committee / Comsr Mtg.

### Three Rivers:

Aug 7 - Roundtable & Comsr Mtg.  
Aug 7 - Committee Meeting

### Vulcan:

Aug 1 - Fall Membership Kick-off  
Aug 7 - Roundtable / Comsr Mtg.  
Aug 14 - Committee Mtg.  
Aug 23 - Advance-o-Rama   
Aug 28 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Westmoreland:

Aug 7 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Aug 7 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
Aug 7 - Fall Membership Kick-off



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## Council Events - September

### Cub Scout Fishing Derby

Sept 27- Sylvania Lake, Sylvania  
Sept 27 - Mulberry Fishing Derby

### Popcorn:

Sept 7 - Second Order Due

### Fish Camp @ Camp Sequoyah

Sept 26- 28  
Scouts will work on earning Fishing, Fly Fishing, and Fish & Wildlife Management Merit Badges as well as work toward the BSA's Angler Award.

### District Leadership Conference

Sep 20- Camp Westmoreland  
For all District Committee members and all Commissioners

### Exploring:

Sept 17 - Explorer Explosion Luncheon (Leaders)

## Typical & Recommended Unit Events - September

### Cub Scout Packs

Pack Meeting  
Den Meetings  
Hold sign-up for Scouting nights

### Scouts BSA Troops

Hold an Event Recruitment Night  
Request Summer Camp Promotion Visit  
Make your Summer Camp Reservation  
Meetings & Campout  
Service Project  
Invite Arrow of Light Scouts to a mtg

### National Day of Service

Sept 11th (*Recognized*)

## District Events - September

### Arrowhead:

Sept 4 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Sept 4 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
Sept 4 - Recharter Training/Kick-off

### Cheaha:

Sept 4 - Roundtable / District Mtgs

### Cherokee:

Sept 4 - Roundtable / Committee Mtg.


### Choccolocco:

Sept 4 - Roundtable / District Mtgs  
Sept 4 - OA Chapter Mtg




### Etowah:

Sept 4 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mountain Lake:

Sept 4 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Sept 27 - Fishing Derby- Sylvania Lake 



### Mulberry:

Sept 11 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Sept 11 - Eagle Transition Seminar   
Sept 11 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
Sept 21 - Merit Badge Sunday   
Sept 27 - Cub Fishing Derby 




### Sequoyah:

Sept 12 - Roundtable/ District Mtgs.  
Sept 27 - Fishing Derby- Sylvania Lake







### Shelby:

Sept 4 - District Committee Mtg.  
Sept 4 - Roundtable / Comsr Mtg.  
Sept 4 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
Sept 6 - Wilderness First Aid  
Sept 13-14 - Baloo / IOLS Training  



### Talakto:

Sept 4 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Mtg.  
Sept 12-14 - Leave No Trace Lvl 1     
Sept 25- Committee / Comsr Mtg.

### Three Rivers:

Sept 4- Roundtable & Comsr Mtg.  
Sept 4 - Committee Meeting  
Sept 5-7- Fall Camporee     
Sept 20 - Leader Specific Trng   

### Vulcan:

Sept 4 - Roundtable / Comsr Mtg.  
Sept 6-7 - IOLS/BALOO    
Sept 11 - Committee Mtg.  
Sept 25 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Westmoreland:

Sept 4 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Sept 4 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
Sept 4 - Recharter Training & Kick-off



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## Council Events - October


**Scouting for Food**     
Oct 24-28 Door Hanger distribution

**Jamboree on the Air** Oct 17-19

**Cub Scout Fishing Derby**   
Oct 4 - Camp Sequoyah  
Oct 18 - Aldridge Gardens, Hoover




**Cub Haunted**   
Oct 10-11, 11-12 at Camp Comer  
Oct 17-18, 18-19 at Camp Comer  
Oct 24-25, 25-26 at Camp Comer  
Oct 24-25 at Camp Westmoreland

## Typical & Recommended Unit Events - October

**Cub Scout Packs**   
Pack Meeting  
Den Meetings  
Cub Fishing Derby  
Cub Haunted  
Start Recharter

**Scouts BSA Troops**   
Meetings & Campout  
Service Project  
Start Recharter

## District Events - October

**Arrowhead:**  
Oct 2 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Oct 2- OA Chapter Mtg.  
Oct 2 - Annual Business Mtg.  
Oct. 17-19 - Fall Camporee   

**Cheaha:**  
Oct 2 - Roundtable / District Mtgs  
Oct 2 - Annual Business Mtg

**Cherokee:**  
Oct 9 - Roundtable / Committee Mtg.  
Oct 9 - Recharter Training & Kickoff






**Choccolocco:**  
Oct 2 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Oct 2 - OA Chapter Mtg  
Oct 2 - Annual Business Meeting



**Etowah:**  
Oct 12 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Oct 2 - Annual Business Mtg

**Mountain Lake:**  
Oct 2 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.


**Mulberry:**  
Oct 9 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Oct 17-19 - Fall Camporee     
Oct 19- Merit Badge Sunday

**Sequoyah:**  
Oct 14 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Oct 31- Nov 2 - Fall Camporee  
**Shelby:**  
Oct 2 - Roundtable / Comsr Mtg.  
Oct 2 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
Oct 2 - Recharter Training & Kickoff  
Oct 10-12 - Fall Camporee

**Talakto:**  
Oct 2 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Mtg.  
Oct 11 - Leader Specific Training     
Oct 24-25 - BALOO/IOLS    
Oct 30 - Committee / Comrs Mtg.

**Three Rivers:**  
Oct 2 - Roundtable & Comsr Mtg.  
Oct 2 - Committee Meeting  
Oct 24-25 - BALOO/IOLS  

**Vulcan:**  
Oct 2 - Roundtable / Comsr Mtg.  
Oct 9 - Committee Mtg.  
Oct 30 - OA Chapter Mtg.

**Westmoreland:**  
Oct 2 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Oct 2- OA Chapter Mtg.  
Oct 2 - Annual Business Mtg.  
Oct 17-19- Fall Camporee  
Oct 24-25 - Cub Haunted 



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## Council Events - November

### Popcorn

November- Final Month of Sales!

### Order of the Arrow

Nov 8-10 - Fall Fellowship  
at Camp Comer

### Scouting for Food

Oct 24-28 Door Hanger distribution

Nov 1-5 Food Pick-up and Drop-off

Nov 1 from 11am-2pm

Main drop-off at our Scout Offices

## Typical & Recommended Unit Events - November

### Cub Scout Packs

Pack Meeting  
Den Meetings  
Recharter  
Scouting for Food

### Scouts BSA Troops

Meetings & Campout  
Scouting for Food  
Recharter  
Court of Honor  
Invite Arrow of Lights to a meeting

### Veterans Day Parades

Nov 11

## District Events - November

### Arrowhead:

Nov 6 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Nov 6 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Cheaha:

Nov 6- Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Cherokee:

Nov 6 - Roundtable / Committee Mtg.  
Nov 6 - Annual Business Mtg.

### Choccolocco:

Nov 6 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Nov 6 - OA Chapter Mtg


### Etowah:

Nov 6 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mountain Lake:

Nov 6 - Roundtable /District Mtgs.  
Nov 6 - Recharter Training & Kickoff

### Mulberry:

Nov 13 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Nov 13 - OA Chapter Mtg  
Nov 13 - Annual Business Mtg.  
Nov 16 - Merit Badge Sunday 


### Sequoyah:

Nov 11- Roundtable/District Mtgs  
Nov 12 - Recharter Training & Kick-off  
Nov 11 - Annual Business Mtg

### Shelby:

Nov 6 - Roundtable / Comrs Mtg.  
Nov 6 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Talakto:

Nov 1 - Fishing Derby   
Nov 6 - Roundtable /District Mtgs  
Nov 6 - Recharter Training & Kick-off  
Nov 20 - Committee/Comrs Mtgs

### Three Rivers:

Nov 6 - Roundtable & CMTE Mtg.  
Nov 6 - Annual Business Meeting  
Nov 13 - Comsr Meeting

### Vulcan:

Nov 6 - Roundtable / Comrs Mtg.  
Nov 13- Commtee Mtg.  
Nov 13 - Annual Business Mtg.  
Nov 27 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Westmoreland:

Nov 6 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Nov 6 - OA Chapter Mtg.



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FROM ALL OF US AT THE GREATER ALABAMA COUNCIL, WE WISH YOU AND YOURS A VERY MERRY AND HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON!





## Council Events - December

### Winter Camp

Dec 27-31 at Camp Comer

This is a 5-day, 4-night camping adventure that offers over 30 merit badges, Trailblazers and more!

### Unit Re-charters Due:

Dec 16th.

### Popcorn:

**Final Payments Due: December 15!**

### Joy to the Woods Holiday Campout

Dec 12-14th at Camp Sequoyah

A fun 2-night, 3-Day camping opportunity with fun activities from Archery! BB-Guns! Sling-Shots! Campfire program! Holiday crafts! and more! Camping is optional and Scouts and Packs can choose to attend Saturday only.



## Typical & Recommended Unit Events - December

### Cub Scout Packs

Pack Meeting  
Den Meetings  
Submit Unit Re-charter  
Joy to the Woods Campout!

### Scouts BSA Troops

Meetings & Campout  
Scouting for Food  
Submit Unit Re-charter  
Winter Camp

## District Events - December

### Arrowhead:

Dec 4 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Dec 4 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Cheaha:

Dec 4 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Cherokee:

Dec 11 - Roundtable / Committee Mtg.  
Dec 11 - District Banquet

### Chocolocco:

Dec 4 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Dec 4 - OA Chapter Mtg

### Etowah:

Dec 4 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mountain Lake:

Dec 4 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mulberry:

Dec 11 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Dec 11 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Sequoyah:

Dec 9 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Dec 13 - District Banquet

### Shelby:

Dec 4 - Committee Mtg.  
Dec 4 - Roundtable / Comrs Mtg.  
Dec 4 - OA Chapter Mtg.




### Talakto:

Dec 4 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Mtg.

### Three Rivers:

Dec 4 - Roundtable & Comsr Mtg.  
Dec 4 - Committee Meeting

### Vulcan:

Dec 4 - Roundtable / Comrs Mtg.  
Dec 11 - Committee Mtg.  
Dec 20 - Bill Cather Hike   

### Westmoreland:

Dec 4 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Dec 4 - OA Chapter Mtg.



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## Council Events - January

### Popcorn Gathering of Heroes Party!

Jan 31 - Location TBA

For top 50 selling scouts

### District Leadership Workshop

Jan 17 - For all District Committee members and Commissioners.

### NYLT - Weekend #1

Jan 17-19 at Camp Comer



### Order of the Arrow

Jan 24 - Lodge Winter Banquet

### Camp Staff Interviews

Jan 24- Birmingham Office

## Typical & Recommended Unit Events - January

### Cub Scout Packs



Pinewood Derby

Pack Meeting

Den Meetings

Service Project

### Scouts BSA Troops



Meetings & Campout

Service Project

Crossover Ceremonies

## District Events - January

### Arrowhead:

Jan 8 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

Jan 8 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Cheaha:

Jan 8 - Roundtable/District Mtgs.

### Cherokee:

Jan 15 - District Cmte/Roundtable

### Choccolocco:

Jan 8 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

Jan 8- OA Chapter Mtg

### Etowah:

Jan 8 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mountain Lake:

Jan 8- Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mulberry:

Jan 8 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

Jan 8 - OA Chapter Mtg.

Jan 18 - Merit Badge Sunday

### Sequoyah:

Jan 13 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Shelby:

Jan 8 - Committee Mtg.

Jan 8 - Roundtable / Comrs Mtg.

Jan 8 - OA Chapter Mtg.

Jan 31- Merit Badge Day



### Talakto:

Jan 8 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Mtg.

Jan 31 - District Banquet

Jan 29 - Committee / Comrs Mtg.

### Three Rivers:

Jan 8 - Roundtable & Comsr Mtg.

Jan 8 - Committee Meeting

### Vulcan:

Jan 8- Roundtable / Comrs Mtg.

Jan 3 - Day of Service



Jan 15 - Committee Mtg.

Jan 22 - District Banquet

Jan 29 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Westmoreland:

Jan 8 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

Jan 8 - OA Chapter Meeting





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## Council Events - February

### NYLT - Weekend #2

Feb 14-16 at Camp Comer



### A Scout is Reverent

Feb 8 - Scout Sunday

Feb 6-7 - Scout Sabath

### University of Scouting & Merit Badge College:

February 28th, University of Alabama in Huntsville



## Typical & Recommended Unit Events - February

### Cub Scout Packs

Blue & Gold Banquet  
with FOS Presentation  
Den Meetings

### Scouts BSA Troops

Meetings & Campout  
Crossover Ceremonies

## District Events - February

### Arrowhead:

Feb 5 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

Feb 5 - OA Chapter Meetings

### Cheaha:

Feb 5 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

Feb 7 - Merit Badge Day 

### Cherokee:

Feb 5 - Roundtable / Committee Mtg.

### Choccolocco:

Feb 5 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

Feb 5 - OA Chapter Mtg

Feb 7 - Merit Badge Day 

### Etowah:

Feb 5 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

Feb 7 - Merit Badge Day 

### Mountain Lake:

Feb 5 - District Banquet

Feb 7 - STEM Day

Feb 25 - Pinewood Derby 

### Mulberry:

Feb 12 - District Banquet

Feb 15 - Merit Badge Sunday 

### Sequoyah:

Feb 10 - Roundtable/District Mtgs

### Shelby:

Feb 5 - Committee Mtg.

Feb 5 - Roundtable / Comrs Mtg.

Feb 5 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Talakto:

Feb 5 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Mtg.

Feb 21 - Cultural Activities MB Day  

Feb 26 - Committee / Comrs Mtg.

### Three Rivers:

Feb 5 - Roundtable & Comsr Mtg

Feb 7 - Merit Badge Day 

### Vulcan:

Feb 5 - Roundtable / Comrs Mtg.

Feb 12 - Committee Mtg.

Feb 20-22 - Camporee   

Feb 26 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Westmoreland:

Feb 5 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

Feb 5 - OA Chapter Mtg.



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## Council Events - March

### Woodbadge - Weekend #1

March 20-22  
Camp Comer



### OA Spring Event Campout



Mar 14-16 at Camp Comer.

Open to All Scouts! Unit Camping.  
2-nights, 3 days of camping and fun  
put on by our Order of the Arrow!

### Certified Angling Instructor Course

Mar 6-8 at Camp Sequoyah

-Open to all Adult Leaders and Scouts 15 and older. This training will help you get Scouts fishing, and will prepare older youth for Summer Camp Ecology Staff duties!



## Typical & Recommended Unit Events - March

### Cub Scout Packs


Pack Meeting  
Den Meetings  
Do a Service Project for your School!

### Scouts BSA Troops

Meetings & Campout  
Court of Honor with FOS Presentation

## District Events - March

### Arrowhead:

Mar 5 - District Banquet  
Mar 5 - Roundtable/District Mtgs  
Mar 21 - Pinewood Derby 

### Cheaha:

Mar 5 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Cherokee:

Mar 12 - Roundtable  
Mar 15 - Committee Mtg

### Choccolocco:

Mar 5 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Mar 5 - OA Chapter Mtg


### Etowah:

Mar 5 - Roundtable/District Mtgs


### Mountain Lake:

Mar 5 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mulberry:

Mar 12 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Mar 12 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
Mar 15 - Merit Badge Sunday 



### Sequoyah:

Mar 10 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Mar 28 - Pinewood Derby   
Mar 27-29 - Spring Camporee

### Shelby:

Mar 1 - District Banquet  
Mar 5 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Talakto:

Mar 5 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Mtg.  
Mar 26 - Committee / Comsr Mtg.  
Mar 27-29 - Camporee    
Mar 27-29 - BALOO/IOLS Training


### Three Rivers:

Mar 5 - District Banquet  
Mar 5 - Roundtable & Comsr Mtg.  
Mar 5 - Committee

### Vulcan:

Mar 5 - Roundtable / Comrs Mtg.  
Mar 12 - Committee Mtg.  
Mar 26 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Westmoreland:

Mar 5 - District Banquet  
Mar 5 - Roundtable/Committee Mtgs  
Mar 21 - Pinewood Derby 



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## Council Events - April

### Woodbadge - Weekend #2

Apr 10-12

### Order of the Arrow

Apr 17-19 - E-6 Conclave

### Full Throttle Weekend



Apr 24-26 at Camp Sequoyah.  
Normal Troop campout  
except that our Staff will open  
our program areas! Aquatics!  
Shooting Sports! Climbing!  
And more!

### Seabadge Course



April 24-26 at Camp Comer  
Adult leader training ideal for Adult lead-  
ers who work with older youth or for those  
wanting to learn more about the Sea Scout  
program.

## Typical & Recommended Unit Events - April

### Cub Scout Packs



Pack Meeting / Den Meetings  
District Pinewood Derby  
Crossover Ceremony  
Spring Recruitment  
Register for Day Camp  
Register for Web Camp / Cub Camp

### Scouts BSA Troops



Meetings & Campout  
Spring Recruitment Event

## District Events - April

### Arrowhead:

Apr 2 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Apr 2 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
Apr 24-26 - Spring Camporee



### Cheaha:

Apr 12 - Pinewood Derby  
Apr 2 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.



### Cherokee:

Apr 2 - Roundtable / Committee Mtg.  
Apr 11 - Pinewood Derby



### Choccolocco:

Apr 2 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Apr 2 - OA Chapter Mtg  
Apr 12 - Pinewood Derby



### Etowah:

Apr 2 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Apr 12 - Pinewood Derby



### Mountain Lake:

Apr 2 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mulberry:

Apr 9 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Apr 9 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
Apr 25 - Pinewood Derby  
Apr 24-26 - Spring Camporee



### Sequoyah:

Apr 14 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Shelby:

Apr 2 - Roundtable / Comrs Mtg.  
Apr 2 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
Apr 25 - Pinewood Derby



### Talakto:

Apr 2 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Mtg.  
Apr 25 - Pinewood Derby  
Apr 30 - Committee / ComsrMtg.



### Three Rivers:

Apr 2 - Roundtable & Comsr Mtg.  
Apr 2 - Committee  
Apr 4 - Pinewood Derby



### Vulcan:

Apr 3 - Roundtable / Comsr Mtg.  
Apr 9 - Committee Mtg.  
Apr 25 - Pinewood Derby  
Apr 30 - OA Chapter Mtg.



### Westmoreland:

Apr 2 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Apr 2 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
Apr 24-26 - Spring Camporee





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## Council Events - May

### Pinewood Derby Championship

May 16 - 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place division winners from the District Pinewood Derby's compete for the Council Championship!



### Beaver Day at Camp Jackson

May 9- Join us for a day of service at Camp Jackson! 

### Order of the Arrow

May 1-3 - Induction Weekend at Camp Sequoyah

### Program Planning Kick-offs

May Roundtable Meetings

### National Day of Prayer:

May 7, 2026

### Cub Adventure Weekend

May 1 - 3 at Camp Comer  
2-night, 3-day Cub Camping Adventure!

## Typical & Recommended Unit Events - May

### Cub Scout Packs

Pack Meeting / Den Meetings  
Program Planning  
Spring Recruitment  
Register for Day Camp  
Register for Web Camp / Cub Camp

### Scouts BSA Troops

Meetings & Campout  
Program Planning  
Spring Recruitment Event

## District Events - May

### Arrowhead:

May 7 - Roundtable/District Mtgs  
May 7 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Cheaha:

May 7 - Roundtable/District Mtgs.

### Cherokee:

May 14 - Roundtable/District Mtgs  
May 14 - District Committee Mtg

### Chocoloco:

May 7 - Roundtable/Program Preview

### Etowah

May 7 - Roundtable/District Mtgs

### Mountain Lake:

May 7 - Roundtable/District Mtgs

### Mulberry:

May 14 - Roundtable/District Mtgs  
May 14 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
May 17 - Merit Badge Sunday

### Sequoyah:

May 12 - Roundtable/District Mtgs

### Shelby:

May 7 - Roundtable/Comsr Mtg.  
May 7 - OA Chapter Mtg



### Talakto:

May 7 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
May 7 - Roundtable  
May 28 - Committee/Comsr Mtgs

### Three Rivers:

May 7 - Roundtable and Comsr Mtg.  
May 7 - Committee

### Vulcan:

May 7 - Roundtable/Comsr Mtg.  
May 4-5 - BALOO/IOLS    
May 14 - Committee Mtg

### Westmoreland:

May 7 - Roundtable/Committee Mtgs  
May 7 - OA Chapter Meeting



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## Council Events - June / July

### Day Camps

June 1-5 - Camp Westmoreland  
 June 4-6 - Mulberry District  
 June 8-12 - Oak Mountain State Park  
 June 8-12 - Arrowhead District  
 June 8-12 - Huntsville

### Summer Camp

June 7-13 - Session 1  
 June 14-20 - Session 2  
 June 21-27 - Session 3  
 June 27 - 28 - Session 4  
 June 28 - July 4 - Session 5

### Webelos Camp

July 2026 - at Camp Comer  
 4 day, 3 night adventure for Webelos  
 and Arrow of Light Scouts!

### Cub Scout Cast Iron Quest



June 6 at Sloss Furnace  
 Full day of Scouting fun including  
 an IRON POUR! Archery,  
 Sling-Shots! Museum! and more!

### National Youth Leadership Training

June 20 -26 at Camp Westmoreland



### Cub Scout Summer Camp



July 2026 - at Camp Comer  
 4-day, 3-night AQUATICS focused  
 adventure with fishing, hiking,  
 shooting sports and more!  
 For Tigers, Wolves, and Bears.

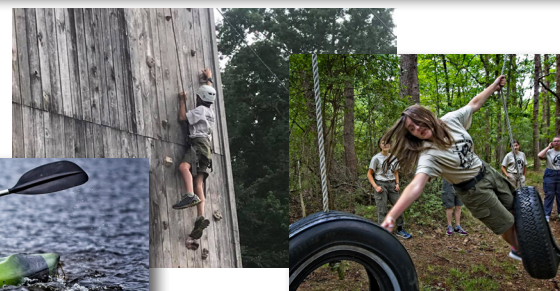
## Typical & Recommended Unit Events - June / July

### Cub Scout Packs

Summertime Pack Event  
 Program Planning (continued)  
 Day Camp (June)  
 Webelos Camp (June)  
 Cub Summer Camp (June)


### Scouts BSA Troops

Summer Camp  
 Program Planning (continued)



## District Events - June

### Arrowhead:

June 5 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
 June 5 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
 June 8-12 - Day Camp 

### Cheaha:

June 4 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Choccolocco:

June 4 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
 June 4 - OA Chapter Mtg

### Etowah:

June 4 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mulberry:

June 4-6 - Day Camp 

### Talakto:

June 4 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
 June 25 - Committee/Comsr Mtgs

### Westmoreland:

June 4 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
 June 1-5 - Day Camp 



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National Supply Scout Shops: your source for Scouting uniforms and supplies, as well as camping, craft, and gift items. Many of the items listed in the BSA Catalog or on [Scoutshop.org](http://Scoutshop.org) are in stock, and what isn't can be ordered through the Scout Shop. Visit one of our two locations in Birmingham or Huntsville. We look forward to serving you.

We have all the Official BSA supplies you need to outfit your Cub Scout, Scouts BSA, Venturer, Sea Scout, and Explorer. You receive personal help from professional staff who know all the BSA Programs. We take phone and email orders – pick them up or we can ship directly to you. We also carry the latest Eagle Scout merchandise and camping gear!

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Located at the Charles T. Clayton  
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516 Liberty Parkway  
Birmingham, AL 35242  
205-967-5954  
[birminghamscoutshop@scouting.org](mailto:birminghamscoutshop@scouting.org)

Store Hours:  
Monday-Friday: 10am - 6pm  
Saturday: 10am - 4pm

## Huntsville Scout Shop

Located in the Goodloe Service Center  
2211 Drake Ave SW  
Huntsville, AL 35805  
256-880-1488  
[huntsvillescoutshop@scouting.org](mailto:huntsvillescoutshop@scouting.org)

Store Hours:  
Monday-Friday: 10am - 6pm  
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