



Three Rivers POST

Scouting, Count me in!

Scouting, are you being counted in? Scouting is calling on Scouting Alumni to reconnect with Scouting. Alumni are strategic partners in BSA's continued success. Your affiliation with Scouting Alumni and Friends can extend the transformative experiences you had as a Scouting participant, both personally and professional. Even if you haven't been in touch for a significant time, it's easy to reconnect.

[BSA Alumni](#) is coming in 2020. If you're interested in supporting and maintaining your affiliation with Scouting let



me know (email: japb@mindspring.com). If there's enough interest I would like to organize a local chapter of BSA Alumni.

There will be perks and discounts, along with fellowship and a belonging to something huge that is shaping the life's of future leaders of our great country.

References:

- [Scouting Alumni and Friends](#)
- [BSA Alumni \(Join\)](#)
- [Alumni Resources](#)
- [Trading Post](#)
- [PERKS](#)

Three Rivers POST

Please submit your comments, feedback or suggestions to: japb@mindspring.com Please include "Three Rivers Post" in the subject.

The intent of this newsletter is to keep leaders informed and provide resources needed to support the mission



of BSA Scouting. Advancement is just one of the methods in Scouting that helps to grow a Scout's self esteem.

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"The way to get started is to quit talking and begin doing."

-Walt Disney

Safety Resources—Knife Safety

[Article from Bryan on Scouting—Michael Freeman.](#)

Let's be blunt about pocket knife safety,

A sharp blade can be a useful tool when setting up camp, fishing or cooking. It can also be dangerous when used carelessly.

Policies vary among packs, troops, councils and camps when it comes to what blade types and lengths are allowed. The BSA sets no official standard on knife length.

But there's one rule everyone agrees on: pocket knife use requires responsibility.

Its A Tool, Not a Toy!

Bears can start carrying a pocket knife after completing the Whittling Chip requirements. Scouts in Scouts BSA must earn their Totin' Chip, which also gives them the right to carry and use axes and saws.

Another important point to remember: the Whittling Chip is a Cub Scout certification and is not equivalent to the Totin' Chip. It cannot be applied to Scouts BSA — Scouts must earn the proper certification to the appropriate program to earn the rights to carry and use knives on Scout outings.



- Cutting while others are within your “safety circle” (arm’s length)
- Carrying an open pocket knife
- Carving into something that doesn’t belong to you
- Cutting toward your body

These rights, however, can be revoked if the Scout fails to be responsible. When it comes to cutting corners off these cards, here's the word on that practice.

Some big no-no's:

- Throwing a knife
- Using a dull or dirty blade
- Handing a knife to someone blade first

Treating pocket knives with respect and using them accordingly not only ensures the Scout's safety but also keeps others safe.

Remember to Keep your knife sharp and clean.

For the entire Article: [Click Here!](#)

Starting a New Cub Unit

Feeling all alone, you're not. There are lots of Scouters who would love to help they just need to hear the call. Cub scouts is lots of FUN with some effort. The best place to start is to become a trained leader as soon as possible. There is no substitute for group training; however, when your schedule doesn't permit it and you want it now there is on-line training available 24/7.

If you are part of The Three Rivers District – you have a training chair and an advancement chair along with unit commissioners ready to help.

Continuous leadership training and development occurs at the [monthly roundtable](#). This is where you can meet those who have been in your position and get some words of wisdom.



The Three Rivers District has lots of upcoming events for cubs. For example: District Pinewood Derby, Day Camps, Cub Adventures just to name a few. ([Check out the calendar](#)). A lot of outings like visiting the [Space and Rocket Center](#), or spending the night on the [USS Alabama](#) have activities just for scouts. Come meet with other leaders and discover the wealth

of resources you have, and remember as you learn you too will be a future resource for other leaders.

Training Chair (Mark Lundgren mrklndgrn@yahoo.com), Advancement Chair (John Bryant japb@mindspring.com) and District Commissioner (Mark Selfmarself34@gmail.com)

There are tons of great resources available as well.

Checkout :

<http://3riversadvancement.org/scouts/cub-scouts.html>

[10 Things Den Leaders Should Know About New Cub Scouts Program](#)

[Pack Committee Resources](#)

[Training \(Youth Protection\) and Position Specific Courses](#)

[Baloo \(Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation\) and OLS \(Outdoor Leader Skills\)](#)

is being offered March 27-28.

One final note: As you plan and prepare for your Den meetings, be sure to include some activities that promote advancement.

Thank You for being someone who is making a difference!

Your Scouting Family!

A Scout is Loyal

A Scout is loyal. A Scout is true to his family, friends, Scout leaders, school, and nation. Loyalty starts at home. You show through your actions that your family can count on you. The

success of your Scout troop and patrol also depends upon your loyalty and that of other Scouts as you support your leaders and pitch in to do your share of the work. Your loyalty to the

ideals of your school can make the learning experience good for everyone.

Diminishing The Eagle Scout Award

Does it diminish the Eagle Scout Award if scouts achieve this rank at an early age? The debate on this subject has been going on for some time. The youngest scout to reach the rank of Eagle was at age 11

[\(Kaylan Kimble Ouerbacker\).](#)

By age 13 Kaylan was still being recognized for his achievement in Scouting. Several Scouts have set personal goals to be the youngest Eagle Scout. Is this to make history or are they driven by a special purpose? [Bryan on Scouting](#) (A

Scouting Blog for BSA's Adult Leaders) has a blog (Started in 2013) called "Tuesday Talkback: What are your thoughts on 12-year old Eagle Scouts? A very good read which captures the perspective of seasoned Scouters and the perspective of Scouts who made Eagle by a young age. Quite the debate...

The first question that comes to mind by Scout Leaders is "How is this possible given the time periods needed to advance from rank to rank"? Good question! Scouting no longer has a time frame to reach First Class. However there is a 4 month period to reach Star, 6 month period to

reach Life and another 6 month period to reach Eagle. The math is 16 months minimum – however, it does take some time to achieve First Class. If the Scout can make First Class in 8 months

younger. Now that we've established its possible, they next logical question is does this support the mission of Scouting.



The mission of Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetime by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law. We must first Trust – the very first point of the Scout Law. We must trust that our

or less than we're looking at approximately 2 years since joining Scouts BSA to reach Eagle Scout. The age limit to join Scouts BSA is 11 – that would make the minimum age about 13. What about those that bridge into a troop from cub scouts?

Scouts who bridge from cubs to Scouts BSA must be at least 10 years of age and completed fifth grade. This would provide those scouts the opportunity to achieve Eagle Scout by age 12 or

Scout Leaders are seeing that scouts meet the requirements set forth by Scouts BSA and not allow our bias to add to or subtract from those requirements. The

standards set forth within the Scouting program rely on quality "trained" leaders to run the program.



Those that have worked every hard for scouting highest and most recognized achievement might feel differently. To them – it is not just an

award; it is a state of being. This is why those who have earned it

Diminishing The Eagle Scout Award Continued

as youth continue to earn it every day as adults. That is why and Eagle Scout IS an Eagle Scout and not referred to as “was” an Eagle Scout. Once an Eagle Scout always an Eagle Scout, and the expectations are that you will always live by the Scout Oath and Law. It is a lifelong commitment that should be understood by those who earned it.



who has met the requirements, has earned scouting’s most prestigious achievement and deserves to be referred to as an Eagle Scout.

(with Trained Leaders), and thus ensure the future with Quality Eagle Scouts,

I know that each person in life is different, as with each scout. No two are the same, and their strengths will vary. A Scout who has worked hard, who has done their best – and has been recognized by their unit to have achieved each rank,

If more youth desire to be an Eagle Scout, the world would be better for it. Thanks for all you do to support this wonderful program. Lets support Scouting by delivering a Quality Program

Reference

[Ventura County Star](#)

[Bryan on Scouting](#)

[The Eagle Scout Rank](#)

Eagle Scout Class of 2019

More **young people** became Eagle Scouts in 2019 than in any other year in the 108-year history of the prestigious award.

Exactly **61,353 young men** earned the Eagle Scout award last year, beating the previous record of 58,659 set in 2012, the 100-year anniversary of the award first being presented.

It’s worth noting that this is the last year I’ll be able to type “**young men**” when referring to the newest Eagle Scout class.

Advancement—Recognition

Recognition, is it important to be recognized for our accomplishments? Ask yourself, how do you feel when you are not recognized for your accomplishments? The Scouting program defines a set of requirements that must be met to be awarded/ recognized for achieving this accomplishment. I've been taught you lead by example. Scouts see more than they hear, if Scout Leaders demonstrate their pride in their accomplishments the Scouts will notice and want to follow your example.

Great News—There are lots of Awards in Scouting besides advancement ranks. Here are just a few...

The Chips and Chit

Totin' Chip (grants the Scout the right to carry and use wood tools) or the Whittling Chip (promotes safe use of pocket knives).



Cyber Chip promotes internet safety and the requirements vary based on the Scouts age and this particular award expires annually and must be "recharged".

Firem'n Chit - Certification grants a Scout the right to carry matches and build campfires

Whittling Chip—To promote safe use of pocket knives by Cub Scouts.

Youth Awards (Cubs)

National Den Award - To encourage dens to or that have a quality, year-round program

National Summertime Pack Award - To encourage a pack to be active when school is out for the summer, by doing one activity per month in June, July, and August.

Youth Awards (Cubs and Scouts)

100% Boys' Life – enough said

World Conservation Award - Scouts are eligible to receive the World Conservation Award after completing the requirements for the following merit badges: Environmental Science, Citizenship in the World, and either Soil and Water Conservation or Fish and Wildlife Management.

STEM Nova Awards - STEM is part of an initiative the Boy Scouts of America has taken on to encourage the natural curiosity of youth members and their sense of wonder about Science, Technology, Engineering and

Mathematics through existing programs.

Recruiter Strip - To recognize youth members who recruit a friend into Scouting.

SCOUTStrong Healthy Unit - Commit to three healthy practices at your regular unit meetings – fruit & veggie snacks, water, physical activity – and everyone earns a patch!

Splash and Dash Youth Aquathlon Series - The USA Triathlon Splash & Dash Youth Aquathlon Series will be returning for its eighth year and is open to athletes ages 7-15. There will be over 60 events in each of the six USA Triathlon regions

Youth Awards (Scouts)



50-Miler – Scouts who have over a minimum of five days have gone not less than 50 consecutive miles by foot, canoe or boat without the aid of motors.

BSA Lifeguard—To recognize Scouts BSA members and Venturers age 15 and older, and adult volunteers who have successfully completed the BSA Lifeguard course and demonstrated the ability to perform

Advancement-Recognition Continued

each of the skills taught in the course

Boardsailing BSA—To encourage the development of board-sailing skills

BSA Standup Paddleboarding Award—To encourage the development of Standup Paddleboarding.

Kayaking BSA - To encourage the development of kayaking skills and water safety. Earned by Scouts BSA members and Venturers.

Keep America Beautiful Hometown USA Award - A youth program between Keep America Beautiful Inc. and the BSA that recognizes outstanding efforts of Scouts in their communities in regard to citizenship and environmental improvement;

provides way for Scouts to make significant contribution toward keeping America beautiful.

Mile Swim BSA - To encourage swimming skills and recognize Scouts who swim one mile or more.

National Honor Patrol Award - To encourage patrols to have identity, spirit, be active, to do Good Turns and service projects, complete rank advancement, wear the uniform, be organized, participate with the troop, and grow; requirements found in the *Patrol Record Book*.

National Medal for Outdoor Achievement - To recognize Scouts BSA, Sea Scouts or Venturers who excel in outdoor participation; there are six areas of emphasis (camping, aquatics, hiking, riding, adventure, and conservation) with rigorous re-

quirements to earn each segment; earn the national medal by completing several requirements.

National Outdoor Challenge Unit Award - To encourage troops to do more outdoor trips and long-term camping, have an annual program plan, have an activity with a Webelos den, conduct a Leave No Trace program, and teach outdoor-related merit badges.

Outdoor Ethics Awareness Award - Guided by the Outdoor Code and Leave No Trace, millions of Scouts have enhanced their awareness of the natural world around them, minimizing impact to the land.

Outdoor Ethics Action Award Scouts - The Outdoor Ethics Action Award challenges Scouts and Scouters to take affirmative steps to improve their outdoor skills.

A Scout is Clean

A Scout is clean. A Scout keeps his body and mind fit. He chooses the company of those who live by high standards. He helps keep his home and community clean. You can't avoid getting dirty when you work and play hard. But when the game is over or the job is done, that kind of dirt washes off with soap and water. However, there's another kind of dirt that can't be scrubbed away. It is the kind that shows up in foul language and harmful thoughts and actions. Swearwords and dirty stories are often used as weapons to ridicule other people and hurt their feelings. The same is true of racial slurs and jokes that make fun of ethnic groups or people with physical or mental limitations. A Scout knows there is no kindness or honor in such tasteless behavior. He avoids it in his own words and deeds.

Advancement—Recognition Continued

Paul Bunyan Award - To encourage proper use of woods tools, training others in Totin' Chip skills, and creating a simple outdoor project using acquired woods tool skills.



SCOUTStrong Be MedWise Award - developed as an interactive and informative

way to educate Scouts and Venturers about the many benefits of OTC medicines and the harm that they can cause if they are misused.

SCOUTStrong Healthy Unit - Commit to three healthy practices at your regular unit meetings – fruit & veggie snacks, water, physical activity – and everyone earns a patch!

Scuba BSA - To encourage water skills.

Snorkeling BSA - To encourage youth members to learn and become proficient in snorkeling skills and to snorkel safely.

Whitewater Rafting BSA – The award is available to BSA youth and adults who are members of Scouts BSA, Venturing, Sea Scouts. Requirements focus on safety and basic paddling skills on whitewater up to Class III.

Youth (Venturing) Reference Youth Scouting

Venturing Leadership Award - In order to recognize Venturers and Venturing Advisors who have made exceptional contributions to Venturing and who exemplify the Scout Oath and Law, councils, areas, regions, and the BSA National Council may present individuals with the Venturing Leadership Award.

Venturing Shooting Sports Outstanding Achievement Award - To encourage Venturers to shoot in multiple disciplines and then be recognized for several challenging requirements

Adult and Youth

Conservation Good Turn Award – encourages units to join with conservation or environmental organization to carry out a Conservation Good Turn in their home communities.

Emergency Preparedness Award – Requirements vary (Tigers, Wolf, Bear, Webelo, Scout, Venturer or Sea Scout, Unit Volunteer, Council/District Volunteer)

Historic Trails Award - Requirements emphasize cooperation between historic societies and Cub Scout, Scouts BSA,

Venturing, and Sea Scout units, which should establish a close relationship with a local society as soon as possible when planning a historic activity—most communities have such societies.

International Spirit Award – Temporary patch. The award seeks to broaden knowledge of international Scouting and increase appreciation and awareness of different cultures and countries.

International Scouter's Award Knot - encourages Scouters to broaden their involvement in Scouting through participation in world Scouting activities and recognizes Scouters for their contributions to world Scouting.

Interpreter Strip - must be able to carry on a conversation in a foreign language or in sign language, write a letter in the foreign language (not required for signing), and translate orally and in writing from one language to another.

Lifesaving and Meritorious Action Award - To recognize registered youth and adults who have performed an attempt to save a life or to recognize notable acts of service that need not involve attempts of rescue or risk to self, but put into practice Scouting skills and/or ideals.

Advancement-Recognition Continued

Messengers of Peace Award - To recognize individuals who participate in a Messengers of Peace project (service project).

Presidential Active Lifestyle Award - Open to all youth and adult members and alumni of all BSA programs. Meet a daily activity goal of 30 min / day (adults) and 60 min / day (under 18 yrs) for 5 days / week for 6 out of 8 weeks.

Service Stars - To recognize members for their tenure in Scouting.

Torch of Gold - To recognize individuals who have provided outstanding service in the area of Scouts with special needs.

Trained Strip - For those who are trained to the position they hold in Scouting.

Venturing Leadership Award - In order to recognize Venturers and Venturing Advisors who have made exceptional contributions to Venturing and who exemplify the Scout Oath and Law, councils, areas, regions, and the BSA National Council may present individuals with the Venturing Leadership Award.

Veteran Award - To recognize BSA individual members for tenure in Scouting.

Veteran Unit Award - To encourage unit tenure and to recognize members of units that have been chartered 25 years or longer.

William T. Hornaday Award – Badge, Gold, Silver, Bronze and Certificate for Youth and Scouters who complete the requirements. A Conservation Award.

Woods Services Awards - A national-level recognition for volunteer adults who provide outstanding service to Scouts with special needs.

World Crest – worn by all scouts, an emblem of the World Organization of the Scout Movement.

Adult Awards

Asian American Spirit of Scouting Service Award—To recognize outstanding services by an adult individual or an organization for demonstrated involvement in the development and implementation of Scouting opportunities for Asian American youths.

Alumni Award—A recognition program to encourage participation and work in council alumni relations programs, including NESAs activities; areas of work include alumni identification/promotion, alumni engagement, personal participation, and education.

BSA Council Alumnus of the Year Award— To recognize alumni of the Boy Scouts of America who, over a sustained period of time, have used the skills and values they learned through their association with Scouting to make a significant and long-lasting contribution to their local communities through their careers, avocations, and Scouting.

Community Organization Award (Knot) – For Scout volunteers who have been recognized by one of the 20 approved national chartered organization partner for Scout service.

Den Leader Training Award Knot - recognize den leaders who have completed training, tenure, and performance requirements.

District Award of Merit Knot - Scouters who render service of an outstanding nature at the district level.

Advancement—Recognition Continued

International Scouter's Award

Knot - To recognize adult volunteers who promote international Scouting on all levels who in turn help broaden the perspectives of Scouting.



Outdoor Ethics Action Award for Scouter

- The Outdoor Ethics Action Award challenges Scouts and Scouters to take affirmative steps to improve their outdoor skills.

Philmont Training Center Masters Track Award

Knot - To promote educational opportunities by returning to Philmont Training Center over a number of years, growing through advanced-level training, and then taking knowledge back to units, districts, councils, council clusters, and national and international venues.

Scouter's Key Knot - To encourage training, performance, and tenure. Earned by Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, Venturing Crew Advisors, district and assistant district commissioners, district committee members.

Scouter's Training Award

Knot - To encourage training, tenure in a position, participation, and performance of adult leaders. Earned by roundtable commissioner staff, Cub Scout

leaders, Webelos Scout leaders, Scouts BSA leaders, Venturing leaders, Sea Scout leaders, commissioners, and district committee members.

Silver Antelope Award

Knot - To recognize registered Scouters of exceptional character who have provided distinguished service within a region.

Silver Beaver Award Knot - To recognize registered Scouters of exceptional character who have provided distinguished service within a council.

Silver Buffalo

Award Knot - To recognize registered Scouters and others of exceptional character who have provided distinguished service at the national level.



Special Needs Scouting Service Award

- This award was established to provide clear and visible recognition to adults, volunteer and professional, who serve the community of members with disabilities/special needs of the Scouting movement.

Unit Leader Award of Merit

Knot - To encourage units to be strong and viable by attaining certain benchmarks characteristic of strong units; seven requirements must be met with nomina-

tion by the top youth leader if for a troop, crew, or ship; nomination is certified by the unit commissioner. Award is for Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, Venturing Crew Advisors, and Sea Scout Skippers.

Whitney M. Young Jr. Service Award

- Recognizes outstanding service by an adult individual or by an organization for demonstrated involvement in the development and implementation of Scouting opportunities for youth from rural or low-income urban backgrounds.

William D. Boyce New-Unit Organizer Award

- To recognize volunteers who have organized a new unit.

Winthrop Rockefeller Award

- To recognize volunteers who have provided visionary leadership through service and giving in leading their council on the path of financial sustainability.

Order of the Arrow Awards

Order of the Arrow Distinguished Service Award

- Recognizes OA members who have rendered outstanding service to the Order on a sectional, regional, or national level.

Advancement-Recognition Continued

Order of the Arrow Founder's Award - To recognize OA members at the lodge level who have given outstanding service.

Order of the Arrow Red Arrow Award - Recognizes individuals who are not members of the OA for outstanding service to the OA.

Order of the Arrow Vigil Honor - To recognize youth and adult OA members who have distinguished themselves in their lodge and council through exceptional service and personal effort.

Religious

Frank L. Weil Memorial Quality Jewish Committee Award - To recognize local Jewish communities on Scouting that meet standard objectives in the support of the local council;

Frank L. Weil Memorial Unit Recognition



Award - To recognize Jewish Scout units that provide a top-quality program

National Duty to God Award - recognizes adult individuals who have demonstrated an exemplary history of transformational leadership in supporting and promoting the spiritual foundation of

Scouting.

Religious Emblems Awards Program - To encourage youth members to work on the religious emblem pertaining to the denomination of their choice.

Commissioner Awards

Commission - The issuance of a commission represents the formal empowerment by the BSA to perform the duties and undertake the responsibilities for a designated commissioner position and the acceptance of that obligation by the commissioner.

Commissioner Key (Knot) - recognizes continuing training, performance, and tenure by commissioners.

Arrowhead Honor - recognizes proficiency in the contemporary tools and techniques commissioners use to provide effective unit service.

Doctorate of Commissioner Science Knot = The Doctorate of Commissioner Science Knot Award recognizes completion of a standardized training program including a thesis or project.

Commissioner Award of Excellence in Unit Service (Knot)

= The Commissioner Award of Excellence in Unit Service is awarded to a commissioner who provides exemplary unit service, focusing on unit performance as measured in Journey to Excellence and through the use of the current Boy Scouts of America Unit Service Plan and Commissioner Tools.

Certificate of Commendation—The Certificate of Commendation is for use by a local council to recognize a commissioner who has performed in a commendable manner.

Distinguished Commissioner Service Award (Knot) - The Distinguished Commissioner Service Award is the highest recognition that can be given to a commissioner who has consistently engaged in distinguished and exceptional commissioner service resulting in significant, positive impact to youth, units, and a district and/or council.

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Advancement—Recognition Continued

Eagle Scouts

Glenn A. and Melinda W. Adams National Eagle Scout Service Project of the Year Award

- To recognize valuable service of an exceptional nature by a Scout to a religious institution, a school, a community, or another entity while doing his or her Eagle Scout service project.

“The real way to gain happiness is to give it to others.” - Baden-Powell

Spirit of the Eagle Award - A posthumous award to recognize the contributions of Scouting members who lost their lives in

an untimely accident or illness.

Distinguished Eagle Scout Award

- recognize Eagle Scouts who earned their award 25 years or more ago and have achieved national-level prominence in their field.

NESA Life Membership Award

Knot - To recognize life members of NESA for their commitment to support Eagle Scouts through a NESA life membership.

NESA Outstanding Eagle Scout Award

- Recognition granted by the local council’s NOESA committee to Eagle Scouts who have demonstrated outstanding achievement at the local, state, or regional level; unlike the Distinguished Eagle Scout Award, which is a national award, the NOESA recognizes Eagle Scouts whose efforts have been made closer to home.

Special Awards

Elbert K. Fretwell Outstanding Educator Award - Is not exclusively for classroom teachers. Any school employee who is equipping students to make moral and ethical choices is eligible for this award.

Founders Bar - Worn by all youths and adults whose names are on a new-unit charter or who join the new unit before it re-charters for the first time.

George Meany Award - To recognize union members who have made a significant contribution to the youth of their communities by volunteering in the programs of the BSA.

James E. West Fellowship

Knot - To recognize gifts to local council endowment funds.

North Star Award - High-level award presented by councils on the behalf of the National Court of Honor for nonregistered volunteers who have made a significant contribution to Scouting; on same level as the Silver Beaver Award, which is for registered volunteers.

Presidents Leadership Council

- For Scouting’s most generous donors.

Professional Circle knot - Recognizes professionals who have completed various phases of professional training and other BSA and/or non-BSA development courses, and have been certified by the Scout executive and Scouting University.

Professional Fellowship Honor

- Recognizes professionals who have completed various courses, submitted a written thesis, and have been certified by the Scout executive or area director along with Scouting University.

iScouting! Vale La Pena! Service Award

- To recognize outstanding service by an adult or an organization for demonstrated involvement in the development and implementation of Scouting opportunities for Hispanic/Latino youth.

Advancement-Recognition Continued

Second Century Society -

While every member has a different way they express their vision for Scouting's future, they have a common goal... ensuring all youth continue to experience Scouting in its Second Century and beyond.

W.P. Society Award - To recognize individuals who have contributed more than \$25 million to the BSA.

Memorial Awards

The Memorial Gold Star - if a previous or present member of the unit has given their life for their country the unit can in-memory of their lost scout place a gold star (2" embroidered) on their unit flag.

I'm sure there are additional Awards that I did not capture— please send me any that you are aware of, Thank you!

Reference: [Awards Central](#)

Knots — [Scouting.org](#)

[Guide to Awards and Insignia](#)

[Religious Emblems Program](#)

[Recognizing Alumni Achievements.](#)

[Scouting Service Award \(New for 2017\)](#)



How to Wear a Knot

This loop is in front of standing part. This loop is in back of standing part.

← Wearer's right

Right side up. The loop of the embroidered square knot that comes in front of the standing part is always to the wearer's right. In knots where both strands are the same color and therefore it is difficult to distinguish which strand comes in front, use this drawing to determine wearer's right. Knots are worn with the distinguishing color (not white) toward the wearer's right.

Upcoming Events Cubs

Pinewood Derby

Start your engines it time for District Pinewood Derby. **The date is March 7th.** . Details for District Pinewood Derby can be found on the 3RiversAdvancement.org site.

This year Three Rivers District is thrilled to announce that the District Pinewood Derby will be at Barber's motorsports park. How awesome is that, you'll be able to say "I raced at Barber's". Every pinewood car can enter to race. You can use the car you raced in your Pack, you can modify it to make it faster, or you can make a new car if you wish for this event.

Start your Engines

Looking forward to this awesome event!

I know I will be there!

References:

[Boy's Life Magazine.](#)

[How to Make a Fast Pinewood Derby Car](#)

[Polishing Pinewood Derby Axles](#)

[2020 Pinewood Derby Rules!](#)

[Awesome Pinewood Derby Car Designs of 2020](#)

On Your Mark, Get Set , Go!



The poster features a blue and orange color scheme. At the top left is the Three Rivers District logo with a fleur-de-lis. To its right is the text 'Cub Scouts Pinewood Derby' in large white letters. Below this is a blue banner with 'SAVE THE DATE' in white. The date 'Saturday, March 7th' and location 'Location - Barbers Motorsports' are listed. A photo of the Barber Vintage Museum building is shown. At the bottom, contact information for Robb Letts and Joshua Warren is provided, along with a 'SCOUT ME IN' banner and a Cub Scouts logo.

THREE RIVERS DISTRICT

Cub Scouts
Pinewood Derby

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, March 7th
Location - Barbers Motorsports

Join us for our Annual District Pinewood Derby.

BARBER VINTAGE MUSEUM
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

Class A Event.
All Scouts must have Uniform to enter. Racing families free to watch races.
Museum Experience open to scouting families at \$13.20 per person
Race Registration fee is 10 per racer.

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SCOUT ME IN

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Upcoming Events Scouts

RoundTable

Come Join Us.

March 5th, 2020 7 p.m.

We will be having our Annual Banquet. (See Flyer)

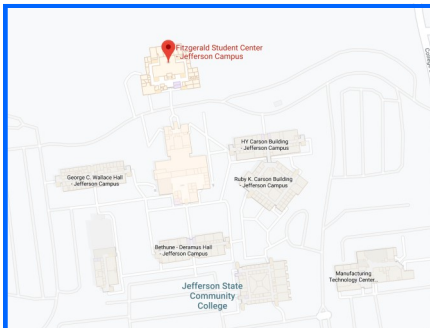
Fitzgerald Student Center

Cafeteria (Basement Floor)

Jefferson State
Community College,
2601 Carson Road,
Birmingham, Alabama

RoundTable—[Map](#)

<http://3riversadvancement.org/activities-2020/round-table.html>



Check out the district calendar for a complete listing of upcoming events.

[District Calendar](#)

A Scout is Clean

A Scout is clean. A Scout keeps his body and mind fit. He chooses the company of those who live by high standards. He helps keep his home and community clean.

THREE RIVERS DISTRICT

Annual Banquet

Enjoy an evening with your fellow scouters

Meet your fellow District Leaders

Bring a Dish to share

7:00-9:00 PM

Food and great Fellowship

Thursday, March 5th
Location - Jefferson State Community College

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BSA Mission Statement

(Reference: [Guide to Advancement 2019](#))

The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Scout Law.

The Aims of Scouting

Every Scouting activity moves young people toward the basic aims of: character development, citizenship training, leadership, and mental and physical fitness.

What a young person learns to do—is important,
but not as important as the
primary goal:

Personal Growth

Achieved through participating in a unit program.

General Resources

[Age-Appropriate Guidelines for Scouting Activities](#)

This chart provides an at-a-glance reference to activity guidelines that are based on the mental, physical, emotional, and social maturity of youth members.

[Guide to Safe Scouting](#)

The *Guide to Safe Scouting* is the unit leaders' guide to current policies and procedures.

[The Sweet 16 of BSA Safety](#)

As an aid in the continuing effort to protect participants in Scout activity, the BSA National Health & Safety Committee have developed 16 points that embody good judgment and common sense for all activities.

[Health and Safety News](#)

The Health and Safety Service provides periodic updates for Scouting leaders on a variety of relevant health- and safety-related topics.

Youth Protection

Resources for the [Cub Scout](#), [Boy Scout](#), and [Venturing](#) programs.

[Youth Protection Information](#)

[The Current of Three Rivers](http://www.threerivers1bsa.org/)—<http://www.threerivers1bsa.org/>

