

# 2024-2025

# Unit Program & Finance Planning Guidebook

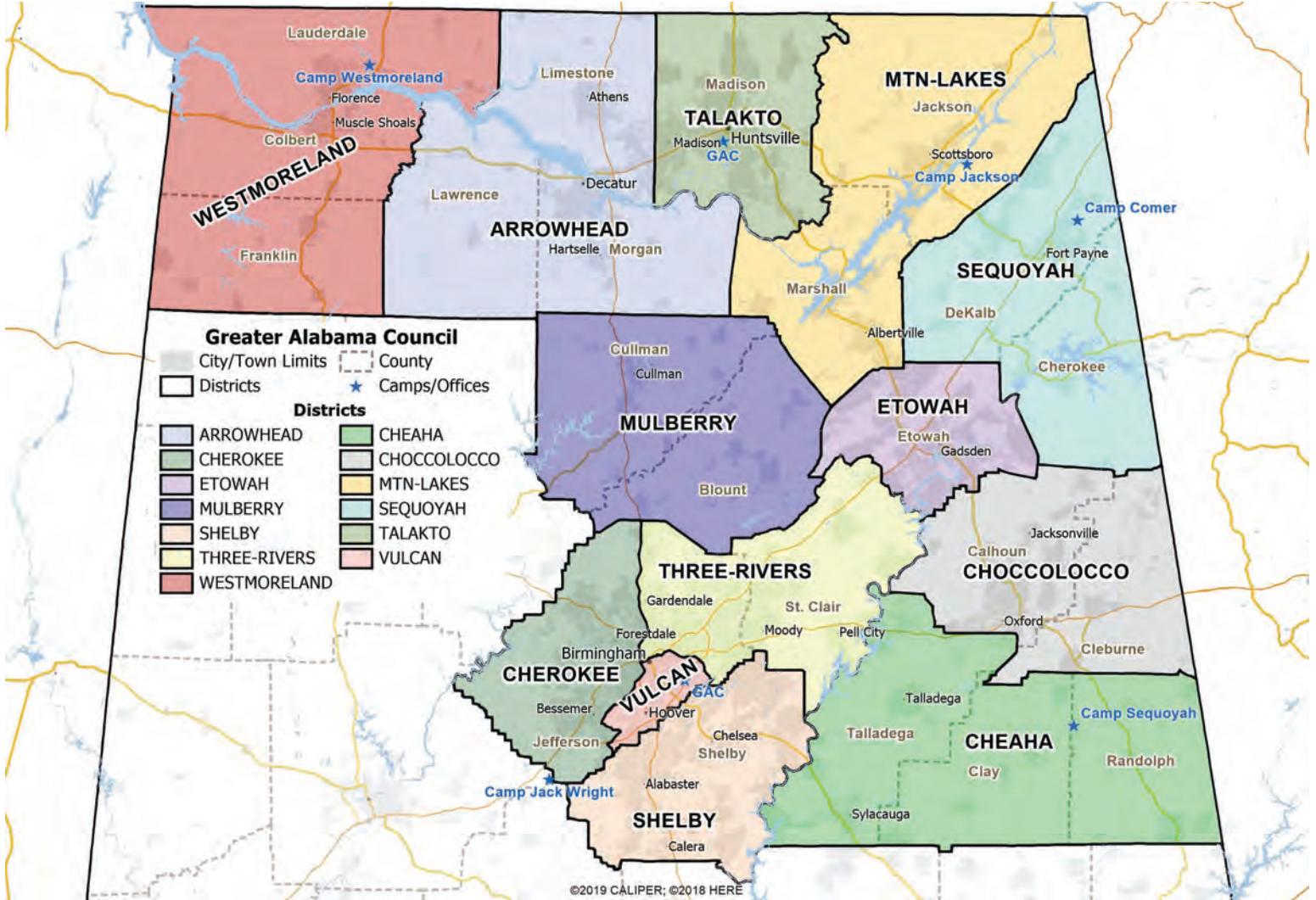


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# About the Greater Alabama Council

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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# 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



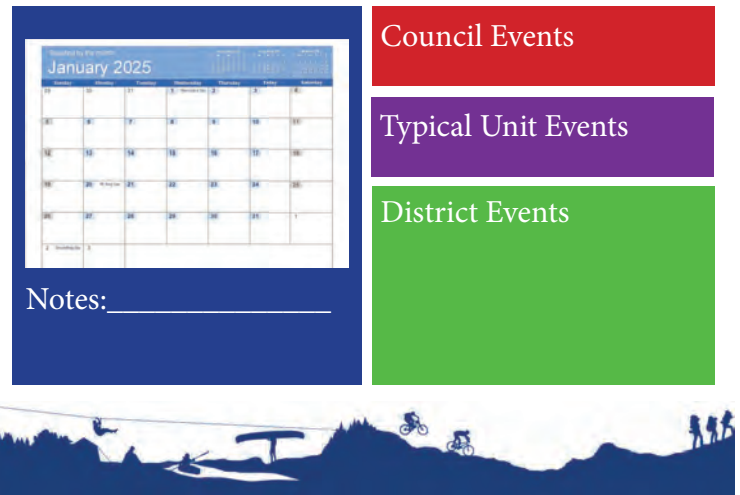
Venturing Event



Scouts BSA Event



Sea Scout Event



# 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 (JTE)

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? The Journey to Excellence 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).



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## 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.

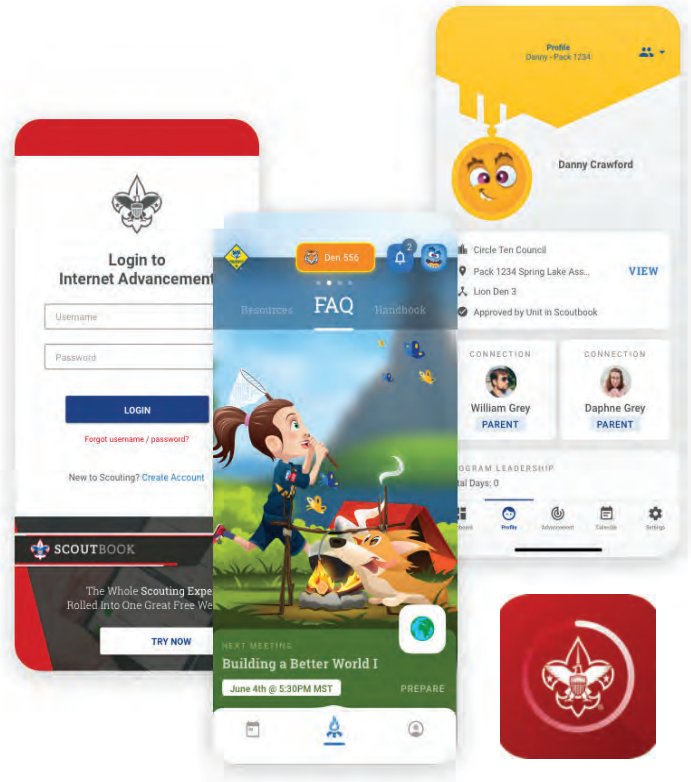
Through my.scouting members of the Unit Key 3 can:

- 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 the Boy Scouts of America's (BSA) 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)



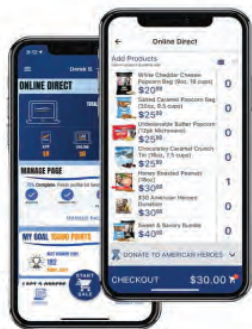
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# POPCORN SALE



## 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 20th  
 Scout Kick-off: Saturday, Aug 17th  
 (Both Birmingham and Huntsville)

Orders Due: Thursday, Aug 8  
 Order Pickup: Aug 22  
 Continuous replenishment offered as needed  
 Final Order Due: Thursday, Oct 24  
 Final Order Pickup: Nov 7  
 Final Payments Due: Friday, Nov 15  
**BIG SPIN PARTY** Saturday, Jan 25

## COMMISSION STRUCTURE

- 30% - Base Rate
  - +1% - Attend the Virtual Unit Leader Training
  - +1% - Volume Bonus 1, Sell more than \$5,000
  - +2% - Volume Bonus 2, Sell more than \$10,000
  - +1% - Volume Bonus 3, Sell more than \$15,000
- Online Direct Sales are 30%

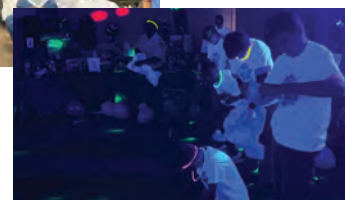
## Winner's Circle Celebration!

Our top 50 selling Scouts will be invited to the Winner's Circle Party on Saturday, Jan 25th.



The Winners Circle Party includes:

- Food & Fun!
- A "Top 50" Sellers Club cap
- Tons of Mario Kart 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.lbsa.org/popcorn](http://www.lbsa.org/popcorn)

## Camp Card Program

The spring camp card sale helps Scouts attend camp! Units earn a 50% commission on all cards sold.

[www.lbsa.org/camp-cards](http://www.lbsa.org/camp-cards)



# 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.

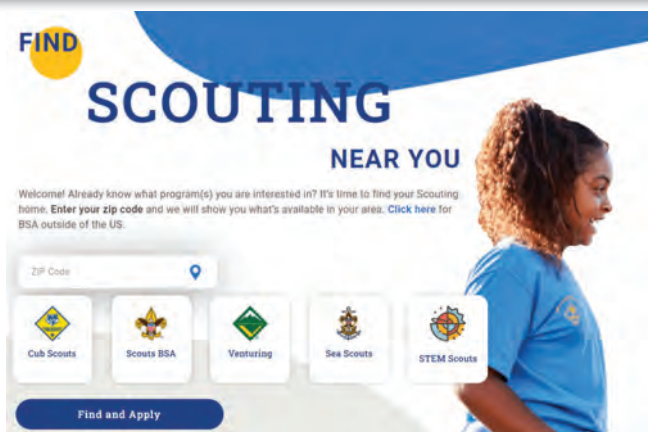
**LEADERS!** Attend a Recruitment Bootcamp to learn how we will help your Pack be successful!

Location	Date	Time	Location
Anniston	July 23rd	6:30pm	St. Mark UMC, Anniston.
Birmingham	July 23rd	6:30pm	Birmingham Scout Office
Cullman	July 25th	6:30pm	First Presbyterian Church at 615 3rd AVE SE, Cullman
Huntsville	July 23rd	6:30pm	1st UMC at 120 Green Street, Huntsville

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 the University of Alabama, 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 on our website 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. 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!



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 50 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!

2025 Registration  
Discounted Registration-  
June 1 - July 31, 2024

## GREAT AMENITIES!

Fiber Internet!  
Platform Tents with Decks!  
Adirondacks with Bunk Beds!  
Great Showers with on-demand  
Hot Water!  
Air Conditioned Scoutmaster Lounge!

## Pathfinders

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!



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# Camp Sequoyah

## THIS IS YOUR ADVENTURE!



**2025 Registration:**  
Discounted Registration  
June 1- July 31

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!**
- Older Scout Mountaineering Program!**

### Unique Eagle Bound Program

Earn the Swimming and First Aid Merit Badges 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 21:	Sylvania Lake, Sylvania
Sept 21:	Brahan Spring Park, Huntsville
Sept 28:	East Lake Park, Birmingham
October 5:	Camp Sequoyah
October 19:	Joe Wheeler State Park
October 19:	Aldridge Gardens, Hoover



## 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 11-12 at Camp Comer  
Oct 12-13 at Camp Comer  
Oct 18-19 at Camp Comer  
Oct 19-20 at Camp Comer  
Oct 25-26 at Camp Comer  
Oct 25-26 at Camp Westmoreland  
Oct 26-27 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!



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## Cub Scout Day Camp 2025

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!



### 2025 Theme: Invention Convention!

- June 2 - 6 at Camp Westmoreland (\$75)
- June 8 - 10 is Mulberry's Day Camp (\$40)
- June 9 - 13 is Arrowhead's Day Camp (\$75)
- June 9 - 13 at Oak Mountain (\$125 Regular / \$95 Early)
- June 16 - 20 in Huntsville (\$125 Regular / \$95 Early)

## Cub Scout Cast Iron Quest

June 22nd, 2024 & June 7th, 2025 at Sloss Furnance. This is a full day of Scouting fun including an IRON POUR! BB-Guns, Archery, Sling-Shots, Museum, and more!



## Joy to the Woods Holiday Campout

Dec 13-15th 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 on the high seas 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 9th-11th 2025 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!



July 2025

## Webelos Camp

4 Days and 3 nights of Scouting adventure! Webelos get a taste of Scouts BSA summer camp while completing Webelos Adventures! Programs will use the new Webelos & Arrow of Light adventures unveiled in June, 2024. 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 Webelos by June 1st.

July 2025





# COOSA LODGE, WWW

## ORDER OF THE ARROW

For over 100 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.

### 2024-2025 Lodge Events

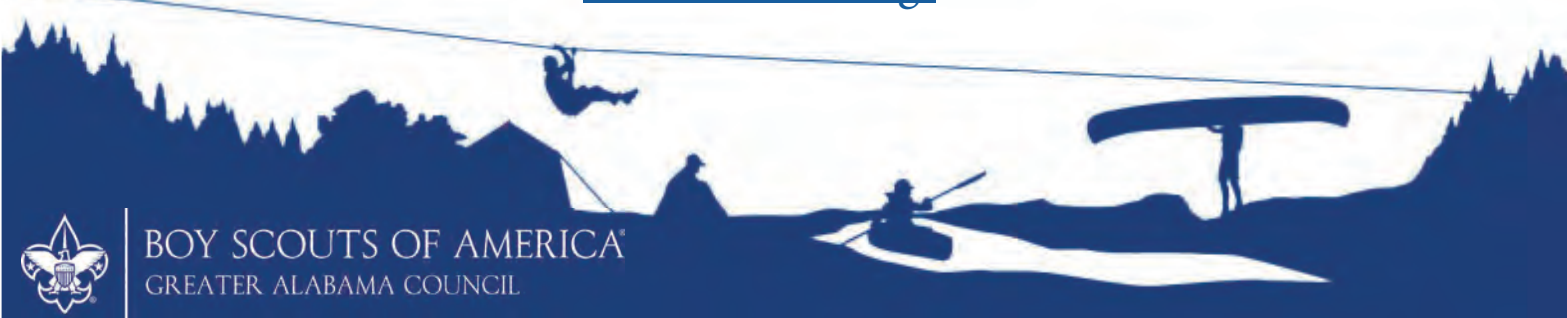
August 16 - 18	Induction Weekend at Camp Comer
November 8-10	Fall Fellowship at Camp Comer ( <i>Lodge elections</i> )
December 6-8	Lodge Leadership Development Retreat ( <i>By invitation only</i> )
January 10-12	OA Indian Winter (Tentative date)
January 25	Lodge Winter Banquet
March 14-16	Spring Event at Camp Comer ( <i>For All Scouts</i> )
April 4-6	SR-9 Conclave
May 2-4	Induction Weekend at Camp Sequoyah

Contacts: Lodge Chief: Colton Tucker (Youth) [chief@coosa50.org](mailto:chief@coosa50.org)  
 Lodge Advisor: Don Schwarzhoff (Adult) [adviser@coosa50.org](mailto:adviser@coosa50.org)

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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 21-23 / Weekend 2: April 12 - 13

[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 an inspiring leadership course that ALL Scouts should attend!

Winter Course: January 18 - 20; February 15 - 17 at Camp Comer

Summer Course: July 7-12 at Camp Sequoyah

[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, March 1st

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



Scouting by the month:

# July 2024

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## Council Events - July

### **Unit Leader Popcorn Kick-off:**

Virtual on July 20th 9:30am

### **Summer Camp**

June 30 - July 6

July 7 - 13 (Comer only)

### **RECRUITMENT BOOTCAMPs!**

July 23rd in Anniston

July 23rd at Bham Scout Office


July 23rd in Huntsville

July 25th in Cullman

### **Webelos Camp @ Camp Comer**

July 14-17

### **Cub Summer Camp @ Camp Comer**

July 17-20 

## 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 18 - Fall Membership Kick-off

### **Choccolocco:**

July 13 - Cub Activity Day

July 24 - Fall Membership Kick-off

### **Etowah:**

July 25 - Fall Membership Kick-off

### **Mountain Lake:**

July 11 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### **Mulberry:**

July 11 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

July 11 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### **Sequoyah:**

July 9 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Mtg.

### **Shelby:**

July 7 - Committee & Comsr Mtg.

### **Talakto:**

July 25 - Committee & Comsr Mtg.

### **Vulcan:**

July 13 - Committee Mtg.



Scouting by the month:

# August 2024

July '24

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September '24

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October '24

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1	2 Labor Day					

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## Council Events - August

### Popcorn:

Aug 8 - Popcorn Orders Due  
Aug 17 - Scout Kick-offs  
Aug 22 - Popcorn Pick-up

### Order of the Arrow

July 29 - Aug 3 - National Order of the Arrow Conference- Univ. of Colorado  
Aug 16-18 - Induction Weekend at Camp Comer

### District Leadership Conference

Aug 24- Camp Sequoyah  
For all District Committee members and all Commissioners

## 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 1 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Aug 1 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
Aug 1 - Fall Membership kick-off

### Cheaha:

Aug 8 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Cherokee:

Aug 1 - Roundtable/ Committee Mtg.

### Choccolocco:

Aug 1 - Roundtable / District Mtgs

### Etowah:

Aug 8 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mountain Lake:

Aug 1 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mulberry:

Aug 8 - Roundtable/ District Mtgs.  
Aug 8 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
Aug 8 - Fall Membership Kick-off

### Sequoyah:

Aug 13 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.


### Shelby:

Aug 1 - Roundtable / Comsr Mtg.  
Aug 1 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
Aug 4 - Committee Mtg.


### Talakh:

Aug 1 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Mtg.  
Aug 29 - Committee / Comsr Mtg.

### Three Rivers:

Aug 1 - Roundtable & Comsr Mtg.  
Aug 10 - Leader Specific Trng   
Aug 14 - Committee Meeting

### Vulcan:

Aug 1 - Roundtable / Comsr Mtg.  
Aug 8 - Committee Mtg.  
Aug 24 - Advance-o-Rama   
Aug 29 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Westmoreland:

Aug 1 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Aug 1 - OA Chapter Mtg.



Scouting by the month:

# September 2024

August '24

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October '24

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November '24

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15	16	17 Constitution Day	18	19	20	21
22 Autumnal equinox (GMT)	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	1	2	3 Rosh Hashanah	4	5
6	7					

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## Council Events - September

### Cub Scout Fishing Derby

Sept 21 - Brahan Spring Park, HSV  
Sept 21- Sylvania Lake, Sylvania  
Sept 28 - East Lake Park, Bham

### Fish Camp @ Camp Sequoyah

Sept 27 - 29  
Scouts will work on earning Fishing, Fly Fishing, and Fish & Wildlife Management Merit Badges as well as work toward the BSA's Angler Award.

## 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 5 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Sept 5 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Cheaha:

Sept 12 - Roundtable / District Mtgs

### Cherokee:

Sept 5 - Roundtable / Committee Mtg.  
Sept 19 - 21 - Camporee 

### Chocolocco:

Sept 5 - Roundtable / District Mtgs  
Sept 5 - OA Chapter Mtg



### Etowah:

Sept 12 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mountain Lake:

Sept 5 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Sept 28 - Fishing Derby- Sylvania Lake



### Mulberry:

Sept 12 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Sept 12 - Eagle Transition Seminar   
Sept 12 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
Sept 28 - Cub Fishing Derby 




### Sequoyah:

Sept 10 - Roundtable/ District Mtgs.  
Sept 28 - Fishing Derby- Sylvania Lake

### Shelby:

Sept 1 - District Committee Mtg.  
Sept 5 - Roundtable / Comsr Mtg.  
Sept 5 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
Sept 21 - Baloo / IOLS Training  



### Talakto:

Sept 5 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Mtg.  
Sept 6-7 - IOLS/BALOO    
Sept 21 - Fishing Derby, Brahan Spring Park   
Sept 26- Committee / Comsr Mtg.

### Three Rivers:

Sept 5- Roundtable & Comsr Mtg.  
Sept 11 - Committee Meeting  
Sept 20-22 - Fall Camporee   

### Vulcan:

Sept 5 - Roundtable / Comsr Mtg.  
Sept 12 - Committee Mtg.  
Sept 14-15 - IOLS/BALOO    
Sept 26 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Westmoreland:

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



Scouting by the month:

# October 2024

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27	28	29	30	31 Halloween	1	2
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## Council Events - October

### Popcorn

Oct 24 - Final Orders Due

### Scouting for Food



Oct 25-29 Door Hanger distribution

### Cub Scout Fishing Derby



Oct 5 - Camp Sequoyah

Oct 19 - Joe Wheeler State Park

Oct 19 - Aldridge Gardens, Hoover

### Cub Haunted



Oct 11-12, 12-13 at Camp Comer

Oct 18-19, 19-20 at Camp Comer

Oct 25-26, 26-27 at Camp Comer

Oct 25-26 at Camp Westmoreland

Jamboree on the Air Oct 20-22

## 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 3 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

Oct 3 - OA Chapter Mtg.

Oct 3 - Annual Business Mtg.

### Cheaha:

Oct 10 - Roundtable / District Mtgs

Oct 10 - Annual Business Mtg

### Cherokee:

Oct 3 - Roundtable / Committee Mtg.

### Choccolocco:

Oct 3 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

Oct 3 - OA Chapter Mtg

Oct 3 - Annual Business Meeting

### Etowah:

Oct 10 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

Oct 10 - Annual Business Mtg

### Mountain Lake:

Oct 3 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mulberry:

Oct 10 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

Oct 18-20 - Fall Camporee



### Sequoyah:

Oct 8 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Shelby:

Oct 3 - Roundtable / Comsr Mtg.

Oct 3 - OA Chapter Mtg.

Oct 3 - Annual Business Mtg

Oct 6 - Committee Mtg

### Talakto:

Oct 3 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Mtg.

Oct 3 - Re-charter Training

Oct 12 - Leader Specific Training



Oct 24 - Committee / Comrs Mtg.

### Three Rivers:

Oct 3 - Roundtable & Comsr Mtg.

Oct 9 - Committee Meeting

Oct 19 - Merit Badge Day

### Vulcan:

Oct 3 - Roundtable / Comsr Mtg.

Oct 10 - Committee Mtg.

Oct 31 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Westmoreland:

Oct 3 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

Oct 3 - OA Chapter Mtg.

Oct 3 - Annual Business Mtg.

Oct 18-20 - Fall Camporee

Oct 25-26 - Cub Haunted



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# November 2024

October '24

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December '24

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## Council Events - November

### Popcorn

Nov 7 - Unit Order Pick-up  
Nov 15 - Final Payments Due

### Order of the Arrow

Nov 8-10 - Fall Fellowship  
at Camp Comer

### Scouting for Food



Oct 25-26 Door Hanger distribution  
Nov 2-6 Food Pick-up and Drop-off  
Nov 2 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 3 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Nov 3 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Cheaha:

Nov 7 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Cherokee:

Nov 7 - Roundtable / Committee Mtg.  
Nov 7 - Annual Business Mtg.

### Chocolocco:

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

### Etowah:

Nov 7 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mountain Lake:

Nov 7 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.




### Mulberry:

Nov 14 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Nov 14 - OA Chapter Mtg  
Nov 14 - Annual Business Mtg.

### Sequoyah:

Nov 1-3 - Fall Camporee   
Nov 12 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Shelby:

Nov 1-3 - Fall Camporee     
Nov 3 - Committee Mtg.  
Nov 7 - Roundtable / Comrs Mtg.  
Nov 7 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Talako:

Nov 7 - Roundtable / District Mtgs  
Nov 7 - Annual Business Mtg.

### Three Rivers:

Nov 7 - Roundtable & Comsr Mtg.  
Nov 7 - Annual Business Meeting  
Nov 13 - Committee Meeting

### Vulcan:

Nov 7 - Roundtable / Comrs Mtg.  
Nov 14 - Committee Mtg.  
Nov 14 - Annual Business Mtg.  
Nov 28 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Westmoreland:

Nov 3 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Nov 3 - OA Chapter Mtg.



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# December 2024

November '24

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22	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day Hanukkah begins	26 Kwanzaa begins	27	28
29	30	31 New Year's Eve	1	2	3	4
5	6					

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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!



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## 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, adventures, Eagle bound program and more!

### Unit Re-charters Due:

Dec 16th.

### Joy to the Woods Holiday Campout

Dec 13-15th 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  
JTE Scorecard Due  
Joy to the Woods Campout!

### Scouts BSA Troops

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

## District Events - December

### Arrowhead:

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

### Cheaha:

Dec 12 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Cherokee:

Dec 5 - Roundtable / Committee Mtg.  
Dec 5 - District Banquet

### Chocolocco:

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

### Etowah:

Dec 12 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mountain Lake:

Dec 5 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mulberry:

Dec 12 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Dec 12 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Sequoyah:

Dec 10 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Shelby:

Dec 1 - Committee Mtg.  
Dec 5 - Roundtable / Comrs Mtg.  
Dec 5 - OA Chapter Mtg.


### Talakto:

Dec 5 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Mtg.

### Three Rivers:

Dec 5 - Roundtable & Comsr Mtg.  
Dec 11 - Committee Meeting

### Vulcan:

Dec 5 - Roundtable / Comrs Mtg.  
Dec 12 - Committee Mtg.  
Dec 21 - Bill Cather Hike 

### Westmoreland:

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



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# January 2025

December '24

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February '25

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19	20 ML King Day	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2 Groundhog Day	3					

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## Council Events - January

### Popcorn Winner's Circle Party!

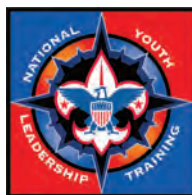
Jan 25 - Location TBA  
For top 50 selling scouts

### District Leadership Workshop

Jan 25 - For all District Committee members and Commissioners.

### NYLT - Weekend #1

Jan 18-20 at Camp Comer



### Order of the Arrow

Jan 10-12 - OA Indian Winter  
Jan 25 - Lodge Winter Banquet

### Camp Staff Interviews

Jan 11 at Birmingham Office  
Jan 25 Location TBA

## 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 9 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Jan 9 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Cheaha:

Jan 9 - Roundtable/District Mtgs.

### Choccolocco:

Jan 2 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Jan 2 - OA Chapter Mtg

### Etowah:

Jan 9 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mountain Lake:

Jan 2 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mulberry:

Jan 9 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Jan 9 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Sequoyah:

Jan 14 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Shelby:

Jan 5 - Committee Mtg.  
Jan 2 - Roundtable / Comrs Mtg.  
Jan 2 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
Jan 25 - Merit Badge Day

### Talakto:

Jan 9 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Mtg.  
Jan 18 - District Banquet  
Jan 30 - Committee / Comrs Mtg.

### Three Rivers:

Jan 2 - Roundtable & Comsr Mtg.  
Jan 8 - Committee Meeting

### Vulcan:

Jan 2 - Roundtable / Comrs Mtg.  
Jan 4 - Day of Service  
Jan 9 - Committee Mtg.  
Jan 23 - District Banquet  
Jan 30 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Westmoreland:

Jan 9 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Jan 9 - OA Chapter Meeting



Scouting by the month:

# February 2025

January '25

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March '25

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April '25

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16	17 Presidents' Day	18	19	20	21	22
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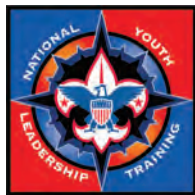


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## Council Events - February

**NYLT - Weekend #2**   
Feb 15-17 at Camp Comer




**Camp Cards**  
Sale begins at Roundtable

**A Scout is Reverent**  
Feb 9 - Scout Sunday  
Feb 7-8 - Scout Sabath

## Typical & Recommended Unit Events - February

**Cub Scout Packs**   
Blue & Gold Banquet  
with FOS Presentation  
Den Meetings


**Souts BSA Troops**   
Meetings & Campout  
Crossover Ceremonies

## District Events - February

**Arrowhead:**  
Feb 6 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Feb 6 - OA Chapter Meetings

**Cheaha:**  
Feb 6 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

**Cherokee:**  
Feb 6 - Roundtable / Committee Mtg.

**Chocolocco:**  
Feb 1 - Merit Badge Day   
Feb 6 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Feb 6 - OA Chapter Mtg

**Etowah:**  
Feb 6 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.



**Mountain Lake:**  
Feb 1 - STEM Day  
Feb 6 - District Banquet

Feb 22 - Pinewood Derby 




**Mulberry:**  
Feb 8 - Merit Badge Day   
Feb 13 - District Banquet

**Sequoyah:**  
Feb 11 - Roundtable/District Mtgs  
Feb 11 - District Banquet

**Shelby:**  
Feb 2 - Committee Mtg.  
Feb 6 - Roundtable / Comrs Mtg.  
Feb 6 - OA Chapter Mtg.

**Talakto:**  
Feb 6 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Mtg.  
Feb 22 - Cultural Activities MB Day    
Feb 27 - Committee / Comrs Mtg.

**Three Rivers:**  
Feb 6 - Roundtable & Comsr Mtg  
Feb 12 - Committee Mtg

**Vulcan:**  
Feb 6 - Roundtable / Comrs Mtg.  
Feb 7-9 - Spring Camporee     
Feb 8 - Committee Mtg.  
Feb 27 - OA Chapter Mtg.

**Westmoreland:**  
Feb 6 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
Feb 6 - OA Chapter Mtg.



Scouting by the month:

# March 2025

February '25

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April '25

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May '25

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
23	24	25	26	27	28	1 Ramadan (1st day)
2	3	4	5 Ash Wednesday	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 Vernal equinox (GMT)	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

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## Council Events - March

### University of Scouting & Merit Badge College

Mar 1st



### 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!

### Woodbadge - Weekend #1

Mar 21-23



## 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 7 - District Banquet

Mar 8 - Pinewood Derby 

### Cheaha:

Mar 13 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Cherokee:

Mar 6- Roundtable / Committee Mtg.

### Chocolocco:

Mar 6 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

Mar 6 - OA Chapter Mtg

### Etowah:

Mar 8 - Pinewood Derby

Mar 13 - Roundtable/District Mtgs

### Mountain Lake:

Mar 6 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mulberry:

Mar 13 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

Mar 13 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Sequoyah:

Mar 11 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

Mar 15 - Pinewood Derby 

### Shelby:

Mar 2 - Committee Mtg.

Mar 6 - District Banquet

Mar 6 - OA Chapter Mtg.

Mar 14 - 16 - Spring Camporee  

Mar 30 - Committee Mtg. 

### Talakto:

Mar 6 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Mtg.

Mar 27 - Committee / Comsr Mtg.

### Three Rivers:

Mar 6 - District Banquet

Mar 6 - Roundtable & Comsr Mtg.

Mar 12 - Committee

### Vulcan:

Mar 6 - Roundtable / Comrs Mtg.

Mar 13 - Committee Mtg.

Mar 27 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Westmoreland:

Mar 6 - District Banquet

Mar 6 - Roundtable/Committee Mtgs

Mar 8 - Pinewood Derby 





Scouting by the month:

# April 2025

March '25							May '25							June '25						
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30	31																			

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	1 April Fool's Day	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 Passover	14	15	16	17	18 Good Friday	19
20 Easter	21	22 Earth Day	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
4	5					

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## Council Events - April

### Woodbadge - Weekend #2

Apr 12-13

### Order of the Arrow

Apr 4-6 - E-6 Conclave

### Full Throttle Weekend

Apr 25-27 at Camp Sequoyah.

Normal Troop campout except that our Staff will open our program areas! Aquatics! Shooting Sports! Climbing! And more!

Full Throttle Weekend cost is only \$10 a Scout!

## 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 3 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

Apr 3 - OA Chapter Mtg.

Apr 4-6 - Spring Camporee 

### Cheaha:

Apr TBD - Pinewood Derby 

Apr 10 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Cherokee:

Apr 3 - Roundtable / Committee Mtg.

Apr 5 - Pinewood Derby 

### Choccolocco:

Apr 4 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

Apr 3 - OA Chapter Mtg

### Etowah:

Apr 10 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mountain Lake:

Apr 3 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Mulberry:

Apr 10 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

Apr 10 - OA Chapter Mtg.

Apr 26 - Pinewood Derby 

Apr 25-27 - Spring Camporee 

### Sequoyah:

Apr 8 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Shelby:

Apr 3 - Roundtable / Comrs Mtg.

Apr 3 - OA Chapter Mtg.

Apr 5 - Pinewood Derby 

Apr 27 - Committee Mtg

### Talakto:

Apr 3 - Roundtable / OA Chapter Mtg.

Apr 4-5 - BALOO / IOLS Training 

Apr 5-6 - Spring Camporee 

Apr 19 - Pinewood Derby 

Apr 24 - Committee / ComsrMtg.

### Three Rivers:

Apr 3 - Roundtable & Comsr Mtg.

Apr 9 - Committee

Apr 19 - Pinewood Derby 

### Vulcan:

Apr 3 - Roundtable / Comsr Mtg.

Apr 5 - Pinewood Derby 

Apr 5-6 - IOLS/BALOO 

Apr 10 - Committee Mtg.

Apr 24 - OA Chapter Mtg.

### Westmoreland:

Apr 3 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

Apr 3 - OA Chapter Mtg.

Apr 4-6 - Spring Camporee 



Scouting by the month:

# May 2025

April '25							June '25							July '25						
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27	28	29	30				29	30												

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 Mother's Day	12	13	14	15	16	17 Armed Forces Day
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 Memorial Day	27	28	29	30	31
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## Council Events - May

**Pinewood Derby Championship**   
May 17 - 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place division winners from the District Pinewood Derby's compete for the Council Championship!




**Summer Camp Service Days**   
May 9-11 @ Camp Sequoyah  
May 16-18 @ Camp Comer  
Gain service hours by helping us get our camps ready for summer! Lunch is provided. You can also make it a campout!


**Order of the Arrow**  
May 2-4 - Induction Weekend at Camp Sequoyah

**Program Planning Kick-offs**  
May Roundtable Meetings

**National Day of Prayer:**  
May 1, 2025

**Cub Adventure Weekend**   
May 9 - 11 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 1 - Roundtable/District Mtgs  
May 1 - OA Chapter Mtg.

**Cheaha:**  
May 8 - Roundtable/District Mtgs.

**Chocolocco:**  
May 1 - Roundtable/District Mtgs  
May 1 - OA Chapter Mtg

**Cherokee:**  
May 1 - Program Preview

**Etowah**  
May 8 - Roundtable/District Mtgs


**Mountain Lake:**  
May 1 - Roundtable/District Mtgs  
May 1 - Annual Business Mtg

**Mulberry:**  
May 8 - Roundtable and District Mtgs-  
May 8 - OA Chapter Mtg.

**Sequoyah:**  
May 13 - Roundtable/District Mtgs  
May 13 - Annual Business Mtg

**Shelby:**  
May 1 - Roundtable/Comsr Mtg.  
May 1 - OA Chapter Mtg

**Talakto:**  
May 1 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
May 1 - Roundtable

**Three Rivers:**  
May 1 - Roundtable and Comsr Mtg.  
May 3 - Raingutter Regatta   
May 14 - Committee & Comsr Mtg.

**Vulcan:**  
May 8 - Committee Mtg.  
May 29 - OA Chapter Mtg.

**Westmoreland:**  
May 1 - Roundtable/Committee Mtgs  
May 1 - OA Chapter Meeting

Scouting by the month:

# June 2025

May '25

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July '25

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20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

August '25

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23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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8 Pentecost	9	10	11	12	13	14 Flag Day
15 Father's Day	16	17	18	19 Juneteenth	20	21 June Solstice (GMT)
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	1	2	3	4 Independence Day	5
6	7					

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## Council Events - June / July

### Day Camps

June 2-6 - Camp Westmoreland  
June 5-7 - Mulberry District  
June 9-13 - Oak Mountain State Park  
June 9-13 - Arrowhead District  
June 16-20 - Huntsville

### Cub Scout Cast Iron Quest



June 7 at Sloss Furnace  
Full day of Scouting fun including an IRON POUR! Archery, Sling-Shots! Museum! and more!

### Summer Camp

June 1-7 - Session 1  
June 8-14 - Session 2  
June 15-21 - Session 3  
June 22 - 28 - Session 4  
June 29 - July 5 - Session 5  
July 6-12 - Session 6 (TBD- Comer)

### National Youth Leadership Training

June 25 -30 at Camp Sequoyah



### Webelos Camp

July 2025 - at Camp Comer  
4 day, 3 night adventure for Webelos and Arrow of Light Scouts!

### Cub Scout Summer Camp



July 2025 - 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 (July)  
Cub Summer Camp (July)


### Scouts BSA Troops

Summer Camp  
Program Planning (continued)



## District Events - June

### Arrowhead:

June 5 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
June 5 - OA Chapter Mtg.  
June 9-13 - Day Camp 

### Cheaha:

June 12 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Choccolocco:

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

### Mountain Lake:

June 5 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.


### Mulberry:

June 5-7 - Day Camp 

### Sequoyah:

June 10 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.

### Westmoreland:

June 5 - Roundtable / District Mtgs.  
June 5 - OA Chapter Meeting  
June 2-6 - Day Camp 





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Saturday: 10am - 4pm

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Store Hours:  
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Saturday: 10am-4pm



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