## COUNCIL CALENDAR

### February
- **10** Bear Camp Online Registration Opens
- **12** Scouts BSA Summer Camp Half Payment Due
- **18** Council Commissioner Meeting
- **19** Council Camping Committee Meeting
- **19** Council High Adventure Committee Meeting
- **20** Council Activities Committee Meeting
- **22-23** VOA Winter Lock-In
- **27** Council Advancement Committee Meeting

### March
- **5** Patron Luncheon
- **7** Commissioner College
- **17** Bear & Webelos Online Reservations Close
- **17** Council Commissioner Meeting
- **17** Bartle — Leader Orientation — East
- **18** Bartle — Leader Orientation — North
- **19** Bartle — Leader Orientation — West
- **20-22** COPE Instructor Training
- **21** Campmaster Training
- **28** Naish - Leader Orientation
- **28** Webelos Camp — Leader Orientation

For the Complete Calendar Visit HOAC-BSA.ORG/CALENDAR

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## SCOUT SAVER

Spend more time Scouting and less time fundraising in 2020 with our new Scout Saver program.

Previously known as "Camp Cards," our new and improved Scout Saver program is a great way to quickly and easily off-set Scouting costs like paying for summer camp and yearly membership dues.

Our 2020 sale is now underway and thousands of Scouts, and even adults, are selling Scout Saver cards across Kansas City. A card costs only $5 and Scouts will keep $2.50 from every card they sell!

Pick-up your cards anytime this month at the Heart of America Council Service Center.

### SALE CALENDAR

- **Sell Scout Saver Cards** .............................................. Now – April 1, 2020
- **Turn-In Unsold Cards** ............................................. April 2-8, 2020
- **Balance Due to Council** ........................................... April 2-8, 2020
- **Sale Concludes** .......................................................... April 8, 2020

### SCOUT SAVER PARTNERS

**SINGLE USE DEALS:**
- Price Chopper
  ($5 off purchase of $50)
- Dick's Sporting Goods
  ($10 off purchase of $50)
- Firestone OR Tires Plus
  (Free oil change — $35 value)

**MULTI-USE DEALS:**
- Papa John’s
  (Buy 1 large or XL pizza at regular price, receive medium 1 topping pizza for free)
- Kansas City Royals
  (20% off single game rates April–May 2020)
- Westlake ACE Hardware
  ($5 off purchase of $35 or more)
- Goodcents Subs
  (Free cookie with any purchase)

LEARN MORE | HOAC-BSA.ORG/SCOUT-SAVER

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The Heart of America Council’s Annual Recognition Banquet honors top volunteers for their lifelong dedication and service to Scouting. Highlights include the presentation of the Silver Beaver Award, the highest recognition presented on the council level, as well as the North Star Award, Eagle Scout Project of the Year, and District and Unit of the Year Awards.

Held on May 13 at the Downtown Marriott, enjoy an elegant evening complete with a dynamic awards program and catered meal.

Cost: Individual: $50 | Table of 8: $375

Online reservations available now at hoac-bsa.org/annual-recognition-dinner.

AWARD RECIPIENTS:

SILVER BEAVER CLASS

- Dan Barnes
- Bill Crain
- Donald Flinn
- Brad Frederick
- Kathleen Gordon-Ross
- Gordon Harton
- Michael O’Neil
- Jeanette Prenger
- Rob Richardson
- Bob Rodriguez
- Donald Seaver
- Brian Streich
- Herb Strain
- Mark Trammell
- Myrl Wear
- David Yeamans

DISTRICT OF THE YEAR:
Lone Bear District

PACK OF THE YEAR:
Pack 4160, Spirit Trail District, Belton New Horizon Nazarene Church

TROOP OF THE YEAR:
Troop 315, Iron Horse District, Aldersgate United Methodist Church

CREW OF THE YEAR:
Crew 2588, Iron Horse District, Leroy Hill Post No. 19 Gardner, KS

RESERVATIONS | HOAC-BSA.ORG/ANNUAL-RECOGNITION-DINNER
What about Scouting in Kansas City?
In Kansas City, Scouting continues to thrive and we do not anticipate that the national organization’s bankruptcy filing will have any direct impact on the local Scouting experience. Our council continues to be one of the strongest councils in the BSA from perspectives of fiscal health, program quality, board and volunteer dedication and staff commitment and talent.

We will continue to bring adventures, values and lifelong benefits to youth and our communities for generations to come.

IMPORTANT COUNCIL POINTS:

- **The Heart of America Council** has not filed for bankruptcy. Our Council is legally separate, distinct and financially independent from the national organization.
- **Scouting programs will continue.** This means that unit meetings and activities, district and council events, other Scouting adventures and countless service projects will take place as usual. In short, we expect no changes to the local Scouting experience in the Greater Kansas City area.
- **Scouting is safer now than ever before.** Over many years, we’ve developed some of the strongest expert-informed youth protection policies found in any youth-serving organization. We can also assure you that our volunteers and employees take youth protection extremely seriously and do their part to help keep kids safe.
- **Restricted donations—past, present or future—can only be used for their designated purpose.** In addition, Friends of Scouting (FOS) and other annual donations made to our Council will continue to fund necessary day-to-day expenses that are critical to local Scouting programs.

What to do now?
The short answer is—keep Scouting. And do so with pride.

Remind others why you believe in Scouting, how the program has benefited you and your family, and why you dedicate your precious free time to the movement.

Make it a point to remind our communities why Scouting is an important pillar. Ask local leaders what projects they need help with and encourage units to plan service projects to help meet the goal.

For national BSA restructuring resources, including fact sheets, infographics, videos and more, visit www.BSArestructuring.org.
SUNDAY, MAY 3

The countdown to Scouting’s largest event is on! Mark your calendars for Sunday, May 3 and the return of Scout Day at the K.

More than just admission to the game, your Scout Day at the K ticket also includes Scout exclusive pre-game experiences like VIP access to the “Little K,” Scout Parade and more! New this year, customize your Scout Day at the K experience and choose from 3 different ticket packages.

2020 TICKET PACKAGES:

• View Reserve Game Ticket (Upper Deck)
• 2020 Scout Day at the K Patch
• Early Stadium Entry to the Outfield Experience

SCOUT DAY GIVEAWAYS

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for upcoming Scout Day at the K giveaways. From Royals’ autographed memorabilia to ticket packages, we’ll be rewarding ticket holders with special chances to win great prizes. The more game tickets you buy, the more chances you have to win!

HARVESTERS FOOD DRIVE

Scouting is all about giving back and this year’s Scout Day at the K will once again help feed the hungry in Kansas City. The first 5,000 Scouts that bring a canned food item for Harvesters to the game will also receive a coupon for a FREE small pizza courtesy of Papa John’s.

PURCHASE TICKETS NOW | HOAC-BSA.ORG/SCOUT-DAY-AT-THE-K
Scouting changes lives and we’re ready to share the Scouting story at our annual Patron Luncheon — the Heart of America Council’s marquee fundraising event.

Named Kansas City’s *Top Luncheon* by the Independent Magazine, this year’s event is expected to welcome more than 1,000 civic and business leaders to the Kansas City Convention Center on March 5th.

Highlighted by featured guest speaker Terry Fossum, learn why this Eagle Scout, author and adventurer credits Scouting for saving his life.

**FEATURED SPEAKER**

*Terry Fossum* has been active in Scouting for nearly 50 years. As an adult, he’s given back to Scouting by serving in numerous positions on the unit, district and council level. He is a former Scoutmaster and the Executive Vice President for the Inland Northwest Council. He’s received the Distinguished Scouting Service Award, District Award of Merit, and Silver Beaver.

As an officer in the United States Air Force, his military honors include Officer of the Year for Fairchild Air Force Base, Distinguished Graduate from Squadron Officers’ School, and Humanitarian of the Year for all of Strategic Air Command.

Terry’s business career led him to develop sales teams around the globe, where he became a multimillion dollar earner.

He has authored four highly-acclaimed books in the self-improvement realm, and performs business training and keynote speaking across the U.S. and in different parts of the world.

Recently, he represented all of Scouting, winning *Kicking and Screaming*, a survival reality show pitting 10 survival experts against each other in a jungle, while teamed up with a complete novice.

**LEARN MORE & MAKE YOUR PLEDGE**

[HOAC-BSA.ORG/PATRON-LUNCHEON](http://HOAC-BSA.ORG/PATRON-LUNCHEON)
FAMILY CAMPS

Camp Naish | June 14-16 & June 18-20

Looking for a summer adventure for the whole family? Then look no further than our new Family Camps this summer at Camp Naish.

Parents, siblings and Scouts are invited to experience all the amenities that Camp Naish has to offer from climbing to aquatics during two exclusive summer sessions.

Enjoy quality time as a family in the great outdoors for an unbeatable price that includes all lodging, meals and activities.

Family Camps are scheduled for June 14-16 and June 18-20 and are only $155 per person. Register 3 or more family members and receive a 10% discount.

Online reservations available this March at ScoutCamping.org.

Certified Angling Instructor Course

April 3-5 | Rotary Youth Camp

Become a Certified Angling Instructor and get the resources and tools to bring the fun of fishing to Scouts in your unit and district.

Our Certified Angling Instructor Course is scheduled for April 3-5 at Rotary Youth Camp in Lee's Summit, MO.

Participants will learn basic fishing and fly-fishing skills and the best way to teach them to Scouts. Become recognized as a BSA Certified Angling Instructor and receive the certified angling patch and certificate.

Cost is $85 and includes 2 nights lodging, all meals, and course materials.

Reservations, including the course flyer, are available now at hoac-bsa.org/supplemental-training.

Bartle Text Alerts

Summer camp means fun in sun and for some Scouts, it means being away from home for the first time. The safety of our campers is our top priority and we’re giving parents peace of mind when it comes to the unpredictable summer weather.

Sign up now for our upgraded text alert system. Subscribers of this FREE service will receive severe weather or camp emergency alerts to their mobile phone.

Go to http://mobile-text-alerts.com/BoyScouts to register.
New Video Series Delivers the Ultimate Den Leader Experience

By now, you’ve probably caught word of Scoutbook’s Den Leader Experience, the free web app that makes it easier than ever for den leaders to prepare for and lead meetings, track advancement and attendance, and more. So, how could preparing for a den meeting possibly get any easier?

Leave it to the Scoutbook team to find new ways to streamline and simplify the den leading process — because they’ve now introduced a video series to help you navigate the Den Leader Experience app and get the most out of this terrific new tool.

From home screen “how-to’s” to den invitations, check out new resources to offer you the best Den Leader Experience possible at www.ScoutCastKC.org.

Philmont Training Center
July 12-18 - Central Region Week
Making Cub Scouting Unforgettably FUN

Imagine being able to interact with Cub Scout Leaders from across the country for a week AND to improve on your Cub Leader skills. The Cub Scout session will offer you exactly that opportunity! Bring your family and join us in the FUN. For more information go to:

www.philmontscoutranch.org/ptc/2020-conferences
Explore the spiritual values and worship experiences of different faith traditions during part two of our Ten Commandments Interfaith Trek.

Visit Catholic, Islamic, Buddhist and Hindu houses of worship on Sunday, April 19 from 8:30 am – 2:30 pm. Participants will experience a worship service, learn about that religion and hear how each interprets the Ten Commandments. This FREE event is open to Scouts, leaders and families of ALL faiths and includes a unique patch.

A Scout is... REVERENT

Celebrating Scout Sunday

Being reverent is a year-round part of Scouting, but on Scout Sunday, Scout Sabbath and Scout Jumuah, the connection between Scouting and faith takes on even more significance.

Held every February, these special Scouting celebrations give Scouts a highly visible way to show their appreciation for their faith-based chartered organization.

This year, Scouts from across the country, region and council celebrated by wearing their Scout uniform to services, conducting flag ceremonies and even leading their congregations in prayer.

Thank you to the following units for submitting photos of their celebrations.
CAMP WORK DAYS
JOIN OUR CREW

Each year hundreds of volunteers from across the council donate their time and talents to the operations and maintenance of the Theodore Naish & H. Roe Bartle Scout Reservations. Work Days keep our camps in great condition and provide our Scouts with an unmatched camping experience.

INTERESTED IN HELPING?
We’re looking for volunteers year-round!
• PAINTING • PLUMBING • ELECTRICAL • CARPENTRY • MORE!

BARTLE SCOUT RESERVATION
March 7, 2020  April 4, 2020 (Skilled Trades Day)
May 2, 2020    Aug 15, 2020
Sept 12, 2020  Oct 3, 2020
Nov 7, 2020    Dec 7, 2020

NAISH SCOUT RESERVATION
March 14, 2020  April 18, 2020
May 16, 2020    Aug 29, 2020
Sept 19, 2020  Oct 17, 2020
Nov 21, 2020

COUNCIL SERVICE CENTER
Oct 10, 2020

ONLINE RESERVATIONS | hoac-bsa.org/campmasters
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