

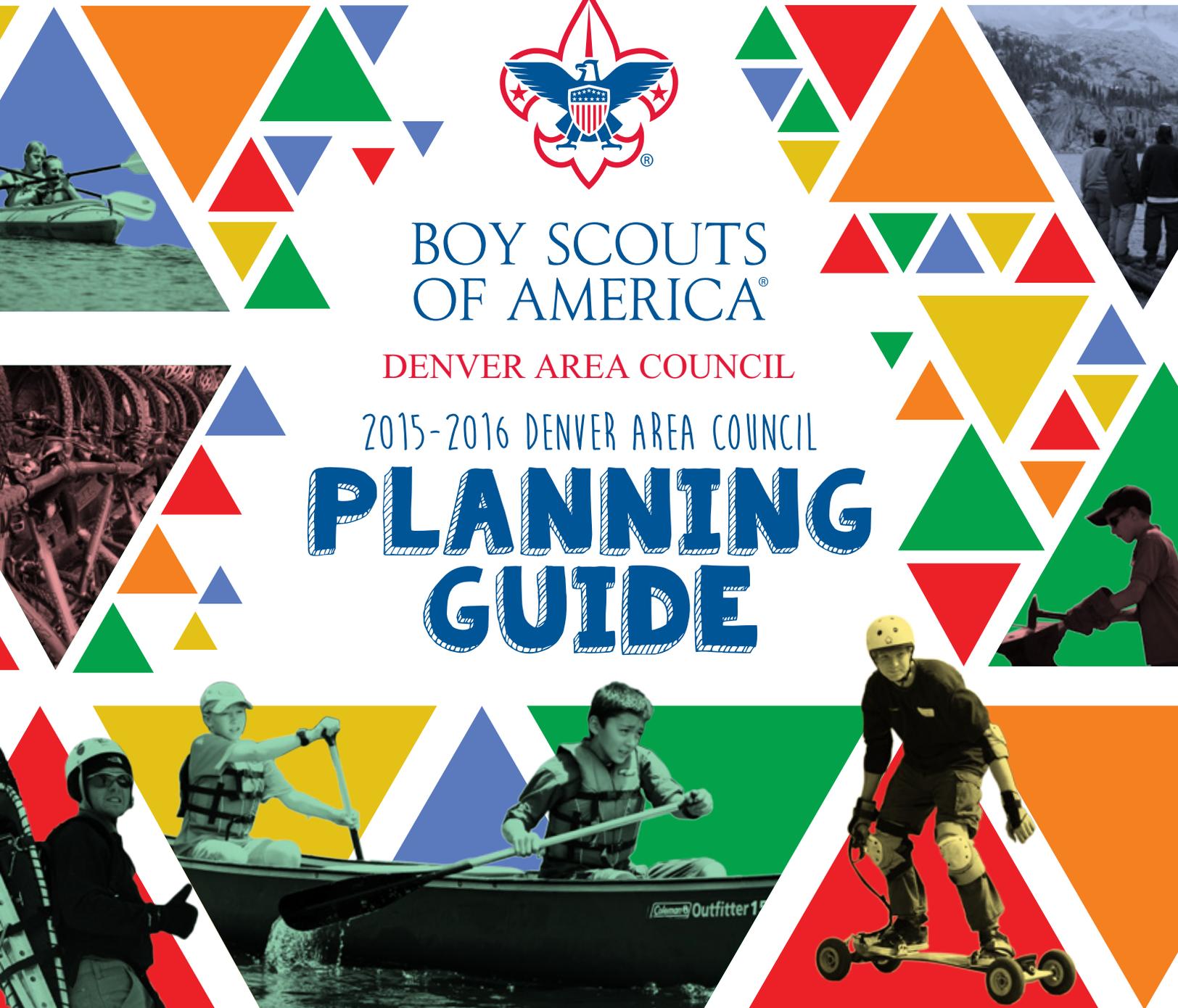


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PLANNING GUIDE





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CLIMBING GYM

A unique instructional facility can introduce Cub Scouts to climbing, teach Boy Scouts the climbing merit badge, and even train crews and teams in advanced outdoor lead climbing and anchor setting.

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RANGES

Archery and air rifle ranges built to competition standards offer all Scouts a place to learn and practice multiple shooting sports.

- 8 fifty-foot archery lanes
- Air pistols for Venturing
- 6 sixty-foot air rifle lanes
- Hunter Safety
- BB guns for Cub Scouts

GREEN LAB: SUSTAINABILITY

A place to explore the social and environmental dimensions of sustainability as you work towards your nature-based badges.

- Environment: Ecology, Biodiversity, Pollution
- Resource Conservation: Soil, Water, Energy
- Community: Food, Culture, Land Stewardship

ORANGE LAB: STEM

A specialized lab for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math that allows Scouts to build an interest and skill set in valuable high-tech industries.

- Programming
- Video and picture editing
- Computer-Aided Design (CAD)

BLUE LAB: LIFE SKILLS

A training center for essential life skills that are often missing from traditional schools.

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OUTDOOR ADVENTURE ZONE

A 5,000 square foot courtyard for training in and practicing outdoor skills, testing gear, and building fellowship in our own back yard.

- Outdoor cooking area
- 16-foot octagonal "ga-ga" dodgeball pit
- Demonstration camping area
- Campfire ring

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A bright, 900 square foot catering kitchen with over 100 feet of counter area to learn the techniques Scouts need to feed themselves on the trail and in the home.

- 3 patrol-sized work stations
- Prepare and pack out for CAP trips
- Learn camp cooking and home meals

BANQUET ROOMS

The perfect venue for your Blue and Gold Banquet, Eagle Courts of Honor, or any event.

- 3 rooms, up to 3,000 square feet
- Master of Ceremony and catering services available
- Seat up to 300 people
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GEAR RESERVE

The only outfitter managed by the Scouts, for the Scouts, assuring every adventure can be fully enjoyed with the correct equipment.

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Dear Scout Leader:

I am excited to share with you our 2015-2016 Program Planning Guide. This Program Planning Guide is your gateway to adventure and will help you deliver the high quality programs all Scouts deserve. This Planning Guide contains Scouting adventures for our 2015-2016 year. Thank you for leading these Scouts on the adventures of Scouting.

Because of your efforts, a Scout might experience his first night of camping, another Scout may race his first Pinewood Derby Car; while on the other end of spectrum, a seasoned Scout may be earning his Eagle Scout Award or Palm.

As you know, proper training is important to the Scouting mission. A trained leader is knowledgeable and more confident in the role they perform when they have proper training. Trained leaders impact the quality of programs, leader tenure, youth tenure, and much more. A trained leader is better prepared to make the Scouting Program all it can be.

Please use this Program Guide to plan your year of adventure and to make sure that all your leaders receive the training they deserve. The first step is to make sure all adult leaders take the online Youth Protection Training course and maintain a current card. This is also a great training course for your parents to participate in for their benefit and the youth they are in contact with inside and outside of Scouting.

Once Youth Protection is completed, please help your unit develop an individual training plan so all Unit Leaders and other Scout Leaders are trained for their positions in Scouting. Effective this year, Youth Protection Training will be required annually for all registered adult leaders.

The staff, Trustees and Boards of the Denver Area Council are committed to making Scouting in the Denver metro area the best opportunity for young people in our community. Thank you for all your efforts in making it possible!

Sincerely,

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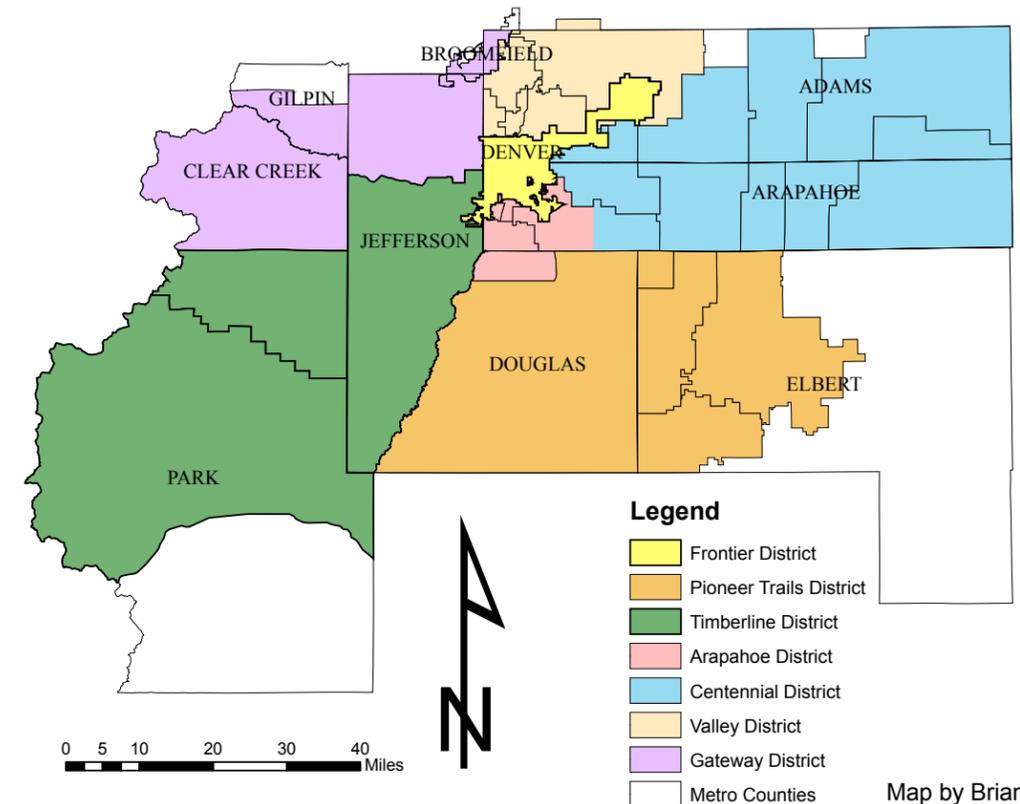
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Common Abbreviations & Terms

BALOO: Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation; an introductory outdoor skills training for Cub Scout leaders
Big Horn: National Youth Leadership Training; an advanced week long leadership training for Boy Scouts and Venturers
BSA: Boy Scouts of America
CAP: Colorado Adventure Point
Charter: Written permission for an organization to form, organize, and maintain a Scouting unit
Chartered Organization: An organization that has permission to own and operate a Scouting program
Commissioner: The Commissioner is the liaison between the local council and Scouting units. The Commissioner is successful when units effectively deliver the ideals of Scouting to their members.
C.O.P.E.: Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience; Scouting's ropes course program
COR: Chartered Organization Representative; the liaison between your unit and your chartered organization
Council: The incorporated local Scouting organization that exists to support youth, volunteers and chartered organizations, packs, troops, crews and posts
Cracker Barrel: A get together or informal meeting at night after an event that includes refreshments
DESA: Denver Area Eagle Scout Associate; organization for Eagle Scouts both past the present
District: A geographic territory that a council uses to administer Scouting in communities
DE: District Executive, a full-time professional responsible for supporting volunteer Scout leaders
Dietler: Located at Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch, Camp Cortlandt Dietler provides a hardcore style of camping; pitching your own tents and cooking patrol style
Dobbins: Located at Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch, Camp Dobbins provides a more traditional style of camping experience with a dining hall and a choice of over 40 merit badges to earn
IC: Investment in Character; annual council fundraising campaign
IOLS/ITOLS: Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills; an introductory outdoor skills training for Boy Scout leaders
Magness: Located at Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch, Magness Adventure Camp is the resident Cub Scout Camp
NESA: National Eagle Scout Association; organization for Eagle Scouts both past and present
NYLT: National Youth Leadership Training; an advanced week long leadership training for Boy Scouts and Venturers (This is the same as Big Horn)
PV: Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch, located at 7,000 feet in elevation near the town of Elbert, Colorado
OA: Order of the Arrow; Scouting's National Honor Society
OWLS/WLOT: Outdoor Leadership Skills for Webelos Leaders
Roundtable: Monthly meeting by District to help adult leaders plan and organize
Scout: A youth member of the Boy Scouts of America. Can be a Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Venturer, Explorer or Varsity Scout.
Scouter: An adult volunteer member of the Boy Scouts of America. Can be a Cubmaster, Committee Chair, Scoutmaster etc.
TH: Tahosa Alpine Base
Unit: Is comprised of a Pack, Troop, Team, Crew or Post.

DISTRICTS IN THE DENVER AREA COUNCIL



Map by Brian M. Coleman

District Contact Information

DISTRICT	WHERE THEY MEET	WHEN THEY MEET	WEBSITE ADDRESS
Arapahoe	The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints 9800 Foothills Canyon Blvd., Highlands Ranch, CO 80129	First Thursday of every month (except July) 7:00 pm	www.arapahoedistrict.org
Centennial	The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints 4701 S. Chambers Road, Aurora, CO 80015	First Thursday of every month (except July) 7:30 pm	www.centennialdistrict.com
Frontier	Bethany Lutheran Church 4500 E. Hampden Avenue, Cherry Hills Village, CO 80013	First Thursday of every month (except July) 7:00 pm	www.denverboyscouts.org
Gateway	The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints 6490 Quail Street, Arvada, CO 80004	First Thursday of every month (except July) 7:00 pm	www.gatewaybsa.com
Pioneer Trails	The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Building 7160 Bayou Gulch Road, Parker, CO 80134	First Thursday of every month (except July) 7:00 pm	www.pioneertrails.org
Timberline	The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints 9227 W. Dartmouth Place, Lakewood, CO 80227	First Thursday of every month (except July) 6:30 pm	www.timberlinedistrict.com
Valley	The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints 3501 Summit Grove Parkway, Thornton, CO 80241	First Tuesday of every month (except July) 7:30 pm	www.valleyscouters.org

WHO IS THE DENVER AREA COUNCIL

With more than 10,000 adult volunteers, the Denver Area Council (DAC) helps its 55,242 youth members to be *Prepared. For Life.* The value of that preparation lives in the heart of every person involved in Scouting who has ever overcome one of life's challenges, and it helps to inspire a lifetime of character and service.

The Denver Area Council (DAC) serves the Denver metro area covering ten counties. As the largest council in Colorado, the DAC ranks among the top 10 largest in the nation. For over 100 years, the BSA and the DAC have been instilling lifetime values through fun and age appropriate educational activities designed to assist in strengthening character, good citizenship and physical fitness.

WHAT IS A UNIT?

Scouts are organized into various units depending upon their age and program. Each unit belongs to a church, school, or some other group of people in your community which is known as a Chartering Organization. The Chartering Organization makes sure that the unit has good volunteer leaders, a place to meet and exciting things to do.

Cub Scouts belong to units called packs. Each pack is divided into smaller groups called dens. A den is a group of about 6-8 Cub Scouts.

Boy Scouts are part of a troop or team. Inside the troop, smaller groups called patrols are formed and led by the Scouts themselves.

Other Scouts like Venturers and Explorers organize into units specific to their program. Venturers form crews, Explorers form posts.



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WHAT IS A DISTRICT?

The Denver Area Council is divided in 7 geographic districts that serve the youth, families and volunteers in the metro area. Each district is supported by District Executives and a volunteer District Committee that provides leadership to each unit on recruiting new Scouts, raising money to continue the Scouting program, training leaders, providing fun activities and coaching volunteer leaders to give our Scouts the best possible Scouting experience.

SCOUTING OPPORTUNITIES IN THE DENVER AREA COUNCIL

Cub Scouting is a year round family and home centered program that develops ethical decision making skills for boys in the first through fifth grade (or who are 6-10 years old). Activities emphasize character development, citizenship training and personal fitness.

Webelos Scouting is a year round family and home centered program that develops ethical decision making skills for 4th and 5th grade (or 10 year old) boys. Webelos Scouts participate in more advanced activities that begin to prepare them to become Boy Scouts.

Boy Scouting is a year round program for boys ages 11 through 17 designed to achieve the aims of Scouting through a vigorous outdoor program and peer group leadership with the counsel of an adult Scoutmaster.

Varsity Scouting is an active, exciting year round program for young men ages 14 through 17 built around five program fields of emphasis: advancement, high adventure, personal development, service and special program and events.

Venturing is a year round program for young men and women who are 14 (and have completed the eighth grade) through 20 years of age to provide positive experiences through exciting and meaningful youth-run activities that help them pursue their special interests, grow by teaching others, and develop leadership skills.

Exploring is a career education program for young men and women who are between 14 and 21 years old. Exploring is all about helping young adults make more informed decisions about future careers and determining if a particular career is right for them. Through the Exploring program, youth will take part in hands-on career experiences in the fields they are interested in learning more about.

MYSCOUTING.ORG

Everything you've ever wanted to know about Scouting in one online stop. To create your account and access your records you must create a login and password. Don't forget to get your BSA membership card out as you will need your membership number which is located toward the bottom of your card.

ONLINE TOUR PERMITS

Tour permits are a great tool to help units make sure that they are doing everything they should do to create a safe outing. Using Tour Plans within MyScouting.org, is simple and time saving. Within the Tour Plans site, the leader has access to only their unit. No signatures are needed as an email is sent to all unit leaders when the application is submitted and approved.

Remember the following activities always require a Tour Permit to be completed:

- Any activity outside the boundaries of the Denver Area Council
- Any overnight activity that is organized by the unit
- Any activity involving flying in an airplane

INTERNET RECHARTER

You make the difference when it comes to getting your unit's information correct as you know your members best.

Things to remember:

- Select one person for Internet Recharter
- You can upload the most current information or start with what is already on Scoutnet
- Final rosters still need to be printed, signed by the Chartered Organization head and the unit leader
- Make sure you turn in the signed rosters, fees, and new member applications to the council service center no later than February 15

INTERNET ADVANCEMENT

Internet Advancement is a simple and straightforward way to make sure that your Scouts advancement information is recorded timely.

- Gather all the information you need for advancement awards and achievements, merit badge applications, and rank advancements with dates
- Click on the Advancement button and follow the simple instructions
- Make sure the appropriate people sign your report
- Don't forget to turn your report in to the Scout Shop when you purchase your rank or merit badges

NATIONAL EVENT REGISTRATION

Use MyScouting.org to register for national events such as Philmont Training Center or the National Jamboree.

E-LEARNING

Online training courses are accessed via MyScouting.org. Courses available are:

- Youth Protection Training
- This is Scouting
- Fast Start Training
- Troop Committee Challenge
- Weather Hazards
- Safe Swim Defense/Safety Afloat
- Climb on Safely
- Trek Safely
- Staffing the District Committee
- Cub Scout Leader Specific Training

OTHER FUNCTIONS OF MYSCOUTING.ORG

- BeAScout management
- Service Hours Reporting
- Unit, District, and Council tools

WHAT IS ADVANCEMENT?

Advancement is the process by which Scouts progress from rank to rank. Scouting provides a series of surmountable obstacles and steps in overcoming them through the advancement method. The Scout plans his advancement and progresses at his own pace as he meets each challenge. The Scout is rewarded for each achievement through belt loops, merit badges, and ultimately Rank Advancement which helps him gain self-confidence. The steps in the advancement system help a Scout grow in self-reliance and in the ability to help others.

JOURNEY TO EXCELLENCE

“Scouting’s Journey to Excellence” is the BSA’s council performance recognition program designed to encourage and reward success and measure the performance of our units, districts, and councils. It is meant to encourage excellence in providing a quality program at all levels of the BSA. The unit Journey to Excellence Program is like an annual health check-up. It measures how well you are doing in the key items that give Scouts a great experience.

CUB SCOUTS

PLANNING AND BUDGET MEASURES

- The pack has a program plan and budget that is reviewed at all pack committee meetings, and the pack follows BSA policies relating to fundraising and fiscal management as found on the Unit Money-Earning Application form and any other publication that the council has developed for fundraising and fiscal management.

MEMBERSHIP MEASURES

- A formal recruitment event is conducted by October 31. At charter renewal time, the pack has an increase in the number of youth members over the number of youth members on the previous year’s charter renewal.
- Hold at least two joint activities with a troop or troops, and have graduating boys register with a troop. “The Scouting Adventure” for second-year Webelos is described in the Webelos Scout Handbook. If the pack has no second-year Webelos Scouts, this requirement is met at the Bronze level.

PROGRAM MEASURES

- The pack has activities and field trips in the outdoors, which could include outdoor pack meetings, hikes, family campouts, parades, outdoor service projects, etc. All dens have the opportunity to participate.
- Cub Scouts attend an in-council or out of council Cub Scout day camp, family camp and/or Cub Scout resident camp in 2015. STEM programs either as a day camp or resident camp are also included. The pack participates in at least two service projects during the year and enters them on the Journey to Excellence website.
- Have a least eight pack meetings within the past 12 months, with one of those meetings being to review the pack’s program plans and asking for parental involvement in the pack. Den meetings start by October 31 and all dens meet at least twice each month during the program year. Pack earns the Summertime Pack Award.

VOLUNTEER LEADERSHIP MEASURES

- The pack has a Cubmaster, and assistant, and a committee of at least three members. Ideally, the chartered organization representative should not be dual registered as one of the committee members. The pack identifies persons for next year’s leadership for existing dens, including Cubmaster, Den Leaders, and Webelos Den Leaders by May 31. All dens have a registered leader by October 15.
- Cubmaster, den leaders, and assistants have had an orientation and have completed youth protection training. The Cubmaster and den leaders (paid or multiple registration) have completed position specific training or, if new, will complete within three months of joining. Two thirds of active committee members have completed leader specific training.

BOY SCOUTS

PLANNING AND BUDGET MEASURES

- The troop has a program plan and budget that is reviewed at all troop committee meetings, and the troop follows BSA policies relating to fundraising and fiscal management as found on the Unit Money-Earning Application form and any other publication that the council has developed for fundraising and fiscal management.

MEMBERSHIP MEASURES

- The troop has a growth plan, and conducts a formal recruiting event. At charter renewal time, the troop has an increase in the number of youth members over the number of youth members on the previous year’s charter renewal.
- Hold at least two activities with a pack or Webelos den, and recruit new Webelos Scouts into the troop. Den chiefs are provided to one or more Cub Scout dens.

PROGRAM MEASURES

- Conduct short-term (at least one overnight) campouts throughout the year.
- Number of Boy Scouts who attend any in council or out of council long term summer camp (of at least 5 nights), high-adventure experience, or jamboree, or serve on camp staff within the past year, divided by the Boy Scout membership on June 30. Youth attending long-term specialty camps such as NYLT or STEM are also counted.
- The troop participates in service projects during the year and enters them on the Journey to Excellence website. The projects may be completed as joint projects with other organizations. At least one project must benefit the chartered organization.
- The troop is separated into patrols and each patrol has an elected patrol leader. If the troop has more than one patrol, there is an elected senior patrol leader. If the troop has more than one patrol, the PLC meets at least four times each year. The troop holds patrol leader training each year, and youth have the opportunity to participate in advanced training.

VOLUNTEER LEADERSHIP MEASURES

- The troop has a Scoutmaster, an assistant, and a committee of at least three members. Ideally, the chartered organization representative should not be dual registered as one of the committee members. The troop conducts courts of honor where youth are recognized and program plans are shared with parents.
- Scoutmaster and assistants have had an orientation and have completed youth protection training. Scoutmaster and 60% of the assistants (paid or multiple registration) have completed position specific training or, if new, will complete within three months of joining. Two thirds of active committee members have completed Troop Committee Challenge. For Gold, one leader must have completed Wood Badge at some point in their Scouting tenure.

VENTURING

PLANNING AND BUDGET MEASURES

- The crew has a program plan and budget that is reviewed at all crew committee meetings, and the crew follows BSA policies relating to fundraising and fiscal management as found on the Unit Money Earning Application form.

MEMBERSHIP MEASURES

- The crew has a growth plan, and conducts a formal recruiting event. At charter renewal time, there is an increase in the number of youth members over the number of youth members on the previous year’s charter renewal.

PROGRAM MEASURES

- The crew conducts regular activities outside of meetings. At least one is a Tier II activity (may be less than four days, but requires planning and skill development) or a Tier III activity (at least 4 days and is mentally and physically challenging.)
- The crew has youth leaders serving as president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer who are leading the activities of the crew. Crew officers hold regular meetings and receive training. Each crew activity has a youth leader.

- Crew members complete the Venturing award shortly after joining. Experiential training at meetings allows crew members to learn from hands-on experiences. The crew encourages achievement through the advanced Venturing awards.
- The crew participates in service projects during the year and enters them on the Journey to Excellence website. The project may be completed as joint projects with other organizations. At least one project must benefit the chartered organization.

VOLUNTEER LEADERSHIP MEASURES

- The crew has an advisor, an associate, and a committee of at least three members. Ideally, the chartered organization representative should not be dual registered as one of the committee members. The crew holds a meeting where program plans are shared with parents. Volunteer leaders are selected for the next program year by May 31.
- Advisor and associates have had an orientation and have completed youth protection training. Advisor and Associates (paid or multiple registration) have completed position-specific training or, if new, will complete within three months of joining. Two committee members have completed Crew Committee Training.

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NEW PROGRAM UPDATES

Changes to the current Cub Scouting program will be released in June 2015 to be implemented over the course of several months

WHAT ARE THE CHANGES FOR CUB SCOUTS?

New information and books were released in May 2015.

- Oath and Law – Cub Scouts will now be using the Boy Scout Oath and Law
- A Tiger Cub becomes a Tiger with new image
- Arrow of Light will no longer require earning Webelos
- Activities are more active and more aligned with the aims and mission of the BSA
- Advancement has been simplified
- Academics and Sports program has been discontinued
- Current immediate/elective recognition devices have been replaced
- One Den Leader Guide per rank

WHAT IS NOT CHANGING

- Family focus
- Ranks or approach
- Ages
- Den/pack meeting structures
- Outdoor program
- Delivery model
- Fun – even more than before

DESIRED OUTCOMES

- More Cub Scouts being active/having fun
- Improved Webelos transition/retention
- Simplified advancement
- Improved connection to mission and aims

SIMPLIFIED ADVANCEMENT MODEL FOR ALL RANKS

Rank Advancement through Adventures

- For each rank, complete seven den-based adventures, including a family-based “Duty to God” adventure to earn rank
- Adventures = Interdisciplinary, theme-based experiences, 3 den meetings
- Immediate recognition after each adventure
- Elective adventure available, same recognition approach

WHAT ARE THE CHANGES FOR BOY SCOUTS?

Changes to the Boy Scouts program will be transitioned in January 2016 and new requirements must be used January 2017.

- Scout becomes a rank
- Service at all ranks (conservation related at Life)
- Healthy eating/habits
- Physical fitness at each rank
- Outdoor ethics
- Weather safety, risk assessment and mitigation
- Duty to God incorporated in requirement to show Scout Spirit

WHAT IS NOT CHANGING

- Current ranks or approach
- Use of the merit badge program
- New updated handbooks will be released in January 2016

WHAT IS CHANGING IN VENTURING?

(New information and books were released in January 2015)

- Oath and Law
- New core Venturing program and recognition
- New resources
 - Youth handbook (core)
 - Ranger/Trust/Quest combined
 - Adult leader handbook
- Enhanced youth training
- Split advisor vs committee training
- New Awards System (2015)
 - Venturing
 - Discovery
 - Pathfinder
 - Summit

WHAT IS NOT CHANGING?

- Ages of membership
- Ranger/Trust/Quest
- Officer/Advisor relationship

For more information on the changes for all programs, please see the Program Updates 2015 and Beyond at: <http://ntl-sitecorepd.netbsa.org/Home/programupdates.aspx>

EVERY YOUTH DESERVES A TRAINED LEADER

Adult leaders in units are considered minimally trained and eligible to wear the official Trained emblem when they have completed Youth Protection Training and the training courses outlined below, OR have completed Youth Protection Training and a previous basic training course when it was current.

From the MyScouting.org portal, click on E-Learning and take Youth Protection Training. Upon completion, you may print a certificate of completion to submit with a volunteer application or submit the completed certificate to the unit leader for processing at the local council. When your volunteer application is approved, you will receive a BSA membership card with your member ID number. After you have your card, log back into MyScouting, click on My Profile and update the system by inputting your member ID number.

RECOMMENDED TRAININGS FOR ANY ADULT

- Youth Protection Training
- Fast Start Orientation Training (online)
- This is Scouting (online)
- STEM Orientation (online – optional)

CUB SCOUTING

- Youth Protection Training
- Den Leader Position Specific Training (Den Leaders)
- Cubmaster and Assistant Cubmaster Position Specific
- Pack trainers also need to take Pack Committee Challenge (committee members and pack trainers)
- OWLS/WLOT – Outdoor Leader Training for Webelos (If you plan on overnight camping with your Webelos den)
- BALOO – Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (if you plan on overnight camping with the pack)

BOY SCOUTING

- Youth Protection Training
- Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Position Specific
- IOLS – Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills
- Troop Committee Challenge (committee members)

VARSITY SCOUTING

- Youth Protection Training
- Varsity Coach Position Specific Combined with IOLS
- IOLS – Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills
- Team Committee Challenge (committee members)
- Venturing and Sea Scouts

Youth Protection Training is a joining requirement for all registered adults and must be retaken every two years. You do not have to be a registered member or have a member ID to take Youth Protection Training. To take Youth Protection Training go to MyScouting.org and create an account.

VENTURING ADVISOR POSITION-SPECIFIC (ADVISORS AND ASSISTANT)

- Venturing Youth Protection Training
- Crew Committee Challenge (committee members)
- Sea Scout Adult Leader Basic (all adults in Ships)

CHARTERED ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVES

- Youth Protection Training
- This is Scouting
- Training the Chartered Organization Representative

YOUTH PROTECTION BEGINS WITH YOU

Youth Protection is best achieved through the shared involvement of everyone in Scouting.

Scouting's Commitment to Youth Protection

- Educate Scouting adult volunteers, parents, staff, and youth members to aid in the detection and prevention of child abuse.
- Strengthen chartered organizations' leader selection procedures to prevent offenders from entering BSA leadership ranks.
- Strengthen policies that create barriers to child abuse within the program.
- Encourage Scouts to report improper behavior in order to identify offenders quickly.
- Swiftly remove and report alleged offenders.

SCOUTING'S BARRIERS TO ABUSE

Two-deep leadership required on all outings.
One-on-one contact between adults and Scouts prohibited.
Privacy of youth respected. Inappropriate use of cameras, imaging, or digital devices prohibited.
No secret organizations.
No hazing.
No bullying.
Youth leadership monitored by adult leaders.
Appropriate attire for all activities.
Members are responsible to act according to the Scout Oath and Scout Law.
Units are responsible to enforce Youth Protection policies.

For more information about Youth Protection, visit <http://www.scouting.org/youthprotection.aspx>

FUNDING YOUR SCOUTING PROGRAM

Scouting is one of the most affordable programs for families to take part in. With all the new skills learned, friends made and fun, it is definitely the best return on the investment. The Denver Area Council offers a variety of ways for Scouts to raise funds to pay for their Scouting experience



TRAILS END POPCORN

Every fall between August and November, Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts sell Trail's End popcorn products for their annual fundraiser. The Trail's End popcorn sale helps pay for local Scouting programs in communities all across the country, and Scouts enjoy a great return on their sale, with more than 70% of the purchase price going to fund local Scouting. In 2014, \$2.4 Million worth of popcorn was sold by Scouts in the Denver Area Council with over \$1.6 million staying to support Scouting locally. Products offered in the popcorn sale include Trail's End Microwave Popcorn, Caramel Corn with Almonds, Pecans & Cashews, Chocolatey Caramel Crunch, Gourmet Cheese Corn, and other quality treats. New Unbelievable Butter and Butter Light microwave products are made with canola oil, with 0 grams trans-fat and low saturated fat. Trail's End caramel corn is now made with natural sweeteners, and Trail's End chocolate products contain no hydrogenated oils.

Scouts have the opportunity to win fun and exciting prizes with the popcorn sale. In addition, Scouts who sell at least \$2,500 of popcorn (online, mobile, face-to-face or combination) in any calendar year receive 6% of their total sales invested in their own college scholarship account through Trail's End. Once Scouts are enrolled, 6% of their sales each year will be added to their account. Scouts only have to reach the \$2,500 minimum one time.

And what is even better, the Scouts' popcorn customers can donate Trail's End products to our military men and women. More than \$25 million of popcorn has been purchased nationwide and sent to members of the military. The Trail's End Popcorn Program is also an important ingredient for leadership development and helps boys develop five key skills: goal setting, decision-making, money management, people skills and business ethics. Many Boy Scout alumnae credit programs like the Trail's End Popcorn Program as the place they learned their early business skills.

CAMP CARDS

Camp Cards are designed specifically to help Scouts earn the funds to offset the cost of their summer camping experience be it Boy Scout Summer Camp, Cub Scout Magness Adventure Camp or Cub Scout Day Camp.

Camp Cards sell for \$5 each and up to 50% commission can be earned on each card they sell. The sale begins in February and ends in June. The program is risk free and units return any cards they do not sell.

UNIT MONEY EARNING APPLICATIONS

A unit must submit a Unit Money Earning Application to the council prior to any fundraiser other than Trails-End popcorn and camp cards. The application is available online at <http://bsaseabase.org/filestore/pdf/34427.pdf>

The local council is responsible for upholding the Charter and By-laws and the Rules and Regulations of the BSA. To ensure compliance, all unit fund-raisers MUST OBTAIN WRITTEN APPROVAL from the local council NO LESS THAN 14 DAYS before the fund-raising activity.

Please make sure to refer to the 10 guided questions on the back of the form. If your answer is yes to all the questions on the back of the form, it is likely that your request will be approved.



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
DENVER AREA COUNCIL



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LEADERS

YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE

The success of Scouting depends on those who support it. That includes the work of adult volunteers, the encouragement of parents, and the financial assistance through "Investment in Character". With your continued help and investment, we will continue to build tomorrow's leaders – one youth at a time – for generations to come. You make a difference and we thank you for that!

Your investment helps support:

- Program development and delivery
- Membership recruitment resources
- Adult and youth leadership training
- Camping programs and operations at Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch, Magness Adventure Camp, and Tahosa High Adventure Base
- Hamilton Scout Headquarters Service Center Operations: program resources, advancement records, training facilities, etc.
- Communication, coordination, support, and resources for our 10,000+ volunteer leaders
- Assistance to individuals - including camperships
- New Colorado Adventure Point Opening 2015



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In order for Scouting to grow, we need your support to provide the resources to serve more Scouts.

Our goal is to have 100% member participation as every gift helps and is important. Thank you for all you do and give!



Scan the code or visit www.denverboyscouts.org/donate to make your payment online today!



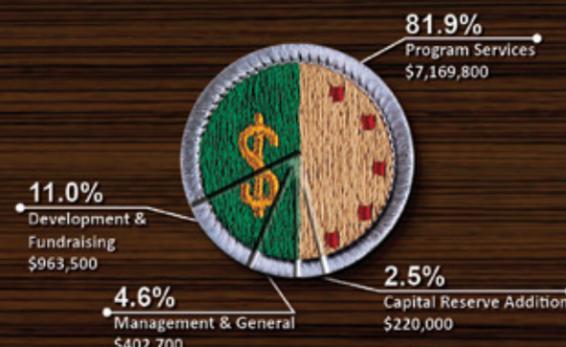
LEVELS OF GIVING

Star Scout Club	\$1,000+
Gold Supporter (Supports 2 Scouts)	\$570+
Silver Supporter (Supports 1 Scout)	\$285+
Bronze Supporter	\$200+
Patron Supporter	\$150+



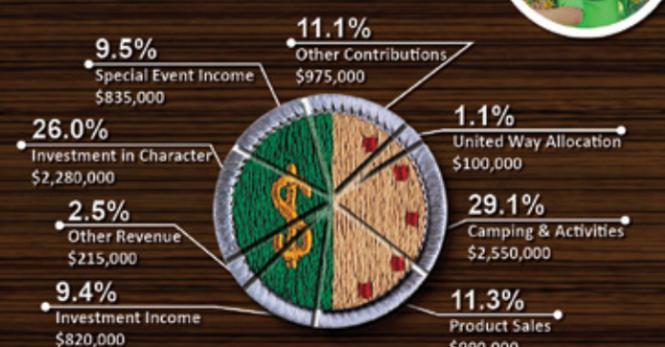
HOW WE INVEST

Your generous investment assures lifelong rewards!
Total Expenses: \$8,756,000



HOW WE ARE FUNDED

Total Support & Revenue : \$8,765,000



PEACEFUL VALLEY SCOUT RANCH

With over 3,000 acres of land, the ability for adventures at Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch is endless for Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts alike. This regional camp includes a swimming pool, two lakes, Olympic shotgun shooting range (along with world-class rifle and archery ranges), one of Colorado's premier mountain biking courses, natural rock climbing areas, trading post, dining hall, two themed outpost camps, and that barely scratches the surface! Additionally, its close proximity to Colorado Springs and surrounding areas allow campers the ability to go white water rafting, bag a 14er, or explore caves.

Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch is available for individual unit camping September – April, with campsites, cabins, and modern facilities available for use. Additionally, troops or districts may schedule trainings or activities for things like shooting sports, aquatics, Leave No Trace, BALOO, OWL, or IOLS.

FROM MAY – AUGUST, FOUR NATIONALLY ACCREDITED SUMMER CAMPS MAKE UP PEACEFUL VALLEY SCOUT RANCH, EACH WITH ITS OWN CHARACTER AND FOCUS; THEY ARE:

CAMP CRIS DOBBINS

Nestled in the middle of the Black Forest, Camp Cris Dobbins offers sweeping views of Pike's Peak and the front range of the Rocky Mountains. Scouts will have a hard time choosing between the more than 50 merit badges offered here, and will love spending time on the water slides at the outdoor pool, dusting a clay at the Olympic shotgun range, channeling their inner movie star in our Movie making program, or pretending to be Indiana Jones at our STEM lodge archeology dig site. The convenience of meals from our dining hall and sleeping on raised wooden platforms in canvas wall tents will allow Scouts to focus on the only thing that matters: their next outdoor adventure!

MAGNESS ADVENTURE CAMP

Looking for an adventure for the whole family? Look no further than Magness Adventure Camp! This Cub Scout family resident camp is your fun-filled, inexpensive, vacation destination. Magness Adventure Camp offers programs and facilities designed for families, with activities like canoeing, swimming, BB gun & archery shooting, hiking, an obstacle course, and a fire tower! Wonderful tent camping sites and shelters with modern facilities serve as your home away from home during your stay. For meals, food is brought directly to you at your shelter, allowing you to spend quality time with your family or pack.

CAMP CORTLANDT DIETLER

As the sun rises and the world slowly starts to come to life, the sound of sizzling bacon on a camp stove can be heard throughout Camp Cortlandt Dietler as cooks from various patrols prepare breakfast. Scouts here focus on different goals, and troops who believe summer camp is an opportunity to do more than earn merit badges frequent this little slice of paradise. From challenges designed to strengthen patrol bonds, to camp-wide themed survival outpost nights, Cortlandt Dietler is where boys master outdoor fundamentals, grow leadership abilities, and build character.

WEBELOS EXTREME SCOUT TREK (W.E.S.T.)

W.E.S.T. starts to introduce Webelos to similar outdoor adventures they will take when they cross over to Boy Scouts. Activities include work on Webelos and Arrow of Light adventure pins, nature activities, swimming, boating, climbing, games, and BB gun & archery shooting. Webelos and adults get the chance to set up an ideal campsite, complete with dome tents, and learn how to prepare meals while camping with close help from the experienced staff.

COLORADO ADVENTURE POINT

www.coloradoadventurepoint.org

This multi-million dollar facility provides "outdoor" adventures right in the heart of Denver! Facilities include an indoor air rifle and archery range, as well as a climbing wall complete with repelling stations. A secure, fenced-in outdoor area has room for tent camping, and a catering kitchen is available for meal preparation and service. Additionally, Packs, Troops, Crews, and Posts can outfit and equip their next Colorado adventure through our gear rental program. Industry leading brands like MSR, Mountain Smith, Therm-a-Rest, and Backpacker's Pantry are available for short-term or long-term rent. Trained staff and certified guides are also on hand to assist with adventure planning or execution.

CAMPERSHIPS

The Colorado Outdoor Adventure Department and Denver Area Council believe every Scout deserves the chance to experience the complete Scouting adventure, no matter what their financial situation is. That's why every year hundreds of Camperships, or scholarships for camp, are awarded to Scouts who could not otherwise attend a Denver Area Council Boy Scout resident, Cub Scout resident, or Cub Scout day camp.

These are made possible by the generosity of Scouting supporters and fellow Scouters who also share the belief no Scout should be turned away from attending camp because of financial need. www.bsacoloradoadventure.org for more information.

NATIONAL HIGH ADVENTURE CAMPS

In addition to the amazing camps operated by the Colorado Outdoor Adventure Department and the Denver Area Council, troops, crews, and posts have the opportunity to experience one of the national high adventure bases:

FLORIDA SEA BASE

www.bsaseabase.org

The Florida Sea Base, located in the Florida Keys, is a unique Scouting program that offers aquatics programs found nowhere else. Whether your interests lie in sailing, scuba diving, rustic camping on an undeveloped barrier island, fishing, or a combination of all, this is the place for you your troop or crew.

NORTHERN TIER

www.ntier.org

Northern Tier is the Boy Scouts of America's gateway to adventure in the Great North Woods. In the summer, Scouts from Northern Tier's three wilderness canoe bases explore millions of acres of pristine lakes, meandering rivers, dense forests, and wetlands in Northern Minnesota, Northwest Ontario, and Northeast Manitoba. In the winter, Northern Tier is home to the OKPIK Cold-Weather Camping program, the BSA's premier winter high adventure program. Fall programming is also available.

PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH

www.philmontscoutranch.org

Born in 1938 as Philmont Rocky Mountain Scout Camp, today's Philmont Scout Ranch is a bustling center for high adventure and training. Youth and adults take advantage of the Ranch's camping, training, and work programs. Most activity takes place during the summer, but Philmont also offers Autumn Adventure and Winter Adventure programs.

THE SUMMIT

www.summitbechtelreserve.org

Situated in the wilds of West Virginia, The Summit is an adventure center for millions of youth and adults involved in the Boy Scouts of America, and anyone who loves the outdoors. Troops can participate in week long programs or mountaineer weekends.

TAHOSA ALPINE BASE

For over 75 years, Tahosa Alpine Base has been the adventure playground of choice for Troops and Crews from around the country. Sitting at a whopping 9,850 feet in elevation (1.8 miles above sea level), campers share a world with moose, trout, mountain lions, elk, river otters, and bears. They climb mountain passes formed millions of years ago, or, boat in a lake fed by natural springs. Endless skies, stunning views, and crisp mountain air lets you leave the world behind and truly enjoy this little Rocky Mountain camp, no matter the time of year.

SOME OF TAHOSA ALPINE BASE PROGRAMS ARE:

EAGLEPOINT BASE CAMP SUMMER CAMP

EaglePoint Base Camp is a more relaxed summer camp experience, and Troops attending will work with a small and highly skilled staff to support a program of their own design and timetable, allowing them to do almost anything for their week at camp. An entire Troop can earn the canoeing merit badge, build trust in the Introductory to COPE (low and high ropes) course, or get out of camp and experience areas in the surrounding Rocky Mountains. The sky, and a Troop's imagination, are really the only limits.

HOOKED ON TAHOSA

Spend the weekend fly fishing at a private lake in the Rocky Mountains. The class is designed for beginners, and instruction is available for Scouts, parents, and leaders. Learn how to cast, set up your rod and reel, the entomology (study of bugs) of Tumbleson Lake, and how to tie a natural looking fly! Old pros may still pick up a few pointers, as well as just enjoy a weekend of fly fishing. Comfortable sleeping arrangements, hearty meals prepared by the Fishing Camp Staff, and a weekend filled with fun, what more could you ask for?

ALPINE ADVENTURE TREKS

For a fully-guided, unforgettable adventure in the high country, along with miles of rugged trails, look no further than Alpine Adventure Treks. With three and five day treks available, along with the ability to tailor each trek to the group's experience level, there is something for everyone in this program. Troops, Crews, or individual participants can rock climb in a true back country environment, glissade down snow fields in July, learn and practice in low-impact camping, and summit peaks of over 13,000 feet in elevation, all while backpacking in the heart of the Rocky Mountains.

OKPIK

Embark on a great winter adventure program that will give participants the ability to travel where few dare. Develop confidence and skills in camping and living in the outdoors during extreme winter weather conditions as you snowshoe to a remote part of Tahosa Alpine Base with an expedition sled (pulk) attached to you to carry your gear. Learn how to build a winter shelter (called a quinzee) and receive training in proper clothing and how to dress for cold weather, first aid and emergency procedures, specialized equipment use, and proper food.

LOW AND HIGH ROPES COURSE CHALLENGE (PROJECT COPE)

COPE is an acronym for Challenging Outdoor Personal Experience. It consists of group initiative games, trust events, low rope course events, high rope course events, and zip lines. Some activities involve a group challenge, while others develop individual skills and agility. Participants climb, swing, balance, jump, rappel, and devise solutions to a variety of problems!

WEEKEND UNIT CAMPING

Troops looking for a camping destination in the middle of the Rocky Mountains should look no further than Tahosa Alpine Base, which is open for individual unit camping August – May. Facilities included rustic campsites to buildings from the 1800's renovated with modern conveniences. The location provides a wilderness setting that is ideal for stargazing, hiking, canoeing, mountain biking, fishing, and many other types of troop activities. The campsites, cabins, and lodges are all easily accessible, making carrying gear easy, and are available for rent.

CUB SCOUT CAMPING

RESIDENT CUB SCOUT SUMMER CAMP

Magness Adventure Camp offers 12 three day, two night camping sessions open to Cub Scouts and their families. Webelos Extreme Scout Trek offers eight four day, three night camping sessions open to Cub Scouts and adult leaders.

DAY & EVENING CAMPS

Each District in the Denver Area Council offers a day and/or twilight camp for Cub Scouts. Scouts can attend as many camps as they would like, in any city around the council. Camps generally include BBs, archery, crafts, nature, sports, and outdoor skills. Colorado Adventure Point also offers a variety of day camps, which focuses ranging from climbing to shooting sports to STEM activities.

WEBELOS WEEKEND

Webelos Weekend is a safe and fun experience where Webelos can grow in responsibility, share experiences with other Webelos, and be introduced to Boy Scout Patrol leadership. These District campouts, held at Tahosa Alpine Base in the fall, offer a unique opportunity for Webelos to enjoy outdoor activities, earn adventure pins, and experience wilderness camping in a mountain setting with their adult partner and fellow Scouts.

BOY SCOUT CAMPING

PEACEFUL VALLEY SCOUT RANCH

As Colorado's largest Boy Scout camp, Camp Cris Dobbins and Camp Cortlandt Dietler provide exceptionally strong program and some of the best summer camp facilities in the nation. First year Scouts learn fundamentals and start on rank advancement through robust first-year camper programs, and older Scouts can begin exploring various aspects of high adventure through the MISSION program. Scouts also get the chance to go horseback riding, white water rafting, boating, swimming, and shooting.

TAHOSA ALPINE BASE

Tahosa Alpine Base is Colorado's premier mountain camp destination. EaglePoint Base Camp exposes Scouts of all ages to programs like Project COPE and mountain biking, while Alpine Adventure Treks offer three or five day backpacking adventures into the Rocky Mountain Wilderness for participants of all skill levels and experience ranges.

SUMMER CAMP STAFF

Every summer, the Colorado Outdoor Adventure Department and the Denver Area Council hire more than 250 individuals to work as camp staff at Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch or Tahosa Alpine Base. We invite any interested men or women to be part of something truly special, and teach Scouts valuable skills and lessons. Don't wait tables or work a desk job this summer! Join our Leadership Team and sleep, work, and play in the outdoors all summer long. Applications are available each fall and interviews are held in the winter and spring. Apply at www.bsacoloradoadventure.org.



JULY

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- Schedule Unit Planning Meetings
- Complete Fall Leadership Succession Plan
- Have Fun At Summer Camp/Day Camp

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
			Finish NYLT Big Horn - Week 4			Independence Day Scout Shop Closed
				Hamilton Scout HQ Closed in Observance of Independence Day		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
			NYLT Big Horn - Week 5			Denver Archdiocese Catholic Committee On Scouting
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
						Peaceful Valley Summer Camp Ends Tisha B'Av Camp Tahosa Summer Camp Ends
26	27	28	29	30	31	
			Popcorn Orientation #1			
			2015 World Scout Jamboree			
				Day Camp Committee		

July District Events:

Arapahoe:
23 Cub Scout Leadership Symposium

Centennial:
15 Fall Join Night Training

Frontier:
8-10 Day Camp

Gateway:
2 Kodiak Chapter Meeting
2 Roundtable
16 District Committee Meeting
30 District Commissioner Meeting
30 Fall Roundup Orientation

LFL/Exploring:
12-17 Regional Explorer Conference

Timberline:
30 District Commissioner Meeting

Valley:
7 Day Camp
9 Medicine Bear Chapter Meeting
14 Leadership Symposium
14 Venturing Crew Leader Specific Training
21 District Committee Meeting
21 Join Night Training

Venturing:
9 Venturing Officers Association
15 Committee Meeting
31 Powder Horn (Part 1)

Colorado Adventures:

Colorado Adventure Point (CAP):
13-17 STEM Day Camp - Session 1
20-24 STEM Day Camp - Session 2
27-31 STEM Day Camp - Session 3

Outdoor Adventures:
2-4 Magness Camp - Session 6
5-11 Camp Dietler - Week 5
5-11 Camp Dobbins - Week 5
5-11 Eagle Point Base Camp - Week 4
5-7 Magness Camp - Session 7
9-11 Magness Camp - Session 8
12-18 Camp Dietler - Week 6
12-18 Camp Dobbins - Week 6
12-18 Eagle Point Base Camp - Week 5
12-14 Magness Camp - Session 9
16-18 Magness Camp - Session 10
19-25 Camp Dietler - Week 7
19-25 Camp Dobbins - Week 7
19-25 Eagle Point Base Camp - Week 6
19-21 Magness Camp - Session 11
23-25 Magness Camp - Session 12
26 OA Arrow Tour
31-2 COPE Weekend
31 OA Leaves for NOAC

Planning & Events:

BALOO Training

Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO) is a one-day training event that introduces leaders and parents to the skills needed to plan and conduct pack outdoor activities, particularly pack camping.

- Once participants complete this fun and exciting training, they understand the focus of the Cub Scout level of the BSA outdoor program.
- Gain the skills needed to plan and carry out a successful Cub Scout-level overnight activity.
- Learn more about the resources available from the BSA.

Cub Scout Planning

Exciting changes have been made to the Cub Scouting program that will make it simpler to execute for unit leaders and more fun for boys! Take some time now to plan your meetings for the coming year using the Den Leader Guides available at the Scout Shop. These guides will provide a framework for your Den's favorite Cub Scouting activities. To encourage parent participation in your den meetings throughout the year, involve them in the process of choosing and planning activities and outings.

PACK MEETING THEME

Courage

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION FEES

July: 8 months

- Registration fee: \$16.00
- Boys' Life: \$8.00





AUGUST

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- Attend Popcorn Orientation
- Start Fall Recruiting At Back To School Night
- Get Ready For The Council Camporee

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 OA Summer Splash COPE Weekend
2 COPE Weekend	3	4	5	6	7	8 Denver Archdiocese Catholic Committee On Scouting
National Order of the Arrow Conference						
						COPE Weekend
9 COPE Weekend Tahosa Returns from NOAC	10	11 Popcorn Orientation #2	12	13	14 Magness Fall Family Camp Order of the Arrow Cony Party	15
16 Magness Fall Family Camp Order of the Arrow Cony Party	17 Show & Sell Popcorn Order Deadline	18 OA Lodge Executive Committee	19 Advancement Committee	20	21 COPE Weekend The Fundamentals of Training Gathering of Vigils	22
23 COPE Weekend	24 Commissioner Meeting	25 Council Training Committee Activities Committee	26	27	28 Wood Badge - Camp Tahosa - Part 1 Popcorn Distribution (Show & Sell) Conservation Weekend COPE Weekend	29
30 Conservation Weekend COPE Weekend	31 Program Forum					

August District Events:

Arapahoe:

- 6 District Commissioner Meeting
- 6 Join Night Orientation #2
- 6 Popcorn Orientation #2
- 6 Roundtable
- 6 White Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 20 District Committee Meeting
- 20 Join Night Resource Reload
- 27 Membership Tally Rally

Centennial:

- 6 District Commissioner Meeting
- 6 Medicine Pipe Chapter Meeting
- 6 Roundtable
- 13 District Committee Meeting

Frontier:

- 6 Roundtable
- 6 White Buffalo Chapter Meeting
- 13 District Commissioner Meeting
- 13 District Committee Meeting

Gateway:

- 6 Kodiak Chapter Meeting
- 6 Roundtable
- 20 District Committee Meeting
- 27 District Commissioner Meeting

Pioneer Trails:

- 6 Roundtable
- 6 Spirit Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 13 District Commissioner Meeting
- 13 District Committee Meeting

Timberline:

- 6 Roundtable
- 6 Running Antelope Chapter Meeting
- 13 Program Committee
- 20 District Committee Meeting
- 27 District Commissioner Meeting

Valley:

- 4 District Commissioner Meeting
- 4 Join Night Training
- 4 Popcorn Training
- 4 Roundtable
- 13 Medicine Bear Chapter Meeting
- 18 District Committee Meeting

Varsity:

- 14-15 Varsity Vision

Venturing:

- 7-9 Powder Horn (Part 2)
- 13 Venturing Officers Association Committee Meeting
- 19

Planning & Events:

COPE Weekend

Learn teamwork, trust, leadership, decision making, and problem solving through fun ropes course and climbing activities. Participants climb, swing, balance, jump, rappel and think of solutions to a variety of activities. Most participants do much more than they thought they were capable of doing. Unit leaders are encouraged to participate.

Fall Recruitment

Scouting is more fun with your friends. Beginning in August, and running throughout the entire fall, Units Council-wide will recruit thousands of new families to join in the fun and adventure of Scouting. In addition to the Council's Fall Recruiting plan, units are encouraged to share their program inside their Chartered organizations and hold their own "Bring a Friend" events that show just how fun Scouting is.

National Summertime Park Awards

School breaks afford Cub Scout Packs a perfect opportunity for special activities. These may be geared to a traditional summer break or to shorter breaks afforded by a year-round school calendar or to home schooled Cub Scouts. The National Summertime Pack Award recognizes Packs that provide a year-round program.

Each Pack that plans and conducts three Pack activities – one each during the summer months (or school vacations for a year-round school calendar) qualifies for the National Summertime Pack Award and will receive a ribbon for their flag. Each den will receive a den ribbon if at least half of their Cub Scouts attend three Pack summertime events. Cub Scouts who attend all three of their Pack's summertime activities earn a pin, which is worn on the uniform right pocket or on the Cub Scout Outdoor Activity Award.

Conservation Weekend

The Denver Area Council Conservation Committee will provide the opportunity for Scouts to earn the Colorado Scout Conservationist Award at Camp Tahosa. The primary activities will be on Saturday, August 29th.

The award focuses on conservation topics and activities as they relate to the state of Colorado. Topics include the Outdoor Code, Leave No Trace principles, introduction to Colorado ecological zones, travel and camping in the public lands of Colorado, wildfire effects, and water conservation. A conservation service project will be completed.

PACK MEETING THEME
Honesty

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION FEES
August: 7 months

- Registration fee: \$14.00
- Boys' Life: \$7.00



2015 SEPTEMBER

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- Attend Council Camporee
- Continue Holding Join Nights
- Get New Leader's YPT Trained

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Labor Day Hamilton Scout HQ Closed Scout Shop Closed				Wood Badge - Camp Tahosa - Part 2 Patriot Day	12
					COPE Weekend OA Fall Fellowship	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
COPE Weekend	Drive a Scout to Camp Golf Classic Rosh Hashanah	Board of Trustees Meeting	OA Lodge Executive Committee		Council Camporee	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Council Camporee		Activities Committee Meeting	Yom Kippur	Camping Committee	COPE Weekend Fall Sporting Clays Wood Badge Course Directors' Conference	District Committee Training The Trainer's EDGE
27	28	29	30			
COPE Weekend	Commissioner Meeting Succot					

September District Events:

Arapahoe:

- 3 District Commissioner Meeting
- 3 Roundtable
- 3 White Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 12 Scouting Safety Begins with Leadership
- 12 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
- 12 Varsity Coach Leader Specific Training
- 12 Venturing Crew Leader Specific Training
- 15 Membership Tally Rally
- 17 District Committee Meeting
- 17 Popcorn Resource ReLoad
- 25 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills
- 26 Merit Badge College

Centennial:

- 3 Cub Scout Leader Specific Training
- 3 District Commissioner Meeting
- 3 Eagle Preview
- 3 Medicine Pipe Chapter Meeting
- 3 Roundtable
- 3 Scouting Safety Begins with Leadership
- 10 District Committee Meeting
- 12 Centennial Super Saturday

Frontier:

- 3 Roundtable
- 3 White Buffalo Chapter Meeting
- 10 District Commissioner Meeting
- 10 District Committee Meeting

Gateway:

- 3 Kodiak Chapter Meeting
- 3 Roundtable
- 17 District Committee Meeting
- 24 District Commissioner Meeting
- 26 Cub Scout Leader Specific Training

Pioneer Trails:

- 3 Roundtable
- 3 Spirit Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 10 District Commissioner Meeting
- 10 District Committee Meeting
- 12 Cub Scout Leader Specific Training
- 12 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
- 12 Varsity Coach Leader Specific Training
- 12 Venturing Crew Leader Specific Training
- 25 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills

Timberline:

- 3 Roundtable
- 3 Running Antelope Chapter Meeting
- 10 Program Committee
- 12 Scouting Safety Begins with Leadership
- 12 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
- 12 Venturing Crew Leader Specific Training
- 17 District Committee Meeting
- 24 District Commissioner Meeting

Valley:

- 1 District Commissioner Meeting
- 1 Roundtable
- 10 Medicine Bear Chapter Meeting
- 15 District Committee Meeting

Venturing:

- 10 Venturing Officers Association
- 16 Committee Meeting

Planning & Events:

Golf Tournament

The 8th Annual "Drive a Scout to Camp" Golf Classic will be held on September 14, 2015. Once again, the Denver Area Council is honored to be chosen to hold our annual Golf Classic at the exclusive Sanctuary Golf Course! Last year, this tournament raised \$120,000 for our programs and the attendees had a great time in the process!

In 2014, over 15,000 youth participated in the exciting Scout programs at Camp Tahosa and Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch. Camp can be one of the most memorable and positive experiences for a youth and thanks to our generous supporters, we are able to provide a high quality camping experience for a very reduced price, thus providing all youth with an opportunity to attend camp.

Council Camporee

Fifty years ago this month, the Denver Area Council was in the process of securing funding for the purchase of Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch. In 2016, Peaceful Valley will officially turn 50 years old, and we are beginning a year of celebrations at the 2015 Council Camporee. The Council Camporee will be a full weekend of activities for Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Varsity Teams and Venture Crews that will bring close to 7,000 people together for a great weekend. Come experience the best of Scouting for all ages.

PACK MEETING THEME
Clean – "Cubervation"

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION FEES

September: 6 months

- Registration fee: \$12.00
- Boys' Life: \$6.00





OCTOBER

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- Explorer's, Crew's, Troop's Get Signed Up For Denver After Dark
- Adult Leaders Attend University Of Scouting
- Hold Your Second Join Night

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 Wood Badge Breakfast COPE Weekend NRA Rifle & Muzzleloading Rifle Instructor Training
4 COPE Weekend NRA Rifle & Muzzleloading Rifle Instructor Training	5 Sh'mini Atzeret	6 Simchat Torah	7	8	9	10 Order of the Arrow Cony Party
11	12 Columbus Day	13 Scout Show Committee Meeting	14	15	16	17 Jamboree on the Air NRA Home Firearm Safety Instructor Training Popcorn Returns at Graebel (Show & Sell) NRA Shotgun Instructor Training
18	19 Executive Board Meeting	20	21 OA Lodge Executive Committee Advancement Committee Meeting	22 Day Camp Committee Meeting	23	24 University of Scouting
25 Commissioner Meeting Popcorn "Take Orders" Deadline	26 Council Training Committee Activities Committee Meeting	27	28	29	30	31 Halloween

October District Events:

Colorado Adventure Point (CAP):

12-31 Fall Academies

Arapahoe:

- 1 District Commissioner Meeting
- 1 Roundtable
- 1 White Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 10 Cub Fun Day
- 10 Scouting Safety Begins with Leadership
- 10 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
- 10 Varsity Coach Leader Specific Training
- 10 Venturing Crew Leader Specific Training
- 15 District Committee Meeting
- 15 Popcorn Kernel Reception
- 28 Membership Tally Rally

Centennial:

- 1 Cub Scout Committee Training
- 1 District Commissioner Meeting
- 1 Medicine Pipe Chapter Meeting
- 1 Roundtable
- 1 Webelos Meet N Greet
- 1 Youth Protection Training
- 8 District Committee Meeting
- 10 Cub Scout Leader Specific Training
- 10 Merit Badge College
- 10 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
- 25 Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation

Frontier:

- 1 Roundtable
- 1 White Buffalo Chapter Meeting
- 3 Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation
- 3 Cub Scout Leader Specific Training
- 3 Troop Committee Challenge
- 3 Youth Protection Training
- 8 District Commissioner Meeting
- 8 District Committee Meeting

Gateway:

- 1 Kodiak Chapter Meeting
- 1 Roundtable
- 3 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training and Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Part 1
- 9 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training and Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Part 2
- 15 District Committee Meeting
- 29 District Commissioner Meeting

LFL/Exploring:

- 2 Denver After Dark

Pioneer Trails:

- 1 Roundtable
- 1 Spirit Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 8 District Commissioner Meeting
- 8 District Committee Meeting

Timberline:

- 1 Roundtable
- 1 Running Antelope Chapter Meeting
- 2 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills
- 2 Outdoor Webelos Leader Skills
- 8 Program Committee
- 15 District Committee Meeting
- 29 District Commissioner Meeting

Valley:

- 6 District Commissioner Meeting
- 6 Roundtable
- 8 Medicine Bear Chapter Meeting
- 10 Cub Fun Day
- 10 Cub Scout Leader Specific Training
- 20 District Committee Meeting
- 31 Valley District Aquatics Day

Venturing:

- 8 Venturing Officers Association
- 9-11 Fall Shooting Sports Weekend
- 21 Committee Meeting

Planning & Events:

Silver Beaver Nominations

The Silver Beaver Award is the highest honor the Denver Area Council, Boy Scouts of America can bestow upon a volunteer Scouter in recognition of distinguished service to youth. The recipients will not only be judged on their outstanding volunteer service with the Boy Scouts of America, but their overall service to other organizations within our community.

Denver After Dark

The Denver metro area doesn't just work the usual hours of 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. There are a lot of jobs that take place "after dark".

Spend a late evening going to different businesses that work evening hours, then spend the rest of the night at a safe and supervised "lock in" and play until morning!

University of Scouting

Take your training into the next Century! The University of Scouting is coming and you don't want to miss it! The University of Scouting is a Scout Leader's dream! it is an action packed, fun filled day of supplemental training where you choose the classes you want to take. Classes are led by experienced volunteers who will help you enhance your ability to provide a fun and exciting program to the Scouts.

The University of Scouting is a single day that is packed with a years worth of program ideas and information. In addition, you will have the opportunity to meet and share ideas with Scouters from across the Denver Area Council.

PACK MEETING THEME
Brave – "Super Cub!"

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION FEES
October: 5 months

- Registration fee: \$10.00
- Boys' Life: \$5.00



2015 NOVEMBER

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- Sign Up For Scouting For Food
- Have Fun At Valley District's Merit Badge College
- Sign Up For The Eagle Banquet

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Daylight Savings Time Ends	2 Program Forum	3	4 Silver Beaver Nominations Due	5	6 Popcorn Distribution at Graebel (Take Order)	7 OA Lodge Leader Development Scouting for Food Bag Distribution
8	9 Scout Show Committee Meeting	10 Veterans' Day	11	12	13	14 Scouting For Food Collection Day Madden Scholarship Applications Due
15	16 Board of Trustees Meeting	17 OA Lodge Executive Committee	18 Camping Committee Day Camp Committee Meeting	19	20	21
22 Commissioner's Meeting	23 Activities Committee Meeting	24	25	26 Thanksgiving Day Holiday Hamilton Scout HQ Closed Scout Shop Closed	27 Scout Shop Open	28
29	30					

November District Events:

Arapahoe:

- 5 Arrow of Light Red Carpet Event
- 5 District Commissioner Meeting
- 5 Roundtable
- 5 White Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 7 Scouting Safety Begins with Leadership
- 7 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
- 7 Varsity Coach Leader Specific Training
- 7 Venturing Crew Leader Specific Training (Adult & Youth)
- 19 District Committee Meeting
- 19 IC Orientation #1
- 19 Membership Tally Rally

Centennial:

- 5 Cub Scout Leader Specific Training
- 5 District Commissioner Meeting
- 5 Investment in Character Presenter Training
- 5 Medicine Pipe Chapter Meeting
- 5 Roundtable
- 5 Youth Protection Training
- 12 District Committee Meeting
- 20 Unit Rosters Due to District

Frontier:

- 5 Roundtable
- 5 White Buffalo Chapter Meeting
- 7 Merit Badge College
- 12 District Commissioner Meeting
- 12 District Committee Meeting
- 14 Merit Badge College
- 21 Merit Badge College

Gateway:

- 5 Kodiak Chapter Meeting
- 5 Roundtable
- 12 District Commissioner Meeting
- 19 District Committee Meeting
- 20 Unit Rosters Due to District

Pioneer Trails:

- 5 Roundtable
- 5 Spirit Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 12 District Commissioner Meeting
- 12 District Committee Meeting

Timberline:

- 4 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training Part 1
- 5 Roundtable
- 5 Running Antelope Chapter Meeting
- 11 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training Part 2
- 12 Program Committee
- 19 District Commissioner Meeting
- 19 District Committee Meeting

Valley:

- 3 District Commissioner Meeting
- 3 Roundtable
- 7 Crew Committee Challenge
- 7 Cub Scout Leader Specific Training
- 7 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
- 7 Team Committee Challenge
- 7 Troop Committee Challenge
- 7 Varsity Coach Leader Specific Training
- 7 Venturing Crew Leader Specific Training
- 10 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills
- 10 Outdoor Webelos Leader Skills
- 12 Medicine Bear Chapter Meeting
- 13-14 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills
- 13-14 Outdoor Webelos Leader Skills
- 14 Merit Badge College
- 17 District Committee Meeting

Venturing:

- 12 Venturing Officers Association
- 18 Committee Meeting

Planning & Events:

Scouting for Food

In the past, we have partnered with 9News to "Scout for Food" to donate to the 9Cares Colorado Shares drive which provides food to over 100 food banks throughout the Metro area.

All Scouting units are encouraged to participate in this Council-wide community service initiative. Scouting for Food participation will inspire our young people and teach them the importance of community service. Service is a key ingredient in Citizenship! It will also reinforce Scouting's positive contribution to the general community.

Summer Camp Reservations

Boy Scout Summer Camp is a real highlight of the Troop's program year. It takes a lot of planning to have a good season of Summer Camp, the first part of your planning for next year's camp can happen now. Reserve your site for next year. Talk to your Scouts about what they want to do next summer. That will put you on the road for your 2016 camp planning process. Some of the key elements include:

- Reserving a Spot at Camp, the earlier the better to get the week you want.
- Thinking about how your Scouts can earn money needed for Camp through Popcorn and Camp Card sales.
- Planning to have adequate adult leadership for Camp.
- Incorporating new Scouts who join in the Spring into your Summer Camp plans.
- Health forms and physicals needed for camp.
- What Merit Badges to sign the Scouts up for.

These are some but not all of the key features of the year round process of Summer Camp planning and now is a good time to start for next year. Contact the Denver Area Council Outdoor Adventure Department for more information.

PACK MEETING THEME
Helpful – "Cubs In Action"

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION FEES
November: 4 months

- Registration fee: \$8.00
- Boys' Life: \$4.00



ENTERING GRADES
3-5

1-WEEK
SESSIONS

S T
E M = SCIENCE
TECHNOLOGY
ENGINEERING
MATH

July 13-17 9am-4pm
July 20-24 9am-4pm
July 27-31 9am-4pm

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PER SESSION
SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

CAMP SCHEDULE:

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Day 1: Chemistry Mania
Aha! Chemistry reveals secrets and mysteries! Make elephant toothpaste. Create your own lava, and implode a soda can.

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Day 2: Mad About Gravity
Blast off! Design your own rocket. Look out for flying objects when you produce a parachute for an egg drop challenge.

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Day 3: How Things Work
Today, you will get to design and create a circuit, design a chair, an Art Bot and a contraption using simple machines.

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Day 4: Robotics & Where's The Treasure?
Build a robot rover. Program the rover to complete its mission. Become a detective. Collect and test evidence, like fingerprints.

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Day 5: Squishy, Goopy Fun!
Make your own silly putty. Strawberries have DNA! Guess how you get it out? Find out what's squishy AND glows. Get messy today!



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Pack 696 & Troop 373
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Saturday, November 7, 2015

(Door Hanger Drop Off)

Saturday, November 14, 2015

(Pick Up And Food Drop Off)



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In 2015, the Denver Area Council has partnered with 9News to “Scout for Food” to donate to the 9Cares Colorado Shares drive on Saturday, November 14, 2015 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. which provides food to over 100 food banks throughout the Metro area. Scouts will deliver door hangers to their neighborhoods beginning Saturday, November 7th with a request to fill a bag with food and pick up on the morning of Saturday, November 14th and then deliver to one of the 9Cares Colorado Shares collection sites. Scouting for Food participation will inspire our young people and teach them the importance of community service. Service is a key ingredient in Citizenship! It will also reinforce Scouting’s positive contribution to our community.

9Cares Colorado Shares is the largest one day food drive in the region.

Register at denverboyscouts.org/scoutingforfood

33rd Annual 9Cares Colorado Shares - Food Drive
Saturday November 14th, 2015

7 a.m. - 4 p.m.

More than 30 sites throughout Colorado, 5 in Metro Denver

9Cares Food Items Needed

9Cares accepts all non-perishable food, but food banks say they need items high in protein the most. Tuna fish, peanut butter, beans, nuts, canned stews, and canned meat are all perfect. Again, all foods must be non-perishable, and encourage viewers to avoid items in glass jars.

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JOY 2015 DECEMBER

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- Turn In Your Eagle Projects To Program Team
- It's Time For Webelos Winter Weekend!
- Turn In Your Silver Beaver Nominations

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Popcorn Money & Prize Order Forms Due	3	4	5
6	7 Hanukkah Begins	8 Scout Show Committee Meeting	9	10	11	12
13	14 Commissioner's Meeting	15 Council Training Committee Activities Committee Meeting	16 OA Lodge Executive Committee	17 Day Camp Committee Meeting	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 Christmas Eve Hamilton Scout HQ Closed Scout Shop Open	25 Christmas Day Scout Shop Closed	26
27 Camp Staff Returning Management Interviews	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve		

December District Events:

Arapahoe:

- 3 District Commissioner Meeting
- 3 IC Orientation #2
- 3 Re-Charter Training #1
- 3 Roundtable
- 3 White Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 17 Annual Business Meeting
- 17 Charter Representative Training
- 17 District Committee Social
- 17 Year End Paperwork Turn-in

Centennial:

- 3 Centennial District Unit IC Training
- 3 District Commissioner Meeting
- 3 Medicine Pipe Chapter Meeting
- 3 Roundtable
- 4 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills
- 4 Outdoor Webelos Leader Skills
- 4 Webelos Winter Weekend
- 10 District Committee Meeting
- 30 IC Dates Due to District

Frontier:

- 3 Roundtable
- 3 White Buffalo Chapter Meeting
- 5 Cub Scout Leader Specific Training
- 5 The Essentials of Merit Badge Counseling
- 5 Troop Committee Challenge
- 5 Youth Protection Training
- 10 District Commissioner Meeting
- 10 District Committee Meeting

Gateway:

- 3 Kodiak Chapter Meeting
- 3 Roundtable
- 10 District Commissioner Meeting
- 17 District Committee Meeting
- 30 Investment to Character Dates Due to District

Pioneer Trails:

- 3 Roundtable
- 3 Spirit Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 10 District Commissioner Meeting
- 10 District Committee Meeting

Timberline:

- 3 Roundtable
- 3 Running Antelope Chapter Meeting
- 17 District Commissioner Meeting
- 17 District Committee Meeting
- 17 Program Committee

Valley:

- 1 District Commissioner Meeting
- 1 Roundtable
- 10 Medicine Bear Chapter Meeting
- 15 Annual Business Meeting
- 15 Chartered Organization Representative Training
- 15 District Committee Meeting

Venturing:

- 10 Venturing Officers Association
- 16 Committee Meeting

Planning & Events:

Madden Scholars

The John and Marjorie Madden Merit Scholarship was established by John and Marjorie Madden to ensure the highest quality and continuity of camp staff members for the Denver Area Council camps. The scholarship is given annually to selected registered members of the Boy Scouts who meet all requirements. Merit-based consideration is given for community involvement, demonstrated academic ability, and creativity of service, leadership opportunities, and personal initiative.

PACK MEETING THEME
Reverent – "Winter Wonderland"

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION FEES
December: 4 months

- Registration fee: \$6.00
- Boys' Life: \$3.00

Big Horn Staff Applications

National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) is an exciting, action-packed program designed to provide all 13 to 20 year old youth members of the Boy Scouts of America with leadership skills and experience they can use in their home units and in other situations demanding leadership of self and others. Leadership, fun, challenge, adventure - NYLT offers all of those and much more.

Every NYLT course operates according to Scouting ideals – those of Boy Scouting and Venturing. Each participant and staff member is welcomed, appreciated, and valued. Each year we select the "best of the best" from the Denver Area Council to be Big Horn Staff. Are you up for the challenge?

Camp Staff Applications

Do you have the "Right Stuff?" Working for a Denver Area Council camp is not just a job, it's a lifestyle. The Denver Area Council is looking for a few men and women who have the "Right Stuff" to join our camp staffs. Spending your summer at either Peaceful Valley or Camp Tahosa will provide you with an opportunity to not only have the adventure of a lifetime, but to also affect the lives of thousands of youth from across the country.

Just another day at work...Working on camp staff is a great opportunity to spend your days outdoors and earn a salary at the same time. Spend your days taking Scouts on hikes, teaching them how to shoot a gun or ride a horse, and relaxing with them in the evening as you all sit around a campfire telling stories and watching skits. Other benefits of working on staff are: summer housing, three meals a day, time off on the weekends, working on your tan, and making friends from around the country.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 New Year's Day Online Re-Charter Opens Hamilton Scout HQ Closed Scout Shop Closed	2
3	4	5	6	7	8 OKPIK	9 OA Lodge Banquet
10 OKPIK	11	12 Scout Show Committee Meeting	13	14	15 OKPIK	16 Commissioner's ComBat Training
17 OKPIK	18 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Hamilton Scout HQ Closed	19 Board of Trustees Meeting	20 Advancement Committee Meeting OA LEC	21	22 OKPIK	23 Camp Staff Interviews
24 OKPIK	25 District Committee Training New Item	26 Activities Committee Meeting	27	28 Day Camp Committee	29 OKPIK	30
31 OKPIK						

January District Events:

Arapahoe:

- 7 District Commissioner Meeting
- 7 Re-Charter Training #2
- 7 Roundtable
- 7 White Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 21 District Committee Meeting
- 21 IC Reception
- 21 Re-Charter Turn-in/Q&A
- 23 Scouting Safety Begins with Leadership
- 23 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
- 23 Varsity Coach Leader Specific Training
- 23 Venturing Crew Leader Specific Training
- 29-31 Klondoree

Centennial:

- 3 Centennial District Charterama Training
- 7 District Commissioner Meeting
- 7 Medicine Pipe Chapter Meeting
- 7 Roundtable
- 14 District Committee Meeting
- 30 Centennial District Super Saturday

Frontier:

- 7 Roundtable
- 7 White Buffalo Chapter Meeting
- 14 District Commissioner Meeting
- 14 District Committee Meeting

Gateway:

- 7 Kodiak Chapter Meeting
- 7 Roundtable
- 16 Chartered Organization Representative Training
- 16 Cub Scout Leader Specific Training
- 16 The Essentials of Merit Badge Counseling
- 16 Varsity Coach Leader Specific Training
- 16 Venturing Crew Leader Specific Training
- 21 District Committee Meeting
- 28 District Commissioner Meeting

Pioneer Trails:

- 7 Roundtable
- 7 Spirit Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 14 District Commissioner Meeting
- 14 District Committee Meeting
- 22 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills

Timberline:

- 7 Roundtable
- 7 Running Antelope Chapter Meeting
- 14 Program Committee
- 21 District Committee Meeting
- 28 District Commissioner Meeting

Valley:

- 5 District Commissioner Meeting
- 5 Re-Charter Training
- 5 Roundtable
- 14 Medicine Bear Chapter Meeting
- 19 District Committee Meeting
- 22-24 Klondike

Venturing:

- 8-10 Venturing Snow Snank
- 14 Venturing Officers Association
- 20 Committee Meeting

Planning & Events:

OKPIK

OKPIK (Inuit for Snow Owl) is the cold weather adventure camping program for the Boy Scouts of America. Camp Tahosa is proud to be one of the few Boy Scout Councils in the nation that can offer the program. At OKPIK scouts experience a true high altitude winter experience: learning how to thrive in subzero temperatures, travel across frozen terrain, and construct sleeping structures out of snow after an intensive training session.

Klondikes

Klondikes can be many things to different people. Klondikes are a fun way for youth to build and develop friendships and test their camping skills in the winter conditions against their peers from other local troops. If things go right, hopefully the Scouts will earn their Polar Bear Award by camping in below zero weather.

Inventory Of Training

January is a great time of year for the Unit Committee to look at the current training levels for all registered leaders. A plan should be developed for each registered leader to get them fully trained for their registered position within the unit.

PACK MEETING THEME
Trustworthy – "The Great Race"

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION FEES

January: 2 months

- Registration fee: \$4.00
- Boys' Life: \$2.00





FEBRUARY

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- Visit Troops For Webelos To Scout Transition
- Celebrate The Class Of 2015 Eagle Scouts At The Eagle Banquet
- Come To Camp Card Orientation

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Program Forum	2	3	4	5	6 Commissioner's College OKPIK Camp Staff Interviews
7 OKPIK Scout Sunday	8	9 Scout Show Committee Meeting	10 Ash Wednesday	11	12 OKPIK	13
14 OKPIK	15 President's Day Hamilton Scout HQ Closed	16 Re-Charter Due	17 OA LEC	18	19 OKPIK	20
21 OKPIK	22 Commissioner's Meeting	23 Annual Business Meeting Activities Committee Meeting	24	25 Day Camp Committee Meeting Camping Committee	26 Eagle Banquet OKPIK	27
28	29					

February District Events:

Arapahoe:

- 4 District Commissioner Meeting
- 4 Re-Charter Turn in
- 4 Roundtable
- 4 White Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 10 Re-Charter Turn In
- 18 District Committee Meeting
- 18 Re-Charter Turn In

Centennial:

- 3 Re-Charter North Turn In
- 4 District Commissioner Meeting
- 4 Medicine Pipe Chapter Meeting
- 4 Roundtable
- 4 Unit Membership Training
- 5 Klondike/IOLS
- 9 Re-Charter Turn In
- 11 District Committee Meeting
- 15 Re-Charter Deadline
- 18 Annual Business Meeting
- 26 Annual Budgets Due to Council
- 26 Annual Calendars Due to Council

Frontier:

- 4 Roundtable
- 4 White Buffalo Chapter Meeting
- 11 District Commissioner Meeting
- 11 District Committee Meeting

Gateway:

- 4 Kodiak Chapter Meeting
- 4 Roundtable
- 4 Recharter Turn In
- 5 Klondike
- 18 District Committee Meeting
- 25 District Commissioner Meeting

Pioneer Trails:

- 4 Roundtable
- 4 Spirit Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 11 District Commissioner Meeting
- 11 District Committee Meeting
- 26 Klondoree

Timberline:

- 4 Roundtable
- 4 Running Antelope Chapter Meeting
- 6 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
- 6 Venturing Crew Leader Specific Training
- 11 Program Committee
- 18 District Committee Meeting
- 25 District Commissioner Meeting
- 26 Klondike Derby

Valley:

- 2 District Commissioner Meeting
- 2 Re-Charter Turn In
- 2 Roundtable
- 11 Medicine Bear Chapter Meeting
- 15 District Committee Meeting

Venturing:

- 11 Venturing Officers Association
- 13 Snow Sports Day
- 17 Committee Meeting

Planning & Events:

Scout Sunday

A Scout is Reverent! Celebrate Scouting's Anniversary by coordinating a Scout Sunday at our Chartered Partner church or other local place of worship. The program is designed to recognize the contributions of young people and adults to Scouting, and to increase the general awareness of Scouting in the community. Find more information about Scout Sunday at scouting.org.

Camp Cards

Several Camp Card Kick Off events will be held in February. Make sure that you are signed up to sell. Camp Cards are a great way for Scouts to earn the money they need for Summer Camp and High Adventure Activities. It's easy, fun and rewarding!

Webelos to Scout Transition

One of the goals of the Webelos program is to prepare boys for their transition into Boy Scouts. Packs and Troops should work together to insure that every Webelos Scout has the opportunity to join a Troop. Troops can provide opportunities for Webelos Scouts and their parents to become familiar with their program through special open houses or outdoor activities. Webelos dens may also have opportunity to observe Troops in action at Klondikes, Camporees and other district events. The cooperative effort of troop and packs gives Webelos Scouts and their families an awareness of the troop program, leadership and advancement – as well as an appreciation for troop organization and relationships. While Webelos dens will visit troops as a group, the selection of a troop by individual boys is up to the Scout and his family. Every troop has a different "personality" and is different in the type of activities schedules. Families must choose the troop that best meets the needs of their son. Boys are encouraged to join a troop in the early spring, allowing them to experience several troop campouts prior to attending summer camp.

Eagle Banquet

The Eagle Banquet will recognize the Eagle Class of 2015 where over 500 Eagles will be honored for their achievement of the highest rank Scouts can earn in the program. Program Features Include: Dinner, presentation of the Outstanding Eagle Award, Venturing Silver and Quartermaster Award, the Glenn and Melinda Adams Award, The Optimist Club Award, an opportunity to take your picture with a live eagle from HawkQuest, and individual recognition of every 2014 Eagle Scout present. Sponsorships are available for both individuals and corporate levels.

PACK MEETING THEME
Friendly – "Friends Near And Far"

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION FEES
 February: 1 months

- Registration fee: \$2.00
- Boys' Life: \$0.00



MARCH

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- Don't Forget To Sign Up For Wood Badge
- Sign Your Boy Scout Up For Big Horn/Nylt
- Enjoy District Volunteer Recognition Dinners

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5 Wood Badge Breakfast OKPIK
6 OKPIK	7	8 Scout Show Committee Meeting	9 OA LEC	10	11 OKPIK	12 OA Cony Party Bonanza
13 OKPIK	14	15 Board of Trustees Meeting	16 Council Recognition Dinner Advancement Committee Meeting	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19 Commissioner ComBat Training
20 Palm Sunday	21	22 Activities Committee Meeting	23	24 Maundy Thursday Day Camp Committee Meeting Purim	25 Good Friday Hamilton Scout HQ Closed	26
27 Easter Sunday	28 Commissioner's Meeting	29	30	31		

March District Events:

Arapahoe:

- 3 Camp Card Orientation
- 3 District Commissioner Meeting
- 3 Roundtable
- 3 White Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 12 District Recognition Dinner
- 17 District Committee Meeting
- 17 Spring Join Night Training
- 19 Scouting Safety Begins with Leadership
- 19 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
- 19 Varsity Coach Leader Specific Training
- 19 Venturing Crew Leader Specific Training

Centennial:

- 3 District Commissioner Meeting
- 3 Medicine Pipe Chapter Meeting
- 3 Roundtable
- 10 District Committee Meeting
- 26 Fired Up For Scouting - Tigers Only

Frontier:

- 3 Roundtable
- 3 White Buffalo Chapter Meeting
- 10 District Commissioner Meeting
- 10 District Committee Meeting
- 12 Cubmaster and Assistant Cubmaster Leader Specific Training
- 12 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
- 12 The Essentials of Merit Badge Counseling
- 12 Troop Committee Challenge
- 12 Youth Protection Training
- 25 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills

Gateway:

- 3 Kodiak Chapter Meeting
- 3 Roundtable
- 12 Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation
- 17 District Committee Meeting
- 18 District Recognition Dinner
- 31 District Commissioners Meeting

Pioneer Trails:

- 3 Roundtable
- 3 Spirit Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 10 District Commissioner Meeting
- 10 District Committee Meeting
- 24 District Banquet

Timberline:

- 3 Roundtable
- 3 Running Antelope Chapter Meeting
- 10 Program Committee
- 12 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
- 12 Venturing Crew Leader Specific Training
- 17 District Committee Meeting
- 31 District Commissioner Meeting

Valley:

- 1 District Commissioner Meeting
- 1 Roundtable
- 5 Cub Winter Adventure
- 10 Medicine Bear Chapter Meeting
- 12 Crew Committee Challenge
- 12 Cub Scout Leader Specific Training
- 12 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
- 12 Team Committee Challenge
- 12 Troop Committee Challenge
- 12 Varsity Coach Leader Specific Training
- 12 Venturing Crew Leader Specific Training
- 15 District Committee Meeting

Venturing:

- 10 Venturing Officers Association

Planning & Events:

Annual Volunteer Recognition Dinner

Celebrate the achievements of our District's and adult volunteers as we acknowledge those who have received the Council's top award, the Silver Beaver. Learn more about the successes of the previous year and the goals of the year to come.

Veterans Award

The veteran award is an adult recognition. However, tenure earned as a youth may be included in the total number of years registered. After five years of registered service in the Boy Scouts of America, an adult may, upon application, receive the designation of "Veteran," provided the person agrees to live up to the Scouting obligations; to keep local Scouting authorities in the community in which residing informed as to availability for service; and further, to be as active in the promotion of the cause of Scouting as circumstances and conditions permit.

Magness

Magness Adventure Camp is the Cub Scout Resident Camp facility for the Denver Area Council, Boy Scouts of America. With a beautiful lake, archery, tomahawk, and BB Gun ranges, rock climbing site, canoes, paddle boats, and outstanding facilities, Magness provides the Cub Scout camping adventure for Scouts of all ages!

Whether you are 6 or 96, Magness Adventure Camp is the perfect place for your Scout and family to enjoy all the fun Colorado camping has to offer! While packs are encouraged to come as a group, many parents and boys choose to attend camp as a family. Parents and siblings (age 6 and up) are encourage to participate in activities with their Scouts. Magness Adventure Camp offers a unique age-specific, grade appropriate, exciting program for all Cub Scouts and their families who attend.

PACK MEETING THEME
Thrifty - "Cubstruction"

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION FEES
March: 12 months

- Registration fee: \$24.00
- Boys' Life: \$12.00



APRIL

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- Two Words! Scout Show!
- Camp Card Sale In Full Swing
- Take A Glimpse Into The Future At Program Preview

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 Scout Show Committee Meeting	13	14	15 Spring Wood Badge Part 1	16 OA Section Conclave Camp Staff Orientation Summer Camp Troop Orientation
17 Spring Wood Badge Part 1 OA Section Conclave	18	19	20 OA LEC	21 Day Camp Committee Meeting	22	23 Executive Board Meeting Scout Show and Program Preview Silver Palm Breakfast Summer Camp Pack Orientation Passover Begins Activities Committee Meeting
24	25 Commissioner's Meeting	26	27	28 Camping Committee	29 Spring Wood Badge Part 2	30 Passover Ends Range Hands

April District Events:

Arapahoe:

- 7 District Commissioner Meeting
- 7 Roundtable
- 7 Spring Join Night Training
- 7 White Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 9 District Pinewood Derby
- 9 Family IC Victory Pizza Party
- 21 District Committee Meeting
- 29 Scouting Safety Begins with Leadership
- 29 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
- 29 Varsity Coach Leader Specific Training
- 29 Venturing Crew Leader Specific Training

Centennial:

- 7 District Commissioner Meeting
- 7 Medicine Pipe Chapter Meeting
- 7 Roundtable
- 9 District Pinewood Derby
- 14 District Committee Meeting
- 27 District Dinner

Frontier:

- 7 Roundtable
- 7 White Buffalo Chapter Meeting
- 14 District Commissioner Meeting
- 14 District Committee Meeting

Gateway:

- 2 District Pinewood Derby
- 7 Eagle Nest
- 7 Kodiak Chapter Meeting
- 7 Roundtable
- 21 District Committee Meeting
- 28 District Commissioner Meeting

Pioneer Trails:

- 7 Roundtable
- 7 Spirit Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 14 District Commissioner Meeting
- 14 District Committee Meeting
- 16 Merit Badge College

Timberline:

- 7 Roundtable
- 7 Running Antelope Chapter Meeting
- 14 Program Committee
- 21 District Committee Meeting
- 28 District Commissioner Meeting

Valley:

- 5 District Commissioner Meeting
- 5 Roundtable
- 9 Valley District Recognition Dinner
- 12 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills
- 14 Medicine Bear Chapter Meeting
- 15-17 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills
- 19 District Committee Meeting

Venturing:

- 14 Venturing Officers Association
- 20 Committee Meeting

Planning & Events:

Silver Palm Breakfast

Every year we honor the Scouts who have "Soared Beyond Eagle" and have earned one or more Silver Palms during 2015 by asking them to attend the Executive Board/Silver Palm Breakfast on the morning of the Stock show.

Scout Show/Program Preview

The Denver Area Council Scout Show showcases the Scouting program in a way that is accessible to both Scouters and non Scouters. It is an opportunity for program enhancement and recruiting for our existing units and a means to introduce Scouting to potential new chartered partners. By having outside vendors participate, we give unit leadership access to resources not otherwise readily available. The Scout Show is a fun, hands-on opportunity for your Scouts to see the "bigger picture" of Scouting.

PACK MEETING THEME
Cheerful – "Strike Up The Band"

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION FEES

April: 11 months

- Registration fee: \$22.00
- Boys' Life: \$11.00v





MAY

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- Start Getting Your Camp Physicals
- It's Time To Sign Up For Summer Camp
- Do You Have Baloo, Owls And Iols Training?

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Spring Wood Badge Part 2	2 Program Forum	3	4	5 Yom Hashoah	6 OA Cony Party	7 Hooked on Tahosa
8 Mother's Day Hooked on Tahosa OA Cony Party	9	10	11 Board of Trustees Meeting	12 Yom Haatzmaut	13 OA Cony Party	14 Hooked on Tahosa
15 OA Cony Party Hooked on Tahosa	16	17	18 Advancement Committee Meeting OA LEC	19	20	21 Commissioner ComBat Training
22	23 Commissioner's Meeting	24 Activities Committee Meeting	25	26 Day Camp Committee Meeting Lag B'Omer	27	28
29	30 Memorial Day Hamilton Scout HQ Closed	31				

May District Events:

Arapahoe:

- 5 District Commissioner Meeting
- 5 Roundtable
- 5 White Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 6 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills
- 10 Membership Tally Rally
- 19 District Committee Meeting

Centennial:

- 5 District Commissioner Meeting
- 5 Medicine Pipe Chapter Meeting
- 5 Roundtable
- 12 District Committee Meeting
- 27 All Fall Join Night Dates Due to Council
- 27 Unit Rosters Due to District

Frontier:

- 5 Roundtable
- 5 White Buffalo Chapter Meeting
- 12 District Commissioner Meeting
- 12 District Committee Meeting

Gateway:

- 5 Kodiak Chapter Meeting
- 5 Roundtable
- 14 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training and Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Part 1
- 14 Varsity Coach Leader Specific Training
- 14 Venturing Crew Leader Specific Training
- 19 District Committee Meeting
- 20 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training and Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Part 2
- 26 District Commissioner Meeting

Pioneer Trails:

- 5 Roundtable
- 5 Spirit Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 12 District Commissioner Meeting
- 12 District Committee Meeting

Timberline:

- 5 Roundtable
- 5 Running Antelope Chapter Meeting
- 6-7 IOLS/OWL/BALOO
- 12 Program Committee
- 19 District Committee Meeting
- 26 District Commissioner Meeting

Valley:

- 3 District Commissioner Meeting
- 3 Roundtable
- 12 Medicine Bear Chapter Meeting
- 14 Valley District Pinewood Derby
- 17 District Committee Meeting

Venturing:

- 12 Venturing Officers Association
- 18 Committee Meeting

Planning & Events:

Sporting Clays

The annual Sporting Clays Invitational is a great day of fun and fellowship for both experienced and novice shooters to enjoy a fun-packed day of shooting with friends and colleagues. This event is a great opportunity for attendees to network with business and community leaders while supporting area Boy Scouts. All proceeds from this shoot will be used for capital projects at the two camps owned and operated by the Denver Area Council, Boy Scouts of America.

Cub Scout Day Camp

Cub Scout Day Camp provides fun and adventure in the outdoors for packs and dens. Participants attend camp with their Cub Scout pack. An adult, referred to as a "Group Guide", must accompany every five Cub Scouts and every five Webelos Scouts. If you are a Tiger Cub on this adventure, you must take Mom or Dad with you.

FUN will be the main objective of the day, as campers participate in activities designed to engage a child's imagination. Registration is available online at www.denverboyscouts.org.

PACK MEETING THEME
Kind – "My Animal Friends"

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION FEES

May: 10 months

- Registration fee: \$20.00
- Boys' Life: \$10.00





JUNE

- THINGS TO REMEMBER:**
- Come Have Fun At The Special Needs Fishing Derby
 - Gateway District's Webelos Weekend (40Th Year)
 - Have You Signed Up For Day Camp?

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Shavout	Flag Day					
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Father's Day	Executive Board Meeting and Dinner					
26	27	28	29	30		
	Commissioner's Meeting					

June District Events:

- Arapahoe:**
 2 District Commissioner Meeting
 2 Roundtable
 16 District Committee Meeting
- Centennial:**
 2 District Commissioner Meeting
 2 Medicine Pipe Chapter Meeting
 2 Roundtable
 9 District Committee Meeting
 14 Twilight Camp
- Frontier:**
 2 Roundtable
 2 White Buffalo Chapter Meeting
 9 District Commissioner Meeting
 9 District Committee Meeting
- Gateway:**
 2 Kodiak Chapter Meeting
 2 Roundtable
 3 Outdoor Webelos Leader Skills
 3 Webelos Weekend (40th Year)
 16 District Committee Meeting
 30 District Commissioner Meeting
- Pioneer Trails:**
 5 Roundtable
 5 Spirit Eagle Chapter Meeting
 12 District Commissioner Meeting
 12 District Committee Meeting
 24-26 Cub Scout Day Camp
- Timberline:**
 2 Roundtable
 2 Running Antelope Chapter Meeting
 6 Day Camp
 12 Program Committee
 16 District Committee Meeting
 30 District Commissioner Meeting
- Valley:**
 7 District Commissioner Meeting
 7 Join Night Training
 7 Roundtable
 9 Medicine Bear Chapter Meeting
 21-24 Day Camp
 21 District Committee Meeting
- Venturing:**
 9 Venturing Officers Association Committee Meeting
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Planning & Events:

Big Horn/National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)

National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) is an exciting, action-packed program designed for councils to provide youth members with leadership skills and experience they can use in their home units and in other situations demanding leadership of self and others.

The Big Horn NYLT Course is leadership training experience sponsored by the Denver Area Council and held annually at Tahosa High Adventure Base near Ward, Colorado. The training is conducted by highly qualified youth staff under the supervision of adult advisors.

The course models a month in the life of a unit. The training consists of six days of Scout activities culminating in an overnight outpost camp.



Colorado Outdoor Adventures:

Colorado Adventure Point (CAP):
 6-10 Special Summer Programming
 13-17 Special Summer Programming
 20-24 Special Summer Programming

Cris Dobbins Summer Camp Dates:
 5-11 Staff Week
 12-18 Week 1
 19-25 Week 2
 26-2 Week 3

Cortlandt Dietler Summer Camp Dates:
 5-11 Staff Week
 12-18 Week 1
 26-2 Week 2

W.E.S.T. Camp Dates:
 19-22 Session 1
 22-25 Session 2

Magness Adventure Camp Dates:
 5-11 Staff Week
 19-21 Session 1
 22-24 Session 2
 26-28 Session 3
 29-1 Session 4

EaglePoint Base Camp Dates:
 12-18 Staff Week
 19-25 Week 1
 26-2 Week 2

Alpine Adventure Trek Dates:
 26-2 Staff Week

PACK MEETING THEME
Obedient – "It's A Hit"

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION FEES

June: 9 months

- Registration fee: \$18.00
- Boys' Life: \$9.00



JULY

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- Have you signed up for Join Night Training?
- Get ready for Popcorn!
- Summer fun!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4 Independence Day Hamilton Scout HQ Closed	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29 COPE	30
31 COPE						

July District Events:

Arapahoe:
21 Leadership Symposium

Camping:
29-31 COPE Weekend

Centennial:
20 Fall Join Night Training

Gateway:
28 Fall Join Night Training

Timberline:
28 District Committee Meeting

Valley:
12 Valley Leadership Symposium
12 Venturing Crew Leader Specific Training
14 Medicine Bear Chapter Meeting
19 District Committee Meeting
19 Join Night Training

Venturing:
14 Venturing Officers Association

Planning & Events:

Popcorn

Every fall between August and November, Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts sell Trail's End popcorn products for their annual fundraiser. The Trail's End popcorn sale helps pay for local Scouting programs in communities all across the country, and Scouts enjoy a great return on their sale, with more than 73% of the purchase price going to fund local Scouting. The Scouts' popcorn customers can donate Trail's End products to our military men and women. More than \$25 million of popcorn has been purchased and sent to members of the military. The Trail's End Popcorn Program is also an important ingredient for leadership development and helps boys develop five key skills: goal setting, decision-making, money management, people skills and business ethics. Many Boy Scout alumnae credit programs like the Trail's End Popcorn Program as the place they learned their early business skills.

Sign-Up For 2017 Summer Camp

Attending a summer camping program is an important part of any Boy Scouts development. July is the perfect time for your Troop to be making initial plans for the Summer Camp next year. The summer camp programs at Peaceful Valley Scout Ranch and Tahosa Alpine Base are in great demand, especially during the critical weeks that everyone needs to get into. Make your reservation now so you do not miss out.

Colorado Outdoor Adventures:

Colorado Adventure Point (CAP):
11-15 Special Summer Programming
18-22 Special Summer Programming
25-29 Special Summer Programming

Cris Dobbins Summer Camp Dates:
3-9 Week 4
10-16 Week 5
17-23 Week 6
24-30 Week 7

Cortlandt Dietler Summer Camp Dates:
3-9 Week 3
10-16 Week 4
17-23 Week 5

W.E.S.T. Camp Dates:
24-27 Session 3
27-30 Session 4

Magness Adventure Camp Dates:
3-5 Session 5
6-8 Session 6
10-12 Session 7
13-15 Session 8
17-19 Session 9
20-22 Session 10
24-26 Session 11
27-29 Session 12

EaglePoint Base Camp Dates:
3-9 Week 3
10-16 Week 4
17-23 Week 5
24-30 Week 6

Alpine Adventure Trek Dates:
3-9 Week 1
10-16 Week 2
17-23 Week 3
24-30 Week 4
31-6 Week 5

PACK MEETING THEME

Loyal – "Scout Salute"

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION FEES

July: 8 months

- Registration fee: \$16.00
- Boys' Life: \$8.00





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Program Forum	2	3 Popcorn Orientation #1	4	5 COPE	6 Commissioner ComBat Training
7	8	9	10	11	12 COPE	13 Tisha B'Av OA Cony Party
14 OA Cony Party	15	16 Popcorn Orientation #2	17 Advancement Committee Meeting OA LEC	18	19 COPE	20 OA Vigil Gathering
21	22 Popcorn Show & Sell Orders Due	23 Activities Committee Meeting	24	25	26 COPE	27 Conservation Weekend Wood Badge Part 1
28 COPE	29	30	31			

August District Events:

Arapahoe:

- 4 District Commissioner Meeting
- 4 Join Night Orientation #2
- 4 Popcorn Orientation #2
- 4 Roundtable
- 4 White Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 18 District Committee Meeting
- 18 Join Night Resource Reload
- 31 Membership Tally Rally

Centennial:

- 4 District Commissioner Meeting
- 4 Medicine Pipe Chapter Meeting
- 4 Roundtable
- 11 District Committee Meeting

Frontier:

- 4 Roundtable
- 4 White Buffalo Chapter Meeting
- 11 District Commissioner Meeting
- 11 District Committee Meeting

Gateway:

- 4 Kodiak Chapter Meeting
- 4 Roundtable
- 18 District Committee Meeting
- 25 District Commissioner Meeting

Pioneer Trails:

- 4 Roundtable
- 4 Spirit Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 11 District Commissioner Meeting
- 11 District Committee Meeting

Timberline:

- 4 Roundtable
- 4 Running Antelope Chapter Meeting
- 11 Program Committee
- 18 District Committee Meeting
- 25 District Commissioner Meeting

Valley:

- 2 District Commissioner Meeting
- 2 Join Night Training
- 2 Roundtable
- 11 Medicine Bear Chapter Meeting
- 16 District Committee Meeting

Venturing:

- 11 Venturing Officers Association
- 17 Committee Meeting

Planning & Events:

Boy's Life

The mission of Boys' Life magazine is to entertain and educate America's youth and to open their eyes to the joyous work of reading. This is accomplished through a proven mix of news, nature, sports, history, fiction, science, comics, and Scouting. A special edition is published for Cub Scouts, with age- and program-specific content and feature articles. Benefits: Good Reading, Faster Advancement, increased family support, longer tenure, and just a good part of Scouting. Make sure your unit is a 100% Boy's Life unit.

Lifesaving and Meritorious Action Awards

The Boy Scouts of America launched its medals recognition program in 1911 to recognize Scouts and leaders who have saved a life. Medal of Merits may be awarded to youth or adult leaders who have performed some outstanding acts of served of a rare or exceptional character that reflects uncommon degree of concern for the well-being of others. If you know of any heroic and selfless acts, work with your district advancement chairman to get the person nominated for the awards. More information on the awards can be found at scouting.org.

Wood Badge

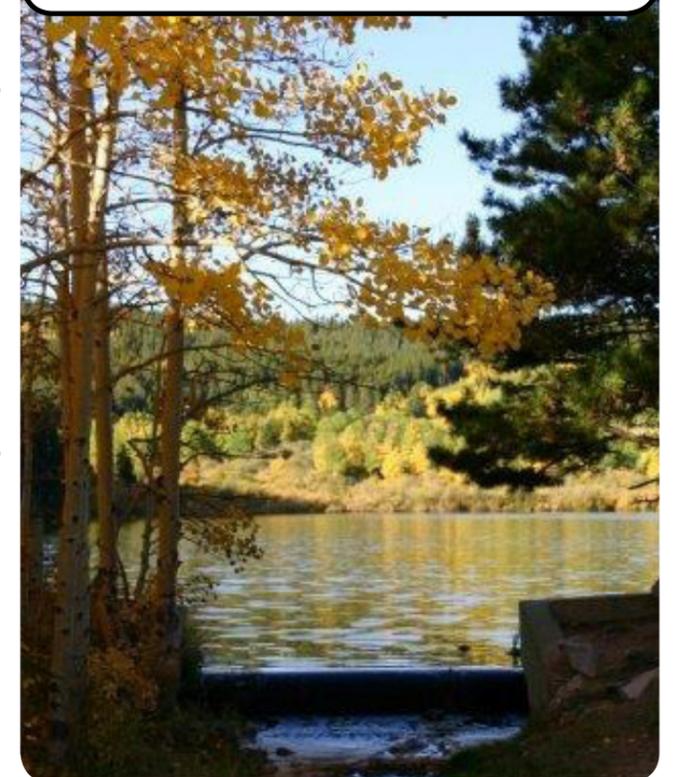
Wood Badge is an advanced leadership course offered 2 times a year for Scout leaders involved in all program levels – Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Varsity Scouting, and Venturing. Wood Badge is some of the best (and definitely the most fun!) leadership training you will find anywhere. Leadership skills developed through Wood Badge will make you a more effective leader at work, in Scouting, at home, and in other volunteer roles. During the course you will define your personal vision of success for your Scouting position, and then outline five significant goals to bring that vision to life. When you complete those goals, you will receive your recognition – the Wood Badge.

PACK MEETING THEME
Courteous – "S'More Cub Scout Fun"

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION FEES

August: 7 months

- Registration fee: \$14.00
- Boys' Life: \$7.00





2016 SEPTEMBER

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- Register for University of Scouting
- Merit Badge Colleges
- Sign up for Leader Specific Training

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5 Labor Day Hamilton Scout HQ Closed	6	7	8	9 Popcorn Distribution at District Sites COPE	10 Wood Badge Part 2
11 COPE Patriot Day	12	13	14	15	16 OA Fall Fellowship	17 CDC
18 OA Fall Fellowship	19	20 Board of Trustees Meeting	21 OA LEC	22 Camping Committee	23 COPE	24
25 COPE	26 Commissioner's Meeting	27 Activities Committee Meeting	28	29	30 COPE	

September District Events:

Arapahoe:

- 1 District Commissioner Meeting
- 1 Join Night Orientation #3
- 1 Roundtable
- 1 White Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 10 Scouting Safety Begins with Leadership
- 10 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
- 10 Varsity Coach Leader Specific Training
- 10 Venturing Crew Leader Specific Training
- 15 District Committee Meeting
- 15 Membership Tally Rally and Reload
- 15 Popcorn Resource Reload
- 23 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills

Centennial:

- 1 District Commissioner Meeting
- 1 Medicine Pipe Chapter Meeting
- 1 Roundtable
- 8 District Committee Meeting
- 10 District Super Saturday
- 16 District Camporee

Frontier:

- 1 Roundtable
- 1 White Buffalo Chapter Meeting
- 8 District Commissioner Meeting
- 8 District Committee Meeting
- 10 Cubmaster and Assistant Cubmaster Leader Specific Training
- 10 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
- 10 The Essentials of Merit Badge Counseling
- 10 Troop Committee Challenge
- 10 Youth Protection Training
- 24 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills

Gateway:

- 1 Kodiak Chapter Meeting
- 1 Roundtable
- 15 District Committee Meeting
- 17 Cub Scout Leader Specific Training
- 29 District Commissioner Meeting

Pioneer Trails:

- 1 Roundtable
- 1 Spirit Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 8 District Commissioner Meeting
- 8 District Committee Meeting

Timberline:

- 1 Roundtable
- 1 Running Antelope Chapter Meeting
- 8 Program Committee
- 10 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
- 10 Venturing Crew Leader Specific Training
- 15 District Committee Meeting
- 29 District Commissioner Meeting
- 30 IOLS/OWL

Valley:

- 6 District Commissioner Meeting
- 6 Roundtable
- 8 Medicine Bear Chapter Meeting
- 16 Valley District Camporee
- 20 District Committee Meeting

Venturing:

- 8 Venturing Officers Association
- 21 Committee Meeting

Planning & Events:

National Summer Time Pack Award

Packs can qualify for the National Summertime Pack Award certificate and streamer by planning and conducting three pack activities – one each in June, July and August (or during other school vacations if your pack is in a year-round school).

Recruitment

Scouting is more fun with your friends. Beginning in August, and running throughout the entire fall, units, council wide will recruit thousands of new families to join in the fun and adventure of Scouting. In addition to the council's Fall Recruiting plan, units are encouraged to share their program inside their chartered organization and hold their own "Bring a Friend" events that show just how fun Scouting is. Don't forget that all units are to have at least one join night by October 31st.

Special Needs Adventure Day

The annual Learning for Life Special Needs Events, Adventure Day provides experiences for youth with Special Needs and their teachers and aides to participate in activities they may not otherwise be able to experience. This event allows youth to interact with people just like them from all over the Denver area.

This event is both a celebration for youth with Special Needs as well as an added value event for partners with the Learning for Life Special Needs District of the Denver Area Council

PACK MEETING THEME
Helpful – "To The Rescue"

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION FEES
September: 6 months

- Registration fee: \$12.00
- Boys' Life: \$6.00



2016

OCTOBER

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- Have you held your second Join Night?
- Don't forget Denver After Dark
- Sign up for Scouting for Food

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 COPE
2 COPE	3 Rosh Hashanah	4	5	6	7	8 Wood Badge Breakfast
9	10	11 Scout Show Committee Meeting	12 Yom Kippur	13	14 OA Cony Party	15
16 OA Cony Party	17 Succot	18 Executive Board Meeting	19 Advancement Committee Meeting OA LEC	20 Popcorn Returns to Graebel	21	22
23	24 Popcorn Door to Door Orders are Due Commissioner's Meeting Sh'mini Atzeret	25 Activities Committee Meeting Simchat Torah	26	27 Day Camp Committee Meeting	28	29
30	31 Halloween					

October District Events:

Colorado Adventure Point (CAP):
10-30 Special Fall Programming

Arapahoe:

- 6 District Commissioner Meeting
- 6 Roundtable
- 6 White Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 8 Cub Fun Day
- 8 Scouting Safety Begins with Leadership
- 8 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
- 8 Varsity Coach Leader Specific Training
- 8 Venturing Crew Leader Specific Training
- 20 District Committee Meeting
- 20 Popcorn Kernel Reception
- 25 Membership Tally Rally

Centennial:

- 6 District Commissioner Meeting
- 6 Medicine Pipe Chapter Meeting
- 6 Roundtable
- 6 Webelos Meet N Greet
- 8 Centennial Merit Badge College
- 13 District Committee Meeting

Frontier:

- 6 Roundtable
- 6 White Buffalo Chapter Meeting
- 13 District Commissioner Meeting
- 13 District Committee Meeting

Gateway:

- 6 Kodiak Chapter Meeting
- 6 Roundtable
- 7 Camporee
- 17 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training and Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Part 1
- 20 District Committee Meeting
- 23 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training and Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Part 2
- 27 District Commissioner Meeting

LFL/Exploring:

- 15 Fall Join Night Training

Pioneer Trails:

- 6 Roundtable
- 6 Spirit Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 13 District Commissioner Meeting
- 13 District Committee Meeting
- 14-16 District Camporee

Timberline:

- 1 IOLS/OWL
- 6 Roundtable
- 6 Running Antelope Chapter Meeting Program Committee
- 13 District Committee Meeting
- 20 District Committee Meeting
- 27 District Commissioner Meeting

Valley:

- 4 District Commissioner Meeting
- 4 Roundtable
- 8 Cub Fun Day
- 18 District Committee Meeting
- 29 Valley District Aquatics Day

Venturing:

- 13 Venturing Officers Association
- 19 Committee Meeting

Planning & Events:

Wood Badge

Wood Badge is Scouting's premier training course modeled on Baden-Powells design so adult leaders can learn in the best possible way the skills and methods of Scouting. It is first and foremost learning by doing. Participants are formed into patrols, and spend two weekends in the out of doors practicing Scout skills. The course is designed to be a highlight and a "mountaintop experience" for each participant. Get the most out of your unit's leadership by getting your key leaders the Wood Badge experience.

Guide to Safe Scouting

The purpose of the Guide to Safe Scouting is to prepare members of the Boy Scouts of America to conduct activities in a safe and prudent manner. The policies and guidelines have been established because off the real need to protect member form know hazards that have been identified through 100 years of experience. All participants in official Scouting activities should become familiar with the Guide to Safe Scouting. This resource can be found online at scouting.org.

PACK MEETING THEME
Kind – "Creepy Crawlers"

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION FEES

October: 5 months

- Registration fee: \$10.00
- Boys' Life: \$5.00





THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- Time to get your Silver Beaver Nominations Ready
- Get ready to sign up for Big Horn

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Silver Beaver Nominations Due	3	4 Popcorn Distribution at Graebel	5 OA Lodge Leadership Development
6	7 Program Forum	8 Election Day Scout Show Committee Meeting	9	10	11 Veterans' Day	12
13	14 Madden Scholarship Applications Due	15 Board of Trustees Meeting	16 OA LEC	17 Day Camp Committee Meeting	18	19
20	21 Activities Committee Meeting	22	23	24 Hamilton Scout HQ Closed Thanksgiving Day Holiday	25	26
27	28 Commissioner's Meeting	29	30			

November District Events:

Arapahoe:

- 3 Arrow of Light Red Carpet Event
- 3 District Commissioner Meeting
- 3 Roundtable
- 3 White Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 5 Scouting Safety Begins with Leadership
- 5 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
- 5 Varsity Coach Leader Specific Training
- 5 Venturing Crew Leader Specific Training (adult & youth)
- 17 District Committee Meeting
- 17 IC Orientation #1
- 17 Membership Tally Rally

Centennial:

- 3 District Commissioner Meeting
- 3 Investment in Character Presenter Training
- 3 Medicine Pipe Chapter Meeting
- 3 Roundtable
- 10 District Committee Meeting
- 18 Unit Rosters Due to District

Frontier:

- 3 Roundtable
- 3 White Buffalo Chapter Meeting
- 5 Merit Badge College
- 10 District Commissioner Meeting
- 10 District Committee Meeting
- 12 Merit Badge College
- 19 Merit Badge College

Gateway:

- 3 Kodiak Chapter Meeting
- 3 Roundtable
- 10 District Commissioner Meeting
- 17 District Committee Meeting

Pioneer Trails:

- 3 Roundtable
- 3 Spirit Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 10 District Commissioner Meeting
- 10 District Committee Meeting

Timberline:

- 2 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training Part 1
- 3 Roundtable
- 3 Running Antelope Chapter Meeting
- 10 Program Committee
- 17 District Commissioner Meeting
- 17 District Committee Meeting
- 19 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training Part 2

Valley:

- 1 District Commissioner Meeting
- 1 Roundtable
- 5 Crew Committee Challenge
- 5 Cub Scout Leader Specific Training
- 5 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training
- 5 Team Committee Challenge
- 5 Troop Committee Challenge
- 12 Valley Merit Badge College
- 5 Varsity Coach Leader Specific Training
- 5 Venturing Crew Leader Specific Training
- 8 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills
- 8 Outdoor Webelos Leader Skills
- 10 Medicine Bear Chapter Meeting
- 11 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills
- 11 Outdoor Webelos Leader Skills
- 15 District Committee Meeting

Venturing:

- 10 Venturing Officers Association
- 16 Committee Meeting

Planning & Events:

William T. Hornaday Awards

Hornaday Awards are an Olympic medal bestowed by the Earth. Conservation and the BSA have been partners for a long time. Camping, hiking and respect for the outdoors are a part of Scouting heritage. This award program was created to recognize those that have made a significant contribution to conservation. The Hornaday Awards are highly prized by individuals who have received them. Approximately 1100 medals have been awarded of the past 80 years. Encourage you Scouts to be one of the few who earn this award.

Venturing

Venturing is a youth development program of the Boy Scouts of America for young men and women who are 14 years of age OR 13 years of age and have completed the eighth grade and under 21 years of age. Venturing's purpose is to provide positive experiences to help young people mature and to prepare them to become responsible and caring adults. Venturing is a great way to get your entire family involved in Scouting. Consider adding a sister crew to your Boy Scout Troop to keep older youth engaged and to provide a program for their female siblings.

PACK MEETING THEME
Courteous – "Cubs In Shining Armor"

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION FEES

November: 4 months

- Registration fee: \$8.00
- Boys' Life: \$4.00





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
					Popcorn Money and Prize Order Due	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
				2017 Board Investment in Character Kick Off		
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
		Activities Committee Meeting Scout Show Committee Meeting		Day Camp Committee Meeting		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Commissioner's Meeting		OA LEC		Hamilton Scout HQ Closed in Observance of Christmas	Christmas Eve
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Hanukkah Begins Christmas Day	Hamilton Scout HQ Closed in Observance of Christmas					New Year's Eve

December District Events:

Arapahoe:

- 1 District Commissioner Meeting
- 1 IC Orientation #2
- 1 Re-Charter Training #1
- 1 Roundtable
- 1 White Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 15 Annual Business Meeting
- 15 Charter Representative Training
- 15 District Committee Social
- 15 Year End Paperwork Turn In

Centennial:

- 1 District Commissioner Meeting
- 1 Medicine Pipe Chapter Meeting
- 1 Roundtable
- 1 Unit Investment in Character Training
- 2 Webelos Winter Weekend XII
- 8 District Committee Meeting
- 30 Investment in Character Dates Due to District

Frontier:

- 1 Roundtable
- 1 White Buffalo Chapter Meeting
- 3 Cubmaster and Assistant Cubmaster Leader Specific Training
- 3 The Essentials of Merit Badge Counseling
- 3 Troop Committee Challenge
- 3 Youth Protection Training
- 8 District Commissioner Meeting
- 8 District Committee Meeting

Gateway:

- 1 Kodiak Chapter Meeting
- 1 Roundtable
- 8 District Commissioners Meeting
- 15 District Committee Meeting
- 30 Investment in Character Dates Due to District

Pioneer Trails:

- 1 Roundtable
- 1 Spirit Eagle Chapter Meeting
- 8 District Commissioner Meeting
- 8 District Committee Meeting

Timberline:

- 1 Roundtable
- 1 Running Antelope Chapter Meeting
- 8 Program Committee
- 15 District Committee Meeting
- 29 District Commissioner Meeting

Valley:

- 6 District Commissioner Meeting
- 6 Roundtable
- 13 Annual Business Meeting
- 13 Chartered Organization Representative Training

Venturing:

- 8 Venturing Officers Association
- 21 Committee Meeting

Planning & Events:

Facts about Scouting

In 2013, service projects were conducted by more than 2.6 million youth members and more than 1 million volunteers. 17 million service hours were reported in Journey to Excellence. \$384.3 million of service was provided by Scouts and leaders to communities across America. Nearly 1.1 million youth attended a council camp or nation high-adventure camp. In 2013 56,841 Scouts earned the Eagle Scout Rank, about 6% of all Boy Scouts registered at the time. On average, Scout Volunteer give 20 hours per month in service to Scouting.

PACK MEETING THEME

Cheerful – "Celebrate"

REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION FEES

December: 3 months

- Registration fee: \$6.00
- Boys' Life: \$3.00





Boy Scouts of America Appreciation Days!

July 31 - August 2, 2015

Tickets only
\$24.99
regularly \$45.99
To order go to
ElitchGardens.com/boy-scouts

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