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Council Calendar

Osage Hills District Roundtable

Scouts BSA - First Thursday of the month at the Scout Office, August through May

Grand Lake District Roundtable

2nd Thursday of the month, August through May

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Saturday, Sept. 17, 2022

[OA Work Day](#) at Camp McClintock

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Order of the Arrow Work Day

When: Saturday, September 17 -
8 AM to 4 PM

Where: Camp McClintock

Lunch will be provided so please [SIGN-UP](#) so event organizers will know how much food to prepare.

Questions? contact [Kenneth Roark](#)

Popcorn Fill-It-Up Drawing



Turn in a copy of a filled-up Take Order form for a chance to win a \$50 gift certificate.

The drawing is at Noon.



Fall Camporee

When: September 23-25

Where: Camp McClintock

Cost:

- \$10 per Youth or Adult before 9 PM September 19
- \$15 per Youth or Adult after 9 PM September 19

Register by Unit [HERE](#)

This year's Camporee theme is **Old-School Games** including 4 Square, Ladder Ball, Washer Toss, Jumbo Jenga, Stick Ball, Tug-o-War, and Volleyball.

There will also be a **Cast-iron Dessert Contest**. Desserts will be graded on complexity, looks, taste, and diversity (gluten-free, sugar-free, etc.)

Tuesday, October 4, 2022
[Show & Sell Popcorn Ends](#)

Thursday, October 6, 2022
[Fill-It-Up Drawing](#)

Friday, October 7, 2022
[Miller Pecans - turn in order form for delivery 10/14/2022](#)

Friday, October 7, 2022
[Take Order Popcorn Sales Ends & Prize Portal Opens](#)

Friday, October 7, 2022
[Show & Sell Invoice Due](#)

Tuesday, October 11, 2022
Executive Board Meeting

Friday-Sunday, October 14-16, 2022
[OA Fall Fellowship & Ordeal](#)

Saturday, October 22, 2022
[OH District Cub Scout Spook-O-Ree](#) at Camp McClintock

Thursday, October 27, 2022
[Take Order Popcorn Distribution](#)

Friday, November 4, 2022
[Miller Pecans - turn in order form for delivery 11/11/2022](#)

Friday-Sunday, November 4-6, 2022
[GL District Webelos Woods](#)

Friday-Saturday, November 11-12, 2022
OA Vigil Weekend

Saturday, November 19, 2022
[Electronics MB Workshop - Bartlesville](#)

Saturday, November 19, 2022
[Electronics Plus Workshop - Bartlesville](#)

Tuesday, November 22, 2022
[Take Order Invoice Due](#)

Wednesday-Friday, November 23-25, 2022
Scout Office closed

Fall Camporee will also include Campsite Inspections and an Order of the Arrow Callout.

Osage Hills District Cub Scout Spook-Oo-Ree

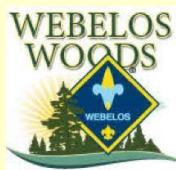


When: Saturday, October 22, 8:00 AM to 9:00 PM

Where: Camp McClintock

Activities: BB range, Wrist Rockets, Bounce House, Face Painting, Crafts, Costume Contest, and more!

[Registration is open NOW!](#)



Grand Lake District Webelos Woods

When: November 4-6, 2022

Where: 54101 E HWY 85A - Bernice, OK 74331

Who: Webelos and Arrow of Light (AOL) Scouts

Cost: Youth \$10 / Adults \$5

Scouts BSA SCouts are welcome as well. The cost for youth and adults is \$5 per person.

Questions? Contact [Jessica Hines](#) or [Adam Husong](#)

Register by unit [HERE](#). Registration closes Thursday, October 27th at 11:30 PM.

Electronics Merit Badge Workshops



Complete all the requirements for the Electronics merit Badge

Learn about transistors, resistors, schematics, LEDs, capacitors, soldering, control circuits, printed circuit boards, and meters.

Class A uniforms, please! Class size for all workshops is limited!

OSAGE HILLS DISTRICT

Friday, December 2, 2022

[Miller Pecans - turn in order form for delivery 12/9/2022](#)

Saturday, December 3, 2022

[Popcorn \\$1,200 Party](#)

Tuesday, December 6, 2022

[Take Order Prize Portal Closes](#)

Saturday, December 10, 2022

[Electronics MB Workshop - Vinita](#)

Saturday, December 10, 2022

[Electronics Plus Workshop - Vinita](#)

Tuesday, December 13, 2022

Executive Board Meeting

Tuesday, December 13, 2022

Annual Meeting

Friday, December 23, 2022

Scout Office closed

Monday, December 26, 2022

Scout Office closed

**Tuesday-Thursday,
December 27-29, 2022**

[Winter Camp](#) at Camp McClintock

Friday, December 30, 2022

Scout Office closed

Monday, January 2, 2023

Scout Office closed

Fri.-Sat., Jan. 6-7, 2023

[OA Lodge Leadership Development](#)

Saturday, January 7, 2023

[OA Winter Banquet](#)

Monday, January 16, 2023

Scout Service Center closed

Saturday, February 11, 2023

[Scouting for Food](#)

Sunday, February 12, 2023

[Scout Sunday](#)

When: Saturday, November 19, 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM

Where: Scout Service Center, 520 S. Quapaw, Bartlesville

Siemens is providing project materials and lunch. IEEE is providing soldering kits for the merit badge workshop

Register here for the [Electronics merit badge workshop](#)

Registration closes Wednesday, November 16th at Noon.

GRAND LAKE DISTRICT

When: Saturday, December 10, 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM

Where: First United Methodist Church, 314 W. Canadian Ave., Vinita

NE OK Cooperative and BOLT Fiber Optic Services are providing project materials and lunch. IEEE is providing soldering kits for the merit badge workshop.

Register here for the [Electronics merit badge workshop](#)

Registration closes Wednesday, December 7th at Noon.



Electronics Plus Workshops

Already have the Electronics merit badge? Ready for the challenge of a more complex project? Sign up for the Electronics Plus workshop. All supplies and tools will be provided.

Class A uniforms, please! Class size for all workshops is limited!

OSAGE HILLS DISTRICT

When: Saturday, November 19, 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM

Where: Scout Service Center, 520 S. Quapaw, Bartlesville

Siemens is providing project materials and lunch.

Thursday, February 16, 2023
[Council Calendar Planning](#)

Saturday, February 18, 2023
[GL Pinewood Derby](#)

Monday, February 20, 2023
Scout Service Center closed

Tuesday, February 21, 2023
Executive Board meeting

Thursday, February 23, 2023
[Friends of Scouting Patron Reception](#)

Saturday, March 4, 2023
[Merit Badge Festival](#)

Thursday, March 9, 2023
[GL District Banquet](#)

Fri.-Sun., March 24-26, 2023
[Spring Camporee](#)

Friday, April 7, 2023
Scout Service Center closed

Tuesday, April 11, 2023
Executive Board meeting

Fri.-Sun., April 14-16, 2023
[OA Spring Fellowship and Ordeal](#)

Saturday, April 22, 2023
[Earth Day Volunteer Event](#)

Saturday, May 6, 2023
[Scouts Trash the Trash Day](#)

Monday, May 29, 2023
Scout Service Center closed

Tuesday, May 30, 2023
[Council Banquet](#)

Friday, June 2, 2023
[Council Golf Tournament](#)

Fri.-Sat., June 2-3, 2023
[OA Summer Ordeal](#)

Wed.-Fri., June 7-9, 2023
[OH Cub Scout Day Camp](#)

Wed.-Fri., June 14-16, 2023
[GL Cub Scout Day Camp](#)

Register here for the [Electronics Plus workshop](#)

Registration closes Wednesday, November 16th at Noon.

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Important Information about Citizenship in Society Merit Badge



The Citizenship in Society merit badge is unique in the way it is conducted. Unlike other merit badges, the counselor for the Citizenship in Society merit badge is not a "subject matter expert" who is teaching the merit badge. Instead, the merit badge counselor for this merit badge facilitates the discussion.

This merit badge is best conducted in small groups of 3 to 6 Scouts who are of similar age. The counselor leads a discussion with the youth discussing their experiences and ways to be good citizens in society. For some requirements, the permission of the Scout's parent or guardian is needed.

BSA **requires** that anyone who is a Merit Badge Counselor for Citizenship in Society complete several training modules before they can be approved to be a counselor for this merit badge.

(1) Introduction to the Merit Badge
[Citizenship in Society Merit Badge for General Audiences on Vimeo](#)

(2) Merit Badge Counselor Orientation *

**Wednesday-Friday,
July 19-28, 2023**
[National Scout Jamboree](#)

Tuesday, August 8, 2023
Executive Board meeting

Monday, September 4, 2023
Scout Service Center closed

Fri.-Sun., Sept. 22-24, 2023
[Fall Camporee](#)

Fri-Sun, Sep. 29-Oct. 1, 2023
[Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills \(IOLS\)](#)

Tuesday, October 10, 2023
[Executive Board meeting](#)

Fri.-Sun., October 13-15
[OA Fall Fellowship and Ordeal](#)

Wed.-Fri., Nov. 22-24, 2023
Scout Service Center closed

Tuesday, December 12, 2023
Executive Board and Annual Meeting

Monday, December 25, 2023
Scout Service Center closed

[Citizenship in Society MB Counselor Orientation Toolkit Version.mp4 on Vimeo](#)

(3) Online Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Scouting training *

[Course Details Screen - BSA Learn Center \(scouting.org\)](#)

If the link above does not work, go to my.scouting.org, then my training, and search the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion catalog.

(4) Review the Counselor Guide PowerPoint *

[Citizenship in Society Counselor Guide PowerPoint Presentation \(scouting.org\)](#)

While the first video is not required to be approved to be a Merit Badge Counselor for the Citizenship in Society merit badge, it is highly recommended as it is a good overview of the merit badge.

The remaining three (3) videos are **REQUIRED** for Citizenship in Society Merit Badge Counselors.

*** Required for Citizenship in Society Merit Badge Counselors**

Once the training has been completed, anyone intending to be a merit badge counselor for the Citizenship in Society merit badge in Cherokee Area Council should contact [Tom Hopkins](#) to obtain approval to be a counselor for this merit badge.

[Henry Robin](#)

Council VP, Advancement

Mike Hurd

Osage Hills District Eagle Boards

Tom Hopkins

Grand Lake District Eagle Boards



**Miller Pecans
Turn In Dates**

There are three remaining dates when order forms can be turned in to the Scout office for delivery the following week:

Turn in form by:	for Delivery on:
10/7/22	10/14/22
11/4/22	11/11/22
12/2/22	12/9/22

Please turn in the money for the orders when the order form is turned in.

Click [HERE](#) for a complete calendar for this year's Fall Popcorn Sales Program.

Miller Pecans are grown locally on the Miller family farm pecan trees nestled in the creek beds of the Neosho River Valley.

The price is simple -- it's either \$10 or \$15 per item (see the [order form](#))

Units and the Council will share the profit 50/50.

For example:

For each \$10 item sold, the unit gets to keep \$2.62

For the Mammoth Pecans at \$15, the unit gets to keep \$3.50

For the Pecan pieces at \$15, the unit gets to keep \$4.00

PLEASE NOTE: Once the unit has received the product, the unit is responsible for keeping the chocolate cool so it doesn't melt.

Questions? Contact Diana at the Scout office.

Scout Shop offers a discount on Scout uniforms



Are you new to Scouting and need a uniform?

Or maybe your Scout has outgrown their current uniform. Or, perhaps, their uniforms took a beating during summertime adventures and need to be replaced.

Whatever the need, the [Scout Shop](#) is here to help.

Starting this month and running through October 30, when you buy a uniform shirt, you get a 10% discount on the bottoms, including pants, shorts, or skorts.



Best practices for forming new dens — and finding new den leaders

With fall 2022 recruiting off to a rip-roaring start, there's something volunteers are

going to have to consider: Where are all of the new Cub Scouts going to go?

If they're older Cub Scouts, they'll probably be joining existing dens. But if they're Lions or Tigers, they're likely going to be part of brand-new dens.

For many Cub Scout leaders, creating new dens from scratch is one of the more stressful parts of the entire process.

Click [HERE](#) for tips on forming new dens and finding new den leaders!

Updated Cub Scout Rank Requirements



The newly updated Cub Scouting 2022-2023 Badges of Rank Requirements sheet is now on the [National Cub Scouting website](#) or a [direct link](#).

The chart shows what the Scouts need to accomplish each grade year to earn the Badge of Rank so leaders can plan their calendar year and prepare to easily order items for immediate recognition.

This sheet was created in the ongoing effort to review program helps and make it "Fun, Simple, & Easy" to read, use, and deliver the program. It can also be a great tool to help train new leaders, for Commissioners who are helping units and leaders, and for Cub Pack leadership as they mentor and guide Pack leadership.

More details about Rank Advancement can be referenced in the Cub Chat Live broadcast held on August 12th, 2022. The videos are on the [Scoutingmagazine.org archive list](#) for easy reference if you didn't catch the broadcast live.



Tips for preparing your Cub Scout for a Raingutter Regatta

Cub Scouts not only compete in the Pinewood Derby, but some also do the Raingutter Regatta.

To help parents and Cub Scouts get ready for this fun-fueled boat racing event, the *On Scouting* blog has published a quick list of five helpful tips to craft a winning sailboat:

1. Use the official Raingutter Regatta racing kit.
2. Practice blowing the sails.
3. Make sure your boat doesn't break the rules.
4. Don't use water-based paints.
5. Make sure you have fun.

You can read a breakdown of each of these tips [here](#).

If you want instructions on building a boat, [see this page](#) from Scout Life magazine.

Sailboats are raced down a length of water-filled rain gutters, powered by the Cub Scout blowing into the sail through a soda straw.

Each Cub Scout races in several heats, and the fastest time determines the winner. The best technique for winning is focusing on a small, concentrated area. But keep close watch over your Cub Scouts so they don't lose their breath!

Coach your Cub Scout on testing his or her sailboat at a pond or pool before the race, concentrating on the airflow, or taking deep breaths to maximize air output.

The Council office has a Raingutter Regatta track that units can check out to hold their own Regatta. Call the Scout Service Center at 918-336-9170 to reserve the track and arrange to pick it up.

Earth Day 2023 Volunteer Event



When: Saturday, April 22, 2023

Where: Phillips 66 downtown parking lot and District 2 County Barn in Dewey

What: During the event, residents line up in their vehicles to drop off their hazardous waste at each location.

About 130 volunteers are needed on the day of the event to help move the waste from the vehicles to the waste vendor's sorting area.

Safety is a top priority so all personal protective equipment, including safety glasses and gloves, will be provided during the event, along with breakfast and/or lunch.

The minimum age for volunteers is 16. Volunteers from 16-18 need to be accompanied by an adult.

Sign-up [HERE](#) to volunteer!

Council Facebook

GL District Facebook

OH District Facebook