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# Cherokee Area Council

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA



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## "DID YOU KNOW?" SESSIONS ABOUT THE BSA



The Cherokee Area Council will conduct several "Did you know?" sessions about the changes with the Boy Scouts of America, and how these changes will affect units.

- Tuesday, June 20, 6:00 PM at the Council Service Center - register [HERE](#)
- Thursday, June 22, 6:00 PM at the Bernice Community Center - register [HERE](#)
- Tuesday, June 27, 6:00 PM at the Council Service Center - register [HERE](#)
- Tuesday, July 25, 6:00 PM at the Bernice Community Center - register [HERE](#)

## Council Calendar

### Osage Hills District Roundtable

1st Thursday of the month,  
August through May

### Grand Lake District Roundtable

2nd Thursday of the month,  
August through May

[Click here to see the full Council calendar](#)

**Wed.-Fri., June 7-9, 2023**

[OH Cub Scout Day Camp](#)

**Saturday, June 10, 2023**

[Scout Swim Test](#)

**Wed.-Fri., June 14-16, 2023**

[GL Cub Scout Day Camp](#)

**Saturday, June 17, 2023**

[Scout Swim Test](#)

**Monday, June 19, 2023**

Scout Service Center closed

**Tuesday, June 20, 2023**

["Did You Know?" - Bartlesville](#)

**Thursday, June 22, 2023**

["Did You Know?" - Bernice](#)

**Tuesday, June 27, 2023**

["Did You Know?" - Bartlesville](#)

Please let us know which of the following dates works best for you or a member of your unit key three to attend.



## BSA National Announces Annual Membership Fees

BSA's emergence from bankruptcy represents a pivotal milestone in the Boy Scouts of America (BSA)'s financial restructuring case and solidifies a path forward for survivors and the Scouting movement.

To preserve its mission, the BSA has had to take some extraordinary steps over the past three years to reposition the organization for the future. The BSA has streamlined its professional staff and volunteer structure, reducing costs throughout the movement while maintaining essential services to support the local councils who were critical partners during the bankruptcy.

To position Scouting for the future, the BSA will be required to increase the national annual membership fees for both youth and adults. This has been a difficult decision but is essential to building a strong, safe, and vibrant Scouting program for our nation's youth.

Effective **August 1, 2023**, the BSA will implement the following national membership fees which were approved by the National Executive Committee:

- **\$80** for Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing and Sea Scouting participants (\$5 increase)
- **\$60** for all adult volunteers (\$15 increase to provide general liability insurance and enhanced background checks)
- **\$25** one-time joining fee for new program participants in Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing and Sea Scouting (Not prorated and no change in fee)
- **\$30** for Scoutreach (Not prorated)
- **\$25** for Merit Badge Counselors (New Fee applies only for Merit Badge Counselors not already registered as leaders)
- **\$50** for Exploring participants Youth & Adult (\$5 increase)
- **\$100** for a unit charter/affiliation fee (no change in fee)
- **\$15** for *Scout Life* magazine

**New Annual Membership Fee Process Announced – BSA Will No Longer Prorate Fees for New Members beginning August 1, 2023**

**Mon.-Tues., July 3-4, 2023**  
Scout Service Center closed

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

**Tuesday, July 25, 2023**  
["Did You Know?" - Bernice](#)

**Thursday, August 3, 2023**  
[Popcorn Kickoff](#)

**Tuesday, August 8, 2023**  
Executive Board meeting

**Monday, September 4, 2023**  
Scout Service Center closed

**Saturday, September 9, 2023**  
[OA Work Day](#)

**Saturday, Sept. 16, 2023**  
[Sky Trail Adventure Run](#)

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

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

**Saturday, Sept. 30, 2023**  
[OH Hooked on Scouting](#)

**Saturday, Sept. 30, 2023**  
[GL Hooked on Scouting](#)

**Sunday, October 1, 2023**  
[OH Den Leader Training](#)

**Sat.-Sun., Oct. 6-7, 2023**  
[BALOO - Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation](#)

**Sunday, Oct. 8, 2023**  
[GL Den Leader Training](#)

**Monday, October 9, 2023**  
[Live Constitution](#)

**Tuesday, October 10, 2023**  
Executive Board meeting

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

Beginning August 1, 2023, all **new** youth and adult members who join Scouting will be enrolled in a 12-month membership cycle and BSA will cease prorating fees. Both youth and adults will pay the full annual membership fee and will renew their membership on the anniversary date of joining Scouting. All proration of membership fees will be eliminated. Each registered member of the BSA will receive an email notice with a registration renewal link beginning 60 days before the anniversary date they joined Scouting. Unit leaders will receive a copy of the email and should stay engaged in the membership renewal process just like rechartering.

It is important to note, existing members will renew their membership during their normal registration/recharter cycle through March 2024. Moving forward all members will renew on their anniversary date.

- Existing members' Anniversary date will be their unit recharter month.
- New members' Anniversary date will be the month they joined.

This new process will help streamline the rechartering and membership renewal process for units and councils. ***Additional information on this membership renewal process will be forthcoming in the very near future.***

#### **What does the National Membership Fee cover?**

The national membership fee helps cover the cost of essential services to the local council and units. Services include expanded liability insurance for those participating in approved Scouting activities, enhanced criminal background checks, a variety of program resources, youth protection, leader-specific training, and intellectual property development for national, council, and unit programs.

As BSA moves forward, the organization will continue to look at the membership fee structure and how we deliver the Scouting program for future generations.

Across the country and in each of our communities, we know that Scouting remains one of the most valuable investments we can make in youth today so they can become the leaders we will turn to tomorrow. Our dedicated volunteers, staff, and Scouting families make this possible.

**Saturday, October 21, 2023**

[OH Cuboree](#)

**Fri.-Sun., Nov. 3-5, 2023**

[GL Webelos Woods](#)

**Saturday, November 11, 2023**

[GL Den Leader Training](#)

**Fri.-Sat., Nov. 17-18, 2023**

[Vigil Weekend](#)

**Wed.-Fri., Nov. 22-24, 2023**

Scout Service Center closed

**Tuesday, December 12, 2023**

Executive Board and Annual Meeting

**Friday, December 22, 2023**

Scout Service Center closed

**Mon.-Tues., Dec. 25-26, 2023**

Scout Service Center closed

Thank you for continuing to support one of the most valuable opportunities available to young people today.

Jeff Hunt – ACSE  
EVP Chief Operations Officer

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### Swim Test Sessions Scheduled

Richard Kane YMCA in Bartlesville is helping us out with swim tests this year!

The Scout Swim Test will be administered by a lifeguard to determine ability level.

There are four 30-minute sessions available on Saturday, June 10, and Saturday, June 17.

Click [HERE](#) to register.

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### Camp McClintock Reservation System



There is a new, improved reservation system for Camp McClintock! The new system replaces the Google reservation form.

The new reservation system is available [HERE](#). The Camp McClintock reservation system can also be found on the [council website](#) in the Camp McClintock drop-down list.

On the [Camp McClintock home page](#), the **RESOURCES** tab includes links to:

- a full list of Camp McClintock [usage fees](#)
- a [map of the trails](#) at Camp McClintock
- a [map of all of the campsites](#) at Camp McClintock

The **RESOURCES** tab also includes information about the check-in and check-out procedures, as well as clean-up procedures.

Each **FACILITY** - campsites, cabins, shooting ranges, climbing wall, zipline, dining hall, etc. - is listed individually with pictures and a description.

Selecting a specific facility provides the ability to check the facility's availability on a specific date or browse the facility's calendar.

After selecting a specific date for a facility, the rental options are presented. The rental option desired can then be added to the user's order.

Continue browsing each desired facility's availability and adding rental options to the user's order. Then complete the order in the same way as other kinds of orders in the MyCouncil app.



### OH District Cub Scout Day Camp

**When:** Wednesday, June 7  
through Friday, June 9

**Where:** Camp McClintock

**Cost:** \$75 per Cub Scout / \$15 per adult walking leader (covers the cost of a t-shirt)

Day Camp starts at 8:30 AM and ends at 4:30 PM every day

Every Cub Scout and adult walking leader should bring a sack lunch each day.

Supplies are not guaranteed for registrations after May 31

**Register [HERE](#) - registration closes June 6 at 11:30 PM**

If your Cub Scout qualifies for free Day Camp based on popcorn sales, please contact Summer for the coupon code.

### GL District Cub Scout Day Camp



**When:** Wednesday, June 14  
through Friday, June 16

**Where:** Woodloe Park, 960 W Hope Ave, Vinita

**Cost:** Youth cost is \$65 -- Adult cost is \$15  
(covers the cost of a t-shirt)

Day Camp starts at 8:30 AM and ends at 4:30 PM every day.

Youth registration includes a t-shirt, patch, and cup with a carabiner. Registration after May 19th may not get a t-shirt.

Every Cub Scout and adult walking leader should bring a sack lunch each day.



## News from Units Around the Council

**Pack 25, Troop 3, and Troop 6** placed flags for Memorial Day.



**B&G Club** resumed its Scoutreach program for its summer session. They learned about teamwork and helping others.



## Update for Adult Supervision Requirements



BSA has issued an update for adult supervision requirements effective September 1, 2023.

Two registered adult leaders 21 years of age or over are required at all Scouting activities, including all meetings.

There must be a registered female adult leader 21 years of age or over in every unit serving females.

A registered female adult leader 21 years of age or over must be present for any activity involving female youth or female adult program participants.

Notwithstanding the minimum leader requirements, age and program-appropriate supervision must always be provided.

All adults staying overnight in connection with a Scouting activity must be currently registered in an adult fee-required position as listed or as an adult program participant.

*Limited exceptions below for Cub Scout overnight Programs.*

For more information, click below  
<https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/gss/gss01/>

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