



BSA Today *Your Rainbow Council News*

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News from the Scout Executive

Making Scouting More Accessible to Families

Within Scouting, our families and volunteers consistently tell us that the values, character, and leadership skills taught to boys through Scouting is needed for the entire family. To that end, we are evaluating program options that will help us truly serve the needs of today's families.

Our objective is straightforward: to bring the benefits of Scouting to the greatest number of youth possible - all while remaining true to our mission and core values, outlined in the Scout Oath and Law.

At the recent National Annual Meeting, we began a conversation about whether and how Scouting should serve a broader constituency. Based on the feedback, there is strong support that we thoughtfully move the discussion forward and continue our work in meeting the needs of families.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Q. Did the BSA decide to let girls in to Cub Scouts/Boy Scouts during the National Annual Meeting?

A. No - there were no decisions reached. Feedback provided during the National Annual Meeting will allow the Boy Scouts of America to pursue a discussion about whether and how the organization should serve a broader constituency by further engaging their members, partners, families and others, to consider how to best serve youth by making Scouting more accessible to families.

Q. Does this mean that the BSA is considering going co-ed?

A. No, we strongly believe in the benefit of single-gender programs. We are currently looking at options that would enable us to maintain the strength of single-gender programs while working to meet the needs of today's families.

Q. Are we considering input from chartered partner organizations?

A. Absolutely - in fact, we have already reached out to some of our religious chartered partners about this since they, too, face similar challenges in keeping today's busy families engaged in church activities. To date, some of our largest religious chartered partner organizations have offered helpful advice and support for our efforts to find programs that would help extend the benefit of Scouting to more families.

Q. How is the organization engaging the Scouting community to get input about this?

A. Leadership is actively engaging many stakeholders to gain more understanding and feedback about how to best meet the needs of families. In addition to speaking with Scouting volunteers and professionals - both in regional meetings and at the National Annual Meeting - the organization is seeking and getting input from volunteers, chartered partner organizations, parents from the Scouting community and beyond, youth-development experts and other stakeholders. If there is continued support, potential approaches will be shared with the Board for consideration.

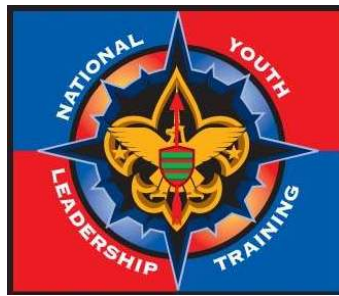
If you have questions or concerns or recommendations, please contact Ted Karns at the Service Center: 815-942-4450

On Line Membership Registration

Scouting families and prospective Scouting families have asked for it, and now it is here! The Boy Scouts of America is offering online membership registration to meet the demand for completing the entire registration process for youth members. Your first step to take to make sure you are prepared, create or update your My.Scouting account to ensure that you receive notifications from the online registration system showing what actions you have to take. This summer the commissioner staff will provide a hands-on training to walk you through the registration process. This is the first phase of this project, soon you will be able to process your unit's charters on line.

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Activities & Events



NYLT (*National Youth Leadership Training*) is an exciting, action-packed program for male and female Scouts. Scout participants must be at least 13 years of age, earned First Class rank by the start of the course, and have a completed nomination form submitted by the Scoutmaster.

[Registration has been extended....Click logo above for additional information](#)

Fossil Hunt



*2017 Rainbow Council
CUB SCOUT Fossil Hunt
Saturday, August 12, 2017
Rainbow Council Scout Reservation
8 a.m. - 11 a.m.*

\$8 per scout - Click image for details & sign-up

Dresden Merit Badge Clinic

**The annual Dresden Merit
Badge Clinic is just around the
corner - August 12th!**

Details are posted on the



[Dresden MB Clinic event page](#)
and registration is open!

*These courses fill up fast...
register today!!*

Cub Scout Lego Workshop

Cub Scout Workshops



Cub Scout Level	Science Workshops	Language Arts Workshops	Digital Arts Workshops	Robotics Workshops
 Tiger	Spinning Tops	Seasons		
 Wolf	Spin the Gears	What a Great Experience	Digital Photographer	Goal Kicker
 Bear	Merry Go Round	What a Great Experience	Comic Artist	Goal Keeper
 Webelos	Merry Go Round	What a Great Experience	Comic Artist	Smart Spinner

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Support Scouting Events

Funding the Mission!

We have three events being held in June in our efforts to continue to spread the Mission of the Boy Scouts of America through the Scout Oath and Law. It's not too late to register for our June fundraising events.

Enjoy the afternoon on the Golf Course June 2nd at our 3rd Annual Golf event held at Boughton Ridge Golf Course.



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On June 6th, Rainbow Council hosts its annual Leadership Luncheon honoring the most Reverend R. Daniel Conlon Bishop of Joliet Diocese at Olivet Nazarene University.



The Boy Scouts of America proudly presents the 8th Annual Leadership Luncheon

2017 Guest Speaker

Most Reverend
R. Daniel
Conlon
Bishop of Joliet
Diocese

Boy Scouts of America 2017 Leadership Luncheon

Tuesday, June 6, 2017
Warming House
Olivet Nazarene University
Noon to 1PM

The Leadership Luncheon provides a unique opportunity for community and business leaders to come together in support of the life changing programs Scouting provides youth and families. We are honored to have a guest speaker, Most Reverend R. Daniel Conlon Bishop of Joliet Diocese. Bishop Conlon believes that "Scouting touches the whole person: body, mind and spirit—and all the world around him."

Scouting has been doing incredible work in our communities for over 107 years. Our program of leadership training, character building and instilling values in our children is sewn into the very fabric of our great nation.

By participating in this event, you share in our journey of preparing the youth of Grundy, Kankakee and Will Counties to be productive citizens and the future leaders of our country.

2017 Committee

Doug Perry
Olivet Nazarene University

Tom Cooke
President of Glade Plumbing and Heating

Bert Jacobson
Rainbow Council Board Member

Keith Dobrolinsky
Partner and Senior
Vice President
Assurance Agency, Ltd.

Terry Meyers
Director of Property Planning/Acquisitions
Olivet Nazarene University


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The Distinguished Citizen Award Dinner Committee is diligently working on this year's dinner to be held at the Jacob Henry Mansion on June

21st. This year's event will honor Jim Roolf of First Midwest Bank for his contributions to the community and the Rainbow Council service area.

Save the Date

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA,
RAINBOW COUNCIL
together with our Committee
invite you to join us in a celebration
as we proudly present the
2017 Distinguished Citizen Award to



JIM ROOLF
*President - Joliet Banking Center First Midwest Bank
Senior Vice President - First Midwest Bancorp, Inc.*

Wednesday, June 21, 2017
Jacob Henry Mansion
20 S. Eastern Avenue
Joliet, Illinois

*Reception ~ 6:00 PM
Dinner & Program ~ 7:00 PM*

Call the George McGee Service Center 815-942-4450 for more information & sponsorship opportunities

*For more information on joining us for our upcoming June events
Call Kris Przewoznik at 815.942.4450 or
email: Kris.przewoznik@scouting.org*

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Announcements



Congratulations to our newest Eagle Scouts

Noah Bylon

T175 Joliet

S/M Carmen Nudo

4/5/2017

Tyler Gold

T49 New Lenox

S/M David Konopko

5/10/2017

Benjamin Herbert

T13 Plainfield

S/M Terry McGee

4/26/2017

Jacob Hunke

T13 Plainfield

S/M Terry McGee

4/26/2017

Nathan Kurbis

T5 Joliet

S/M Randy Snyder

5/1/2017

Maxwell Martin*

T270 Frankfort

S/M James Hurley

3/15/2017

** correction from May*

Michael Olvera

T13 Plainfield

S/M Terry McGee

4/26/2017

Quentin Parmenter

T83 Joliet

S/M Gary Ingram

5/10/2017

Edgar Vea

T40 Mokena

S/M Tim Toepke

4/23/2017

District Picnics

Come out and celebrate your district!

Hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided! Bring a dish or dessert to share and a chair! Bring your own beverages too. This is a non-uniformed event. There will be brief programming too, so you will learn something!

Waapi Lenaswa Picnic

Thursday June 8 at 7 pm Joliet Moose
25 Springfield Ave, Joliet, IL 60435

Ishkote Picnic

Thursday June 15 6:30 pm
Wilmington Island Park
315 N Water St, Wilmington, IL 60481



RSVP

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