



STC Chronicles

South Texas Council Scouting Updates

Quick Highlights

Click the events below for more information.

- September 5 - Venado Friends of Scouting Reception
- September 7 - Scouting by the Bay
- September 20 - 22- Karankawa's 80th Bash
- September 28 - Council Fishing Derby (All Scouts)
- Oct 4-6 & Nov 2-3 - 2024 Woodbadge Training
- October 11 - Toughest Scout Challenge
- October 12 - Workday at Camp Karankawa and Huisache
- October 18-20 - Cub Fall Family Campout @ Camp Karankawa
- October 26 - Scoutreach Trunk or Treat
- November 2 - Scouting for Food
- November 9 - Council Leadership Conference
- November 16 - Javelina Night TX A&M Kingsville
- November 22-24 - Cub Scout Fall Camp
- December 6-8 - OA Fellowship
- December 26-30 - Scouts BSA Winter Camp



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Scouting Forward

Dear South Texas Council Scouting Family,
Our Membership Rally, August 10th was a grand slam homerun!

The rally was well attended and participation by units wanting to learn more about growing their membership was exciting to see.

Over thirty units from Cub Scout Packs to Explorer Posts were represented. If your unit has not turned in your fall membership growth goals to compete in the *South Texas Council Fall Tournament* and quality for some cool swag (see article below) it is not too late. Growing our movement is key to impacting our society and communities. Let us be the change, wear your Scout gear proudly and let the world know you are a Scout!

You only celebrate an 80th birthday once, our beloved Camp Karankawa is celebrating a storied life of memories and Scouting traditions September 21st at the Bash. Troops, crews, ships, and posts can camp over the weekend. Cubs, families, friends, alumni, and guests are welcomed all day Saturday. Do not miss this once in a lifetime experience and come out for the weekend, the day or a few hours and celebrate all the adventures that Karankawa has given to many of us and the coming adventures for the next generation of Scouts.

See you at the Big Event this month!

Yours in Cheerful Service,
Marty Sepulveda

Eagle Scout, Scout Executive & CEO



Scouting America™

THE MISSION OF SCOUTING AMERICA IS TO PREPARE YOUNG PEOPLE TO MAKE ETHICAL AND MORAL CHOICES OVER THEIR LIFETIMES BY INSTILLING IN THEM THE VALUES OF THE SCOUT OATH AND LAW.

THE VISION OF THE BSA: SCOUTING AMERICA WILL PREPARE EVERY ELIGIBLE YOUTH IN AMERICA TO BECOME A RESPONSIBLE, PARTICIPATING CITIZEN AND LEADER WHO IS GUIDED BY THE SCOUT OATH AND LAW.

S.A.F.E. Scouting - Our Commitment to Youth Safety

The South Texas Council (STC) Scouting America firmly believes that being an adult leader in the BSA is a privilege, not a right. Every adult leader must undergo an extensive, multilayered selection process to ensure they will uphold Scouting America's proud commitment to youth safety.

All STC adult volunteers must be registered with the BSA and trained in youth protection to ensure that all adults know how to recognize and correctly report behaviors suspicious for grooming and abuse. Additionally, registered volunteers are required to complete Youth Protection Training (YPT) annually and adhere to all BSA safety policies and procedures.

Any adult who goes camping with a Troop, Crew, Ship, and Post has to be registered and up-to-date on their Youth Protection Training.

Last year the STC Executive Board adopted a YPT policy to reinforce our awareness of youth safety. STC requires all registered adults to maintain YPT compliance for their entire registration period. As it is currently possible for YPT to expire during that period, the Board's policy may require retaking YPT training even though a registered adult's current YPT Completion Certificate may not expire for several weeks or months but will expire before the next recharter registration. Although YPT is valid for two years, the STC requires all volunteer leaders to have a valid YPT Certificate for their entire registration period/year. In other words, the expiration date of each leader's training must be later than the expiration date of their registration.

The STC will suspend volunteers' BSA membership, and they will be unable to participate in Scouting activities if their YPT certification is expired or will not be current for the entire registration period/year. For more on youth safety, please look at the Youth Protection page on the national BSA website.

The BSA has also adopted Barriers to Abuse policies for the safety and well-being of its members. These policies primarily protect youth members; however, they also serve to protect adult leaders. Registered leaders must follow these guidelines with Scouting youth outside of Scouting activities.

How to Complete Online Youth Protection Training

First-time users: Visit the *My.Scouting* website and create an account. From the *My.Scouting* portal, Youth Protection Training is available through the BSA Learn Center. The course has three learning modules and a certification test. You must complete all four parts. Upon completion, print the training certificate. Training certificates must accompany all adult applications.

Returning users: Log in to the *My.Scouting* website. Click on "Menu," then "My Dashboard." On the Youth Protection Training listing, choose "Retake Course." Complete the training and print out the completion certificate. Records sync with the national and council databases within 24-48 hours of completion.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Karl Kemm, Council Training Chair, or James Rangel, Assistant Scout Executive.

Karl Kemm: kkemm@delmar.edu

James Rangel: james.rangel@scouting.org



STC Membership Recruitment Update!

MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT LINEUP:

GREAT JOB, YOU HIT IT OUT OF THE PARK!



Congratulations Pack 52 for hitting a Grand Slam!

Don't see your unit on the field? It's not too late to get in on the game!

Contact James Rangel today to have your unit added to the batter line up. James.Rangel@scouting.org | 361.816.3843

Click [HERE](#) for more information and Membership Recruitment resources.

Fall Home Run for Scouting Score Board August 1st - December 31st

District	Unit	% Growth	New Youth
LaSalle	Pack 108	27%	3
Phoenix	Pack 345	20%	5
Phoenix	Troop 345	15%	2
Sea Breeze	Pack 52	52%	10
Sea Breeze	Pack 65B	9%	5
Sea Breeze	Pack 65G	10%	2
Sea Breeze	Pack 226	13%	4
Sea Breeze	Pack 255	27%	8
Sea Breeze	Pack 259	18%	12
Sea Breeze	Pack 949	19%	6
Venado	Pack 140	12%	2

Unit Incentives for Membership Growth



Incentives will be given to the Unit key 3 (Charter Representative, Committee Chair, Unit leader: CM, SM, Advisor, Skipper) and the unit membership/recruitment lead.

Once the unit has achieved a specific growth level all other members of the unit can purchase the incentives.

- **10% Growth and hold a Sign-Up-Night event** at your school for Packs or an Open House for older programs – South Texas Council Home Run for Scouting Council Strip Patch.
- **20% Growth** – South Texas Council Home run for Scouting Rally Towel.
- **30% Growth** – South Texas Council Home run for Scouting Jersey Shirt.
- **40% Growth** – South Texas Council Home run for Scouting Baseball hat.
- **50% Growth** – South Texas Council Home run for Scouting Day Backpack.

A free collector's edition youth recruiter patch is available for all youth who recruit a new youth* into Scouting between August 1st and November 30th. (*new youth must be registered to qualify)



Exciting New Popcorn News!

POPCORN!

Scouting  America
SOUTH TEXAS COUNCIL



Online Sales have begun! Show and Sell will be here the week of the 5th. Don't forget about the 40% commission!

It's not too late to get in on the sale!

Popcorn arrives September 5th.

Units may set a pick up time starting at 11am to pick up their unit's entire order.

Please bring help and a vehicle big enough if you have a large order.

Pick up cut off time is 6pm Thursday, we would like it all picked up on Thursday.

Contact James.Rangel@scouting.org for more information | 361.816.3843

KEY POPCORN DATES

Sept 5-7 Show & Sell Popcorn Delivered to Units by District (Determined by Districts)

Oct 15 Show & Sell Popcorn Money Due to Council Office by 5PM.
Oct 24 Take Order Popcorn Orders are Due Online by Midnight.

Nov 7-9 Take Order Popcorn Delivered to Units by District (Determined by Districts)

Nov 22 Take Order Popcorn Money Due to Council Office by 5PM.

Dec 31 Last Day to Claim Prizes Due Online.

KARANKAWA'S

80TH BASH



SEPTEMBER 20-22

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO JOIN US ON THE HILL ABOVE THE WATER FOR CAMP KARANKAWA'S 80TH ANNIVERSARY BASH. WE WILL HAVE ACTIVITIES FOR EVERYONE TO PARTICIPATE IN - FROM MUSEUM TOURS, SPECIAL GATHERINGS, CRAFTS AND HANDS ON ACTIVITIES AROUND CAMP KARANKAWA.

- TROOPS, CREWS, SHIPS AND POSTS CAN CAMP FOR THE WEEKEND.
- CUB SCOUTS AND ALL OTHER GUESTS ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE IN SATURDAY'S ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING THE CAMPFIRE.
- EVERYONE WHO SIGNS UP WILL GET A SPECIAL "SWAG" BAG, THE SOONER YOU SIGN UP THE BETTER. SPECIAL 80TH CAMP KARANKAWA GEAR WILL BE IN THE BAG AND MORE MERCHANDISE WILL BE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE.

[Click HERE to Sign Up Now!](#)

LIMITED EDITION

- 80th Anniversary Council Shoulder Patch
- On sale now for \$10 at the Council Office.
- Grab yours today!



Click the button below to preorder an 80th Anniversary neckerchief, belt buckle, and rare black Council Shoulder Patch. Available to be picked up at the 80th Anniversary Bash.

Click [HERE](#) to Preorder these Limited Edition items now!

Toughest Scout Challenge!

IS YOUR COMPANY LOOKING FOR A UNIQUE TEAM BUILDING OPPORTUNITY?

TOUGHEST SCOUT CHALLENGE!



OCTOBER 11, 2024



[CLICK HERE For More Information!](#)

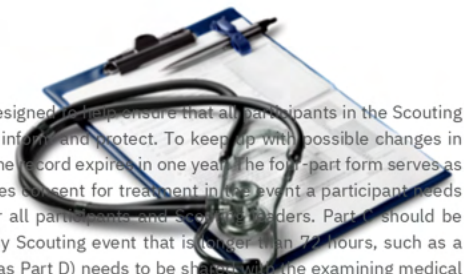
September Safety Moment - Medical Forms!

Don't forget to bring your BSA Medical forms with you when you have your annual check-up or sports physical!

Part A and B forms are required for all adults and youth participating in any scouting activity, additionally the part C form needs to be filled out and signed by a licensed health care provider and is required for any Scouting event that is over 72 hours long.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- The BSA Annual Health and Medical Record (often known as the "medical form" or "annual physical") is designed to help ensure that all participants in the Scouting program are healthy enough for the adventure of Scouting. It is not intended to limit participation but to inform and protect. To keep up with possible changes in health status, the form needs to be updated annually or when a participant's health information changes. The record expires in one year. The four-part form serves as
- a single place to document a participant's medical history and recent medical examination. It also provides consent for treatment in the event a participant needs emergency care while traveling away from parent or guardian. Parts A and B should be completed for all participants and Scout leaders. Part C should be completed by a licensed health care provider (M.D., D.O., N.P., or P.A.) before the participant attends any Scouting event that is longer than 72 hours, such as a summer camp, trek, or multiday excursion. The optional "High Adventure Risk Advisory" (formerly known as Part D) needs to be shared with the examining medical provider during the pre-participation examination to explain known health risks for each of the BSA's four highadventure bases. Additionally, your council may develop a risk advisory specific to your council camps or other properties or events. The forms should be maintained by a designated leader. To assure privacy, the forms should be carefully stored and used only as needed to provide for planning and rendering care. The AHMR should not be scanned, stored, or sent electronically
- except as specifically directed for a BSA national event such as the national jamboree or NOAC. Neither the BSA nor the Annual Health and Medical Record are subject to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). A Scout is Trustworthy: Records and sensitive information should be maintained in a private manner.
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RESOURCES

- [Medical Forms Landing page](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [Medication Use in Scouting](#)
- [Guide to Safe Scouting, Medical Information and First Aid](#)

Distinguished Citizen Award Dinner

Scouting  **America**
Distinguished Citizen
AWARD DINNER



Honoring Mike Shaw

October 30, 2024 | 7:00PM Dinner and Program | Sponsors Reception 6:00PM
Omni Corpus Christi Hotel - 900 N Shoreline Blvd, Corpus Christi, TX 78401

The South Texas Council Scouting America annually recognizes a Citizen from the Coastal Bend area who has distinguished themselves as an exceptional volunteer leader through their personal and professional contributions to the broader community.

This year, we are excited to honor Mike Shaw, Army Veteran, Owner of Mike Shaw Toyota and Mike Shaw Kia, as our 2024 Distinguished Citizen Award Recipient for the positive impact of his many accomplishments and contributions to the betterment of South Texas.

The Distinguished Citizen Award Dinner is the second largest fundraiser for the council. All funds raised will support and impact the South Texas Council's ability to provide a quality Scouting program for our members.

Click [HERE](#) to donate and learn more.

NEW CUB SCOUT WELCOME KIT!



ALL new Cub Scouts who register via BeAScout.org from August 1 through October 31, 2024, will receive a **special Welcome Kit** in the mail (excluding APO/FPO addresses) shortly after completing registration.

This Welcome Kit contains **one car magnet**, **one sticker** (for a water bottle), one **Scout Life Mini Magazine**, and a **Peer-to-Peer Recruiting card** that provides details on how to recruit a friend into Cub Scouts and **earn a FREE Recruiter Strip Emblem** (SKU 219) at any Scout Shop.

[CLICK HERE for more information!](#)

Grab Some New Gear Today!



The Council has three new polos and a STC leather belt available to purchase! One shirt proudly displays the BSA logo and 'South Texas Council', one celebrates Camp Karankawa's 80th Anniversary, and one has the STC Eagle Scout Association emblem. Stop by the Council Service Center to grab yours today!

Venado Javelina Campout!

Join us for a night of Scouting fun, friendship, and Javelina football!

Scouting America Packs, Troops, and Crews are invited to experience an unforgettable campout at the Javelina Football Game on November 16, 2024, at Texas A&M University-Kingsville.

Enjoy a Night of:

Football Game: Cheer on the Javelinas as they take the field in an exciting game.

Camping: Spend the night under the Texas stars at a designated camping area near Javelina "Pepsi" Stadium

Scout Activities: Participate in fun and engaging activities designed for Cub Scouts Dens, Scouts of All Ages.

Movie Night: Scouts can watch a movie on the field on the Jumbotron after the game.

Registration Details

Date: November 16, 2024

Location: Texas A&M University-Kingsville - Javelina "Pepsi" Stadium

Cost: Free

Campout Agenda: Details Coming Soon

Youth Protection Training: Updated Certificate Required

Annual Health and Medical Record: <https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/ahmr/>

Updated AB Forms: Applies to ALL participants in basic Scouting activities such as local tours and weekend camping trips that are less than 72 hours in duration.

Volunteers Needed! Contact: venadodistrict03@outlook.com

Rolando R. Garza - Venado District Chair

Ryan Parr - Venado District Commissioner



JAVELINA CAMPOUT!

NOVEMBER 16, 2024



Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity for your Scouts to have a memorable experience!

Cub Scout Camping Policy Update

Effective August 1, 2024, the Cub Scout camping policies will be updated in the Guide to Safe Scouting. These changes were made to reflect the program updates that occurred on June 1, 2024. These changes include:

- Separation of policies for Webelos dens versus Arrow of Light den/patrols.
- Updated policies for Webelos den level camping.
- Updated policies for Arrow of Light den/patrol camping.

These camping policy changes do not reflect any changes to the Barriers to Abuse or other youth protection policies indicated in the Guide to Safe Scouting. Please review these policy updates and share with pack leaders and parents. These policy updates will be included in the forthcoming updated BALOO training syllabus. Questions? Email james.rangel@scouting.org.



District Events

Seabreeze District

September 7 - Scouting By the Bay - 10AM-2PM @ Water's Edge Park. Please call Diego 361-461-6393 with any questions.

September 20-22- Camp Karankawa's 80th Weekend

September 28- All-Scouts Fishing Derby

Phoenix District

September 12 - District Meeting

September 20-22- Camp Karankawa's 80th Weekend

September 28- All-Scouts Fishing Derby

Aztec District

September 7 - Scouting Expo/Camp Huisache Open House

September 10 - District Meeting

September 20-22 - Camp Karankawa's 80th Weekend

September 28 - All-Scouts Council Fishing Derby

Nominate a Deserving Scouting Volunteer

The Silver Beaver is a national award presented by the local council. It is the highest honor the South Texas Council may bestow upon a volunteer.

Nominations for the Silver Beaver awards consist of three parts:

- Noteworthy service of exceptional character to non-Scouting youth
- Exceptional service to the Boy Scouts of America (unit, district, council)
- Service or standing within the community or community organization.

Nominations cannot be made for posthumous awards.
 Additionally, the award is limited to adults 21 years of age or older.

[Click here for Silver Beaver Nomination Form.](#)

Vale La Pena Award – Outstanding Service to Hispanic Youth.
[Click here for the nomination form.](#)

Whitney Young Award – Outstanding Service to Rural or Urban Youth.
[Click here for the nomination form](#)

Spurgeon Award – Outstanding Service to the Exploring Program (individual or Organization).
[Click here for the nomination form.](#)

Council Duty to God Award - The Council Duty to God Award was created to recognize registered Scouters who have demonstrated an exemplary history of transformational leadership in supporting and promoting the spiritual foundation of Scouting at the local Council level. [Click here for the nomination form.](#)

District Award of Merit

[Click here for the nomination form.](#)

Exploring Leadership Award

[Click here for the nomination form.](#)

Boy Scouts of America Council Alumnus of the Year Award.

[Click here for the nomination form.](#)

Elbert K. Fretwell Outstanding Educator Award

[Click here for more information on the award.](#)

[Click here for the nomination form.](#)



Award nominations should be emailed to Marty Sepulveda at martin.sepulveda@scouting.org or mailed to the South Texas Council, 700 Everhart Rd., Building A, Corpus Christi, TX 78411.

Eagle Scout Award Nominations

The South Texas Council Eagle Scout Association is accepting nominations for the National Eagle Scout Association Outstanding Eagle Scout Award (NOESA).

The Outstanding Eagle Scout Award is a distinguished service award of Scouting America. It is awarded to an Eagle Scout by the National Eagle Scout Association for distinguished service in their profession and community upon the recommendation of the local council NESAs committee, scout executive and council president.

Nominations should be submitted to martin.sepulveda@scouting.org by December 1, 2024. Two awards will be presented at the Eagle Scout Class Reception March 1, 2025.

NESA Outstanding Eagle Scout Award.

[Click here to visit the NESAs Outstanding Eagle Scout Award Webpage.](#)

[Click here for the nomination form.](#)



Glenn A. & Melinda W. Adams Service Project of the Year Award Nomination

Nominations for the South Texas Council Adams Eagle Scout Service Project of the Year Award are now being accepted.

All Eagle Scout Service Projects completed in 2024 will automatically be considered and reviewed by the Council Adams Award Selection Committee.

However, if you would like to ensure a particular service project is given serious consideration, please submit the South Texas Council Glenn A. & Melinda W. Adams Award nomination form by December 1, 2024, to:

South Texas Council Scouting America
 700 Everhart Rd., Building A,
 Corpus Christi, TX 78411
 Attn: David Russell

Nominations may be also be emailed to dhrussell0717@gmail.com.

Download Nomination Form [HERE](#).

Effective December 31, 2024, the Journey to Excellence unit recognition program will be retired.

Moving forward, metrics for Scouting and Exploring unit success will be seamlessly integrated into unit leader support materials and resources. These metrics will be consistent with those used by the Commissioner corps to support Scouting and Exploring units.

This new approach aims to provide a consistent and more streamlined and effective method for evaluating and enhancing unit performance.

Feedback from unit leaders and survey results played a crucial role in making this decision.

We believe this transition will better support our unit leaders and ultimately improve the experience for all participants as we continue to develop and deliver relevant programs.

Units can continue to purchase 2024 Journey to Excellence recognition items through December 31, 2025.



Woodbadge - Register Now!



October 4-6, 2024
November 2-3, 2024
Camp Karankawa

Why should I take WoodBadge? I know all about scouting!!

While WoodBadge is the Scouting America premier Leadership Training, the lessons and skills can be applied to all areas of your life, not just your role in Scouting Leadership. WoodBadge skills can be used in your work life, family life or even school life. Do you have problems talking with your co-workers or setting goals? WoodBadge can still help. WoodBadge is not about scouting skills, but rather leadership skills like communication, listening and Conflict Management!

There are just a few spots left for the Fall 2024 Course. Don't miss out on this LIFE CHANGING training opportunity!

For more information, please contact:
David Hebert at David.Hebert@scouting.org or Jennifer Swan at jswan0529@gmail.com

[Click Here to Register!](#)

Order of the Arrow News

Here are some upcoming events that you can help with or attend:

(Click on the links below to go directly to the event registration page.)

September 20-22 - Camp Karankawa's 80th Anniversary Weekend
October 19 - (Contact Francisco to help with the Haunted Trail)
December 6-8th - December Fellowship
December 27-30 - 2024 Winter Camp at Karankawa
OA elections are still available, please contact your local chapter or one of our lodge advisors.
If you have any questions, please reach out to the lodge advisor Sharon Swize (ssswize@gmail.com) or Staff Advisor Francisco Orozco (francisco.orozco@scouting.)
Make sure your OA dues are up to date. You can pay them online at:
<https://mycouncil.southtexasbsa.org/Event/OA-Dues-2024>
Click here to get the latest news from OA Today!



Eagle Scout Association

Once an Eagle Scout, Always an Eagle Scout

What is the South Texas Council Eagle Scout Association?
The South Texas Council (STC) Eagle Scout Association (ESA) is a local affiliate group of the National Eagle Scout Association. The STC ESA serves as the National Eagle Scout Association (NESA) connection, though one need not be a member of NESA to be a member of the Council ESA.

All Eagle Scouts age 18 and over are welcomed to the networking social. This is a great opportunity to meet other Eagle Scouts and learn more about volunteer opportunities to support local Scouting.

UPCOMING ESA SOCIALS:

Join us at a very special ESA Social during the Karankawa Anniversary Celebration on September 21 at 12:20PM. Click [HERE](#) to register for the bash!

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about the South Texas Council Eagle Scout Association.



Scoutreach Trunk or Treat

SCOUTREACH
TRUNK
OR
TREAT
OCTOBER 26TH
10AM-NOON.



The Corpus Christi Metro Scoutreach program will be holding a trunk or treat on the morning of October 26th for Cub Scouts enrolled in the Scoutreach program. All Troops, Crews, Ships, Posts and BSA members are welcome to host a trunk in the parking lot of the council office at 700 Everhart from 10am-12pm. Set Up is from 8:30-9:30am. Dress up, decorate a vehicle trunk, and hand out candy! For more information on how you can help out please contact Carlos Sepulveda @ 361.228.0704 or Roberta Paz @ 361.946.6176 by October 16th. [Click HERE for more information.](#)

Winter Camp

Karankawa WINTER CAMP frozen in time



WINTER CAMP MERIT BADGES

Check out some of the exciting Merit Badges being offered at this year's Winter Camp at Karankawa!



LAW



PROGRAMMING



RAILROADING



BUGULING



DIGITAL TECH



AUTOMOBILE
MAINT.



MUSIC



TEXTILE

...AND A WHOLE LOT MORE!

Be a part of winter camp and get frozen in time with us for the 80th anniversary.

[CLICK HERE](#) to Register Now!

Contact Francisco.orozco@scouting.org with any questions.

Did you know that Camp Karankawa and Camp Huisache are available for Unit Weekend Camping throughout the year?

CAMP USAGE FEES LIST and RESERVATION INFORMATION can be found [HERE](#).



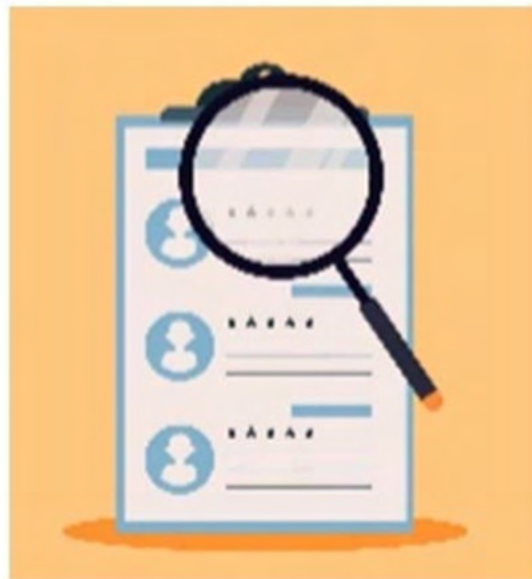
**NEW
SWAG
AT THE
TRADING
POST!**

**GRAB YOURS THE NEXT TIME
YOU ARE AT KARANKAWA!**



Unit Membership Registration Management

It's time to check your rosters!



Please check your unit rosters for any memberships that may be expiring in August and need to be renewed. Registrations can be renewed on my.scouting.org.

National Jamboree

Mark your calendars for The BSA's Premier Event!

The **2026 National Jamboree** at the Summit Bechtel Reserve will be held on July 22-31, 2026

What is Jamboree?

Jamboree is more than a destination. It's the adventure of lifetime. And there is simply nothing else like it on the planet. What's a Jamboree? It's not camp. National Jamboree is 360-degrees of fun, friends and fellowship with hands-on adventure that takes you places you never thought you'd go and challenge you to try things you never thought you could. It's the beginning of your own heroes' journey that will challenge you to go farther than you ever thought possible. You'll reach deeper and lift yourself higher to become the best version of yourself.



Are you interested in becoming a part of the 2026 National Jamboree Council Contingent Leadership? If so [please fill out THIS form](#) and return it to the council service center at 700 Everhart or email it to martin.sepulveda@scouting.org

There are also positions available on the National Jamboree Staff. [Click HERE for more information.](#)

Holloway Scout Shop News and Deals!

FALL RECRUITMENT UNIFORM PROMOTION! thru Nov 3

20% off Uniform Bottoms with the purchase of the matching Uniform Top! Tops include Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Lion T-Shirts. Clearance uniforms are also INCLUDED in this promotion. Bottoms include Switchbacks, Shorts, Skorts, and Roll-Up Pants.

20% Off
Uniform Bottoms
With Purchase of a Matching Uniform Top



FREE UNIT NUMERAL SEWING OFFER! THRU NOVEMBER 3

Customers who purchase a Uniform Top AND the needed Unit Numerals will receive FREE SEWING of the numerals.

*This offer only applies to Unit Numerals. Other patch/emblem sewing costs do not qualify for this offer

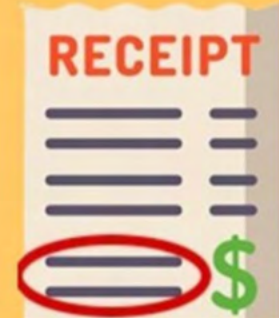


CUSTOMER "BOUNCE BACK" OFFER RETURNS!

July 29 thru December 31

We're excited to announce that our Customer Bounce Back Promotion is returning just in time for Fall Recruitment

All receipts will print with a special "\$5 Off of \$25 or More" coupon that can be redeemed in Scout Shops during this time period!



Suicide Prevention and Awareness

By Ruth Luna, Council Mental Health Advocate

Awareness is the key. As scout leaders we have a unique position to be helpful in the most critical way. We get an opportunity to see a version of our youth in ways that other adults may not.

September 10th is World Suicide Awareness Day. As we enter September and get into another school year, we should reflect on the work we do in scouting with the youth we serve.

Many ask what should be done if a youth or even a leader is struggling with suicidal thoughts. Many are afraid and unsure what to do out of fear of making the issue "worse".

The answer is simply be there. If you suspect there is a problem and seeing what could be warning signs, ask the question "are you having thoughts of suicide?" If the answer is yes this is an opportunity help this youth into the treatment they need.

Some key warning signs are headaches, isolation, and significant changes in behaviors. When observing youth, look for the FACTS. What are they Feeling? What are the Actions you observe? Are there Changes you can observe? Is the youth making Threats?

Finally, are there Situations that are occurring or being made worse that add stress? This can be a signal that our youth are experiencing depression, anxiety, or thoughts of self-harm.

Your role is to listen, take threats seriously, and offer support. Please do not promise not to tell. Support can look like offering to help them to discuss these concerns with parents and offering resources to parents to get the help the youth needs.

Resources are simply encouraging discussions with school counselors, physicians, or reaching out to helplines such as the ones you will see below.

Resources for help; MHID MCOT 1-888-767-4493, Text helpline 988, National Suicide Prevention 1-800-273-8255.

Council Program Calendar

[CLICK HERE](#) for the latest council and district event calendar updates. Be informed!