

# ROUNDTABLE

## IMPORTANT DATES



Den Chief Training  
October 7  
Kingsport, TN



Scoutmaster / Ast. Scoutmaster  
Specific Training  
October 7  
Wise, VA



Crockett Card Deadline  
October 13



Leave No Trace Trainer  
October 14-15  
Council Service Center



Banquet Nominations Deadline  
October 15



Haunted Adventure Weekend  
October 20-22  
Camp Davy Crockett



BALOO  
October 21-22  
Camp Davy Crockett



Haunted Adventure Weekend  
October 27-29  
Camp Davy Crockett

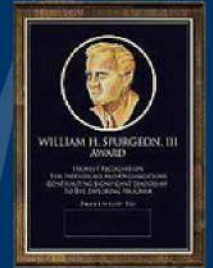


Scoutmaster / Ast. Scoutmaster  
Specific Training  
October 28  
Greenville, TN



Recharterers Due  
October 31

## SEQUOYAH COUNCIL RECOGNITION BANQUET



## DECEMBER 3RD

AT

## CAMP DAVY CROCKETT

The Sequoyah Council is currently accepting nominations for awards to be presented at the Annual Recognition Banquet this Winter. Featured awards include the Silver Beaver, Elbert K. Fretwell Outstanding Educator, and William H. Spurgeon III awards.

Nominations are due to the Council Service Center by October 15th. You can find nomination forms on the "forms" section of the council website.

[sequoyahcouncil.org/tools/forms](http://sequoyahcouncil.org/tools/forms)



See the full  
calendar



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# BSA SAFETY MOMENT

## WILDERNESS FIRST AID

### SUMMARY

Being prepared in Scouting often means being ready to render first aid. As we go farther into the backcountry with our units, some additional training is needed. Wilderness first aid (WFA), the next step up from the basic first aid, focuses on teaching assessment skills and using available resources when professional responders may be hours or even days away. It can have a dramatic effect on the outcome of emergencies, injuries, and illnesses. It can mean the difference between life and death.

### GENERAL INFORMATION

What is WFA? “Wilderness first aid” is a generic term that commonly refers to any training course that covers the prevention and treatment of injuries and illnesses that one may encounter in a remote environment. Many providers offer wilderness first aid courses, but not all courses are created equal—they vary in content, duration, accreditation, and other factors.

Does the BSA have specific WFA requirements? Yes. A BSA-led task force developed a WFA doctrine and curriculum specific to the BSA that teaches best practices to prevent, assess, and treat medical emergencies when in the backcountry—defined as being more than one hour away from definitive medical care. The BSA WFA course is a 16-hour certification suitable for participants ages 14 and older. The BSA’s curriculum includes not only classroom instruction but also a practical hands-on application in the form of practice scenarios. More important, it emphasizes that the safety of everyone involved is paramount, and it teaches participants how to gain control of an urgent situation so that resources (people, supplies, etc.) can be utilized appropriately. In 2020, ECSI in concert with the BSA developed a prototype blended WFA course. That course is being revised and will be launched during the summer of 2021. It is an eight-hour online course along with an eight-hour skills check with an ECSI-credentialed WFA instructor. This is the only blended course currently endorsed by the BSA.

Do all WFA courses meet the BSA’s requirements? No. Not all WFA courses are created equal. The BSA has identified the following providers as meeting the BSA’s requirements for WFA training: (1) American Red Cross, (2) Emergency Care & Safety Institute, and (3) providers accredited by the American Camp Association (ACA) under the ACA standard HW.2.2/ST.3.2 First Aid & Emergency Care Personnel. WFA courses offered by any other provider do not meet the BSA’s requirements.

Who needs to be WFA-trained? Two members of each crew participating in a trek at Philmont Scout Ranch or one crew member at all other high-adventure bases operated by the BSA are required to have this certification. It is also recommended that troops or Venturing crews participating in any other high adventures, whether through a council or on their own, receive this training. Also, having more people on a high-adventure trek trained in WFA is always beneficial in the event that an emergency does occur.

Are there any prerequisites or other certifications needed before taking WFA? Being at least 14 years old and completing a CPR and AED certification course led by a nationally recognized provider are the only prerequisites. Having basic first-aid training is very helpful but it is not a prerequisite.

Where can I find a BSA-approved course? Start by contacting your local council or district. Locally available courses may also be found by contacting your local American Red Cross (ARC) chapter or by checking with the Emergency Care & Safety Institute (ECSI). Both the ARC and ECSI have authorized-provider training agreements with the BSA and course materials available to Scouts at reduced fees.



Guide To  
**SAFE Scouting**



RESOURCES: [scouting.org/health-and-safety/safety-moments/wilderness-first-aid/](https://scouting.org/health-and-safety/safety-moments/wilderness-first-aid/)

# CROCKETT CARD



**\$33 / Mo**

**Includes:  
Registration  
Insurance Fee**

**All Council  
Cub Scout  
Events!**

**\$44/ Mo**

**Includes:  
Registration  
Insurance Fee**

**All Council  
Scouts BSA  
Events!**

Arrow of Light  
Scouts fall under  
the Scouts BSA  
Crockett Card  
Plan.

**Leaders**

**\$30 / Mo**

**Includes:  
Registration  
Insurance Fee**

**All Camps**

**Council &  
District  
Banquets**

**All Leader  
Training  
Events!**

## 2023 Annual Membership

One time joining fee for all  
NEW YOUTH members **\$25**

Adult Registration	Youth Registration
<b>\$60</b> National	<b>\$80</b> National
<b>\$40</b> Council	<b>\$50</b> Council
<b>\$100</b> Total	<b>\$130</b> Total

**\$25** Registration fee for  
Merit Badge Counselors  
who are not already  
registered volunteers.

**\*Does NOT include event registration fees**

**Registration  
closes  
October 13th.**



Scan for more information  
and to register.



**REMINDER: RECHARTERS  
DUE OCTOBER 31!**

## COUNCIL COMBINED COMMITTEES MEETING

The Council Combined Committees Meeting brings together operating committees with key Scouting volunteers to discuss strategies to better serve youth and families. The meeting is open to all district committee members, members of council operating committees, district members at large, and key unit leaders.



**NOVEMBER 30TH  
6 P.M.  
KINGSPORT  
CENTER FOR  
HIGER EDUCATION**

Those who plan to attend the CCC  
need to RSVP by November 21st.

TO RSVP SCAN THE QR CODE  
OR GO TO



[247SCOUTING.COM/FORMS/713-23NOVCCC](http://247SCOUTING.COM/FORMS/713-23NOVCCC)



## SCOUTS | BSA Leader Training Update:

**"Introduction to Merit Badges" and  
"Understanding the Role of a Merit Badge  
Counselor" have undergone recent  
enhancements.**

These two modules play a vital role in fulfilling the position-trained requirements for Merit Badge Counselors. "Introduction to Merit Badges" also forms an integral part of the position-trained prerequisites for Troop Committee and Committee Chair roles, as well as Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster positions.

We strongly urge every member to engage with these updated modules, tailored to your respective roles, ensuring that you possess the latest insights into this critical facet of Advancement. **To access these new modules, please visit the Volunteer Learn Center.** You'll find them integrated within the diverse Learning Plans for various positions, or you can effortlessly locate and explore them through the Catalog Search Function.



# HAUNTED ADVENTURE WEEKENDS

OCTOBER 20-22  
& OCTOBER 27-29

## Activities Include:

- Archery
- BB Shooting
- COPE
- Games
- Obstacle Course
- Soap Carving
- Costume Contest
- Pumpkin Carving Contest
- Scavenger Hunt
- Haunted Trail
- Wrist Rockets

CUB SCOUTS AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO CAMP DAVY CROCKETT FOR A SPOOKTACULARLY FUN, ADVENTURE FILLED WEEKEND!

Register online: [scoutingevent.com/713-CHA23](https://scoutingevent.com/713-CHA23)



# Registration closes October 11th.



January  
12th - 15th



[campdavycrockett.org/winter-camp](https://campdavycrockett.org/winter-camp)



# POPCORN FUNDRAISER

LET'S GET POPPIN'!



## IMPORTANT DATES:

- October 26 | Take Orders due. Show & Sale payments for products sold due.
- October 27 | Full case returns due at Council Service Center.
- November 13 | Take Order Distribution.
- December 1 | Final Close Out—All payments are due.

# Holiday Giving Tree

Parents & Leaders: If you know of a Scout in need, fill out a Giving Tree form and turn it in by November 3rd. The friendly elf (we call him James) will take it from there!

From November 6th - December 2nd, shoppers can choose a card from the tree and purchase items from the Scout Shop. The Council staff will help a certain jolly old man in red to make sure the items are delivered in time for the holidays.

Giving Tree Form: [247scouting.com/forms/713-GivingTree23](https://247scouting.com/forms/713-GivingTree23)



## Cub Scout Camping Policy Update!

Effective Sept. 1, 2023, Cub Scout packs who are conducting their own overnight camping activities may now camp up to two consecutive nights.

This is a change from the earlier policy on pack unit-coordinated camping, which was previously limited to single overnight experiences.

The updated policy also applies to Webelos and Arrow of Light dens who can now conduct campouts for up to two consecutive nights.

Arrow of Light Dens camping with Scouts BSA Troops must camp according to the specific camping guidance for Cub Scout found in the Guide to Safe Scouting.

Read more on the update:



## 4TH GRADE ADVENTURES AWAIT!



Calling all families with a 4th grader in the house! For an entire year, your 4th grader and your family have free access to hundreds of parks, public lands and seas.

Note: The pass is valid for the duration of the 4th grade school year through the following summer (September 2023 - August 2024)

Get your pass:  
[everykidoutdoors.gov](https://everykidoutdoors.gov)



# Leader Training:



## Scoutmaster / Assistant Scoutmaster

### Specific training

- October 7 | St. Paul UMC in Wise, VA
- October 28 | Shiloh Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Greeneville, TN

Register through the links on the Council Calendar.  
[sequoyahcouncil.org/calendar](https://sequoyahcouncil.org/calendar)



# the Trainer's EDGE

EXPLAIN DEMONSTRATE GUIDE ENABLE



January 20th | Council Service Center

The purpose of the Trainer's EDGE course is to provide and help develop the platform skills of a trainer. It is meant to supplement the practice offered through Wood Badge and NYLT staff development, with a focus on the participant, while raising the level of skill a trainer brings to the staff experience. Only practice can polish these skills, but this course is intended to "train the trainer" on behaviors and resources while offering hands-on experience in methods and media.



Scan for more information and to register:



[scoutingevent.com/713-TrainersEDGE2024](https://scoutingevent.com/713-TrainersEDGE2024)



## Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills

November 4-5 | Camp Davy Crockett

This hands-on program gives adult leaders a practical introduction to the patrol method of a youth-led troop by teaching many of the practical outdoor skills they need to lead Scouts in the out-of-doors.

### Who Should Take IOLS?

This course is part of the required training for Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters. In addition, Webelos leaders planning to cross over into Scouts BSA and troop committee members or other interested leaders are encouraged to attend.

Register through the links on the Council Calendar.  
[sequoyahcouncil.org/calendar](https://sequoyahcouncil.org/calendar)

# BALOO

## BASIC ADULT LEADER OUTDOOR ORIENTATION

October 21-22 | Camp Davy Crockett  
November 18 | Kingsport

BASIC ADULT LEADER OUTDOOR ORIENTATION is a one-and-a-half day course that is designed as an introduction to the Cub Scout outdoor program for leaders interested in adding a camping component to their pack activities. BSA's Cub Scout level camping policies will be taught along with the discovery of the necessary tools to help units carry out a successful camping experience.

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# Council Training



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October 7 | Wise, VA  
October 28 | Greeneville, TN



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CENTER FOR OUTDOOR ETHICS  
**Leave No Trace Trainer**  
October 14 - 15  
Council Service Center &  
Backcountry location



**Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills**  
November 4 | Camp Davy Crockett



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October 21 - 22 | Camp Davy Crockett  
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## Online Training Available 24/7

Youth Protection



Hazardous Weather



Search: Hazardous Weather

### Why is Youth Protection Training Important?

- Youth Protection training is required for all BSA registered volunteers and is a joining requirement.
- Youth Protection training must be taken every two years. If a volunteer's Youth Protection training record is not current at the time of recharter, the volunteer will not be re-registered.



Visit [Sequoyahcouncil.org/calendar](http://Sequoyahcouncil.org/calendar) for more details and to register for all of these courses as well as other upcoming events and activities.

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