

# The Trail

Cub Scouts - Boy Scouts - Venturing



## Where To Find Things On The Web

There are some great resources on the web for Scouting in St. Louis

The Greater St Louis Area Website can be found here: [GSLAC Website](#)

The home for Gravois Trail can be found here: [Gravois Trail Website](#)

Shawnee Lodge of the Order of the Arrow website can be found here: [Shawnee](#)

Or the Facebook page located here: [Gravois Trail Facebook](#)

The newsletter can also be seen online at: <http://stlbsa.org/gravoistrail/>

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## Contact Us !

Summer has ended ( well, it's after Labor Day) and Fall is just around the corner. School Night To Join Scouting is behind us.. whew..! It's a lot of work but probably the most important thing we can do each year to spread the word about Scouting. As always, don't hesitate to contact anyone below for help or info...

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## District Directors Corner

**G**reetings Fellow Gravois Trail Scouters:

Fall is here and with that comes so many fun things to do.

First, welcome again to Scott Jones the new Gravois Trail District Executive. He is a great addition to our team and his enthusiasm is great to see. He has met most of you and looks forward to meeting all.

Popcorn is well underway and there are some great success stories coming real soon. And of course, September means so many fun events are coming up. The Pacao, Cub Launch, Fright Fest, Scouting for Food and so much more. Please use this newsletter as a resource along with the Council website.

As the council continues to go lighter on paper handouts...go here for many pages that you can print on your own:

Click [HERE](#)

Thanks for all that each one of you do for Scouting,

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## Training

### Gravois Trail Has Awesome Training Resources

#### Coming this Fall 2017:

- **10/11/17** – St. Elizabeth of Hungary– SM #1 of 2; (Cost \$27.00) Training starts at 7:00 PM; address: 1420 S. Sappington Road
- **10/14/17** – Peace Lutheran- BS Committee, Cub Scout and Venturing (Cost \$25.00) Training Starts at 8:30 AM; address: 737 Barracksview Road
- **10/18/17** – St. Elizabeth of Hungary– SM #2 of 2; Training starts at 7:00PM; address: 1420 S. Sappington Road
- **10/21/17** – Peace Lutheran – SM Training (Cost \$27.00) Training starts at 8:30 AM.; address: 737 Barracksview Rd.
- **10/28-29/17** – Beaumont Scout Reservation – SM Outdoor Training

#### Coming this Spring 2018:

- **4/18/18** – St. Elizabeth of Hungary– SM #1 of 2, (Cost \$27.00) Training starts at 7:00 PM; address: 1420 S. Sappington Road
- **4/21/18** – Peace Lutheran – BS Committee, Cub Scout & Venturing (Cost \$25.00); Training starts at 8:30AM; address: 737 Barracksview Road
- **4/25/18** – St. Elizabeth of Hungary– SM #2 of 2; Training starts at 7:00 PM; address: 1420 S. Sappington Road
- **4/28/18** – Peace Lutheran – SM Training; (Cost \$27.00); address: 727 Barracksview Road
- **5/5-6/18** – Beaumont Scout Reservation – SM Outdoor Training

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And for ideas on supplemental training opportunities, go [HERE](#)





# OA



## Fall Reunion

It's that time to start thinking about the Fall Reunion. This year it will be held **September 8-10, Friday-Sunday at S-F Scout Ranch**. This campout is where candidates become Ordeal members and new Chapter and Lodge officers are elected. This year, Hayden Rosenthal and Shemar Lee are running for chief. For the entire ballot and more information, click [HERE](#)

## Section Conclave

Sign up today for the next Section C-3B Conclave, to be held at Camp Drake, Illinois, September 15-17, 2017. Conclave is a weekend filled with fun, activities and entertainment together with Arrowmen from across three states in six other lodges. To sign up, click [HERE](#)

# Roundtable

## Phases of Scouting

As you begin your adventures in Scouting you will learn many things. Let's take you through the phases of Scouting. This is a great opening or closing for unit meetings. See more [HERE](#)

# SNJS

School nights are underway. In August over 2,200 boys joined Scouts in the Greater St. Louis Area Council and 240 so far in Gravois Trail District. And many more are on the way.

Be sure to get new leaders trained. Thanks for all your hard work! Please be sure to turn in all applications. And, work on the follow ups (those who did not fill out an application).

Remember that boys came to join. And, they need to be registered if they are active so get the paperwork in now to avoid problems. Don't hold on to applications.

# Venturing

## Fall Fun Rally

Fall is the time to get ready for Fall Fun Rally. This is one of the (if not THE) largest Venturing event in the U.S. with Venturers attending from across the county.



It may still be summer, but it's time to start getting ready for the Fall Fun Rally! September 22-24 at Beaumont Scout Reservation will be a Fall Fun Rally not to be missed. More than 1100 should be in attendance for what will be an awesome event.

With much of your old favorites back, as well as some new additions, FFR shouldn't be missed. And check out below for some information about new Sunday programs.

Go [HERE](#) for more info and to register

# Camping

## Fall PACAO is Coming Up !

The 2017 Fall PACAO will be held October 20-22 at Beaumont Scout Reservation.

Our goal with this 2017 Fall Pacao is to showcase the history of warfare and the soldiers who fought but we will do so in a more exciting way utilizing activities and games. We are confident that A Day In The Life Of A Soldier will be enthusiastically embraced by all participants.

We want the 2017 A Day In The Life Of A Soldier to be the most successful of all Pacaos. We have two goals to guide us: Help our Troops succeed in learning about and appreciate what soldiers have done as well as do and learning useful planning skills to be able to incorporate everything we have planned into your day.

For more info, check out the camp manual [HERE](#)



## Advancement

### Changes To Cubscout and Boyscout Advancement

The BSA regularly reviews advancement to make sure that it's keeping up with changes in the program and reflects the intent of BSA to encourage Scouts to continue to advance through the various ranks.

Some important changes are:

#### Two things happen when a new Scout joins Scouting as a Cub Scout:

1. He completes the **seven** requirements for Bobcat. This must happen regardless of the new Scout's age or year in school. From the National Council:

*"The Bobcat rank is the first badge awarded a new Cub Scout. As a new member, he may work on his Bobcat rank requirements while simultaneously working on his next rank as well. He cannot, however, receive his Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, or Arrow of Light badge until he has completed Bobcat requirements and earned his Bobcat badge. Boys can normally earn their Bobcat badge well within the first month of becoming a new Cub Scout."*

2. The Scout's completion of the Bobcat requirements is reported to Council Advancement, using whatever format (digital, paper, etc.) is normally used by the Pack.

Pack leaders are strongly encouraged to turn in all Bobcat completions for 2017 as soon as possible. Through July 31 this year, Packs have recorded 1,235 rank advancements. Tiger accounted for 303 of those. Bobcat? A lowly 55. We think we may have a misunderstanding regarding the necessity to report Bobcat completions. Please make sure a Cub Scout's advancement record is complete by turning in all Bobcat completions in 2017 not already submitted to Council.

**See the special section later in The Trail with more info on the Bobcat rank....**

#### Boy Scout General Requirement Changes for 2017

Most Boy Scout Rank requirements experienced minor re-wording and/or sentence structure changes.

- A requirement was added to 1st Class 8b. A Scout is now required to **develop a plan**. The new requirement is:  
*Share your challenges and successes in completing First Class requirement 8a. Set a goal for continuing to include physical activity as part of your daily life and develop a plan for doing so.*
- Major changes were made to the requirements for four merit badges:  
**Disabilities Awareness, Hiking, Pioneering** and **Radio**.
- Minor changes were made to 31 merit badges.

All merit badge counselors should be make every effort to track the changes to the badges they counsel. The most current, accurate and official merit badge requirements for every merit badge can be found **HERE**

More info on advancement topics can be found right **HERE**



## Advancement Highlight

### Cub Scout Adventures - It Still Starts With Bobcat

As we begin the new school year, it is important to remember that the program still begins with a Cub earning his Bobcat badge. As a new member, he may work on his Bobcat rank requirements while simultaneously working on his next rank as well. **He cannot, however, receive his Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, or Arrow of Light badge until he has completed Bobcat requirements and earned his Bobcat badge.**

The Bobcat requirements are:

1. Learn and say the Scout Oath, with help if needed.
2. Learn and say the Scout Law, with help if needed.
3. Show the Cub Scout sign. Tell what it means.
4. Show the Cub Scout handshake. Tell what it means.
5. Say the Cub Scout motto. Tell what it means.
6. Show the Cub Scout salute. Tell what it means.
7. With your parent or guardian, complete the exercises in the pamphlet How to Protect Your Children From Child Abuse: A Parent's Guide.



The important thing to remember is the Cub Scout motto **"Do Your Best."** You can help your new Tigers by having them recite the Oath and Law with you. They will have many opportunities throughout their Cub Scout Career to commit the Oath and Law to memory.

The goal is to have all new Scouts earn their Bobcat within the first 60 days. This provides an early, tangible reward for their hard work and sets them on the path to earning their age appropriate rank.

New this year: Scouts will be able to work on and earn their Bobcat badge at Cub Launch. This event will be held Saturday, October 7th at Beaumont. More dates and locations are available. Check council's website [HERE](#) for more info.

It is very important to record each of your boys earning their Bobcat badge with council, as soon as the advancement occurs. This can be accomplished by turning in an advancement report when you purchase your Bobcat badges.

**Remember - October's Bobcat is Tomorrows Eagle**

## Merit Badge Fun-Facts

There are 139 current merit badges available to Scouts. For the calendar year through July, 119 of them have been earned at least once by Scouts in Gravois Trail.

The ones not earned: American Cultures, American Labor, Athletics, Backpacking, Bugling, Cinematography, Computers, Cycling, Exploration, Golf, Insect Study, Journalism, Landscape Architecture, Model Design and Building, Oceanography, Pets, Pulp and Paper, SCUBA Diving, Salesmanship, Traffic Safety.

Five merit badges have been earned more than 43 times by Scouts in the District during the period from January 1 – July 31, 2017.

A \$50.00 donation to the District's Friends of Scouting campaign will be made in recognition of the first person who can correctly identify these five merit badges without calling Council Advancement or anyone else for the answers.

Send your guesses to: [t778sm@sbcglobal.net](mailto:t778sm@sbcglobal.net)

An additional \$50.00 will be added to the donation if you can put the five badges in order, from most to least earned.

**Helpful Hint:** At least two of the five begin with the same letter of the alphabet.

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## **Additional Supplemental Training Ideas:**

Training ideas to add “Spice” to the unit’s program.

### **1. Challenge Course & Climbing:**

**Challenge Course:** Our council has two Challenge Courses, one at S-F Ranch and one at Beaumont Scout Reservation. The Challenge Course is a program for youths and adults that includes a series of outdoor challenges – beginning with basic group initiative games and progressing to more complicated low-course and high-course activities. Some of these events involves a group effort while others test individual skills and agility. Participants climb, swing, balance, jump and think through solutions to a variety of challenges. Most participants find that they can do much more than they initially thought they could.

**Climbing:** Climbing Towers are available to Scouts, Venturing and Explorers at Beaumont Scout Reservation and Camp Lewallen. The Beaumont tower is lit for night climbing and is available for evening rentals. More advanced climbers can experience Freedom, Range Falls, Collarbone or Baby Snake cliffs at S-F or the dramatic sculpted cliffs of Giant City State Park near Pine Ridge. But before you take your unit, you need to have at least two trained leaders to run the activity.

**Re-Qualification:** If your instructor card for Challenge Course or Rock Climbing is expired or about to expire, you can get re-qualified in one Sunday afternoon. You will be shown how to fit the new ready-made seat harness. You will be given a pile of gear and asked to set up a climb, rappel, high ropes course, etc. If you were never qualified for one of the programs, you can’t be re-qualified.

### **2. TIPI:**

S-F Scout Ranch has five Tipi’s for units to erect and spend the weekend. The fee is \$40.00 per Tipi and each will accommodate 10 people. Units wishing to use the Tipi’s must have a leader who has

completed Tipi Training, which is offered during the Order of the Arrow fall and spring induction weekends.

### **3. PIONEERING KIT:**

Pioneering refers to the knowledge of ropes, knots and splices along with the ability to build rustic structures by lashing together poles and spars. It was one of the original 57 merit badges issued by the Boy Scouts of America in 1911 making it one of the oldest Scouting Skills.

The council has one pioneering kit available at Beaumont Scout Reservation and a second at Camp Lewallen. The program is led by a trained instructor and is designed to take a troop from basic knot tying to building a large project in one day.

### **Council Supplemental Training Courses:**

To learn more about any of these supplemental training courses, visit the Council Web site for dates and locations for these training schedules.

Remember, it is within your power to make the Scouting program both FUN and EXCITING for the Scouts!

**Good Scouting!**

**Gary Dedeke  
District Training Chairman**

Dear Scout Leaders:

This manual for the 2017 Gravois Trail Fall Pacao is provided to be of service to you and your SPL's, Patrol Leaders, and Scouts. Pacao's have had a long tradition in the Greater St. Louis Area Council and in our very own Gravois Trail District. We are excited to present you with an action packed weekend that will be held at Beaumont scout reservation.

Our goal with this 2017 Fall Pacao is to showcase the history of warfare and the soldiers who fought but we will do so in a more exciting way utilizing activities and games. We are confident that A Day In The Life Of A Soldier will be enthusiastically embraced by all participants.

This manual is to help you as a leader prepare for the Pacao. We want you and your Scouts to have an enjoyable, fun weekend. One of the primary necessities for this to occur is to follow the Boy Scout Motto: BE PREPARED. We hope this manual will assist you in that manner. We will be answering questions at the District Roundtables prior to the Pacao, or you may contact us directly.

We want the 2017 A Day In The Life Of A Soldier to be the most successful of all Pacaos. We have two goals to guide us: Help our Troops succeed in learning about and appreciate what soldiers have done as well as do and learning useful planning skills to be able to incorporate everything we have planned into your day.

Be sure all participants HAVE FUN.

As we continue to prepare, and execute our upcoming Fall Pacao let's keep these two goals in mind.

Thanks,

The 2017 Fall Pacao Camp Master Mason C. Merris

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When: Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Oct 20-22. Please plan on arriving Friday after 5:00pm and staying through Sunday Morning. If you can't make the whole weekend, come for the Program portion on Saturday. Check-in starts at 5:00pm. Please do not arrive before then as the Camp Staff needs time to set up.

Where: Our Fall Pacao will be held at Beaumont scout Reservation in the Shipecy camporee field.



**Who:** Fall Pacao is open to all Troops and their Scouts, in the Gravois Trail District.

**Leadership:** In compliance with BSA regulations there must be two deep adult leadership accompanying every Troop, and they must have completed Youth Protection Training. In addition, each Troop is encouraged to have their SPL and Patrol Leaders present to take charge of their patrols. Remember we encourage boy led Troops and therefore we ask that your Troop SPL download a copy of this Manual and go through it with your Troop's Leadership at your Patrol Leaders Conference in advance of the Camporee.

**Pre-Registration:** Units are requested to pre-register for camp. Much planning goes into the Fall Pacao. Pre-Registration helps the staff know whether there will be 500 or 800 people there. We don't want to short a boy on one of the programs because we weren't prepared for the larger than expected participation. Pre-registration is due by Oct 19, 2017. Cost of the Fall Pacao is \$8.

**How Are Camp sites Assigned:** Campsites are first come first served. When you arrive at the camp, check in with Headquarters FIRST. Headquarters is located under the Shippy pavilion. Please use only the space you need to camp comfortably. Do NOT rope off more area than you need. Please help us in this area, no one wants to move tents once they are set up.

**Registration Fee:** Every BSA Trained Leader, adult, and Scout must pay an \$8.00 registration fee if they are in camp. This applies whether or not they stay overnight. The fee will be collected when the Troop registers and submits its roster. NO REFUNDS ONCE THE FEES ARE PAID.

This covers the cost of patches, this manual, and supplies for games and activities needed to provide the boys with an outstanding Camporee experience.

**Medical Forms:** Every Adult Leader and Scout must have an up to date medical form Part A and B filled out. This form may be obtained from the Greater St. Louis Area Council website,

<http://stlbsa.org/activities/camping/>. These forms MUST be presented to Pacao

Headquarters Staff in order to camp or participate in events.

**What to Bring:** Each Troop is responsible for bringing their own camping and cooking equipment. Recommendation: due to how spread out our activities are at this Pacao we highly recommend bringing lunchboxes with ice packs to keep perishable food cold or just a bag for a nonperishable meal (also don't bring food you have to cook for that meal).

**What About Food:** Each Troop is responsible to provide and prepare its own food. Please remember that Troops are supposed to be "boy led", so include the boys in the selection of the menu and the shopping process. Preparing and shopping for the camp menu is a great teaching and Advancement opportunity for your boys. You must bring your own wood, charcoal and/or

camp stoves to cook with and have your campfires. Those of you with Toasted Chips are welcome to use pressurized fuel stoves to cook on. Pressurized Fuel Training will be available.

Headquarters will have the location and time. Let the Scouts utilize their cooking skills throughout the weekend and do the cooking for the Adults. If necessary use the EDGE Method with younger Scouts.

Uniform: The theme of this year's Pacao is "A Day In The Life Of A Soldier". The Field Uniform or Class A is required for Opening Ceremony, Religious Services, Saturday Evening Campfire and Closing Ceremony. During the Program Activities throughout the day on Saturday all Scouts may wear their Class B uniforms.

Weather: Traditionally our fall and spring camps have had their fair share of inclement weather.

Every year virtually dozens of scouts arrive without adequate clothing to protect against both the cold and the wet. Such things as hypothermia and other weather related medical problems become serious threats to a person's health and wellbeing when the temperature drops.

Activities will go on rain or shine so BE PREPARED.

Program Activities: The Saturday schedule will be packed full of fun activities. Each Troop will be scored on every event. At the end of the day the scores will be tallied and we will present Troops with awards at the Closing Ceremony on Sunday morning.

A Scout is Reverent: Religious services will be held on Saturday evening after dinner as shown in the schedule. We ask that you arrive in time for the services so as to avoid delays in the campfire ceremony that follows the services.

Saturday Evening Campfire: Campfires provide many things to a Scout including warmth, fire to cook and equally important a gathering place to share friendship. This year we are happy to share our Evening Campfire with our younger Webelo Scouts and their Adult Leaders. Please, have your Troop prepare one or two skits or songs and bring them to the Camp Master or his Assistant for approval and to be placed in the Order of Ceremony for the evening. There will be points given towards the Final Competition for Troops who present a skit or song for consideration to the Camp Master by 5:00pm. You will NOT need to act the skit out in advance of the Campfire, however, we will have younger Webelos Scouts at our Campfire Program and we ask that all skits be appropriate in content.

How Do we Locate Unit Leaders at Night: One responsible Unit Leader should have his or her tent clearly identified with the "Red X" so that we can identify that person late at night in case of an emergency.

Campsite Quiet: We expect all Scouts to be respectful of others need for rest. Therefore the official campsite "quiet and lights out" will be at 11:00pm. Remember, Saturday at 6:00am is "reveille and wake up". It is important with the long day Saturday, that scouts and leaders get a good night's sleep. We request the cooperation and help from all Unit Leaders in getting your Scouts quiet. (THESE RULES WILL BE ENFORCED BY OUR STAFF)

First Aid: Each Troop should have its own first aid kit for minor cuts/scrapes and insect bites.

All Serious Accidents should be reported immediately to the Troop Headquarters. It will be the Unit Leader's responsibility to get the injured Scout to a medical facility after the injury is reported to headquarters. If injured beyond troop care ability come to HQ we have an onsite nurse.

Lost and Found: A lost and found will be maintained at headquarters. Please hold onto your belongings, but if you lose something we encourage you to check at headquarters. A Scout is

Trustworthy, so if you find something that is not yours then please, turn it in so that the owner can claim it.

How About Latrines: Outdoor latrines will be available near your camping area. Please encourage your Scouts to use the latrines, NOT the woods. Please remind the Scouts that the latrines are not disposal areas for tin cans or other trash. Please use the proper gender related latrine where applicable. Also, it would be extremely helpful if Unit Leaders would have an open discussion with Scouts about being respectful of others and to therefore use the latrines/porta potties with thoughtfulness of others. In other words, "pee in the pot NOT all over the seat and walls"!!! Also, this is not a play area!! Inform your Scouts that they are NOT to shake the porta potty or hold the door shut to trap their fellow Scout inside. It's NOT funny! This type behavior is unacceptable of any Scout. If you find there is no toilet paper or you use the last of it, please report to Headquarters so that we can resupply for others, a Scout is Courteous.

Check Out Procedure: "A SCOUT IS CLEAN" Clean-up is the responsibility of each Troop and EVERY Scout. We should leave the campsites better than we found them. Before you can check out on Sunday a staff member from Headquarters must check your campsite for: The campsite must be clear of ALL DEBRIS, including trash, logs, charred wood, etc. Please do not burn your trash, make plans to bag it and take it with you. Dumpsters are at the entrance to Beaumont. Make sure that your campfire is completely put out and the ground is no longer retaining heat. Keep in mind the Principles of Leave No Trace.

Rules

## Fall Pacao - A Day In The Life Of A Soldier

### 1. HAVE FUN

2. No alcoholic beverages. You will be asked to leave BSA property immediately if caught.

3. NO firearms, fireworks, bow and arrow, etc.

4. NO pressurized fuel equipment unless you have a TOASTED CHIP CARD.

5. This is a Scouting event please no smoking!

6. NO, flames of any kind inside or near the tents.

7. Kerosene lanterns may be used to light the campsite. However, battery operated ones are much safer.

8. Water sources are for filling water containers only. Do your cleaning and washing at your campsite. Please tell the boys not to play with the faucets as this creates a muddy mess in a very short time.

10. NO, digging around tents. Use proper pitching to avoid ditching.

11. Axes and hatchets are not recommended to be used by Scouts. A knife or bow saw may be used but with proper training and within a safe area. Adult supervision is recommended for cutting wood in a cordoned off ax yard. Sheath knives are strictly forbidden. A Totin' Chip is required by the Scout to carry a personal knife.

12. Any sports played need adult supervision at all times. No contact sports such as football are allowed.

## Weekend Schedule

Fall Pacao: Oct 20 – 22, 2017

### FRIDAY:

5:00-9:00pm: CHECK-IN

Report to headquarters and let us know you have arrived. We can then direct you to the campsite. Your check-in is complete only when we have received your full roster and payment.

7:30pm: SPL and Scoutmasters meeting at headquarters.

11:00pm: Campsite quiet/lights out.

## SATURDAY:

6:00am: Reveille.

6:15-8:15 am: Breakfast (cook, say grace, eat, clean-up).

8:00-8:30 am: Morning registration.

8:30am: Flag raising at headquarters assembly area, Class A Field Uniforms required.

8:45 am- 12:00 pm: morning activities

12:05 – 1:30 pm: Lunch (open it, say grace, eat, clean-up).

1:35 - 2:50 pm: Afternoon events.

3:00 – 4:00 siege weapon contest

4:00-6:25 pm: Dinner (cook, say grace, eat, clean-up).

6:25-8:05 pm: Religious Services.

8:30-9:30 pm: Campfire Program with Troops and Webelos combined.

10-11:00 pm: Fellowship time with your own Troop.

11:00 pm: Campsite quiet, lights out.

## SUNDAY:

7:00 am: Reveille.

7:00-8:30 am: Breakfast (cook, say grace, eat, clean-up).

8:30 am: Flag raising and award presentation at Headquarters Assembly Area.

8:45-11:00 am: Strike camp and present campsite for Headquarters inspection before leaving.

## EVENTS

Crate Stacking

Archery

Rifle shooting

Dodge ball



Civil war style baseball – troops play until 10 points or 10 min has been reached whoever is in charge can spice the game up change it however he wants but there are only a home plate 1<sup>st</sup> base and pitchers mound

LARP – troops are encouraged to provide their own equipment such as shields armor swords maces axes daggers etc. if you do bring your own these are the stipulations no metal wood or plastic you may use pvc pipe as a core for the weapon to maintain shape but it must be padded weapons should be made of foam duct tape and/or card board here are some links for instruction on how to construct them.

<http://www.instructables.com/id/DIY-Foam-Weaponry/>

<http://www.larping.org/tag/how-to-make-larp-weapons/>

tomahawk throwing

Simon says (patrol groupings military style)

Military themed food competition

Siege mechanism building contest @ camp sites/ home and then bring

Chalk ball blasters

Giant makeshift checkers

Early preparation:

- ❖ Distribute information to Leaders and Scouts
- ❖ Pre-registration due by Oct 19, 2017 (This is not required, but recommended)
- ❖ Review knots, fire building, cooking, safety, etc. with boys before arrival.
- ❖ Complete the unit roster form
- ❖ Bring a check or cash to register any add-on's
- ❖ Complete the menu and duty roster

At camp:

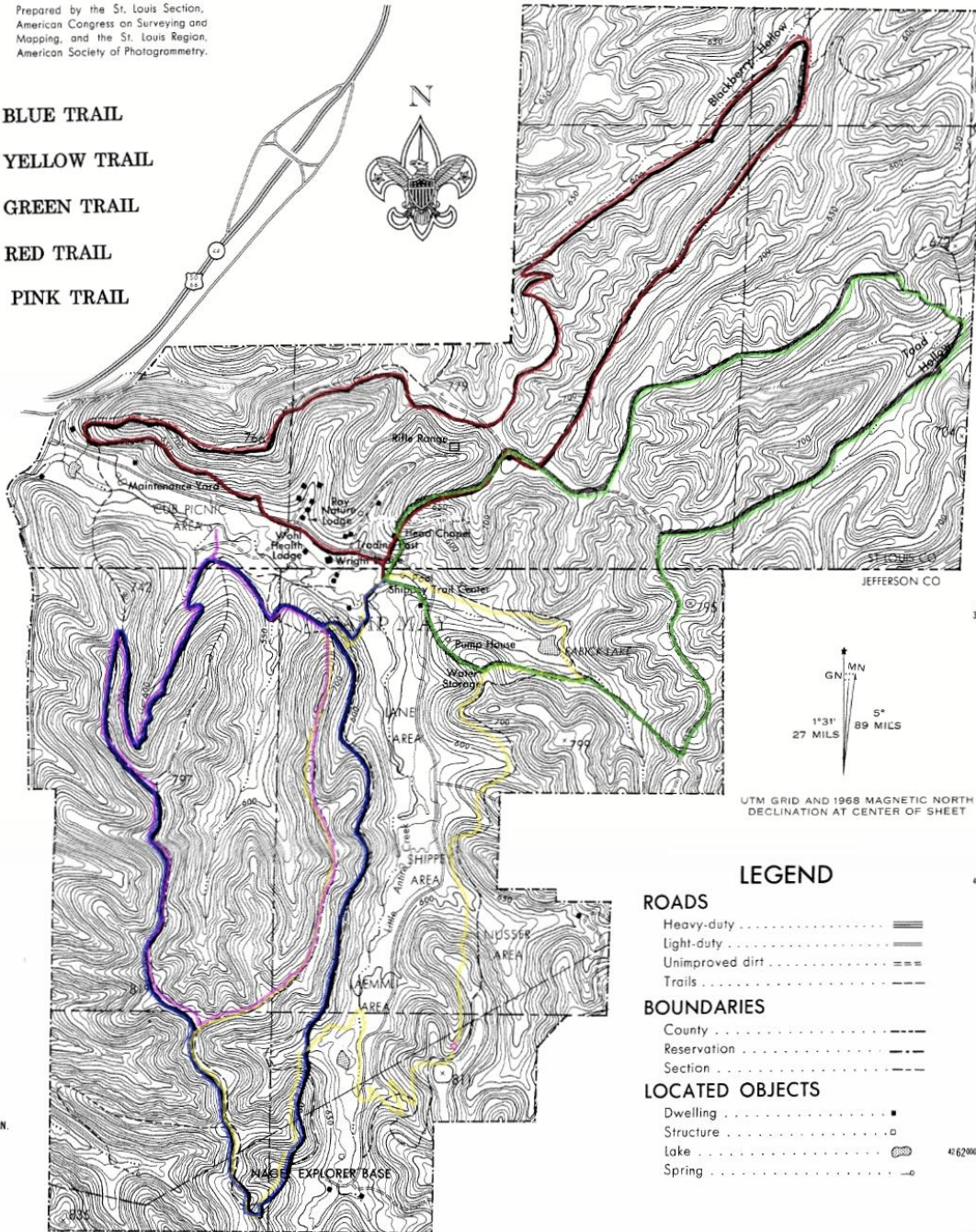
- ❖ Check in at headquarters on Friday night
- ❖ Adjust registration as needed

- ❖ Turn in unit roster and settle your account
- ❖ Receive group assignment, schedule and scorecards

# BEAUMONT SCOUT RESERVATION GREATER ST. LOUIS AREA COUNCIL

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American Society of Photogrammetry.

- BLUE TRAIL
- YELLOW TRAIL
- GREEN TRAIL
- RED TRAIL
- PINK TRAIL



UTM GRID AND 1968 MAGNETIC NORTH  
DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET

1°31' 27 MILS  
5° 89 MILS

- ### LEGEND
- ROADS**
- Heavy-duty .....
  - Light-duty .....
  - Unimproved dirt .....
  - Trails .....
- BOUNDARIES**
- County .....
  - Reservation .....
  - Section .....
- LOCATED OBJECTS**
- Dwelling .....
  - Structure .....
  - lake .....
  - Spring .....

SCALE 1:15,840 (1 inch = 1/4 mile)



## Troop Roster

## Fall PACAO – October 20 – 22, 2017 A Day In The Life Of A Soldier

Troop #: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list all attendees, Scouts and Adults.

Name Phone number Parent or Guardian

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Use additional sheets if needed

Turn in before lights out Friday Evening.



## Phases in Scouting

Materials needed:

Narrator (up to six leaders to help)

2 scouts                      flashlight (optional)

1 sun

1 moon

As you begin your adventures in Scouting you will learn many things. Let's take you through the phases of Scouting.

**First Contact:** You sign your son up to join scouting and become part of a family in (Den/Pack, Troop, or Crew). You and your scout will become acquainted with other parents and leaders, who will assist in your scout working toward different requirements and advancements.

**Partially deepens:** Scouts are learning about different things in their community, family, world and about themselves. They will have the opportunity to meet new people, become part of a family in scouting, hiking, camping just to name a few. As a parent you should become involved in scouting. There are many opportunities to become a leader or assisting with planning activities.

**Onset of Totality:** Your son has grown in scouting and will be taking adventures and following the Scout Law, Oath and Motto. Many scouts will be involved in sports, after school activities, church, charity and family, but scouting will also be leading them into making good decisions.

**Totality:** Your scout is advancing in ranks and working toward (Arrow of Life, Eagle, and Gold in Venturing). These take a lot of work on part of the scout but will be fun along the way. As Cub Scouts they will need a lot of assistance as they work through their requirements but as they cross over into a Boy Scout Troop they will be working with other scouts planning activities and the parents will be there to assist them when needed.

**After Totality:** Your scout is becoming a man. His knowledge has increased in many areas and he is living the Scout Law, Oath and Motto. As a scout they are searching for new adventures and becoming leaders.

**Edge of Totality:** At this point Scouting has helped them reaching their highest potential and working toward the rank of Eagle Scout. Over the lifespan of scouting only 2% of boys who joined scouting have reached the rank of Eagle. In the Greater St. Louis Area Council our percentage is at 5%.

As a parent you have seen your son grow from a little boy needing your help to a young man who is independent and making decisions of their own.

Please remember that it takes help from each family to run a (den/pack, troop or crew). Please don't feel you need to be asked, volunteers are always welcomed no matter how much time it is.



## Campout Revised Requirements for Second and First Class.

Effective August 1, 2017.

Shown below are the previous and new campout requirements for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 1<sup>st</sup> Class.

The total number of overnight campouts required to earn these ranks has been reduced. However, the total number of camping nights a Scout will experience in the program as he progresses towards Eagle Scout will not change. Scouts working on these ranks may continue to use the old requirements until January 1, 2018. It is the Scout's decision.

Rank	Previous Requirement	New Requirement
<b>2nd Class</b>	1a. Since joining, participate in five separate troop/patrol activities, three of which include overnight camping. These five activities do not include troop or patrol meetings. On at least two of the three campouts, spend the night in a tent that you pitch or other structure that you help erect (such as a lean-to, snow cave, or tepee).	1a. Since joining Boy Scouts, participate in five separate troop/patrol activities, at least three of which must be held outdoors. Of the outdoor activities, at least two must include overnight camping. These activities do not include troop or patrol meetings. On campouts, spend the night in a tent that you pitch or other structure that you help erect, such as a lean-to, snow cave, or tepee.
<b>1st Class</b>	1a. Since joining, participate in 10 separate troop/patrol activities, six of which include overnight camping. These 10 activities do not include troop or patrol meetings. On at least five of the six campouts, spend the night in a tent that you pitch or other structure that you help erect (such as a lean-to, snow cave, or	1a. Since joining Boy Scouts, participate in 10 separate troop/patrol activities, at least six of which must be held outdoors. Of the outdoor activities, at least three must include overnight camping. These activities do not include troop or patrol meetings. On campouts, spend the night in a tent that you pitch or other structure that you help erect, such as a lean-to, snow cave, or tepee.

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