Visit the popcorn page on our website for all the information needed for the 2019 Trails End Popcorn Sale.

Thanks to all our participating units for getting this year’s campaign off to a great start! Storefront product has arrived and has been picked up by the majority of the units selling. Sales efforts began on August 23, and several units have already come back for more product. Scouts are starting to conduct Take Order, Wagon, and Online sales.

It's not too late for your Pack, Troop, or Crew to get in on this fantastic way to fund your Ideal Year of Scouting. All you need to start sales is the paperwork and product. Product is available from the council office. Contact your District Executive or Dawn Kristensen if you'd like to sign up. They can all be reached by calling the council office at 505-345-8603. If you'd like a "tutorial" on how the sale works or sales training for your leaders and/or Scouts, contact Dawn or Julie at the Council office.

Popcorn sales is not only a great way to fund your unit budget, it’s a great way to promote your program in your neighborhood and attract new families. Scouts can also earn terrific prizes for themselves and credit toward a wide variety of badges.

Key Dates and Commission Info
Max commission = 40% for non-Partnership units
2019 Partnership units earn an additional 5% on Take Order sales for a max commission of 45%.

October 20, Take Order orders due
November 1 & 2, Take Order product distribution to units

It's not too late to join the 2019 Popcorn Sale. Just complete this form and return to Jessica at jessica.parsons@scouting.org.
High Desert Scout Shop:
Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm
Sat 9am-1pm
Closed Sunday

Use Your Smith's Rewards Card to Give Back to Scouting

Give back to Scouting with the gas and groceries you already purchase every week! Follow these simple instructions to enroll your Smith's Rewards Card and begin earning dividends to help grow Scouting in the Great Southwest Council. Enrollment in the Smith's Community Rewards program will not affect the fuel points you earn while shopping. Don't have a Smith's card? No problem! You can register a digital rewards card when you enroll at their website by clicking here.

Scoutingwire News

The Official Blog of the Scouting Movement
Visit the Scoutingwire site any time for the latest news from around the United States by visiting www.scoutingwire.org

Scoutbook - Online Record Keeping for your Unit

Tracking the Scouting Experience from Tiger to Eagle Scout
From the first knot tied to final hours of service performed, the Scouting experience is a journey like no other. Scoutbook ensures not a moment is missed - tracking advancement, milestone achievements and all the fun along the way. Starting January 2019 Scoutbook is free to all units.

Click here to watch a video of how Scoutbook can improve your Scouting experience.

For more details, visit www.scoutbook.com

My.Scouting Tips

My.Scouting.Org is an awesome resource with many great tools. Below are some of the great things you can do at my.scouting.org

Take Training

There are many required and supplemental trainings available at my.scouting.org. You can take Youth Protection training, but there is so much more. Cub Scout leaders can take all required trainings to be considered “trained” for their position. Boy Scout and Venturing leaders can take supplemental trainings such as Weather Hazards, Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat - all from the comfort of your home!

To take onine trainings, please follow these steps:
- navigate to http://my.scouting.org
- log in to your account
- in the upper left corner, click home
- click “my dashboard”
- click “training center”

CUB SCOUT ADVENTURE DAY

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST
9AM – 1PM
5841 OFFICE BLVD NE,
Print Membership Cards

Your unit's Key 3 (Unit leader, Committee Chair, and Chartered Organization Representative) have the ability to generate and print membership cards for anyone registered in your unit. No need to call the Council Service Center - this functionality is there any time you need it!
- navigate to http://my.scouting.org
- log in to your account
- click "menu" in the upper left corner
- click the "->" next to your unit's information
- click member manager
- below "Roster Details" click one of the options
- click the rectangle icon with a fleur-de-lis below the words "Roster by Person"

Invite your Friends to Join Scouting

As school is now in full swing, it's time to grow our Packs, Troops and Crews. While many families joined Cub Scouting recently, there are still those that are waiting for an invitation.

How can your Pack, Troop or Crew help these families join Scouting?

Host a Join Night, or invite families to your next Pack Meeting or Open House. The Council can produce flyers to be distributed at school or other community locations. There are also stickers, posters and yard signs

Check your "Be-a-Scout" pin and make sure the information is correct.

Encourage your new parents and leaders to complete training, most of which is available online.

Coordinate with your District Executive to order materials needed for promotion.
- Rio Grande (west ABQ, Rio Rancho, Valencia & Socorro Counties, Grants & Gallup) - Mary Mazza-Andersen: mary.mazza-andersen@scouting.org
- Sandia (east ABQ, East Mountains) - Ethan Crisp: ethan.crisp@scouting.org
- Sangre de Cristo (Santa Fe, Los Alamos & northeastern NM) - Randy Saunders: randy.saunders@scouting.org
- San Juan Mountains (San Juan County, NM and southwestern Colorado) - Randy Saunders: randy.saunders@scouting.org

Wood Badge 2019

September 22-27, 2019
Philmont Scout Ranch
Click [HERE](#) for more information and to reserve your spot in this special course today!

Merit Badge Adventure Camp Weekends @ Gorham Scout Ranch

Merit Badge Adventure Camp is a weekend program at Gorham Scout Ranch. Scouts arrive on Friday evening (or before 8:00am on Saturday), take a merit badge class or adventure activity all day Saturday, and go home on Sunday morning (or Saturday night). Meals are provided in the Lodge prepared by the camp's kitchen. The registration deadline is May 24, 2019.
kitchen crew. Troops sleep in canvas tents at our campsites. These amenities are time savers for Troops looking to maximize on merit badge coursework or activity time. Scouts are welcome to attend with their Troop or individually (individual Scouts will camp with another Troop or in our provisional site with at least two adults for supervision).

Schedule (Merit Badges are taught on Saturday - one merit badge per Scout):

- Sept. 6-8: Cooking, Wilderness Survival, First Aid, Search & Rescue, Leatherwork & ATV
- Sept 13-15: Cooking, Wilderness Survival, First Aid, Search & Rescue, Leatherwork & ATV
- Sept 20-22: Archery, Rifle, Shotgun, First Aid, Environmental Science, & ATV
- Oct. 11-13: Astronomy, Space Exploration, Emergency Preparedness, First Aid, Climbing & ATV
- Oct. 18-20: Archery, Rifle, Shotgun, First Aid, Environmental Science, & ATV

For more information, click HERE.

To register, visit our Tentaroo camp reservation site.

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2020 RESERVATIONS

Scouts BSA Troops are invited to make reservations now for 2020 summer camp at Gorham Scout Ranch. Check out our website www.gorhamscoutranch.org for the latest information.

There are four weeks of Scouts BSA summer camp in 2020. Make a reservation for your preferred week now!

Click HERE for the reservation form. Complete form and send (or drop-off) $250 reservation fee to Scout office.

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Join the Gorham Scout Ranch Staff Today

Looking for a way to earn money this summer while having fun? Is one week of summer camp not enough? Let Gorham Scout Ranch be your home for the summer of 2020! A camp staff position at Gorham Scout Ranch is an experience that you will always remember.

Camp staff are expected to live by the Scout Oath and Law. All camp staff wear a uniform. Camp staff live in a canvas tent on a wooden platform and is equipped with electricity.

Below is an overview of the camp staff positions (and age requirements) available for summer of 2020.

Click HERE for the staff application.

Minimum Age 21 and Older:
Aquatics Director (National Camp School required), Shooting Sports Director (National Camp School required), COPE Director (National Camp School required), Climbing Director (National Camp School required), High Adventure Director, ATV Director, Trading Post Manager, Camp Medic, and Head Cook. These positions are all managers and are expected to serve as the leaders of the camp staff.

Minimum Age 18 and Older:
Commissioner, Scoutcraft Director, Archery Director, Nature Director,
Commissioner, Scoutcraft Director, COPE Instructor, Climbing Instructor, Assistant Cook, Dining Hall Steward, and Camp Clerk. These positions are junior managers and are expected to serve as role models for the younger staff and Scout campers.

**Minimum Age 15 and Older:**
Merit Badge and Skills Instructor, Lifeguard (age 16+), Trading Post Staff, and Kitchen Staff (dishwasher). Youth staff members are set the example to campers by living the Scout Oath and Law.

**Staff-In-Training:**
Staff In Training is an unpaid work experience designed for Scouts 14 years old that are interested in learning more about how to become a camp staff member. Staff-In-Training youth will be given the opportunity to experience different program areas, providing merit badge instruction, and other camp staff duties. This young people will wear the staff uniform, sleep in the staff area, and be expected to live by the Scout Oath and Law. Staff-In-Training program is a two-week experience.

**Adult Volunteers**
The camp is continually looking for adult volunteers who are willing to put their time and effort into making a truly spectacular summer program. Volunteers who have specialized skills or knowledge, and are willing to pass them on to a new generation of Scouts, instruct training programs for our adults or assisting the camp ranger with improvement projects are always welcome.

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**7th Annual Gift of Scouting Online Auction**
**November 29 through December 14, 2019**

The 7th Annual Gift of Scouting Online Auction for the Great Southwest Council is upon us! It's fun. It's a great source for unique gifts for the holidays. And, it's a great way to support local Scouting.

We are starting to gather items for the auction now. Please consider donating an item. Please consider collecting an item for the auction from your employer. Your help is greatly appreciated.
Contact Jessica Parsons (505) 503-2392 or jessica.parsons@scouting.org with a description of the item you would like to donate by November 15. If needed, we can arrange pickup of your item. You will also receive a letter documenting your tax deductible donation. Thank you for your generosity.

2020 St. George Trek @ Philmont

The St. George Trek is a high adventure Catholic leadership program for older Catholic Scouts BSA and Venture Crew members at Philmont Scout Ranch. Male and female members are eligible. The dates of the next Trek are July 9 through July 23, 2020. Information, requirements, and application process for the Trek are available at http://www.nccsbsa.org/index.php/st-george-trek.

Scouts must apply for the Trek through their diocese. Scouts in the Archdiocese of Santa Fe should contact Matthew Unsworth at msunsworth@gmail.com or Gerry Quinlan at gerryq68@comcast.net.

Scouts from other dioceses should contact Gerry Quinlan. Scholarships are available through the dioceses and the National Catholic Committee on Scouting. The application process is already underway and will be completed in the fall of 2019.
Experience Hands-On Activities Such As:
Horseback Riding, Sailing, Canoeing, Kayaking, Fishing, Paddle Boarding, Backpacking, Rock Climbing & Repelling, Robotics, Welding, Astronomy, Dutch Oven Cooking, Shooting, Archery, Mountain Biking & More


"Challenge by Choice"

Grand Canyon Council is proud to present Powder Horn 2019. This course is designed to help your troop, crew, ship or post by exposing older scouts and adult leaders with safely conducted outdoor/high-adventure activities of a fun and challenging nature.

The course provides first hand experiences, introduction, and the resources needed to successfully lead youth through a program of outdoor adventure. Course presenters are expert consultants, from inside and outside of Scouting, in each outdoor high adventure activity.

This will be an action packed weekend, come rested...

Check-in is Friday, October 11th at 6:30am
Check-out is Sunday, October 13th at 3pm.

Location:
Lake Pleasant Regional Park - 41835 N. Castle Hot Springs Rd, Morristown, AZ 85342
(Camping available for Thursday night arrival)

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?
Adult volunteers & youth who are 14 or older looking for new high adventure experiences, connections & creative ideas to bring home to your troop, ship, crew or post.

$195 per person, includes all activities, meals, certificate, t-shirt, Powder Horn chalice & patch

More Details On The Website
Register Today... Spaced Are Limited, So Don't Delay
https://scoutingevent.com/010-2019Powderhorn

REMINDER - Insurance Recovery Fee to increase to $25
In 2017 the Great Southwest Council's Executive Board instituted an insurance recovery fee of $7.00 per person payable at recharter. This fee was calculated by taking the Council's total rechartered membership and dividing it into the cost of insurance.

Since then, due to National BSA claims experience, the cost of our general liability insurance has increased. As a result, we have been required to recalculate our insurance fee and raise it from $7.00 to $10.00 in 2018.

The Council expects to lose a substantial portion of its membership when the LDS Church concludes its official role in Scouting at the end of 2019. With that in mind, the insurance recovery fee will increase to $25.00 per person, effective at the upcoming charter renewal due December 31, 2019.

Remember, however, that units who qualify as Partnership units this year will receive back the $25 per person fee in January 2020 as recognition for supporting the Council through Friends of Scouting and popcorn sales.

To summarize: This fall, the insurance fee will increase from $10.00 to $25.00. All units are required to pay the insurance fee at recharter and Partnership units will receive a credit for this fee to their unit account in January.

Thank you for your understanding and commitment to Scouting.

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**Will your Pack, Troop or Crew Become a Partnership Unit in 2019?**

The Partnership for Scouting was established in 2017 to strengthen the ability for the Council and Units to provide the best Scouting experience possible for participating families. By working together and pressing toward this common goal of better Scouting, the Council and its Units can make best use of limited resources. One of the key factors of this Scouting Partnership is improved communication between the Council and its Units.

The benefits for becoming a Partnership unit are listed below. As you can see, the savings a Unit can receive are significant.

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Total Potential Savings Per Scout $166.50

Plus -
10% off camping gear purchased at the Scout Shop
5% Bonus Commission on popcorn Take Order sale.

Will your Pack, Troop or Crew qualify as a Partnership Unit in 2019, and reap the benefits in 2020? To qualify your unit must raise a goal equal to $150 x number of scouts (registered on January 1, 2019), attend Cub Scout day camp or summer camp at Gorham Scout Ranch within the past three years, and earn JTE bronze, silver or gold at recharter.

One perk of being a Partnership unit is the insurance recovery fee rebate. The insurance recovery fee, $25 per person due at recharter, is completely rebated to Partnership units. This is a huge savings for your Pack, Troop or Crew.

Click [HERE](#) for the current Partnership for Scouting status by units. This update includes # youth Rechartered, Friends of Scouting donations, jerky sales amounts, and camp attendance.

For more information concerning Partnership for Scouting, please contact Randy Saunders at [randy.saunders@scouting.org](mailto:randy.saunders@scouting.org). Thank you for continuing to support the Great Southwest Council.

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2021 National Scout Jamboree
@ Summit Bechtel Reserve

Scouting's flagship event is one-of-a-kind. It's a gathering of approximately 40,000 Scouts, leaders, and staff that showcases everything that is great about the BSA and its members. Held every four years, the Jamboree is an amazing opportunity for participants, volunteers, and visitors to experience the best of Scouting, all in one place. Features include; one of the longest zip line courses in North America, a world-class skate park, ATV offerings, treetop canopy tours, rock climbing, patch trading, stadium shows, and much more!

HISTORY
The first Boy Scouts of America national jamboree was scheduled to be held in Washington, D.C. in 1925 to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Scouting in America.
Washington, D.C., in 1935 to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Scouting in America. Unfortunately, the jamboree was canceled because of a polio outbreak in Washington. When the first jamboree was finally held in 1937, Dan Beard lit the opening campfire using flint and steel. Scouts from all 48 states brought the wood that was used in the campfire. There were 27,232 Scouts camped on the National Mall under the Washington Monument. Since that time, an additional 18 national jamborees have been held, the last in 2017.

DETAILS
Every four years, the Great Southwest Council puts together a Jamboree Contingent consisting of 1 to 2 troops, comprised each of 36 youth and 4 adult leaders. Besides the Jamboree experience itself, there are many costs that are incurred in preparation for the event. These costs include (but may not be limited to):

- Airfare to and from the east coast
- Luggage fees
- Jamboree training, meetings, and other events
- Jamboree gear, including all troop/crew specific gear (flags, unit numerals, water bottles, hats, shirts, backpack, duffle bag, patches)
- Jamboree event fee
- Dedicated Scouting professional and support staff to facilitate and assist in a successful Jamboree experience
- Bus transportation to and from Jamboree with dedicated bus drivers

YOUTH PARTICIPANTS
The Jamboree is open to all who are qualified on a first-come, first-served basis. Qualifications to attend the National Jamboree include:

- Registered member of a Scout Troop, who has completed the 6th grade, or will be at least 12 years old (but who has not yet reached their 18th birthday by 8/1/2021) and a first class Scout by July 1, 2021. --OR--
  - Registered member of a Venture Crew.
  - Must live and abide by the Scout Oath and Law.
  - Must abide by the Jamboree Code of Conduct.

At the time of registration, Scouts will be placed in a Jamboree troop/crew that is closest to where you live, unless that troop/crew is full. If that troop/crew is full the Scout will be placed in the closest available troop/crew. Each Scout will be a member of a patrol within their unit. Every contingent member will be required to participate in and have the following:

- Monthly troop or crew meetings
- A completed National Jamboree Medical form signed by a licensed physician
- Attend the all-contingent gathering
- Attend an overnight training encampment.
- Have all fees paid no later than April 15, 2021.

ADULT LEADERSHIP
Adult Leadership has not been selected for the Great Southwest Council contingent. If interested please email Chris Shelby at chris.shelby@scouting.org

PRICING AND REGISTRATION
2021 Jamboree fee is $2400. Jamboree fees include everything listed above. Other out-of-pocket expenses may include (but are not limited to) additional uniforms, patches, and spending money.

A non-refundable reservation fee of $250 must accompany the initial
A non-refundable reservation fee of $250 must accompany the initial registration. Once you click on the registration button, you will be prompted to "choose participant type". Once you begin your registration process, you will also be prompted to indicate which type of unit you would prefer to be in: Male Troop, Female Troop, or Venture Crew.

We highly suggest that regular payments be made, perhaps $100 per month or even quarterly payments. Full payment must be received **no later than April 15, 2021** in order for the participant to attend. The following is the payment schedule for the 2021 National Jamboree (although more may be paid in advance):

### Payment Schedule:

- $250 non-refundable per youth at time of registration
- $800 non-refundable by 3/01/2020
- $1,200 non-refundable by 07/01/2020
- $1,800 non-refundable by 12/01/2020
- $2,400 non-refundable by 03/01/2021

If for some reason a participant is unable to attend, a refund may be considered minus the non-refundable amount. If for some reason a participant is unable to attend and is able to fill his/her spot with another eligible participant, a full refund minus the initial $250 deposit will be approved.

**Mark your calendars today!!!**

The Great Southwest Council is pleased to announce that Sid Scheer has accepted the role of National Jamboree Chairman/Coordinator for the 2021 contingent. Sid is an Eagle Scout from Troop 166, and a member of the Executive Board.
MADD New Mexico
Albuquerque, NM
September 28
9 am
Tiguex Park

WE WALK for those who no longer can, and alongside those who are learning to walk again.
WE WALK with supporters who share our vision of no more drunk or drugged driving victims.
WE WALK because together we will end drunk and drugged driving.
walklikemadd.org/nm
505.255.2955
National Eagle Scout Association Expansion Program

The Great Southwest Council (GSWC) National Eagle Scout Association (NESA) Committee is working at re-engaging adult Eagle Scouts while also keeping new Eagle Scouts engaged.

The committee is looking at getting business professionals and civic leaders, young and old, involved in supporting the Council's efforts with young men and women. This is the beginning of the process of creating a more comprehensive NESA organization that will support the Great Southwest Council and help it to continue to grow and prosper.

Some of the ways in which you can help is by being a merit badge counselor, a commissioner, or volunteering to serve on one of the many NESA Board positions.

There are two ways for Eagle Scouts who are interested in getting more information on this process to contact the local NESA Email: gswcnesa@gmail.com. You can also contact Skip Brown on his cell phone (505-239-9173).

Once you have left a message, you will be contacted to set up an initial meeting and get more detailed information forwarded to you.

Once an Eagle, always an Eagle.

Silver Beaver Nominations
DUE October 4

The Silver Beaver Award is a Council-level award presented to volunteers with distinguished service. Nominations are due to the Council office by October 4, 2019.

Click HERE for the Nomination form (Nominations must be made using this form), and HERE for the Writing Guide (a tool helpful for putting together a nomination deserving of the candidate).

Internet Advancement
In May 2019, National changed the Internet Advancement to the new Internet Advancement 2.0. When they did this, the Key 3 members of the unit (Chartered Org Rep, Committee Chair and Scoutmaster/Cubmaster/Crew Advisor/Ship Skipper) are the only individuals with access to Internet Advancement.

A Key 3 member can, however, appoint another registered individual to become the Unit Advancement Chair. They can accomplish this by going into their my.scouting.org account, going to the unit's drop down menu and selecting Organization Security Manager. Once in the Organization Security Manager, they will see the Key 3 listed on the left and the various positions they can designate on the right. They will select the position they would like to designate, then select the "+" button and add the name of the individual who will be serving as the Advancement Chair. This will then allow that person to have permissions to access the unit advancement records.

It takes about 24 hours to update for the individual to receive access. The new advancement chair will then log into their my.scouting.org account and go to Legacy Tools.

In Legacy Tools is the link for the Internet Advancement 2.0.

AmazonSmile: Shop Amazon and Support Scouting

AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices, and shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization of your choice.

Every item available for purchase on www.amazon.com is also available on AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com) at the same price. You will see eligible products marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail pages.

The Great Southwest Council is a charitable organization that is available for you to support by making purchases on AmazonSmile. For more information about the AmazonSmile program, go to http://smile.amazon.com/about.

Please Welcome our Merit Badge Sponsors

New to the Great Southwest Council are Merit Badge Sponsorships. These businesses and groups are Scouting supporters that will also provide opportunities for Scouts to earn merit badges related to their occupational field or interest(s).

The first few are:

Railroading Merit Badge
Electricity Merit Badge

Law Merit Badge

Digital Technology Merit Badge

Please Support Businesses in our Community that Support Scouting!

Thank you for your service to the youth of our community!

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