



On The Horizon – June 2020



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Important

Dates at a Glance:

DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, PLEASE VISIT STLBSA.ORG, STLBSA.ORG/NEWHORIZONS/, AND SHAWNEELOGGE.ORG FREQUENTLY FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION, AS EVENTS MAY CHANGE!! SOME EVENTS MAY BE LIVE STREAMED, OTHERS MAY BE CANCELED OR POSTPONED. EVERYONE, PLEASE STAY SAFE! KEEP YOUR UNITS GOING STRONG BY HOLDING LIVE STREAM EVENTS AND KEEP IN CONTACT WITH YOUR YOUTH AND PARENTS!

Service Centers & Scout Shops Reopening:

June 1 - (Masks required along with social distancing)

June Roundtables:

June 2 – (via Zoom – see Special Announcements for the link)

Introduction to STEM in Scouting:

June 2 – (via Zoom – see STEM below for the link)

June Eagle Boards of Review:

June 3, 10, 24

ALL Camp Facilities available for Family Camping:

June 3

Special Needs Awareness Training:

June 6- (online)

First Aid Training for Venturers:

June 7 – (postponed – see instructions below under Venturing)

Annual Council Dinner:

June 10 – (Postponed – date TBD)

Cub Scout Leader Virtual Training:

June 16 & 18 (both required)

Youth Protection Virtual Training:

June 23

Life to Eagle Seminar:

June 17 – (Via Zoom – see below under Advancement)

July Eagle Boards of Review:

July 1, 8, 22

July Special Roundtable:

July 7 - (via Zoom)

Cub Scout Leader Virtual Training:

July 14 & 16 (both required)

Virtual STEM Fair:

July 17

Youth Protection Virtual Training:

July 23 or Aug 13

Order of the Arrow Vigil Ceremony & Recognition:

August 1-2

August Roundtables:

August 4

Venturing Celebration Dinner:

August 9 - (TBD)

August Eagle Boards of Review:

August 5, 12, 26

Order of the Arrow Pre-Ordeal:

August 22-23 OR 29-30

===== > SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS < =====

IMPORTANT!!! ==>> PLEASE VISIT www.stlbsa.org TO MAKE SURE SCOUT MEETINGS LISTED ABOVE HAVE RESUMED DUE TO CANCELATIONS DUE TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS!!

IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ THE LATEST [GSLAC CORONAVIRUS REOPENING PLAN HERE WHICH INCLUDE UNIT ACTIVITIES, SUMMER PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES, TRAVEL, SCOUTFEST \(SEE BELOW!\), RANGER PROGRAM, AND REOPENING OF SERVICE CENTERS & SCOUT SHOPS:](https://stlbsa.org/gslac-coronavirus-reopening-plan/)

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JUNE ROUNDTABLES will be via Zoom

Register by program (Cub Scouts/Scouts BSA/Venturing) – all will start with a joint meeting followed by breakouts for Cub Scout Leaders, Scouts BSA Leaders and Venturers:

<https://bit.ly/nhrt-june2020-register>

Council Dinner Date POSTPONED – stay tuned for more information!

All 2020 Silver Beaver Recipients may be found here:

<https://stlbsa.org/activities/events/council-annual-meeting-recognition-dinner/>

Scouting Magazine has gone digital only according to a message from Roger Mosby, President and CEO of the B.S.A in the last edition! Visit scoutingmagazine.org for the latest news as it will be updated almost daily!

===== > **COMMISSIONER'S CORNER** <=====

Interested in joining the Commissioners Staff?

Contact: Kim Fleming, New Horizons District Commissioner, k.s.fleming@att.net or 314-566-9275

===== > **SCOUTFEST 2020** <=====

ScoutFest 2020:

“Once in a decade, the Greater St. Louis Area Council celebrates Scouting by hosting a major Scouting event in Forest park. More than 23,000 people preregistered to attend ScoutFest2020 this October. Staff and volunteers have been working since 2017 to put together a first-class program with over 300 activities. As mentioned above, our council has made the health and safety of our Scouts, leaders, staff and their families our number one priority. Therefore, ***it is with great disappointment we announce the difficult decision to postpone ScoutFest2020 until October 1-3, 2021.*** By postponing the event, we can follow through on our promise to deliver a spectacular event with once-in-a-lifetime experiences for Scouts and families. All existing registrations will be automatically transferred to the 2021 date. Refunds are available for those who cannot attend the new date by request to scoutfest2020@scouting.org. We look forward to celebrating Scouting together in October 2021!”

===== > **ACTIVITIES** <=====

2021 National Scout Jamboree. The National Jamboree is Scouting’s flagship event and one-of-a-kind held every 4 years at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia. Youth that are interested in attending this awesome event July 21-30, 2021 should check it out here:

<https://scoutingevent.com/312-28838?fbclid=IwAR1DMi8AflIIVhIVMtT8A2WCs43XZwXuhoSzJeAY-6suVOaj3EfUhlCLOh0>

Also check out the Council’s 2021 National Jamboree Facebook page here: <https://buff.ly/2WjRpvq>

===== > **ADVANCEMENT** <=====

For information on Advancement, please visit the New Horizon District Advancement webpage:

<https://stlbsa.org/newhorizons/advancement/>

The Eagle Scout rank process is described in detail at:

<https://stlbsa.org/newhorizons/advancement/eagle-scout-rank-process/>

Eagle Boards of Review: June 3, 10, 24 (**In-Person Canceled – will be conducted via telecommunication**)
Scouts still need to call a weekly coordinator at 314-384-2482 to get an appointment per information on stlbsa.org/newhorizons/advancement/eagle-scout-rank-process/
July 1, 8, 22 (stay tuned to the link above – not sure if Boards will be in-person or via telecommunication)

Save the date: Life to Eagle Seminar & Eagle Board of Review Training:

Date: June 17, 2020 at 7pm (**Will be via Zoom**)

Sign up here: <http://bit.ly/lifetoeagle-register-june2020>

Who: All Life Scouts, parents, Eagle Mentors, and adults interested in participating as Eagle Boards of Review members.

What: Learn to navigate the paperwork and process to become an Eagle Scout

Eagle Scout Project Workbook: ***Please DO NOT Google to find a workbook! Use the link below as we have been seeing old versions which are no longer valid:***

<https://www.scouting.org/programs/scouts-bsa/advancement-and-awards/eagle-scout-workbook/>

For Advancement questions see the “Guide to Advancement”: <https://www.scouting.org/advancement.aspx>.

Merit Badge Skill Centers:

For a **complete list** of upcoming Merit Badge Skill Centers, please visit:

<https://stlbsa.org/achievement/advancement/merit-badge-skill-centers/>

===== > **STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math)** <=====

Your New Horizons STEM Committee continues to grow! Teresa Colletti and Lisa Balbes are seeking the STEM coordinators in each pack, troop and crew. If you are one, please let us know. If your unit doesn't have one, let us know how we can help you identify one. If you don't know what a STEM Coordinator is, come to an "Introduction to STEM in Scouting" session immediately before the June Round Table.

Introduction to STEM in Scouting:

When: June 2nd, 6pm CDT, immediately before June Roundtable

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81825950314?pwd=cEJLc0hNZCtUeHg0ME5ISG9LenJqZz09>

Meeting ID: 818 2595 0314

Password: 252472

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GSLAC Virtual Science Fair: <https://stlbsa.org/activities/other-activities/stem/stem-programs-activities/>

Open to all ages, this virtual STEM fair is great fun, and could fulfill one of the requirements for your Scouts' Supernova Award.

Judges are also needed, so please contact: Lisa Balbes <lisa@balbes.com> or Teresa Colletti <tacolletti@att.net> if you will have time between July 17th and 24th to help judge.

Contact us at tacolletti@att.net or lisa@balbes.com with questions, or to get involved.

===== > **DEVELOPMENT/ENDOWMENT** <=====

Check out **endowment opportunities** at: <http://stlbsa.org/give/planned-giving-and-memorials/>

Camp Cards: Unsold Camp Cards and Council's 50% are due to be turned in when the **Office reopens June 1st.**

Friends of Scouting:

The 2020 Friends of Scouting (FOS) Campaign is still ongoing. The family campaign is at about 68% of our goal. So, we need your help to get us to the finish line.

- Please let us know if your unit will be meeting face to face (albeit socially distanced and outdoors) over the summer. We will work to get a trailblazer to your meeting to present about Friends of Scouting
- Similarly, let us know if you have an upcoming Zoom meeting. We can give a short presentation during the meeting. Families can donate online.
- Families in your unit who are comfortable donating can do so online at <https://stlbsa.org/donate/> or by using our new mobile option by texting the word MacArthur20 to 91999 and then following the directions. When giving online, be sure to indicate your district (New Horizons) and unit number. All monies collected support our council and directly benefit your scouts.
- We need your donations despite the fact we are not holding camp this summer. The council is still working to provide virtual programming for the summer and will need your donation to hit the ground running in the fall. In addition, routine camp maintenance doesn't end. New cots, tents, cabin repairs, etc. are all needed. Your donation will be used to make sure our camp facilities are ready when your scouts come to camp.

Contact Ben Luedloff (Benjamin.Luedloff@scouting.org) or Mike Hulsizer (NH FOS Family Chair: hulsizer@webster.edu) for any of your FOS needs.

===== > **TRAINING** <=====

FYI: ALL Direct Contact Leaders (e.g. – Cubmasters, Den Leaders, Scoutmasters, Assistant Scoutmasters, Venturing Crew Advisors, Assistant Crew Advisors, Sea Scout Skippers) must complete **Hazardous Weather Training** to be considered position trained. Please visit my.scouting.org and complete the Hazardous Weather Training!

On-Line Training:

Watch for your weekly GSLAC Challenge emails and "My Scouting Update" emails for Virtual Training Opportunities across the Council. There are new offerings almost every week.

Cub Leader Virtual Training:

<https://stlbsa.org/training/adult-required/cub-scout-leader-requirements/>

June 16 & 18 7pm-9pm (both required)

July 14 & 16 7pm-9pm (both required)

Special Needs Awareness Training (for Scouts BSA adults and youth):

June 6 **online** – email Nick Shubert for a link at Nicholas.Schubert@scouting.org

Position Specific training is available at <https://my.scouting.org> as well as myriad of skill-based virtual offerings (watch for your weekly GSLAC Challenge emails). Take advantage of this time to review and complete your position specific training. Remember, the Scout Motto is "Be Prepared" and trained adult leaders are prepared and ready to support our programs now and in the future.

Your District Training staff is available to answer any questions you might have:

- Venturing – Jon Pennington - jon.pennington2673@gmail.com
- Cub Scouts - Mike Edler - pk310cm@gmail.com
- Scouts BSA - Malcolm Bliss - malcolmb bliss@prodigy.net

Train On!

Youth Protection Training: All new and currently registered leaders must complete the updated training which is **required** for all BSA programs for an adult to register with your unit. It is available online 24/7 at www.scouting.org/youthprotection. YPT certification is good for 2 years. Encourage all leaders & parents to take YPT yearly, as there are periodic updates and additions to the training, and unit re-charters require all registered leaders to have up to date Youth Protection in order to be on the charter!

In addition, Instructor led Virtual Youth Protection Training is available on the following dates:

- Tuesday, June 23, 7pm-9pm: Register here: <https://scoutingevent.com/312-2020yptvirtualJunetraining>
- Saturday, July 11, 9am-11am: Register here: <https://scoutingevent.com/312-2020yptvirtualJuly>
- Thursday, August 13, 7pm-9pm: Register here: <https://scoutingevent.com/312-2020YPTvirtualAugust>

CONSERVATION AWARD - William T. Hornaday Award

This award program was created to recognize those who have made significant contributions to conservation. [Click here](#) for more William T. Hornaday Award information.

Greater St. Louis Area Council, William T. Hornaday Award Program Advisers:

Scot Alexander – scotalexander61@att.net

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Hornaday Award: [Application and Nomination Forms](#)

[Hornaday Award Conservation Project Workbook](#)

Leave No Trace Training: Fall session: visit <https://stlbsa.org/training/adult/leave-traceoutdoor-ethics/>

2020 National Youth Leader Training (NYLT) Dates:

ALL SESSIONS CANCELED!

2020 Wood Badge Course Dates:

Spring Wood Badge C3-312-20-1: Please note that the dates of the spring session have changed.

Dates: August 21-23 AND September 5-6, 2020 (both weekends required)

Location: Beaumont Scout Reservation

Contact: Gerhard Glassl at sm.spring2020@gmail.com/

Fall Wood Badge C3-312-20-2:

Dates: August 28-30 AND September 19-20, 2020 (both weekends required)
Location: Beaumont Scout Reservation
Contact: David Kedge at sm.fall2020@gmail.com

===== > **MEMBERSHIP** <=====

Do you think there is nothing you can do right now for recruiting? I started to fall into that trap, but there are things we can do, even during this current situation.

One thing **every Unit** can do is update your BeAScout pin on <https://beascout.scouting.org/>

I am “borrowing” this information from Bryan on Scouting because I think it is so worthwhile right now.

“Families looking for meaningful at-home activities for their children are turning to Scouting in impressive numbers. Those who aren’t yet involved in our movement are seeing positive stories of service, Scouting achievement and friendship on social media and local news.

“This tool gives you a touchless way to recruit and onboard members to come to your virtual or live meetings, the parent just fills out the online application and pays online.”

People may be going to your pin and you would never know it if it isn’t set-up correctly. A missed opportunity for your Unit and for that youth.

Here are the directions:

Who can update the pin? The Key 3 of the unit — committee chair, chartered organization representative and unit leader (Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Advisor, Skipper) — has access to Organization Manager in my.Scouting tools (<https://my.scouting.org/>), which will allow them to set up the unit pin.

What’s the process for doing so? A step-by-step guide is available online at: <https://www.scouting.org/resources/online-registration/>

Look for the PDF link called “Setting Up Your Unit’s BeAScout Pin.”

Please take a minute and make sure your information is up to date.

Thank you, Ken McGohan, Membership Chairman: kenmcgohan@msn.com or 314-740-6133.

===== > **CAMPING/ORDER OF THE ARROW** <=====

2019-2020 New Horizons Order of the Arrow Chapter Officers:

Chapter Chief	1st Vice Chief	2nd Vice Chief	Secretary	Chapter Advisor:
Michael Kreienkamp	Matthew Caldwell	Ethan Coble	Sam Bunn	Ron Colletti

NOAC 2020 has been officially **CANCELED**.

OA Elections:

With all Council camps **CLOSED** this summer, please sign up at <http://www.shawneelodge.org/2020elections/> to schedule your OA election. **Virtual elections MUST take place before July 1st.**

The **Pre-Ordeal Ceremony** will take place on August 22-23 (overnight) and August 29-30 (overnight) at Beaumont Scout Reservation. More information may be found at <http://www.shawneelodge.org/pre-ordeal-campout-makeup/> along with details and registration for the event.

Spring Conclave patches are now available on the Gateway Traders website. This will be a part of a special set commemorating the Shawnee Lodge 90th Anniversary.

Vigil Ceremony and recognition is scheduled for August 1-2.

Get Ready to Roar! Purchase your Outdoor Experience Kit for Kids ages 6-11 here:

<https://scoutingevent.com/312-2020CubScoutSummerCampKit>

While our camps are closed for Unit camping, families may take advantage and use our camps for overnight or days (Overnight cost: \$25 per family per night, \$10 per family for a day). **As of June 3rd,** the various camps located in Illinois

will also be available in addition to the Missouri camps (ALL camps will be available for Family Camping!). More information may be found here:

<https://stlbsa.org/blog/2020/05/13/family-camping-summer-2020/>

Reservations may be made here: <https://stlbsa.org/activities/camping/rsvp/>

===== > **VENTURING & SEA SCOUTING (over 14 or completed 8th grade to 21)** <=====

2018-2019 New Horizons Venturing Officers:

President	VP of Administration	VP of Program	VP of Communication
Brynn Morrow	Claire Guillemot	Paige Brush	Carlos Byrd

We would like to encourage ALL NH Crews to send at least 2 youth to our Roundtable meetings each month, in addition to the Crew Advisor. We've had as many youths as adults at the last several Roundtables, and our goal is to MORE youth than adults at ALL Roundtables, once the in-person meeting ban has been lifted! Since our next meeting is via Zoom, Venturing will be having a breakout session after the Opening Meeting, and when you register for Roundtable as a Venturer, you will automatically join the breakout.

We are still looking for updated Key information from all active NH Venturing Crews. If anyone hasn't had the opportunity to send your crews officer's contact information, please send it to Carlos Byrd @ nh.venturing@gmail.com

Completion of a standard CPR course is required for the Discovery Award:

First Aid/CPR training date for Venturers, both youth and adults is still TBD, but youth and adult Venturers are encouraged to:

- Pre-register for the class so we can adequately determine our space needs when we are able to complete the in-person training here: [Pre-registration google form](#)
- Completion of the online 3-hour mandatory training is required and must be completed **AHEAD** of time. Proof of completion is required before anyone will be allowed to begin the hands-on session. Access the training here: [Training link](#)

Swift Virtual Summer Fun - more information will be coming soon but be on the look-out for some AMAZING virtual summer Venturing and Sea Scouting fun! Just because we can't be together, doesn't mean we can't still challenge ourselves, enjoy fellowship, participate in service to others and have fun at the same time. Stay tuned on the New Horizons District Venturing FB page, NH Venturing Instagram page, your Crew and Ship pages or, sign your officers up to receive our emails; you won't want to miss out on these great events. [NH Crew Contact information form](#)

More Great events:

Save the Date:

Venturing Celebration Dinner, tentatively scheduled for August 9, 2020 (There are other options being considered if social distancing is still in effect, including virtual.)

Follow us on **Facebook** at "New Horizons District Venturing" and **Instagram** at "NH_Venturing"

===== > **DISTRICT CONTACTS/CALENDAR** <=====

New Horizons District Committee contacts: <http://stlbsa.org/newhorizons/>

New Horizons District Executives:

District Director: Matthew Kasate, matthew.kasate@scouting.org

District Executive: Ben Luedloff, benjamin.luedloff@scouting.org

2019-20 District Calendar: <https://stlbsa.org/newhorizons/calendar/>

2020-21 New Horizons District Calendar: <http://stlbsa.org/newhorizons/wp-content/uploads/sites/10/2020/05/2020-2021-calendar-NH-3-17-2020.pdf>