



# On The Horizon – August 2020



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## Important

## Dates at a Glance:

**DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, PLEASE VISIT [STLBSA.ORG](http://STLBSA.ORG), [STLBSA.ORG/NEWHORIZONS/](http://STLBSA.ORG/NEWHORIZONS/), AND [SHAWNEELOGGE.ORG](http://SHAWNEELOGGE.ORG) FREQUENTLY FOR IMPORTANT UP-TO-DATE 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!**

Order of the Arrow Vigil Ceremony & Recognition:	August 1-2
August Roundtables:	August 4
Venturing Recruitment Campfire:	August 8
August Eagle Boards of Review:	August 5, 12, 26 (Online or in-person – TBD)
SNJS Town Hall Meetings:	August 10 – Rockwood & Valley Park August 12 – Brentwood, Kirkwood & Webster Groves August 13 - Parkway August 21-23 & 29-31
Order of the Arrow Pre-Ordeal/Ordeal Weekends:	August 22
New Horizons OA Chapter Meeting:	September 1
September Roundtables:	September 1 (before Roundtable)
STEM Nova Counselor Mentor Training	September 2, 9, 23
September Eagle Boards of Review:	September 3 – Rockwood & Valley Park
School Night to Join Scouting:	September 10 – Brentwood, Kirkwood & Webster Groves
School Night to Join:	<del>September 11-13</del> CANCELED
Order of the Arrow Fall Reunion:	September 14
Cub Scout Adult Leader Training (1 of 2):	September 17 - Parkway
School Night to Join Scouting:	September 21
Cub Scout Leader Training (2 of 2):	

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

**IMPORTANT!!! ==> PLEASE VISIT [www.stlbsa.org](http://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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**AUGUST 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://tinyurl.com/nhrt-august2020-registration>

**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](http://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](mailto:k.s.fleming@att.net) or 314-566-9275

===== > SCOUTFEST 21 <=====

**ScoutFest 21:**

***Since ScoutFest2020 has been postponed until October 1-3, 2021 due to COVID-19, it will now be called ScoutFest 21!*** Refunds are available for those who cannot attend the new date by request to [scoutfest2020@scouting.org](mailto:scoutfest2020@scouting.org). We look forward to celebrating Scouting together in October 2021!

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

**2021 National Scout Jamboree has been postponed to a date to be determined due to COVID-19. For more information, visit [scouting.org](http://scouting.org)**

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

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

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

For information on ***VIRTUAL*** Merit Badges visit:

<https://stlbsa.org/virtual-merit-badge/>

**Merit Badge Skill Centers:**

For a **complete list** of upcoming Merit Badge Skill Centers (both virtual and proposed in-person), please visit:

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

**The Eagle Scout rank process is described in detail at:**

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

**Eagle Boards of Review:** August 5, 12, 26 (Boards will be virtual but in-person can be accommodated on a case by case basis.)

The Eagle Boards of Review needs additional reviewers and 1 Weekly Coordinator. If interested, please contact John Klos at [klos41@msn.com](mailto:klos41@msn.com)  
September 2, 9, 23

**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>.

===== > 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.

**STEM Nova Counselor Mentor Training: (via Zoom)**

**When:** September 1<sup>st</sup> at 6pm

Please contact Lisa Balbes ([lisa@balbes.com](mailto:lisa@balbes.com)) to sign up if you are interested in attending

If you would like to help with “Just Shy of Pi” Day on March 13, 2021 LET US KNOW! We are starting the planning for a STEM-tastic event to be held in the spring!

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

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

**Friends of Scouting:**

The 2020 Friends of Scouting (FOS) Campaign is still ongoing. The family campaign is at about 76% 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). 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](mailto:hulsizer@webster.edu)) for any of your FOS needs.

## Popcorn Sales:

Signups for the Popcorn Sale is live now! Please go to [stlbsa.org/popcorn](https://stlbsa.org/popcorn) to learn more about the sale and to sign up.

- There will be a virtual training for Unit Kernels to discuss the sale this year and how to get supplies.
- Coming back this year, units can sell popcorn in front of Schnucks Grocery Stores.
- Sign up for "Show 'N Sell" at Schnucks will be handled by our Council.

Please sign your unit up for the Popcorn Sale and attend training to learn more!

## ===== > 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](https://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.

**IMPORTANT** - New online versions of the Scouts BSA training go online on August 3<sup>rd</sup> at <https://my.scouting.org>. The new online learning combines content, resulting in fewer modules and streamlined courses to help reduce the total time it takes to complete the training.

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](mailto:jon.pennington2673@gmail.com)
- Cub Scouts - Mike Edler - [pk310cm@gmail.com](mailto:pk310cm@gmail.com)
- Scouts BSA - Malcolm Bliss - [malcolmb bliss@prodigy.net](mailto:malcolmb bliss@prodigy.net)

## Cub Scout Leader Training:

Session 1 of 2: September 14<sup>th</sup>, 6pm-9pm

Session 2 of 2: September 21<sup>st</sup>, 6pm-9pm

For information and to sign up, contact Mike Edler at the email address above.

## Scouts BSA Leader Training (Indoor – Part 1 of 2):

September 29<sup>th</sup>, 6pm-9pm (location TBD)

## Scouts BSA Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (Part 2 of 2):

October 17-18, Beaumont Scout Reservation

For information and to sign up, contact Malcolm Bliss at the email address above.

**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](https://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!

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

**2020 Wood Badge Course Dates:**

**“Spring” Wood Badge C3-312-20-1:**

**Dates:** August 21-23 AND September 12-13, 2020 (both weekends required)  
**Location:** Beaumont Scout Reservation  
**Contact:** Gerhard Glassl at [sm.spring2020@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:sm.fall2020@gmail.com)

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

**School Night To Join Scouting Town Hall Meetings:**

Given our school access restrictions this Fall due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we will hold “town hall” style meetings via Zoom to discuss our plan for **School Night to Join Scouting**. We will address your questions and create a plan that works best for everyone. Please indicate your Pack’s participation by registering here:

[stlbsa.org/newhorizons/membership/](http://stlbsa.org/newhorizons/membership/)

**Town Hall Schedule:**

- Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 7pm (Rockwood & Valley Park School Districts)
- Wednesday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, 7pm (Brentwood, Kirkwood & Webster Groves School Districts)
- Thursday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, 7pm (Parkway School District)

**Mark Your Calendar for School Night to Join Scouting:**

- Thursday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, (Rockwood & Valley Park School Districts)
- Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, (Brentwood, Kirkwood & Webster Groves School Districts)
- Thursday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, (Parkway School District)

We all want Scouting to continue. Join us at the next District Roundtable Meeting where we will have an open discussion about these important topics.

Thank you, Ken McGohan, Membership Chairman: [kenmcgohan@msn.com](mailto:kenmcgohan@msn.com) or 314-740-6133.

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

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

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

With NOAC 2020 canceled, National Order of the Arrow will be having **Momentum** August 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>. While Shawnee Lodge is not sending a delegation to the Summit for Momentum, you and your unit’s Scouts may attend VIRTUALLY. More information may be found here: <https://oa-bsa.org/momentum/launch> All events will be live-streamed, and for a \$30 fee, you can receive a patch, access to an archive of streamed program content, a chance to participate in the event-wide game, access to the event’s community platform, plus additional opportunities for engagement and interaction.

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, **we are not able to have Fall Reunion as it traditionally happens**. The Lodge has decided that in order to continue to induct new members, instead of one large Fall Reunion, we will be breaking up our Fall Reunion into at least 2 weekends, August 21-23 and 29-31 at the Beaumont Scout Reservation. Each weekend will have 2 sessions, one Friday evening to Saturday afternoon session, and one Saturday evening to Sunday afternoon session. Each session will only be open to 35 candidates. Sign-up will be available on the lodge website and each session will close once its capacity is met. These sessions are **ONLY OPEN TO CANDIDATES** fulfilling their Ordeal. Registration

will open soon. Please check here for more information as it becomes available:

<http://www.shawneelodge.org/induction-weekend/>

Spring Conclave patches are now available on the Gateway Traders website. This will be a part of a special set commemorating the Shawnee Lodge 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Season Pass holders will receive them by mail.

Vigil Ceremony and recognition was held August 1-2, limited to Vigil Candidates, Guides and selected Ceremonialists, and 3 family members due to COVID-19. **The public Sash Presentation is available for viewing on the Shawnee Lodge Facebook page:** <https://www.facebook.com/shawneelodge51/> or here:

<http://www.shawneelodge.org/shawnee-news/vigil-public-recognition-ceremony-recording/>

**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). 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/>

**New Horizons Fall Camporee:** Since ScoutFest 2020 has been canceled, your New Horizons Camping Committee is working to have a **Fall Shoot-O-Ree Camporee!** Stay tuned to the link below for more information as it becomes available.

**Dates:**           **October 2-4**

**Location:**       **Beaumont Scout Reservation**

The Camporee Manual and details are currently being worked out, so watch for information here:

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

===== > **VENTURING & SEA SCOUTING (over 14 or completed 8<sup>th</sup> 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

**Venturing Recruitment Campfire:**

**When:**           August 8th 6:45 - 10:00 pm

**Where:**           Beaumont Parade Field – bring your own chairs

**Pre-registration required!** Sign up here: <https://forms.gle/qLGeDgHN91z2Ebn47>

**Venturing First Aid/CPR Training** date is tentatively scheduled for August 16<sup>th</sup>. In order to participate in the course, youth and adult Venturers must:

- Pre-Register for the class so we can adequately determine our space needs when we are able to complete the in person training <https://forms.gle/iy58bq3AbSnJ3ypq9>
- Complete the on-line 3-hour mandatory pre-requisite training.  
[https://drive.google.com/file/d/15yBCeT9lwTlqikDDiNRbr1rO\\_0y6Zer-/view](https://drive.google.com/file/d/15yBCeT9lwTlqikDDiNRbr1rO_0y6Zer-/view)

**More Great events:**

**Save the Date:**

**Venturing Celebration Dinner** has been postponed until January 3, 2021.

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](mailto:matthew.kasate@scouting.org)

**District Executive:**       Ben Luedloff, [benjamin.luedloff@scouting.org](mailto:benjamin.luedloff@scouting.org)

**Both the 2020-21 New Horizons District Calendar is available here (subject to change!):**

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