

### **TOP CLOUDS: 1.1.22 edition**

An online edition of this Apache District Newsletter can also be found at <http://www.mccscouting.org/smoke-signals>

### **Apache Roundtable for Thursday, January 13, 2022, 7:00 p.m. is on schedule.**

Apache Roundtable Commissioner Brady Drummond-Ryan, [bradydryan@gmail.com](mailto:bradydryan@gmail.com)  
<https://www.mccscouting.org/apache-roundtables>

### **New--Apache Eagle Project Proposal In-person Reviews for Thursday, January 13, 2022, are on schedule but reviews begin at a new, earlier time, namely, 5:30 p.m. Scouts can present their Proposals at**

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 6828 Old Reid Road, Charlotte, NC 28210.  
For information on scheduling In-person or virtual reviews, please follow this link: <https://www.mccscouting.org/eagle-scouts>, under # 2. Eagle Scout Project Review, Apache District

### **Scouting for Food 2022**

<https://www.mccscouting.org/scouting-for-food>

Thursday, January 13: Door hanger cards distributed at Roundtables.

Saturday, January 29: Scouts distribute door hanger cards to homes in their assigned neighborhoods.

Saturday, February 5: Scouts will go door-to-door to collect bags and boxes of non-perishable food and deliver food to collect sites.

Sunday February 6: Scouts may collect food brought for donation by worshippers at local churches.

Apache District units have committed to about 60,000 door hanger cards so far.

If your unit has not contacted Phil Adams regarding your unit's Scouting for Food coverage area and number of door hangers needed, please contact him at 704-575-5209 or at [hrdadams@yahoo.com](mailto:hrdadams@yahoo.com)

### **Merit Badge Information**

Current merit badge requirements:

<https://www.scouting.org/programs/scouts-bsa/advancement-and-awards/merit-badges/>

Unofficial, optional merit badge workbooks: <http://usscouts.org/meritbadges.asp>

Blue Card Guide: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1R-9a4mZuGMgrR1SECJdKsMkt4c4kxda4/view?usp=sharing>

Merit Badge Homework Guide:

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1jm7GIJ9V9FbZZQTVU3hO74bc\\_yaiXkBN/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1jm7GIJ9V9FbZZQTVU3hO74bc_yaiXkBN/view?usp=sharing)

Official BSA merit badge pamphlets:

Troop library or Mecklenburg County Council Scout Shop or [www.scoutshop.org](http://www.scoutshop.org)

**Merit badges** for social distancing: 58 badges Scouts can complete at home

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2020/03/20/merit-badges-for-social-distancing/>

### **Movies for Merit Badge Advancement**

<https://www.mccscouting.org/about-3>

### **Remote Scouting**

<http://www.scoutshare.org/>

## **Scheduled Merit Badge (MB) Courses**

**Coin Collecting MB, Save the Date**, Saturday, February 12, 2022, at Charlotte Coin Club Annual Show

**Spring Camp, Save the Dates**, Friday-Saturday-Sunday, April 22-23-24, 2022, at Camp Grimes. Spring Camp is an encampment for earning merit badges.

## **Schedule Your Own Merit Badge Courses**

Scuba Merit Badge

A link to more information is posted at

<https://www.mccscouting.org/meritbadgescouts>

## **Citizenship in Society Merit Badge**

Scouts BSA opened access to Citizenship in Society Merit Badge on November 1, 2021. Citizenship in Society Merit Badge will be required for Eagle rank on or after July 1, 2022.

Mecklenburg County Council has Citizenship in Society Merit Badge Counselor Training scheduled for Wednesday, January 19, 2022, 7:00 p.m., with registration at <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEsdu6orTgqH9WF0R42uv7LZInJrGsvMgcY>

Thursday, February 17, 2022, 7:00 p.m., with registration at

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZctcOitrD0jGdEzOo-TN3KuE5-cfpHDz3qF>

and for Tuesday, March 22, 2022, 7:00 p.m. with registration at

[https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0ud-uqpgqHddmqZhufqL\\_y7srnwIJWAR8](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0ud-uqpgqHddmqZhufqL_y7srnwIJWAR8)

Here are sources of information:

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2021/11/01/introducing-citizenship-in-society-the-bsa-s-newest-merit-badge/>

<https://www.scouting.org/programs/scouts-bsa/advancement-and-awards/merit-badges/>

Overview, Instructions, Requirements

[https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/merit\\_badge\\_reqandres/CitizenshipSociety\\_ScoutReqs.pdf](https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/merit_badge_reqandres/CitizenshipSociety_ScoutReqs.pdf)

Counselor Guidelines

[https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/merit\\_badge\\_reqandres/CitizenshipSociety\\_Counselors.pdf](https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/merit_badge_reqandres/CitizenshipSociety_Counselors.pdf)

PowerPoint presentation

[https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/diversity\\_equity\\_and\\_inclusion/Citizenship-in-Society-Merit-Badge-Counselor-Guide-2021.pdf](https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/diversity_equity_and_inclusion/Citizenship-in-Society-Merit-Badge-Counselor-Guide-2021.pdf)

Information on Citizenship in Society as required for Eagle rank on or after July 1, 2022

[https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/diversity\\_equity\\_and\\_inclusion/Citizenship-in-Society-Merit-Badge-Counselor-Guide-2021.pdf](https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/diversity_equity_and_inclusion/Citizenship-in-Society-Merit-Badge-Counselor-Guide-2021.pdf), slides 30, 35, 26

Scouting Forum post from Ron Federle, # 47

<https://discussions.scouting.org/t/citizenship-in-society-merit-badge/256080/43>

Eagle Scout candidates will continue to use the current rank requirements until June 30, 2022 and will not be required to complete the new Citizenship in Society Merit Badge as long as they

complete all of the current Eagle Rank requirements before July 1, 2022. They do not have to submit their final Eagle Scout application nor complete their Eagle Scout Board of Review prior to July 1, 2022, but must complete all current Eagle Scout requirements before then.

Starting July 1, 2022, Eagle Scout candidates will be required to complete all Eagle Scout requirements including the new Citizenship in Society merit badge.

As has been the practice, the Local Council will be responsible for verifying in the system the Eagle Scout candidate and their completion of the Eagle Scout requirements. The Local Council will determine those Scouts that meet all requirements before July 1, 2022 under the current requirements, and those Scouts that fall under the new Eagle Scout requirements as of July 1, 2022.

Garfield S. Murden  
National Director, Scouts BSA  
Pilots & Program Development

Training on-line at [my.scouting.org](https://my.scouting.org)

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Scouting, Total time: 30 minutes

Diversity and Inclusion [NYLT module], Total time: 7 minutes

YE Diversity and Culture [Youth Exploring Leadership Experience module], Total time: 11 minutes

BSA Diversity Equity & Inclusion web site

<https://www.scouting.org/about/diversity-equity-inclusion/>

Additional resources for research and learning

[https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/diversity\\_equity\\_and\\_inclusion/Citizenship-in-Society-Merit-Badge-Counselor-Guide-2021.pdf](https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/diversity_equity_and_inclusion/Citizenship-in-Society-Merit-Badge-Counselor-Guide-2021.pdf), slides 38-41

### **ADVANCEMENT NEWS**

*Advancement News*, a bi-monthly BSA e-publication with advancement information for Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA members, Venturers, and Sea Scouts

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

### **BSA Conservation and Community Service Information**

Scout or Patrol or Troop service projects could be opportunities to meet requirements for service hours for rank requirements for Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, and Life rank

or Bird Study Merit Badge

or Citizenship in the Community Merit Badge

or Camping Merit Badge

or Mammal Study Merit Badge

or BSA 50-miler Award

or BSA Historic Trails Award

or BSA Paul Bunyan Award

or BSA Hometown USA Award

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2016/10/11/hometown-usa-award-rewards-scouts-for-efforts-to-keep-america-beautiful/>

or Conservation Good Turn Award

<https://www.scouting.org/outdoor-programs/conservation-and-environment/conservation-good-turn/>

<https://www.scoutshop.org/bsa-conservation-good-turn-emblem-149.html>

or BSA Summer of Service Awards

[https://www.scouting.org/summerofservice/?gclid=Cj0KCQjw6NmHBhD2ARIsAl3hrM3zIAnTLd-rOLw0HcBf8yWe8RrTWYoBrW55cP\\_4RN5P2In5fmbZTXMaArOIEALw\\_wcB](https://www.scouting.org/summerofservice/?gclid=Cj0KCQjw6NmHBhD2ARIsAl3hrM3zIAnTLd-rOLw0HcBf8yWe8RrTWYoBrW55cP_4RN5P2In5fmbZTXMaArOIEALw_wcB)

<https://tradingpost.classb.com/summer-of-service/>

or one of the BSA Distinguished Conservation Service Awards

<https://www.scouting.org/outdoor-programs/conservation-and-environment/conservation-awards-and-recognitions/bsa-distinguished-conservation-service-award/>

**Information about opportunities for service hours and Eagle Projects** with Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation Department is posted at <https://www.mecknc.gov/ParkandRec/Volunteer/Pages/volunteer-opportunities.aspx>

### **Advancement Update: Extensions Beyond Age 18**

Local councils have authority to grant limited extensions of time to complete Eagle, Quartermaster, or Summit requirements. More information is available at

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

### **Digital Safety and Online Scouting Activities**

<https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/safety-moments/digital-safety-and-online-scouting-activities/>

### **Volunteers Needed – Eagle Project Reviews and Eagle Boards of Review**

The Apache Advancement team seeks volunteers to participate in Eagle Project Proposal Reviews and in Eagle Boards of Review. For more information, please contact Apache Advancement Chair, Dean Elledge at [apache.advancement@gmail.com](mailto:apache.advancement@gmail.com).

### **Eagle Scouts, Be Prepared to apply for NESA scholarships soon**

Applicants must have completed an Eagle Scout board of review before January 24, 2022; must be members of NESA ([click here](#) to join); and must submit their application through the [NESA scholarship portal](#) between December 1, 2021, and January 31, 2022.

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2021/10/28/eagle-scouts-be-prepared-to-apply-for-nesa-scholarships-soon/>

### **Eagle Application Packets with Complete Merit Badge Advancement Records Requested**

When Scouts present their Eagle application packets to the Council office to seek scheduling for the Eagle Boards of Review, please include a current Scoutbook or other advancement report so that the Board can process an immediate Palm recognition request at the time of the Board.

For further Advancement information, please contact your District Advancement Chair or visit <https://www.mccscouting.org/advancement> or <https://www.mccscouting.org/eagle-scouts>

### **Eagle Board of Review Questions**

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2012/09/14/20-questions-to-ask-at-your-next-eagle-board-of-review/>

### **Tools for Eagle Projects**

Charlotte ToolBank provides inexpensive access to tools for group projects.

<https://charlotte.toolbank.org/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GWqwzlkJWv8>

Scouts and units may also borrow tools from Belk Scout Camp for service and conservation projects.

### **Safety with pressure-treated wood**

<https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/pressure-treated-lumber-what-safety-should-telling-you-terry-penney/>

### **Fishing News**

For resources and further information about Mecklenburg County Council's fishing program, please visit: <https://www.mccscouting.org/fishing>

Any questions? Contact Bill Kalbas at [mccfishing415@gmail.com](mailto:mccfishing415@gmail.com)

FISH ON!!!

### **Outing in Scouting**

#### **Cooking**

<https://scoutingmagazine.org/2021/03/learn-how-to-make-a-dutch-oven-backcountry-dessert-sure-to-please/>

<https://scoutlife.org/search/?q=cooking#gsc.tab=0&gsc.q=cooking&gsc.page=1>

### **APACHE DISTRICT EVENTS and NEWS**

**Apache Spring Cuboree (Lion-Webelos)**, Friday-Saturday-Sunday, April 1-2-3, 2022, Camp Grimes

### **COUNCIL EVENTS and NEWS**

#### **Monday, January 17, 2022, Winterplace**

<https://mccscouting.doubleknot.com/event/winterplace-2022/2863687>

**Wednesday, January 26, 2022, 6:30 p.m., Camp Card Kickoff**, unit leaders' dinner at Council Service Center, <https://www.mccscouting.org/camp-card>

**Sunday, March 6, 2022, 2:00 p.m.**, Celebration of Achievement, recognition of 2020 and 2021 Eagle Scout and Silver Beaver Award Recipients, CPCC Halton Theater, 1106 Elizabeth Ave.

#### **Summer Camp at Camp Grimes for 2022**

Staff Week, June 12 - 18, 2022

Week 1, June 19 - 25, 2022

Week 2, June 26 - July 2, 2022

Week 3, July 3 - 9, 2022

Week 4, July 10 - 16, 2022

Week 5, July 17 - 23, 2022

<http://www.mycampgrimes.org/index.phtml>

#### **Webelos Adventure Camp 2022 – Now Accepting Seasonal Staff Applications**

Do you have what it takes to serve on WAC staff? Want to be part of the towering adventure as our young Scouts rumble through camp this summer? Join us at Belk Scout Camp for Webelos Adventure Camp.

Opportunities for first choice positions are best among those who apply prior to March 18th.

However, applications will continue to be accepted after that date. Additionally, any staff that applies before March 18th will get their name embroidered on their staff hat.

If you think you would be a positive addition to our camp staff, click the link to complete a Camp Staff Application: [WAC Staff Application](#).

Session 1: Thursday, July 7th through Sunday, July 10th

Session 2: Sunday, July 10th through Wednesday, July 13th  
Session 3: Thursday, July 14th through Sunday, July 17th  
For more information contact the WAC Camp Director, Sasha Timkovich  
[WACDirector@GMail.com](mailto:WACDirector@GMail.com)

### **New--Exploring**

Exploring is for middle and high school students (beginning 6th grade). Engaging with career professionals, young adults gain unique, real-life opportunities to experience varied career choices aiding in a more informed decision about future careers.

#### **Exploring Career Interest Survey**

Here is the **2022** Career Exploring survey link to share with high school students. Completing this 5-minute survey helps up determine which businesses to partner with for future mentoring opportunities. Students will receive an invite from participating businesses if there is a career interest match. This survey is intended for high school students and parents of middle school students.

[https://bit.ly/ExploringSurvey\\_2022](https://bit.ly/ExploringSurvey_2022)

### **Middle School Students are invited to participate in the 2022 Build It! Exploring Club hosted by ABC Carolinas!**

Glimpse at the Program which begins in **January 2022** and runs monthly through **November 2022**:

#### **February** - Intro to Design

Hear from architects and engineers who design the buildings around the city.

#### **March** - Construction 101

Learn more about construction safety, OSHA guidelines and essential construction PPE and how to build the floor and wall systems.

#### **April** - Construction 102

Learn more about the preplanning for construction projects and how to install windows and siding.

This Middle School Club will meet Saturday mornings monthly through **November 2022**. When meeting in person, masks will be required and all CDC guidelines will be followed.

Monica Zeleznik, Exploring Director, [Monica.Zeleznik@scouting.org](mailto:Monica.Zeleznik@scouting.org)

Click this link to see a [video about our 2021 Build It! Explorers Club](#)

Click this link to download a [flyer about the 2022 Build It! Explorers Club](#)

Click this link to [register for the informational meeting](#).

### **National Scouting**

#### **National Jamboree—Save the Dates: July 19-28, 2023**

BSA launched the schedule for the 2023 National Jamboree at Summit Bechtel Reserve (SBR) with live streamed announcements on Youtube and Facebook on September 29, 2021.

Sign up for Jamboree email list at <https://jamboree.scouting.org/>

View a short Jamboree video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=veWwTG-gNUo>

### **BSA High Adventure Bases**

#### **Florida Sea Base**

<https://www.bsaseabase.org/>

#### **Northern Tier**

<https://www.ntier.org/>

Summer, Winter, and Autumn adventures.

### **Philmont**

<https://www.philmontscoutranch.org/register/>

Back Country Programs, Training Center and Family Programs, Family Adventure Camp, Individual Treks, Conferences, Ranch Hands, NAYLE, STEM Trek, Philmont Leadership Challenge, OA Trail Crew, Second Season Treks, Trail Crew Trek, PhilBreak, Roving Outdoor Conservation School, Autumn Adventure, Rayado, Volunteer Vacation, Winter Adventure

### **Summit Bechtel Reserve**

<https://www.summitbsa.org/>

### **International Scouting**

BSA announced that the **International Spirit Award** is available to Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Sea Scouts, Venturers, and Scouters. Requirements and Award form can be found at [International-Spirit-Award-app.130-044.pdf \(scouting.org\)](#). The award can be processed through Scoutbook and can be purchased through our local Scout Shop with a Scoutbook Advancement Report.

Please fill out the application with the date that each requirement was completed. All requirements must be met within 5 years from the start to completion of the Award.

Youth and adults wear the [International Spirit Award](#) emblem as a temporary patch centered on the right uniform pocket.

Requirements and application form for the International Scouter's Award Square Knot are posted at <https://www.scouting.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/International-Scouters-Award-app.pdf>

<https://www.scouting.org/international/events/>

**August 1-12, 2023, 25th World Scout Jamboree**, Saemanguem, South Korea

2023 World Jamboree Host Site

<http://www.2023wsjkorea.org>

2023 USA World Jamboree Contingent Site

<https://wsj2023.us>

The USA contingent is collecting expressions of interest for contingent leadership roles. Some IST roles may be open for support of USA exhibit.

World Scout Conference Egypt 2024

World Scout Moot Portugal 2024

World Scout Jamboree Poland 2027

European Scout Voluntary Program

<https://www.scouting.org/international/ecamp/>

Participants must be 18 to 30 years old and must commit to serve on camp staff in Europe for at least 6 weeks.

Kandersteg International Scout Centre in Switzerland—now open.

<https://www.kisc.ch/>

International BSA Blog

<https://www.scouting.org/international/international-adventure/>

## **ORDER OF THE ARROW – Catawba Lodge and Apache Chapter**

### **2022 Catawba Lodge events**

Friday-Sunday, March 18-19-20, OA Spring Fellowship at Belk Scout Camp, Brotherhood opportunity

Friday-Sunday, April 22-23-24, OA Area 5 Conclave at Camp Barnhardt

Friday-Sunday, May 20-21-22, OA Beaver Day at Camp Grimes, OA Ordeal and Brotherhood opportunities

Friday-Sunday, June 3-4-5, OA June Ordeal at Belk Scout Camp, OA Ordeal and Brotherhood opportunities

Friday-Sunday, September 9-10-11, OA September Ordeal at Belk Scout Camp, OA Ordeal and Brotherhood opportunities

Friday-Sunday, September 30-October 1-2, OA Fall Fellowship at Belk Scout Camp, OA Brotherhood opportunity

Friday, September 30-October 1-2, OA Fall Fellowship at Belk Scout Camp, OA Brotherhood opportunity

Friday, December 2, OA Annual Banquet at Belk Scout Camp

**National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC)**, July 25-30, 2022, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

<https://oa-bsa.org/program/events/noac>

### **New and Old—Where To Go Camping Guide 2022**

The Catawba Lodge *Where To Go Camping Guide* is alive and well at

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ndu4241iDZnpVFMplqDohSRGk7pYDkq3indesA22wQ/e/dit?usp=sharing>

The *WTGCG* is a large file (275 pages) with all kinds of information related to camping opportunities in local camps, parks, state and national forests, High Adventure Bases, national and international events, by way of car camping, backpacking, and float trips.

### **Link your Lodge Email to your Personal Email**

Some of you may not know how to access your Lodge email account, or may be unaware that you have one. You can find instructions on forwarding all of your Lodge emails to your personal email account at

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0BwrGkVVw08OudS1xSHZlb1RSS1U/view?usp=sharing>

Please follow these instructions to keep up on Lodge Events.

### **OA High Adventure Opportunities**

Summer, 2022

[OA Canadian Odyssey \(Northern Tier\)](#)

OA Ocean Adventure (Florida Sea Base)

OA Summit Experience (Summit Bechtel Reserve)

OA Trail Crew (Philmont Scout Ranch)

OA Wilderness Voyage (Northern Tier)

<https://oa-bsa.org/high-adventure>

### **OA, Southern Region, National Leadership Seminars (NLS) (for youth)**

<http://southern.oa-bsa.org/nls/>

### **OA, Southern Region, Developing Youth Leadership Conferences (DYLC) (for advisers)**

<http://southern.oa-bsa.org/dylc/>



## **TRAINING NEWS:**

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1LNTZ5\\_FQaH22cxgkF1EGfRJRJ5A9vwLE/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1LNTZ5_FQaH22cxgkF1EGfRJRJ5A9vwLE/view?usp=sharing)

“Trained” Patch information

<https://www.scoutshop.org/trained-leader-strip-280.html>

[https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/33066/33066\\_Training\\_Awards\\_WEB.pdf](https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/33066/33066_Training_Awards_WEB.pdf)

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2015/11/24/when-can-adult-leaders-wear-the-bsas-trained-patch/>

### **“Trained” Patches for Youth Leaders**

Scout youth leaders who have completed Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops (ILST), den chiefs (Scouts, Sea Scouts, or Venturers) who have completed Den Chief Training, and Venturing youth leaders who have completed the Crew Officers Orientation or Introduction to Leadership Skills for Crews (ILSC) may wear the Trained Leader emblem with their badge of office.

Den Chief training is available online at

<https://www.scouting.org/training/youth/den-chief-training/>

ILST and ILSC are available online at

<https://www.scouting.org/training/youth/>

Youth should print their certificates to present to unit leaders for facilitate record keeping.

### **Youth Training**

**SEALS (Scouts Excited About Leadership Skills, for youth)** and **IOLS (Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills, for adults)** courses at Belk Scout Camp are planned for the second weekend of March and for the second weekend of November on an ongoing basis.

**Next SEALS course: Friday-Saturday-Sunday, March 11-12-13, 2022**

<https://sites.google.com/site/mccseals/home>

Please sign up early. Course will fill quickly.

**Next IOLS course: Saturday-Sunday, March 11-12-13, 2022**

<https://sites.google.com/view/mcc-iols/home>

**National Youth Leader Training (NYLT, AKA “Top Gun”) at Belk Scout Camp**

<https://sites.google.com/view/nyltopgun>

The next MCC NYLT course will be a Winter Course in a 2-weekend format, with weekend 1 scheduled for January 15-17, 2022 and weekend 2 scheduled for February 19-21, 2022.

Online registration is open.

**National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE) at Philmont**

<https://www.philmontscoutranch.org/ptc/nayle/>

**National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE) at Summit**

<https://www.summitbsa.org/programs/training/seven-day-conferences/nayle/>

### **Adult Training**

**Mecklenburg County Council training events:**

**Next IOLS course: Saturday-Sunday, March 11-12-13, 2022**

<https://sites.google.com/view/mcc-iols/home>

**Wilderness First Aid training:** Friday-Saturday, February 25-26, 2022

<https://sites.google.com/site/bsamcctraining>

**Wood Badge, Friday, September 16, 2022 - Sunday, September 18, 2022, and Saturday, October 8, 2022 - Sunday, October 9, 2022**

<https://sites.google.com/site/bsamcctraining/>

**Philmont Training Center Conferences [for adult volunteer training]**

**Philmont Family Adventure Camp**

**Philmont Back Country Sneak Peek**

**Philmont Fall, Winter and Spring Programs**

<https://www.philmontscoutranch.org/ptc/>

**Divemaster Academy**

**Diving Instructor Development Course**

<https://www.bsaseabase.org/>

### **Recognize Scouter Excellence**

#### **“Trained” Patches for Adult Leaders**

Adult leaders can find requirements for earning their “Trained” patches at

[https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/training/pdf/Trained\\_Leader\\_Positions.pdf](https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/training/pdf/Trained_Leader_Positions.pdf)

along with references to online training courses available at <https://my.scouting.org>

Another resource is <https://www.scouting.org/training/adult/>

Online District Committee training is available.

Units, please recognize your uniformed leaders by presenting them “Trained” patches and the following awards. These knots require training to position and tenure:

Den Leader Award

Scout Leader's Training Award (Any leader)

Scouter Key (Cubmasters and Scoutmasters)

Unit Leader Award of Merit (Committee submits for Cubmasters and Scoutmasters)

Requirements and tracking forms: <https://boyscouttrail.com/square-knots.asp>

### **Square Knots**

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2019/07/17/square-knot-rankings-what-are-the-most-and-least-awarded-square-knots/>

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2017/03/15/how-to-tell-if-your-scouting-square-knot-is-upside-down/>

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2017/02/17/scouting-service-award-combines-five-awards-into-one-cool-new-square-knot/>

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2012/11/20/in-the-loop-a-guide-to-square-knots-and-how-to-wear-them/>

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2011/03/04/alumni-knot/>

<https://scoutingmagazine.org/issues/0901/a-knots.html>

<https://scoutingalumni.org/for-alumni/alumni-recognition/alumni-award/#alumniawardabout>

<https://www.scouting.org/awards/awards-central/community-organization-award/>

<https://www.scouting.org/awards/awards-central/lifesaving-meritorious-action/>

<https://www.scouting.org/awards/awards-central/religious-emblems/>

<https://www.scouting.org/awards/religious-awards/>

[https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/512-879\\_WB.pdf](https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/512-879_WB.pdf)  
<https://nesa.org/for-eagle-scouts/awards-and-recognition/>

### **Spread the Word About Scouting**

#### **Please don't keep us a secret**

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