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GSLAC – NORTH STAR ROUNDTABLE NEWS





MARK YOUR CALENDARS

November/December 2024

Nov 16, 2024	Scouting for Food – Bags Out
Nov 17, 2024	Eagle Review Board
Nov 17, 2024	OA NorthStar Chapter Meeting – 3pm
Nov 22, 2024	Einstein Recognition Dinner – Ameren HQ
Nov 23, 2024	Scouting for Food – Collect Bags
Dec 7, 2024	STEM University - UMSL
Dec 15, 2024	Eagle Review Board

Looking Ahead Beyond December 2024

Jan 17-18 '24	Venturing STL After Dark
Jan 19, 2024	Eagle Board Review

Duty to God Moment

I am writing this note to you on the Monday before the presidential election that will be held on November 5, 2024. According to the pundits, about half of the voters will be unhappy regardless of the outcome of the election. Please consider some quotes from Lord Baden Powell that seemed to speak to this situation.

Happiness is within the reach of everyone, rich or poor. Yet comparatively few people are happy. I believe the reason for this is that the majority don't recognize happiness even when it is within their grasp.

No one can pass through life, any more than he can pass through a bit of country, without leaving tracks behind, and those tracks may often be helpful to those coming after him in finding their way.

In assisting his 'neighbour' every day to the best of his ability, and keeping truth, honesty, and kindness perpetually before him, the Boy Scout, with as little formality as possible, is pleasing God.

No man is much good unless he believes in God and obeys His laws.

O God, help me to win, but in thy wisdom if thou willest me not to win, then O God, make me a good loser.

Please join me in praying for a safe and secure election and a peaceful transition after the election has been decided.

David Stevens

The Camping Corner



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North Star Fall Camporee: Thanks to Mia and Charlie, Gabe, and Clara and their advisor Kate Kavanaugh for a great camporee. One sad thing, only three of our eight troops showed up. Thank you to the troops, scouts, leaders and AOLs that attended.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW

Klondike with the Pathfinder district: Saturday February 8th, 8:30 to 4:30pm at Beaumont, Lane Camping Area. More information at the December and January Roundtables.

Spring 2025 April 25, 26, and 27- Council Wide Camporee. Registration is now going on. Council will use all five of our Camps. Take your pick where to go.

NorthStar 2025 Camporee is October 3,4, and 5. Tentative Warren Levis

Fred Schaljo
North Star District Camping Chairman

TOP 10 ON “HOW CAN I RECRUIT BETTER FOR OUR SCOUTING UNIT?”

1. Have a calendar of events for the upcoming year available on paper as well as online
2. Have a unit brochure or flyer with event pictures, meeting pictures, list of main events
3. Have a list of leaders and their contact information
4. Keep your online presence updated with current information, future information, and upcoming events.
5. Keep in contact with schools near your unit and see if you can be part of an event or how to invite students to be a part of one of your events.
6. Keep your unit parents updated on everything you have going on through email, weekly reminders and online platforms.
7. Think ahead when it comes to certain events that you can ask for help, invite groups. For example – Scouting for Food, pinewood derby.
8. Don't be afraid to bring up Scouting in a conversation, especially to let them know that girls and young ladies are not a big part of Scouting.
9. Maybe someone you know is a former Scout/Eagle Scout and would like to get back into Scouting at some level. Talk with them or we can talk for you.
10. Talk Scouting around people.

Eagle Board Information

Here are the dates for the upcoming Eagle Boards of Review:

- Sunday, November 17th
- Sunday, December 15th
- Sunday, January 19th
- Sunday, February 16th
- Sunday, March 16th
- Sunday, April 27th - The only month that is not the 3rd Sunday is in April, as the third Sunday is Easter.

Location: All Eagle Boards of Review are all held at the Florissant Valley Library Branch

Address: 195 S. New Florissant Rd. Florissant, MO 63031

Time: All Boards of Review start at 1:00pm

All Eagle Scout candidates must reach out to Debbie at least 7 days in advance of the Board Meeting date.

Any questions or to schedule a Board please call Debbie Huber at 314-960-4842.

Debbie Huber

Eagle Scout Review Board Coordinator

North Star Family Friends of Scouting (FFOS)



Planning for the 2025 Campaign

With your 2024/2025 calendars in hand, please decide when you would like to schedule your FFOS presentation for your unit(s). Good options include during a Courts of Honor, Blue and Gold or any meetings where families are in attendance.

Please provide your presentation date, location and time at Roundtable, via e-mail, or text (jmf41862@yahoo.com, 314-435-9007) or Kaua'i Johnson (kauai.johnson@scouting.org).

Thank you North Star.

Jerome Flynn, North Star FFOS chair

North Star Venturing Officers Association (VOA) News

Congratulations to our **NEW** North Star VOA officers:

President – Amelia Bazzell (Crew 2749) VP Administration – Aiden Ham (Crew 2921)
VP Program – Charlie Saunders (Crew 2749) VP Communication – Gabe Blamey (Crew 2921)

The Venturing year is getting underway. The District officers are planning District level activities for Venturing and all units within North Star. The Greater St. Louis Area Council committees and North Star Officers are also planning the following Council activities and events:

stlbsa.org/venturing-calendar

VSOA Training

- 25-26 October
- Sverdrup Lodge
- Begin planning 2024-2025 events

STL After Dark

- 17-18 January
- Food Bank, Boeing and More

Taste of Venturing

- 28-30 March

Venturing Celebration Dinner

- 18 May

Swift's Big Kickoff

- 30 May - 1 June

Swift Venture Week

- 15-21 June

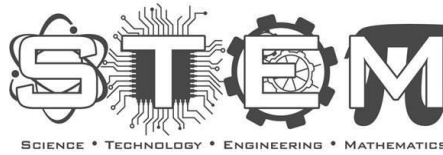
Swift Sea Scout Week

- 29 June - 6 July

Fall Fun Rally

- 19-21 September

Alan Kreppert
North Star VSOA Advisor
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Upcoming Events: <https://stlbsa.org/stem/upcoming-stem-events/>

22 November – Einstein Recognition Dinner – Ameren Corporate HQ

- North Star will have 7 Cub Scouts recognized for earning Supernova awards
- North Star will also be recognized for reaching Gold in the District STEM Challenge

7 December – STEM-U UMSL

- **Uncovering the Past Nova** for Cubs, WEBELOS, and AOLs
- 5 Different Nova's for Scouts BSA in addition to many other STEM related merit badges
- \$17 per scout includes patch and lunch, \$10 for adults includes patch and lunch

North Star's 2024 Supernova Awardee's:

- Dr. Luis W. Alvarez (Wolf & Bear)
 - Ashlynn Brown
 - Aiden Smith
 - Finnegan Wilkes
- Dr. Charles H. Townes (WEBELOS and AOL)
 - Andrew Musterman
 - Austin Smith
 - Ashlynn Brown
 - Tristan Moore

From Council:

- Over 70 Supernova's awarded to Cub Scouts in 2024
- 7 Supernova's awarded to Scout BSA and 0 to Venture/Sea Scouts
- **Nova and Supernova awards are not just for Cub Scouts. All STEM awards are available for all levels of scouting including Scout BSA and Venturing**

STEM STAR Patches:

- Available for all levels of scouting
- By earning a Nova Award AND Cub Adventures/Merit Badges/STEM Explorations scouts can earn an scout level appropriate STAR Patch



<https://stlbsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/STEM-STAR-Patch-2022.pdf>

If you need any assistance implementing STEM into your program, please let me know.

Alan Kreppert – North Star District STEM Chair
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Join Us For The

NOVEMBER CHAPTER MEETING!



What day and Time is the event
happen?

November 17, 3:00–5:00 Pm

Where is taking Place?

Lutheran Church of the Good
Shepherd, 7380 Howdershell Rd,

What do I have to Bring?

Your Self and, Your favorite snack



More Info on the Next
Page!!



EVENTS!!!!

Chicken Shot put

Throw a frozen chicken as far as possible in any way you want to

Brotherhood & Fellowship

Join us as we eat snacks and watch a Charlie Brown Thanksgiving



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Also Check out our Instagram!!!



We Hope to see you there!!!

Done by Cleara Sanders

Email promoting Adult Religious Emblems Program

Hello All,

As we support and encourage our Scouts to look into earning their Religious Emblems, we adults have an opportunity to work on them as well.

Now is a great time to start thinking about individuals in your unit or district that you may want to nominate for their adult Religious Award.

Please see below the process to nominate a worthy adult for their Religious Award and the links to the various awards.

If you have any questions, please let your DE or a member of the Council Religious Relations Committee know and they will be glad to help.

Adult Religious Awards usually are given out in February.

Please try and have Catholic Nomination Forms in by the first Friday of December and Jewish, Protestant, Independent Christian, and Eastern Faiths Religious Award Nomination forms in by the 15th of December.

Adult Nominations for Jewish Adults: General Information

From the National Jewish Committee on Scouting: <http://jewishscouting.org/>

[Adult and Unit Awards – The National Jewish Committee on Scouting \(jewishscouting.org\)](http://jewishscouting.org/)

The Shofar Award of the National Jewish Committee on Scouting

The National Jewish Committee on Scouting established the Shofar Award to recognize outstanding service by adults in the promotion of Scouting among Jewish youth. Self and spousal nominations will not be accepted.

For eligibility guidelines and nomination procedures please see the Adult and Unit Awards webpage for the National Jewish Committee on Scouting. Please note that the Shofar Award requires the Council Executive's Signature before it is sent to the National Jewish Committee on Scouting. All payments are made through the National Jewish Committee on Scouting website per the application forms.

Adult Nominations for Protestant, Independent Christian, Eastern and other Religious Faith Emblems: General Information

From the P.R.A.Y. Website: <https://www.praypub.org/adult-nominations>

For a listing of all awards and information on them go to:

<https://www.praypub.org/Data/Sites/1/media/resource-library/promotional-resources/duty-to-god-brochure-2022.pdf>

Adult recognitions are given to adults for outstanding service to youth through both their church and one of the national youth-serving agencies (Boy Scouts of America).

Adult awards are not earned like youth awards: An outside party must nominate an adult to receive an award by submitting the **required applications, letter of recommendation, and resume of activities.**

Self and spouse nominations will not be accepted. Nominations cannot be made posthumously.

The adult award package contains a medal that can be worn around the neck, a personalized color certificate suitable for framing and the following also contain a matching lapel pin: God and Service, Good Shepherd, Lamb, and Building Faith in Youth.

There is an approval process for adult nominations. Please review the approval process before planning your presentation ceremony.

These Adult Religious Awards are administered through the P.R.A.Y. Program, for more information go to: <https://www.praypub.org>

Please note: Not all adult awards are handled by P.R.A.Y. Please [search by faith](#) for more information specific to your faith.

Links to specific Faiths and their Adult Religious Awards Programs Nominations Forms:

[God and Service \(Protestant, Methodist, Presbyterian, AME, Nazarene, etc\)](#)

[Building Faith in Youth Award](#)

[Presbyterian Celtic Cross](#)

[Episcopal Saint George](#)

[Baptist Good Shepherd](#)

[Lutheran Lamb](#)

[Lutheran Servant of Youth](#)

[Eastern Orthodox Prophet Elias](#)

[Anglican \(ACNA\) Saint George Cross](#)

[Community of Christ - International Youth Service](#)

Adult Nominations for Catholic Adults: General Information

From the National Catholic Committee on Scouting, Adult Recognitions: <http://www.nccs-bsa.org/index.php/adult-recognition>

Don't forget to recognize the adults for their outstanding contributions to the development of your Catholic Youth Ministry.

There are several recognitions available.

The Catholic Adult Religious Awards are administered through the specific Diocese or Archdiocese that an individual resides.

GSLAC has 5 different Diocese / Archdiocese in our boundaries

- Archdiocese of St. Louis: <https://stlyouth.org/who-we-serve/scout-leaders/>
- Diocese of Jefferson City: <https://diojeffcity.org/catholic-scouting/>
- Diocese of Springfield – Cape Girardeau: <https://dioscg.org/youth-ministry/>
- Diocese of Belleville: <https://www.diobelle.org/directory/organizations/catholic-committee-on-scouting>
- Diocese of Springfield in Illinois: <https://dio.org/scouts/diocesan-committee/>

- [Bronze Pelican \(archstl\) https://stlyouth.org/resources/catholic-scouting/](https://stlyouth.org/resources/catholic-scouting/)- used to recognize individuals in your local dioceses for their significant contributions.
- [Brother Barnabas - http://www.nccs-bsa.org/index.php/adult-recognition/brother-barnabas](http://www.nccs-bsa.org/index.php/adult-recognition/brother-barnabas)- national recognition to recognize for long and meritorious service.
- [Golden AAD - http://www.nccs-bsa.org/index.php/adult-recognition/golden-ad-altare-dei](http://www.nccs-bsa.org/index.php/adult-recognition/golden-ad-altare-dei)- a fund used to directly support the ministry of our priest chaplains who serve on the Executive Board. Significant contributions of \$2,500 or more are recognized by a special medal.
- [Miter Society - http://www.nccs-bsa.org/index.php/adult-recognition/mitter-society](http://www.nccs-bsa.org/index.php/adult-recognition/mitter-society)- is a recognition given to any adult who financially supports, in a significant way, the promotion of the Saint George.
- [Brendan the Navigator - http://www.nccs-bsa.org/index.php/adult-recognition/brendan-the-navigator](http://www.nccs-bsa.org/index.php/adult-recognition/brendan-the-navigator)- The St. Brendan Award -used to recognize Diocesan Committee Development

participants who return to their dioceses and complete a mission project benefiting Catholic youth of their community.

- [Jerusalem Cross](http://www.nccs-bsa.org/index.php/adult-recognition/jerusalem-cross) - <http://www.nccs-bsa.org/index.php/adult-recognition/jerusalem-cross>- used to recognize Scouting in the Catholic Church participants who return to their dioceses and complete a mission project benefiting Catholic youth of their community.
- [Silver St. George](http://www.nccs-bsa.org/index.php/adult-recognition/silver-saint-george) - <http://www.nccs-bsa.org/index.php/adult-recognition/silver-saint-george>- national recognition for the hard work and diligent hours supporting the Catholic Youth Ministry at the national level.
- [Spes Mundi](http://www.nccs-bsa.org/index.php/adult-recognition/spes-mundi) - <http://www.nccs-bsa.org/index.php/adult-recognition/spes-mundi>- a fund used to directly support the International Catholic Conference of Scouting. This edition has been sold out and is not available anymore.
- [St. George \(archstl\)](https://stlyouth.org/resources/catholic-scouting/) <https://stlyouth.org/resources/catholic-scouting/>- used to recognize individuals in your local dioceses for their significant contributions and many years of support for the Catholic Youth Ministry at the local level.

Please pass this information on to your leaders and follow the links to learn more about nominations of the adults in your Scouting units for the various Adult Religious Emblems Recognition.

Thanks