



# Scissortail District Roundtable



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# Welcome to Roundtable

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Scout Oath**

**Scout Law**

**Outdoor Code**

**As an American, I will do my best to be clean in my outdoor manners, be careful with fire, be considerate in the outdoors, and be conservation minded.**

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# Hot Topics

- Events, Updates, and Troop Resources
- Scout OUT and Fall Camporee Updates
- Hiking and Backpacking in Oklahoma—Bill Hensley





## Safety Minute—Balancing Scouting Life



Ask any experienced leader what the number one thing a new leader should remember, and most will say balancing your Scouting life. As leaders, we have to model this process for our youth so that they understand the importance of personal care. Work-life balance is not the only thing we need to work on. Balance in Scouting is equally important on a multitude of levels.

So, how do we as leaders recognize when we are overwhelmed in Scouting?



# Safety Minute—Balancing Scouting Life



Burnout symptoms:

- headaches
- fatigue
- feeling of helplessness
- reduced performance in everyday tasks
- impaired concentration
- depression
- feeling of isolation
- irritability



If you find that your balance is off, take the time to determine where the imbalance is and what you need to do to bring your life back into balance. Allow yourself permission to say no to new events and find new volunteers to help lessen the load. As leaders, we should also recognize burnout in others and be willing to offer support to other volunteers.

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# Safety Minute—Balancing Scouting Life



One thing we can do to combat the effects of burnout is to establish personal boundaries:

- Take time off.
- Communicate clearly.
- Limit your availability (including digital).
- Know your limits.
- Focus on what is meaningful.
- Just say no.



For us to provide the best program, we need all leaders to have a work-life-Scouting balance. We have the opportunity to have real conversations with each other to ensure we are all at our best for both the program and the Scouts.

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## Recognition Corner—The Conservation Good Turn Award

Since 1910, conservation has been an integral part of the program of Scouting America. The Conservation Good Turn Award is an opportunity for Cub Scout packs, Scout troops and Venturing crews to join with conservation or environmental organizations (federal, state, local, or private) to carry out a conservation Good Turn in their home communities, camp properties, or on public lands.



To earn the award, the Scouting unit contacts a conservation organization, (or land manager, Camp Ranger or other appropriate official) and offers to carry out a Conservation Good Turn project. They work together to identify a worthwhile and needed project that the unit can accomplish. The details are planned and they establish the date, time, and location for carrying out the project. The project is undertaken until completed to the satisfaction of the Unit Leader.



# Recognition Corner—The Conservation Good Turn Award

Ideas for Packs might include:

Planting to stop erosion

Adopting a park to clean up

Visiting a public utility to learn about resource management

Building or helping to build a nature trail

Ideas for Troop, Crew, and Ships might include:

Planting shrubs for wildlife cover

Putting up bird, bat, owl, or squirrel boxes

Planting tree seedlings

Pruning woodlands, helping to build a firebreak

Helping to take out invasive species





# Recognition Corner—The Conservation Good Turn Award



OLS training has to take priority but I'll miss you!  
Raegan



Camping MB Requirement 9C involves a conservation project.

<https://www.scouting.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Conservation-Good-Turn-Award-Application-Fillable.pdf>



# Recognition Corner—Adult Recognitions!



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# Upcoming



**Wilderness First Aid**

**IOLS Training** 4-5 October DS Camp, 8-9 November JNSR

**Trainer's EDGE**

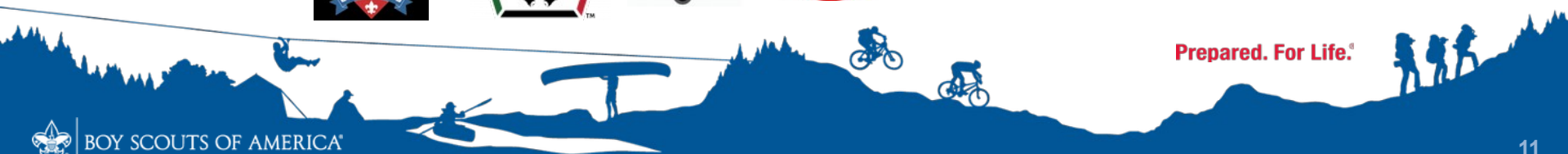
**Wood Badge 2144** 4-7 and 26-28 September CGT

**Leave No Trace** 10-12 October JNSR

**BALOO Training** 4-5 October JNSR

**Cub Scout RSO Training** 4-5 October DS Camp

**NRA RSO Class**



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# Upcoming Events—October and November

4-5 October **Senior Patrol Leader & Scoutmaster Meeting at Gaylord Scout Center** 10:00 am to 12:00pm

9 October **Scissortail District Committee**

10-12 October **2025 Ma-Nu Lodge Fall Festival** Kerr Scout Ranch

16 October **Eagle Boards of Review**

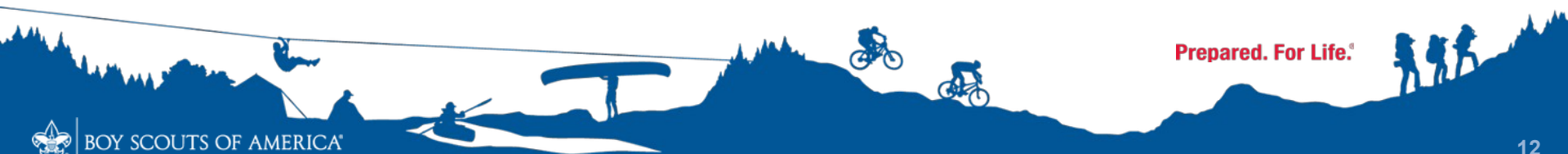
23 October **Scissortail District Roundtable**

24-26 October **Scissortail Fall Camporee** Will Rogers SR

10-12, 17-19, 24-26, 31-Nov 2 **Fall Family Adventures at CGT**

1-2 November **Ma-Nu Lodge Vigil Weekend** JNSR

7-9 November **Fall Encampment** Diamond H SR



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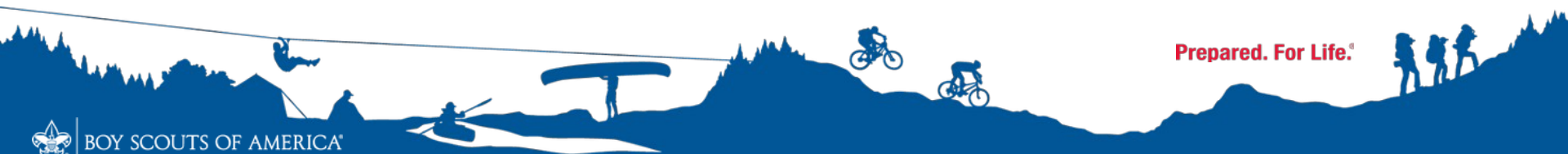


# Scissortail District



**Cub Scouts, you are invited to *SCOUT OUT!* what Scouting America troops have to offer! Come visit with troop level units in Scissortail District to see their Scouting adventures, learn more about troop level activities, and maybe even find a troop that is a great fit for your scouting future!**

**When: September 27th  
9am-1pm  
New Hope UMC  
11600 N Council Rd, OKC**



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# Upcoming Merit Badge Classes

## Scissortail Series--Gaylord Scout Center

4 October Guthrie Airport **Aviation Merit Badge**



8 and 15 October 6:30pm **Space Exploration Merit Badge**



18 October 9-1pm Dolese Park **Geocaching Merit Badge**



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# SCOUTING Boy Scouts of America FOR FOOD A National Good Turn for America

No Registration Needed!

Join in the mission to make a difference in our communities! On Saturday November 1st and 8th, 2025, Scouts will be hitting the streets for Scouting for Food.

Units can sign up for door hanger distribution areas and drop-off locations. Please email your District Executive (DE) with your unit's name, preferred date and time for distribution/drop-off, how many door hangers your unit will need.

Let's come together as Scouts to fight hunger and make a positive impact in our communities!





# New Badges

Scouts BSA is launching two exciting new badges!



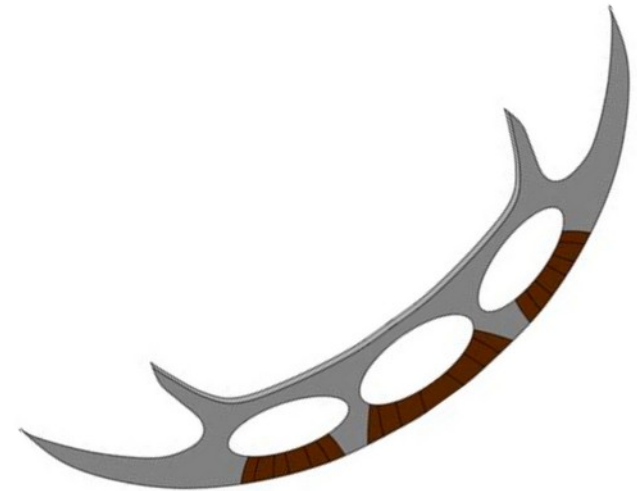
The **Artificial Intelligence** (AI) Merit Badge is designed to introduce Scouts to the rapidly evolving world of AI. This badge will help Scouts understand AI's applications, ethical considerations, and the role it plays in daily life. The **Cybersecurity** Merit Badge is focused on digital safety. The badge will teach Scouts essential skills needed to navigate today's online world responsibly and securely.

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# Hot Topic—Fall Camporee—Bill Hensley

## *BATTLE OF EMPIRES*



*IS YOUR UNIT PREPARED?*



# Hot Topic—Hiking and Backpacking in and Around Oklahoma—Bill Hensley



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# District Executive's Minute



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**Next Meeting Thursday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>  
6:30pm.**



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# Questions and Open Discussion



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