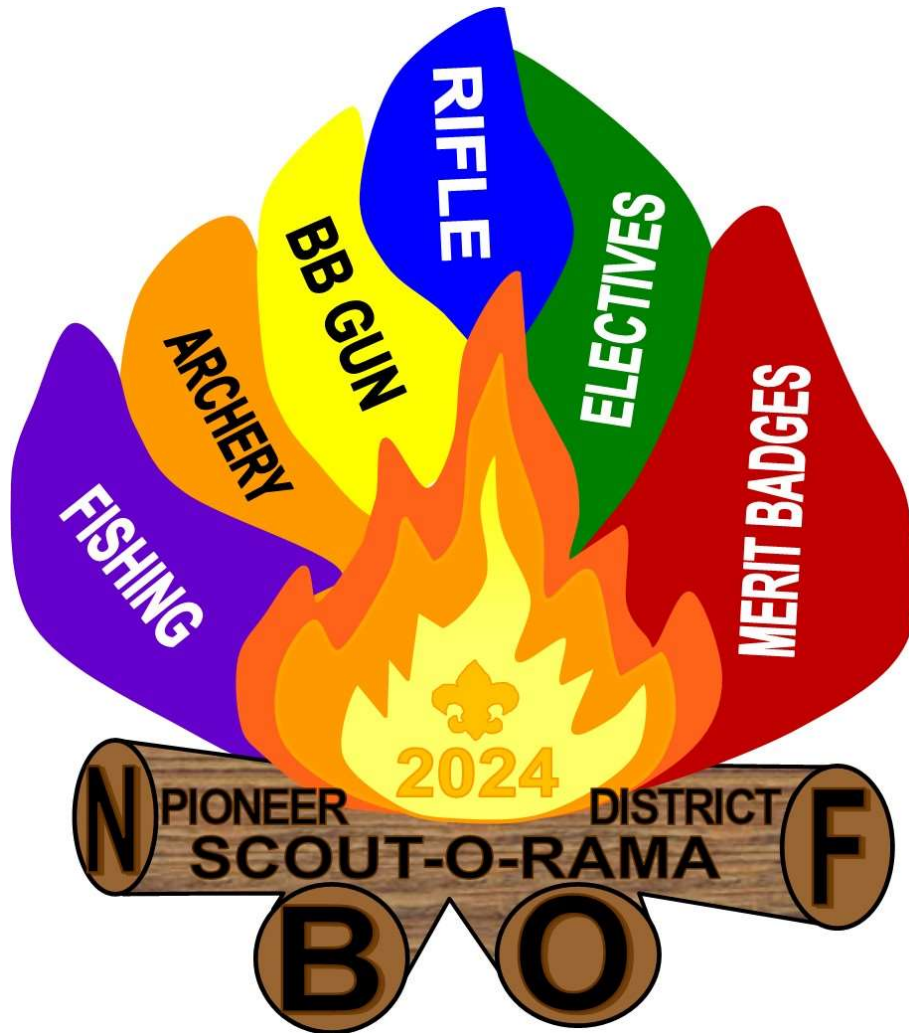


# Scout-O-Rama 2024

## Leader's Guide



Keeping The Outing In Scouting Around The World!



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## FROM THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR:

My dear friends in Scouting,

I hope this guide finds you, your family, and your pack/troop/crew/ship well. We have a lot in store for everyone including being able to offer more merit badges, parts of the new cub scout program that launched on June 1, 2024, service project opportunities, shooting sports, and so much more!

We are sticking with the theme of Scouting Around The World, but this time with a twist! **We are requesting that each unit create a new “country” at a unit meeting prior to the event. You will then make your “country’s” flag to bring with you to the event. Be creative and let your imagination run wild!** Please bring your unit’s country flag with you for our opening on Saturday at 8am to display on the Parade Field! It is recommended to have your unit’s number somewhere on the front or back so each station is able to know what unit you are from.

I thank you for taking time out of your busy schedule to review this guide so your scout or scouts are prepared for a fun-filled weekend with us at Scout-O-Rama. This is also a great event to invite your new recruited scouts to! I hope you’re able to join us this October!

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Yours in Camporee Experience,

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Scout-O-Rama Program Director

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**ARE YOU PREPARED** to have a fantastic weekend with hundreds of Scouts and Leaders from across Central PA? The 2024 Scout-O-Rama will be a great addition to your Fall Outdoor Program. Just show up, set up your tent, grab your welcome packet, and have some fun! The logistics and activities are taken care of for you.

### DATE AND LOCATION

**Friday, October 11 through Sunday October 13, 2024**

Hidden Valley Scout Reservation, 268 Hidden Valley Road, Loysville, PA 17047

**Check-in:** Friday 4 PM

**Program Time:** Saturday 8 AM until 5:00 PM

**Check-out by:** Sunday 11 AM

### EVENT REGISTRATION

Units or individuals may register for the event at: [nbf.tentaroo.com](https://nbf.tentaroo.com). **Registration Deadline:** October 4, 2024 at 11:59pm.

### CABIN/CAMPSITE RESERVATION

Units will be able to reserve a specific campsite/cabin site through Sal Franqui @ [sal.franqui@scouting.org](mailto:sal.franqui@scouting.org). Additional information on cabins/campsites can be found at:

<https://newbirthoffreedom.org/camping-2/hidden-valley-scout-reservation/year-round-at-hv/>

**Arrow of Light Scouts Attending with a Scouts BSA Troop:** As a reminder, only AOL scouts are permitted to attend any Scouting event with a Scouts BSA unit. Webelos Scouts must attend with their pack or as an individual participant. Please visit <https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/gss/gss03/> for the updated national guidelines.

**Lion and Tiger Cub Scouts:** Lion and Tiger Cub Scouts are required to have a parent or adult partner with them for the entirety of their participation in the event.

### MEDICAL FORMS

Units, leaders, and individual participants are required to have a completed Annual Health and Medical Record Part A and Part B (<https://tinyurl.com/29rf9df7>) for all Scout-O-Rama participants, as is required for any camping event less than 72 hours. These forms must be kept on-site with the unit leader for the duration of the event, but will not be required to be presented at check-in.

## CHECK-IN

Upon arrival, please check in at the Camp Administration Building.  
One leader/representative from each unit should stop at check-in. Submit two  
(2) copies of a unit roster at check-in.

## LEADER'S MEETING PRIOR TO EVENT

There will be a virtual leaders prior to the event on Sunday, September 29, 2024 at 6pm.

Zoom link: <https://us05web.zoom.us/j/81428599535?pwd=z7TuFJWaQmJDLhO4CJW2SYPYGIRMAD.1>

ALL leaders are encouraged to attend.

## EVENT THEME

Our theme this year is *"Keep The Outing in Scouting Around The World"*. We are requesting that ALL units create a new "country" at a unit meeting prior to the event. You will then make your "country's" flag to bring with you to the event. Be creative and let your imagination run wild with the design! Please bring your unit's country flag with you for our opening on Saturday at 8am to display on the Parade Field! It is recommended to have your unit's number somewhere on the front or back so each station is able to know what unit you are from. Please remember that all flags must be Scouting appropriate.

## SOCIAL MEDIA FRIENDLY EVENT

Youth - During program time, we are asking that you refrain from using your cell phone as this is a distraction to not only you but your fellow scouts, Scouters, and the leadership teaching.

Adults - Any pictures posted on social media platforms, please include #ScoutORama2024 in your post. For Instagram, use the hashtag while tagging the @NBOFC identifier on Instagram. A Dropbox will be available to upload any photos or videos from the event. A recap video will be created after the event to be shared on the NBOF's Facebook page.

## YOUTH PROTECTION AND CLEARANCES

Youth protection is always a priority for any scouting event. All participants and registered event staff over 18 must have the most up-to-date Scouting America Youth Protection training.

**Weekend Campers:** Units attending for the weekend must have two registered adult leaders, both being 21 years of age or older. A registered female adult leader must be 21 years of age or over in every unit serving females. **ALL** adults (anyone over the age of 18) must have current PA clearances on file with the council to stay overnight with a unit. For questions about clearances, please get in touch with **Alexandria Houck** @ [Alexandria.Houck@scouting.org](mailto:Alexandria.Houck@scouting.org).

**Day Participants:** Units attending for the day must have two registered adult leaders, both being 21 years of age or older. A registered female adult leader must be 21 years of age or over in every unit serving females. Families attending for the day, supervising only their own children, are not required to have clearances, but are highly encouraged to take the Youth Protection Training on [my.scouting.org](http://my.scouting.org).

## MEALS AND SNACKS

**MEALS:** Each unit will be required to bring/make their own meals as part of their outdoor experience. For lunch on Saturday, your unit may eat at the Boy Scout Pavilion by the dining hall, the Nature Pavilion, or at your campsite. You can even invite another unit to get together for a meal, as well! Making new friends, meeting new scouts, and collaborating with other units is always encouraged.

**EVENING SNACKS:** You are free to bring your own snack to enjoy back at your campsite. Please ensure that any and all food kept in your campsite is kept in sealed containers and out of tents to avoid potentially dangerous encounters with wildlife.

## PROGRAM

### **Morning Program Areas - 8am to Noon**

- Cub Scouts will be working in their designated rank elective areas.
- Troops, Crews, Ships, and Posts will be able to travel between station to station for open programs detailed below.

### **Afternoon Program Areas - 1pm to 5pm**

- Cub Scouts will be able to travel between station to station for open programs detailed below.
- Troops, Crews, Ships, and Posts will be in their designated merit badge program areas.

# CUB SCOUT ELECTIVES

(8am-Noon)

## LIONS

Build It Up, Knock It Down  
Gizmos and Gadgets  
Pick My Path

## TIGERS

Aware and Care  
Curiosity, Intrigued, and Magical Mysteries  
Tiger-iffic!  
Tiger Tag

## WOLVES

Cubs Who Care  
Let's Camp Wolf

## BEARS

Forensics  
Super Science

## WEBELOS

Earth Rocks

## AOL

Engineering  
Estimations

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## MERIT BADGES

(Scouts BSA/Venturing/Sea Scouts/Posts)

**1pm-5pm**

Radio • Disability Awareness • First Aid • Search and Rescue • Animation

Merit Badge selections will be completed through a Google Form for those Scouts BSA youth who are attending. Each scout will need to bring a merit badge blue card to their merit badge for the counselor to complete. More information about the blue card process will be provided at the pre-event leaders meeting. A fillable blue card PDF can be found at: [https://www.cccbsa.org/wp-content/uploads/mb-app-blue-card-fillable\\_.pdf](https://www.cccbsa.org/wp-content/uploads/mb-app-blue-card-fillable_.pdf)

## OPEN PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

### Sea Ship Experience

Saturday from 8am-7pm, Sea Ship 1902 will be showcasing a little bit about Sea Scouting. They will have one of their vessels there to look at and learn about a Knot Tree, and loads of information on what Sea Scouting is, how it works in conjunction with Scouts BSA, and how you can be a part of our New Birth of Freedom Sea Ship, too (for youth 14-20)! If you're interested in joining the Sea Ship, email Kevin Wehnau at [kevin.wehnau@outlook.com](mailto:kevin.wehnau@outlook.com) (CC'ing your unit leader to abide by YPT) or visit their station at Kiwanis 1 & 2 to get more information about their meeting time and location.

### Shooting Sports

Each unit will be assigned a time slot for shooting sports to try and keep the long lines down. Your unit's time slot will be provided to the unit's leader upon check-in.

## CLOSING CAMPFIRE

Our closing campfire program will be full of fun and excitement as we share memories of the event and present all of the awards earned. Your unit should prepare a skit, song, or short scouting related story to present during the closing campfire Saturday evening. Please turn in your skit, song, or short scouting related story to **Jessica Donella** via email [scoutmomjess@gmail.com](mailto:scoutmomjess@gmail.com) by **5pm Saturday evening** for approval to be put in the lineup for the program. All skits, songs, and/or short scouting related stories **MUST** be age-appropriately and family friendly. If you have to question yourself with "is this really scouting appropriate?" then it should not be turned in for approval and will not be performed.

## INTERFAITH WORSHIP

Sunday, October 13 from 8am to 8:45am, we will be holding a Scout's Own Interfaith Worship for our morning service at the Boy Scout Pavillion. If you would like to participate in saying a prayer, leading a song, saying a passage from your book of worship, etc, please see Jessica Donella. During service, we will be collecting donations for the World Friendship Fund. The World Friendship Fund gives members of Scouting America a good turn opportunity to help fellow Scouts who are in need of their support. It teaches Scouts that Scouting is global. Since the inception of the World Friendship Fund, American Scouts and leaders have voluntarily donated more than \$11 million to the fund.



## PROGRAM SCHEDULE

### Friday

- 8:00 AM - 3:30 PM** Preliminary Site Set Up
- 4:00 PM - 7:30 PM** Check-in/Registration Open and set up unit sites
- 7:00 PM** Last unit vehicles into camp
- 5:00 PM** Trading Post Open
- 8:30 PM** Opening Campfire
- 10:30 PM** TAPS/All vehicles must be out of camp and in the parking lots

### Saturday

- 7:00 AM** Reveille
- 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM** Breakfast in campsites/cabins
- 7:00 AM - 7:45 AM** Day Check-in Opens
- 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM** Program Begins
- 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM** Trading Post Open
- 12:00 - 1:00 PM** Lunch (Program Areas Will Be Closed - Staff need to eat, too!)
- 5:00 PM** Program Ends
- 5:00 PM** Lion Scouts depart
- 5:00 PM - 7:30 PM** Dinner/Siesta/Sea Ship Experience
- 5:00 PM - 7:30 PM** Trading Post Closes
- 7:30 - 9:00 PM** Closing Campfire
- 9:00 - 10:20 PM** Trading Post Opens and Free Time
- 10:30 PM** TAPS

### Sunday

- 7:00 AM** Reveille
- 7:00 - 8:00 AM** Breakfast
- 8:00 AM - 8:45 AM** Scout's Own Interfaith Worship Service
- 9:00 AM** Trading Post Opens
- 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM** Units pack up their campsite and prepare for check out inspection. Vehicles permitted into camp. All units will be out of camp no later than 11:00 AM
- 12:00 PM** Trading Post Closed