



NORTHERN STAR SCOUTING

2025-2026

PROGRAM CATALOG



Winter Fun with Friends



Learning Lifelong Skills



Summer Scouting Adventures



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LEGEND



Cub Scouts



Venturing



Family



Scouts BSA



Sea Scouts

YEAR-ROUND PROGRAMS

Rent-A-Camp Facility

In addition to our staff-led camp offerings, your Scout group can reserve a building, campsite, or facility to run your own program for a day, overnight, or weekend. Each Northern Star Camp has something to offer!

Andersen Scout Camp — Located just five miles northeast of Stillwater, Andersen Scout Camp boasts 260 acres along the St. Croix River in WI with year-round camping, 17 winterized cabins, campsites, and a one-mile trail to a backpacking campsite.

Adventure Base & Horace Johnson Scout Camp — Year-round camps located 20 minutes outside of Duluth, on a 7-acre peninsula on beautiful Island Lake. A hike trail connects both properties, which feature a central lodge, 8+ campsites, log pavilions, large parade field and outdoor amphitheater. Close to a public park, Boulder Lake Environmental Center and miles of cross country ski trails.

Kiwanis Scout Camp — 110 acres nestled on the banks of the St. Croix near Marine-on-St. Croix, MN, Kiwanis has a dining hall for 200 people, a 36-person dormitory, six sleeping cabins, kitchen, yurts, cabins, tent camping, swimming pool, and a great two-room Conference Center for 100 people.



Learn More and Reserve Your Spot
by Visiting "Camp Locations" at
CAMP.NORTHERNSTAR.ORG

Phillippo Scout Camp — Located on the south shore of the Byllesby Reservoir, just West of Cannon Falls, the reservation is 498 acres of rolling fields, wooded campsites and hills overlooking the Cannon River valley. It features nine winterized cabins, a 48-person Conference Center, campsites, cross country ski trails, lighted snow tube hill, canoes, and a modern 300 person dining hall.

Rum River Scout Camp — A year-round camp located 4 miles north of Anoka on Minnesota's State Highway 47, with 160 acres of wooded campsites, frontage on the Rum River, three enclosed activity buildings, a sliding hill, orienteering, cross country skiing, snowshoeing and a nature trail.

Stearns Scout Camp — A year-round camp located northwest of Annandale on Stearns County Highway 44, less than an hour northwest of Minneapolis. Stearns features 14 buildings and shelters, 4 yurts, hiking, orienteering, bouldering wall, disc golf, cross country skiing, snowshoeing, and over 1200 acres of forest, lakes, and wetlands.

BASE CAMP PROGRAMS

Northern Star Scouting's unique urban program center at Fort Snelling offers activities and events ALL YEAR ROUND!

Your unit can schedule a group activity or select from regular sessions to individuals. Here are a few of the core activities we offer:

ARCHERY
CLIMBING
LEADERSHIP LAB
HIGH ROPES
BIRTHDAY PARTIES

SEE THE FULL LIST AT:
WWW.EXPLOREBASECAMP.ORG



FALL OPPORTUNITIES

Cub Scout Fall Day Camp



“Fall” in love with this half-day program. Cub Scouts, family and friends can kick off the start of the school year with plenty of fun activities like archery, BB guns, crafts, nature walks, and more!

Dates: Saturdays and Sundays in October 2025

Learn more at: camp.northernstar.org/fall-day-camp

Spooky-Ree Campout



Celebrate the spooky season the right way! We'll scare your socks off while you play games, enjoy sweet treats, or take a hayride through our forest trails – all while learning valuable camp skills. Throw on your costumes and join us for a scary-good weekend!

Dates: Weekends in October 2025

Learn more at: camp.northernstar.org/spooky-ree

Fall Camporees



Show off your Scout skills and team up with fellow troops and crews from across Northern Star Scouting for a weekend of friendly competition at Fall Camporee. Arrow of Light Scouts are encouraged to attend with a participating troop. Each Fall Camporee event is open to all Northern Star Scouts BSA Troops and Venture Crews regardless of district affiliation.

Dates: September 26–28 and October 3–5, 2025

Learn more at: www.northernstar.org/activities

Fall Webelos Action Camp



As Webelos, you'll be participating in stations where you'll challenge yourself and each other “Scouting Style” by learning and using skills that will be needed for future Scouting adventures. You may be timed, required to work as a team, and dared to improve yourself. Accept the challenges for a day of fun and good memories that will last a lifetime!

Dates: October 3–5, 2025



CONNECT WITH NORTHERN STAR SCOUTING

Stay connected with all that's happening within the Council. Go to www.northernstar.org/connect to see all the ways you can customize your email communications to suit your needs.

We're NorthernStarBSA on social media, so give us a follow!





Rent a Camp Facility



Take advantage of the crisp fall air with a refreshing hike and a fantastic view of the night skies. Reserve a campsite or facility at one of our camps.

Fall Special Events: Watch for Shooting Sports and Climbing Tower Days, and Merit Badge Days.

An experience for families – Create your own adventure at one of our family cabins.

Popcorn Sale



“Prepared. For Crunchtime” is Northern Star Scouting’s plan to help your unit have ONE fundraiser this year. Trained Popcorn staff and volunteers will help your unit plan and execute the best and most efficient fundraiser it’s ever had! Not only does 73% of each popcorn sale go back to local Scouting, selling popcorn earns you unique prizes, including special events! In the past, Scouts competed in Lego builds with Lego Masters TV show contestants, met Minnesota Vikings players and earned thousands of dollars in gift cards and prizes! No one recognizes Scouts better than Northern Star Scouting—NO ONE!

Dates: September 19–November 2, 2025

Learn more at: www.buyscoutpopcorn.com



University of Scouting



The University of Scouting (UOS) is a fun-filled, hands-on opportunity to network and learn with hundreds of Scouters. This one-day supplemental training event was created for all Cub Scout, Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scout leaders, plus Scouts BSA, Venturing, or Sea Scout youth regardless of experience.

Dates: October 25, 2025

Learn more at:

www.northernstar.org/training/university-of-scouting

Venturing Urban Adventure



Join us for a social media-fueled scavenger race around the Twin Cities! Create a team, use map reading skills, knowledge of public transportation, smart phones and street smarts to help navigate different way-points around the Twin Cities. Collect clues, take pictures, troubleshoot, and score points along the way!

Teams are made up of both Venturers and their friends!

Date: October 11, 2025

Learn more at:

www.northernstar.org/news/enavigator/about-the-urban-adventure



WINTER OPPORTUNITIES



Rent a Camp Facility



We've got plenty of buildings to keep you warm during our coldest months. Get the full winter experience – Sled, snowshoe and cross country ski across our properties by day and cozy up to a fire by night. Consider renting a cabin for your pack to extend the fun after a day at Polar Cubs!

Winter Special Events: Merit Badge Advancement Days.

An experience for families – Create your own adventure at one of our family cabins.

Klondike Derby



Bundle up and brave the winter weather with this fun Scout skill competition and sled race. Troops and crews from across Northern Star Scouting are welcome to take part. Although centered around Scout skills, the Klondike Derby is an excellent opportunity to introduce younger Scouts BSA and Venturing members to the adventure of outdoor winter activities.

Date: January 24 and February 21, 2026

Beargrease Derby Date: February 28, 2026

Learn more at: www.northernstar.org/activities

Polar Cubs



Polar Cubs shows all the fun camp can provide year round! All Cub Scouts and their families are welcome to enjoy a variety of winter activities including sledding, tubing, winter survival, animal tracking, and more.

Dates: Every Saturday and Sunday, January 10–March 7, 2026

Learn more at: camp.northernstar.org/polar-cubs



Fort Snelling National Cemetery Wreath Clean-up



Started by the legacy Kaposia Chapter of the Totanhan Nakhaha Lodge, the annual Fort Snelling National Cemetery Wreath Clean-up is one of the largest service projects undertaken by Northern Star Scouting each year. Honor the memory of our veterans by removing wreaths and holiday decorations from memorials on the grounds of the Fort Snelling National Cemetery. The event is also open to the public.

Date: February 7, 2026

Learn more at: tnl-oa.org



Scouts BSA Winter Camp



Check out Winter programs at Stearns Scout Camp and Tomahawk Scout Camp! Enjoy an outfitted weekend of winter fun with our trained Snow Base and North Wind Staff. Staying warm is easy when we provide cold weather training, winter clothing, camping equipment, excellent meals, and outdoor activities. Our tiered programs and commitment to innovation ensures fun and new challenges for all experience levels (Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced) every winter.

Dates: Weekends, January 9 – March 1, 2026

Learn more at: camp.northernstar.org/Scouts-BSA



SPRING OPPORTUNITIES

Council Recognition Event



Join us to honor volunteers whose efforts ensure Scouting continues to thrive in our community. At the event, Northern Star Scouting recognizes the annual Silver Beaver class (the highest level of recognition awarded to a volunteer). Recipients are registered Scouters who made a significant impact on the lives of youth through service given to Scouting and the community. The Recognition event recognizes other individual achievements of youth members and volunteer Scouters.

Date: March 28, 2026

Learn more at: www.northernstar.org



Spring Camporee



Show off your Scout skills and team up with fellow troops and crews from across Northern Star Scouting for a week-end of friendly competition. Arrow of Light Scouts are encouraged to attend with a participating troop. This event is open to all districts and will serve as a great opportunity for newly-transitioned Scouts to participate in a pre-Summer camp outdoor camping experience.

Date: May 15-17, 2026

Learn more at www.northernstar.org/activities

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Dates: April 11, 2026

Learn more at:

www.northernstar.org/training/university-of-scouting



Rent a Camp Facility



We've got the cure for cabin fever. Reserve a campsite or facility at our camps to see the great outdoors come alive again! Play a round of disc golf, capture the flag or climb the tower with your unit.

Spring Special Events: Shooting Sports & Climbing Tower Days

An experience for families – Create your own adventure at one of our family facilities.



Scouting for Food



Scouting for Food is a large community service project where Scouts collect items for local food shelves. Scouting groups drop-off labeled door hangers throughout neighborhoods a few days before they plan to pick-up the food, often in late April, then return to collect the food and deliver to our local food shelves.

Learn more at: www.northernstar.org/activities



SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES

Cub Scout Summer Camp



An all-inclusive camp experience for Cub Scouts and siblings entering Grades 1-4 in the fall. We provide housing, meals, and an awesome program full of activities. Our staff will guide you throughout the entire weekend! Just come prepared to have a great time with your Scout!

Dates: Weekends June 19–August 16, 2026

Learn more at: camp.northernstar.org/cub-scout-summer-camp

Discovery Day Camp



Discovery Day Camp is a weeklong program (5 days) open to all youth in Kindergarten through 5th grade. Take part in activities such as swimming, hiking, climbing, archery, STEM activities, outdoor skills, crafts, and more! Everything will be age-appropriate and guided by our well trained and enthusiastic staff. With multiple sessions offered at a variety of locations you are sure to find something that will fit your busy schedule! Activities vary by location. Heads up: This is a Community Camp with lots of fun activities, but does not include Scouting advancement.

Dates: June–August, 2026

Learn more at: camp.northernstar.org/discovery-day-camp



Arrow of Light Summer Camp



Arrow of Light Summer camp at Tomahawk is a great step before transitioning into Scouts BSA. Designed for Scouts entering 5th Grade in the fall, this 3-day, 3-night program is an awesome opportunity for Scouts to work on Arrow of Light requirements. Additionally, check out the Arrow of Light Outpost option, which gives Arrow of Light Scouts an extra night at camp!

Dates: Sessions available June 19–August 10, 2026

Learn more at: camp.northernstar.org/arrow-of-light-camp

Stearns Family Campground



Experience our newest family vacation opportunity where you can stay in a fully furnished yurt, cabin or in your own tent. Choose your length of stay and take full advantage of the property's self-serve amenities for activities like exploring, hiking, biking, and boating. Adventures for the ENTIRE family await!

Dates: June, July, August, 2026

Learn more at: camp.northernstar.org/family-camp



Many Point Scout Camp



Since 1946, Many Point's signature red lantern has burned brightly on the shores of Many Point Lake. Scouts can take part in traditional activities like swimming, canoeing, rowing, orienteering, lashing, and shooting. But as times change, adaptable Scouts learn to change with them! We now have a huge fleet of Sunfish sailboats, six climbing towers, ATV training programs, several 25' aqua trampolines, two Huck Finn rafts, jet skis, kayaks, two treehouse villages, and a NEW robotics program. Experience them all for yourself at Many Point! Programs for your troop and individual Scouts are available!

Dates: Week-long sessions, June 21–August 15, 2026

Learn more at: www.manypoint.org

Tomahawk Scout Camp



Since 1953, Tomahawk Scout Camp has been a summer highlight for Scouts. Camp participants can choose from 50+ merit badges and an array of high-energy programs. Traditional opportunities include swimming, boating, Scoutcraft skills and shooting sports. Special opportunities like horseback riding, ATV training, single track mountain biking, high ropes course, whitewater kayaking, STEM and trades vocational training entice even the most experienced of Scouts! Programs for your troop and individual Scouts are available!

Dates: Week-long sessions, June 21–August 15, 2026

Learn more at: www.camptomahawk.org

Family Camps: Resort-Style Programming



We are your fun-filled family vacation destination. Experience Scouting's best at our full-service family camps. Be as active or relaxed as you desire. Cabin, RV and tent site rentals available for full weeks. Choose from a long list of activities facilitated by experienced staff.

Dates: June 21–August 15, 2026

Learn more at: camp.northernstar.org/family-rentals



TRAINING

YOUTH

University of Scouting



Scouts BSA and Venturing Youth Leadership College at University of Scouting focuses on educating new youth leaders on the tips and tricks to be successful in their leadership role. Youth select the classes they'd like to take and learn skills throughout the day on communication, planning and serving others.

Dates: October 25, 2025 and April 11, 2026

Learn more at: www.northernstar.org/Training

Grey Wolf



Grey Wolf is Northern Star Scouting's National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT). A one-week program for Scouts and Venturers held in June and July at Camp Horace Johnson and Andersen Scout Camp, it replicates the first three weeks of typical unit operations— patrol leader's council meetings, troop/crew meetings, patrol meetings, and planning for a big event.

Becoming a better leader is the theme, but many aspects apply to daily life. Scoutmasters, Crew Advisors, and Skippers nominate youth to attend this training.

Dates: One Week Sessions held in June–July

Learn more at: www.northernstar.org/Training

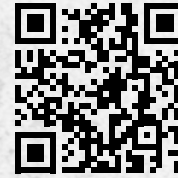
Hazardous Weather Training

All “direct contact” leaders are required to take Scouting America's Hazardous Weather Training to be considered fully trained in their position and renew the training every two years. “Direct Contact Leaders” are: Cubmaster, Assistant Cubmaster, Den Leader, Assistant Den Leader, Tiger Den Leader, Webelos Den Leader, Assistant Webelos Den Leader, Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster, Advisor, Associate Advisor, Skipper, Mate.

Hazardous Weather Training is available at any time at my.Scouting.org.

ADULTS

Northernstar.org/Training is your destination for information about training for youth and adults alike. Scan the QR code below for information on all training opportunities and to start your training journey!



northernstar.org/training

Youth Protection Training

Youth Protection Training (YPT) is required to register as a leader and must be renewed every two years. This protects children in Scouting and the community, adult leaders and the organization by maintaining high vigilance and learning to Recognize, Respond and Report suspected abuse or policy breaches.

Training is completed online at: my.scouting.org

Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO) for Cub Scout Leaders

BALOO is a combination of an online and instructor-led course of camping policies and procedures, taught with the tools to help packs conduct a successful camping experience. Completion is mandatory for at least one adult on a pack overnighiter. We provide several opportunities annually.

College of Commissioner Service

The College of Commissioner Service (CCS) is a day-long annual training and sharing event designed to help our unit service commissioners grow in their role and expand their knowledge of practices to serve their pack, troop, or crew.

Intro to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS)

Required for Assistant Scoutmasters and Scoutmasters to be considered trained. This hands-on course provides adult leaders with the practical outdoor skills they need to lead Scouts in the outdoors. IOLS is offered throughout the year.

Wood Badge

Wood Badge is Scouting's most advanced training course focused on leadership, personal, and team development. Wood Badge has provided the ultimate training for thousands of leaders around the world.

University of Scouting

This is a fun-filled, hands-on opportunity to network and learn with hundreds of fellow Scouters. With over 50 training sessions to choose from, this one-day supplemental training event is for leaders of all Scouting programs regardless of experience (programs for youth leaders as well).

University of Scouting Extension Classes

These online training classes allow you to fit in a U of S learning session into your busy schedule! All volunteers can benefit from the classes we provide. We're always adding classes, so check our website periodically!

OTHER AWARDS & ACTIVITIES

Diversity Award

Available for Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturers, and adults, the Northern Star Scouting Diversity Award was developed in 2005 to strengthen inclusiveness and create cultural awareness and understanding. The award is a great opportunity for units to build a program where Scouts and Scouters can work together in a collaborative learning environment. Requirements are program-specific, and include elements of research, participation, and recognition.

Visit www.northernstar.org and search for “Diversity Award.”

Historic Trails

Councils across the country maintain Historic Trails in order to bring appreciation for the ideals, principles, traditions, and history that have made our communities and country what they are today. Northern Star Scouting supports three trails: Fort Snelling, 1862 U.S.-Dakota War, and L'Étoile du Nord.

Learn more at: www.northernstar.org/training.

Duke of Edinburgh Award

Are you a Scout looking for more challenges and international recognition? Look no further, because the Duke of Edinburgh Award has everything you need! The award is an exciting self-development program available to all young people age 14–24. Participants can create their award program with any combination of clubs, sports teams, after-school programs, local youth centers, or commercial vendors.

Learn more at: www.northernstar.org and search for “Duke.”

Religious Emblems

To encourage members to grow stronger in their faith, many religious groups have created specialized programs for Cubs, Scouts BSA and Venturers. Additional information can be found on the Religious Emblems Page of the National BSA website: www.scouting.org/awards/religious-award.

Information for Catholic Scouters can be found on www.northernstar.org, search for the keyword “Catholic.”



Awards Central

Recognition of achievement is a critical component of the Scouting program. There are numerous awards and recognitions available for youth and adults to earn for a wide variety of outdoor, service, and skill related pursuits. To help navigate the opportunities available, Scouting America maintains the Awards Central webpage. It contains the most up-to-date information – including applications and nomination forms.

Detailed information on youth awards and recognitions from the Boardsailing Award to the World Conservation Award are listed in an easy to navigate alphabetical listing. The Awards Central webpage also lists adult training awards and recognitions. To find out more about opportunities for the Scouts and leaders in your unit, visit:

Scouting.org/awards/awards-central

STEM Program

The STEM Awards program incorporates learning with cool activities and exposure to science, technology, engineering and mathematics for Cub Scouts, Scouts, Venturers, and Sea Scouts. The hope is that the requirements and activities for earning these awards stimulates interest in STEM-related fields and shows how STEM topics apply to everyday living and the world around them. Volunteers help bring this engaging, contemporary, and fun program to life for youth members.

Learn more at: www.northernstar.org/activities



OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

Recruitment Help

Looking for ways to grow your unit? Scouting is even more fun with friends! The Northern Star Membership committee is dedicated to helping you bring new Scouts and families into your program. Available resources include training videos, best practices, and promotional materials.

Go to www.GoScouting.org for access to recruitment tools, including promotional materials.



Handouts, yard signs, posters, and promotional materials are available to help you promote your unit at a community event, parade or school open house. Order materials through the Pack Leader Info section of GoScouting.org, your District Executive, or stop by a Scout Office.

Exploring



Exploring is a Career Exploration Program for young men and young women, ages 14-21! Our most popular programs are in the fields of Law Enforcement and Fire/Rescue. Other current posts include: Engineering, Medicine, Aviation, Trades, and Exploring Club. Future post: Arts & Humanities. We currently serve 60 Posts and approximately 1,000 youth.

Learn more at: explorenow.org



Uniforms



Uniform Exchange

Looking for an economical way to outfit your Scouts? Check out the Uniform Exchange program where you can find uniform shirts, pants, shorts, neckerchiefs, patches, socks, belts and hats at nominal prices. Thanks to the generosity of our donors, families who can't afford any portion of the cost of a uniform can receive one at no charge. Looking to pass on outgrown uniforms? Bring them to the Leadership Center and we'll get it in the hands of a Scout who needs one!

Location: 6202 Bloomington Road, Fort Snelling, MN 55111

northernstar.org/news/enavigator/about-uniform-exchange

ORDER OF THE ARROW

The Order of the Arrow (OA) recognizes Scouts and Scouters who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives. Members maintain camping traditions and spirit, promoting year-round and long-term resident camping, and provide cheerful service to others. OA service, activities, adventures, and training for youth and adults are examples of quality leadership development and programming that enrich and help to further Scouting opportunities for youth.

In Northern Star Scouting, the OA program is facilitated by the Totanhan Nakaha Lodge. Our lodge has been active in the community since 1924 and offers program year-round. Go to our website (tnl-oa.org) for more info, our event calendar, and event registrations.

2025 Section Conclave

Annual conclave that includes all six lodges that make-up Section G-11. The host lodge rotates on a yearly basis, with the 2025 event to be hosted by Totanhan Nakaha Lodge and held at Northern Tier High Adventure Base in Ely, Minnesota on September 5-7, 2025.

2025 Fellowships

Fellowship is a value of the Order of the Arrow, just like Service and Leadership. Totanhan Nakaha Lodge hosts Fellowship events for all Order of the Arrow members throughout the year. Local Chapters may have additional events. Visit tnl-oa.org for information about upcoming events.



ADVENTURE CLASSROOM

“What if we could bring Base Camp directly to a school?”

This question prompted a Northern Star experiment that’s now a full-blown program. Adventure Classroom is an opportunity for Northern Star staff to deliver Scouting-based programming in a school setting — a “field trip without the bus ride.”

In 2024, over 1000 youth experienced nature hikes, teambuilding games and mobile archery as part of our Adventure Classroom pilot. Participants are also given information about local Cub Scout opportunities.

If you think your school would be a good fit for Adventure Classroom, contact:

Tim Schmiesing at tschmiesing@northernstar.org
or Deb Lerdon at dlerdon@northernstar.org



SUSTAINABLE SCOUTING

Workplace Giving/Matches

Did you know that you can increase the power of your donations and volunteer hours through workplace giving? From donation matching to “Dollars for Doers” and direct pledges, you can help Scouting flourish! Check with your company’s human resources department, or search our matching gifts database at www.northernstar.org/give

Annual Fundraising Campaign

The Annual Fundraising Campaign is Scouting’s largest source of funding. Businesses, community organizations, alumni, parents and the general public contribute to ensure young people can benefit from a Scouting experience. Gifts can be of any size consisting of cash, securities, or even goods and services.

Learn more at www.northernstar.org/give

James E. West Fellowship

Leave a legacy in Scouting by contributing to a James E. West Fellowship Award, which recognizes individuals who contribute \$1,000 or more to Northern Star Scouting’s Endowment Fund. Donors may make a gift in their own name or in honor of someone else with the award. The James West Fellowship is designed to be in addition to, rather than a replacement for, a donor’s gift to the Annual Fundraising Campaign.

Learn more at www.northernstar.org/give

Tributes

A gift to the Tribute Fund is a way to recognize a special occasion or person. All tribute gifts are placed in the Northern Star Trust as a source of support for Northern Star Scouting, unless the donor designates a specific purpose.

Learn more at: www.northernstar.org/give

Popcorn Sale

Taking part in the annual popcorn sale is a win-win for Scouting. Last year Scouts earned over 1.6 MILLION dollars for camping experiences and unit activities, with support for Northern Star Scouting as well.

Learn more at: www.buyscoutpopcorn.com

Annual Registration Fee

The annual registration fee covers the costs of delivering Scouting locally, the national membership fee, and insurance. It provides sustainable funding for high-quality programs, and is designed so that no one will be turned away. The online process ensures quick and confidential access to scholarship assistance for families that need it.

Learn more at: www.northernstar.org/registration

VOLUNTEERING

Council/District Committees

Join more than 900 other volunteer adults who help administer and run Scouting beyond the unit level. Volunteers provide direction and support in areas including activities, camping, technology, communications, marketing, training, fund-raising, advancement, unit service, membership and much more. There’s likely to be a need and a fit for your skills and interests. Council Committees are always actively seeking volunteers.

Visit www.northernstar.org/districts or call 612-261-2300.

Join The Campmaster Team!

Do you have a love of the outdoors and want to make camp a fun and enjoyable place for all? Become a campmaster! Campmasters are volunteer camp hosts who assist our camp ranger with supporting rental groups each weekend. Overnight accommodations provided.

Learn more by contacting: camping@northernstar.org.

Merit Badge Counselors

Share your knowledge with Scouts! Merit badge counselors teach a variety of skills on over 130 topics from American Business to Woodworking, covering hobby and career interests. All must register with the BSA and be approved by the Council Advancement Committee. Training is provided.

Learn more at: www.northernstar.org/news/enavigator/about-being-a-merit-badge-counselor

Join the 39ers!

Would you like to help Scouting in an office environment? Since 1970, the 39ers have gathered to donate their time on projects for Northern Star Scouting. They’ve been integral in assembling program kits, sorting materials for distribution, preparing large mailings and more! Volunteers receive a t-shirt & a great lunch!

Learn more by contacting: info@northernstar.org

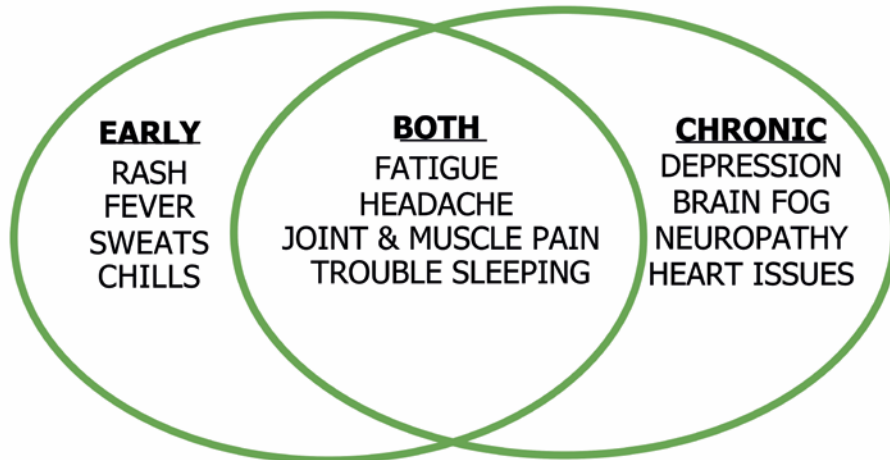


Did you know one tick bite can cause **LYME DISEASE?**

LYME DISEASE PREVENTION

- Use PERMETHRIN on your clothing, boots and gear. DO NOT USE ON YOUR SKIN.
- Consider using insect repellents with 20% PICARIDIN or 30% DEET on your skin.
- Check yourself, children, and animals for ticks.
- Stay in the center of hiking and biking trails.
- Avoid long grass, brush, or leaf litter.
- Don't sit on fallen logs.

LYME DISEASE SYMPTOMS



LYME DISEASE QUICK FACTS

476,000

ESTIMATED ANNUAL CASES OF LYME DISEASE IN THE U.S.
That's more than hepatitis, HIV, colon cancer, or breast cancer.

\$24K

ESTIMATED ANNUAL COST PER PATIENT WITH CHRONIC LYME
(Not typically covered by insurance)

1 TICK – MANY DISEASES



- Borreliosis/Lyme
- Rocky Mtn. Spotted Fever
- Borrelia Miyamotoi
- Borrelia Mayonii
- Powassan Virus
- Babesiosis
- Tularemia
- Ehrlichiosis
- Anaplasmosis
- Bartonella



For more information, visit
MNlyme.org
Minnesota Lyme Association

bor-ing an adjective that does not describe your Scout Troop!

FIELD TRIP ADVENTURES

Discover Adventurous Field Trips, & Educational Activities for your Troop at fieldtripadventures.com



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

SCOUT NIGHTS
COMING IN 2025/2026



SCAN FOR MORE INFORMATION!!

PLEASE EMAIL DEBES011@UMN.EDU WITH ANY QUESTIONS



PLAY LIKE A PRO AND JOIN A

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SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER NOW →



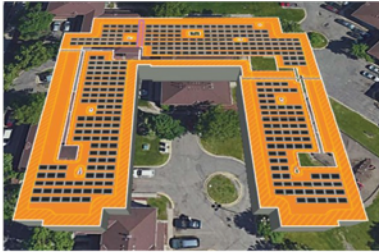
Explore the state in an afternoon with your Scout group

Travel the Minnesota landscape through our world-renowned wildlife dioramas, get hands-on in the Touch and See Lab, earn your space badge in a fun scavenger hunt through the Bell Museum's *Life in the Universe* space exhibit.



Learn more at: bellmuseum.umn.edu/Scouts





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