

Gathering Waters District & Bay-Lakes Council 2022-2023 Events

To access all scheduled events, please visit this link <https://baylakesbsa.org/calendar/>

District Commissioner/Committee Meeting

Thursday, 9/8/22, from 6:00-6:45 PM, at Fox Valley Technical College/FVTC (1825 N. Bluemound Dr., Appleton), Room F108 near entrance #3 (East parking lot).

District Roundtable Meeting

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Scout FIRE Family Event (Formerly Mom & Scout)

9/9/22-9/11/22, at Camp Rokilio. Event is for all ages. For more information [Click Here](#).

Volunteer Popcorn Sorting Day help needed

Thursday, 9/15/22, from 9:00 AM-3:00 PM. [Click Here](#) to sign up.

Volunteer Popcorn Distribution help needed

Friday, 9/16/22, from 2:00-7:00 PM. [Click Here](#) to sign up.

Popcorn Show & Sell Distribution Pick-up Day

Friday, 9/16/22, from 3:00-7:00 PM. New location at the WSI warehouse building, 1160 N. Mayflower Dr. in Appleton, Door #1. [Click Here](#) to sign up for a time slot.

OA Section Conclave

9/16/22-9/18/22, at Camp Tesomas. For more info and to register [Click Here](#).

Fall Whitewater Weekend (Scouts BSA/Venturing/Sea Scouts)

9/16/22-9/18/22, at Gardner Dam Scout Camp. For more information [Click Here](#).

Wood Badge Weekend 2 (Adult leadership training)

9/24/22-9/25/22, at Gardner Dam Scout Camp. For more information on Wood Badge [Click Here](#).

Popcorn Open Warehouse

Tuesday, 9/27/22, from 12:00-3:00 PM. New location is at the WSI warehouse building, 1160 N. Mayflower Dr. in Appleton, Door #1.

OA Fall Conference

9/30/22-10/2/22, at Bear Paw Scout Camp. For more info and to register [Click Here](#).

Volunteer Popcorn Mid-Sale Sort help

Thursday, 10/6/22, from 1:00-4:00 PM. [Click Here](#) to sign up.

Popcorn Mid-Sale Distribution Pick Up

Friday, 10/7/22, from 3:00-7:00 PM. New location at the WSI warehouse building, 1160 N. Mayflower Dr. in Appleton, Door #1. [Click Here](#) to sign up.

STEMpede (All ages)

10/7/22-10/9/22, at Bear Paw Scout Camp. For more info [Click Here](#).

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District Fall Camporee (Scouts BSA/Venturers)

10/14/22-10/16/22 at Gardner Dam Scout Camp. [Click Here](#) for more information.

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS) Training

10/15/22-10/16/22 at Gardner Dam Scout Camp. For more information and to register to attend [Click Here.](#)

Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO) training

10/15/22-10/16/22, at Camp Rokilio. For more info and to register [Click Here.](#)

Popcorn Open Warehouse

Monday, 10/17/22, from 12:00-3:00 PM, new location is at the WSI warehouse building, 1160 N. Mayflower Dr. in Appleton, Door #1.

BLC Golden Eagle Fundraiser with Packer RB Aaron Jones

Tuesday, 10/18/22, from 5:30-8:30 PM, at Lambeau Field. For info on becoming a sponsor, or to attend, [Click Here.](#)

Autumn Blast (Cub Scouts)

Saturday, 10/22/22, from 9:00 AM-3:30 PM, at Camp Rokilio. For more info [Click Here.](#)

Popcorn Sales Ends (Last day to sell)

Sunday, 10/23/22

Popcorn Returns Night

Tuesday, 10/25/22, from 3:00-7:00 PM. Sign up Genius will be sent to popcorn kernels, new location at the WSI warehouse building, 1160 N. Mayflower Dr. in Appleton, Door #1.

District Commissioner/Committee Meeting

Thursday, 11/10/22, from 6:00-6:45 PM, at Fox Valley Technical College/FVTC (1825 N. Bluemound Dr., Appleton), Room F108 near entrance #3 (East parking lot).

District Roundtable Meeting

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Webelos Pin Day/Meet the Troops

Saturday, 11/12/22, at Fox Valley Technical College in Appleton, Adult leader training and Den Chief training will be offered, along with a selection of Pins that Webelos can earn.

OA Lodge Leadership Development Event

11/11/22-11/13/22 at Gardner Dam Scout Camp. For more info and to register [Click Here.](#)

Popcorn Take Order Distribution

Friday, 11/18/22, from 3:00-7:00 PM. Sign-up Genius will be sent to popcorn kernels, new location at the WSI warehouse building, 1160 N. Mayflower Dr. in Appleton, Door #1.

District Commissioner/Committee Meeting

Thursday, 12/8/22, from 6:00-6:45 PM, at Fox Valley Technical College/FVTC (1825 N. Bluemound Dr., Appleton), Room F108 near entrance #3 (East parking lot).

District Roundtable Meeting

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Popcorn Late Order Distribution

Friday, 12/9/22. Sign-up Genius will be sent to popcorn kernels, new location at the WSI warehouse building, 1160 N. Mayflower Dr. in Appleton, Door #1.

Friends of Scouting (FOS) Unit Campaign Training (For all Unit Leaders)

Tuesday, 1/10/23, from 6:30-7:30 PM. [Click Here](#) for the Zoom link.

District Commissioner/Committee Meeting

Thursday, 1/12/23, from 6:00-6:45 PM, at Fox Valley Technical College/FVTC (1825 N. Bluemound Dr., Appleton), Room F108 near entrance #3 (East parking lot).

District Roundtable Meeting

Thursday, 1/12/23, at 6:45 PM, at Fox Valley Technical College/FVTC (1825 N. Bluemound Dr., Appleton), Room F108 near entrance #3 (East Parking lot). Will be on the second Thursday of the month from Sept-May. For all Unit Leaders, Committee Chairs & Commissioners. All Order of the Arrow youth members will meet at 6:45 PM in F108 then breakout into G141.

District Klondike Derby (Webelos, Scouts BSA, Venturing)

Saturday, 1/28/23, from 8:00 AM-4:00 PM, at Rockledge Park in Seymour. For more information [Click Here.](#)

Pinewood Derby Car Cut Day (Cub Scouts/Webelos)

Saturday, 1/28/23, times will vary from **10:00 AM-2:00 PM.** Held at Bay-Lakes Scout Shop in Appleton. Call to reserve your spot for your car to be cut at (920) 831-9504.

District Commissioner/Committee Meeting

Thursday, 2/9/23, from 6:00-6:45 PM, at Fox Valley Technical College/FVTC (1825 N. Bluemound Dr., Appleton), Room F108 near entrance #3 (East parking lot).

District Roundtable Meeting

Thursday, 2/9/23, at 6:45 PM, at Fox Valley Technical College/FVTC (1825 N. Bluemound Dr., Appleton), room F108 near entrance #3 (East Parking lot). Will be on the second Thursday of the month from Sept.-May. For all Unit Leaders, Committee Chairs & Commissioners. All Order of the Arrow youth members will meet at 6:45 PM in F108 then breakout into G141.

Arctic Adventure (Scouts BSA/Venturers)

2/3-5/23; 2/17-19/23; 3/3-5/23, at Gardner Dam Scout Camp.

Polar Cubs (Cub Scouts)

2/10-12/23 & 2/24-26/23, at Gardner Dam Scout Camp.

Scout Sunday

Sunday, 2/5/23. Plan your Scout reverence service with your local church.

Winter Amidships (Scouts BSA/Venturers)

Saturday, 2/25/23, at the National Guard in Fond du Lac.

District Commissioner/Committee Meeting

Thursday, 3/9/23, from 6:00-6:45 PM, at Fox Valley Technical College/FVTC (1825 N. Bluemound Dr., Appleton), Room F108 near entrance #3 (East parking lot).

District Roundtable Meeting

Thursday, 3/9/23, at 6:45 PM, at Fox Valley Technical College/FVTC (1825 N. Bluemound Dr., Appleton), Room F108 near entrance #3 (East Parking lot). Will be on the second Thursday of the month from Sept.-May. For all Unit Leaders, Committee Chairs & Commissioners. All Order of the Arrow youth members will meet at 6:45 PM in F108 then breakout into G141.

Pi Day (All ages)

Saturday, 3/11/23, from 7:00 AM-5:00 PM, at NWTC Green Bay Campus, for more info [Click Here.](#)

Maple Syrup Open House (All ages)

Saturday, 3/18/23, at Bear Paw Scout Camp. For more info [Click Here.](#)

Maple Syrup Days (Scouts BSA/Venturing)

3/25/23 and 4/1/23 at Bear Paw Scout Camp.

District Commissioner/Committee Meeting

Thursday, 4/13/23, from 6:00-6:45 PM, at Fox Valley Technical College/FVTC (1825 N. Bluemound Dr., Appleton), Room F108 near entrance #3 (East parking lot).

District Roundtable Meeting

Thursday, 4/13/23, at 6:45 PM, at Fox Valley Technical College/FVTC (1825 N. Bluemound Dr., Appleton), Room F108 near entrance #3 (East Parking lot). Will be on the second Thursday of the month from Sept.-May. For all Unit Leaders, Committee Chairs & Commissioners. All Order of the Arrow youth members will meet at 6:45 PM in F108 then breakout into G141.

Scouting for Food Drive (Drop off hangers in your neighborhoods)

4/15/23 or 4/16/23

Scouting for Food Pick-up

Saturday, 4/22/23, from 9:00-11:30 AM. Drop off your food collections to pantries by Noon.

Bay-Lakes Council Convention

4/28/23-4/30/23. (Date is tentative and venue is TBD.)

Council Spring Camporee

5/5/23-5/7/23, at Camp Rokilio. (Dates are tentative and we need a chairperson to run it.)

District Commissioner/Committee Meeting

Thursday, 5/11/23, from 6:00-6:45 PM, at Fox Valley Technical College/FVTC (1825 N. Bluemound Dr., Appleton), Room F108 near entrance #3 (East parking lot).

District Roundtable/Program Kickoff Meeting

Thursday, 5/11/23, at 6:45 PM, at Fox Valley Technical College/FVTC (1825 N. Bluemound Dr., Appleton), Room F108 near entrance #3 (East Parking lot). Will be on the second Thursday of the month from Sept.-May. For all Unit Leaders, Committee Chairs & Commissioners. All Order of the Arrow youth members will meet at 6:45 PM in F108 then to G141.

Merit Badge Workshop and ATV Riding Program (Scouts BSA)

Saturday, 5/13/23, at Bear Paw Scout Camp.

Webelos Adventure Weekend (Bears/Webelos I & II)

5/19/23-5/21/23, at Camp Rokilio.

Rokilio Experience (Cub Scouts)

Saturday, 5/20/23, from 8:00 AM-3:30 PM, at Camp Rokilio.

Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO) Training

5/20/23-5/21/23, at Camp Rokilio.

Spring Whitewater Weekend (Scouts BSA/Venturers)

5/19/23-5/21/23, at Gardner Dam Scout Camp.

Beyond the Basics, Packs & Trails: Introduction to Backpacking (Scouts BSA, Venturers, Adult Leaders)

5/19/23-5/21/23, at Kettle Moraine Northern Unit, Greenbush Group Camps, for more info [Click Here.](#)

District Leader Awards & Eagle Scout/Summit Award Recognition Picnic

TBD on date and venue.

Life to Eagle Seminar (Scouts BSA)

Saturday, 2/11/23, from 9:00-11:00 AM, at Fox Valley Technical College. **More details to come.**

Flag Laying (All ages)

Thursday, 5/25/23, from 4:00-6:00 PM, at Highland Memorial Park Cemetery in Appleton. Register with Heather at (920) 733-6505. Leave a message with anyone, know how many are coming, and if they are Cub Scout or Scouts BSA. Looking to lay 5,000 flags on Veteran's gravestones.

OA Spring Conference

6/2/23-6/4/23, at both Bear Paw Scout Camp and Camp Rokilio.

OA Spring Conference

6/9/23-6/11/23, at both Gardner Dam Scout Camp and Camp Hiawatha.

NYLT (National Youth Leadership Training)

6/18/23-6/23/23, at Camp Hiawatha. For more info [Click Here.](#)

Philmont Council Contingent Trip

7/15/23-7/29/23. For more information and to register [Click Here.](#)

National Jamboree

7/19/23-7/28/23, at The Summit Bechtel National Scout Reserve in West Virginia. To register to attend [Click Here.](#) For more info [Click Here.](#)

NYLT Pack & Paddle

8/5/23-8/12/23, at Camp Hiawatha. For more info [Click Here.](#)

Wood Badge Weekend 1

8/11/23-8/13/23, at Camp Rokilio.

Wood Badge Weekend 2

9/9/23-9/10/23, at Gardner Dam Scout Camp.

Scout FIRE Family Event (Cub Scouts)
8/25/23-8/27/23, at Camp Rokilio.

Bay-Lakes Scout Fest (All ages)
9/29/23-10/1/23, at Bear Paw Scout Camp. This event will take the place of the District Fall Camporee we normally have.

For all Kon Wapos Order of the Arrow Lodge information and event dates, [Click Here](#).

For all Bay-Lakes Council Summer Camp dates and costs, [Click Here](#).

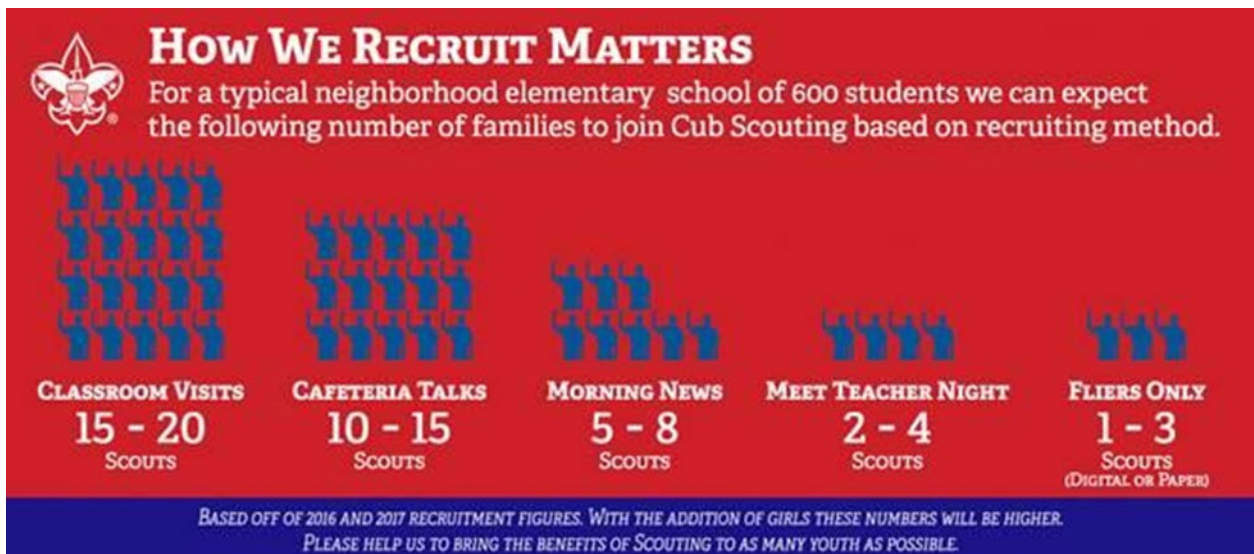
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For the most up-to-date 2022 and 2023 BLC Program Calendar [Click Here](#).

Make sure to review the registration links in the calendar above for updated information as the dates get closer to the event. Information could be added/changed in the registration links as the year progresses forward.

Check out the **BLC Summer Camp Promotion Videos** in the links below!

- [Bear Paw Scout Camp Video](#)
- [Camp Hiawatha Video](#)
- [Gardner Dam Webelos Adventure Base Video](#)
- [Camp Rokilio Cub Scout Camp Video](#)



Unit Commissioners Needed!

Attention all current and former Scout leaders:

Our District Commissioner, Brendan Marston is looking for current or retired Scout Leaders, to be District Unit Commissioners. We have around 20 Commissioners right now and we need at least another 20 to help cover the Unit's that do not have a Commissioner at this time. If you would like more information on this role, here is the contact information for Brendan.

Brendan Marston's contact info is marston322@gmail.com or 920-858-0984.

Below is a description of the position and if you are interested or know of someone that is, please let Brendan know. We would love to add more great leaders to the District team! A Unit Commissioner is a great position for an adult leader that is transitioning between a Pack and a Troop, who does not yet have a role to fill in the Troop level. This role is also a good fit for someone that is retired from Scouting and is looking to advise a Unit in their spare time.

Roles the Unit Commissioner Plays: A commissioner plays several roles, including friend, representative, unit "doctor," teacher, and counselor.

The commissioner is a **friend** of the unit. Of all their roles, this one is the most important. It springs from the attitude, "I care, I am here to help, what can I do for you?" Caring is the ingredient that makes commissioner service successful. He or she is an advocate of unit needs. Commissioners who make themselves known and accepted now will be called on in future times of trouble.

The commissioner is a **representative**. The average unit leader is totally occupied in working with kids. Some have little if any contact with the Boy Scouts of America other than a commissioner's visit to their meeting. To them, the commissioner may be the BSA. The commissioner helps represent the ideals, the principles, and the policies of the Scouting movement.

The commissioner is a unit **"doctor."** In their role as "doctor," they know that prevention is better than a cure, so they try to see that their units make good "health practices" a way of life. When problems arise, and they will even in the best unit, they act quickly. They observe symptoms, diagnose the real ailment, prescribe a remedy, and follow up on the patient.

The commissioner is a **teacher**. As a commissioner, they will have a wonderful opportunity to participate in the growth of unit leaders by sharing knowledge with them. They teach not just in an academic environment, but where it counts most—as an immediate response to a need to know. That is the best adult learning situation since the lesson is instantly reinforced by practical application of the new knowledge.

The commissioner is a **counselor**. As a Scouting counselor, they will help units solve their own problems. Counseling is the best role when unit leaders don't recognize a problem and where solutions are not clear-cut. Everyone needs counseling from time to time, even experienced leaders.

How are commissioners selected? **Unit Commissioners** are appointed by the District Commissioner, with the approval of the council executive board. Unit Commissioners should have excellent people skills, have a Scouting background, and know and practice Scouting ideals. If you are interested or know of someone who would be willing to help, please contact Brendan Marston or your District Executive today!

Anyone with a servant's heart who represents the values of the Scout Oath and Law and reflects the communities our units serve is a candidate to be a commissioner; we can train willing volunteers who meet these standards to serve units.

