Alamo Area Council
TOTALLY EPIC MUST SEE
SUMMER CATALOG

2023 EVENTS

With summer coming soon, I thought you'd want to check out what is happening.
Hey you,
We've got the perfect job for you this summer! Let us know you're interested:

Bear Creek Scout Camp
https://form.jotform.com/2219877257111

Cub Scout Day Camp
https://form.jotform.com/223045416887158
**KINDER & 1ST GRADE**

**IT’S YOUR TURN FOR ADVENTURE**

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**TIGER DAY CAMP**

**June 10-11, 9:00am - 3:00pm**

McGimsey Scout Park

Must bring parent

Join us for two days of outdoor Cub Scout fun: swimming, hiking, visits to the BB and Archery ranges, games, and crafts. You and your parents will also learn more about being a Cub Scout, so please bring your questions.

**Registration Details:**

https://mycouncil.alamoareaabsa.org/Event/13258

Before April 30: $60/Scout
With a minimum $30.00 down payment*

May 1: $70/Scout

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**EVENING WITH LIONS**

**Saturday, June 10, 4:00pm - 8:00pm**

McGimsey Scout Park

This event is for newly recruited Lion Scouts and their parents. Lions are Cub Scouts entering Kindergarten in Fall of 2023. Bring your swim suits and sense of adventure!

**Registration Details:**

https://mycouncil.alamoareaabsa.org/Event/13262

$25/Scout or participating sibling

$10/Parent Partner

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**Calling all new Tigers! Tigers are Cub Scouts who will be entering the First Grade in the Fall of 2023**

June 5 - 8
Monday starts at 12:00pm
Tu-Fr 8:30am - 3:30pm
Comal Park

With 116-acres to play and discover, Comal Park is a beautiful place to attend camp. Get ready for fun! This exciting in-person Day Camp is open to all Cub Scouts entering grades 1-5 who are ready for an outdoor adventure.

What do you get when you combine STEM and day camp? FUN!! Come join us for outdoor adventures that include shooting sports, crafts, games, experiments and lots of fun! Of course there will be BBs, archery, lake swimming, crafts, and lots of fun!

Registration Details:
https://mycouncil.alamoareabsa.org/Event/13308
Before April 30: $115/Scout with a minimum $57.50 down payment*
May 1: $125/Scout

This camp has a ME-TOO program for younger siblings at $10/Sibling per day.
McGimsey Scout Park is a 140-acre camp in North San Antonio. For three separate weeks, Cub Scouts entering 1st through the 5th grade in the fall of 2023 will explore the world of S.T.E.M...

...there will be new experiments, new adventures... EACH WEEK!

Each week of Cub Scout Day Camp includes swimming in the pool, playing games, making crafts, learning Scouting skills, and having a great time doing it! Scouts will also earn their rank specific Shooting Sports patch in archery and BB gun.

Registration Details:
Before April 30: $170/Scout with a minimum $85 down payment*
May 1: $185/Scout

*This registration offers a deposit to reserve your spot through April 30, 2022. Deposits are non-refundable and remaining payments must be made by May 1st online.

After Camp Care until 6pm available for an additional fee.
After Camp Swim Lessons until 4pm for an additional fee.
Campers needing both After-Camp Care, and wanting Swim Lessons must pay full-rate for both, no exceptions.
There are a limited number of Swim Lesson spots, so sign up early to secure your Scout’s spot.

WEEK 1
JUNE 12-16
8AM - 3PM

WEEK 2
JUNE 19-23
8AM - 3PM

WEEK 3
TWILIGHT CAMP
JUNE 26-30
2-9PM
Summer Swim Lessons
July 3-7
McGimsey Scout Park
Sessions at 9, 10, or 11 am

The Swim Lessons Program provides instruction to develop youth swimming and water safety skills. The objective is to not only teach Scouts how to swim; but to be safe in, on, and around the water.

Registration Details:
https://mycouncil.alamoareabsa.org/Event/13754
$75/Scout ages 5+

GET YOUR SWIM CHECK DONE AT THE McGIMSEY SCOUT PARK POOL BEFORE CAMP

The swim classification of individuals participating in a Boy Scouts of America activity is a key element in both Safe Swim Defense and Safety Afloat.

The swim classification tests should be renewed annually, preferably at the beginning of each outdoor season. Swim Tests are required for any Scout attending a BSA Camp who plan on participating in water activities.

Additionally, passing the swim test is a requirement for First Class Rank.

Registration Details:
See Council Calendar for Dates
$7.50/Scout or adult
Non-refundable

POOL Rentals
http://legacy.alamoareabsa.org/Camping/McGimsey/Rentals/Product?p=427

McGimsey Scout Park’s swimming pool is open for your unit’s private use. Reservations require a 2-hour minimum. Participants include all swimmers and non-swimmers inside the gated area. The Council provides fully trained lifeguards for the number of people inside the pool area no matter if they plan to swim or not.

We recommend non-swimmers rent the pool picnic area outside the swimming area to watch the fun.

Registration Details:
$200 / 2-hour reservation
additional fee for parties over 20

Swimming Adventures and Awards can be earned at Camp...

Webelos/AOL: Aquanaut
Scouts BSA: Passing the Swim Test is required for First Class Eagle Requirement

Tigers: Floats and Boats
Wolves: Spirit of the Water
Bears: Salmon Run

Scouts BSA: Swimming Merit Badge Eagle Requirement
INCOMING WEBELOS & AOL

Akela Adventure Camp (formerly known as Webelos Outdoor Adventure WOA) is a 4-day, 3-night resident camp for Webelos. It is open to current Webelos and Bears entering Webelos. We provide the program, staff, food - we’ve even put up the tents. All your Scout needs to bring is their personal gear, and their want for adventure!

2 SESSIONS:
JUNE 11-14 & JUNE 14-17

I want to go here this summer!

MUST DO:
Kayaking
BIG Slide
rock wall

Earn these at Camp:
WEBELOS REQUIREMENTS

ARROW OF LIGHT REQUIREMENTS

*Check the leaders guide for details on advancements.
Registration Details:
Registration closes May 8, 2023
Scouts: $230 per person
Adult Participants: $115 per person
T-shirts are provided for all participants (adult and youth).
alamoareabsa.org/webelos-and-arrow-of-light-aol/

Important Info Regarding Registration:

Registration is open now and closes May 8th. This is so we can prepare for their arrival at camp. Watch the important dates that are found on the webpage so they don’t miss deadlines. Parent/Leader orientation information is online.

Full payment must be made when registering, camperships will be given a code to use during registration. Apply for camperships early so as not to miss the registration deadline. Campership applications are open now and will begin reviewing in January.
Some additional costs may be involved for certain programs (i.e. ammunition for shooting sports, craft kits for craft merit badges, etc.) Scouts should come appropriately prepared based on their program choices. See the Leader's Guide for more details.
New for 2023 - Provisional Scouts welcome EVERY week!

Come with your patrol or join one of ours - Provisional Scouts (Scouts coming to camp without their unit) are able to come to every week of camp. Joining a patrol for the week is a great way to make new friends!

Campers Must Register Before May 1

This allows us to better prepare the camp. Any additions after May 1st must be approved by the camp director. Pay close attention to important dates as there are changes this year. Watch the dates on the Bear Creek summer camp website.

Full payment must be made by May 1st this year – apply for camperships early! Campership application is open now and will begin to be reviewed in January.

alamoareabsa.org/camping/scouts-bsa-summer-camp/

2023 FEES

Youth Registration:
Friedrich Side: $390
Rickenbacker: $340

Adult Registration:
Friedrich Side: $175
Rickenbacker: $150

$150.00 non-refundable deposit required when submitting a unit reservation. One adult will be free for every eight Scouts attending (no fractional credit for fewer.)

Activity fees may apply. See the Leaders Guide or registration page for additional details.
As registered members of the Alamo Area Council, your family can rent campsites at any of our camp properties. Yep, if you or someone in your immediate family is a registered scout, you can rent a camping getaway. You don’t have to camp with your unit. You can reserve our campsites and facilities as an alternative to crowded state and national parks.

Find a campsite at one of our camps here:
http://legacy.alamoareabsa.org/RentalSearch.aspx (subject to availability)

**Mays Family Scout Ranch** offers hammock camping, walk-in sites, and casitas cabins.

**McGimsey Scout Park** rents the swimming pool during the summer, offers reservations to paddle canoes on the lake, and camping in the back as well as at each of the teepees.

Want to get away and unplug? There is very little cell service at **Bear Creek Scout Camp** (it’s ok to keep that a secret until you’re there). Check out the updated Bear Creek map which includes some campsites that were previously not available for reservations.

Units can reserve campsites at any of the Council properties at least one week in prior to their stay or up to one year in advance.

Camp buildings and grounds can be rented out to units and other groups large for gatherings, corporate events, and private celebrations (McGimsey is limited to Scout Unit rentals due to deed restrictions).

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**UPCOMING LEADER TRAINING**

**Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS)**
**August 19-20, 2023**

Come learn those basic scout skills to become a trained ASM. This training is required for all Scouters registering as ASMs and will help those interested in working with Scouts BSA succeed. This is also a great opportunity to network with other leaders around the council while sharing ideas to benefit your unit.

**Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO)**
**August 18-19, 2023**

Cub Scouts love to go camping but need a trained leader to guide them through the process. A BALOO trained scout leader is required on all Cub Scout camp outs. This training is a great place to learn the basics for planning and leading your first camp out. It is also a great opportunity to network with other leaders around the council while sharing ideas to benefit your program.
Scout Nights are exciting times for Scout and family participation along with San Antonio’s professional sports teams; and other council coordinated adventure offerings within our local community. Many Scout Nights include “behind the scenes” adventures OR a Camp Out right before or immediately following the event.

Open to Scouts and Non-Scouters alike so bring your family & friends.

Use the QR Code to get a current list of events. Visit AlamoAreaBSA.org/camping/scout-nights/ for upcoming dates and program information.

For Year Round Adventure

2023 Camp Card Partners

New Vendors Coming Soon!

For information on how to participate, visit AlamoAreaBSA.org/resources/camp-cards/
The Alamo Area Council (AAC) offers Scouting youth financial support of up to 50% of the early bird registration fee at Council owned properties and controlled summer camp events such as Bear Creek Scouts BSA Summer Camp, WEBELOS Akela Adventure Camp, Tiger Day Camp, Cub Scout Summer Day Camp.

There are several sources for funding a Scout’s summer camp experience, the Scouting family being the most traditional way to pay for summer camp fees. The Council offers Popcorn and Adventure Card fundraisers, so the youth members of a unit may offset fees while practicing the Scout Law — a Scout is Thrifty. We suggest that Troops, Packs, and Crews who fundraise, track the amount participating youth sold, so the money can be used to help fund the Scout’s summer camp fees.

If the family of the youth is unable to pay the total cost of the Camp and the youth’s earnings from product sales are insufficient, then a Campership may be available to assist. The Campership, however, will only cover up to 50% of the early bird registration camp fee.

Applications are open online. APPLY EARLY TO MEET ALL REGISTRATION/PAYMENT DATES FOR CAMPS

*There is no deposit required for requests to be reviewed. Completion of an application does not guarantee a campership grant.

For more info or to complete an application, visit alamoareabsa.org/camping/camperships*
Save the Date

A Can’t Miss Event for Scouters & Adult Volunteers

Thursday, August 3, 2023
6 - 8PM
Norris Conference Center

Preview the programs available at the Alamo Area Council. Volunteers and staff are available to answer your questions and help get you involved in what interests you most. Exhibits include: Cub Scouting, Scouts BSA and Venturing Events, training opportunities, Scout Nights, Council Camps and Facilities, Summer Camps, High Adventure Camps, Wood Badge, Powderhorn, National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT), Climbing, COPE, Shooting Sports, Order of the Arrow and so much more. Encourage your unit leadership to attend and plan a year to remember!
THANK YOU
FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT
OF SCOUTING
IN THE ALAMO AREA COUNCIL