Key Dates

January 30, 2020: Site Reservation Due for Two Free Leader Polo Shirts Promotion
May 29-30, 2020: OA Induction Weekend
June 7—12, 2020: National Youth Leadership Training
June 13—17, 2020: Staff Training Week
June 19-21, 2020: Cub Scout Resident Camp
June 21-27, 2020: Scouts BSA Week One
June 28-30, 2020: Webelos Resident Camp
July 5-11, 2020: Scouts BSA Week Two
July 18-19, 2020: Cub Scout One-Night Camp
July 19-25, 2020: Scouts BSA Week Three
July 26-28, 2020: Brownsea Camp
July 27-30, 2020: Merit Badge Days
July 29-Aug 1, 2020: Peak of Adventure Canoe Trip
August 3-7, 2020: Week Long Day Camp
August 3-8, 2020: National Order of the Arrow Conference
August 14-16, 2020: Order of the Arrow Induction Weekend

Summer 2020
Camp Decorah Programming Guide

www.gatewayscouting.org/scout-summer-camp
www.facebook.com/camp
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W7520 Council Bay Road, Holmen WI
Scouts BSA Summer Camp
June 21-27, 2020
July 5-11, 2020
July 19-25, 2020

The classic summer camp experience in a walkable, Northwoods setting. Summer 2020 highlights:
• new merit badges: Exploring; Traffic Safety; Civ. Nation; Geocaching; Welding
• Evening program and restructured afternoon open time
• All merit badge instruction plans pre-approved by adult scouts before camp season to ensure proper instructional plans

Two Adult Polo Shirts Provided to Each Troop with a Site Deposit by January 31, 2020

Other Scouts BSA Programs at Camp

Provisional Camping - reduced fee of $250
Scouts will be placed with another Gateway Area Council Troop so that they can attend an additional week of summer camp or attend during a different time period than their own Troop.

Peak of Adventure Canoe Trip
July 29—Aug 1
Experience the adventure of a river canoe trip on the Black or St. Croix. Join other Scouts and adults for a high-adventure type experience in our own state. Program fee includes shuttle service, all meals, and program equipment.

National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)
June 7-12, 2020

National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) is the pinnacle of Scouts BSA training for youth. Every Troop and Crew deserves youth leaders that are trained and prepared for the responsibilities they face.

As they become members of new patrols in a troop led by our energetic youth staff, participants will learn and practice a variety of leadership skills including finding a vision and goal-setting, communicating well, valuing diversity and people, developing a team, the 4 stages of team development, new leadership styles and how to match leadership and teaching to the stage of team development, and how to be servant leaders. And they will have fun doing all this!

Attendees must be:
- First Class and have mastered First Class camping skills,
- at least 13 years old or completed 8th grade by start of the course
- ready to be away from home for a week and engage in the course.

- We have had female participants and staff for several years, and welcome female Scouts!

Register for NYLT at www.gatewayscouting.org

2020 Fees
Youth/Adult: $130/person

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2020 Fees
$220/youth before May 4, 2020
$250/youth after May 4, 2020
Summer Camp Staff Opportunities

Camp Counselors
Are you 15 years of age or older? Are you one who enjoys the outdoors? Are you looking for a 6 week summer job that is fun and will leave a lasting impact on kids?

It's a summer job that will give you a paycheck, room and board and a chance to work with kids. Summer camp staff is a great experience in dealing with a wide variety of situations. Plus, you'll still have half the summer for yourself!

Find the application online: https://www.gatewayscouting.org/files/24370/Camp-Decorah-2019-Staff-Application-3-a--Application

Counselors In Training (CIT’s)
Scouts who are age 14 are invited to get a taste of camp staff as a CIT. Join us for one, two, or three weeks. CIT’s will be rotated around camp to get a variety of experiences.

Area Directors
Scouts BSA members over the age of 18 are invited to apply as Area Directors. These positions require additional training and responsibility. Some may require a minimum age of 21. Positions available include: Aquatics Director; Head Cook; Shooting Sports Director; Trading Post Manager; Waterfront Director and others.

Campmaster
The Campmaster program let’s a Scouts BSA adult help out at camp for a week. We will work with you to assign you to areas or projects which you will find enjoyable and will also help out the camping program. Volunteer Commissioners will receive a staff shirt and hat.

Brownsea Camp
July 26-28
Brownsea Camp is the perfect option for first or second year Scouts who require a flexible schedule. This program helps a Scout earn the majority of the requirements for Scout, Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class ranks as well as two key merit badges: Swimming and First Aid.

If you need to leave camp for other commitments we will let you know the requirements you may have missed.

Program runs from Sunday morning to Tuesday evening and includes an outpost campout Sunday night to help complete additional requirements.

This camp is also great for younger Scouts who may not want to be as far from home or for high-flying Scouts who want to earn merit badges at summer camp and also earn their first advancements.

2020 Fees
Youth Camper: $150
Merit Badge Days

July 27—July 30
Schedule Should be Released March 15

Add to your merit badge sash with additional programming at Camp Decorah. All merit badges offered from 9am—4pm.

Bring your own lunch for Merit Badge Days OR purchase lunch for additional $6/scout.

Transportation available from La Crosse for an additional $6/scout.

Five different Merit Badges Will Be Offered on Each Date

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The Order of the Arrow (OA for short), was started in 1915 to recognize Scouts for their cheerful spirit and leadership. The OA is based on the core principles of brotherhood, cheerfulness, and service.

To join the Order, troop members nominate Scouts who have demonstrated the highest ideals of Scouting. A Call Out Ceremony notifying Scouts of their nomination is held at District and Council Camporees, in addition to being done weekly at Camp Decorah’s summer camp. After the Call Out, prospective members may participate in the Induction process to be recognized.

The OA allows participants to expand their horizons to visit new places while learning new skills. Individual OA members can attend National High Adventure Bases through two-week OA programs, such as Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico and Northern Tier in Minnesota’s Boundary Waters Canoe Area, to complete service projects and participate in treks. Each participant can leave their mark by helping to build and repair trails, while working closely with others from across the country.

2020 is a special year for the Ni-Sanak-Tani Lodge, because we will be hosting the Section Conclave at Camp Decorah on September 18-20. It is a gathering of 250 plus members from three states, who will be coming together for a weekend of training, games, activities, events, patch trading, section officer elections, fun, and fellowship. Our lodge strives to put our best foot forward to showcase Camp Decorah and our commitment to excellence in providing a quality event. To do this, we need your help! More details to follow.

2020 Lodge Dates:

- May 29-31: Induction Weekend at Camp Decorah
- August 1-9: National Order of the Arrow Conference at MSU
- August 14-16: Induction & Rendezvous Weekend at Camp Decorah
- September 18-20: Section C-1B Conclave at Camp Decorah

For more information, visit gatewayscouting.org/OA, check out our social media at facebook.com/nst381, or contact:

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