

# University of Scouting

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Great Smoky Mountain Council, BSA



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The **University of Scouting** is a fun learning experience, and is the largest supplemental training course offered by the **Great Smoky Mountain Council** to Scouting volunteers at all levels.

Courses will be offered for Cub Scout Leaders, Boy Scout Leaders, Venturing Leaders, and District Committees. All are invited to attend the courses in the college(s) of their choice. The **University of Scouting** will broaden understanding and knowledge of the Scouting program through course sessions on specific topics.

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#### Quick Facts:

Cost: Early Bird – through February 24, 2006 is \$16.00  
Regular – February 25, 2006 is \$20.00  
**(Some classes have additional fees)**  
Lunch: Included  
Time: 7:30 am to 4:15 pm  
(Registration 7:30 am – 8:15 am)  
Website: <http://www.bsa-gsmc.org>  
Send to: Great Smoky Mountain Council, BSA  
P.O. Box 51885  
Knoxville, TN 37950-1885

**Adults Only Training – Please, No Children**

**SIGN  
UP  
NOW!**

## GENERAL INFORMATION

1. You can choose up to six exciting courses, on topics you always wanted to learn more about.
2. All classes are one hour in length, unless otherwise noted in the class descriptions.
3. A midway, with vendors, will be open in the Commons area all day.
4. Lunch will be provided.
5. Some classes have additional fees. **Additional fees will be collected at check-in.**

## REGISTRATION PROCESS

1. Complete a registration form found at the back of this catalog. (Additional forms may be copied from the forms provided.) Course sizes are limited and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.
2. Pick the courses that you are interested in attending. Please look through the college listings for courses you wish to attend. **You will need to pick ten courses, listed in order of preference.** You may choose classes from any of the colleges. Each course will have a specific Scout program at which it is aimed; however you are encouraged to take any class of interest to you from any area. The courses are listed on the following pages.
3. On the registration form (last page), complete the appropriate fee information. Don't forget that the **Early Bird Fee of \$16.00 must be received at the council office by February 24, 2006. Registrations received on or after February 25, 2006 must be paid at the regular price of \$20.00.**
4. Mail registration and fee to:  
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OR

Register and pay at the Council Service Center.

## College of General Knowledge

**100 CPR (3 hours) (Additional fee: \$5)** – If your current certification is about to run out, or if you have never been certified, sign up. CPR taught by American Red Cross trained instructors.

**101 Scout History** – Learn about Scouting's beginnings in England and how it came to the United States along with the beginnings of the Cub Scout program. Meet the personalities such as Lord Baden-Powell, James E. West and others that molded the organization that it is today.

**102 Climb on Safely** – Learn the BSA recommended procedure for organizing a scouting climbing/rappelling activity. (Note – This is not training on how to climb or rappel.)

**103 First Aid (2 hours)** – Learn the basics of first aid for unit outings and trips. Every unit needs someone proficient in first aid skills.

**104 Safe Swim/Safety Afloat** – Get certified so that your troop can enjoy aquatic activities of all types. Learn the BSA requirements for swimming and boating activities. Without a qualified person your troop cannot get a tour permit for aquatic activities.

**105 Cooking (Additional fee: \$5 fee)** – Learn how to cook a variety of things ranging from the relatively ordinary to the extraordinary with some common and not so common utensils. For example Dutch oven cooking, cooking with a backpacking stove, cooking for Cub Scouts, and even cooking in a garbage can.

**106 Dehydrating Foods** – Learn how to prepare and process food for dehydration. You will learn which foods are best for dehydrating as well as the benefits of dehydrating food. This is not to be missed for the backpackers.

**107 How to build a Web Page (2 hours)** – Come learn the basics of how to create a web page for your pack, troop or crew. Some computer literacy will be a benefit.

**108 Flag Etiquette** – The flag is the symbol of our nation. Learn the proper way to handle and to display it. Learn how to properly conduct a flag ceremony.

**109 Basics of Risk Management** – Learn what's new in Risk Management. A review of the Guide to Safe Scouting including Adult Leadership requirements, Aquatic Safety, Camping, Emergency Preparedness, First Aid and Transportation Safety.

**110 Youth Protection for Adult Leaders** – Formal BSA Youth Protection Training for Adults utilizing film in question and answer format. There will be an emphasis on two deep leadership and child abuse prevention guidelines. (Venturing Youth Protection is a different course and is taught during the Venturing Basic Leader Training.)

**111 New Leaders Essentials (2 hours)** – New Leader Essentials is the initial training for adult leaders serving youth in the Boy Scouts of America. It is for all new adult leaders of the Tiger Cubs, Cub Scouts, Webelos Scouts, Boy Scouts, Varsity Scouts and Venturing programs. It is also suggested for new members of district committees and council executive board members. This course gives you an overview of the core elements of Scouting, including the BSA mission, aims, and methods, as well as giving you a clear understanding of Scouting's expectation of its adult leadership.

**112 Religion in Scouting** - This course will contain a history of Religion's place in Scouting. Will discuss how your unit can incorporate more religious activities into your scouting program. There will be a discussion of appropriate graces, nondenominational services, and interdenominational services that your unit can use. In addition, there will be a discussion of the Religious Emblems program. Copies of resources will be provided to participants.

**113 The Art of Storytelling for Scout Leaders** – Within you is a storyteller waiting for the right opportunity to tell a tale. Participants will learn the basics of storytelling: How to select stories, techniques for learning stories, audience participation (response), volume, pitch, pacing, pauses, gestures, introductions, and endings.

**114 The National Park Service** – From the Education Department of the Great Smoky Mountain National Park what they can offer as classes and programs for Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts.

**115 Nature** – Learn more about the wonderful world of nature so you can deliver a quality program to scouts of all ages.

## **College of Cub Scouts**

**200 Nature** – The great outdoors is a wonderful resource for unique crafts and fun. See how Mother Nature's warehouse can supply you with craft materials and fun activities.

**201 Neckerchief Slides (Additional fee: \$1)** – Discover first hand the many things you can turn into a neckerchief slide, in this make-it, take-it class.

**202 Pinewood Derby/Space Derby/Raingutter Regatta** – Learn how to set up and organize with pizzazz these exciting races with helpful hints and success stories.

**203 Games and Rainy Day Activities** – Do you end up with time left and nothing planned? Do you want your boys to learn about teamwork and sportsmanship while they're having fun? Be it indoor/outdoor, energetic or quiet, see how a treasure box of games can be the beginning of exciting den meetings.

**204 How to the How-To Book**–You've got the book, but are you aware of all the great stuff that's in it! Learn how to use this book successfully for your den or pack.

**205 Puppets (Additional fee: \$1)** – From paper plates to lunch bags to Pringle chip cans – your Cub Scouts can create wonderful puppets that are easy to make.

**206 Campfire Chaos** – Be prepared for that next campfire with songs, skits, cheers and the fires themselves.

**207 Bag of Tricks** – need to fill in a few minutes while waiting for someone? We've all been there, wondering how to keep our Cub Scouts entertained while "waiting". You'll get ideas on simple things that you can have on hand to pull out when the need arises.

**208 101 Ways to Say "Thanks" (Additional fee: \$1)** – Need ideas on ways to thank leaders, parents, or the boys? This hands-on class will show you how simple and inexpensive this can be!

**209 Trash to Treasure** – Don't throw that milk jug or light bulb away. Come find how you can turn recycled items from "trash" to "treasures" the boys will be proud of.

**210 Summertime Programs** – Retain your Cub Scouts with summertime programs. Learn what works to keep boys wanting more.

**211 Den Records** – Learn the easy way of tracking each Cub Scouts progress and recognition.

**212 Webelos to Scouts Transition**– Want to make that transition the best for the boys? Let's share how it works.

**213 Webelos Activity Pins** – Learn ways to teach activity pins to your den and help them progress towards the Arrow of Light.

**214 Shooting Sports (2 hours) (Additional fee: \$1)** – Want to be certified in shooting sports for district and council activities? Come to this class and get your certification from Wes Lovell.

## College of Boy Scouts

**300 Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Specific Training (all day)** – If you are a volunteer in a Boy Scout unit and working with the boys this is the training you need. The class will schedule a time to accomplish the outdoor training session. After attending both the indoor and outdoor training session, you will meet the training requirements for the Boy Scout program.

**301 The Troop Committee (3 hours)** - Are you on the Troop Committee? Have you been trained? Come and participate in this session being taught using the BSA syllabus. You will learn about the committee's function and how you can serve your Troop better.

**302 Patrol Leader's Council** - Find out how to run and effectively organize a Patrol Leader's Council.

**303 The Patrol Method** - This is the essence of Scouting. Learn how the Patrol Method should work and how to implement it.

**304 High Adventure** - Do you want to know something about the high adventure opportunities in Scouting come to this session for an introduction to Charles L. Sommers Canoe Base, Philmont, & Florida Sea Base.

**305 Hidden Treasures** - Are your Scouts tired of the same old places? Looking for some new excitement? There are many places to go that you might have heard of but never visited, or never heard of at all, that are practically right in your backyard, and provide as much interest as a hike in the Smokies, but without the crowds.

**306 Hiking on the Appalachian Trail** - Come hear about the great opportunities we have in our back door for a great adventure. We will talk about gear, shelters, food, & life on the trail.

**307 Pioneering (2 hours)** - This class will be teaching you the skills so that you can take your troop out and build a pioneering project. You will be learning the different lashing and splicing techniques with a review of the knots required.

**308 Adviser Training** - Every youth deserves a trained leader and every youth chairman in the O/A deserves a trained Adviser. An adult role in the O/A is not the same as it is in a troop. In order to be a more effective Adviser you need to have an understanding of the expectations of the youth and how to work within the framework of the system established by E. Urner Goodman when he created the Order. This class will focus on the role of the Adviser and how to be more effective in working with the youth for whom you have been asked to be the Adviser. If you are new to the O/A, a first time Adviser, or just want to pick up some new and useful ideas I encourage you to spend an hour to learn how to be more effective.

**309 Unit Computers & Advancement Records** - Programs—Hands-on use of the various advancement program software products. How may I obtain this software for my unit?

1. Record-keeping and why—Covers the methods used and importance for providing the Scouts with proper documentation of their advancement.

**310 The Scout Review Unit Leader Conferences** - Why is the first unit leader conference so important? When should I conduct a conference? How should a unit leader conduct a rank advancement conference and how detailed should it be?

1. **Unit Boards of Review** – I am new to the unit and have never been a member of a Board, what do I need to know? Discussions about the proper methods to use in conducting unit Boards of Review.
2. **District Boards of Review** – Thorough discussion concerning the District Boards.

**311 Unit Advancement: Basic Boy Scouts** - First year program – Setting up a unit plan to advance new scouts during the first year with the goal of achieving 1<sup>st</sup> class rank.

1. Scout record-keeping – Introduces the unit leaders to the different devices that are available and some good record-keeping procedures are included in the discussions.

**312 Life-to-Eagle Program** - Selection and approval of projects. What is a good Eagle Service project? How much time does it take to complete an Eagle Project? Why should I maintain a list of projects? How do I get a project approved?

1. Working on the project – Guiding the Scout through the project. What records should be maintained and why it is so important.
2. The final write-up – How the write-up should be presented; some suggestions for making this task simpler and easier for the District Board members to understand.

## **College of Venturing**

**400 Why Venturing** – Introduction to Venturing for Scout Leaders emphasizing ways that a Venturing Crew can complement a Scout troop and why Venturing is an valuable addition to the scouting program. There is room for both!

**401 Venturing Rank and Advancement** – What is the difference between an Eagle and a Ranger? A First Class and a Bronze? This is an overview of what is involved in some of the Venturing ranks and how they compare to Scout ranks.

**402 VLSC for Leaders** – One of the requirements for youth to receive the Venturing Silver Award is completion of Venturing Leadership Skills Course (VLSC). This class discusses what you, as a Venturing Advisor, can do to prepare and conduct a VLSC course for your crew.

**403 Planning the Superactivity** – The what? Venturing involves learning, doing and teaching. The ultimate doing activity is a major activity requiring significant planning to carry out the Superactivity. Learn some of what is involved in helping your youth to plan these activities for success.

**404 Rendezvous** – One of the activities that the Teen Leader Council is really fired up about is their Rendezvous. Come see what this activity consists of and why your crew wants to take part in the next one – or help plan it.

# UNIVERSITY OF SCOUTING 2006 REGISTRATION

(Please copy as necessary, one registration per form)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (work): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (home): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Pack/Troop/ Crew (circle one): \_\_\_\_\_

Have you attended University of Scouting in previous years? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Course Selection: Please select your first choices for classes to equal 6 hours – plus an additional 4 hours as alternate classes. Please note that some classes are more than 1 hour in length. The registrar will assign you to classes based on the order you request them, class availability and class scheduling. We will do our best to place you in your first choices. **(Additional fees will be collected at registration.)**

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2. \_\_\_\_\_ 7. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ 8. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_ 9. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_ 10. \_\_\_\_\_

## Method of Payment

Cash or Check \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Make checks payable to Great Smoky Mountain Council)

Visa/Mastercard # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Mail registration and fee to:

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