



# SQUARE KNOT NOTES

Monthly Edition

From your Sam Houston Area Council Commissioner Team

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## UNIVERSITY OF SCOUTING: MARCH 5, 2022

University of Scouting is a training for leaders of all program areas to come together for a day of fun, fellowship and learning. University of Scouting has a range of different classes on topics that are helpful and relevant to leaders in every program area of Scouting. University of Scouting also offers youth courses.

## KEEPING THE PROGRAM RELEVANT

Every year, Cub Scout Adventures are reviewed to identify trends and determine interests of our youth, leaders and families. The most recent review has identified 19 elective Adventures that do not meet the standards of youth and den leader engagement, with the lowermost being earned by less than 3% of eligible youth. They will be retired effective **May 31, 2022**. Some families may want one last chance to earn these Adventures, and some den leaders may have already made plans for the upcoming program year. To help with that transition, **these Adventures will be available until the end of the 2021-2022 program year**. The affected elective Adventures, which will be retired effective May 31, 2022, are as follows:

- Family Stories, Rank: Tiger, SKU: 619922
- Earning Your Stripes, Rank: Tiger, SKU: 619925
- Tiger Tales, Rank: Tiger, SKU: 619930
- Tiger Theater, Rank: Tiger, SKU: 619931
- Collections and Hobbies, Rank: Wolf, SKU: 619940
- Grow Something, Rank: Wolf, SKU: 619944
- Hometown Heroes, Rank: Wolf, SKU: 619947
- Motor Away, Rank: Wolf, SKU: 619950
- Beat of the Drum, Rank: Bear, SKU: 619958
- World of Sound, Rank: Bear, SKU: 619960
- Make it Move, Rank: Bear, SKU: 619963
- Robotics, Rank: Bear, SKU: 619968
- Looking Back Looking Forward, Rank: Webelos/AOL, SKU: 619978
- Maestro, Rank: Webelos/AOL, SKU: 619979
- Project Family, Rank: Webelos/AOL, SKU: 619997
- Build My Hero, Rank: Webelos/AOL, SKU: 619992
- Adventures in Science, Rank: Webelos/AOL, SKU: 619989
- Fix It, Rank: Webelos/AOL, SKU: 619975
- Movie Making, Rank: Webelos/AOL, SKU: 619982

The listed elective Adventures are still part of the Cub Scouting program until May 31, 2022. After that date, these Adventures will be retired, and the Adventure loops and pins will no longer be available. The Adventure will appear as earned but will no longer be able to be marked as completed after May 31, 2022.

## CALENDAR

- 1/15 Spring of Service Begins
- 2/18 Venturing Challenge
- 2/25 Baden Powell Fellowship
- 3/5 University of Scouting

## BADEN POWELL FELLOWSHIP

February 25, 2022, Cockrell Scout Center, 7:00 pm

Scouters who have attended or staffed a Wood Badge course, or staffed National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) are invited to attend the Baden Powell Fellowship.

## SPRING OF SERVICE: JANUARY-APRIL 2022

Scouting's Spring of Service is a new program and is an opportunity for Scouting families across the 16 counties served by the Sam Houston Area Council to participate in unit-developed service projects to benefit the local community. As throughout Scouting's history, families are answering the call to work together in service. From caring for the environment to assisting neighbors in need, Scouts have always been a force for positivity and goodness in our communities. Together, Scouts can answer the call to make a positive impact in the community. Scouting's Spring of Service is replacing Scouting for Food. Units may still conduct food drives but now have a broader range of activities from which to choose. For more information and service ideas visit <https://www.samhoustonbsa.org/spring-of-service>. Scouts who participate will receive this awesome patch! The unit leader or their designee should register by January 15, 2022, to let the council know if the unit is participating.



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## CONNECT, SERVE, INSPIRE!

Scout Sunday is coming! If your unit is chartered by a religious institution CONNECT with them and let them know that you will be attending one of their services. Ask them how you can SERVE them this spring. INSPIRE your youth to be active volunteers in their community and to participate in the Spring of Service.