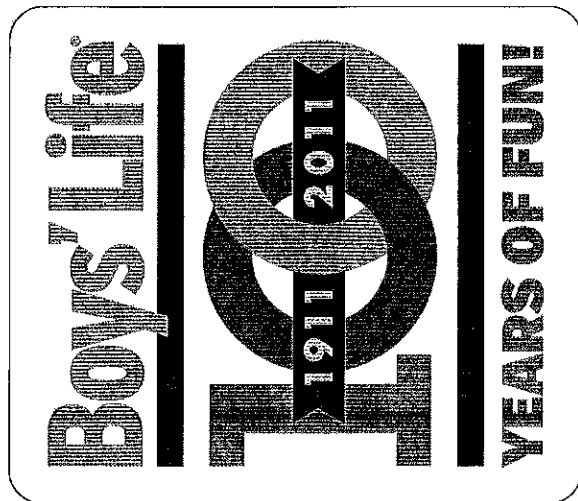


# BOYS' Life®

## 2011-2012 PLANNING CALENDAR

Building the Council Annual Plan



# Boys' Life

## 1911-2011 100 Years of Good Reading

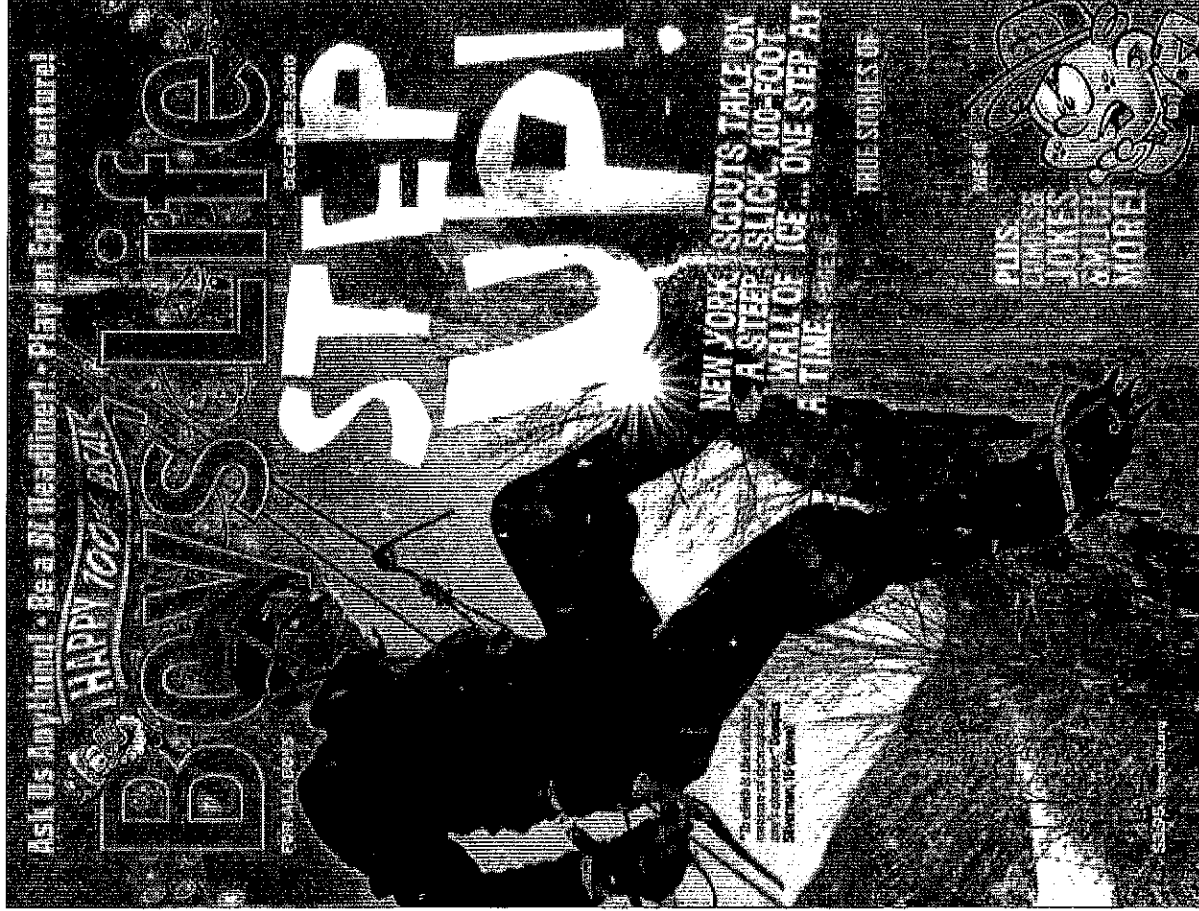
March 1, 2011, marks the 100th anniversary of *Boys' Life* magazine.

George S. Barton of Somerville, Massachusetts, was the founder, publisher, and first editor of *Boys' Life*. His magazine carried the subtitle, "The Boys' and Boy Scouts' Magazine." He hoped in 1911 that *Boys' Life* would appeal to members of several Scouting organizations, including the American Boy Scouts, the New England Boy Scouts, and the Boy Scouts of America.

The Boy Scouts of America purchased *Boys' Life* from the George S. Barton Company for \$6,100 on June 10, 1912. The first issue edited and published by the BSA was the July 1912 issue. It appeared as Volume II, Number 5, with no change made in the numbering set by the previous ownership. Dr. James E. West, Chief Scout Executive, was the magazine's first editor.

Every issue of *Boys' Life* published during the 2011 anniversary year will be a valuable collectible, especially the March issue—the official 100th anniversary issue.

Follow the 100th anniversary celebration in the pages of *Boys' Life* and at [www.boyslife.org](http://www.boyslife.org).



January 2012

**Districts**

**Congaree**  
5 - District Committee Meeting 6:30 pm  
12 - Roundtable 6:30 pm  
25 - Commissioners Meeting

**Catawba**  
5 - District Committee Meeting 6:00 pm  
12 - Roundtable 7:00 pm

**Chinquapin**  
5 - District Committee Meeting  
12 - Roundtable

**Edisto**  
19 - District Committee/Roundtable

**Etowah**  
5 - District Committee Meeting  
12 - Roundtable

**Wateree**  
4 - District Committee Meeting 6:00 pm  
12 - Roundtable 6:30 pm  
19 - District Commissioner Meeting 7:00 pm

**Three Rivers**  
- Key 3/District Committee 5:30 pm  
23 - Roundtable 6:30 pm

**Council**

2 - New Years Day (Office Closed)  
4 - Day Camp Director's Meeting  
10 - Philmont Meeting 6 pm  
10 - COPE/Climbing Committee 5:30 pm  
10 - Activities Committee 5:30 pm  
10 - Recharter Swearingin Eng. Center 6:30-8:30pm  
11 - Conservation Committee 7 pm  
11 - Council Camping Committee 6 pm  
14 - USC vs. Florida Sleepover  
16 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day (Office Closed)  
21 - Recharter Swearingin Eng. Center 9am-2pm  
24 - Training Committee  
27-29 Scrapbook Retreat Weekend

**Training - District / Council**

21 - Cub Shooting Sports Training  
21 - University of Scouting (USC Engineering)






**Order of the Arrow (OA)**

7 - Chief Retreat  
21 - OA Banquet

**Other Dates**

1 - New Year's Day  
16 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

# JANUARY 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1  New Year's Day	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16  Martin Luther King Jr. Day	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	December <b>BOYS' LIFE</b> features January activities:  Positive Attitude  <b>Webelos</b> (Year 1) Citizen/Artist (8) Makeup Hobbies  <b>Arrow of Light</b> (Year 2) Readyman (8) Readyman (9)			
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**February 2012**

**Districts**

**Congaree**  
2 - District Committee Meeting 6:30 pm  
9 - Roundtable 6:30 pm  
22 - Commissioners Meeting

**Catawba**  
2 - District Committee Meeting 6:00 pm  
9 - Roundtable 7:00 pm

**Chinquapin**  
2 - District Committee Meeting  
9 - Roundtable/District Banquet

**Edisto**  
2 - District Committee Meeting  
16 - Roundtable

**Etowah**  
2 - District Committee Meeting  
9 - Roundtable

**Wateree**  
1 - District Committee Meeting 6:00 pm  
9 - Roundtable 6:30 pm  
17 - District Commissioner Meeting 7:00 pm

**Three Rivers**  
- Key 3/District Committee 5:30 pm  
27 - Roundtable 6:30 pm

**Council**

4 - Scouting For Food Bag Distribution  
5 - Scout Sunday  
7 - COPE/Climbing Committee 5:30 pm  
8 - Council Camping Committee 6 pm  
8 - Conservation Committee 7 pm  
11 - Scouting For Food Bag Pickup  
13 - Activities Committee 5:30 pm  
18 - COPE/Climbing Day  
20 - President's Day (Office Closed)  
28 - Training Committee





**Training - District / Council**

**Order of the Arrow (OA)**

**Other Dates**

20 - Presidents' Day  
22 - Ash Wednesday

# FEBRUARY 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>January BOYS' LIFE features February activities:</b>  Resourcefulness  <b>Wabelos</b> (Year 1) Geologist (9) Geologist (10)  Public Service	Arrow of Light (Year 2) Arrow of Light (10) Handyman (11)		1	2	3	4
5 Scouting Anniversary Week begins. Scout Sunday	6	7	8 Scouting Anniversary Day	9	10	11 Scouting Anniversary Week ends. Scout Sabbath
12	13	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	17	18
19	20  Presidents' Day	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	BOYS' LIFE subscribers stay in Scouting longer. Make BOYS' LIFE a feature of every roundtable. Give your Scouts the BOYS' LIFE advantage.		

**March 2012**

**Districts**

**Congaree**  
1 - District Committee Meeting 6:30 pm  
8 - Roundtable 6:30 pm  
28 - Commissioners Meeting

**Catawba**  
1 - District Committee Meeting 6:00 pm  
8 - Roundtable 7:00 pm

**Chinquapin**  
1 - District Committee Meeting  
8 - Roundtable

**Edisto**  
1 - District Committee Meeting  
15 - Roundtable

**Etowah**  
1 - District Committee Meeting  
8 - Roundtable

**Wateree**  
7 - District Committee Meeting 6:00 pm  
8 - Roundtable 6:30 pm  
15 - District Commissioner Meeting 7:00 pm

**Three Rivers**  
- Key 3/District Committee 5:30 pm  
26 - Roundtable 6:30 pm

**Council**

2-3 CPR & Wilderness First Aid  
6 - COPE/Climbing Committee 5:30 pm  
13 - Philmont Meeting 6 pm  
13 - Activities Committee 5:30 pm  
14 - Conservation Committee 7 pm  
14 - Council Camping Committee 6 pm  
23-25 - Venturing Shooting Sports Weekend  
24 - COPE/Climbing Day  
24 - Boy Scout MBU  
27 - Training Committee

**Training - District / Council**

10 - Archery Instructor Training 9 am  
24 - Cub Leader Basic Training (Camden)




**Order of the Arrow (OA)**

9-11 - Spring Ordeal

**Other Dates**

17 - St. Patrick's Day

# MARCH 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>February BOYS' LIFE features March activities:</b>  Compassion  <b>Weibelus</b> (Year 1) Engineer (11) Engineer (12)  Cultural Awareness	<b>Arrow of Light</b> (Year 2) Sportsman (12) Communicator (13)	Readers are leaders.		<b>BOYS' LIFE</b> Anniversary Day		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
						St. Patrick's Day

April 2012

Districts

Congaree  
12 - District Committee Meeting 6:30 pm  
19 - Roundtable 6:30 pm  
25 - Commissioners Meeting

Catawba  
12 - District Committee Meeting 6:00 pm  
19 - Roundtable 7:00 pm

Chinguapin  
5 - District Committee Meeting  
12 - Roundtable

Edisto  
19 - District Committee Meeting/Roundtable

Etowah  
5 - District Committee Meeting  
12 - Roundtable

Wateree  
4 - District Committee Meeting 6:00 pm  
12 - Roundtable 6:30 pm  
20 - District Commissioner Meeting 7:00 pm

Three Rivers  
- Key 3/District Committee 5:30 pm  
23 - Roundtable 6:30 pm

Council

3 - COPE/Climbing Committee 5:30 pm  
6 - Good Friday (Office Closed)  
10 - Activities Committee 5:30 pm  
11 - Council Camping Committee 6 pm  
11 - Conservation Committee 7 pm  
20-22 - Family Camping  
24 - Training Committee

Training - District / Council

12 - Cub Shooting Sports Training 6 pm  
14 - Cub Shooting Sports Range Service  
10 - NRA Rifle Instructor Training 6 pm (Scout Office)  
12 - NRA Rifle Instructor Training 6 pm (Scout Office)  
14 - NRA Rifle Instructor Rifle Range 9 am (Scout Office)  
21 - Rifle Range (Camp Barstow)  
21 - Baloo Training (Camp Barstow/Shotgun Pavilion)





Order of the Arrow (OA)

27-29 - Dixie

Other Dates

6 - Good Friday  
7 - Passover Begins  
8 - Easter  
14 - Passover Ends

# APRIL 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
29	30	<p>March <b>BOYS' LIFE</b> features April activities:</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="text-align: center;">             Faith         </div> <div style="text-align: center;">   <b>Webelos</b> (Year 1)            Craftsman (13)            Craftsman (14)         </div> <div style="text-align: center;">   <b>Arrow of Light</b> (Year 2)            Sportsman (14)            Sportsman (15)         </div> <div style="text-align: center;">             Wildlife Management         </div> </div>					
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**May 2012**

**Districts**

**Congaree**  
3 - District Committee Meeting 6:30 pm  
10 - Roundtable 6:30 pm  
23 - Commissioners Meeting

**Catawba**  
3 - District Committee Meeting 6:00 pm  
10 - Roundtable 7:00 pm

**Chinquapin**  
3 - District Committee Meeting  
10 - Roundtable

**Edisto**  
3 - District Committee Meeting  
17 - Roundtable

**Eitowah**  
3 - District Committee Meeting  
10 - Roundtable

**Wateree**  
2 - District Committee Meeting 6:00 pm  
4-6 - District Spring Camporee  
10 - Roundtable 7:00 pm  
17 - District Commissioner Meeting 7:00 pm

**Three Rivers**  
- Key 3/District Committee 5:30 pm  
- Roundtable 6:30 pm

**Council**

1 - COPE/Climbing Committee 5:30 pm  
4 - Day Camp Director's Meeting  
5 - Council Pinewood Derby  
8 - Philmont Meeting 6 pm  
8 - Activities Committee 5:30 pm  
9 - Council Camping Committee 6 pm  
9 - Conservation Committee 7pm  
18-19 - COPE/Climbing Instructor Training  
19 - Saluda County Open House at Camp  
22 - Day Camp Meeting 6:30 pm  
22 - Training Committee  
28 - Memorial Day (Office Closed)

**Training - District / Council**




**Order of the Arrow (OA)**

18-20 - Spring Fellowship

**Other Dates**

13 - Mother's Day  
28 - Memorial Day

# MAY 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>April BOYS' LIFE features May activities:</b>  Health and Fitness  <b>Webelos</b> (Year 1) Scholar/Artist (15) Makeup  Camping		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Mother's Day	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	<b>BOYS' LIFE</b> tells our youth that life is good and that America is a neat place to live. Give your Scouts the <b>BOYS' LIFE</b> advantage. Use the budget plan for 100% <b>BOYS' LIFE</b> .	



Memorial Day

**June 2012**

**Districts**

**Congaree**

**Catawba**

- 7 - District Committee Meeting 6:00 pm
- 14 - Roundtable 7:00 pm

**Chinquapin**

**Edisto**

- 21 - District Committee Meeting
- 21 - Roundtable

**Etowah**

**Wateree**

- 11-14 - Cub Scout Day Camp
- 15 - District Commissioner Meeting 7:00 pm

**Three Rivers**

- Key 3/District Committee 5:30 pm
- 25 - Roundtable 6:30 pm

**Council**

- 2-9 - Summer Camp Staff Week
- 8-21 - Philmont Trek
- 10-16 - Week 1 Summer Camp
- 12 - Activities Committee 5:30 pm
- 17-23 - Week 2 Summer Camp
- 24-30 - Week 3 Summer Camp
- 26 - Training Committee




**Training - District / Council**

**Order of the Arrow (OA)**

**Other Dates**

- 14 - Flag Day
- 17 - Father's Day

# JUNE 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>May BOYS' LIFE features June activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Perseverance</li> <li> Outdoor activities supporting activity badges and Webelos and Arrow of Light requirements</li> <li> Emergency Preparedness</li> </ul>			Pedro delivers. Readers are leaders.		1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Father's Day				Flag Day		

July 2012

Districts

Congaree

Catawba

Chinquapin

Edisto

Etowah

Wateree

Three Rivers

- Key 3/District Committee 5:30 pm  
23 - Roundtable 6:30 pm

Council

4 - Independence Day (Office Closed)  
8-14 - Week 4 Summer Camp  
13 - Philmont Meeting 6 pm  
13-26 - Philmont Trek  
15-18 - Webelos Waters  
15-18 - Cub Resident Camp

Training - District / Council

22-28 - NYLT (Camp Barstow)





Order of the Arrow (OA)

20-22 - Summer Ordeal  
30 - August 4 - NOAC

Other Dates

4 - Independence Day

# JULY 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4  Independence Day	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	<p>June <b>BOYS' LIFE</b> features July activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Courage</li> <li> Outdoor activities supporting activity badges and Webelos and Arrow of Light requirements</li> <li> Health Care</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">Use the budget plan for 100% <b>BOYS' LIFE</b>. <b>BOYS' LIFE</b> is essential.</p>			

**August 2012**

**Districts**

**Congaree**  
2 - District Committee Meeting 6:30 pm  
9 - Roundtable 6:30 pm  
22 - Commissioners Meeting

**Catawba**  
2 - District Committee Meeting 6:00 pm  
9 - Roundtable 7:00 pm

**Chinquapin**  
2 - District Committee Meeting  
9 - Roundtable

**Edisto**  
2 - District Committee Meeting  
9 - Roundtable

**Etowah**  
2 - District Committee Meeting  
9 - Roundtable

**Wateree**  
- District Committee Meeting 6:00 pm  
- Roundtable 6:30 pm  
17 - District Commissioner Meeting 7:00 pm

**Three Rivers**  
- Key 3/District Committee 5:30 pm  
27 - Roundtable 6:30 pm

**Council**

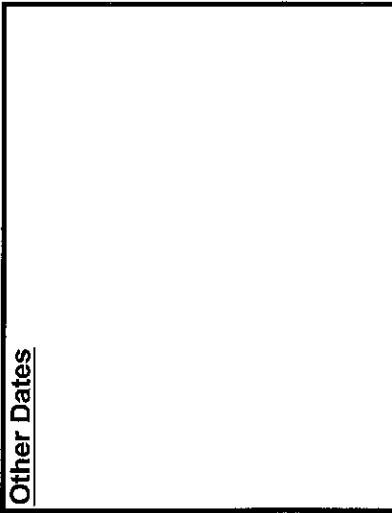
8 - Council Camping Committee 6 pm  
8 - Conservation Committee 7 pm  
14 - Activities Committee 5:30 pm  
28 - Training Committee  
31-Sept 3 - Venturing Aquatics Weekend

**Training - District / Council**




**Order of the Arrow (OA)**

10-12 - Summer Fellowship  
July 30-Aug 4 - NOAC

**Other Dates**



# AUGUST 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>July BOYS' LIFE features August activities:</b>  Honesty  Outdoor activities supporting activity badges and Webelos and Arrow of Light requirements  Boating/Canoeing			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	Read to lead.

**September 2012**

**Districts**

**Congaree**  
6 - District Committee Meeting 6:30 pm  
13 - Roundtable 6:30 pm  
26 - Commissioners Meeting

**Catawba**  
6 - District Committee Meeting 6:00 pm  
13 - Roundtable 7:00 pm

**Chinquapin**  
6 - District Committee Meeting  
13 - Roundtable

**Edisto**  
6 - District Committee Meeting  
13 - Roundtable

**Etowah**  
6 - District Committee Meeting  
13 - Roundtable

**Wateree**  
- District Committee Meeting 6:00 pm  
- Roundtable 6:30 pm  
- District Commissioner Meeting 7:00 pm

**Three Rivers**  
- Key 3/District Committee 5:30 pm  
24 - Roundtable 6:30 pm

**Council**

3 - Labor Day (Office Closed)  
11 - Philmont Meeting 6 pm  
11 - Activities Committee 5:30 pm  
12 - Council Camping Committee 6 pm  
12 - Conservation Committee 7 pm  
22 - COPE/Climbing Day  
24 - Training Committee  
29 - Cub Scout/Webelos Shooting Sports Day

**Training - District / Council**





**Order of the Arrow (OA)**

7-9 - Fall Ordeal

**Other Dates**

3 - Labor Day  
17-18 - Rosh Hashanah  
26 - Yom Kippur

# SEPTEMBER 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
August <b>BOYS' LIFE</b> features September activities:  Cooperation  <b>Wellness</b> (Year 1) Fitness/Athlete (1) Forester/Naturalist (2)  Safety   <b>Arrow of Light</b> (Year 2) Family Member (1) Aquanaut (2)  Make <b>BOYS' LIFE</b> a feature of every roundtable.						
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 30	24	25	26	27	28	29

**October 2012**

**Districts**

**Congaree**  
4 - District Committee Meeting 6:30 pm  
11 - Roundtable 6:30 pm  
24 - Commissioners Meeting

**Catawba**  
4 - District Committee Meeting 6:00 pm  
11 - Roundtable 7:00 pm

**Chinguapin**  
4 - District Committee Meeting  
11 - Roundtable

**Edisto**  
4 - District Committee Meeting  
11 - Roundtable

**Etowah**  
4 - District Committee Meeting  
11 - Roundtable

**Wateree**  
- District Committee Meeting 6:00 pm  
- Roundtable 6:30 pm  
19 - District Commissioner Meeting 7:00 pm

**Three Rivers**  
- Key 3/District Committee 5:30 pm  
22 - Roundtable 6:30 pm

**Council**

8 - Columbus Day (Office Closed)  
9 - Activities Committee 5:30 pm  
10 - Council Camping Committee 6 pm  
10 - Conservation Committee 7 pm  
12-13 - COPE/Climbing Instructor Training  
20-21 - Cub Partner & Pal  
23 - Training Committee  
27-28 - Haunted Forest  
27 - COPE/Climbing Day

**Training - District / Council**

6-7 - Leave No Trace (Camp Barstow)






**Order of the Arrow (OA)**

12-14 - Fall Fellowship

**Other Dates**

8 - Columbus Day

# OCTOBER 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
<i>BOYS' LIFE</i> is essential.						
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	 Columbus Day (observed)					
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	September <i>BOYS' LIFE</i> features October activities:  Responsibility  <b>Webelos</b> (Year 1) Forester/Naturalist (3) Traveler/Fitness (4)  <b>Arrow of Light</b> (Year 2) Outdoorsman (3) Sportsman (4)  Nature		

**November 2012**

**Districts**

**Congaree**  
1 - District Committee Meeting 6:30 pm  
8 - Roundtable 6:30 pm  
21 - Commissioners Meeting

**Catawba**  
1 - District Committee Meeting 6:00 pm  
8 - Roundtable 7:00 pm

**Chingquapin**  
1 - District Committee Meeting  
8 - Roundtable

**Edisto**  
1 - District Committee Meeting  
8 - Roundtable

**Etowah**  
1 - District Committee Meeting  
8 - Roundtable

**Wateree**  
- District Committee Meeting 6:00 pm  
- Roundtable 6:30 pm  
- District Commissioner Meeting 7:00 pm

**Three Rivers**  
- Key 3/District Committee 5:30 pm  
26 - Roundtable 6:30 pm

**Council**

2-4 - Council Camporee  
12 - Veterans Day Observed (Office Closed)  
13 - Activities Committee 5:30 pm  
13 - Philmont Meeting 6 pm  
14 - Council Camping Committee 6 pm  
14 - Conservation Committee 7 pm  
22-23 - Thanksgiving Holiday (Office Closed)  
27 - Training Committee

**Training - District / Council**






**Order of the Arrow (OA)**

10 - CoC  
16-17 - LLDC

**Other Dates**

6 - Election Day  
11 - Veterans Day  
22 - Thanksgiving

# NOVEMBER 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>October <i>BOYS' LIFE</i> features November activities:</p> <p> Citizenship</p> <p> Wehelus (Year 1) Citizen (5) Citizen (6)</p> <p> Business</p>	<p>Arrow of Light (Year 2) Scientist (5) Scientist (6)</p>	<p><i>BOYS' LIFE</i> is essential. Read to lead.</p>	1	2	3	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<p> Veterans Day</p>	11	12	13	14	15	16
		<p>Election Day</p>				
18	19	20	21	<p> Thanksgiving Day</p>	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	<p>Pedro delivers.</p>

**December 2012**

**Districts**

**Congaree**  
6 - District Committee Meeting 6:30 pm  
13 - Roundtable 6:30 pm  
19 - Commissioner Meeting

**Catawba**  
6 - District Committee Meeting 6:00 pm  
13 - Roundtable 7:00 pm

**Chinquapin**  
6 - District Committee Meeting  
13 - Roundtable

**Edisto**  
6 - District Committee Meeting  
13 - Roundtable

**Etowah**  
6 - District Committee Meeting  
13 - Roundtable

**Wateree**  
- District Committee Meeting 6:00 pm  
- Roundtable 6:30 pm  
18 - District Commissioner Meeting 7:00 pm

**Three Rivers**  
- Key 3/District Committee 5:30 pm  
- Roundtable 6:30 pm

**Council**

11 - Activities Committee 5:30 pm  
12 - Council Camping Committee 6 pm  
12 - Conservation Committee 7pm  
18 - Training Committee  
24 - 26 - Christmas Holidays (Office Closed)  
27-28 & 31 - Scout Shop Closed (Inventory)





**Training - District / Council**

**Order of the Arrow (OA)**

**Other Dates**

8-15 - Hanukkah  
25 - Christmas

# DECEMBER 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
November <i>BOYS' LIFE</i> features December activities: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;">                           Respect                     </div> <div style="text-align: center;">   <b>Weberus (Year 1)</b>                          Citizen (7)                          Makeup                          First Aid                     </div> <div style="text-align: center;">   <b>Arrow of Light (Year 2)</b>                          Readymen (7)                          Makeup                     </div> </div>						
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 30	24 31	25  Christmas Day	26	27	28	29

New Year's Day  
Tuesday, January 1

Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
Monday, January 21

Ash Wednesday  
Wednesday, February 13

Presidents' Day  
Monday, February 18

St. Patrick's Day  
Sunday, March 17

Passover Begins  
Tuesday, March 26

Good Friday  
Friday, March 29

Easter  
Sunday, March 31

Mother's Day  
Sunday, May 12

Memorial Day  
Monday, May 27

Flag Day  
Friday, June 14

Father's Day  
Sunday, June 16

Independence Day  
Thursday, July 4

Labor Day  
Monday, September 2

Rosh Hashanah  
Thursday, September 5 -  
Friday, September 6

Yom Kippur  
Saturday, September 14

Columbus Day (observed)  
Monday, October 14

Election Day  
Tuesday, November 5

Veterans Day  
Monday, November 11

Thanksgiving  
Thursday, November 28

Christmas  
Wednesday, December 25

New Year's Day  
Wednesday, January 1

Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
Monday, January 20

Presidents' Day  
Monday, February 17

Ash Wednesday  
Wednesday, March 5

St. Patrick's Day  
Monday, March 17

Passover Begins  
Tuesday, April 15

Good Friday  
Friday, April 18

Easter  
Sunday, April 20

Mother's Day  
Sunday, May 11

Memorial Day  
Monday, May 26

Flag Day  
Saturday, June 14

Father's Day  
Sunday, June 15

Independence Day  
Friday, July 4

Labor Day  
Monday, September 1

Rosh Hashanah  
Thursday, September 25 -  
Friday, September 26

Yom Kippur  
Saturday, October 4

Columbus Day (observed)  
Monday, October 13

Election Day  
Tuesday, November 4

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Monday, January 19

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Monday, February 16

Ash Wednesday  
Wednesday, February 18

St. Patrick's Day  
Tuesday, March 17

Good Friday  
Friday, April 3

Passover Begins  
Saturday, April 4

Easter  
Sunday, April 5

Mother's Day  
Sunday, May 10

Memorial Day  
Monday, May 25

Flag Day  
Sunday, June 14

Father's Day  
Sunday, June 21

Independence Day  
Saturday, July 4

Labor Day  
Monday, September 7

Rosh Hashanah  
Monday, September 14

Yom Kippur  
Wednesday, September 23

Columbus Day (observed)  
Monday, October 12

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# 2011-2012 Calendar of Religious Dates



There are certain dates and religious observances that must be adhered to by the individual. Arrangements must be made for participation in special services. The Islamic (Muslim) year begins with Muharram. All Islamic dates are subject to sighting of the moon; an event may be one day earlier or later than the date listed. According to the Eastern Orthodox Church calendar, the day begins after evening vespers at sunset and concludes with vespers on the following day. For this reason, the observance of all Eastern Orthodox

holy days begins at sunset on the evening before the holy day. Jewish holidays begin at sundown of the first date listed and end at midnight of the last date listed. A religious institution has the option of celebrating Scout Sunday/Scout Sabbath at its discretion. For example, the United Methodist Church always celebrates Scout Sunday on the second Sunday in February.

**Note:** \* Usually begins at sundown the day before this date.  
\*\* Local customs may vary this date.

## 2011

Month	Date	Religious Observance	Other Observance
January	1	Mary, Mother of God, Catholic Christian	
	1	Feast of St. Basil, Orthodox Christian	
	1	Gantan-sai (New Years), Shinto	
	5	Twelfth Night, Christian	
	6	Epiphany, Christian	
	13	Maghi, Sikh	
	16	World Religion Day, Baha'i	
	20	Tu B'Shvat, Jewish	
February	19	Trinity, Christian	
	23	Corpus Christi, Catholic Christian	
July	1	Sacred Heart of Jesus, Catholic Christian	
	15	Nirvana Day, Buddhist	
	15	Mawlid an Nabi, Islam	
March	11	St. Benedict Day, Catholic Christian	
	24	Pioneer Day, Mormon Christian	
	25	St. James the Great Day, Christian	
August	1	Ramadan Begins, Islam	
	9	Tisha B'Av, Jewish (Precludes Scouting activities)	
	15	Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary, Catholic Christian	
	14	Baisakhi, Sikh	
	17	Palm Sunday, Christian	
19-26	19, 20, 25, 26	Pesach (Passover), Jewish (no activities on Good Friday, Christian)	
September	28-Oct. 5	Navratri, Hindu	
	29-30	Rosh Hashanah, Jewish (Precludes Scouting activities)	
	26	Christmas, Christian	
	26	Zarathosht Diso (Death of Prophet Zarathushtra, Zoroastrian)	
	26-Jan. 1	Kwanzaa, Interfaith	
October	4	St. Francis Day, Catholic Christian	
	8	Yom Kippur, Jewish (Precludes Scouting activities)	
	13-19	Sukkot, Jewish (No Scouting activities on first, second, eighth, or ninth days)	
	20	Birth of the Bab, Baha'i	
	21	Simhat Torah, Jewish (Precludes Scouting activities)	
	26	Diwali, Hindu, Jain, Sikh	
	30	Reformation Day, Protestant Christian	
	31	All Hallows Eve, Christian	
November	1	All Saints' Day, Christian	
	2	All Souls' Day, Catholic Christian	
	12	Birth of Baha'u'llah, Baha'i	
	24	Thanksgiving, Interfaith	
	26	Day of Covenant, Baha'i	
	27	First Sunday of Advent, Christian	
December	8	Boehl Day (Fohatsu), Buddhism	
	12	Feast Day - Our Lady of Guadalupe, Immaculate Conception, Catholic Christian	
	21-28	Hanukkah, Jewish	

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	1	Feast of St. Basil, Orthodox Christian	
	1	Gantan-sai (New Years), Shinto	
	5	Twelfth Night, Christian	
	6	Epiphany, Christian	
	6	Buddha Day - Visakha Puja, Buddhist	
	10	Lag Ba'Omer, Jewish	
	10	Pentecost, Christian	
	27	Ascension of Baha'u'llah, Baha'i	
	29	Ascension of Christ, Christian	
	2	Trinity, Christian	
	3	Shavot, Jewish (Precludes Scouting activities)	
	8-9	Corpus Christi, Catholic Christian	
February	4	Mawlid an Nabi, Islam	
	5	Scout Sunday	
	11	Scout Sabbath	
	15	Nirvana Day, Buddhist	
March	9	Martyrdom of the Bab, Baha'i	
	9	Purim, Jewish (Precludes Scouting activities)	
	11	St. Benedict Day, Catholic Christian	
	12	Diwali, Hindu, Jain, Sikh	
	12	Birth of Baha'u'llah, Baha'i	
	22	Thanksgiving, Interfaith	
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April	6	Good Friday, Christian	
	7-14	Pesach (Passover), Jewish (no activities on 7, 8, 13, 14)	
	8	Easter, Christian	
	14	Baisakhi, Sikh	
	15	Easter/Pesach, Orthodox Christian	
	17	Palm Sunday, Christian	
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	26 - Jan. 1	Kwanzaa, Interfaith	
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	1-7	Sukkot, Jewish	
	1-7	(No Scouting activities on first, second, eighth, or ninth days)	
	4	St. Francis Day, Catholic Christian	
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	16-23	Navratri, Hindu	
	20	Birth of the Bab, Baha'i	
	28	Reformation Day, Protestant Christian	
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June	2	Ascension of Christ, Christian	
	2	Martyrdom of the Bab, Baha'i	
	9	Ascension of Jesus, Catholic Christian	
	15	Nirvana Day, Buddhist	
	20	Ramadan Begins, Islam	
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	2	Independence Day, Baha'i	
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August	10	Krishna Janmashthami, Hindu	
	15	Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary, Catholic Christian	
	15	Dormition of the Theotokos, Orthodox Christian	
	9-16	Hanukkah, Jewish	
	25	Christmas, Christian	
September	17-18	Rosh Hashanah, Jewish	
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## ***Building the Council Annual Plan***

The process of building the Council Annual Plan should adhere to four basic principles:

1. The planning process begins early.
2. All key leaders are involved.
3. The council makes one united plan — “all for one and one for all.”
4. The plan is complete in all its parts, objectives, program, calendar, and work schedule. (Refer to the *Council and District Plan Book*, No. 33032.)

### ***Conducting a Staff Planning Conference***

The professional staff develops a proposed plan. This is called a “pencil draft” to emphasize that although staff members make suggestions, the volunteers make the final decision. The pencil draft should be based on a thorough knowledge of unit needs, district and council needs, and other volunteer groups. Preparing the pencil draft in advance conserves the time of many volunteers and gives them a starting point.

To determine council, district, and unit needs, refer to the current strategic plan; the online Journey to Excellence scorecards for units, districts, and councils, found on [www.scouting.org/volunteer](http://www.scouting.org/volunteer), directly under the Quicklinks heading; and the 2011 District Journey to Excellence Progress Review, No. 520-101.

### ***District Officers’ Conferences Help Clarify Plan***

A series of informal conferences follows the staff planning conference. District officers review the pencil draft and propose any desired additions and/or changes. This process gives each key leader an opportunity to share in the thinking and to be prepared for the council planning conference that follows.

### ***Council Planning Conference Helps Refine Plan***

A planning conference involving the key leaders of the council should be held on an afternoon and an evening. Devote the first part to group meetings for discussing the plan of each operating committee. When this has been completed, the groups join to hear each committee present its plan. The plan refined in this meeting goes to the council executive board for its adoption.

At the next regular meeting of each district, the council’s plan and the district’s share in it are reviewed. Each committee reviews its program and calendar in detail.

The council program is broad and general, as it affects the four functions: Membership, Program, Finance, and Unit Service. For example, the program may include a camporee in every district, but it should not specify details. Or the council has established new-unit objectives, but it does not specify where or when these units are to be organized. Thus, each committee has a considerable job of planning the details.

### ***Unit Planning Conference Gets Units Going***

After the commissioner staff/service team reviews the plan and its part in the plan, the council may prepare an annual program planning kit, in support of the National Journey to Excellence Award, for each unit. These kits should be distributed at the unit planning conference as units develop their own plans.

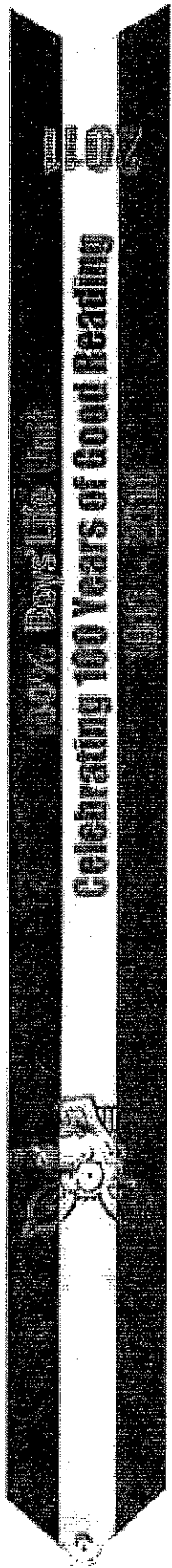
### ***Calendar Is the Key to Planning***

The next step is to fit the program plan into the year’s calendar, making sure that each item has a date, a deadline, or a period of duration. This gives the program a timetable, helps prevent conflicts, balances and levels out the work and helps anticipate future needs. This *Boys’ Life Planning Calendar* is the key to the total planning process.

### ***Work Schedule Defines Responsibilities***

When dates are fixed, effective backdating can begin. Detailed backdating, in turn, leads to efficient work scheduling.

Work scheduling involves breaking each program item or activity into the steps it takes to produce. Each step is given a date or deadline and is assigned as a specific job for individual accomplishment. Thus, at each meeting of a committee, each member takes one or two specific jobs that should be accomplished before the next meeting.



# Boys' Life Is Quality Program Help

## Boys' Life Is Good Scouting

Leaders appreciate that Scouts who read *Boys' Life* stay in Scouting longer and advance in rank faster and more often than Scout non-subscribers. They know that each issue of *Boys' Life* covers monthly Cub Scout activities and a Boy Scout program feature.

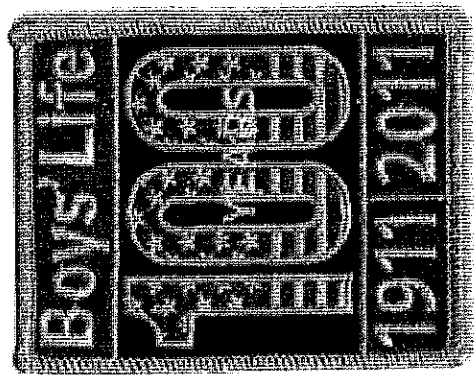
## Boys' Life Is Good Reading

- **Parents** like *Boys' Life* because it encourages their sons to read. The articles and stories in *Boys' Life* are wholesome and entertaining, and they help boys to grow up to be men of good character.
- **Teachers** know that in tomorrow's world good reading will be a survival skill. If our youth are to compete on a level playing field, they must be able to effectively understand the printed word. *Boys' Life* encourages boys to practice reading.

## Two Editions – One Great Magazine

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