



The Varsity Letter



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VS Basic Training offered

The Varsity Scout basic training class is designed for all adult and youth team leaders. Those who can benefit from the basic training include adult coaches, assistant coaches, program advisers, and committee members, and youth team captains, co-captains, and program managers.

The *Varsity Scout Guidebook* (WW34827A) is the class textbook. Please bring your personal copy with you to the training.

As we learn of planned training dates the information will be posted on the web site (<http://www.gslc-bsa.org/varsity/training/>). Check back often so that you can have that opportunity for the training that will help you become the greatest Varsity Scout leader ever.

Dist.	Location	Date	Time
26	8735 S Harvard Park Dr	9/15	6:00 p.m.
28	1187 Draper Pkway, Draper	9/19	7:00 p.m.
13	4586 West 3960 South	10/08	8:00 a.m.
26	1280 E Turquoise Way	10/08	8:00 a.m.
26	9880 South 3100 East	11/12	8:00 a.m.
28	1440 E Raddon Dr, Sandy	11/17	7:00 p.m.
GSLC	University of Scouting	12/3	8:30 a.m.

District news roundup

Several events for Varsity Scouts and leaders are planned by local districts throughout the Great Salt Lake Council over the next few months. Many of the following events are included in the published 2005-2006 council calendar, available at the service center and Scout Shops. District vice chairmen are encouraged to submit information about upcoming Varsity activities to the editor for inclusion in the *Varsity Letter*.

A web site for each district in the Great Salt Lake Council is included in the district section

of the council web site. The URL is <http://www.gslc-bsa.org/districts/index.cfm>.

District 13 (Granger)

District Executive Joaquin Blanco is contacting Hispanic units in the district to introduce the new "Soccer and Scouting" program (<http://www.soccerandscouting.com>) throughout the district.

District 17 (White Buffalo)

District 17 holds monthly roundtable meetings for all families of scouting at the LDS Meetinghouse at 7350 South 1300 West, West Jordan. This meeting is held the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

District 18 (Wasatch Peaks)

Basic training is conducted monthly, typically on the third Saturday.

District 26 (Silver Mesa)

Monthly basic training sessions resume September 19.

District 28 (Eagle Peaks)

Basic training dates for 2005 are September 19, and November 17.

Council news

Council roundtable report

District vice chairmen are reminded that members of the council committee are available to visit district roundtable meetings and help make presentations on any subject. Arrangements to bring a climbing wall can be made.

District committee members are invited to attend the monthly council Varsity roundtable on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Roundtable is held at Murray High School, 5440 South State. The meeting is held

in the Little Theater (room 105) on the first floor (<http://www.gslc-bsa.org/training/documents/map.pdf>). Parking is available on the south side of the school and Scouters may enter the school from the south side. Members will receive training which they can then pass on to the coaches and other leaders at the district roundtable the following month.

The 12 points of the Scout Law will be reviewed during the coming year. Each month a different point will be featured. Dates and themes, as well as the event of the month, for upcoming council roundtables follow:

September 21: Trustworthy, Turkey Shoot

October 19: Loyal, Training (Training)

November 16: Helpful, Friendly, Biathlon (Personal Development)

December 21: cancelled

January 18: Courteous, Kind, Scouting for Food (Service)

February 15: Obedient, Cheerful, Scout-O-Rama (Advancement)

March 15: Thrifty, Brave, Recognition and Award (Advancement)

April 19: Clean, Big Event (Special Programs and Events)

May 17: Reverent, Operation On Target (High Adventure and Sports)

No roundtable meetings are scheduled in December, June, and July. Planning for October 2006-May 2007 will occur at the September 2006 council roundtable.



Six Varsity Scouts earn Denali Award

Six Varsity Scouts have earned the Denali Award recently.

Three members of Team 6103, sponsored by the Farmington First Ward of The Church of Jesus

Christ of Latter-day Saints, have earned the Denali Award. Recipients include Richard Bell, Ryan Bell, and Matthew Welch. Dan Decker is the team coach.

Justin T. Canova is a member of team 7652 sponsored by the Copperview Fourth Ward. Tim Broh is the team coach.

Ethan Collins is a member of Team 7719, sponsored by the Oak Grove Ward. Richard E. Collins is the team coach.

Spencer Anderson belongs to Team 7837 sponsored by the Davis Creek Second Ward. Harlan Pooley is the team coach.

Web sites redesigned

The Great Salt Lake Council web site has been redesigned over the summer to make navigation easier. The new site debuted September 1.

The Varsityscouter.org web site is also undergoing a facelift. The revised and upgraded site will continue to offer valuable resources to Varsity team coaches, captains, program managers, and other leaders. The site will be maintained by Bryce Swanson and Tom Hacking. Surf on by <http://www.varsityscouter.org> today!

Wood Badge slots available

Registration is under way for Wood Badge for the 21st Century--a single training program for Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, Venturing, council and district volunteer leaders and professionals.



Because of the high demand, spots for English speaking Scouters are being made available in the planned Spanish-only course. The 6-day course is scheduled for October 27, 28 & 29 and November 3, 4, & 5. Participants will meet at Camp Williams for the first weekend then move to Camp Tracy for the second weekend. Cost for the course is \$190.00. For more information call 582-3663 and ask for the Camp Desk, send e-mail to woodbadge@gslc-bsa.org, or visit the web site: <http://www.gslc-bsa.org/woodbadge>. Registration forms are available at district roundtable meetings, at any Scout Shop, or downloaded from the council web site.

2005-'06 Varsity calendar

Turkey Shoot, Saturday, October 15, 2005

Jamboree on the Air, Friday and Saturday, October 15-16, 2005

Biathlon, Saturday, February 11, 2006

Scouting for Food drive, Saturday, March 25, 2006

Scout-O-Rama, Saturday May 6, 2006

Big Event, Thursday-Saturday, June 15-17, 2006

Operation On Target, Saturday, July 15, 2006

On Belay Junior Leader Training Conference, July 24-29, 2006

Turkey Shoot, October 21, 2006