



CUSTALOGA TOWN SCOUT RESERVATION

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SCOUTS BSA 2024 RESIDENT CAMP



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The mission of Custaloga Town Scout Reservation is to support the aims and methods of the Scouting program by providing out of book experiences through activity, tradition, and excellence.

Attention Scouters,

Nothing is more memorable to my youth than my experiences at summer camp. The skills I learned and memories I made have molded me into who I am today. I have had the opportunity of being able to work at Custaloga Town for 9 years. What keeps bringing me back is the beauty and serenity of camp, the abundant opportunities for fun, and the inspiration of the scouting spirit! So much can be learned and discovered in just one week of camp verses a whole year of meetings. A scout can develop and practice their leadership, character, service, environmental stewardship, and advancement all within one week of great fun. Thank you for deciding to spend your week with us! If you are still considering a camp to attend in 2024, look no further than Custaloga Town Scout Reservation.

This year we are excited to announce needed changes to our dining experience and offer a new slate of program opportunities. We have partnered with a professional food service to offer Scouts and Scouters a top-quality dining experience. There will be new nightly program activities including a Trailgaiting Party and a bonus merit badge night. In addition, our new Eagle Week will feature exclusive Eagle Scout merit badges. With many new opportunities, there are some things that will never change, and that is the fun you and your unit will have at CTSR! From hiking around the Beaver Pond, shooting skeet, flying on our 900 foot zip line, to gliding across Heydrick Pond in a kayak and so much more, you will not be disappointed.

Please use this guide to help plan for your summer adventure. If you still have questions, please contact us the McGarvey Council Service Center, or you can personally reach out to me anytime. I promise you that my team and I will work determinedly to make your week at Custaloga Town the best one yet.

Yours in Scouting,



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NEW FOR 2024

- **Introducing Upper Crust Food Service:** We are ecstatic to be partnering with Upper Crust Food Service to offer a dining menu like no other. The trained chefs will be using fresh ingredients to provide a home-cooked experience. Campers will be treated daily to exciting and nutritious homemade meals. The team will also gladly handle all dietary restrictions.
- **ATV Program:** We are excited to announce a new partnership with Polaris that will be offering an ATV Program starting this summer. We will have 7 Polaris Phoenix 200 ATVs for Scouts. This program will be offered only to older scouts. The program is still getting designed and worked out, and as soon as we can get more information out we will.
- **New and Returning Merit Badges with new schedule for 2024:** We will be returning to the traditional hourly schedule for merit badges! Scouts will have 4 merit badges scheduled and will attend each class 5 days a week for 50 minutes. Scouts will also have the opportunity to work on additional merit badges during free time. (3-5 p.m.) The Council Advancement and Camping Committee believe the move away from block scheduling will be an improvement for both Scouts and Camp Staff. For example, if there is inclement weather, Scouts will have 5 days instead of 2 to complete badges such as aquatics and climbing.



A new merit badge this year will be Whitewater! Scouts will have the opportunity to participate in a boating adventure along French Creek that includes Class 1 rapids. We are also excited to return important Scout skill merit badges of: Pioneering, Bird Study, and Forestry. It has been several years since these badges have been offered.

- **Monday “Trailgating” Party:** Lots of fun activities will be available on Monday night in lower field. The shooting ranges will be open, the zip line will be zipping, and there will be other activities including kickball and a corn hole tournament. Stop by the pavilion for some snacks. Be ready for some great music and a great time!
- **Tuesday Bonus Badge Night:** On Tuesday night we will be offering special Merit Badges from 7 to 9 p.m. Scouts will be able to sign up and take a Merit Badge from a registered counselor. Badge offerings will change depending on the session. Scouts won’t necessarily complete the entire Merit Badge, depending on which one they are working on. A list of available Merit Badges will be given to the Scouts on Sunday evening of their week of camp. If any registered Merit Badge counselors would like to volunteer for this special night either during their week of camp or on another week, please contact the Camp or Program Director.
- **The Quest for the Golden Compass:** Legends says that George Washington, while on a scouting mission along French Creek, made a stop at present day Custaloga Town. Several items from Washington’s gear were left behind but have never been found, including the priceless golden compass. Do you have the skills it takes to make the discovery? Meet at the Flagpoles Thursday night to kick off the camp wide search for the Golden Compass!



NEW FOR 2024 CONTINUED

- **Guyasutha Braves All-Inclusive Program:** This redesigned, all-inclusive program is for Scouts who have only been in the program less than a year. Scouts who sign up for Braves will be in the program all day. (9-12 p.m. and 2-3 p.m.) Scouts in the Braves program will earn rank requirements for Scout, Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First-Class and will also work to earn their First Aid, Swimming, and Nature merit badges. Scouts may also go to open program areas during free time (3-5 p.m.) to complete additional merit badges. Adult Leaders will be invited to the program to see advancements and sign handbooks.
- **Guyasutha Run Returns!!!** Guyasutha Run is a timed obstacle run throughout camp on Wednesday during open program time. This individual race will start at the Indian Burial Grounds and go to different program areas where runners will complete challenges before finishing at the Flag Poles in upper camp. Scouts and adults are allowed to participate in this activity. Fastest times will be awarded.
- **Trading Post Revamped:** We have received your feedback and we are planning a fully stocked Trading Post for 2024. There will be the usual favorites of candy, pop, snacks... and everyone's beloved Slushie! New this year will be a selection of "forgot to bring" toiletries and other necessities. We will have an abundance of CTSR swag and apparel. The shelves will be fully stocked with Scouting needs like Merit Badge books, camping supplies, and knives. Don't miss the new collector items like: hiking staff medallions, bolos, neckerchiefs, web belts, belt buckles and patches! Around \$125 should cover a Scout's wants and needs for the week. The Trading Post is a great opportunity for your Scouts to learn budgeting and financial responsibility. Cash, check and credit card are all accepted.
- **Let's Dig In!** We've started a new initiative for units to give back to camp and make it even more beautiful. Each unit that completes at least a 2-hour approved service project during their week stay will be invited to a Nacho Bar Party! Projects can be found in the Camp Office and will be made available online ahead of camp so units can prepare and bring supplies. Service projects must be approved by the Camp Director or Assistant Camp Director.
- **Daily Unit Awards: The Clean Sweep and the Scout Spirit Staff will be given daily to units.** The awarded unit will have 24 hours to put their mark on the item before it is awarded to another unit. The Clean Sweep award will be given out daily to units not only with a clean camp site, but also best presented and uniformed at our daily flag ceremonies. The Scout Spirit Staff will be awarded to units that display and live the scout spirit best.
- **Camp Theme Days:** Monday is Patriotic Day; Tuesday is Twinning Tuesday; Wednesday is Order of the Arrow Day, Thursday is Throwback Day (who has the oldest CTSR shirt?) and Friday is Tie-Dye Day. Scouts can bring a white t-shirt to camp and have it tie-dyed at our Trailgating party.
- **Health Policy change for Summer of 2024.** Prescription medications of Scouts and adults will be permitted to be kept in a locked container in the Troop campsite and administered by an adult Leader. If a Troop needs a lock box, one will be provided for them. If a Scout or adult would still like to keep their medications in the health lodge with the health officer, that is still an option.

** Disclaimer: policies and program are subject to change between this guide's adoption, November 29, 2023 and the start of your program session.*

EAGLE/SPECIAL PROGRAMS WEEK JUNE 30-JULY 3, 2024 CTSR

We are excited to welcome units or youth as provisional campers to camp, for a special program week and focus on Eagle Scout Merit Badges.

We will be offering the following merit badges during the week, scouts will be able to schedule up to 6 badges from the following:

Archery, Camping, Cit. in the Community, Cit. in the Nation, Cit. in the World, Climbing, Communications, Emergency Preparedness, Environmental Science, Family Life, First Aid, Hiking, Lifesaving, Personal Fitness, Personal Management, Pioneering, Rifle, Shotgun, & Swimming. **There will also be special presentations by Council Advancement Committee about Eagle Scout projects, paperwork, and preparing for their Eagle Board of Review.**

You can sign up for BSA Lifeguard Certification, and that will be your only course that week.

We will also be offering a 3-day expedition: River, Trails, and Rails led by expert guides Woody and Becky Whitling. Scouts must have a bike and helmet, a pack, a BSA Swimmer Classification and either canoeing or kayaking merit badge to participate. Day 1 they will kayak down the Clarion River. Day 2 backpacking along the North Country Trail. Then Day 3 finish off with a bike ride on the Rail 66 Trail.

This expedition is designed for older scouts.

Lastly this week gives all units the flexibility to use camp and design their own program. Perfect for Sea Scouts, Venturing Crews, and others that would like meals provided in the dining hall but have their own program ideas. More questions about this option please contact Camp Director Justin Dye: (440) 813-7670 email: justindye.musicguy@gmail.com



Eagle/Special Program Camp T-Shirt & Patch included with registration	Early Prior to May 21	Regular May 22-June 11	Late After June 12
Scout	\$225	\$250	\$275
Scout 2nd Week	\$150	\$150	\$150
River Trails Rails Scout	\$200	\$225	\$250
Adult	\$30 a day	\$30 a day	\$30 a day

CAMP COMMUNICATION

- **Pre-Camp Adult Leader's Meeting - Saturday, April 13th, 2024**

Please come meet the 2024 Custaloga Town Scout Reservation staff as they kick off the summer camp season with our Pre-Camp Adult Leader's Meeting. Join us at 6:00 p.m. for a delicious dinner followed by information on all of the great things happening at Custaloga Town this summer. This will be a also be a great opportunity to have your questions answered. Each unit will be permitted two adult leaders who will receive a free dinner and special gift!

- **Communication is Key**

To make your experience the best possible please don't hesitate to reach out to the Camp Director or McGarvey Scout Service Center if you are unsure of a policy or program leading up to camp. We want everyone to have an amazing summer and know that you will get out of it what you put into it! **We all want the scouts to have a fun and productive week at camp, so let's work together to make that happen.** If anything is not up to your standards, please see the Camp Director, Assistant Camp Director, or Program Director during your stay.

- **TeamReach**

Custaloga Town Staff will be using a free communication app called TeamReach during your stay at camp. This will allow the staff to quickly communicate with adult Leaders on any program changes or in case of emergencies. Each session will have a log-in code. Codes will be sent out to units before their sessions.



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Camp Registration Page: <https://scoutingevent.com/532-ScoutsBSASummerCamp2024>

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Custaloga Town Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/CTSR67

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CAMP IS HIRING!

Looking for an amazing summer job? Come spend it with us! If you enjoy working with kids and love to camp, then Custaloga Town Scout Reservation is a great place to work! This life changing opportunity is a fun and rewarding experience. You'll meet plenty of new friends and create tons of memories. You'll have new experiences and challenge yourself. The camp staff run activities, plan programs, and instruct the campers that come to our summer camp.

Who Can Apply?

We are looking for male and female staff to serve at all age levels. No previous Scouting experience is required.

Anyone who is 15 or older can be hired to serve on Camp Staff. Scouts age 14 can join us for Counselor in Training (CIT) sessions. Normally a CIT spends two weeks at camp and if successful, they may be asked to join us for more weeks.

Camp Staff Compensation Also Includes:

- Lodging
- Staff uniform shirts
- Three meals a day
- Training

Apply Now! Applying is easy! Simply fill out the Camp Staff application and attend an upcoming interview session. Contact Camp Director Justin Dye for more information. 440-813-7670, justindye.musicguy@gmail.com



PAYMENT INFORMATION



2024 Scouts BSA Session Dates

Week #1	June 16 - 22
Week #2	June 23 - June 29
Eagle Week	June 30-July 3rd
Week #3	July 7 - 13
Week #4	July 14 - 20

Camp T-shirts & Patches are included with all registrations.	Early Prior to May 21	Regular May 22 - June 11	Late After June 12
Scout	\$390	\$405	\$420
Adult (Full Week)	\$160	\$170	\$180
Adult (Partial Week)	\$30 per day	\$30 per day	\$30 per day

- **New Scouts:** Arrow of Light and other new Scouts who join a Scouts BSA Troop during the spring will qualify for the Early Bird Fee for up to 2 weeks before the Troop goes to camp. Contact the McGarvey Service Center at 814-868-5571 to have the discount applied.
- **Adult Leaders:** Two adults attend free from every Troop. Additional adults are \$160 each. Part-time adult are \$30 per day. There will be no free leaders for the Eagle/Special Program week.
- **Family Discount:** Each additional Scout attending Custaloga Town Scout Reservation from the same family will receive a \$20.00 discount for each week they are attending. This applies to siblings who attend Cub Scout or Scouts BSA Resident Camp. The online system will automatically apply the discount **IF** the exact same address is entered for each Scout during registration. Please contact McGarvey Service Center at 814-868-5571 with any questions.
- **Provisional Camper Reservations:** Provisional Campers are Scouts who wish to attend camp even though their own Troop is not, or when the two-deep leadership requirements cannot be met. These Scouts attend camp as Provisional Campers under leadership provided by another Troop. Scouts interested in being a Provisional Camper must contact the McGarvey Service Center at 814-868-5571 to make the needed arrangements. All payment deadlines apply and acceptance by a host Troop is also required.
- **Camperships:** Langundowi Lodge administers camperships for Scouts that may be in need of financial assistance in order to attend Resident Camp. The application includes sections that must be completed by the Troop Leader, Troop Committee, the parents, and the Scout. **April 1st** is the application deadline. All camperships awarded will be credited to the camper's online registration prior to May 15th. Applications are available under the Attachments section at: <https://scoutingevent.com/532-ScoutsBSASummerCamp2024>



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REGISTRATION

Troop registration and merit badge sign-ups are completed online by the **DESIGNATED ADULT LEADER** at <https://scoutingevent.com/532-ScoutsBSASummerCamp2024>

The following forms are also available in the Attachments section of the 2024 Registration Page:

- BSA Medical Form
- CTSR Prescription Medication Form
- CTSR Swim Pre-Qualification Form
- Scouts BSA Campership Fact Sheet
- Scouts BSA Campership Application
- CTSR Refund Request Form

Register Here



Registration Steps

- Select the session date your Troop wants to attend and the requested campsite. Select the number of Scouts and adults that are planning on attending, or if unsure, sign up one adult and two Scouts (more can be added later).
- A **\$200 per unit deposit is required to hold the reservation**. This **does not ensure** that a Troop will be in the requested site, though every effort will be made to fulfill requests. The French Creek Council reserves the right to move a Troop to maximize space for all Scouts attending.
- Complete the requested information for each participant. Allergies, medical concerns, special needs or special diet information is required and must be completed in order to check-out. You may enter "N/A" if there are no concerns in those categories. Complete this information as soon as possible to ensure that camp is properly prepared. CTSR Staff may contact Troop leadership if there are further questions.
- Check-out when all fields have been completed. A payment method is required at this time.
- A registration confirmation will be sent to the email address provided. **You will use the link provided in the confirmation email to return to the Troop's registration and make additional payments, register additional participants, choose or change merit badge class schedules, etc.**
- Additional participants may be added up to 2 weeks prior to the start of selected session (per the fee schedule). Deletions require you to contact the McGarvey Service Center at 814-868-5571. However, you may change the names of participants up to the day before arrival.
- CTSR Merit Badge Worksheets can be used to collect merit badge classes, dietary restrictions and t-shirt size. This information will be needed to fully complete each Scout's individual registration.
- **Merit Badge classes fill on a first come basis and have class size limits.**
- If all fees are paid prior to the discount deadline, the discount is automatically applied by the system. Family discounts must have the EXACT same address entered to be applied automatically.
- Registration questions or concerns may be addressed by calling McGarvey Service Center at 814-868-5571.

Refund Policy:

Refund requests must be made using a *Refund Request Form* 30 days prior to your scheduled arrival at camp. No refunds will be granted without 30-day notice except under the following extenuating circumstances:

- Illness of Scout prevents their attendance at Resident Camp (a signed doctor's excuse is required).
- Illness or death in the immediate family that prevents attendance at camp.
- Family relocation makes attending camp impractical.

In the event of an extenuating circumstance, the CTSR Refund Request form must be used for refund requests. Parents of the Scout **MUST** submit it to French Creek Council prior to 8/31.

- Requests for refunds must have the Troop Leader's approval (signature).
- All requests will be subject to a \$30.00 cancellation fee.
- All refunds will be made back to the Troop's council account and will be processed within 60 days of receipt.
- In lieu of a refund, camp fees (including deposits), are transferable to another Scout in the Troop.
- Refund forms are available under the Attachments section at: <https://scoutingevent.com/532-ScoutsBSASummerCamp2024>

CHECK IN + CHECK OUT

- **Transportation** - Transportation to and from camp is the responsibility of each Scout's parent(s) and should be coordinated through the Troop. A Scout is conservation minded, so please try to car pool. All drivers must be at least 18 years old, licensed and driving properly registered vehicles that are insured and inspected.
- **Check-In** - Troops should plan to arrive at camp on their check-in afternoon between 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. DO NOT arrive before 1:00 p.m. as the Camp Staff will not be prepared to check the Troop in, and you will be required to wait in the lower field. If a portion of the Troop needs to arrive after 3:00 p.m., they must check-in at the Camp Office, and may be rushed to complete all necessary tasks prior to dinner.
- Troops will be greeted by a Staff Guide in the lower field after the bridge, and directed where to assemble. Participant and Troop gear should be consolidated into one truck or trailer, as only one vehicle will be permitted in the campsite at a time. The truck/trailer containing the gear will be directed to the campsite, while the adult Leader will proceed to the Camp Office to check-in. The Staff Guide will direct the Troop to their campsite where the equipment should be unloaded as quickly as possible. Vehicular traffic is kept to a minimum for the safety of the Scouts coming and going from the campsites. One vehicle/trailer may remain in each campsite during the week of camp.
- **Check-In Stations** - Upon arrival at their campsite, Troops should gather **health forms** and **prescription medications**, as well as **CTSR Swim Pre-Qualification Form** (if completed) for all Scouts and adult Leaders. Troops who have not completed swim qualification prior to camp will change into swim wear. The Staff Guide will then take the Troop through check-in stations including the Health Lodge, swim check/pool orientation, Dining Hall and Parade Grounds. The Staff Guide will be able to answer questions the Troop may have. All Scouts and adult Leaders will receive a wristband, for security purposes, to be worn during your stay. Following check-in, the Troop will return to their campsite to finish unpacking and prepare for dinner and flags. There will be a leader's meeting the first afternoon.
- **Camp Tour** - An optional camp tour is available Sunday after dinner to help orient new Scouts and adults.
- **Check-Out** - Troops may leave Friday night after closing campfire or on Saturday morning by 10:00 a.m. **If a unit wishes to leave Friday, they need to let the Camp Office know by Thursday evening so appropriate arrangements with their Staff Guide can be made. Unit Leaders need to make sure they stop at the Health Lodge as part of the check-out process.**

Our traditional "Trail to Eagle" dismissal will be Friday after dinner. There will be no concluding program Saturday morning.

A Staff Guide will coordinate your check-out process. Medical forms will be picked up from the Health Lodge by an adult Leader. One vehicle will be permitted in the campsite at a time. Make sure all litter has been removed from the campsite as well as Troop and personal gear. Garbage should be taken to the garbage trailer. Adult Leaders may not depart camp until ALL Scouts have been picked up. **NO ONE EXCEPT STAFF SHOULD BE IN CAMP PAST 10:30 A.M. on Saturday.**

- **Camp Evaluation** - Senior Patrol Leaders and adult Leaders are asked to complete a camp evaluation before departure. This information is used to assess the current program and make changes and improvements in the future.

TROOP LEADERSHIP

Youth Leadership Roles

Youth Leadership and the Patrol Method are the cornerstone to the Scouting program. The Senior Patrol Leader, as the Youth Leader of the Troop, leads the Scouts in all their activities. There is no reason to suspend this method during summer camp. Occasionally, new patrols must be formed when coming to camp because all Scouts may not attend. Patrols should be established before coming to camp. ASPL or a PL should substitute for the SPL while at camp if the elected SPL is not in attendance.

Duties of the Senior Patrol Leader/Patrol Leaders while at Custaloga Town Scout Reservation:

- Being a positive role model by living by the Scout Oath and Law.
- Conducting a daily Patrol Leaders' Council to discuss the day's schedule of duties, evening activities and any issues within the Troop.
- Attending daily Senior Patrol Leader Meetings as scheduled by Camp Staff.
- Ensuring that the Troop campsite is ready for daily campsite inspection.
- Understanding and supporting emergency procedures in camp.
- Assuring timely arrival at flag raising, flag retreat, meals, campfires, and other camp wide activities.
- Signups for special activities, service projects, closing campfire skits, etc.
- Managing the construction of the Troop's gateway.

Adult Leadership Roles

- Providing Youth Leadership with the tools and skills needed so they can run the Troop.
- Making sure the rules of the BSA, French Creek Council and Custaloga Town Scout Reservation are followed.
- Understanding and supporting emergency procedures in camp.
- Being a positive role model by living by the Scout Oath and Law.

BSA Policies For Adult Leadership:

- Two registered adult leaders 21 years of age or over are required at all Scouting activities, including all meetings. There must be a registered female adult leader 21 years of age or over in every unit serving females. A registered female adult leader 21 years of age or over must be present for any activity involving female youth or female adult program participants.
- Notwithstanding the minimum leader requirements, age and program-appropriate supervision must always be provided.
- **All adults staying overnight in connection with a Scouting activity must be currently registered in an adult fee required position as listed or as an adult program participant.** (effective 9/23)



**Train 'em,
trust 'em,
and
let 'em
lead!**

William
"Green Bar Bill"
Hillcourt

HEALTH INFORMATION

Annual Health and Medical Form:

- Do not mail health forms to either McGarvey Service Center or CTSR.
- **BSA Health Form:** https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/680-001_ABC.pdf
- **Every camper (youth and adult) must submit a BSA Health and Medical Form Parts A, B, and C upon arrival at camp. No other medical forms will be accepted. Any camper not bringing fully completed and signed medical form will be UNABLE to participate in any activities at camp.**
- The form requires **EVERYONE** to have an annual physical, all prescription medications listed and an informed consent signature. **Also include a front/back copy of your insurance card.** The signed release in Part B of the BSA Medical form is required to receive OTC (Over the Counter) medications as directed by the Camp Physician.
- Information on these forms should be reviewed by a designated adult Leader before arriving at camp. Specifically check for parent/doctor signatures, immunization dates, insurance and emergency contact information.
- Individuals will turn in all completed forms to the CTSR Medical Staff during check-in, and forms will be returned to an adult Leader at check-out.
- If switching out adult Leaders during the week, please check-in at the Health Lodge upon arrival and check-out at the Health Lodge when you are leaving. This helps the Medical Officer know which adult Leaders to contact in case of an emergency.

Prescription Medications:

- **CTSR Prescription Medication Form.** The form is available at <https://scoutingevent.com/532-ScoutsBSASummerCamp2024> under the Attachments section.
- Prescription medications of Scouts and adults will be permitted to kept in a locked container in the Troop campsite and administered by an adult Leader. If a Troop needs a lock box, one will be provided for them. If a Scout or adult would still like to keep their medications in the health lodge with the health officer, that is still an option.
- **MEDICATIONS SHOULD BE IN THE ORIGINAL CONTAINER** (labeled with the drug name & patient's name)
- Campers will be allowed to carry rescue inhalers and EpiPen's provided that the camper has left a duplicate in the Health Lodge.

A certified Medical Officer is available 24/7. Any injuries or illnesses occurring at camp, no matter how minor, must be reported to the Health Lodge to be logged. In the event of a medical emergency, the Health Lodge and Medical Officer can be contacted at any time. Radio contact is available from all program areas, the Dining Hall, Trading Post, and Camp Office.

The Health Lodge is prepared to handle all illness and injuries, with a licensed Medical Doctor under agreement and on call.

Adult Leaders should be aware of their Scout's medical needs and observant of their activities, realizing that camp activities may affect Scouts differently than routine home life.

Medical Officers, as well as additional Camp Staff, are trained to deal with homesickness.

Mike Pandolph, Health Officer Emergency Contact: 814-566-8299

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

Evening Programs At Custaloga Town Scout Reservation

Each evening at camp features one or more special programs for Scouts and adults. Attendance and participation is highly encouraged.

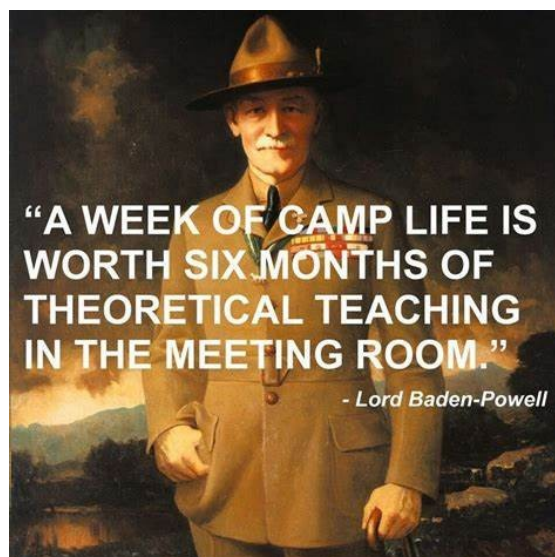
- Sunday – Camp tour for first year participants / Unit Photos and Opening Campfire
- Monday – Vespers Service / “Trailgating” Party following Vespers
- Tuesday – Bonus Merit Badge Night
- Wednesday – Order of the Arrow Call-outs: Langundowi Lodge #46
- Thursday – The Quest For The Golden Compass Camp Wide Game
- Friday – Closing Campfire and Honor Camper Ceremony

Unit Pictures - Troop pictures will be taken after dinner on Sunday. A printed photo will be given to the unit.

Vespers - *A Scout is Reverent*. A Scout Vespers service will be held after dinner Monday nights in Harshman Chapel.

Closing Campfire Skits/Songs - Closing Campfire on Friday evening is where the Scouts entertain the Camp Staff and other campers. A sign-up sheet will be available throughout the week for Troops to write down the name of the skit or song they would like to perform. Large Troops may split up by Patrol and do more than one skit/song. All songs/skits must be approved by the Program Director prior to closing campfire.

Adult Leader Activities: Each day there will be a programmed activity for the adults. Monday through Wednesday we will have our popular Caveman Games Caveman golf and bowling have been a long tradition at camp. For Caveman golf, bring your own golf club and ball that are not real golf clubs or balls, For Caveman bowling, bring your own bowling ball that is not a real bowling ball. On Thursday there will be a Scoutmaster Cook-off in the Scoutcraft area at 2 p.m. Adults are to bring their own food and cooking supplies for the cook-off. There is a grocery store not far from camp for any needed supplies. The cook-off will be judged and awards given. The Scoutmaster Merit Badge requirements will be given out upon your arrival at camp. Requirements listed from years past include taking a nap and participating in paddle boarding yoga. There will also be an adult rifle, shotgun and archery shoot scheduled during your week. If an adult would like a specialty training such as Climb on Safely, Safe Swim Defense or Safety Afloat, please talk to the Program Director.



CAMP HONORS

Honor Camper Program:

Custaloga Town Honor Camper Program recognizes and awards Scouts and adults for going above and beyond during their summer week stay. Created in the summer of 2010, the Honor Program is rooted in the rich history of Custaloga Town Scout Reservation and French Creek Council recognizing: Chief Custaloga, Chief Guyasutha, Chief Kiondashawa, George Washington, Oliver Perry, and Colonel Drake. This is a 5-year program challenging Scouts and adults each year they come back to complete the requirements.

Requirements are listed on paged 30 - 39 of this guide. Recipients will be awarded a custom pin at the Friday night post-campfire ceremony.

Baden Powell Honor Troop Award:

The Baden Powell Honor Troop Award is given to Troops that complete a list of requirements designed to have your Troop compete and participate together. Complete requirements are listed on page 29 of this guide. Don't forget to bring your Troop flag to camp, as you are expected to bring it to flag raising and lowering daily. Troops are also expected to make a gateway for their campsite that they have constructed together. Unit campsites will receive a daily campsite inspection that will receive a score for the BP Honor Troop Award. Each member will receive the Baden Powell Honor Troop Pin.

Order of the Arrow at Camp:

For over 100 years, the Order of the Arrow (OA) has recognized Scouts and Scouters who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives. This recognition provides encouragement for others to live these ideals as well. Arrowmen are known for maintaining camping traditions and spirit, promoting year-round and long term resident camping, and providing cheerful service to others. OA service, activities, adventures, and training for youth and adults are models of quality leadership development and programming that enrich and help to extend Scouting to America's youth. The mission of the Order of the Arrow is to fulfill its purpose as an integral part of the Boy Scouts of America through positive youth leadership under the guidance of selected capable adults.

Langundowi Lodge #46 is the Order of the Arrow Lodge associated with French Creek Council. On Wednesday evening during each week of camp, there will be a Dance and Drum Presentation followed by a Call Out Ceremony. The Call Out Ceremony will recognize the candidates for the year who seek to join this organization. There will also be an ice cream social following the ceremony for those in attendance.

The Call Out Ceremony will seek to call out the new inductees for the current election year. All elections in French Creek Council should be done prior to camp and the Unit Leader or someone in the Unit should be familiar with those who have been nominated to be called out during the evening. Langundowi can also perform Call Out Ceremonies for Out of Council units provided the Out of Council unit provides their lodge's appropriate approval paperwork prior to the Call Out Ceremony.

Any questions or concerns regarding Order of the Arrow can be directed to the Lodge Adviser, C. Michael Miller at 814-566-4889 or mcmiller@yahoo.com. In addition, there will be at least one member of the Custaloga Town Scout Reservation Camp Staff designated as the Lodge OA Camp Chief for your week of summer camp as well.

DINING HALL

A Scout Is Clean - Everyone should wash their hands with soap and water on the way to a meal.

**Upon entering the Dining Hall, please remove hats. Removing your hat is a sign of respect.
Everyone should remain standing and quiet until after grace.**

- **Waiters** - Each Troop's Senior Patrol Leader should assign one Scout per table as waiters for each breakfast and dinner throughout the week. Waiters must be at the Dining Hall at least 15 minutes before the start of the meal to prepare the table. (For Troops with one table, please use buddy system and send two Scouts.) Following the meal, the waiters are responsible for clearing the dishes, disinfecting the table and sweeping the table area. Waiters should not leave the Dining Hall until dismissed by the Dining Hall Steward. Adult and youth Leaders are encouraged to assist younger Scouts with waiter duties.
- **Table Assignments** - Troops will be assigned tables during check-in. Each table seats 8 - 10 people. CTSR Staff will fill in empty seats. Troop Leaders are responsible for the conduct, manners, and general supervision of their Scouts during meals. Adults should also monitor the food and water intake of the Scouts in their Troop to make sure they are eating and drinking adequate amounts. Water will be provided for all meals.
- **Uniforms** - All Scouts and adult Leaders should be "washed and polished" for every meal. Shorts and t-shirts may be worn at lunch. BSA Field Uniform should be worn for breakfast and dinner. Uniform pants or shorts are preferred. but solid color shorts or jeans are acceptable. Please do not wear basketball style shorts or swimsuits. Adult should lead by example. Modifications to these guidelines will be announced in the event of a high heat index.
- **Kitchen Operations** - For sanitation and safety, only kitchen staff will be allowed behind the counter. Be sure to enter through the "In" doors to the kitchen and exit through the "Out" doors. Meals will be served either family style or cafeteria style.
- **Special Meals** - If there are dietary restrictions, either for medical or religious reasons, special accommodations can be made. Please make a note of any restrictions during the online registration process.
- **Campsite Meals:** Units will be given food to prepare two meals in their campsite, one lunch and one dinner. Units should come prepared with supplies to cook and eat in their campsite.

MEAL TIMES

Breakfast: 8:00 a.m.

Lunch: 12:00 p.m. to 12:45 p.m. (buffet style)

Dinner: 6:00 p.m.

Waiters report at least 15 minutes prior to mealtime

Troops report to the Parade Grounds 10 minutes prior
to breakfast and dinner.

CONSERVATION MINDED

All youth and adults should follow the Outdoor Code and the Leave No Trace principles while in camp. Do not cut or remove live trees and shrubs without permission from the Camp Ranger. Keep to trails and roads when traveling around camp. Do not litter; dispose of all trash and waste in a proper garbage receptacle. Campfires may only be built within an existing fire ring. Campfires should be kept small, monitored at all times, and only burn for the time it is being used.

We are excited that we will be introducing a recycling program throughout camp in 2024. Look for receptacles around camp where you can recycle your items.

With the abundance of conservation related merit badges, you could potentially earn awards after taking the required merit badges during camp. More information and applications for these awards will be in the Camp Office and the Nature Lodge.

World Conservation Award



World Conservation Award provides an opportunity for scouts to “think globally” and “act locally” to conserve and improve our environment. Scouts BSA members can earn this award by completing the following Merit Badges: 1. Environmental Science OR Sustainability Merit Badge 2. Soil and Water Conservation OR Fish and Wildlife Management Merit Badge 3. Citizenship in the World Merit Badge.
<https://www.scouting.org/awards/awards-central/world-conservation/>

BSA Complete Angler Award

Earn the three Fishing related Merit Badges - Fishing, Fly Fishing, and Fish & Wildlife Management. https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/outdoor%20program/pdf/complete_angler_recognition.pdf



Forest Conservation Award by the PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

Scouts must complete the Forestry Merit Badge plus two other Merit Badges from the following list: Nature, Surveying, Plant Science, Weather, Orienteering, Insect Study, Woodworking, Pulp and Paper, Soil and Water Conservation, Environmental Science, Wilderness Survival, and Landscape Architecture. [https://www.dcnr.pa.gov/Education/](https://www.dcnr.pa.gov/Education/ScoutsConservationAward/Pages/default.aspx)

[ScoutsConservationAward/Pages/default.aspx](https://www.dcnr.pa.gov/Education/ScoutsConservationAward/Pages/default.aspx)

PA Fish & Boat Commission Conservation Award

Must earn the fishing merit badge, plus one bad from each of the following categories. Category 1: Reptile & Amphibian Study, Oceanography, and Soil and Water Conservation. Category II: Canoeing, Motor Boating, and Small Boat Sailing.
<https://lhscouting.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/fishconservaward.pdf>



CAMPSITE REMINDERS

- **Campsite Usage** - All campsite capacities are based on two persons per tent. Youth tent-mates cannot be housed with other Scouts with greater than a two-year age difference. In Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Sea Scouts, youth and adults tent separately, even if it is parent/child. (Youth who have a special need or disability who may require a parent or legal guardian to tent with them must develop a plan in conjunction with their local council Scout Executive to address their specific needs.) Separate tenting arrangements must be provided for male and female adults (with the exception of spouses). All efforts will be made to accommodate your unit in the site requested; however, camp reserves the right to reassign Troops to obtain maximum occupancy of all sites.
- **Campsite Gateways** - Each Troop is encouraged to build a gateway at the entrance of their campsite. Gateways will be photographed and awards will be given at closing campfire for the Camp Staff's favorite gateways. The more creative, the better. Gateways must be completed by lunch on Friday.
- **Tent Care** - Do not use bug spray on the tent fabric as this will cause the tent to lose its waterproofing. No flames permitted in tents (only battery flashlights and glow sticks in or near tents). Do not drive any nails into the tent poles or place hangers over the ridge pole, as these can cause tears and leaks. Damage to canvas will be billed at \$10 per inch up to replacement cost of the tent or tarp (~\$600).

In order to maintain the quality/durability of tents, if rain threatens, loosen tent ropes to protect the canvas. As wet canvas dries, it shrinks and tears if ropes are too tight. When tent is wet, hang the flaps at "half-mast" to allow air to circulate through the tent and facilitate drying. In dry weather, roll flaps neatly and tie. Please report any tears or leaks to the Camp Office immediately.

- **Wildlife And Food** - Custaloga Town is home to many different animals native to Northwestern Pennsylvania. White-tailed deer, beavers, raccoons, foxes, possums, turkeys, owls, hawks and many other animals are commonly seen on the reservation property. **A Scout Is Kind** - at no time should any animal be baited/lured, captured or harmed. (Some animals may be collected for temporary educational purposes by the Staff of the Nature Program Area.) Food and garbage are invitations for wildlife to visit your campsite and tent. **Never take food into tents.** Food and garbage in the campsite must be stored securely for the protection of both the campers and the local wildlife.
- **Garbage Disposal** - There is a garbage trailer located at the back of the Dining Hall. Please dispose of campsite garbage by 7:00 p.m. each evening. Any garbage remaining in the campsite should be secured in a trailer/vehicle at night.
- **Campfires** - The BSA is a low impact "Leave No Trace" organization. While campfire wood is available free of charge during your stay, please limit campfires to evening fires. Firewood is available at the wood shed by Handicraft and must be transported. No standing trees are to be cut at any time without specific permission from the Camp Director. A \$10.00 per inch of diameter penalty will be enforced.
- **Liquid Fuel** - CTSR does not provide storage facilities for liquid fuels in the campsites. All Troops electing to use liquid fuels (including propane) must meet the adult supervision and training requirements. Fuel must be stored securely and in original containers. **DO NOT DISPOSE OF PROPANE CYLINDERS IN THE TRASH.**

CAMP POLICIES



- Please review the current “**Guide to Safe Scouting**” prior to attending camp. www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/gss. Report safety issues or concerns while at camp to the Camp Director and/or Camp Office immediately.
- **General Behavior:** Horseplay can result in injury and damage to equipment. **FUN CEASES TO BE FUN WHEN SOMEONE GETS HURT, EITHER PHYSICALLY OR EMOTIONALLY.** All Campers should follow the Scout Oath and Law. Violations and concerns should be reported to the Camp Director and/or Camp Office immediately. The Camp Director reserves the right to dismiss anyone from camp for violation of the camp policies and BSA standards.
- **Lights Out:** To be considerate of others, everyone is asked to be in their campsite and quiet after 10:00 p.m. All youth must remain in the assigned campsite until morning, with the exception of travel to and from shower house facilities. Violators of this policy may be dismissed from camp.
- **Buddy System:** During any activity outside of the Troop’s campsite, Scouts are required to have a buddy (pair up with a friend or two). At no time should a Scout be traveling through camp alone. Buddies should always be single gender and should be no more than 2 years apart. Adults cannot be paired with youth - this includes staff. The Buddy System, through the use of Buddy Tags, is used at all times at the pool or waterfront.
- **Bicycles:** Personal bicycles may be brought to camp for transportation between program areas. **All riders are required to have helmets and use the buddy system.** Use of bicycles is a privilege that may be revoked by adult Leaders, Camp Staff or Camp Director. A Usage Agreement must be completed upon arrival at camp.
- **Transportation While In Camp:** Scouts **ARE NOT** to be transported by personal vehicles while in camp. If a Scout has any physical limitations, arrangements should be made with the Camp Director prior to arrival at camp.
- **Alcohol, Illegal Drugs, Fireworks, Tobacco products:** BSA prohibits any alcohol, illegal drugs, and fireworks within the boundaries of a Boy Scouts of America facility. Any of these items found on French Creek Council property will result in contact with local law enforcement and possible arrest charges. In addition, the individual(s) will be removed from camp property and face revocation of their registration in the Scouting program. Pennsylvania law prohibits anyone under the age of 21 from using tobacco products, thus smoking, vaping, or the use of smokeless tobacco is forbidden at camp. No one over the age of 21 will be allowed to smoke any where on camp property except in their vehicle, located in the parking lot away from the Scouts. All facilities in camp are “Non-Smoking”, in accordance with National BSA policy.
- **Insurance:** All registered French Creek Council Scouts or Adult Leaders attending Custaloga Town Scout Reservation will be covered under the French Creek Council’s Health and Accident Insurance. Medical bills due to events that happen prior to arrival at camp will not be covered. Out of council units must provide the camp with the name of their insurance company and policy number if not covered by a home council insurance plan.
- **Rifle and Archery Equipment:** Archery equipment will be limited to a 35-lb recurve and compound bows. Personal firearms are prohibited. At the discretion of the Field Sports Director, personal archery equipment is acceptable if it meets BSA Camp Health and Safety regulations and is secured at the range. French Creek Council is not responsible for any damage or loss of personal equipment.
- **Swimming Ability & Evaluation:** Swim tests may be completed either upon arrival at camp or prior to camp (using the CTSR Swim Pre-Qualification Form located in the Attachments section at <https://scoutingevent.com/532-ScoutsBSASummerCamp2024>). During check-in, the Aquatics Staff will issue Buddy Tags for the pool and waterfront. Staff reserves the right to recheck/verify any evaluation

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

CODE GREEN (Severe weather coming, missing camper)

Short blast of siren or bell, on and off in 5 second increments

Report to the Parade Field or Dining Hall for situations that require a headcount of all Scouts and adult Leaders. Staff will come around, take roll call, assemble a list of missing campers, and will provide further instructions as needed. Campers will remain until an "All Clear" is called.

CODE BLUE (Severe weather hitting fast, lightning)

Continuous blast of the siren or bell

Take Immediate shelter and stay put. Shelter locations are any building or pavilion in camp. Stay sheltered until an "All Clear" is given (4 short blasts of the siren or bell) or a Staff Member comes around with further instructions.

CODE RED (Health Emergency)

All injuries beyond basic first aid must be reported to the Health Officer or Camp Administration. That person will figure out the proper medical response needed to be taken. Do not attempt to move the person, camp personnel will report to the location.

Lost Camper

If a Camper is presumed missing, report to the Administration staff as soon as possible. From there a decision will be made on the route of action to be taken.

Team Reach

We will also be utilizing the Team Reach app and sending alerts out with that along with the above.

Every Area Director also has a radio and can be used to reach administration with any concerns.

If there is an emergency in the night a Staff Member will report to each campsite. The orange sign, given at the adult Leader meeting, will mark the Leader's tent. The Staff Member will go to that tent to notify the Leader of any actions that need to be taken.

GENERAL CAMP INFO

- **Camp Staff** - Custaloga Town Scout Reservation has a well-trained staff. Many Area Directors have attended the BSA National Camp School and all have received additional training at the council level. Junior Staff members are also trained and are responsible to an Area Director. The Camp Director, Program Director, and Camp Commissioner supervise and manage the staff. Many are over the age of 18 and have previous camp staff experience. Orientation sessions are conducted each week prior to the unit arrival, preparing to assist and accommodate your Troop in every way possible. CTSR Staff works hard to ensure that your Troop has an enjoyable and productive week at camp.
- **Campsite Inspections** - Each day, the Commissioner Staff will visit your campsite and address any concerns or questions that you may have about your camp experience. They will also inspect for cleanliness and safety and Troops will receive a daily score.
- **Camp Office Hours** - The Camp Office will be open daily. Camp Administration phone numbers will be made available to adult Leaders at check-in.
- **Mail Service** - Outgoing mail should be deposited in the mailbox located in the Camp Office, and leaves camp at 10:00 a.m. each morning. Incoming mail will be distributed in the campsite mailboxes located in the Camp Office. Address incoming mail to: Scouts Name, Troop Number and Campsite, Custaloga Town Scout Reservation, 7 Boy Scout Lane, Carlton, PA 16311
- **Lost and Found** - "Lost and Found" is available in the Camp Office during normal office hours. At the end of the camp season, unclaimed found items will be taken to McGarvey Service Center and kept until September 30th, after which time they will be donated to charity or disposed of.
- **Shower House** - A new shower house was built and opened at CTSR in 2021. We need your help to keep it new! Each unit is encouraged to help camp staff and clean a shower stall during their week's stay. Their service will be counted as camp service hours and towards the "Let's Dig In Party." The units will be provided with the necessary tools and directions on how to clean the stall. Any vandalism or mistreatment of the shower house needs to be reported to the Camp Office immediately.
- **Trading Post** - Items available include BSA/CTSR apparel, a wide assortment of candy and snacks, slushies, ice cream, cold pop, leatherwork kits, mugs, and a variety of camping equipment such as flashlights, pocket knives, & fire starters. A Totin Chip is required for a Scout to purchase of a pocket knife unless the Scout is accompanied by a parent. Debit/Credit Cards are accepted. Trading Post hours will be given to units at the Sunday Leader Meeting.
- **Leaving Camp** - Any Scout or adult who leaves camp at any time, for any reason, must sign out at the Camp Office. Upon returning, they must also sign-in. NO SCOUT will be permitted to leave camp without written permission of the Troop Leader and parent/guardian indicating times of departure, return, travel arrangements, and with who the Scout is to be traveling. Anyone picking up Scouts may be required to show their driver's license or other government issued photo ID.

Participant Packing List

The following is a suggested packing list for each participant. All items should be labeled with the participant's name and Troop number.

- Completed Annual BSA Health & Medical Form Parts A, B & C
- Prescription Medications (in original containers) and CTSR Prescription Medication Form
- Proof of Merit Badge Prerequisite Completions
- Notebook, Pens/Pencils
- Scout Handbook
- Insect Repellent
- Sunscreen
- Flashlight and/or Battery Operated Lantern, Extra Batteries
- Pocket Knife (blade no bigger than the palm of your hand)
- Totin Chip (if bringing pocket knife or if taking Woodcarving Merit Badge)
- Water Bottle
- Camp Chair
- Personal eating gear for meals in campsites
- Spending Money or Debit/Credit Card for Trading Post
- Complete BSA Field Uniform** (to be worn daily for flag ceremonies at breakfast and dinner.)
- Duffel Bag or Under Bed Tote
- Sleeping Bag & Pillow
- Clothing for 6 days that includes:
 - Socks & Underwear
 - Sleeping Clothes (t-shirt & shorts/sweat pants)
 - T-shirts (4-5)
 - Shorts (3-5)
 - Jeans (1-2)
 - Hat
- At least 2 Pairs of Shoes (No open-toed shoes)
- Swim Suit (one-piece) & Swim Towel
- Jacket or Sweatshirt
- Rain Coat or Poncho
- Trash Bag For Dirty Clothes
- Toiletries (soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, hairbrush, etc.)

Do Not Bring:

- Open-Toed Shoes
- Valuables
- Fireworks
- Ammunition
- Firearms
- Pets
- Dry Ice

Optional:

- Shower Shoes
- Bug Netting
- Watch
- Camera
- Musical Instruments
- Fishing Gear
- Card Games, Books
- Items to wear for theme days

All campers must wear proper footwear. No open-toed shoes, walking sandals, or bare feet are permitted at camp. Flip flops are acceptable at the shower house but are not to be worn in and around camp.

Clothing with foul language, images in poor taste, or ill-fitting revealing styles is considered inappropriate dress for camp. Participant will be required to change into something suitable.

Troop Packing List

The following is a list of items recommended for each Troop to bring.

- Unit Swim Classification Record
- Merit Badge Class Schedules (from Registration page)
- Troop Cooking Gear
- Troop Flag With Pole (taken daily to morning and evening flags.)
- American Flag for campsite pole (with grommets)
- Troop First Aid Kit
- Duty Roster
- Lanterns (with fuel or batteries)
- Fire Starters
- Matches/Lighters
- Clothes Line & Clothes Pins
- Wood Tools (Axe, Bow Saw, etc.)
- Lawn/Field Games
- Extra Sleeping Bag and/or Blankets
- "Gateway" Building Supplies
- Closing Campfire Skit Ideas & Props
- Campfire Snacks

Do Not Bring:

- Open-Toed Shoes
- Valuables
- Fireworks
- Ammunition
- Firearms
- Pets
- Dry Ice

Provided by Camp

Campsite:

- 2-Person Platform Tents
- Cots
- Pavilion
- Picnic Tables
- Fire Ring
- In-Site Latrine
- Rake, Shovel, Garden Hose, Broom
- Washstand
- Garbage Can with bags
- Bulletin Board
- Camp Map
- Flag Pole
- Firewood - please use conservatively (must be transported from the wood shed by Handicraft)

Shower House - 14 individual locking units that include:

- Shower
- Sink with Mirror
- Toilet
- 2 Units are Handicapped Accessible. ♿

No cameras or other image recording devices (including cell phones) are permitted in or near the restrooms/latrines, showers, and changing areas.

DIRECTIONS TO CAMP



Camp Address:

7 Boy Scout Lane, Carlton, PA 16311

Directions from the north:

Exit Interstate 79 at the junction of Route 285 (Exit #141). Follow Route 285 East approximately 7.5 miles to the junction of Route 173.

Turn right onto Route 173 east and go approximately 3.9 mile to Carlton Road (on the left) in Milledgeville.

Turn left on Carlton Road and proceed approximately 2 miles to New Lebanon Road.

Turn right onto new Lebanon Road and proceed approximately 1 mile to the intersection with Deer Creek Road.

Turn left onto Deer Creek Road and travel approximately 1.1 miles to the camp entrance on the left.

Directions from the south:

Exit Interstate 79 at the junction of Route 62 (Exit #130). Follow Route 62 North (towards Franklin) approximately 8.5 miles to the intersection with Route 173 in Sandy Lake.

Follow Route 173 north approximately 9.5 miles to the junction of Carlton Road (on the right) in village of Milledgeville.

Turn right onto Carlton Road and follow it for approximately 2 miles to the end where it will join New Lebanon Road at a "T".

Turn right on New Lebanon Road and travel approximately 1 mile to intersection with Deer Creek Road.

Turn left onto Deer Creek Road and travel approximately 1.1 miles to the camp entrance on the left.

Directions from the east:

Follow Route 322 West out of Franklin for 17 miles.

Turn Left on McCartney Rd. (toward Patterson Wrecking)

At "T" turn left, follow Cochran Rd (old 322) into Carlton

After Post office stay right and follow State Rt 1015 across French Creek on New Bridge to Deer Creek Rd. Camp Sign in Front Left corner of intersection after bridge.

Turn left onto Deer Creek Road and travel approximately 1.1 miles to the camp entrance on the left.



GUYASUTHA BRAVES FIRST YEAR CAMPER PROGRAM

Guyasutha Braves is an all-inclusive program designed for Scouts who have been in the Scouts, BSA program for less than a year.

Scouts who sign up for Guyasutha Braves will be in the program all day. (9-12 p.m. and 2-3 p.m.) Scouts will earn rank requirements for Scout, Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First-Class and will also work to earn their First Aid, Swimming, and Nature Merit Badges. These Scouts may also go to open program areas during free time (3-5 p.m.) to complete additional Merit Badges. Adult Leaders will be invited to the program to see advancement and sign scout books. Scouts should be prepared daily with Scout Handbook and supplies. Scouts will be in the pool daily from 2-3 p.m.



SCOUT RANK

- All of Req. 1
- All of Req. 2
- All of Req. 4
- All of Req. 5



TENDERFOOT RANK

- Req. 1c
- All of Req. 3
- All of Req. 4
- All of Req. 5
- Req. 7a
- Req. 8



SECOND CLASS

- Req. 1b
- Req. 2a-2d (must take Firem'n Chit during a Free Time period), 2f-2g
- Req. 3a, 3c-3d
- Req. 4
- All of Req. 6
- Req. 8a-8b
- All of Req. 9



FIRST CLASS

- Req. 3a-3d
- Req. 4a, 4b
- All of Req. 5
- Req. 6a
- All of Req. 7

Depending on the class size and weather, certain classes may end up with more or less requirements than listed above. Please see the Guyasutha Braves or Program Director with any questions.

2024 Custaloga Town Scout Reservation Scouts BSA Schedule

Daily Dress Themes	Sunday	Monday (Patriotic)	Tuesday (Twining)	Wednesday (OA)	Thursday (Throwback)	Friday (Tie-Dye)	Saturday
7:50-8:00 AM		Flag Raising	Flag Raising	Flag Raising	Flag Raising	Flag Raising	Breakfast Check Out (Optional check out Friday afternoon) All units out of camp by 10:30am
8:00- 8:30 AM		Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	
9:00-9:50 AM		Merit Badge Period 1	Merit Badge Period 1	Merit Badge Period 1	Merit Badge Period 1	Merit Badge Period 1	
10:00-10:50 AM		Merit Badge Period 2	Merit Badge Period 2	Merit Badge Period 2	Merit Badge Period 2	Merit Badge Period 2	
11:00 -11:50 AM		Merit Badge Period 3	Merit Badge Period 3	Merit Badge Period 3	Merit Badge Period 3	Merit Badge Period 3	
12:00-1:50 PM	Lunch 12:00-12:45 PM (Open in Dining Hall) & Siesta 1:00-1:50 PM						
2:00-2:50 PM	Check In (1:00 PM)	Merit Badge Period 4	Merit Badge Period 4	Merit Badge Period 4	Merit Badge Period 4	Merit Badge Period 4	
3:00-5:00 PM		Free Time/Open Program	Free Time/Open Program	Guyasutha Run 3:30 PM	Free Time/Open Program	Free Time/Open Program	
5:50-6:00 PM	Flag Lowering	Flag Lowering	Flag Lowering	Flag Lowering	Flag Lowering	Flag Lowering (After Dinner)	
6:00-6:30 PM	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	
Night Time Program	Unit Photos & Camp Tour 6:45-7:30 PM	Vespers 6:45-7:15 PM	Bonus Badge Night! 7:00-9:00 PM	OA Call Out/ Langundowi Drum Team 7:00-8:00 PM	Quest for the Golden Compass Camp Wide Game 7:00 PM	Closing Campfire 8:00-9:15 PM	
	Opening Campfire 8:00-9:15 PM	Trailgating Party In Lowerfield 7:30-9:00 PM					
Adult Leader Events	Adult Leader's Meeting @ BBQ Pit 4:30 PM	Adult Leader's Game 10:00 AM	Adult Leader's Game 10:00 AM	Adult Leader's Game 10:00 AM	Scoutmaster Cook-off 2:30 PM	Adult Leader's Lunch @BBQ Pit	



Merit Badge Sign-up Form



Scouts BSA Resident Camp
Custaloga Town Scout Reservation

2024

French Creek Council, Boy Scouts of America



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This form does not need submitted; it is for internal unit use only

Camper Name: _____ T-Shirt Size: _____

Rank: _____ Birthdate: _____ Age: _____

I would like to sign up for the following Merit Badges and Activities at the listed times.

Guyasuta Braves First Year Camper _____ All periods all week

Period 1 9:00-9:45 AM	Period 2 10:00-10:45 AM	Period 3 11:00-11:45 AM	Period 4 2:00-2:45 PM
Archery	Archery	Archery	Archery
Basketry	Art	Camping	Art
Bird Study	Basketry	Chess	Astronomy
Camping	Camping	Climbing	Canoeing
Canoeing	Climbing	Digital Technology	Climbing
Chess	Electricity	Env. Science	CrimePrev/Fingerprint
Climbing	Engineering	First Aid	Emergency Prep
CrimePrev/Fingerprint	First Aid	Fishing/Fly Fishing	Env. Science
Emergency Prep	Fish & Wildlife	Forestry	Hiking/Backpacking
Env. Science	Game Design	Geocaching	Orienteering
Fishing/Fly Fishing	Insect Study	Indian Lore	Painting
Fire Safety/ Safety	Kayaking	Kayaking	Pottery/Sculpture
Inventing	Lifesaving	Leatherwork	Pioneering
Kayaking	Mammal Study	Lifesaving	Photography
Leatherwork	Motorboating	Motorboating	Reptiles & Amphibians
Lifesaving	Rifle	Nature	Shotgun
Rifle	Rowing	Pottery/Sculpture	Space Exploration
Signs Signal Code	Search & Rescue	Rifle	Whitewater
Swimming	Swimming	Space Exploration	
Weather	Wilderness Survival	Swimming	
Woodcarving	Woodcarving	Wilderness Survival	

Medical Concerns _____ Dietary Restrictions _____ Allergies _____
Use back of sheet for more space if needed

Custaloga Town Scout Reservation

BADEN POWELL HONOR TROOP AWARD



To earn this award, your troop must complete 10 of 15 requirements

- _____1. Carry your Troop flag to morning and evening flags.
- _____2. Have your Troop lead a song during mealtime.
- _____3. Have members of your Troop participate in the Monday night Trailgating party.
- _____4. Sign up and participate in the Friday night campfire.
- _____5. Set and achieve a Troop "Camp Advancement Goal" approved by your Scoutmaster.
- _____6. Have your Troop complete a service project approved by the Ranger.
- _____7. Have your Troop attend the Order of the Arrow call out ceremony.
- _____8. Have members of your Troop participate in the Thursday Night Camp wide game.
- _____9. Have your Troop attend the Vespers Service.
- _____10. Have a member of your Troop participate in the Guyasutha Run.
- _____11. Have your Troop participate in the flag ceremony at morning or evening.
- _____12. Maintain a 90% average on your campsite inspection all week.
- _____13. Promote and have Troop members in the CTSR 5-Year Honor Camper Program
- _____14. Invite and fellowship with another Troop in your campsite.
- _____15. Build a campsite gateway.



Custaloga Honor Camper Program Youth Requirements

Scout: _____ Unit: _____

HUNTER-YEAR 1		Scoutmaster's Signature
1	Remain in camp from Check-in to the conclusion of the Hunter Award Ceremony on Friday	
2	Earn at least one Merit Badge or advance one rank while in camp	
3	Take part in a camp service project for at least one hour	
4	Attend the opening and closing campfires	
5	Show Scout Spirit	
6	Tell your leader about Chief Custaloga and Chief Guyasutha	
7	Participate in one camp wide evening activity	
8	Serve as a waiter during 3 meals this week	
9	Tell how the World Scouting movement was started	
10	Gather enough tinder to fill a shoebox. Deliver to the campfire circle.	
Scout Skills (Complete one requirement from four of the following Program Areas)		
POOL		
11A	Attend Learn to Swim all week	
11B	Qualify as a swimmer or advance one swim classification	
ECOLOGY AND CONSERVATION		
12A	Identify 8 trees	
12B	Earn an ECON Merit Badge	
12C	Participate in a Nature Discovery Hike	
SCOUTCRAFT		
13A	Demonstrate tying 3 knots	
13B	Earn a Scoutcraft Merit Badge	
13C	Earn Totin' Chip and Firem'n Chit	
SHOOTING SPORTS		
14A	Shoot an arrow and hit the target	
14B	Earn a Shooting Sports Merit Badge	
HANDICRAFT		
15A	Earn a Handicraft Merit Badge	
15B	Create a leather work project	
FIRST AID		
16	Earn the First Aid Merit Badge	

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Custaloga Honor Camper Program Youth Requirements

Scout: _____ Unit: _____

TRAPPER-YEAR 2		Scoutmaster's
1	Remain in camp from Check-in to the conclusion of the Tracker Award Ceremony on Friday	
2	Earn at least one merit badge or advance one rank while in camp	
3	Take part in a camp service project for at least two hours	
4	Attend the opening and closing campfires	
5	Show Scout Spirit	
6	Tell your leader about Chief Kiondashawa	
7	Participate in two camp wide evening activities	
8	Teach a skill to another scout in your Troop	
9	Tell how Scouting came to the United States	
10	Gather enough tinder to fill a shoebox. Deliver to the campfire circle.	
Scout Skills (Complete one requirement from five of the following Program Areas)		
POOL		
11	Qualify as a swimmer or advance one swim classification.	
ECOLOGY AND CONSERVATION		
12A	Identify 15 trees	
12B	Earn an ECON Merit Badge	
SCOUTCRAFT		
13A	Tie 10 knots	
13B	Earn a Scoutcraft Merit Badge	
SHOOTING SPORTS		
14A	Shoot a rifle and hit the target	
14B	Earn a Shooting Sports Merit Badge	
HANDICRAFT		
15A	Complete a wood carving project	
15B	Earn a Handicraft Merit Badge	
BOATHOUSE		
16A	Row a boat around the pond	
16B	Tie a fly	
SCI-TECH		
17	Earn a Sci-Tech Merit Badge	

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Custaloga Honor Camper Program Youth Requirements

Scout: _____ Unit: _____

TRAILBLAZER-Year 3		Scoutmaster's Signature
1	Remain in camp from Check-in to the conclusion of the Trailblazer Award Ceremony on Friday.	
2	Earn at least three Merit Badges and/or advance one rank while in camp.	
3	Take part in a camp conservation project for at least 3 hours.	
4	Attend the opening and closing campfires.	
5	Show Scout Spirit.	
6	Tell your leader about George Washington's involvement in the French & Indian War.	
7	Participate in two camp wide evening activities.	
8	Teach a Scout Skill to at least two Scouts in your Troop.	
9	Gather enough fuel to fill a garbage can. Deliver to the campfire circle.	
Scout Skills (Complete one requirement from five of the following Program Areas)		
POOL		
10A	Earn a pool merit badge	
10B	Swim a half of a mile	
ECOLOGY AND CONSERVATION		
11	Earn an ECON Merit Badge	
SCOUTCRAFT		
12A	Demonstrate 3 lashings	
12B	Earn a Scoutcraft Merit Badge	
SHOOTING SPORTS		
13A	Shoot a shotgun and hit a clay	
13B	Earn a Shooting Sports Merit Badge	
HANDICRAFT		
14A	Earn a Handicraft Merit Badge	
14B	Make a pot or basket	
BOATHOUSE		
15A	Earn a Boathouse Merit Badge	
15B	Filet and cook a fish	
SCI-TECH		
16A	Earn a Sci-Tech Merit Badge	
16B	Build and launch a rocket	
CLIMBING		
17A	Demonstrate tying 2 climbing knots	
17B	Earn the Climbing Merit Badge	

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Custaloga Honor Camper Program Youth Requirements

Scout: _____ Unit: _____

VOYAGEUR-Year 4		SCOUTMASTER'S SIGNATURE
1	Remain in camp from Check-in to the conclusion of the Voyageur Award Ceremony on Friday.	
2	Participate in a Custaloga Boating Experience (see Program Director)	
3	Take part in a camp service project for at least 3 hours.	
4	Attend the opening and closing campfires.	
5	Show Scout Spirit	
6	Tell your leader about Commodore Oliver Perry	
7	Earn at least three merit badges or advance one rank while in camp or show evidence of achieving Life Rank	
8	Teach two Scout Skills to your Patrol	
9	Gather enough fuel to fill a garbage can. Deliver to the campfire circle.	
Scout Skills (Complete one requirement from four of the following Program Areas)		
POOL		
10A	Swim a mile	
10B	Participate in the Polar Bear Swim	
ECOLOGY AND CONSERVATION		
11A	Earn 1 ECON Merit Badge	
SCOUTCRAFT		
12A	Build a useful camp gadget	
12B	Earn a Scoutcraft Merit Badge	
SHOOTING SPORTS		
13	Shoot a muzzleloader and hit a target	
BOATHOUSE		
14A	Paddle a kayak around the pond	
14B	Earn a Boating Merit Badge	
CLIMBING		
15A	Go on the zip-line	
15B	Climb 2 rock faces and do 1 rappel	
SCI-TECH		
16	Earn a Sci-Tech Merit Badge	

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Custaloga Honor Camper Program Youth Requirements

Scout: _____ Unit: _____

PIONEER-Year 5		Scoutmaster's Signature
1	Remain in camp from Check-in to the conclusion of the Pioneer Ceremony on Friday Night	
2	Attend the opening and closing campfires	
3	Show Scout Spirit	
4	Tell your leader about Colonel Edwin Drake	
5	Teach 2 scout skills to your Troop	
6	Gather enough fuel to fill a garbage can Deliver to the campfire circle	
7	Assist in setting up the Honor Ceremonies (see Program Director)	
Complete <u>1</u> of the following requirements:		
8	Complete a camp service project totaling up to 4 hours (must be approved by Camp Director)	
9	Help lead the Wilderness Survival Overnighter (see Scoutcraft Director)	
10	Plan and run a camp wide activity (must be approved by Program Director)	

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Custaloga Honor Camper Program Adult Requirements

Adult: _____ Unit: _____

	HUNTER Year 1	Program Director's Signature
1	Remain in camp for at least 4 days and 3 nights.	
2	Earn the Scoutmaster Merit Badge.	
3	Have your Troop take part in a camp improvement/service project.	
4	Demonstrate Scout spirit to your Troop.	
5	Teach your Scouts about Chief Custaloga and Guyasutha.	
6	Promote the Honor Camper Program to your Scouts.	
7	Have your Troop participate in 2 camp wide evening activities.	

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Custaloga Honor Camper Program Adult Requirements

Adult: _____ Unit: _____

	TRAPPER Year 2	Program Director's Signature
1	Remain in camp for at least 4 days and 4 nights.	
2	Earn the Scoutmaster merit badge.	
3	Have your Troop take part in a camp improvement/service project.	
4	Demonstrate Scout spirit to your Troop.	
5	Teach your Scouts about Chief Kiondashawa	
6	Have your Troop participate in two camp wide evening activities.	
7	Promote the Honor Camper Program to your Scouts.	

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Custaloga Honor Camper Program Adult Requirements

Adult: _____ Unit: _____

	TRAILBLAZER Year 3	Program Director's Signature
1	Remain in camp for at least 4 days and 3 nights.	
2	Earn the Scoutmaster merit badge.	
3	Have your Troop take part in a camp improvement/service project.	
4	Demonstrate Scout spirit to your Troop.	
5	Teach your Scouts about George Washington's involvement in the French & Indian War.	
6	Have your Troop participate in two camp wide evening activities.	
7	Promote the Honor Camper Program to your scouts.	

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Custaloga Honor Camper Program Adult Requirements

Adult: _____ Unit: _____

	VOYAGEUR Year 4	Program Director's Signature
1	Remain in camp for at least 4 days and 3 nights.	
2	Earn the Scoutmaster Merit Badge.	
3	Have your Troop participate in a camp improvement/service project.	
4	Teach your Scouts about Commodore Oliver Perry.	
5	Demonstrate Scout spirit to your Troop.	
6	Have your Troop participate in two camp wide evening activities.	
7	Promote the Honor Camper Program to your Scouts.	

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Custaloga Honor Camper Program Adult Requirements

Adult: _____ Unit: _____

	PIONEER Year 5	Program Director's Signature
1	Remain in camp for at least 4 days and 3 nights.	
2	Earn the Scoutmaster merit badge.	
3	Demonstrate Scout spirit to your Troop.	
4	Teach your Scouts about Colonel Edwin Drake.	
5	Have your Troop take part in a camp improvement/service project.	
6	Promote the Honor Camper Program to your Scouts.	
7	Have your Troop participate in two camp wide evening activities.	

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Custaloga Town Scout Reservation

Camp Song

(Tune: Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee)

In amidst the trees and forests,
Sun is setting on the lake.
Round the campfire hear the chorus,
Scouting friends, we all will make.

Chorus: Custaloga Town Reservation
Is your spirit shining bright?
For we know that we're together
Scouting through the end of night.

Custaloga, we do love thee,
In the warm of sunny days,
Even in the rain and dark skies,
Your fun never goes away

Chorus

Slower: Now we end our great adventure
Though we have enjoyed the stay
We'll return again I promise,
Memories forever stay

Custaloga Town Reservation
You have been my guiding light
Scouting treasures, you did teach me,
See me through the end of night.

