

# SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA COUNCIL CAMP V-BAR



## WINTER CAMP 2025 LEADERS GUIDE

Salmen Scout Reservation  
Perkinston, MS



Southeast Louisiana Council

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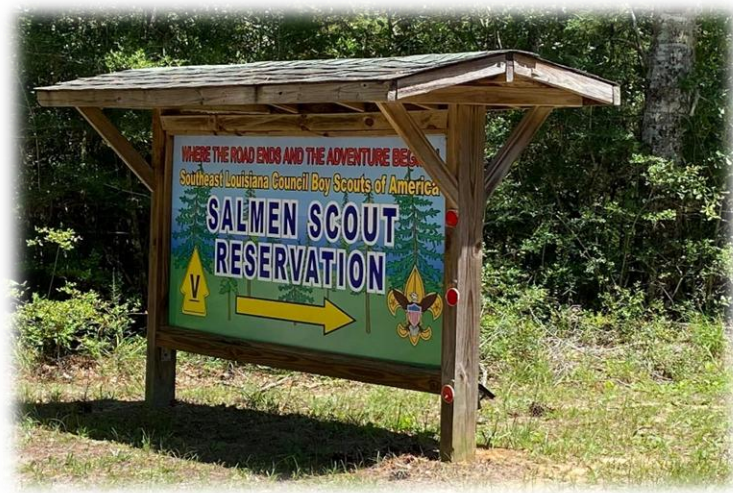
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*"A week of camp life is worth six months of theoretical teaching in the meeting room."*

*- Lord Baden-Powell*



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SALMEN SCOUT RESERVATION

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## LETTER FROM THE CAMP DIRECTOR

Dear Scoutmasters,

Welcome to the Camp V-Bar Winter Camp program!

Got a new tent for Christmas? Come try it out at V-Bar Winter Camp! Knock out those Eagle required and STEM merit badges at the coolest camp on the calendar. Camp V-Bar offers quality instruction for merit badges in a variety of areas, including the new Horsemanship Merit Badge. The camp schedule also includes activities to make Camp V-Bar one of the most fun camps in the country! And, if you are coming from up north, escape the blizzard and come experience Christmas time in the Gulf South.

The Council also has been engaging in other initiatives to improve both the program and physical facilities at Camp V-Bar. For fish and wildlife management, Mississippi Department of Wildlife and Fisheries representatives have visited camp to collaborate in efforts to enhance both the wildlife environment and fishing from the lake. Facilities such as the Dining Hall have been repaired and improved. And several other efforts also have been undertaken for potential upgrades to existing facilities and the addition of new, exciting features to camp.

Feel free to contact Juan Prado, the Camp Staff Advisor, or me if you have any questions about the camp program or anything else to do with camp.

See you at Camp V-Bar!

Isaac Western, Camp Director



## GENERAL CAMP INFORMATION, DATES, AND FEES

Order ALL merit badge class supplies online: When you register, you will pay a program fee for supplies you would have purchased in the Trading Post. Once you have registered and paid the program fee, your Scout will receive the supplies during class. Additional supplies will be available on a limited basis in the Trading Post at camp.

### GENERAL CAMP INFORMATION

CAMP LOCATION: Salmen Scout Reservation, Camp V-Bar, is located in southern Mississippi approximately 1½ hours outside New Orleans, Louisiana. Driving directions found at:

<http://www.bsa-selacouncil.org/document/general-information-for-camp-guidebook/150802>

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Council Offices: (504) 889-0388  
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Toll Free (800) 394-9410

### DATES

Saturday – Wednesday, December 27-31, 2025

Check-In: Saturday, 1:00pm

Check-out: Wednesday AM

### CAMP FEES

#### Scout Fees

\$175 / Early – Deposit by November 17, 2025

\$215 / Regular – Paid in Full by December 15, 2025

#### Adult Fees

\$75 / Leader

#### Registration Closes December 15, 2025

Deposit of \$50 per registrant (Youth & Adult) due at time of registration

All fees must be Paid in Full by close of Registration

### ADDITIONAL PROGRAM FEES

Archery	\$5	Horsemanship	\$60	Pathfinder	\$5
Rifle Shooting - Option A	\$15	Shotgun Shooting	\$25	Space Exploration	\$15
Modern Cartridge					
Welding	\$10	Wood Carving	\$15		

*ALL merit badge reports are final as of departure from camp. It is the responsibility of UNIT LEADERS to CONFIRM accuracy of reports PRIOR to departure. Any questions regarding merit badge completion must be resolved prior to the unit's departure. In accordance with the Scouting America advancement policy, any incomplete merit badges may be completed with a duly registered merit badge counselor with the approval of the unit leader at any time prior to the Scout turning 18 years old.*

*New Scouts and Arrow of Light Patrol Crossovers do not incur Late Fees.*

FEES: May be transferred from one Scout to another with written permission from the Scoutmaster.

REFUNDS: Please refer to the council website for the council's policy concerning refunds and refund requests:

<http://www.bsa-selacouncil.org/camping-outdoor-program/council-refund-policy/62964>

**"The real way to happiness is to give it to others."**

**-Lord Baden-Powell**

## DAILY SCHEDULE

Time	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
6:00 am		Reveille	Reveille	Reveille	Reveille
7:00 am		Assembly	Assembly	Assembly	Assembly
7:00 am		Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
8:30 am		MB Session 1	MB Session 1	MB Session 1	Troops Depart
10:15 am		MB Session 2	MB Session 2	MB Session 2	
12:00 pm		Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	
1:00 pm	Troop Check-In			Chapel Service	
1:15 pm		MB Session 3	MB Session 3	MB Session 3	
3:00 pm		MB Session 4	MB Session 4	MB Session 4	
4:30 pm		Free Time	Free Time	Free Time	
5:45 pm	Assembly	Assembly	Assembly	Assembly	
6:00 pm	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	
Evening Program	Opening Campfire <i>(Flagpole - 8:02p)</i>	Hot Chocolate Bash & Chili Cookoff <i>(Dining Hall – 7:30p)</i>	Movie Night & Cobbler Cookoff <i>(Dining Hall – 7:30p)</i>	Closing Campfire <i>(Flagpole - 8:02p)</i>	
	SPL / Leaders Meeting <i>(Dining Hall - follows campfire)</i>  Staff Meeting <i>(Dining Hall)</i>	Table-Top Gaming <i>(Dining Hall – 7:30p)</i>	<i>Night of Rock!</i> <i>(Climbing Tower – 7:30p)</i>  Table-Top Gaming <i>(Dining Hall – 7:30p)</i>		
10:30 pm	Taps	Taps	Taps	Taps	

## ACTIVITY SCHEDULE (SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION)

**IMPORTANT!** Please have your Scouts review the activity cards on the following pages! The information contains specific information that the Scouts need to know such as pre-requisites or required clothing or gear. For example, Horsemanship and Welding merit badges require Scouts have appropriate clothing (not shorts and Crocs). Also, the information may change over time as different Merit Badge Counselors provide input, so be sure to review them every camp.

1 <sup>st</sup> Session	2 <sup>nd</sup> Session	3 <sup>rd</sup> Session	4 <sup>th</sup> Session
8:30am - 10:00am	10:15am - 11:45am	1:30pm - 3:00pm	3:15 - 4:45pm
American Labor	Chess	Aviation	Cybersecurity
Backpacking	Cooking	Citizenship in the World	
Chemistry	First Aid	Composite Materials	Engineering
Citizenship in the Nation	Nuclear Science	Electricity	Genealogy
Communication	Personal Fitness	Energy	Oceanography
Environmental Science	Photography	Environmental Science	Pulp and Paper
Geocaching	Plumbing	Game Design	Robotics
Moviemaking	Safety	Horsemanship	Scouting Heritage
Radio	Weather	Public Health	Skating
Wood Carving		Search and Rescue	
		Space Exploration	Space Exploration
		Welding	
Archery	Archery	Archery	Archery
Rifle Shooting - Option A	Rifle Shooting - Option A	Rifle Shooting - Option A	Rifle Shooting - Option A
Shotgun Shooting	Shotgun Shooting	Shotgun Shooting	Shotgun Shooting
	Weather	Space Exploration	Space Exploration
Citizenship in Society (1st Class or above)		Citizenship in Society (1st Class or above)	
Climbing			
Pathfinder			

## PROGRAM DETAILS

### LEGEND FOR PROGRAM AREA CODES



Recommended for any Scout



One Session Program



Two Session / Half Day Program



Full Day Program



Eagle required Merit Badge



Recommended for older Scouts / Venturers



Cannot be completed at camp



Additional Fee for Supplies



Prerequisites required



Adult Training

## PROGRAM ACTIVITIES



### American Labor



The labor movement in America seeks to ensure that the civil rights of laborers are protected in the workplace, especially in regard to wages, hours, and working conditions.



### Archery



Archery is a fun way for Scouts to exercise minds as well as bodies, developing a steady hand, a good eye, and a disciplined mind. This merit badge can provide a thorough introduction to those who are new to the bow and arrow—but even for the experienced archer, earning the badge can help to increase the understanding and appreciation of archery.



### Aviation



For most of history, people have dreamed of flying, imagining how it would feel to soar like an eagle or hover in midair like a hummingbird, to float on unseen currents, free of Earth's constant tug, able to travel great distances and to rise above any obstacle. Today, through aviation, we can not only join the birds but also fly farther, faster, and higher than they ever could.

## PROGRAM ACTIVITIES



### Backpacking



Scouts will learn what equipment to carry on their backs and what knowledge to have in their heads. In addition, Scouts will discover how to protect the environment by traveling and camping without leaving a trace.

Bring: Gear list on page 33 of MB Pamphlet

Note: Requirements 10, 11 cannot be completed at camp.



### Chemistry



Chemistry explores how substances react with each other, how they change, how certain forces connect molecules, and how molecules are made are all parts of chemistry. Stretch your imagination to envision molecules that cannot be seen—but can be proven to exist—and you become a chemist.



### Chess



By earning the Chess merit badge, Scouts will learn all about the game of Chess from how to play, to the different moves, to the ability to develop strategy and logic to use against their opponent.



### Citizenship in the Nation



Scouts will learn how to become active citizens are aware of and grateful for their liberties and rights, to participate in their governments and protect their freedom, helping to defend their country and standing up for individual rights on behalf of all its citizens.



### Citizenship in Society



The first new merit badge for youth in the Scouts BSA program since 2017 officially launches today. Called Citizenship in Society, it provides Scouts with opportunities to learn more about our world by encouraging them to explore information on diversity, equity, inclusion and ethical leadership – and to learn why these qualities are important in society and in Scouting.



### Citizenship in the World



Scouts who earn the Citizenship in the World merit badge will discover that they are already citizens of the world. How good a world citizen each person is depends on his willingness to understand and appreciate the values, traditions, and concerns of people in other countries.

## PROGRAM ACTIVITIES



### Climbing



Basic climbing methods and rappelling techniques are taught at the Climbing Tower. Scouts will have the opportunity to rappel from the gravel pits on the back side of camp during this program.



### Communication



"Communication focuses on how people use messages to generate meanings within and across various contexts, cultures, channels, and media. The field of communication promotes the effective and ethical practice of human communication." - US Department of Education

Note: Requirement 5 cannot be completed at camp.



### Composite Materials



Composites can be found just about everywhere: in airplanes and sports cars, golf clubs and guitars, boats and baseball bats, bathtubs and circuit boards, and even bridges. Composites make bicycles and skis lighter, kayaks and canoes stronger, houses warmer, and helmets tougher.



### Cooking



The Cooking merit badge introduces principles of cooking that can be used both at home or in the outdoors. Scouts who earn this badge will learn about food safety, nutritional guidelines, meal planning, and methods of food preparation, and will review the variety of culinary (or cooking) careers available.

Note: Requirements 4, 5, 6 cannot be completed at camp.



### Cybersecurity



Equip Scouts with essential knowledge and skills to navigate and protect the digital world. Scouts learn about online safety, ethical behavior, cyber threats, and how to defend against them using tools like firewalls, antivirus software, and strong passwords. They explore encryption, connected devices, and the risks of public Wi-Fi, while also practicing safe habits.



### Electricity



The Merit Badge is one of the original merit badges from 1911. Scouts can learn all about circuits and energy while earning the merit badge.

## PROGRAM ACTIVITIES



### Energy

Any

1

Saving, producing, and using energy wisely will be critical to America's future. If we are to leave future generations with a world in which they can live as well or better than we have, Scouts and other potential leaders of tomorrow must begin the hard work of understanding energy and the vital role it will play in the future.



### Engineering

Any

1

Engineers use both science and technology to turn ideas into reality, devising all sorts of things, ranging from a tiny, low-cost battery for your cell phone to a gigantic dam across the mighty Yangtze River in China.



### Environmental Science



1



Pre

While earning the Environmental Science merit badge, Scouts will get a taste of what it is like to be an environmental scientist, making observations and carrying out experiments to investigate the natural world.

Bring: Suitable clothing for outdoors field observation

Pre-Req: 3e



### First Aid

Any

1



First aid – caring for the injured or ill until they can receive professional medical care – is an important skill for every Scout. With knowledge of first aid, Scouts can provide immediate care and help to someone who is hurt or who becomes ill. First aid can help prevent infection, blood loss or save a limb or a life.

Bring: Materials to make a First Aid Kit.



### Game Design

Any

1

Scouts can earn a merit badge for playing games – and for creating their own. The Game Design merit badge teaches planning and critical-thinking skills, while introducing Scouts to an industry that's bigger than Hollywood.



### Genealogy

Any

1

Exploring your roots—where your family name came from, why your family lives where it does, what your parents and grandparents did for fun when they were your age—can be fascinating.

Bring: One of the following - Birth Certificate, Death Certificate, Marriage Certificate for yourself or a family member.

Note: Requirement 2b cannot be

## PROGRAM ACTIVITIES



### Geocaching

Any

1

The word geocache is a combination of "geo," which means "earth," and "cache," which means "a hiding place." Geocaching describes a hiding place on planet Earth - a hiding place you can find using a GPS unit. A GPS (Global Positioning System) unit is an electronic tool that shows you where to go based on information it gets from satellites in space.



### Horsemanship

Any

1

\$

In addition to learning how to safely ride and care for horses, Scouts who earn this merit badge will gain an understanding of the instincts and behaviors of horses and humane and effective methods for training horses.

Bring: (1) Appropriate riding gear including long pants, shirt and boots or shoes; (2) parent or guardian must complete & sign waiver form.



### Moviemaking

Any

1

Moviemaking includes the fundamentals of producing motion pictures, including the use of effective light, accurate focus, careful composition (or arrangement), and appropriate camera movement to tell stories. In earning the badge, Scouts will also learn to develop a story and describe other pre- and post-production processes necessary for making a quality motion picture.



### Nuclear Science

Any

1

Nuclear science gives us a simple explanation of the natural world. The ultimate goal of nuclear science is to find out if there is one fundamental rule that explains how matter and forces interact. Earning the Nuclear Science merit badge is a chance for Scouts to learn about this exciting field at the cutting edge of science today.

Nuclear Science is one of the



### Oceanography

Any

1

The oceans cover more than 70 percent of our planet and are the dominant feature of Earth. Wherever you live, the oceans influence the weather, the soil, the air, and the geography of your community. To study the oceans is to study Earth itself.

Oceanography is one of the elective merit badges for the William T. Hornaday awards for Boy Scouts.



### Personal Fitness



1



Pre



In the twelve weeks it will take Scouts to complete the requirements for this merit badge, they will be in better shape, feel better about themselves, have more energy, and gain self-confidence in their overall abilities.

Pre-Req / Bring: Statement for 1b

Note: Requirement 8 cannot be completed at camp.

## PROGRAM ACTIVITIES



### Photography

Any

1

Beyond capturing family memories, photography offers a chance to be creative. Many photographers use photography to express their creativity, using lighting, composition and content to make their photographs into more than snapshots. Good photographs tell us about a person, a news event, a product, a place or a time in history. Bring: Personal Camera (preferably not a phone)



### Plumbing

Any

1

Plumbing, including pipe fitting, is an important and well-paid occupation. The industry is quite broad. It covers installations and repairs in homes, commercial properties, and factories. Plumbing pipelines are used for water supply, waste drainage, natural-gas heating, and many other purposes. Plumbing merit badge was one of the original 57 merit badges issued in 1911.



### Public Health

Any

1

The field of public health deals with maintaining and monitoring the health of communities, and with the detection, cure, and prevention of health risks and diseases. Although public health is generally seen as a community-oriented service, it actually starts with the individual. From a single individual to the family unit to the smallest isolated rural town to the worldwide global



### Pulp and Paper

Any

1

Here's an astonishing number to digest. Each person in the United States uses about 700 pounds of paper each year. Paper is everywhere in our lives. Every year in the United States, more than 2 billion individual books, 24 billion newspapers, and 350 million magazines are published on paper.



### Radio

Any

1

Radio is a way to send information, or communications, from one place to another. Broadcasting includes both one-way radio (a person hears the information but can't reply) as well as two-way radio (where the same person can both receive and send messages).



### Rifle Shooting - Option A Modern

Any

1

\$

Our .22 Caliber Rifle Range provides Scouts with an opportunity to learn gun safety and to enjoy target shooting. Scouts are strongly encouraged to register early. A rifle, like any other precision instrument, is manufactured to perform a specific task and can do so at no risk to the user or others.

Program Fee includes ammunition.

## PROGRAM ACTIVITIES



### Rifle Shooting - Option C Muzzle



1

\$

Earn the Rifle Shooting MB using a Muzzle Loading Rifle. Due to the high caliber of the rifle, this merit badge should be taken by Scouts age 13 and over. Younger Scouts must have the approval of the instructor.

Program Fee includes ammunition.



### Robotics

Any

1

Earning the Robotics merit badge requires a Scout to understand how robots move (actuators), sense the environment (sensors), and understand what to do (programming); demonstrate robot design in building a robot, and to discover whether this may be a field of interest as a career.



### Safety

Any

1

Knowing about safety helps Scouts to make the right choices and to take the best actions to avoid accidents by making informed choices in their everyday activities and to respond appropriately during an emergency situation.



### Scouting Heritage

Any

1

"If I have seen further, it is by standing on the shoulders of giants." Isaac Newton wrote that in 1676; in 2016, the Scouting Heritage merit badge lets Scouts look further as well.

It introduces them to giants of Scouting like Robert Baden-Powell, Daniel Carter Beard, Waite Phillips and more. It helps Scouts claim their own place in Scouting history.



### Search and Res- cue

Any

1

The goal of Search and Rescue (SAR) is to locate, stabilize and extract individuals in distress. That can mean a hiker on the side of a mountain, a sailor lost at sea, a trapped urban disaster survivor, a captured soldier or an Alzheimer's patient wandering city streets. Each area of SAR employs techniques specific to the circumstance.



### Shotgun Shooting

Any

1

\$

A shotgun is a precision instrument, designed to shoot a shot charge in a specific pattern to cover a designated area at a certain distance. Unlike a rifle, the bore of the shotgun is not rifled, so the shot emerging from the muzzle is not spinning. Learn firearm safety and to enjoy target shooting.

Program Fee includes ammunition.

## PROGRAM ACTIVITIES



### Skating - Option D Skateboarding

Any

1

This merit badge introduces Scouts to the exciting world of ice skating, roller skating, in-line skating or skateboarding. In addition to being an enjoyable leisure activity that promotes fitness, there are a variety of athletic careers in skating.

Bring: your Board, Stick, Shred Sled or Plank



### Space Exploration

Any

1

\$

Build, launch, and recover a model rocket. Make a second launch to accomplish a specific objective\*. (Rocket must be built to meet the safety code of the National Association of Rocketry. The rocket you build won't reach the moon, but the science and technology that goes into your rocket is the same as NASA uses in launching giant rockets.

Program Fee includes kit.



### Weather

Any

1

Meteorology is the study of Earth's atmosphere and its weather and the ways in which temperature, wind, and moisture act together in the environment. In addition to learning how everyday weather is predicted, Scouts can learn about extreme weather such as thunderstorms, tornadoes, and hurricanes, and how to stay safe.



### Welding

Any

1

\$

This merit badge introduces Scouts to the basics of welding, and they will participate in hands on welding!

Bring: Long Sleeve Shirt and Long Pants

Program fee includes supplies.



### Wood Carving

Any

1

\$

As with any art, wood carving involves learning the basics of design, along with material selection and tools and techniques, as well as wood-carving safety. The requirements of the Wood Carving merit badge introduce Scouts to an enjoyable hobby and that can become a lifetime activity.

Program Fee includes kit.

PLEASE PRINT AND COMPLETE THIS PAGE

SCOUT MAY TURN IN AT CAMP CHECK-IN,  
OR EMAIL TO [JUAN.PRADO@SCOUTING.ORG](mailto:JUAN.PRADO@SCOUTING.ORG)

Activity: Off-camp visit to Stennis Airport  
Location: Kiln, MS  
Date(s): Dec 28 or 29, 2025 (weather permitting)  
Purpose: This field trip is part of the Aviation Merit Badge at Winter Camp.  
Those scouts not able to visit the airport will receive a partial for Aviation MB.  
This activity will take about 2 hrs.

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Scout's Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ is/are granted permission to (and will) attend this activity.

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Transportation to/from the airport will be provided by troop leaders at camp.

## SUGGESTED PERSONAL EQUIPMENT CHECKLIST

Scouts BSA Handbook  
 Signed Annual Health and Medical Form (A, B & C)  
 Scout uniform (shirt, shorts, socks, belt)  
 Bible or prayer book  
 Camera  
 Comb, brush, and mirror  
 Completed merit badge pre-requisites  
 Daypack  
 Dirty clothes bag  
 Feminine hygiene products  
 Fishing rod and tackle  
 Flashlight and extra batteries  
 Hat for sun protection  
 Insect repellent  
 Money for Trading Post (\$50 recommended, no large bills please)  
 Mosquito netting  
 Notebook, pen and pencils  
 Pajamas or sleeping clothes  
 Long pants (for Horsemanship)  
 Personal first aid kit  
 Pillow  
 Pocket knife and "Totin' Chit"  
 Poncho or rain jacket  
 Raingear or weather-appropriate outerwear  
 Shoes (closed toe) or hiking boots  
 Shorts  
 Sleeping bag, liner or blanket and sheets  
 Soap and shampoo/conditioner  
 Socks (7 or 8 pair)  
 Sunglasses  
 Sunscreen  
 Toothbrush and toothpaste  
 Towels and washcloth  
 T-shirts (5 or 6/no tank tops)  
 Underwear  
 Watch  
 Water bottle  
 Work gloves

### SUMMER CAMP **only**

Swimsuit  
 Water shoes (aqua socks, etc.)  
 Water survival clothing (for Scouts taking the Lifesaving merit badge)

### THANKSGIVING AND WINTER CAMP **only**

Cold-weather hat  
 Long pants  
 Long-sleeved shirt

### SURVIVAL KIT (for Scouts taking Wilderness Survival merit badge)

Compass  
 Ground cloth  
 Sewing kit  
 Signal mirror  
 Space blanket  
 Waterproof matches  
 Water purification tablets  
 Whistle

### DO NOT BRING

Personal electronic items such as radios, Bluetooth speaker, TVs, electronic games, cell phones, fireworks, sheath or hunting knives, pets, personal firearms & ammunition, jewelry or other expensive items, personal bows and arrows, laser pointers



## SUGGESTED TROOP EQUIPMENT CHECKLIST

Patrol flags  
Lanterns (propane is best)  
Matches / lighters / fire starters  
Dining fly(s), poles, & stakes  
Rope (1/4" manila)  
Tents (if you have them), poles & stakes  
Hammers & other hand tools  
5-gallon water jugs  
Ice chests  
Trash bags  
Lockable storage container  
Troop first aid kit  
Compass  
Shovels, rakes, hoes, bow saws  
Rolls of surveyor's marking tape  
Camp chairs  
Dutch oven and other cooking and cleanup gear (gear as needed for cobbler and chili cook-off)  
Camp stove, pots and pans (gear as needed for patrol cooking on Wednesday)

### CAMPSITE ENTRANCE/GATEWAY MATERIALS

Troop sign (should include troop number)  
Troop flag  
U.S. Flag  
Twine & poles for lashing

### BULLETIN BOARD

Bulletin board provided  
Camp roster  
Troop duty roster  
Scout schedules  
Emergency procedures  
Push pins, etc. for bulletin board  
Fireguard chart

### PAPERWORK

Troop advancement records  
Troop Leader Guidebook  
Paper Scouting America medical forms



## CAMP V-BAR INFORMATION AND POLICIES

Refer to the [Camp V-Bar General Information and Policies](#) for:

- Driving Directions
- Camp Map
- Camp Amenities
- Policies



## EARN THE CONSERVATION GOOD TURN AWARD

Since 1910, conservation has been an integral part of the program of Scouting America. Scouting America has been a positive force in conservation and environmental efforts. Scouts have rendered distinguished public service by helping to conserve wildlife, energy, forests, soil, and water. Past generations of Scouts have been widely recognized for undertaking conservation Good Turn action projects in their local communities.

Scouts of today have grown up hearing words such as ecosystem, biodiversity, and climate change. They recognize the need for, and the benefits of, conserving natural resources. Scouts understand that we all must work together for the betterment of the land, forests, wildlife, air, and water.

Much has been accomplished in recent years by individual Scouts and through unit conservation Good Turns. Much more needs to be done both in our communities and at Camp V-Bar.

### To Earn The Conservation Good Turn Award

The Conservation Good Turn Award is an opportunity for Scout troops to carry out a Conservation Good Turn while at Camp V-Bar.

- The Scouting unit leader contacts Juan Prado ([juan.prado@scouting.org](mailto:juan.prado@scouting.org)) before camp or the Camp Director or Program Director while at camp and offers to carry out a Conservation Good Turn project.
- A worthwhile and needed project will be identified that the unit can accomplish.
- Working together, the unit and the Southeast Louisiana Council representative plan the details and establish the date, time, and location for carrying out the project.
- The Scout earns the Conservation Good Turn Award by participating in the planned conservation project to the satisfaction of the unit leader.
- The unit leader completes the application by clicking [here](#) (or obtaining one at camp) and then submits it to the Camp Director or Program Director for the unit to be recognized.
- Individual patches for recognition of youth and adults participating in the project may be purchased by the unit at the Southeast Louisiana Council Scout shop.



## STAFF CAMP V-BAR

WE WANT YOUR SCOUTS ON THE CAMP V-BAR STAFF!

Dear Scoutmasters,

The Camp V-Bar staff is committed to providing quality merit badge instruction and exciting evening programs to give your Scouts an experience that will last a lifetime.

Working at Salmen Scout Reservation has been one of the most fulfilling and exciting experiences in their lives for many of the staff members. Camp V-Bar staff members learn the value of teamwork and dedication while honing their Scouting skills, leadership and teamwork skills, and making lifetime friends. These skills will benefit your Scouts for the rest of their lives. If your Scouts join Camp V-Bar's staff, they will become role models for hundreds of youths and make a valuable impression on the lives of others.

If you have Scouts in your troop who you believe to be the best of the best, encourage them to join one of the greatest camp staffs in the country. We have a passion for Camp V-Bar, and we want to see it grow and become even greater as the years progress. To accomplish this goal, we need new staff members with innovative ideas willing to work hard to continue the tradition of making Camp V-Bar a great camp. We want your best Scouts. Have them sign up today!

First, the Scout MUST submit a resume to the Camp Staff Advisor, Juan Prado via e-mail to [juan.prado@scouting.org](mailto:juan.prado@scouting.org). If interested Scouts do not have a resume, a sample resume may be downloaded [here](#).

Yours in Scouting,

Your Camp V-Bar Staff

