



# BARN RAISING TIME!

## BUILDING THE BEST

### VOLUNTEERS

April 27 – 29, 2018



Each year the Southwest Florida Council brings together the *BEST* dag-gum scoutin' volunteers to share their experience & knowhow with all ya'all at USA! We'll be offerin' a Saturday only opshun again this here year that includes yer vittles for lunch, supper & evenin' activities!! Activities will include games Fridy night, Taste of the Country cookin' contest with bodacious prizes, and a Barn Dance on Saturdy evenin'!! So all ya'all come on down to Camp Miles & getcha sum learnin' on how to build the BEST program (barn) possible fer yer youngins! Come on down & help us raise up the best dang volunteers Scoutin' has to offer!!

**\$25.00**

Weekend

**\$15.00\*\***

Saturday Only

**\$10/\$15**

Shirts

**\$15**

Hats

**Who:** Registered adult leaders from Packs, Troops, Crews, Ships, & Teams

**When:** April 27 - 29, 2018. Check-in Friday 5 pm -9 pm or Saturday 7:45 am - 8:15 am

**Where:** Camp Miles, 38751 Bermont Rd., Punta Gorda, 33982

**Register Online:** [www.swflcouncilbsa.org](http://www.swflcouncilbsa.org) Registration closes on April 12th, 2018.

**Included:** Weekend fee includes materials, patch, degree certificate, four meals, & cooking contest entry. Must be a paid USA participant to compete in the cooking contest.

\*\*Saturday fee includes materials, patch, non-degree certificate, lunch, dinner, cookin' contest entry. Participants receive the full experience but do not earn a degree.

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**REGISTRATION CLOSSES APRIL 12th**

**ALL FEES ARE DUE TO THE COUNCIL SERVICE CENTER BY APRIL 19TH.**

**ALL REGISTRATION FEES NOT PAID BY APRIL 19TH WILL BE SUBJECT TO A \$10 LATE FEE REGARDLESS OF REGISTRATION DATE.**

**Online registration:** You do not have to pay online to register online! Simply fill out the information online, click on either the Credit Card or Mail-box button then click on the "Make Payment/Save" button at the SIDE of the payment page to lock in your registration. You will receive an instant confirmation of your registration/payment. When mailing in your check, put the activity name & registration number on the memo line of your check..

**Cancellation / Refund Policy:** Once registration fees have been paid, an individual may become ill or otherwise unable to attend an event. Since the event has already incurred expenses related to the activity such as program supplies, food, patches, etc., event fees are non-refundable & non-transferrable. An exception will be made if a request is received in writing or email (not phone) and submitted to the [Southwest Florida Council Office](http://Southwest Florida Council Office) by the individual no less than 72 hours before the date of the event. In some cases, only a partial refund can be made. Refunds for inclement weather will be made only if the event is cancelled. No refunds are given for credit card processing fees.

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# What value does USA bring to YOU?

*Classes chosen, designed, and taught by parent/volunteers like you! By volunteers, for volunteers*

## First year participants, including parents & new leaders (Bachelors)

- **Advancement Program/Adult Recognition:** Understanding how the advancements work & build on one another and implementing a plan to utilize them as a motivation for keeping adults and youth engaged.
- **Recruiting, Involving & Retaining Youth & Adults:** Getting, keeping & involving the parents & youth.
- **Getting Basic Training to All Your Leaders:** Establishes training expectations, how, what, when & where so that your Troop, Pack, or Crew can offer a terrific program. Trained leaders have great program and keep youth involved.
- **Journey to Success:** How the Journey to Excellence program works and benefit your efforts in the unit.
- **Cub Scout Operations:** Basic training on how a Pack works and why the structure is successful.
- **Boy Scout Operations:** Basic training on how a Troop works and why the structure is successful.

## Second year participants, volunteers looking to continue growth (Masters)

- **Chartered Organization Relationships:** Explains the role of the chartered organization in the program.
- **Advanced Boy Scout Operations:** Beyond basic training for top-notch troop operation.
- **Advanced Cub Scout Operations:** Beyond basic training for top-notch pack operation.
- **Webelos to Scout Transition:** How to "bridge" your Arrow of Light Scouts to a troop and break down communication barriers. No packs' Arrow of Light Scouts are obligated to one troop.
- **Unit Budgeting:** Use of the budget plan for packs, troops & venturing units. Foundation for your success!

## Post-Grads (POGS):

- **Understanding Leadership Talents:** Persuasion vs coercion, motivation, skills & planning for leaders.
- **Counseling Youth & Adults:** Communication methods & the differences between counseling youth & adults.
- **The Problem-Solving Process:** How to build Plan B if Plan A fails & much, much more.
- **Examining Scouting Values:** Instilling Scouting's values & ensuring they are taught in the program.
- **Ph.D. Project Workshop:** How to select & complete your doctoral project.
- **Advanced Venture Operations:** Venture program basics and how to retain Scouts using Venturing.
- **Introduction to the Order of the Arrow:** What O.A. is & it's benefits & effects on the program.

## Electives (even more fun stuff!):

Although the electives change year to year, here are some possibilities you might see in 2018:

(keep in mind the curriculum has not been selected yet!) Give us ideas for your favorites.

- **Advanced Boy Scout Outdoor Experiences:** High adventure opportunities, O.A. experiences & keeping them interested & involved. For example: Philmont, Northern Tier, Sea Base, & Summit opportunities!!!
- **Group Games Leadership, Song Leadership, Campfires, Effective Use of Ceremonies, Pioneering, First Aid Special Effects, Intro into Camp Cooking & Basic Food Handling:**
- **Life to Eagle:** A youth earns Life rank & turns 18 in 6.5 months...can he make it??
- **Safe Scouting, Water Course:** Review of the "Guide to Safe Scouting" & the course that every Scouter that camps around water needs to take!
- **Camp Etiquette, American Flag:** Camp policies & procedures; Everything you need to know about the American Flag from how it started to how to retire it!
- **Intro to BSA Shooting Sports:** Shooting Sports orientation on a basic level.