

# Online Leader Meeting • 16 April 2024

## Greetings Summer Campers!

This is our first in a series of Camp Baker online Leader Meetings.

It is being sent to the primary contact from our unit registrations.

To be put on the distribution list, email a request to [summercamps@otcbsa.org](mailto:summercamps@otcbsa.org)

**Please share this with all the Baker stakeholders in your unit!**



## 2024 New Programs

- **Cowboy Action Shooting** - Pew! Pew! - Tsisqan Lodge, Order of the Arrow, is helping us build our new action shooting windows this weekend.
- **IOLS training for Leaders** - Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills will be offered for all adult leaders. Oregon Trail Council trainers are working on the training schedule. At this point, it looks like it will fit into two half-days, probably mornings. Details will come.
- **Pilot merit badges** - We like to pilot new merit badges each year. We're currently looking at Game Design, Electricity, and Theater merit badges. We'd appreciate any thoughts you have about these or other suggestions.

## Merit Badge Registrations Delayed

- We ran into technical issues launching our online registration and merit badge scheduling, promised for April 15.
- Our target date for going live is now May 1. We're taking this time to be sure the system is working right when it opens.
- Until then, you can still work with your Scouts on choosing merit badges and creating personal schedules.
  - Page 38 in our Leader Guide has a **Camper Planning Guide** for Scouts to use [https://otcbsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/2024\\_Camp\\_Baker\\_Leader\\_Guide\\_FINAL.pdf](https://otcbsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/2024_Camp_Baker_Leader_Guide_FINAL.pdf)
  - The new 2024 **Camp Baker Program Schedule** posted will be the basis for our online scheduling system. You can start scheduling using this schedule. <https://otcbsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/2024-Baker-Program-Schedule.pdf>

## SCUBA Sign-ups

The **Introduction to SCUBA** sign-ups are probably the most impacted by the scheduling delay, mostly because of its popularity and class size limit. Recognizing that, my best solution at this point is to start a sign-up list, as follows

- SCUBA is reserved for older Scouts that are at least 14 years old.
- The SCUBA program costs \$65; the fee is passed to our partners, Eugene Skin Divers. See the Leader Guide for details.
- To sign up, we ask you be on schedule with your camp payment, as in our registration page:
  - Due March 31 – \$100 per youth. (If you're here, please sign up)
  - Due April 30 – Additional \$150 per youth.
  - Due June 15 – Final payment for all youth and adults.
- **Until the online system is working, please email me directly the names of Scouts wanting to participate in SCUBA.** ([summercamps@otcbsa.org](mailto:summercamps@otcbsa.org))
  - Sign up early! If we find a strong turn-out, we may have time to schedule an additional dive opportunity.

I'm happy to take your questions and comments. Be warned that some queries may be material for our future Leader Meetings!

Yours in Scouting,  
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