

Girls Invited to Join Scouts BSA!

The Boy Scouts of America and St. Thomas More Parish are **expanding their Scout program to include girls**. A separate Troop and Pack are forming exclusively for girls. Current boys' leadership is committed to helping with the organization of these units. There are several upcoming events to introduce girls and their parents to the BSA Scouting program and to begin the process of organizing a Troop and Pack:



Tuesday April 9, 7 p.m. in the Parish Dining Room: Organizational meeting for **Scouts BSA for girls currently in grades 5-11**. Scouts must be at least 10 years old and not yet 18. Scouts BSA is the girls' program that mirrors the Boy Scout model, offering the same leadership and services opportunities, merit badges, and rank progression with the goal of achieving Eagle Scout rank. **For additional information, email Eric Locher at locord01@gmail.com**



Thursday April 11, 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the Parish Dining Room: Pizza party and Open House for **Cub Scouts for girls and boys currently in grades preK-4**. Boys will be integrated into existing Dens (grade level units) in the Boys Pack. A new Pack and Dens each grade level, completing both core and elective adventures. **For additional information, email Julie Esposito at j.esposito.dvm@gmail.com.**

The Scouts BSA program has a strong emphasis on family, faith, and morals. It promotes health and fitness, citizenship, community service, life skills, and career exploration. Activities and events allow its members to explore the arts and sciences and develop an appreciation for nature and the outdoor world. Most of all, the goal of scouting is to have FUN while developing skills and making new friends!

Volunteer as an adult leader: You do not need to have a child in the program to be involved! Scouting offers in-depth leadership training FREE for its adult leaders. Adults have their own program of earned recognitions and the opportunity to participate in a wide variety of activities and exciting adventures while enriching the lives of our youth! **For additional information, email Eric Locher at locord01@gmail.com.**