



Troop 23 – Hot News

January 5, 2026

TROOP CALENDAR:

For the full calendar, visit <http://troop23wheaton.org/>

• 01/05- Monday, 7:00-8:30 pm	Troop Meeting
• 01/12- Monday, 7:00-8:30 pm	Troop Meeting
• 01/17-19-Sat-Mon	Campout - Silversides Luge Owasappie, MI
• 01/19- Monday	NO Troop Meeting
• 01/26- Monday, 7:15-8:45	Service Project – NO Troop Meeting

JANUARY SERVICE PROJECT:

We will be volunteering at Feed My Starving Children on Monday, January 26th from 7:15-8:45 PM at the Aurora location. This will take the place of our regularly scheduled meeting that evening. We have 25 spots to fill. This is a wonderful opportunity to serve as a family. Please click on this join link to register: <http://www.fmsc.org/join-group?joincode=WKXXVK>

SCOUT SUNDAY – FEBRUARY 15:

Sunday February 15th is Scout Sunday. We will be making and serving donuts to churchgoers between services. Scouts should plan to be at church at 7am to help make donuts; to help decorate donuts arrive at 8am. Scouts should attend at least one service, in class A uniform. All Scouts attending 2 services (both First Pres services, or a service at First Pres plus one service at their own church), in uniform, will be treated to a pizza lunch afterwards. We will need two Scouts to volunteer to speak for a couple minutes at each service about what Scouting has meant to them, their appreciation of the church's support of the troop, a connection to faith and scouting, etc. Tell your Patrol Leader or Mr. Yates if you are interested.

First Pres' services are at 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. It is not necessary to be a member of First Pres to attend! All Scouts, as well as their families and friends are welcome to attend Scout Sunday services!

MERIT BADGE UNIVERSITY:

Merit Badge University registration is open: <https://scoutingevent.com/127-MBU26> at York High School.

Scouts should have a blue card signed by Mr. Yates. Mr. Johnson should be informed afterwards so he can look for your electronic records updates for all badges. Spots are filling fast – any Scouts that are interested should sign up as soon as possible.

2027 WORLD SCOUT JAMBOREE

The **World Scout Jamboree** is held every four years. In 2011 it was held in Sweden, 2015 Japan, 2019 USA, 2023 South Korea. The next Jamboree will be held in **Gdansk, Poland** in the summer of **2027** and will have approximately 45,000 Scouts and leaders from over 140 countries in attendance. For youth participants, it is a once in a lifetime opportunity to be able to live in a tent city where they are camping next to Scouts their own age from all over the world. They get a chance to meet Scouts from countries they are reading about in school or that their family is from, or practice their foreign language skills. We will be in Poland for over two weeks, with a pre-tour for a few days and then about 10 days at the Jamboree itself. Participants must be between age 14-17 at the start of the Jamboree on July 30, 2027. Anyone older than that can apply to be a unit leader or on staff. Anyone younger than that will have to wait for the 2031 Jamboree in Denmark. Registration is open. So far, they have over 400 youth and adults registered from 44 states. More information can be found here:

World site: <https://www.jamboree2027.org/>

US contingent: <https://wsj2027.us/> (registration; form has costs)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1248199950271418>

HOT NEWS INFO:

Have some information for the weekly Hot News? Please forward the details of your news item to ruthlange@yahoo.com by Noon on Sundays and it will be included in that week's issue.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS AND/OR FEEDBACK, PLEASE CONTACT:

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