



# UMCOS

UNITED METHODIST COMMITTEE ON SCOUTING  
North GA Conference

Online: <http://mcos-northga.org/>

Dec 3, 2018

## Upcoming Events

- Dec 31** Methodist Awards Deadline
- Feb 10** Scout Sunday
- Mar 9** **John Dorman Awards Breakfast**
- May 4** SRA (Scouters Religious Academy)
- July 16-21** Philmont Methodist Scout Week



## Congratulations - 9 Churches

Which have started 10 new Scout units recently

These churches have started new Scout units this year. Congratulations and thanks to the clergy, lay leaders and scout leaders who have made this happen.

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| <b>Bright Star UMC</b> (Douglasville)        | Venture Crew        |
| <b>Chapel Hill UMC</b> (Rome)                | Cub Scout Pack      |
| <b>Cornelia First UMC</b> (Cornelia)         | Girl Scout Troop    |
| <b>Douglasville First UMC</b> (Douglasville) | Girl Scout Troop    |
| <b>Morrow First UMC</b> (Morrow)             | 2 Girl Scout Troops |
| <b>New Hope UMC</b> (Lawrenceville)          | Girl Scout Troop    |
| <b>Shiloh UMC</b> (Carrollton)               | Boy Scout Troop     |
| <b>The Orchard UMC</b> (Loganville)          | Boy Scout Troop     |
| <b>Young Harris UMC</b> (Athens)             | Cub Scout Pack      |



# Methodist Scout Recognition

## Recognize Your Units, Leaders & Scouts

**Deadline: Dec 31** (to ensure delivery by Scout Sunday)

There are several ways to recognize your scouts, leaders, packs/ troops & congregations for the great religious relations work done in our Methodist scout units. Submit nominations by Dec 31st to receive in time to present at Scout Sunday (Feb 10th). Awards include:

**Bishops Award of Excellence**  
For Units (Packs, Troops & Crews)

**Shepherd Church Award**  
For Congregations

**Cross & Flame Award**  
For Adult Leaders (within the UMC)

**John Wesley Fellow Award**  
For UMMen

**Silver Torch Award**  
For Adult Leaders  
(outside the UMC/ Conference)

**Good Samaritan Award**  
For Boy Scouts

### [Info and Nomination Forms](#)

**Submit Nominations/ Questions to:** Bill Swilley ([swilleyw@aol.com](mailto:swilleyw@aol.com), 770-457-9974)

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## Scout Sunday

### Feb 10, 2019

**What:** Churches recognize/ thank their Scout program

**When:** Sunday, Feb 10, 2019

(Nationally Boy Scout Sunday is Feb 3. But since Methodist churches have communion on first Sundays, Scout Sunday is on the 2nd Sunday. Churches can hold Scout Sunday on any Sunday.)

**Who:** Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts & their leaders

#### **Celebration Ideas:**

- Recognize scouts & scout leaders in front of church
- Present awards (see article about awards)
- Have Scouts & Leaders usher
- Include a Youth sermon (conducted by a mature scout)
- Organize a Scout Choir



Start planning by talking with your Minister and Scout leaders to decide what activities you'd like to include and to get your packs, troops & crew involved and promoting early.

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# John Dorman Duty-to-God Award

## 12th Annual - March 9

**Nomination Deadline: Feb 17**

Nominations are now open for the 2019 John Dorman DTG Award. Detailed info about the award and breakfast is available on the [website](#), but the highlights are:

- Award recognizes outstanding Boy Scouts who exemplify Duty-to-God in their lives.
- Qualifications: Eagle Scout, Christian, demonstrates Duty-to-God in his life daily.
- Nominations open 12/1. Email for form ([dale.morton@comcast.net](mailto:dale.morton@comcast.net))
- Nomination Deadline: 2/17
- Awards Breakfast: 3/9 (8:30 am, Johns Creek UMC)



Breakfast & award sponsored by the United Methodist Men at Johns Creek UMC.

Questions: Dale Morton, Event Chair ([dale.morton@comcast.net](mailto:dale.morton@comcast.net))

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# Scouters Religious Academy (SRA)

**Hold the Date: May 4th**

**What is SRA?:** A training day for Scout Leaders, and CORs with 15 religious-themed courses to help you build Duty-to-God into your program.

### Courses Offered:

- Building DTG (Duty-to-God) into your Scout Program
- Catholic Scout Awards
- Chaplain's Training
- COR Training
- Girl Scouts: My Promise My Faith
- How to conduct a God & Country (PRAY) Program
- How to conduct a Catholic Religious Emblem Program
- Methodist Scout Awards
- Scout Sunday Observances
- Scouts Own Service
- Starting a Boy Scout Pack, Troop, Crew or Girl Scout Troop
- Unit Religious Emblem Coordinator

**Date/ Time:** May 4 (8:00 am - 3:30 pm)

**Location:** Peachtree Road United Methodist Church

**Info (2018 Conference:** [visit here](#)

**Registration:** coming soon

**Questions:** Yolanda Wareham (Academy Director) - [UMAScout@yahoo.com](mailto:UMAScout@yahoo.com)



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# Methodist Scouters Workshop

Summer 2019: Philmont Training Center

## Scout Ministry in the Methodist Church

Spend a week in God's country with other Methodist Scouters learning how to build Duty-to-God into your unit or church Scout program. Hear ideas from across the country and network with experienced Methodist Scouters and Clergy.



- **Location:** Philmont Scout Ranch, Cimarron, NM
- **Dates:** June 15-21, 2019
- **Who's Invited:** Clergy, CORs, Scout Leaders (Scoutmasters, Cubmasters, Committee Members)
- **Cost:** \$550 First 5 people who sign up from the North GA Conference can receive a scholarship from the conference. Request from Scott Pickering if you'd like a scholarship.
- **Registration** (scroll to bottom of page)
- **Questions:** **Scott Pickering** ([sdp2011@icloud.com](mailto:sdp2011@icloud.com))