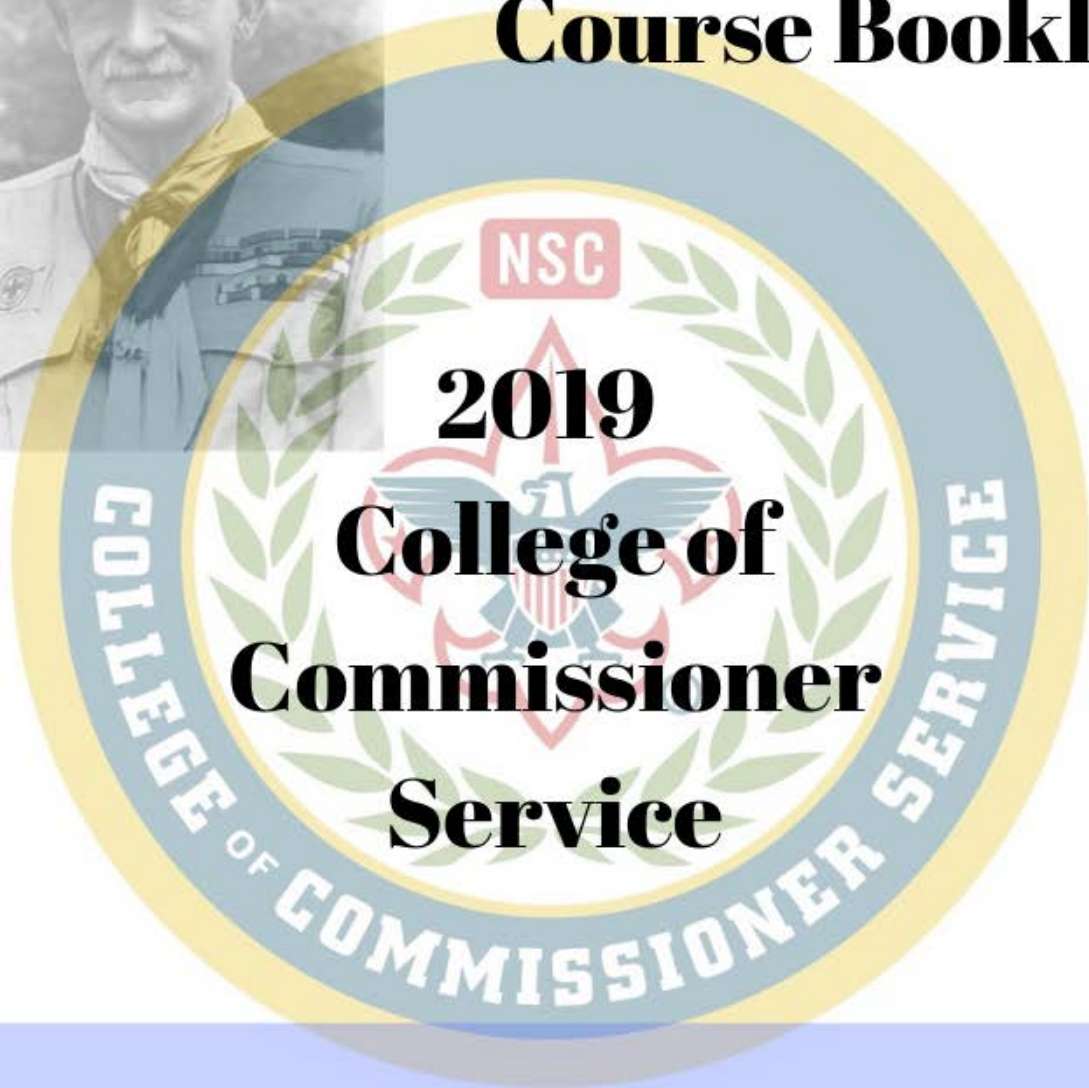




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Course Booklet



2019 College of Commissioner Service

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St. Paul College, St. Paul, MN

Registration:

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What's New for 2019

- **New course offerings** to enhance the training experience for all our commissioners.
- We have added **additional electives** to provide more choices for both new and experienced commissioners.
- **Additional Advanced Studies courses** (those who have completed their master's or doctorate degree): in addition to the Advanced Studies core required sessions, you are able to register for any class offered at the college that will best suit your training needs.
- This year we are offering “open discussion” **Continuing Education sessions** for commissioners who want to hone their commissioner skills without following the college degree format. Come for the program, stay for the fellowship and snacks!
- The **Focus Session** will be in the theater immediately after lunch and will feature skits based on **challenging situations** that commissioners have encountered and how commissioners facilitated **successful resolutions**.
- **A District Operations Leadership Forum** will be held concurrently with our College of Commissioner Service.

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Welcome!

Welcome to the 2019 session of Northern Star Scouting's College of Commissioner Service. We appreciate the investments you have already made and hope you will continue to strengthen our impact on youth through your own skill development. 2019 and 2020 bring many opportunities including expanded family Scouting and revamped Venturing advancement. Please keep our priorities in mind: increasing our commissioner coverage, striving for more effective engagement with units and continuing our own professional development. These all eventually result in a more rewarding experience for our Scouts.

We all understand our unit service time is spent inspiring, coaching and connecting. The college is your chance to help improve your capabilities and by extension, those of your units' leaders through your coaching of them and your roundtable programs. We are committed to help your contribution to unit service.

Please consult with your assistant district commissioner or district commissioner this summer and choose the college offerings that best help you. We believe you will be immediately able to put new skills to use at the next roundtable or unit visit.

This year we also welcome the council's district chairs to parallel sessions at our venue. Our districts play a key role in delivering Scouting and our district key leaders demonstrate that commitment to continuous improvement.

See you in November!

Yours in Scouting,

David Cousins
Council Commissioner
Northern Star Scouting

What Course Do I Register For?

Bachelor of Commissioner Service: The bachelor's program is open to anyone who has completed Unit Commissioner Basic Training. The bachelor's program offers courses to supplement and build on your basic training skills. See page 7.

Master of Commissioner Service: The master's program is advanced training that follows completion of the bachelor's program. This program offers classes to enable Commissioners to work effectively with specific unit needs and special needs of Scouts in your unit. Learn concepts like "unit lifesaving" and learn skills for developing unit leaders. See page 8.

Bachelor of Roundtable Service: All roundtable commissioners and team members will benefit from a full day of training to help promote, staff, and build successful roundtable programs to enhance pack and troop programs. See page 9.

Master of Roundtable Service: The roundtable master's program is advanced training that follows completion of the bachelor's in roundtable service program. This program offers classes to further enhance the ability of roundtable commissioners to deliver quality roundtables in support of unit programs. See page 10.

Doctorate of Commissioner Service: The doctorate program follows completion of either master's degree and includes carrying out a project that benefits an area of Scouting. Doctoral candidates will attend advanced training courses and make a presentation on their completed project. See page 11.

Advanced Studies: The advanced studies program offers courses to supplement previous commissioner training. The program is intended for commissioners who have completed the master's program or doctorate program and who are interested in learning more – plus enjoying fellowship with other commissioners. See page 13.

Continuing Education: *NEW FOR 2019* Continuing Education is an opportunity for commissioners of any level to participate in a group discussion on key unit issues commissioners need to address. See page 14.

Unit Commissioner Basic Training: Open to any registered adult Scouter interested in learning about the role of a unit commissioner. See page 15.

District Operations: *NEW FOR 2019* A forum for district leadership strategies and discussions. Attendance is by invitation only. See page 16.

Schedule

The completion requirements for the degree granting programs require completion of 8 sessions in one day. Below is the schedule of the day.

Each participant will get a personalized class schedule at check-in.

8:00- 8:30	Registration and Fellowship
8:30-8:45	Opening and Welcome
8:45-9:15	Session 1 - Keynote
9:20-10:05	Session 2
10:10-10:55	Session 3
11:00-11:45	Session 4
12:00-12:45	Lunch and Fellowship
12:50-1:35	Session 5 - Focus Session
1:40-2:25	Session 6
2:30-3:15	Session 7
3:20-4:05	Session 8
4:10-4:45	Graduation and Pictures
4:45-5:00	Closing

Session 1 is a keynote presentation to start the day with an inspirational message!

Session 5 is a general session, with a focus topic for everyone attending the college.

Sessions 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, and 8 cover the core and electives courses of different degree programs.

Keynote Presentation

David Cousins, Council Commissioner, will be sharing his vision for the commissioner team and setting the stage for commissioners inspiring, coaching and connecting with the Scout leaders they serve.



Focus Session

Tales from the Field - 2019

Live from the CCS auditorium, brace yourself for harrowing stories that pushed your fellow commissioners to their wits' end. Inspired by real events, Northern Star's very own Commissioners' Skit Troupe re-enact challenges from the field.

What spooky tales will we hear... the case of the missing den leader? Perhaps the one about the lapsed Youth Protection Training? Maybe even the curious case of the girls troop at Many Point. **Can you survive the fright?** Program starts promptly at 12:50. (Rated "UC" for Mature Commissioner Audiences Only).



Requirements for Degrees in Commissioner Service

BACHELORS OF COMMISSIONER SERVICE DEGREE

Jim Ostroot, Dean

A. Prerequisites

1. Have completed Unit Commissioner Basic Training
2. Hold a current BSA Youth Protection Training certificate

B. Requirements

1. Register as a candidate for the bachelor's degree with proper fees
2. Complete a minimum of 8 courses of instruction from the college including core and elective courses specified for the bachelor's program curriculum and be recommended for the degree by the dean of the bachelor's program.

C. Course detail for this degree: You must take the six core courses and two electives that you select from the list below.

BCS 201 – Keynote (Core)

BCS 202 – Focus Session (Core)

BCS 105 – Helping Commissioners Resolve Common Issues (Core) **

BCS 209 – How to work effectively with your DC and ADC (Core) **

BCS 210 – 3 Key Questions for an Effective Unit Reflection (Core)

BCS 211 – Helping Parents Understand the Values of Scouting (Core) **

BCS 102 – Did Your Unit Recharter on Time? (Elective)

BCS 212 – Utilizing Scout Book Tools (Elective) **

BCS 213 – Your Role in Improving Youth Retention (Elective)

BCS 214 – The New Adventure of Girls in Scouting (Elective) **

** Indicates New Course Offering This Year

MASTERS OF COMMISSIONER SERVICE DEGREE

Katherine Syverson, Dean

A. Prerequisites

1. Hold an earned Bachelor of Commissioner Service Degree from this college or another recognized BSA College of Commissioner Service.
2. Hold a current BSA Youth Protection Training certificate.

B. Requirements

1. Register as a candidate for the master's degree with proper fees
2. Complete a minimum of 16 total courses of instructions from this college or another recognized BSA College of Commissioner Service, including the core and elective courses specified for the master's degree curriculum, and be recommended for the degree by the dean of the master's program.

C. Course detail for this degree: You must take the five core courses and three electives that you select from the list below.

MCS 201 – Keynote (Core)

MCS 202 – Focus Session (Core)

MCS 305 – Resolving Critical Unit Issues (Core)

MCS 306 – Mentoring Skills (Core)

MCS 408 – Selecting and Developing Your Doctorate Project (Core)

MCS 311 – Commissioner Team and How They Work Together (Elective)

MCS 312 – Building a Commissioner Team (Elective)

MCS 322 – Advanced Special Needs & Disabilities Resources (Elective)

MCS 409 – Tools for a Quick Win (Elective) **

MCS 410 – Coaching for Success and Managing Conflict (Elective) **

MCS 411 – Engaging Today's Leader (Elective) **

** Indicates New Course Offering This Year

BACHELORS OF ROUNDTABLE SERVICE DEGREE

Katie Dettmann, Dean

A. Prerequisites

1. Have completed Roundtable Commissioner Basic Training.
2. Hold a current BSA Youth Protection Training certificate.

B. Requirements

1. Register as a candidate for the bachelor's of roundtable service degree with proper fees.
2. Complete the 8 sessions of instruction from the college specified for the bachelor's of roundtable service program curriculum and be recommended for the degree by the dean of the bachelor of roundtable studies program.

C. Course detail for this degree: You must take the eight core courses listed below.

BRS 201 – Keynote (Core)

BRS 202 – Focus Session (Core)

BRS 150 – Roundtables in Commissioner Service (Core)

BRS 151 – The Roundtable Commissioner Team (Core)

BRS 152 – Roundtable Planning Process and Promotion (Core)

BRS 154 – Cub Scout Roundtables (Core)

BRS 155 – Boy Scout Roundtables (Core)

BRS 156 – Recruiting, Training and Recognizing (Core)

MASTERS OF ROUNDTABLE SERVICE DEGREE

Bob Elliott, Dean

A. Prerequisites

1. Hold an earned Bachelor of Roundtable Service or a Roundtable Studies Degree from this College or another recognized BSA College of Commissioner Service.
2. Hold a current BSA Youth Protection Training certificate.

B. Requirements

1. Register as a candidate for the master's of roundtable service degree with proper fees.
2. Complete a minimum of 16 total courses of instruction from this college or another recognized BSA College of Commissioner Service, including the core and elective courses specified for the Master of Roundtable Service program curriculum, and be recommended for the degree by the dean of the master's of roundtable service program.

C. Course detail for this degree: You must take the seven core courses and one elective that you select from the list below.

MRS 201 – Keynote (Core)

MRS 202 – Focus Session (Core)

MRS 350 – Working with Other Commissioners (Core)

MRS 357 – Effective Remote Roundtables (Core)

MRS 456 – Inspiring and Coaching Unit Leaders (Core)

MRS 459 – Increasing Roundtable Attendance (Core)

MCS 408 – Selecting and Developing Your Doctorate Project (Core)

MRS 353 – Cub Scout Roundtable Annual Planning (Elective)

MRS 354 – Scouts BSA Roundtable Annual Planning (Elective)

DOCTORATE OF COMMISSIONER SERVICE DEGREE

Jerry Bru, Dean

A. Prerequisites

1. Hold an earned Master of Commissioner Service Degree from this college or another recognized BSA College of Commissioner Service.
2. Hold a current BSA Youth Protection Training certificate.

B. Requirements

1. Register as a candidate for the doctorate degree with proper fees. Contact the dean of the doctorate program for a special registration password, at jerryLbru@gmail.com or 612-417-9887 by **November 3, 2019**.
2. Complete a minimum of 24 total courses of instruction from this college or another recognized BSA College of Commissioner Service, including the core and elective courses specified for the doctorate program curriculum.
3. Complete an approved project on a topic of benefit to Scouting related to commissioner service.
4. Be recommended for the degree by the dean of the doctorate program

C. Course detail for this degree: You must take the seven required core courses and one elective that you select from the doctorate elective list below or master's degree elective list on page 8.

DCS 201 – Keynote (Core)

DCS 202 – Focus Session (Core)

DCS 512 – Commissioner Recruiting Workshop (Core)

DCS 604 – Doctorate Project Presentations Seminar - I (Core)

DCS 605 – Doctorate Project Presentations Seminar - II (Core)

DCS 606 – Doctorate Project Presentations Seminar - III (Core)

DCS 615 – District and Council JTE (Core)

DCS 514 – Building Meaningful Relationships (Elective)

DCS 516 – Succeeding with the Unit Service Plan (Elective)

DCS 614 – The Commissioner and the Professional (Elective)

Also see list of master's degree electives on page 8.

The Doctoral Project

Candidates for the doctorate degree will typically complete their doctoral project in the 12 months between completing their master's degree (MCS or MRS) and the next session of the college. Projects should be substantially completed before a candidate registers for the doctorate degree.

Project Requirements

1. The dean of the doctoral program or the commissioner college president must approve the project's topic before you start.
2. The project must be on a topic of benefit to Scouting related to commissioner service.
3. The project topic must show initiative through originality or by adapting an established activity to a new environment or theme. A typical project requires planning as well as implementation.
4. A typical project involves a medium level of effort – similar to a Wood Badge ticket item. The level of effort might involve 2 months of part-time Scouting work.
5. The project must not have been used to fulfill requirements for other training or service recognitions.
6. The candidate must attend the College of Commissioner Service and describe the project during a Doctorate Project Presentations Seminar.

A project abstract is required for approval by the dean of the doctoral degree program. The abstract should be between half a page and one page in length when using 12 pt size font. The abstract will provide a summary of the project that includes the name of the project in the title, why the project was performed, how the project was performed, how the project benefits Scouting and the timeliness of the project.

Contact Jerry Bru, the dean of the doctorate program, for a special registration password at jerryLbru@gmail.com or 612-417-9887 by **November 3, 2019.**

ADVANCED STUDIES COMMISSIONER SERVICE DEGREE

Mike Meagher, Dean

A. Prerequisites

1. Hold an earned Master of Commissioner Service or Doctorate of Commissioner Service Degree from this college or another recognized BSA College of Commissioner Service.
2. Hold a current BSA Youth Protection Training certificate.

B. Requirements

1. Register as a candidate for the advanced studies degree with proper fees and be recommended for the degree by the dean of the advanced studies program.
2. Complete a minimum of 8 sessions of instruction from the college.

C. Course detail for this degree: You must take the three required core courses and five other sessions that you select from the advanced studies, doctorate, master's, bachelor's, roundtable bachelor's, roundtable master's or continuing education courses. The registration system will present the list of possible courses you may choose from as part of your registration process.

ASC 201 – Keynote Session (Core)

ASC 202 – Focus Session (Core)

DCS 605 – Doctorate Project Presentations Seminar - II (Core)

ASC 806 – Live Streaming Meetings for Better Attendance (Elective)

ASC 807 – Back to School – Rescuing Cub Scout Recruiting (Elective)

MCS 408 – Selecting and Developing Your Doctorate Project (Elective)

Also see the list of bachelor's degree sessions on page 7, master's degree sessions on page 8, doctorate sessions on page 11, and bachelor's of roundtable on page 9, master's of roundtable on page 10, and continuing education sessions on page 14.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Rose Buntjer-Little, Dean

A. Prerequisites

1. Be a currently registered commissioner.
2. Hold a current BSA Youth Protection Training certificate.

B. Requirements

1. Be interested in sharing your experiences as a commissioner.
2. Participate in discussions about pertinent topics as a commissioner.
3. Be willing to learn and expand your talents as a commissioner.

C. Course Details: The continuing education track has been added for those commissioners who are looking for a flexible and non-degree training experience. Beyond participating in the keynote and focus sessions, four 45 minute discussion forums will be offered. This provides participants the opportunity to learn from their peers along with time for informative discussion and fellowship.

CED 201 – Keynote Session

CED 202 – Focus Session

CED 850 – Commissioner Topics: Discussion Forums A, B, C, and D

Discussion topics include the following:

Discussion Forum A – Family Scouting: The successes and challenges of girl units and what tips we can learn from others.

Discussion Forum B – How to Best Serve our Units: Unit success is our main focus and define a healthy unit, know what metrics help, understand youth focus and guide unit leadership to success.

Discussion Forum C – Guided Leadership with Responsibilities: Dynamic leadership helps all our units reach their potential. Discuss key elements to help them accomplish their goals.

Discussion Forum D – Conflict and Resolution: Conflict is inevitable among unit leaders and most wish to avoid conflict. Commissioners will understand the need to be neutral and how to address conflict and help guide units to a resolution.

Unit Commissioner Basic Training

This full day Unit Commissioner Basic Training course will discuss what a commissioner is, what a commissioner does and how a commissioner does it. The course will cover the following areas:

1. The Commissioner Service Role
2. Supporting the Unit
3. Role of the District
4. Unit Program Planning
5. Inspire Coach Connect
6. Understanding Journey 2.0
7. Unit Review and Reflection
8. Unit Charter Renewal Process
9. Next Steps to Success

This program is for all new unit commissioners and potential unit commissioners. Other interested Scouters are encouraged to attend.

All Unit Commissioner Basic Training attendees will also participate in the keynote speaker presentation and the focus session.

Additional course sessions are offered to give increased depth of knowledge that will be available only at the College of Commissioner Service.

Completion of these sessions qualifies you as trained unit commissioner.



DISTRICT OPERATIONS LEADERSHIP FORUM

Paul Kaus, VP of District Operations

A. Prerequisites

1. Be a current member of a District Operations team.

B. Requirements

1. Registration is by invitation only (special password to register needed)

C. Course Details: This session is organized by the Council Operations team lead by Paul Kaus. Participation is limited to District Chairs or others in a key district operations role and is by invitation only.

Discussion of the training forum will consist of pertinent training topics to enhance skills needed to address the strength and needs of your district.

DOP 201 - Keynote Session

DOP 890 – Leadership Forum

Contact Paul Kaus, Council VP of District Operations, for a special registration password.

DETAILED DEGREE COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Bachelors Courses

BCS 102 – Did Your Unit Recharter On-Time? (Elective)

The annual charter renewal process fosters regular dialogue between the chartered organization and BSA and assures membership is current. Commissioners support the timely, error-free completion of the recharter.

BCS 105 – Helping Commissioners Resolve Common Issues (Core) *New*

Learn how to address common issues between commissioners and their units.

BCS 209 – How to Work Effectively with your DC and ADC (Core) *New*

What are your expectations, how can we help one another? Come find out what your role really is about.

BCS 210 – 3 Key Questions for an Effective Unit Reflection (Core)

Reflection is an important tool in helping units review and assess how the unit delivers the Scouting program. Discover 3 key questions for facilitating an effective unit reflection with the unit leaders.

BCS 211 – Helping Parents Understand the Values of Scouting (Core) *New*

An excellent primer to introduce the parents to the Family of Scouting

BCS 212 – Utilizing Scout Book Tools (Elective) *New*

This session will focus on utilizing the online tools and information available to help commissioners monitor and guide their units.

BCS 213 – Your Role in Improving Youth Retention (Elective)

This course provides a “roadmap” in retaining and transitioning Cub Scouts at all rank levels. A must-attend for any commissioner instilling the value of Scouting in leaders and the families they serve!

BCS 214 – The New Adventure of Girls in Scouting (Elective) *New*

There are differences and will you be able to help with the changes. Prepare for the issues and opportunities with Girls both at the Pack and new Troop Level.

Masters Courses

MCS 305 – Resolving Critical Unit Issues (Core) This session will focus on unit issues such as weak leadership, ineffective committee, lack of training, lack of members, etc. and the role of the commissioner to assist the unit.

MCS 306 – Mentoring Skills (Core) The best way to strengthen a unit is to strengthen its leadership. Mentoring is an effective method in helping unit leaders develop their potential.

MCS 311 – The Commissioners Team and How They Work Together (Elective) District commissioners and assistant district commissioners make or break a district's ability to ensure that every unit receives competent commissioner service. This session will provide insight on effectively working together.

MCS 312 – Building the Commissioner Team (Elective) This session will cover effective commissioner development and retention including recruitment, training and adding value to serving units and Scouting. Includes tools you will need to avoid overload and burnout as a volunteer.

MCS 322 – Advanced Special Needs & Disabilities Resources (Elective) This session will provide a variety of resources, tools and ideas to keep Scouting inclusive, successful, and fun for Scouts with all abilities. This session is devoted to working with Scouts with special needs and disabilities.

MCS 408 – Selecting and Developing Your Doctorate Project (Core) This session will provide an overview of the process to develop a Doctorate Project to benefit an area of Scouting in commissioner service.

MCS 409 – Tools for a Quick Win (Elective) *New* This session will focus on sharing best commissioning practices, role playing through challenging situations. Course will build skills to manage conflicts and create a winning team.

MCS 410 – Coaching to Success and Managing Conflict (Elective)*New* This session will focus on developing coaching and problem-solving skills to retain/reenergize volunteers. Course will also focus on gaining skills to manage an ineffective volunteer and finding a common solution.

MCS 411 – Engaging Today's Leaders (Elective) *New* This session will focus on building skills to share ideas, leadership styles and create a game plan to utilize all leadership styles for effective commissioning. We'll share best practices and shamelessly benchmark 'what works and doesn't to enhance your leadership skills.

Bachelors of Roundtable Courses

BRS 150 – Roundtables in Commissioner Service (Core)

An effective roundtable is vital to the success of all commissioner service. This course reviews and reinforces how roundtables fit into the commissioner service structure by providing roundtable services to unit leaders.

BRS 151 – The Roundtable Commissioner Team (Core)

Regardless of size, an effective roundtable commissioner team is vital to the success of all roundtables. You will understand the unique position of roundtable in the Scouting world, this different method of unit service and how roundtables supplement unit commissioners.

BRS 152 – Roundtable Planning Process and Promotion (Core)

In this course, the participants will learn how to plan a year-long roundtable program to best serve the units in their districts. They will also discuss how to promote roundtables to the units they serve.

BRS 154 – Cub Scout Roundtables (Core)

Cub Scout Roundtables are normally the first district event that a new leader attends. Focused on FUN, new and seasoned leaders are given “the will to do, and the skill to do.” Learn ideas and resources to help you develop exciting Cub Scout Roundtable breakout sessions in your district.

BRS 155 – Scouts BSA Roundtables (Core)

Keep “youth led” in the front of your mind as you learn how Scouts BSA roundtables provide scout leaders with the resources they need to provide a better program in their unit. Gain ideas and resources to help you develop informative Scouts BSA Roundtable breakout sessions in your district.

BRS 156 – Recruiting, Training and Recognizing (Core)

Properly recruiting, training and recognizing the roundtable team is vital to the success of all roundtables. We will also provide an Overview of an Effective Training Program for the roundtable team and an Overview of the Importance of Recognizing the roundtable team.

Masters of Roundtable Courses

MRS 350 - Working with Other Commissioners (Core) Discuss ways roundtable commissioners can help the district commissioner and unit commissioners better unit service. Class participants will have the opportunity to ask questions.

MRS 353 - Cub Scout Roundtable Annual Planning (Elective) Developing an annual roundtable plan is an essential part of the roundtable program. Cub Scout Roundtable Commissioners will use available National and Northern Star Council materials to practice creating an annual Cub Scout Roundtable Plan.

MRS 354 - Scouts BSA Roundtable Annual Planning (Elective) Developing an annual roundtable plan is an essential part of the roundtable program. Scouts BSA Roundtable Commissioners will use available National and Northern Star Council materials to practice creating an annual Scouts BSA Roundtable Plan.

MRS 357 - Effective Remote Roundtables (Core) Our goal is to make quality roundtable content available to all units. Roundtable Commissioners who have implemented remote roundtable methods will share the methods they have used, share experiences, and provide recommendations to peers who have not yet implemented remote roundtables.

MCS 408 - Selecting and Developing Your Doctorate Project (Core) This session will provide an overview of the process to develop a Doctorate Project to benefit an area of Scouting in commissioner service.

MRS 456 – Inspiring, Coaching and Connecting Unit Leaders (Core) All commissioners are called to Inspire, Coach and Connect with unit leaders. This session will explore how Roundtable Commissioners can use roundtables to fulfill our mission to Inspire, Coach and Connect with unit leaders to provide a better unit program for their Scouts.

MRS 459 – Increasing Roundtable Attendance (Core) This session will explore best practices in use within our Council to increase attendance at roundtable. Come prepared to share what you are doing to increase roundtable attendance in your district.

Doctorate Courses

DCS 512 – Commissioner Recruiting Workshop (Core) This workshop is designed to allow participants the opportunity to practice recruiting commissioners using the “Roster Mining” method.

DCS 514 – Building Meaningful Relationships (Elective) Commissioner service is all about relationships. This session suggests ways in which commissioners may go about building and maintaining positive relationships with those they serve. It also discusses possible pitfalls that can undermine relationships.

DCS 516 – Succeeding with the Unit Service Plan (Elective) The Unit Service Plan is the roadmap to unit success. With appropriate guidance, the commissioner staff can provide significant unit assistance. The district administrative staff will need comprehensive data to set the course for unit success across the district.

DCS 604 - Project Presentation Seminar I (Core) These are sessions in which doctoral candidates have 5 minutes to present their pre-approved project abstract to other doctoral candidates and interested attendees at the College of Commissioner Service.

DCS 605 - Project Presentation Seminar II (Core) Continuation of the project presentation seminar.

DCS 606 - Project Presentation Seminar III (Core) Continuation of the project presentation seminar.

DCS 615 - District and Council JTE (Elective) Learn about the elements of District and Council Journey to Excellence and what it takes to ensure success in every area.

DCS 614 - The Commissioner and the Professional (Elective) Learn more about the relationship between the commissioner and the Scouting professional. Discover how the two can work closely together to reach the common goal of providing quality service to units.



Advanced Studies Courses

ASC 806 – Live Streaming Meetings for Better Attendance (Elective): *New*

Selected by the CCS as an exemplary doctoral project, Commissioner Jen Theisen presents her DCS Doctorate project about using simple smart phone technology to make meetings more accessible in the digital age.

ASC 807 – Back to School - Rescuing Cub Scout Recruiting- (Elective): *New*

Recruiting Cub Scouts inside the public school environment is endangered. This workshop will review obstacles to in-school recruiting of new Cub Scouts, and action plans to break down those barriers.



Doctorate of Commissioner Service Knot Award

The DCS Knot award recognizes completion of a standardized program leading to the award of the Doctor of Commissioner Service (DCS), along with tenure as a registered commissioner, and demonstrated performance of commissioner skills.

The DCS Knot encourages commissioners to provide support to units in their delivery of a quality program experience for all youth in Scouting, and also provide councils an opportunity to recognize commissioners for their tenured service, their dedication in learning more about delivery of quality Scouting, and their involvement in support of others.

The DCS Knot is separate from the CCS Doctorate degree, and requires additional effort to earn. The DCS Knot is available to any currently registered commissioner who has completed the requirements.

Applicants must serve as a registered commissioner for a minimum of five years. They must also complete the Doctor of Commissioner Service (DCS) Degree at a recognized College of Commissioner Service. Additionally, they must serve on the College of Commissioner Service staff (instructor or support staff), recruit or positively influence at least three new commissioners at any level, and earn the Commissioner's Key.

Application forms are available on the Northern Star Scouting web page at:
<http://www.northernstar.org/Portals/2/Forms/NSC-DCS-knot-application.pdf>

College of Commissioner Service Leadership

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Bob Woodke, Voyageurs Council Commissioner

Rich Avery, Area 1 Director

Greg Nygren, Area 1 Commissioner

Registration Details

Registration fee is \$35.

Fee is discounted to \$28 until 11:59 PM November 9, 2019.

Staff members not registering for a degree pay a fee of \$10.

For more information see the website at:

www.northernstarbsa.org/about-the-college-of-commissioner-service

Register on-line at:

<https://www.scoutingevent.com/250-2019collegecommissionerservice>

Registration includes courses, fellowship with other commissioners, lunch, patch and certificate presented at the graduation ceremony.

For more questions regarding registration, please contact :

Charles Wangerin, Dean of Registration, at: lcwangerin@gmail.com
or Daniel Knutson, Northern Star Scouting Staff Adviser,
at: dknutson@northernstar.org or 414-803-0217.

Doctoral candidates:

Please contact the Dean of the Doctorate Program, Jerry Bru, for a special registration password by November 3, 2019, at: jerryLbru@gmail.com or 612-417-9887.

District Operations Leadership Forum participants please contact Paul Kaus, Council VP of Operations, for a special registration password.

The College of Commissioner Service is a uniformed event. Please wear your official BSA Uniform.

About St. Paul College

St. Paul College: Site of the 2019 College of Commissioner Service

Located in St. Paul, just west of the downtown area and directly north of the St. Paul Cathedral, St. Paul College is designed and built for adults with a wide variety of needs.

Saint Paul College will provide our group with the adult learning environment that is needed for our event. Saint Paul College is handicapped accessible throughout the building. There is ample parking available in the Saint Paul College parking lot and ramp that is attached to the building.

Saint Paul College is equipped with state of the art audio and visual tools in every classroom and conference room that we will be using, including but not limited to Smartboards, PC's and projectors. There is Wi-Fi throughout the campus and it will be available to our group.

Saint Paul College allows food and drink in most of the classrooms, conference rooms, and common areas. There are multiple vending machines available throughout the building as well.

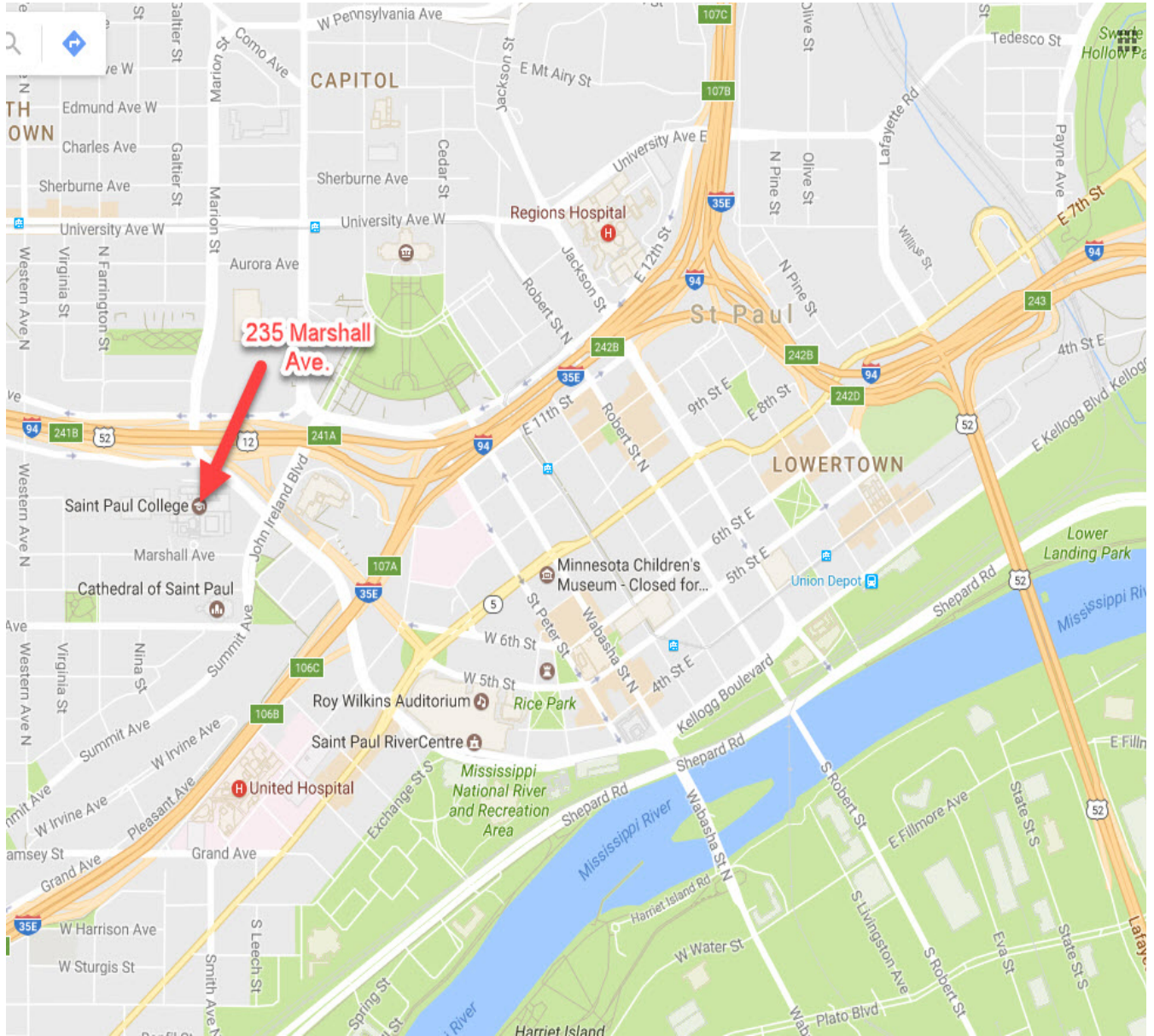
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See you on November 16th!