**Mission Statement**

The mission of the Buffalo Trace Council, Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

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**You are cordially invited to attend the Council Court of Honor**

Saturday, April 13, 2019  
St. James Catholic Church  
12300 S. 50 W. Haubstadt, IN 47639  
1:00 PM (CST)  
Check-In begins at 12:15 PM (CST)

Make your reservation today! Join us in celebration of 2018 Council achievements! Scholarship recipients, the Eagle Scout Service Project of the Year and other awards will be presented. All youth earning their Eagle Scout Rank or Summit Award in 2018 are invited to be recognized with their peers, and outstanding volunteers who have given unselfishly to Scouting will be honored with the Silver Beaver Award (the highest award a council can bestow upon a volunteer). Don’t miss this wonderful recognition of leadership and service! A reception with cookies, cake, punch, and of course coffee, will follow. Register: https://scoutingevent.com/156-2019CCOH.

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**Ideal Year of Scouting**

Thursday, May 2, 2019  
YMCA of Southwestern Indiana (Downtown Campus)  
222 NW 6th Street, Evansville, IN 47708  
Doors open at 5:30pm  
Special program at 6:30pm

Plan your Pack, Troop, or Crew’s ideal calendar by attending Ideal Year of Scouting! This event connects leaders with council committees and community organizations that have program, service and camping opportunities for your Scouts! Leaders are invited to attend for free! Light snacks will be provided. Registration: https://scoutingevent.com/156-IdealYear2019.

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**The Boy Scouts Guide to the Apocalypse**

SAVE THE DATE FOR THIS EXCITING CAMPOREE  
April 5-7, 2019  
Old Ben Scout Reservation  
Are YOU prepared to survive?  
Registration: https://scoutingevent.com/156-zombiecamporee
John & Kay Gaither Scout Shop

We Accept MasterCard, VISA, and Discover
(All times are Central Time)

Scout Shop Hours (unless otherwise indicated):

MONDAY—FRIDAY: 8:30AM—5:00PM
SATURDAY: 9:00AM—1:00PM

ALL FACILITIES CLOSED:
EASTER HOLIDAY:
April 19-21, 2019
MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY:
May 25-27, 2019

To place an order, call 812.423.5246x203 or 800.264.5246x203 or fax 812.423.4845

To see what’s new, go to www.buffalotracecouncil.org/Scout-Shop

COUNCIL REFUND POLICY
► Reservations canceled at least 30 days prior to the first day of an event will receive a 100% refund.
► Cancellations within the 30 days, but still prior to the first day, will receive a 50% refund.
► No refunds will be given for cancellations made the day of an event.
All cancellations must be made directly to the Eykamp Scout Center in writing or by calling 812.423.5246 or 800.264.5246 and then confirmed in writing.
NATIONAL EVENTS ARE NOT SUBJECT TO THIS POLICY.

Old Ben Scout Reservation News:
We are looking for experienced volunteers with chain saws. We have about 20 to 30 trees of different sizes that need to be dropped in various locations. We have about 15 at the Rifle Range alone, as of the end of January. Ken Steltenpohl and numerous others will be working to get these cleared out, but additional support may be needed.
If you have access to a portable sawmill, it could help us in trying to repurpose some of this timber. Give a call to John Harding, Scout Executive to assist in making the proper connections.
Please be sure all operators have all safety gear needed to operate a chain saw at OBSR: chaps, hard hat, hearing & eye protection.

Be prepared for Rank Graduation!
Come into the shop or call to pre-order your Tiger, Wolf, Bear, and Webelos patches, handbooks, neckerchiefs and slides!
Don't get behind in the Pack, Always Be Prepared!

Boy Scouts of America now includes GIRLS as a part of their Scouts BSA program.
As a part of this all inclusive program, Scouts BSA has issued Girls and Ladies Uniforms.
The Gaither Scout Shop has in stock:
• Scouts BSA Shirts
• Girls’ and Ladies’ size roll-up pants
• American Flag Headbands
• Flex Fit Hats
• Scouts BSA Leggings
• Scouts BSA Handbooks for Girls

www.buffalotracecouncil.org
Congratulations to 2019 EAGLE SCOUTS

Lincoln Heritage District
Reid Foster, Troop 185, 2/7/2019
Gabe M Schmitt, Troop 185, 2/7/2019
Aiden Michael Blessinger, Troop 186, 2/7/2019
Roger Hunter III, Troop 100, 2/7/2019

Native Trails District
Grant Adam DiDomizio, Troop 358, 1/10/2019
Aiden Ray McAllister, Troop 383, 1/10/2019
Casey Michael Winters, Troop 335, 1/10/2019
Nathaniel Scott Greulich, Troop 312, 1/10/2019
Dakota Michael Fleck, Troop 342, 1/10/2019
Wesley Michael Mann, Troop 350, 1/10/2019
Stephen Daniel Venditti, Troop 315, 2/7/2019
Evan Joseph Shade, Troop 352, 2/7/2019

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stonelc@mw.twcbc.com

Native Trails District
Fred Hassman
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Indianas/Illinois
Boy Scout License Plates

Thank you to everyone who has purchased a Boy Scout license plate in Indiana! Your additional support provides resources for our Scouts that we would not have otherwise. If you have not purchased a Boy Scout license plate, but would like to do so, it is EASY! Just let the BMV know you want to purchase a Boy Scout plate when you renew your registration. It's that simple!
OA UPDATE

Lodge Chief—Luke Schweickart, Lodge VC Activities—Luke Freeman,
Lodge VC Publications—Andy Hardgrave, Lodge VC Recording—Derek Hoffman,
Lodge VC Elections—Logan Carter, Lodge VC Finance—Ashton Probus

Updating of Lodge Records
All lodge members are encouraged to complete an updated form so we can confirm our records. The form is available on the council website at www.buffalotracecouncil.org and at the Eykamp Scout Center.

OA Troop Elections
Elections are conducted for Scouts to join the Boy Scout National Honor Society and reward those that exemplify the Scout Oath and Law. There are three ways for your troop to have an election.
• OA representative will come visit your troop
• The unit can hold their own election
• The unit attends the Spring Camporee and holds an election there
• Please visit the Kiondaga Lodge webpage on the council website to find the election information.

2019 OA Dues are PAST DUE!
Renewal forms can be found at the Eykamp Scout Center and on the Buffalo Trace Council website. Be sure to get your membership paid in order to be considered a part of the 2019 Lodge.

National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)
National Youth Leadership Training is an action-packed program designed to provide Boy Scouts of America youth members with leadership skills and experience they can use in their home units and in other situations demanding leadership of self and others.

NYLT is intended to strengthen the relationship between the youth leader and unit leader. The unit leader is highly encouraged to have a pre-course and post-course conference with the participant to discuss their vision and goals for future success of their home unit.

Early bird fees are $200 if paid before March 31st. Registration and more information are available on the council website. The youth staff is busy preparing for this year’s June course to make the course even more fun and engaging than last year’s course. We must have 30 participants to conduct the class, so don’t delay!
Course Director - David Smith (618) 339-5578 or mukappa28@yahoo.com

Important Changes to Membership Card and Charter Certificate Printing
In an effort to streamline basic operations and put tools in the hands of volunteers, the BSA has decided to make “self-service” as many membership processes as possible. For several years now, individuals and unit key 3 have had access to print membership cards through my.scouting. In addition, functionality will be added to my.Scouting to allow unit Key 3 to print charter certificates. This “self-service” functionality allows volunteers to print membership cards and the unit charter certificate in a timely manner and enhances the onboarding experience for new youth and adults.

Effective January 1, 2019, our Buffalo Trace Council will no longer print and mail membership cards or charter certificates to council and district volunteers and traditional Scouting units. Units should be prepared to print their unit membership cards and charter certificate for the current renewal period and communicate this change with your leaders and parents in your unit.

Please use the link below to learn more about how to complete this process.
https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/27ae5_09462e3529c34a7bb2d8479291460151.pdf
or on the council website, go to: Resources, Additional Forms and Resources, Charter Certificate Printing Instructions.
Buffalo Trace Council would like to thank everyone who has designated gifts to the council through your local United Way. Each gift we receive helps ensure that all Scouts have an opportunity to join and enjoy all the activities provided by Scouting. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

Did you know that just by shopping on Amazon you can help support Buffalo Trace Council? Thanks to those who already have chosen Buffalo Trace Council. Visit smile.amazon.com and select Buffalo Trace Council when making your purchases and a percentage of your purchase will be donated to the council. If you have questions, contact Jaime at 812.457.8216 to learn more about this summer camp tradition and how you can become involved. Help us make a difference in the positive formation of our Scouts.

RANK UP

Rank Up is a program designed to help scouts ‘Rank Up’ towards First Class, by completing requirements and obtaining the skills needed to do so, in a similar manner to a Merit Badge University. Registration is $6.

The event takes place on March 16, 2019. Check-In begins at 7:30 am (Central Time) at the shelter in the parking lot of the OBSR, 53745 E. County Road 175N, Winslow, IN 47598. Scouts will need to bring a lunch and drinks, a 6ft rope, a pocket knife, and a compass. This equipment is at the stations, but is intended to be used by those who forget/don’t have them. If you have any questions or need any other information, please contact Andy Hardgrave at andreashardgrave@gmail.com.

2019 FREE Rank Program

Congratulations to our units who have qualified for FREE rank badges: Troop 352, Pack 358, Pack 369, Pack 317, Pack 336, and Pack 351. And congratulations to our units who have qualified for FREE rank badges and FREE merit badges and belt loops: Pack 385, Pack 349, Pack 383, Troop 301, Troop 305, Troop 312, Troop 315, Troop 375, Troop 102, and Troop 181.

How can your unit earn free badges? Simply hold a Friends of Scouting presentation in your unit at a Blue & Gold Banquet, Court of Honor, or other parent meeting and achieve your established goal(s). To find out more, please contact administration@buffalotracecouncil.org.

2019 OBSR Summer Resource Camp!
Sunday, June 2nd - Friday, June 7th

Our First Year program offers a fantastic “hands on” program, where the majority of the skills and knowledge needed to attain First Class are taught. This important program is led by highly skilled, veteran Scouts that have proven to successfully connect to the younger aged Scouts.

The second, third and fourth year Scouts have a wide selection of merit badge choices, having added several new badges to our program. Leadership growth opportunities for these aged Scouts are everywhere. We'll have new surprises for our unique and challenging Patrol Competition and camp wide games and events. Feedback from Scouters have suggested that the skills and lessons learned from a week of true leadership, responsibility and accountability has helped the growth of not only the Scouts involved, but their respective Troops too.

For our seasoned Scouts (high school and college) we offer even more leadership and service opportunities with our popular Buffalo Boy program. We can provide the kind of challenges and real world leadership experience these Scouts need to fully round out their leadership development. And it's fun too … just ask any of them.

Call the office and ask for one of our Leader’s Guides or contact Jay Coy at 812.457.8216 to learn more about this summer camp tradition and how you can become involved. Help us make a difference in the positive formation of our Scouts.

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Thank You

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Wilderness First Aid Course
With certification through the Emergency Care and Safety Institute

May 10, 2019 May 11, 2019
6 pm-10 pm  &  8 am—3pm
Eykamp Scout Center
3501 E. Lloyd Expressway
Evansville, IN 47715

Register Online: https://www.scoutingevent.com/156-WFASpring2019

Two adults on any high adventure base excursion MUST have the Wilderness First Aid training. Course covers required curricula and provides certification as required by ALL National high adventure bases. Youth ages 13 and older are also eligible to take the course.

- 16 Hour Course – Participants must attend both days
- Wilderness oriented
- Perfect for any outdoor active unit
- Field Guide included
- Bring your lunch and snacks to share if you like

$55 Course Fee—covers cost of book
Fee increases to $65 after May 1, 2019

Course size limited to 25 participants
First priority will be given to those planning the following Treks: Seabase, Philmont or Northern Tier for 2019

This course DOES NOT fulfill the requirement for a valid CPR card.

Wood Badge Reunion

Calling all Beavers, Bobwhites, Eagles, Foxes, Owls, Bears, Buffalos, and Antelopes! Join your fellow Wood Badgers for food and fellowship during our 2019 Wood Badge Reunion. This invitation is also for participants from the last course. Registration begins at 11:00 AM with the lunch beginning at 11:30 AM central time. The cost is $20.00 and includes admission to the Council Court of Honor immediately following the reunion.

Saturday, April 13, 2019
St. James Catholic Church Cafeteria
12300 S. 50 W.
Haubstadt, IN

Proceeds from the luncheon will be used to provide scholarships for the next Wood Badge Course. Every youth deserves a trained leader. Register no later than Friday, April 5th.
https://scoutingevent.com/156-WBReunion2019

Parent and Pal Weekend
May 4 & 5, 2019
Building friendships and memories to last a lifetime!

All Tigers, Wolves, Bears, and Webelos are invited
The Buffalo Trace Council is hosting it’s second annual Cub Scout overnight event at the Eykamp Scout Center. The event will be held on Saturday, May 4 and Sunday, May 5, 2019. Scouts will tent camp with a parent and participate in our “Build It” event. Projects might include: a bird feeder, table, treasure box or maybe a tool box. Each project will be grade appropriate for easy building with an adult partner helping every step of the way.

Why should your Cub Scout attend? FUN! FUN! FUN!
The outdoor program is one of the biggest features about Scouting that appeals to Scouts. Coming to this event will provide another great Scouting opportunity for your son or daughter. Your Scout will get to participate in a campfire with skits and songs, watch an outdoor movie and possibly observe the stars through a telescope on a monitor—all after sunset!

Cost: $50 per Cub Scout and Parent if paid by April 12, 2019
$60 per Cub Scout and Parent if paid after April 12, 2019
(includes wood project materials, dinner and snack on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday plus activity insurance fees and event patch)
Final registration deadline: Friday, April 26, 2019

This event is for a Cub Scout and one parent only.
Based on logistics and program schedule, it will not be possible to accommodate sibling attendance.
Sign ups and registration will be posted on the council website in just a few weeks: go to www.buffalotracecouncil.org
For additional information, please contact Director Brian Conner at bc32@evansville.edu, or John Harding, Scout Executive at administration@buffalotracecouncil.org

www.buffalotracecouncil.org
BALOO
BALOO is a fun, exciting and required training for all those in your Pack who are in charge of conducting a Pack family campout. It is recommended that each Pack have at least two BALOO trained adults.

What is BALOO?
BALOO stands for Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation. It’s designed to introduce Cub Scout leaders to the opportunities for pack overnight camping. It’s more than just camping—it’s everything you need to know to make your pack’s outdoor activities fun and successful event!

Why do I need BALOO?
Pack’s leading a pack overnighter must have a person on site who has attended BALOO training.

Where and When is BALOO?
April 27 - 28, 2019
Old Ben Scout Reservation
5735 E County Road 175N, Winslow IN 47598
Check-in begins at 7:30 AM CDT on April 27
(Please eat breakfast before you arrive)
Course ends Around Noon CDT on April 28
Register Online:
https://scoutingevent.com/156-2019SpringBALOO
Registration is due April 18, 2019
Course cost is $20 and includes training materials and meals on Saturday & Sunday.

INTRODUCTION TO OUTDOOR LEADER SKILLS
April 26 - April 28, 2019 @ OBSR

What skills are needed for a Scout to advance from Tenderfoot Scout to First Class Scout? What are the basic skills any Scout needs to survive in the great outdoors? Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills teaches you those skills. A practical, hands-on approach to basic outdoor Scout craft skills is a must for a Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster, and Venture Crew Advisor to be successful.

Begins: Friday, April 26 @ 5:30 PM (Central Time)
Ends: Sunday, April 28 @ 12:00 Noon (Central Time)
Old Ben Scout Reservation
5735 E County Road 175N, Winslow IN 47598
REGISTER ONLINE: https://scoutingevent.com/156-2019SpringIOLS
Cost: $25 Deadline April 17, 2019 (includes meals on Saturday & Sunday)

Leave No Trace Trainer Course
Old Ben Scout Reservation

Begins: April 26, 2019 6 PM
Ends: April 28, 2019 2 PM

This course is open to Venturers, Scouts BSA Members over the age of 14, and adult Scouters. All participants who complete this course will be recognized as Leave No Trace Trainers by the Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics. It will meet one of the requirements for Boy Scouts to serve in the troop’s Leave No Trace Trainer position and will also fulfill most of the Venturing Ranger Award Leave No Trace requirements.

Youth Fees (14-20): $20.
Adults Fees: $30
(Price covers food for the weekend and materials)
The Trainer Course assists the participants in learning more about the seven principles of Leave No Trace and techniques for disseminating these low impact skills.

If you have questions, contact Course Director, David Smith at 812.339.5578 or mukappa28@yahoo.com.

Register ONLINE:
https://scoutingevent.com/156-2019SpringLNT
**Spring Recruitment**

With all of the fantastic events that are coming up, now is a great time to plan for Spring recruitment!

For Scouts BSA Troops, this is the perfect season to host an open house to invite the friends of Scouts and other youth to a Troop meeting. Summer Camp is a great way to share the excitement of Scouting with new youth! Cub Scout Packs can also use activities like Day Camp and summertime Pack activities to help them recruit new Scouts and leaders. Cub Scout Packs are encouraged to do Spring recruiting ONLY if the Pack has an active summertime schedule, with at least two activities per month.

If interested in recruiting, contact Michael at least two weeks prior to your recruitment date. The Council can assist with flyers and School Talks. The unit should be prepared with a calendar and contact information.

The Lincoln Heritage District thanks everyone again for their support with Friends of Scouting. We would like to give everyone the opportunity to support Scouting in our council, so if you are a unit leader, please schedule your 2019 Friends of Scouting presentation as soon as you know the date. Your generous contributions from Friends of Scouting goes directly to supporting units and youth in the local area. To schedule, contact Michael Richard at 812-704-8441.

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**The Scouts’ Guide to Surviving a Zombie Apocalypse**

**Buffalo Trace Council Spring Camporee**

Friday, April 5 - Sunday, April 7, 2019

Registration Early Bird Deadline: March 9th @ midnight

Early Bird Fee: $21 per Scout; $6 per leader

Final Deadline: March 22, 2019

An exciting weekend has been planned for you and your unit to help you be prepared for surviving a Zombie Apocalypse. It is designed to be fun and exciting. We have many entertaining and useful programs to help your Scouts learn and have fun. Please share this information with your scouts. The weekend is competition based; with learning stations and units’ ingenuity.

For more information or to register, go to: [https://scoutingevent.com/156-zombiecamporee](https://scoutingevent.com/156-zombiecamporee)

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**National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)**

Course Dates: June 9-15, 2019 at Old Ben Scout Reservation

NYLT is a seven-day comprehensive, fun-filled, co-educational leadership experience for Boy Scouts and Venturers conducted in an outdoor camping environment. For more information please contact David Smith at 618-339-5578 or Michael.

**Don’t miss out on the best leader event of the year!**

**Ideal Year of Scouting Thursday, May 2, 2019**

Learn about the opportunities awaiting your Scouts and start planning your Ideal Year of Scouting!

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**We Want to Talk to You About Cub Scout Day Camp!**

**June 18-21, 2019**

**Old Ben Scout Reservation**

We are excited about this summer’s Day Camp, and we want to come to your pack and talk to your Scouts about it! If you are interested, or have any questions please contact Day Camp Co-Director Michael Gudorf at 812-309-0443 or Michael Richard at 812-704-8441.
ALGONKIAN DISTRICT
Serving Edwards, Gibson, Knox, Lawrence, Richland, and Wabash Counties

District Chairperson: Vacant
District Commissioner: David Smith 618.339.5578
District Associate: Christopher Felton 219.477.7455
E-mail: Christopher.felton@scouting.org

ALL ACTIVITIES ARE ON CENTRAL TIME

March 2019
7 Roundtable/Eagle Board Vincennes University
   Updike Hall, Vincennes, 6:30 PM
15 District Committee Meeting Vincennes University
   Updike Hall, Vincennes, 6:30 PM

April 2019
4 Roundtable/Eagle Board Vincennes University
   Updike Hall, Vincennes, 6:30 PM
5-7 Council Wilderness Survival Camporee, OBSR
13 Council Court of Honor
17 District Committee Meeting Vincennes University
   Updike Hall, Vincennes, 6:30 PM
26-28 IOLS/BALOO/LNT at OBSR

THANK YOU!

• District Scout volunteers who helped make the Recognition Dinner a success! It was a great night to honor deserving leaders and Scouts with the district recognitions for year 2018.
• David Smith, Sarah Will, Andrew Corless & Vincennes University who organized the merit badge event. We had over 250 Scouts attend, along with another 100 adults. Thank you to all the counselors who helped teach our Scouts a new hobby or skill.

WHY SHOULD I ATTEND ROUNDTABLE?
The latest Scouting news, announcements and program-related trainings are offered. It is also a time to meet and share ideas with other Scouting volunteers across the district. With new Roundtable commissioners Angela Baldwin and Rachel Lambert, we strive to provide a helpful experience. Come on the first Thursday of the month to the Vincennes University Library room 167 at 6:30 PM (CT) to share ideas.

Congratulations

• District Award of Merit 2018 recipients:
   Angela Baldwin & Rachel Lambert
• District Service Awards 2018 recipients:
   David Smith District Commissioner
   Leon Stone District Eagle Board Chair
   Mike Werling Troop 211 Leader
   Jim Krouse Pack & Troop 292 Leader

These awards are well deserved! Thank you to all the volunteers/Scouts for your success and keep up the good work.

SPRING RECRUITMENT
Now is a good time to host an open house to invite the friends of Scouts to a meeting or activity. It’s also a good time to invite them to Day Camp or Summer Camp. Camp is a tool to keep Scouts in our program and they will learn and develop skills that will last a lifetime. If interested in recruiting, contact Chris so we can assist you with flyers and boy talks. The unit will need to be prepared with a calendar and contact information.

SOAP BOX DERBY
Friday, June 21, 2019
Vincennes, IN
Ouabache Trails Park

All Cub Scout packs, Boy Scout troops and Venturing crews are invited to participate in this racing event! The Scouts will need to build their cars prior to the event and then they will race against other Scouts in their division. This should be a great event for your Scouts and families to participate in. Please look for the leader guide on our district webpage for more information, including tools and plans needed to build a car. We will also be offering shooting sports at this event.

CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP
June 19-21, 2019
Ouabache Trails Park
Vincennes, Indiana
Theme: Land of Lost Legends

Cub Scouts will enjoy games, sports, crafts, BB guns, archery & much more. Our theme this year will focus on Land of Lost Legends! We are looking for volunteers to help be a part of our staff this year. We are asking each unit to see if any of their leaders can be a member of staff at this fun-filled week! Please contact Camp Director Barry Baldwin 812.887.2932 or Program Director Angela Baldwin 812.887.2970 if interested.

Zombie Survival Guide
SPRING CAMPOREE
April 5-7, 2019
Old Ben Scout Reservation

Activities include Shelter Building, Fire Building, Trapping/Tracking/Fishing, Water Purification, Signaling and Rescue, and Primitive Cooking. The Order of the Arrow call out ceremony will be on Saturday evening after campfire. Look at our Council website: buffalotracecouncil.org for the leader guide and how to register.

FRIENDS OF SCOUTING

Don’t miss out on the opportunity for Free Rank and Free Advancements for your unit in 2019! If your unit has not scheduled a presentation, please contact Chris.
NATIVE TRAILS DISTRICT
Serving Gallatin, Posey, Vanderburgh, White Counties and the Newburgh

District Chair: Jon Keck 812.431.0356
District Commissioner: Joe Holtz 812.499.9520
District Director: Jennifer Whitaker 812.423.5246x212
  Email: jennifer.whitaker@scouting.org
District Executive: Abby Roberts 812.423.5246x214
  Email: abigail.roberts@scouting.org

March 2019
1-3 Boy Scout and Venturing Catholic Retreat
7 Roundtable-Virtual, Topic: Service Hours
14 Eagle Boards, Eykamp Scout Center, 6:30pm
21 District Commissioner Meeting, Eykamp, 6:00pm
21 District Committee Meeting, Eykamp, 6:30pm

April 2019
4 Roundtable-Virtual, Topic: Fall Planning
5-7 Scout’s Guide to the Apocalypse Camporee
11 Eagle Boards, Eykamp Scout Center, 6:30pm
19-21 All Facilities CLOSED for Easter Holiday
25 District Commissioner Meeting, Eykamp, 6:00pm
25 District Committee Meeting, Eykamp, 6:30pm
26-28 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills, Old Ben
26-28 BALOO Cub Scout Leader Training, Old Ben
26-28 Leave No Trace, Old Ben

“Why I Scout”

YouTube Video Competition

All Council Troops and Crews have until March 15 to create a video that shares their passion for Scouting. The videos should be creative, fun, and sell the idea of Scouting to viewers. A link to the video must be emailed to abigail.roberts@scouting.org no later than midnight on March 15, 2019.

Videos will be viewed at Cracker Barrel during the Spring Camporee. All Scouts and leaders present will vote for the winner. The winners, if in camp, will be recognized during camp with a special reward. Videos may be used during our membership campaign.

Contact the Eykamp Scout Center with questions.

Membership and Marketing (M&M) Minute

Does your pack or troop have a New Member Coordinator (NMC)? An effective NMC plays a key role in a successful unit by not only welcoming new members but ensuring Scouts and families stay in the program. ScoutingWire.org describes this person as FUN and engaging, who easily forms relationships with new members and families. Take a few minutes to consider which adult or adults fit this description then discuss with them the NMC opportunity. Now is the time to engage an NMC for the fall Join Scouting campaign!

Native Trails welcomes our first Scouts BSA Girl Troop!

Troop G374 meets on Monday evenings at 6 pm at St. Paul’s UCC on Big Cynthiana Road. If you have girls interested in a Troop but do not meet the minimum requirements for Scouts or leaders to form they invite you to join them and work on advancements and leadership training until you can recruit more Scouts and leaders to start your own. —BONUS—Girls will be trained and ready to lead the new Troop when you begin! Contact Jen or Abby for contact information.

www.buffalotracecouncil.org

Congratulations

We would like to congratulate Jason Hardgrave, Brian Market, Kerry McClure, and Greg Seibert on being chosen for the District Award of Merit by their peers.

This is the highest award the district can bestow upon a volunteer.

COUNCIL CAMPOREE

Scout’s Guide to the Apocalypse
April 5-April 7
Old Ben Scout Reservation

SEE FRONT PAGE FOR DETAILS!!
Roundtable

Roundtable is your one stop shop for all your scouting information needs. Join us quarterly in person and watch our videos online.

Is there a topic you would like us to cover? Let us know by emailing Abby.

March-Virtual
Service Projects-Why they're important and how they grow your Scouts

April-Virtual
Planning for a fun-filled fall! Planning, budgeting, and fundraising

Our next in person training and information event will be the Ideal Year of Scouting on May 2!

Log Your Good Turns!

Logging your unit service hours is quick and easy! Go to servicehours.scouting.org and log in or create a new account. Information collected helps us share how Scouting benefits the community and secure grants.

If you have questions contact Abby or Jennifer.

The Land of Lost Legends
Cub Scout Day Camp

Wednesday, June 12-Friday, June 14
Eykamp Scout Center

Join us for fun, mystery, and adventure!

Early Bird Price: $55
Early Bird Deadline Friday, May 10, 2019
After May 10 fee is $65

Note: Payments must be made by the early bird date or late fees will apply.

Your Scouts won’t want to miss this fun-filled 3 day experience! Scouts will shoot BB guns and archery, learn about geology, dig for fossils, crack geodes, play games, and much more!

Register online through the council website.

SAVE THE DATE
IDEAL YEAR OF SCOUTING
THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2019

Planning is essential to a great Scouting program. Stop by Ideal Year of Scouting to learn about programs your Scouts can participate, trainings for leaders, and community organizations excited to work with Scouts.

Your Unit Could Earn Free Rank and Advancement for 2019

Has your unit scheduled a Friends of Scouting Presentation? To schedule, call Friends of Scouting Chairman Ted Stoen at 812-319-1148 or Abby. These presentations take about 10 minutes and can happen at any well attended unit event.

The funds raised through Friends of Scouting presentations helps us provide local Scouting and quality programming to youth of all social, economic, and cultural backgrounds.

Funds are used to:
- Provide financial assistance, uniform assistance, and camp scholarships to Scouts with need
- Keep fees low for district and council events like Day Camp and Merit Badge University
- Purchase and distribute membership recruiting materials
- Provide resources and training to adult leaders
- Maintain Old Ben Scout Reservation and Eykamp Scout Center
- AND MUCH MORE!

If your unit holds a presentation and raises $35/active Scout you can earn free rank badges for the rest of the year. If the unit raises $50/active Scout you can earn free rank badges AND free advancement for the rest of the year.

The sooner you hold your presentation the more your unit can save! Schedule NOW!

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2019 COUNCIL CALENDAR

MARCH
1-3 BS/Venturing Catholic Retreat
7 LH RT/Eagle BOR
   & District Commissioners
   ALG RT/OA/Eagle BOR
   & District Commissioners
   NT Roundtable
9 LH MBU & Leader Training
12 Commissioners Cabinet
14 LH District Committee
   NT Eagle BOR
16 OA Rank Up
   Ole Buzzards @ OBSR
17 OA LEC @ Eykamp
21 ALG & NT District Committee
   NT Commissioners

APRIL
2 Properties Committee
4 LH RT/Eagle BOR & District Commissioners
   ALG RT/OA/Eagle BOR
   & District Commissioners
   NT RT
5-7 Council Scouts BSA Camporee
9 Program Group Meeting
   & Commissioners Cabinet
11 LH District Committee
   NT Eagle BOR
   Ole Buzzards @ OBSR
13 Council Court of Honor/WoodBadge Reunion
16 Executive Board Meeting
18 Maundy Thursday
19-21 EASTER HOLIDAY
   ALL FACILITIES CLOSED
25 ALG & NT District Committee
   NT Commissioners
26-28 IOLS/BALOO/LNT
27 Shooting Sports

MAY
2 Ideal Year of Scouting
4-5 Cub Scout Parent-n-Pal Campout
9 LH District Committee/Eagle BOR
   ALG Eagle BOR
   NT Eagle BOR
   Ole Buzzards @ OBSR
11 CS Rangemaster Training
12 Mother’s Day
14 Commissioner’s Cabinet
16 ALG & NT District Committee
   NT Commissioners
17-19 OA Spring Fellowship
17 Scouts BSA Otters Game
18 CS Rangemaster Training
21 Executive Committee Meeting
25-27 MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY
   ALL FACILITIES CLOSED