

ALGONKIAN DISTRICT

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ALL ACTIVITIES ARE ON CENTRAL TIME

January 2009

- 8 District Committee Meeting, Free Methodist
- 23-25 Winter Klondike Derby
- 31 Commissioner Training, Vincennes UMC

February 2009

- 5 Eagle Board of Review
- 12 District Committee Meeting
- 21 District Banquet, Free Methodist Church, 5pm

Thanks

David Ford and **Ford Sawmills** for assisting us in our popcorn distribution and **Peggy Watson** for chairing our successful Popcorn Sale. Algonkian had the highest sales increase in the council. Way to go, guys!

Algonkian Winter Klondike Derby

January 23-25, 2009

Red Hills State Park

Sumner, Illinois

Hosted by Troop 211

This is an outdoor winter camporee with the main event being the Klondike Derby. Each patrol must build a sledge (sled) with no more than 8 Scouts per sledge. Sledge runner's are at least 4" wide, no metal or wheels. Greg Tinder has the basic drawing if you have not received one.

The cost is \$20 per person. Red Hills does not permit ground fires. Also, bring your own water. If you have questions or need further information, contact **Greg Tinder at 618.843.8667**.

District Awards

Scouts and adults may nominate leaders who make our district a success. The categories are: Cubmaster, Pack Committee Chair, Scoutmaster, Troop Committee Chair, Venture leader, Crew Committee Chair, Unit Commissioner, District Committee, and the coveted Scout Family of the Year.

Nominations will be accepted up to January 15, 2009. Send nominations to **Scott Herceg at sherceg@bsamail.org**. Contact Scott for the nomination form.

District Recognition Banquet

Saturday, February 21, 2009

Free Methodist Church

1423 N 4th St, Vincennes

5pm (Central Time)

A ham dinner with drinks will be provided with side dishes provided by the District Committee. Scott Herceg will deliver a state-of-the-district address. The district will honor the 2008 Eagle Scouts. Presentations of the District Leader of the Year award, District Award of Merit and James E West endowment will also be held that night.

The cost is \$5 per person or \$13 per family. Make your reservations by sending a check and the number of attendees to the Eykamp Scout Center (mark Algonkian District Dinner) postmarked no later than Saturday, February 14. Otherwise, anyone arriving without making reservations will be charged \$10 per person or \$20 per family at the door. For questions, contact **Ryan Bloebaum at 812.895.0792**.

Friends of Scouting

Please plan now to schedule a time for a representative to come and tell the "Scouting Story" during a Blue and Gold Banquet, Court of Honor, or other parent meeting. The support we receive from your unit helps to provide a quality program to the youth in our organization.

If we do not hear from you, we will contact you for a date that works best for your unit. If you have questions, please contact FOS Chair **Juenell Owens at 812.385.2628**.

It's Rechartering Time

The focus this year for charter renewal will be the "on-line method" which is encouraged for all units to recharter this way beginning with the 2009 recharter season. For questions or assistance, please contact District Commissioner **Larry Benson 812.882.6050**.