

NATIVE TRAILS DISTRICT

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White Counties and the Newburgh Area**

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November 2011

- 3 Roundtable/OA, Salem United Methodist Church, 6:45 pm
- 4-5 Popcorn Distribution, ARC Industries
- 10 Eagle Board, Eykamp Scout Center, 6:30pm
- 17 District Commissioners Meeting, Eykamp Scout Center, 6 pm
- 17 District Committee Meeting, Eykamp Scout Center, 7pm
- 19 University of Scouting (www.buffalotraccouncil.org)

December 2011

- 1 Roundtable/OA, Salem United Methodist Church, 6:45 pm
- 8 Eagle Board, Eykamp Scout Center, 6:30pm
- 15 District Commissioners Meeting, Eykamp Scout Center, 6 pm

ROUNDTABLE NEWS

Roundtable takes place on the first Thursday of each month at Salem United Methodist Church.

November Topics

Recharter Packets will be distributed at the November Roundtable! ALL units should send a representative!

- Cub Scouts: Holiday Visits, Holiday Service Projects, & Cub Scout Leader Recognition Plan
- Boy Scouts: Cold Weather Camping & Journey to Excellence
- Order of the Arrow: Chapter Meeting

December Topics

- Cub Scouts: the Pack Family Talent Show & the Cub Scout Outdoor Activity Award
- Boy Scouts: Webelos to Scout Transition
- Order of the Arrow: Chapter Meeting

Popcorn Distribution 2011

ARC Industries, 2515 Kotter Avenue

Friday, **November 4** and Saturday, **November 5** are the dates for popcorn distribution. Pick-up times were posted on your unit's popcorn packet. If your pick-up time does NOT work for your unit, please contact Popcorn Distribution Chair **Tammy Haywood 812.453.6597** ASAP to reschedule.

2012 Friends of Scouting

Let us share the Scouting story! We ask that your Pack, Troop, Team, or Crew schedule a date where a presentation can be made to the members and families of your unit, giving them the opportunity to financially support Scouting to help the Council support the units. Every dollar is needed and appreciated! To schedule your presentation, please contact Family Friends of Scouting Chair **Jon Keck 812.431.0356** or Erin.

Nominate a Worthy Leader!

All Native Trails District registered adults may be nominated for the **District Award of Merit**. It can be presented for noteworthy service to youth in Scouting, outside Scouting, or both. It can be for a single plan or decision that contributed vitally to the lives of large numbers of youth or it may have been given to a small group over an extended period of time. Presentation of the awards to those selected will be at the District Recognition Dinner on Thursday, January 26, 2012. Nominations must arrive at the Eykamp Scout Center by close of business on **Friday, December 30, 2011**. Nominations from past years will not be considered. The **Scouting Spirit Award** is presented annually to one Native Trails District Scouter in each unit who is always there for the unit and who shows commitment to Scouting's ideas and timeless values. It may be a new or veteran Scouter. Those selected will be honored at the District Recognition Dinner on Thursday, January 26, 2012, receive a certificate, and be recognized in Compass Points. The selection form must be signed by the unit committee chairman and arrive at the Eykamp Scout Center by close of business on **Friday, January 6, 2012**. Check out the Council website or contact the Council Service Center for nomination forms.

If you have questions or need help with either award, contact Bob Kapperman at kappermanb@roadrunner.com, or 812.853.5096, or 812.453.5997.

2012 Merit Badge University & Basic Leader Training

Saturday, February 11, 2012
University of Southern Indiana
Registration Deadlines:

Native Trails District—December 16
Buffalo Trace Council—January 6
Out of Council—January 20

LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!
More information will be mailed soon!

BOY SCOUT AND VENTURING RECRUITMENT

Native Trails District leadership is currently working with Boy Scout Troops and Venture Crews to plan first nighters to assist with recruiting new youth into these programs. If your Troop or Crew would like to participate in fall recruitment efforts, please contact **Jennifer or Erin** to set your first nighter date.

For Troops, the District Executives will work with local schools to plan "hot spark rallies" and pass out flyers to boys in 6th—8th grades to encourage attendance. For Crews, professionals can work with high school guidance counselors to invite students, as well as send letters to youth who indicate an interest in high adventure activities in annual career/hobby interest surveys. Let's make sure every youth has the opportunity to join Scouting!

**Mark your calendar now for the
Annual District Recognition Dinner &
Annual Business Meeting
January 26, 2012!**