

NATIVE TRAILS DISTRICT
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May 2010

6 **NO ROUNDTABLE — IDEAL YEAR OF SCOUTING**
 13 Eagle Board, Eykamp Scout Center, 6:30pm
 20 District Commissioners Meeting, Eykamp Scout Center, 6 pm
 20 District Committee Meeting, Eykamp Scout Center, 7pm

June 2010

3 Roundtable/OA, Salem United Methodist Church, 6:45pm
 10 Eagle Board, Eykamp Scout Center, 6:30pm
 16-18 Cub Scout Day Camp, Eykamp Scout Center
 17 District Commissioners Meeting, Eykamp Scout Center, 6pm
 17 District Committee Meeting, Eykamp Scout Center, 7pm

SPRING BASIC LEADER TRAINING
June 5, 2010

Where: Ivy Tech Community College (enter through north doors) 3501 N First Ave, Evansville
Time: Registration 8:00 a.m.
Cost: \$5.00 per leader (*Bring a sack lunch.*)
Who: New leaders, leaders who have not taken training, leaders who are changing positions, (Tiger DL moving to Wolf DL; Bear DL moving to Webelos DL, etc.), Scoutmasters, Assistant Scoutmasters who have not had all of the indoor training, new committee members, and chartered organization representatives.

Youth Protection & This is Scouting

Choose one of the following:
Chartered Organization Representative
Venturing Leader Basic Training
Commissioner Basic Training

Cub Scout Sessions (Choose one):
 Cubmaster/Asst. Cubmaster
 Tiger Den Leader
 Den Leader (Wolf and Bear)
 Webelos Leader
 Pack Committee

Boy Scout Sessions (Choose one):
 Scoutmaster 1, 2 & 3 **OR** Troop Committee

Registration forms are available on the council Web site. For questions, please contact Training Chair **Pat Brenner** at 812-867-4449.

Unit Popcorn Kernel Training
Coming Soon!!
Monday, July 19 at 6:00pm
Aldersgate United Methodist Church

Do you want to make your sale the best one ever? Do you want to learn about new ways to sell popcorn? Are you a new Popcorn Kernel who needs to learn the basics of the sale? If you answered "yes" to any of the above, you will want to attend the Popcorn Kernel Training on July 19.

Areas covered will be:

- **Forms**—detailed information on how to manage your sale records
- **Show & Deliver**—an exciting method that saves you time and effort
- **Storefront**—if you are planning to sell in front of a store, we can help you have your best sale ever!

Trail's End Popcorn will provide Popcorn Kick-Off Kits to all units this year, Buffalo Trace Council will be honoring the top 100 salesmen from 2009 at this training, and we will have door prizes to add to your unit Popcorn Kick-Off Kit!

If you have questions or would like to sign up to attend, contact **Brenda Wedding** or **Jennifer** at the **Eykamp Scout Center 423.5246**.

Ideal Year of Scouting
Thursday, May 6, 6:30pm
National Guard Armory

Come get new program ideas for your unit's 2010-2011 program calendar!



Roundtables Want You!

Roundtable offers program related training, the latest Scouting news and announcements, and time to meet and share with other Scouting volunteers across the district. We need you there to share ideas so that other units can improve their program.

Roundtables meet on the first Thursday of the month at Salem United Methodist Church, from 6:45-8:30pm, unless otherwise notified. Come join us!

Scoutmasters should encourage and/or bring the OA members in their unit to the Roundtable Chapter meeting.

<u>May Topics</u>	<u>June Topics</u>
NO ROUNDTABLE ALL LEADERS should attend Ideal Year of Scouting May 6 National Guard Armory	Boy Scouts: Backpacking <i>Being Prepared</i> Cub Scouts: Celebrate Freedom <i>Citizenship</i>

Native Trails Pirates Day Camp

June 16-18, 2010

Leader guides were mailed to Cubmasters and Committee Chairs in early March, and Cub Scouts should have received registration information in late March. If your unit did not receive information, you can download it at www.buffalotracedcouncil.org.



Day Camp is the highlight of the summer for many of our Scouts. This year's Pirate Day Camp will be no exception. The Day Camp team is working on several activities that will result in belt loops for the Cub Scouts. Webelos Scouts who attend Day Camp will work on a variety of pin achievements. And, of course, all of the Scouts will have an opportunity to earn BB gun and Archery belt loops. Leaders will receive a list of all achievements earned at Day Camp and will need to track each Scout's attendance for advancement purposes.

Units are encouraged to sign up as a Pack, and trade out leaders from day-to-day, if necessary. Rosters were included in the Leader Guide Packet. Additional rosters can be obtained at the Eykamp Scout Center and are available online. Parents can attend with their Scouts if the unit is not coming, but the information must still be submitted on the roster form. **The roster is the only location for T-shirt sizes and Scout grade to be notated.** The National Council of the BSA now requires anyone in attendance (including parents, siblings, and all leaders) to use the Annual Health and Medical Record. Parts A and C must be completed for Day Camp. Part A requires immunization dates, and Part C requires that the Scout have a copy of his insurance card attached. Adults can pick the forms up at the Eykamp Scout Center or print them from our website www.buffalotracedcouncil.org using the National Forms link.

Buffalo Trace Council Summertime Camping Opportunities

Cub Scout & Webelos Adventure Camp
A Scout Odyssey 1910-2010
Old Ben Scout Reservation
July 15-18

Boy Scout Resource Camp
Old Ben Scout Reservation
June 6-10

Go to page 6 for more information.

Friends of Scouting...Thank You!

Native Trails is on target to hit its Family Friends of Scouting goal for 2010, thanks to the many generous families in our Scouting units. We are currently at 84.7% of our family goal. You can help us reach our goal by May 30, by returning your pledge card in the mail, or participating at your scheduled unit presentation. Thank you to all units who have allowed us to do a unit presentation. We appreciate your support. For more information on where the money goes, contact **Jennifer**.

CHANGES TO THE 2011 NATIVE TRAILS DISTRICT MERIT BADGE UNIVERSITY

The 2010 Native Trails District Merit Badge University was a huge success with almost 600 Scouts from three states and five districts signing up for 20 different merit badges. Over the past few years, our district MBU has grown so large that some changes are necessary to ensure we are presenting a quality learning experience for all Scouts. Your Native Trails district advancement committee has decided on the following changes to take place for the 2011 MBU:

- Troop merit badge sign-up lists will be sent out in November of 2010.
- From December 1 to December 31, 2010, only Native Trails District units can reserve their Scouts' classes on a first come, first served basis.
- Starting January 1, 2011, sign up will be open for any Buffalo Trace Council units for classes still available.
- Starting January 15, 2011, sign up will be open for any unit out of council for classes still available.
- A limit of 550 Scouts for sign up will be imposed.
- New merit badges will be offered that utilize the USI facilities better.
- The advancement committee will ask for a couple of units to help clean up the buildings after the MBU is over.

This MBU is a great learning opportunity for our Scouts. As the advancement chairman, I must ask for your cooperation and understanding of these new changes because the high quality standards we have always had may suffer if this event continues to grow beyond what my committee can handle. If you have questions, please call me at 812.455.3660.

Yours in Scouting,
Paul Wagner
District Advancement Chairman