

BUFFALO TRACE COUNCIL



Making a Difference

2022 ANNUAL REPORT

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MESSAGE FROM THE KEY 3

The Buffalo Trace Council is making a difference. For 108 years, our Council has been dedicated to serving local youth. Beginning with only 14 boys and a single Troop, the Buffalo Trace Council has grown into a movement serving over 2,500 boys and girls in four programs spanning 15 counties - Dubois, Gibson, Knox, Perry, Pike, Posey, Spencer, Vanderburgh, and Warrick in Southern Indiana, and Edwards, Gallatin, Lawrence, Richland, Wabash, and White in Illinois.



In 2022, the Council experienced tremendous SUCCESS ranking 44th of 248 in the nation for market share of Total Available Youth (T.A.Y). Moreover, we reached our membership goals with 16% growth in Cub Scouts and 6% growth across all programs over last year. The Buffalo Trace Council collaborates with more than 100 organizations, or chartered partners, across our communities to provide direct support to 133 units. Our Scouts, volunteers, staff, donors, and families continue to be dedicated to the mission of Scouting. The Council's success is only because of their efforts. We invite you to join us in this exciting work of leadership development.

Brian L. McGuire

DR. BRIAN MCGUIRE

R. BRIAN MCGUIRE JOHN G. HARDIN
Council President Scout Executive

KEVIN W. AKER
Council Commissioner

SCOUT OATH

On my honor, I will do my best
To do my duty to God and my country
And to obey the Scout Law;
To help other people at all times;
To keep myself physically strong,
mentally awake, and morally straight.



MISSION

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.

SCOUT LAW

Trustworthy
Loyal
Helpful
Friendly
Courteous
Kind
Obedient
Cheerful
Thrifty
Brave
Clean
Reverent

SCOUTING ADVENTURES





Cub Scouts

Cub Scouting is a family and home centered program that develops ethical decision-making skills for youth in kindergarten through fifth grade. Activities emphasize character development citizenship training, and personal fitness.



Venturing

Venturing provides experiences to help young men and women, ages 14-20, become mature, responsible, and caring adults.

Young people learn leadership skills and participate in challenging outdoor activities which include access to BSA camping properties, a recognition program, Youth Protection Training, and leadership courses.



Scouts BSA

Scouts BSA is for boys and girls ages 11-18. Scouts develop awareness and appreciation of their role in their community and become well-rounded young men and women by advancing through the program using the Scout Oath and Scout Law as guides.

Scouts progress in rank through achievements, gain additional knowledge and responsibilities, and earn merit badges that introduce a lifelong hobby or career prospect.



Exploring

Exploring teaches important life and career skills to young people, ages 14-20, through career experiences and mentorship provided by community and business leaders.

The program equips young people with character and leadership skills through hands-on learning experiences with experts in the field.

COUNCIL STATISTICS

MEMBERSHIP



CUB SCOUTS

Total Available Youth	100	37,394
Total Cub Scout Membership		1,500
Market Penetration	1 50	4.01%
Number of Cub Scout Packs		62



SCOUTS BSA

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Total Available Youth	19,310
Total Scouts BSA Membership	803
Market Penetration	4.16%
Number of Scouts BSA Troops	60



VENTURING

Total Available Youth	19,010
Total Ventu <mark>ri</mark> ng Membersh <mark>i</mark> p	1,500
Market Penetration	7.89%
Number of Venturing Crews	10



EXPLORING

Exploring Participants	18
Number of Exploring Posts	1



COUNCIL TOTALS

Total Available Youth	75,714
Registered Youth Members	2,472
Market Penetration	3.26%
Total Number of Units	133
Total Number of Adult Leaders	896

















TOP POPCORN SELLER - DYLAN NOEL (PACK 270)

This year our popcorn champion was Dylan Noel! He was easily determined to be #1 and sold \$13,010! Dylan said he worked so hard because he wanted his family to be proud of him, and of course the Amazon Gift Card!



TOP POPCORN SELLING FAMILY - THE NOELS (PACK 270)

Not only was Dylan our top selling Scout, but his family also takes the award for Top Selling Family with \$13,730.



2ND TOP POPCORN SELLER - MIGUEL TREVINO (PACK 369)

Miguel Trevino was our 2nd Top Popcorn Seller with \$10,234!



TOP POPCORN UNIT

Pack 369 from John H. Castle in Newburgh was the 2022 Top Popcorn Selling Unit in the Buffalo Trace Council! They sold \$73,281 and ranked 28th in the nation! WTG!



TOP ONLINE SELLER - ALEX SCHMIDT (TROOP 301)

Alex Schmidt was our Top Online Seller with \$1,486!



OUTSTANDING SCOUTS AND SCOUTERS



LINCOLN HERITAGE DISTIGUISHED CITIZEN AWARD BANQUET

October's Distinguished Citizen Award Banquet marked 30 years of the award with over 420 attendees. This year's honoree was Andy Krempp, a community leader involved in seemingly endless community events, fundraisers, and institutions. Andy is a proud Scouting alumni and deeply believes in our mission to serve youth. Thank you to Andy and the rest of the DCA Committee enough for their tireless commitment to Scouting. Overall, the event raised over \$32,000 for local Scouting - helping to support program costs for Scouts across Dubois County and the Lincoln Heritage District.



EVANSVILLE DISTIGUISHED CITIZEN AWARD BANQUET

The Evansville Distinguished Citizen Award Banquet was an incredible night for Scouting with over 250 attendees. This year's honoree was Jim Sandgren, Old National Bank - Chief Executive Officer of Commerical Banking, a community leader involved in seemingly endless community events, fundraisers, and institutions. Thank you to Jim and the rest of the DCA Committee enough for their tireless commitment to Scouting. This event raised over \$45,000 for local Scouting - helping to support program costs for Scouts across Evansville and the Native Trails District.

OUTSTANDING SCOUTS AND SCOUTERS CONTINUED

2022 SILVER BEAVER RECIPIENTS

Ronald Wayne Carter

Brian Conner

Scott Gries

DISTRICT AWARD OF MERITS RECIPIENTS

Chad Hawkins Ryan Swearingen Carmen Stoen

Jim Krouse

Samantha Taylor

Mike Pfau

Chris Welp



MARY E. JULIAN SCHOLARSHIP

Gage Schoenheit (Troop 222)

2022 EAGLE SCOUT SCHOLARSHIP

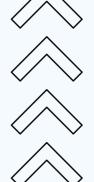
Andreas Hardgrave (Troop 305)

2022 EAGLE SERVICE PROJECT OF THE YEAR

Jacob Conner (Troop 301)







2022 Top 5 Merit Badges

1)	Citizenship in Society	184	
2)	Camping	70	
3)	First Aid	66	
4)	Personal Fitness	64	
5)	Emergency Preparedness	60	



Cub Scouts

Program	2021	2022
Bobcat	295	263
Lion	41	56
Tiger	73	71
Wolf	94	108
Bear	110	89
Webelos	76	117
Arrow of Light	98	91
Total Rank Earned	787	795



Scouts BSA

Program	2021	2022
Scout	106	126
Tenderfoot	99	90
Second Class	61	76
First Class	37	63
Star	56	54
Life	72	58
Eagle	96	94
Total Rank Earned	527	560





2022 EAGLE SCOUTS

Scout



Tenderfoot



Second Class



First Class



Star



Life



Eagle

	First Name	Last Name	Unit Number	Charter Organization
	Josiah	Anderson	375	Trinity United Church of Christ
	Hayden	Armstrong	185	Holy Family Catholic Church
	Eric	Beshears	327	Holy Redeemer Catholic Church
	Gabriel	Bigge	399	St. Boniface Parish
	Xavier	Bigge	399	St. Boniface Parish
	Jaxson	Bower	185	Holy Family Catholic Church
	Nicolas	Braeman	352	Newburgh United Methodist Church
	Austin	Bruce	393	St. Wendel Catholic Church/Knights of St. John
	Brock	Butler	350	Blue Grass United Methodist Church
	Andrew	Clauss	185	Holy Family Catholic Church
	London	Debault	293G	Wabash County Youth Foundation
	John	Dewitte	186B	Christ the King Catholic Church
	Kevin	Dilger	199	Cornerstone United Methodist Church
	Jonathan	Dill	387	St. Paul's United Methodist Church
_	Zack	Emge	399	St. Boniface Parish
S	Jacob	Flannagan	130	St. Mary Catholic Church
	Joseph	Flesburg	315B	First Christian Church
	Carter	Flores	318B	St. Benedict Cathedral
	Nathan	Fox	279	Bicknell United Methodist Church
	Samuel	Freeman	350	Blue Grass United Methodist Church
	Noah	Gaston	293В	Trinity United Methodist Church
	Mason	Gegogeine	130	St. Mary Catholic Church
	Carson	Gibson	399	St. Boniface Parish
	Dylan	Gries	102	St. Meinrad American Legion
	Joseph	Hansen	383B	Aldersgate United Methodist Church
Wildelin	Bryce	Heathcott	305	Newburgh Kiwanis Club
	Chris	Hedinger	185	Holy Family Catholic Church
	Jacob	Hirsch	312	Holy Rosary Catholic Church
	William	Hirsh	312	Holy Rosary Catholic Church
	Christian	Hoffman	315B	First Christian Church
	Stephen	Hopf Jr.	130	St. Mary Catholic Church
	Zachary	Irick	397	St. Peters United Methodist Church
	Thomas	Jankowski	399	St. Boniface Parish
	Cooper	Johnson	399	St. Boniface Parish
	Jonathan	Kelle	248	First General Baptist Church
	Margaret	Kicklighter	374G	St. Pauls United Church of Christ
	Wyatt	Kinman	161	First Baptist Church
	Matthew	Kitch	350	Blue Grass United Methodist Church
STANDARD NO.	Garret	Klunn	399	St. Boniface Parish
	Levi	Kunkler	393	St. Wendel Catholic Church/Knights of St. John
	Caden	Laidlaw	399	St. Boniface Parish
	Caden	Lamey	246	Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church



2022 EAGLE SCOUTS

First Name	Last Name	Unit Number	Charter Organization
Noah	Lamont	185	Holy Family Catholic Church
Everett	Legate	336B	Old North United Methodist Church
Jacob	Leonard	185	Holy Family Catholic Church
Josiah	Mackey	279	Bicknell United Methodist Church
Cayden	Madden	175	Lynnville Volunteer Fire Department
Braydan	Martin	305	Newburgh Kiwanis Club
Jack	Martin	399	St. Boniface Parish
Cael	McCollum	330	St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
Connor	McCollum	399	St. Boniface Parish
Anthony	Merkley	185	Holy Family Catholic Church
Samuel	Myers	387	St. Paul's United Methodist Church
Dylan	Norman	399	St. Boniface Parish
Emily	Nurrenbern	374G	St. Paul's United Church of Christ
Jackson	Otto	246	Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church
Caleb	Patterson	130	St. Mary Catholic Church
Nicole	Payne	318G	St. Benedict Cathedral
Nickolas	Postleweight	399	St. Boniface Parish
Carson	Powell	130	St. Mary Catholic Church
Isaac	Randall	399	St. Boniface Parish
Xavier	Rasche	185	Holy Family Catholic Church
Eyan	Rice	387	St. Paul's United Methodist Church
Preston	Roark	279	Bicknell United Methodist Church
Nathan	Rotramel	352	Newburgh United Methodist Church
Jace	Saulmon	240	Oakland City Lions Club
Mason	Schoenbachler	182	St. Joseph Catholic Church
Christian	Schrader	292	First United Methodist Church
Aiden	Seifert	185	Holy Family Catholic Church
Haley	Steinmetz	186G	Christ the King Catholic Church
Nathan	Steurer	246	Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church
John	Taylor	246	Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church
Macon	Tenbarge	240	Oakland City Lions Club
Hunter	Thaxton	350	Blue Grass United Methodist Church
Isaiah	Thaxton	350	Blue Grass United Methodist Church
Jordan	Tooley	399	St. Boniface Parish
Ryan	Verkamp	185	Holy Family Catholic Church
Anderson	Vonderheid	182	St. Joseph Catholic Church
Jonathan	Walker	240	Oakland City Lions Club
Jacob	Weinzapfel	185	Holy Family Catholic Church
Jacob	Welp	185	Holy Family Catholic Church
Miles	Welp	186B	Christ the King Catholic Church
Anden	West	279	Bicknell United Methodist Church
Brent	Wissel	189	St. Anthony Community Center
Kendrick	Wittmer	318B	St. Benedict Cathedral



Scout



Tenderfoot



Second Class



First Class



Star



Life



Eagle

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP

Cub Scouts across the Buffalo Trace Council attended our Day Camp programs in June. Three camps were held throughout the month: one at the Eykamp Scout Center, one in Vincennes, and one at Dubois County 4-H Fairgrounds.





FALL FIELD DAY

After a successful recruitment through August and September, our Cub Scout Packs brought along their new nmbers to launch their very own rocket at our three Fall Field Days. Cub Scouts totaling over 400, new and old, joined the fun and completed in team building games, shooting sports, and the much-anticipated rocketry. These events in Evansville, Vincennes, and Ferdinand were the first outdoor activity that our new Scouts participated in, and what better way to welcome theme than to blast off into the stars!



UNIVERSITY OF SCOUTING

The University of Evansville hosted our first University of Scouting since the pandemic. Over 100 Scouters attended to learn about various educational topics including outdoor ethics and social media marketing. David Weyrick, BSA NST 9 Relations Lead, served as the keynote speaker and shared about how to use relationships to grow Scouting.



SPOOK-O-REE

Scouts and the general public enjoyed a Halloween themed event, which featured shooting sports with archery and BBs along with a haunted house staffed by the Order of the Arrow. The Scouts created trick or treat bags with paper sacks and a salt crafted spiderweb. Units from around the Council hosted a Trunk-or-Treat in the parking lot. There were also spooky games setup in various areas where Scouts and their families could win prizes.





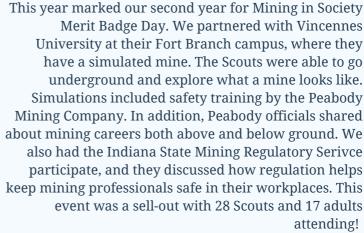
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WOODS OF WEBELOS



This was a great event for our Webelos Scouts who are looking to transition into the older Scouts BSA program. The event is facilitated by several Scouts BSA troops. The leaders and Scouts within the units showcased a different part of the Scouts BSA program, giving Webelos a better idea of what they will be doing when they move into the next program.

MINING IN SOCIETY MERIT BADGE DAY AT VINCENNES UNIVERSITYFORT BRANCH





WESTERN FUNTIER CAMPOREE

Old Ben Campground welcomed our Scouts BSA members to join in on Wild West-themed program packed with activities. Scouts crooned cowboy tunes, panned for gold, branded leather, lassosed bulls, rode horses, raced stagecoaches, and if you can believe it, much, much, more. Members from all over our Council's Scouting community attended the event, giving our youth and adults alike an opportunity to meet other Scouts and Scouters.

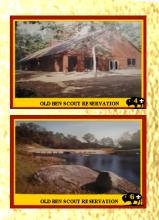


HONORING

OLD BEN SCOUT RESERVATION

Now called Old Ben Campground located in Pike County, Indiana, this special place holds numerous, fond memories for Scouts and Scouters. Unforgettable memories will still be made in partnership with Mr. and Mrs. Clint Swisher, however Old Ben was sold in 2022 due to the national BSA lawsuit as a settlement to its vicitims. Old Ben has served us well, and will continue to host many, exciting Scouting events in the future.





2022 BUFFALO TRACE COUNCIL BOARD LEADERSHIP

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AMANDA CONLEY
Program Leader

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Income

Public Support	\$266,240
United Way	\$86,376
Product Sales	\$279,020
Camping & Activities	\$41,326
Investments	\$60,573
Other	\$173,385
Total	\$906,920

Expenses

Program Services	\$611,897
Management & General	\$100,462
Fundraising	\$61,058
Building & Insurance	\$90,134
Total	\$863,551

Other 19%

Public Support 29%

Camping & Activities 5%

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Product Sales 31%

Product Sales 10%

Fundraising 8 Insurance 10%

Fundraising 7%

Management & General 12%

Program Services 71%

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The 2022 financial statements will be audited by the firm of Riney, Hancock & Co., PSC. The accounting system used by Buffalo Trace Council is in conformity with the requirements of the Boy Scouts of America and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The audit will be on file for inspection, upon completion at the Eykamp Scout Center, located at 3501 E. Lloyd Expressway, Evansville, IN 47715.





Scouting is financed in part by the United Way in Gibson, Knox, Perry, Pike, Posey, Spencer, Vanderburgh, and Warrick Counties.









The Buffalo Trace Council was proud to make an in-kind popcorn donation through the Heroes and Helpers program customers. This donation was split between Camp Atterbury, a 36,000 acre National Guard training center, and Feed Evansville which works alongside community organizations to provide food and meals to the unsecure.











2022 CHARTERED PARTNERS

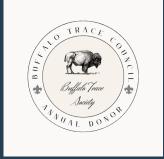
The Boy Scouts of America makes its programs available to churches, schools, and other groups who are concerned with the community and youth. This unique chartering concept has made Scouting available to youth nationwide, from the smallest to large urban centers. The Buffalo Trace Council salutes the following organi for their commitment to our country's most precious resource, its youth.

Chartered Partner	Location
Aldersgate United Methodist Church	Evansville
American Baptist East	Evansville
American Legion Post 213	Tell City
American Legion Post 73	Vincennes
Bethlehem United Church of Christ	Evansville
Bicknell United Methodist Church	Bicknell
Blue Grass United Methodist Church	Evansville
Castle Elementary School PTO	Newburgh
Cedar Hall-Delaware-Evans Scout Reach	Evansville
Christ Lutheran Church	Jasper
Christ The King Catholic Church	Ferdinand
Cornerstone United Methodist Church	Chrisney
Dale Kiwanis Club	Dale
Edwardsport Volunteer Fire Department	Edwardsport
First Baptist Church	Boonville
First Christian Church	Newburgh
First General Baptist Church	Owensville
First Presbyterian Church	Olney
First United Methodist Church	Albion
First United Methodist Church	Mount Vernon
Franklin School PTO	Vincennes
Fraternal Order of Police Local Lodge 249	Carmi
Good Shepherd Catholic Church	Evansville
Holy Family Catholic Church	Jasper
Holy Redeemer Catholic Church	Evansville
Holy Rosary Catholic Church	Evansville
Howell United Methodist Church	Evansville
Kiwanis & Sons of American Legion	Holland
Kiwanis Club Of Huntingburg	Huntingburg
Knox County ARC	Vincennes
Lincoln-Glenwood-Dexter (Scout Reach)	Evansville
Lodge-Fairlawn-Caze (Scout Reach)	Evansville
Lynnville Volunteer Fire Department	Lynnville
Main Street United Methodist Church	Boonville
Methodist Temple	Evansville
New Harmony Kiwanis Club	New Harmony
Newburgh Elementary (Scout Reach)	Newburgh
Newburgh Kiwanis Club	
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Newburgh United Methodist Church	Newburgh Newburgh

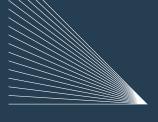
Chartered Partner	Location
Oakland City Lions Club	Oakland City
Old North United Methodist Church	Evansville
Pentecostal House of Faith Inc	Evansville
Perry Central Community	Leopold
Princeton Scout Reach	Princeton
Reitz-Central Support Group	Evansville
Resurrection Catholic Church	Evansville
Rotary Club of Carmi	Carmi
Saint Boniface Catholic Church	Evansville
Salem United Methodist Church	Evansville
Sharon Elementary School	Newburgh
Shepherd Of The Hills Lutheran Church	Evansville
St Anthony Community Center	Saint Anthony
St Benedict Cathedral	Evansville
St Boniface Parish	Evansville
St Francis Xavier Catholic Parish	Vincennes
St John's Lutheran Church	Dubois
St Joseph Catholic Church	Princeton
St Lawrence Catholic Church	Lawrenceville
St Mary Catholic Church	Ireland
St Marys Rectory	Huntingburg
St Pauls United Church of Christ	Evansville
St Pauls United Methodist Church	Poseyville
St Peters United Methodist Church	Evansville
St. John the Baptist Catholic Church	Newburgh
St. Meinrad American Legion	Saint Meinrad
St. Wendel Catholic Church/ Knights of St. John	Wadesville
Sts Peter & Paul Catholic Church	Haubstadt
Tecumseh-Harrison Elementary School PTO	Vincennes
Tekoppel Community Group Of Citizens	Evansville
Trinity United Church Of Christ	Mount Vernon
University of Evansville	Evansville
Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Office	Evansville
Wabash County Youth Foundation	Mount Carmel
Washington Middle School	Evansville
YMCA Caldwell	Evansville

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