COMPASS POINTS





Boy Scouts of America Buffalo Trace Council

September/October 2023

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT 99

BRIAN MARKET

Brian Market started his scouting journey as a Cub Scout in Boonville, IN. After rising through the ranks he crossed over to Troop 161 where he earned the rank of Eagle Scout. Brian remained active in his troop after earning his Eagle Scout and eventually became a Junior Assistant Scoutmaster. After he turned 18, he stayed with the troop for another 12 years as an Assistant Scoutmaster. Brian was the young fun leader who concentrated on program and adventure trips.

After his stint as the Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 161, Brian took a short break from scouting to finish college and start a family. When Brian's youngest child Ben started 1st grade, he found himself back in scouting. Brian immediately took a leadership role as a den leader for pack 374 and was an integral part of running the pack while his son worked towards his Arrow of Light.



After Brian and his son crossed over into troop 374, the pack started struggling with leadership. Brian took the position of Cubmaster and proceeded to build the pack numbers back up by recruiting heavily at the elementary school, utilizing his musical talents and monkey bridges.

With the pack built back up, a new leader accepted the role of Cubmaster. Brian handed over the reins of the pack and took on the role of Scoutmaster for the troop. Everything was going well until COVID ravished the world. Not long after the schools closed and everything shut down, the pack found its numbers dwindled and the Cubmaster position vacant.

After things started going back to pre-COVID times, Brian brought his guitar, artificial fire and backpack through the doors of the elementary school where he sang songs about the wonders of scouting. He once again built up the packs numbers regaining the title of Cubmaster. Brian is currently the Cubmaster and Scoutmaster of 374.

If you have been to any of the Cub Scout day camps or Camporees in recent years, you have probably seen Brian running a station or leading a group in song. In 2018 Brian was awarded the District Award of Merit for his countless hours of volunteer service to the council and he successfully completed Wood Badge in the top tier beaver patrol. His daughter Sarah and son Ben are currently working on their Eagle Scout projects.

Brian Market considers what he gives to scouting as a mission to give back to a program that helped him through some less than ideal circumstances in his life growing up. The Scouters that were there for him not only helped him through tough times, they taught him life skills and lessons that he now passes on to the youth in his pack and troop.

EAGLE SCOUT

INFORMATION





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LINCOLN HERITAGE

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NATIVE TRAILS

July 13, 2023 Jonah Dorman Troop 374B

August 10, 2023

Jacob Stoen
Troop 301
Carter Flores
Troop 318
Zachary Islam
Troop 350B

EAGLE BOARD OF REVIEW

Meet 2nd Thursday of every Month

<u>ALGONKIAN</u>

<u>July 2023</u> n/a

August 3, 2023
Justin Hanes
Troop 210
Tristan Lee
Troop 292

EAGLE BOARD OF REVIEW

<u>Meet 1st</u> Thursday of every Month

LINCOLN HERITAGE

<u>July 11, 2023</u>

Cameron Crawford Troop 130 Brandon Mehringer Troop 185

August 2023

n/a

EAGLE BOARD OF REVIEW

Meet 1st Tuesday of every Month



2023 LODGE CALENDAR AND CONTACTS

OCTOBER 2023

21ST - HALLOWEEN PARTY (SAME DAY AS SPOOK-O-REE) 21ST - MONTHLY LEC*

DECEMBER 2023

10TH - MONTHLY LEC*

JANUARY 2024

6TH - WINTER BANQUET

NOVEMBER 2023

11TH-12TH - LODGE LEADERSHIP
DEVELOPMENT & LOCK-IN
12TH - MONTHLY LEC*

*Our Lodge Executive Committee (LEC)
meetings, if on the same day of an event will
generally be at the conclusion of the event at
the same location.



The most up-to-date calendar is available at <u>kiondaga.org/events/</u>



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WEBSITE AT
KIONDAGA.ORG/LEADERSHIP:



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

2023 MEMBERSHIP FEES EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1, 2023

Beginning August 1, 2023, all new youth and adult members who join Scouting will be enrolled in a 12-month membership cycle and BSA will cease prorating fees. Both youth and adults will pay the full annual membership fee and will renew their membership on the anniversary date of joining Scouting. All pro-ration of membership fees will be eliminated. Each registered member of the BSA will receive an email notification with a registration renewal link beginning 60 days before the anniversary date they joined Scouting. Unit Leaders will receive a copy of the email and should stay engaged in the membership renewal process just like rechartering.

It is important to note, existing members will renew their membership during their normal registration/recharter cycle through February 2024. Moving forward all members will renew on their anniversary date.

- Existing members' Anniversary date will be their unit recharter month.
- New members' Anniversary date will be the month they joined.

This new process will help streamline the rechartering and membership renewal process for units and councils. Additional information on this membership renewal process will be forthcoming in the very near future.

The Value of Scouting far outweighs the costs, but we also recognize that keeping Scouting affordable for families is essential to the success of our programs.

Buffalo Trace Council provides access to proven fundraising programs and direct assistance through our Membership Assistance Application Form.



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

2023 MEMBERSHIP FEES
EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1, 2023

NATIONAL FEE

YOUTH MEMBERS

\$25

ONE-TIME JOINING FEE

NEW MEMBERS ONLY

\$15_{/YR}

SCOUT LIFE MAGAZINE







NATIONAL FEE

\$60_{/YR}

ADULT MEMBERS

\$25_{/YR}

MERIT BADGE COUNSELORS

Merit Badge Counselors

The new fee for Merit Badge
Counselors will cover the cost of
Criminal Background Checks. It
does not apply to Merit Badge
Counselors who are holding another
position within a Unit.









IMPORTANT DATES

September 21 September 22-24 October 27 November 17 November 28 Show N Sell Order Popcorn Distribution

Blitz Weekend, Sale Starts

Take Order Due in Trail's End System

Take Order Popcorn Distribution

Popcorn Payments Due to Council

"POPCORN IS PREPARED IN THE SAME POT, IN THE SAME HEAT, IN THE SAME OIL, AND YET, THE KERNELS DO NOT POP AT THE SAME TIME. DON'T COMPARE YOUR SCOUT TO OTHER SCOUTS. THEIR TURN TO POP IS COMING!"

DISTRIBUTION

SEPT. 21, 2023





Blitz Weekend: September 22-24, 2023

Start Your Sales!

- 1. Register in Trail's End App
- 2. Be sure to set your goal in the Trail's End App
- 3.Log \$250 in sales in the Trail's End app and receive an additional 250 Trail's End reward points! You now qualify for Trail's End amazon gift card! Great work! Keep it up! Your getting closer to your Goal!

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29	30	31				

Weekly Contest in October

Weekly Contests will be revealed on the Facebook Page and via email on Wednesday of the week prior.

WEEKLY CONTESTS IN OCTOBER RULES:

- 1. All contests start on Monday and go through Sunday
- 2. Scout must log their sales using the Trail's End App
- 3. Be polite and respectful with your clients and have fun!

PRIZES: 1 CUB SCOUT AND 1 SCOUT BSA

Weekly Scout winners will be announced and will have the chance to spin the wheel for a surprise token. Winners will be announced on Social Media and Popcorn Newsletter.



WEEKLY CONTEST DATES:

September 25 - October 1

October 2-8

October 9-15

October 16-22

Spin the Wheel Prizes Opportunity:

Points for Trail's End, Gift Card,
 STEM Kit, Camp Tool, Day Pack,
 etc.

Council Rewards 2023

TOP SELLER - POPCORN CHAMPION

- THEME PARK GIFT CARD
- POPCORN CHAMPION MEDAL
- THROW FIRST PITCH AT OTTERS GAME
- PUCK DROP AT THUNDERBOLTS GAME

TOP ONLINE SELLER

- MOVIE PASS VALUED AT \$50
- BTC DAY PACK

\$1,500 FEARLESS SELLERS

- \$50 GAITHER SCOUT SHOP GIFT CARD
- FREE TICKETS FOR
 PARENTS & SCOUT TO
 OTTERS GAME & CAMPOUT
 ON BOSSE FIELD
 FREE TICKET FOR SCOUT TO
 THUNDERBOLTS GAME

TOP FAMILY

- THEME PARK GIFT CARD
- BTC DAY PACK FOR EACH SCOUT
- ZAMBONI RIDE AT THE THUNDERBOLTS GAME

\$4,000 ULTIMATE TRAILBAZER SELLER

- \$100 VAN'S GIFT CARD
- \$50 GAITHER SCOUT SHOP GIFT CARD
- BTC DAY PACK
- INCLUDES ALL PRIZES FOR \$1,500 SELLERS

TOP UNIT

 PIZZA AND ICE CREAM PARTY

TOP 100 & TOP FAMILY SPEED SELLERS

- FREE TOP 100 AND/OR TOP FAMILY SHIRT FOR EACH SCOUT
- FREE TICKETS FOR PARENT & SCOUT TO OTTERS GAME & CAMPOUT ON BOSSE FIELD
- FREE TICKET FOR SCOUT TO THUNDERBOLTS POPCORN

 GAME

 KERNEL G





CUB SCOUT FALL FUN DAY

September 16, 2023

Free T-Shirts are Available with Price of Admission.

Must register on or before 9am, September 5.

After September 5th - Quantities and Sizes while Supplies Last.

REGISTER NOW >



Dale Park
Dale Baseball Field
II2 E.Medcalf St.
Dale, IN 47523

Join **Scouts!**

Join us at one of our locations, for some fun and excitement! Archery, BB Guns, STEM, Crafts, Games, and so much more!

REGISTER NOW >



Wabash County Youth 15039 4H Center Ln. Mount Carmel, IL 62863

REGISTER NOW >



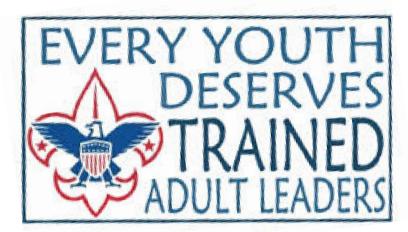
Eykamp Scout Center 350I E. Lloyd Exp. Evansville, IN 47715

Buffalo Trace Council Address: 3501 E Lloyd Expressway Evansville, IN 47715 Phone Number: 812-423-5246

Email: administration@buffalotracecouncil.org

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

BUFFALOTRACECOUNCIL.ORG





YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

Youth Mental Health First Aid teaches you how to identify, understand, and respond to signs of mental illness and substance use disorders in youth. This 8-hour training gives adults who work with youth the skills they need to provide initial support to children and adolescents (age 6-18) who may be developing a mental health or substance abuse problem and help connect them to the appropriate care.

REGISTER NOW

BUFFALO TRACE COUNCIL 812-423-5246

BALOO

REGISTER NOW

BALOO is a fun, exciting, and required training for all those in your Pack who are in charge of conducting a Pack family campout. Pack's conducting overnight campout must have a person on site who has attended BALOO training. It is recommended that each Pack have at least two BALOO trained adults. This course is designed to introduce Cub Scout leaders to the opportunities for pack overnight camping. It's more than just camping overnight it's a fun, successful event!

1ctober 14-15, 2023

LNT



This course is open to Scouts over the age of 14 and adult Scouters. All participants who complete this course will be recognized as Leave No Trace Trainers by the eave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics. It will meet one of the requirements for Scouts BSA 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.

October 14-15, 2023

IOLS



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 those skills. A practical, hands-on approach to basic outdoor Scout craft skills is a must for a Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster, and Venturina Crew Advisor to be successful.

lctober 14-15, 2023



MERIT BADGE CAMPOREE

October 6-8, 2023 **Old Ben Campground**



Join us for a weekend to achieve merit badges!

REGISTER NOW

Spook-O-Ree

October 21, 2023

Eykamp Scout Center



Join us for a day of shooting sports, games, crafts, haunted house, and CANDY!!

Woods of Webelos

November 4, 2023 **Old Ben Campground**



Woods of Webelos is an excellent opportunity for Webelos to interact with Scouts from local troops and begin to understand what Scouting is about. The Webelos will eat, play, learn, and have fun with the Scouts the entire weekend.

WOOD BADGE

Wood Badge is an advanced, national leadership course open only to Scouting volunteers and professionals.

Dates:

- October 22 Staff Development @Old Ben
- Novemeber 17-18 Staff Development @Maumee

Participants must attend both weekends.

March 23-24, 2024 March 8-10, 2024

Old Ben Campground

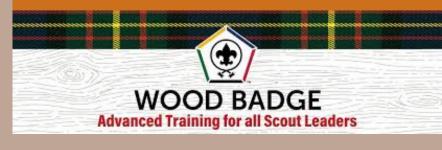
Maumee Scout Reservation 57345 County Rd. 175 N. 12975 W. County Rd 925 N.

Winslow, IN 47598

Norman, IN 47264

Contact:

Wood Badge Course Director, Pat Brenner patbrenner@att.net



Outreach Program



Outreach/ScoutReach Program

Our Scoutreach Program needs your help! the Scoutreach program offers a unique opportunity to Vanderburgh, Warrick, and Gibson County School Corporations. We strive to meet with youth in this program weekly to provide them the experience and lessons they would learn in a traditional Cub Scout or Scouts BSA Units.



Accepting Donations

Our Scoutreach Program is accepting donations! Be a part of the positive impact by donating your recyclables (bottle caps, plastic soda bottles) and gently used items to assist in the Scoutreach Program. We annually support 300 students in the Vanderburgh, Warrick, and Gibson County School Corporations. Donations can be made at the Buffalo Trace Council Office. Thank you for your support!

Personnel News

Please help us welcome the newest staff members of the Buffalo Trace Council.

Tiffany Hall, Outreach Program Leader Jenna Baker, Outreach Program Leader Parker Boulet, Outreach Program Leader

We would like to welcome back from summer break Staff Members: Greg Siebert (Outreach Program Leader) and Emma Paul (Outreach Program Leader).

Please welcome these newest staff members as they provide valuable services in our Outreach Programs as well as additional support in council operations to volunteers and members.

Materials Needed

- Scissors
- Glue Sticks
- Crayons
- Markers
- Construction Paper
- Liquid Glue
- Duct Tape
- Straws
- Rubber Bands
- Cups
- Spoons
- Popsicle Sticks
- Aluminum Foil
- Bottle Caps
- Paper Towels
- Sandwich Bags
- Clorox Wipes
- Paper Towels



2023-2024 HOME SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21 - ZOMBIE NIGHT

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3 - FREE KIDS FRIDAY

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4 - GAME SHOW NIGHT

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11 - MILITARY NIGHT

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14 - EDUCATION DAY GAME

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18 - HOCKEY FIGHTS CANCER

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2 - DOGS NIGHT OUT
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9 - TEDDY BEAR TOSS NIGHT

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15 - FREE KIDS FRIDAY

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16 - JURASSIC NIC

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31 - NEW YEAR'S EVE W

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5 - THUNDERBOLTS NIG

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6 - GAMER'S NIGHT

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20 - STAR WARS N

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26 - FAITH NIGHT

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2 - COLLEGE NIGHT

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3 - WIZARDS NIGHT

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9 - FIRST RESPONDERS NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14 - VALENTINE'S GAME

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24 - 90'S NIGHT

FRIDAY - MARCH 1 - DOGS NIGHT OUT 2

SATURDAY, MARCH 2 - SUPER VILLAIN NIGHT

SUNDAY, MARCH 10 - SUNDAY FUNDAY

FRIDAY, MARCH 22 - PRINCESS & PIRATES NIGHT

SATURDAY, MARCH 23 - SPRING BREAK/ HAWAIIAN NIGHT

FRIDAY, APRIL 5 - COUNTRY NIGHT

SATURDAY, APRIL 6 - FAN APPRECIATION NIGHT



Contact:

Jacob VanMeter

jvanmeter@evansvillethunderbolts.com

Is your unit interested in presenting the colors at the next Thunderbolts games? Contact:

Account Executive:

Jacob Vanmeter to get your unit added to the schedule!

jvanmeter@evansvillethunderbolts.com

HCCKEY





John & Kay Gaither

Scout Shop



Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:30am - 5:00pm (CST)

Upcoming Saturday Hours

9-Noon (CST) September 16, 2023 October 21, 2023 November 4, 2023

Shop Now





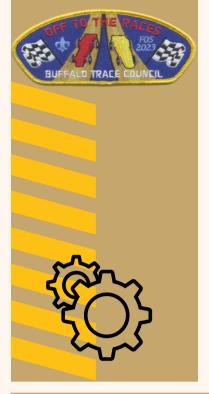


Place Order

Call 812-423-5246 ext. 2202 or

Email:

jennifer.carapia@scouting.org



Friends of Scouting Today's Youth - Tomorrow's Leaders ----

Your Pack, Troop, or Crew can earn FREE badges during the 2023 calendar year. How do you ask? Simply schedule and hold a Friends of Scouting presentation during a Blue & Gold Banquet, Court of Honor, or other parent meeting and reach the established goal for your Unit to achieve FREE badges.

The FOS presentation is a brief talk made to families at Unit meetings, Blue and Gold Banquet, and the Court of Honor to give families the opportunity to make a pledge to Scouting. The badge program is good only for the calendar year. Don't delay! If you wait to have your presentation, you can only take advantage of the program for the remaining months of the calendar year! Friends of Scouting dollars are used to provide most of the services that come to you from the Council such as: Compass Points, School Flyers for Recruitment, Training, Program Planning Materials, etc.

Level 1 (\$45 per Member) Rank Patches Only

PacksTroopsCrewsLionScoutVenturingBobcatTenderfootDiscoveryTigerFirst ClassPathfinderWolfSecond ClassSummit

Bear Star Webelos Life Arrow of Light Eagle



2023 FREE RANK PROGRAM

Congratulations to our units who have qualified for FREE rank badges:

Troop 305

Congratulations to our units who have qualified for FREE rank badges and FREE merit badges/belt loops:

Troop 211, Troop 315B, Troop 315G, Troop 301, Pack 333, Pack 292, Pack 362

How can your unit earn free badges? We can now visit your next meeting to hold a presentation and achieve your establish goal(s) to earn free rank and, or advancement. Contact your District Professional.

Level 2 (\$60 per Member) Plus all of Level 1 Rank Patches

Packs Troops Crews
Belt Loops Merit Badges Quest
Webelos Pin Trust
Ranger





CONTACT YOUR DISTRICT PROFESSIONAL TO SCHEDULE YOUR FOS PRESENTATION FOR YOUR UNIT.

LINCOLN HERITAGE NATIVE TRAILS

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ALGONKIAN

<u>John Harding</u> john.harding@scouting.org





UNITED

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! We would like to extend a special thank you to our United Way partners for their continued support of Scouting!

United Way of Gibson County United Way of Knox County United Way of Perry County United Way of Pike County United Way of Posey County United Way of Southwestern Indiana





Thank you to everyone who has purchased a Boy Scouts license plate in Indiana! Your additional support provides resources for our Scouts that we would not otherwise have. If you have not purchased a Boy Scouts of America license plate, you can do so by just letting the BMV know when you renew your registration. It's that simple!



Did you know that you can support Buffalo Trace Council by purchasing an Eagle Scout license plate in Illinois? License plate registration application forms may be obtained in person at most Secretary of State facilities, by mail, by visiting www.cyberdriveillinois.com or by calling 800-252-8980. An applicant must provide a copy of their Eagle Scout Certificate or written proof of Eagle Scout rank from the Local BSA Council.

On August 8, 2023, Buffalo Trace Council honored Dr. Ronald S. Rochon, President, University of Southern Indiana with the 2023 Distinguished Citizen Award. The breakfast banquet was held at USI in Carter Hall with over 250 quests in attendance. Dr. Rochon became USI's fourth president in July 2018, after eight years serving USI as provost. His academic and professional career has focused on advocating for educational excellence, access, equity, and equality. Dr. Rochon commented "Thank you to the entire Buffalo Trace Council for this acknowledgement. It is humbling to have so many people come to campus to celebrate Scouting and pay recognition to this award. I express my sincere humble appreciation for being selected as the 2023 DCA recipient." The 2023 DCA banquet raised over \$55,000 in gross revenue to support Scouting. We appreciate all of our supporters and Scouts who helped make this year's event a success. Special thanks goes to Lindsey Gunter, Eagle Scout, Scouts BSA Troop 374 G, St. Paul's United Church of Christ for serving as Mistress of Ceremonies and to Cub Scout Pack 369, John H. Castle Elementary School for presenting the colors.



SEPTEMBER

4 Labor Day - Office Closed

5 LH - Eagle BOR

7 Recruitment Night

8-10 OA Fall Fellowship

10 OA - LEC

11 Commissioner's Cabinet

12 Staff Meeting

14 ALG - Roundtable

ALG - Eagle BOR NT - Eagle BOR

15 United Way of Caring

16 Fall Field Day

Scout Shop Open 9-2pm (CST)

21 Popcorn Distribution

ALG - District Committee Meeting

NT - District Committee Meeting

LH - District Committee Meeting

23-24 Popcorn - Blitz Weekend

26 Staff Meeting

NOVEMBER

- 1 Staff Meeting
- 2 ALG Eagle BOR

ALG - Roundtable

4 Scout Shop Open 9-Noon (CST)

Woods of Webelos

- 7 LH Eagle BOR
- 9 NT Eagle BOR
- 11 Veteran's Day
- 11-12 OA Lock-In
- 12 OA LEC
- 13 Commissioner's Cabinet
- 14 Executive Board Meeting
- 15 Staff Meeting
- 16 LH District Committee Meeting

ALG - District Committee Meeting

NT - District Committee Meeting

17 Take Order Popcorn Distribution

17-18 Woodbadge - Staff Development @Maumee

- 22 Office Closed
- 23 Thanksgiving Day Office Closed
- 24 Office Closed
- 28 Popcorn Payments Due to Council

Colendar Calendar



OCTOBER

- 3 LH Eagle BOR
- 5 ALG Roundtable

ALG - Eagle BOR

- 6-8 Merit Badge Camporee
- 7 Youth Mental Health First Aid

9 Columbus Day

Commissioner's Cabinet

10 Program Group Mtg
Staff Meeting

12 LH - District Committee Meeting

NT - Eagle BOR

14-15 LNT Training

IOLS Training

BALOO Training

- 17 Executive Committee Meeting
- 19 ALG District Committee Meeting

 NT District Committee Meeting

Spook-O-Ree

Scout Shop Open 9-1pm (CST)

OA Party

OA - LEC

- 22 Woodbadge Staff Development @Old Ben
- 25 Staff Meeting
- 27 Take Order Due in Trail's End System
- 31 Happy Halloween

