



# COMPASS POINTS

Serving Youth in 15 counties of Southwestern Indiana and Southeastern Illinois

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## Mission Statement

The mission of the Buffalo Trace Council, Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetime by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

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## POPCORN TOP RECOGNITION \$4000 SELLERS EARNING CUSTOM VANS



Zane Minor	Pack 325
John Will	Troop 203
Cameron Penney	Pack 383
Rogen Martin	Pack 270
Devin Cain	Pack 246
Thomas Basaldua	Pack 383
Nathan Vaughan	Pack 350
Paschal Norton	Pack 270
Carson Powell	Troop 130
Blake Trafford	Troop 305
Elias Trevino	Pack 369
Austin Keith Wilson	Troop 245
Alex Schmidt	Troop 301

*Congratulations*

## 2019 TOP POPCORN AWARDS

Top Unit: Pack 246, Haubstadt \$49,430  
 Top Seller: Zane Minor, Pack 325 \$5,910  
 Top Family: Rogen and Sophie Martin, Pack 270 \$4,917

**Great Job!**

**We would like to say a HUGE THANK YOU to our distribution sites and volunteer teams!**

**Warehouse Services in Evansville  
 Knox County ARC in Vincennes  
 Thermwood Corporation in Dale**

**WE COULD NOT DO IT WITHOUT YOU!**

## POPCORN SALE EVALUATION MEETING

**Did you like the mobile app and online ordering system?**

We want to hear your feedback on the 2019 sale. We will have an evaluation meeting on Monday, **February 3, 2020 at 6:00 PM (CT) at the Eykamp Scout Center**. All Popcorn Chairs and Leaders are encouraged to attend. This is an opportunity for you to share your successes during the sale and to give suggestions for 2020. Pizza and drinks will be served, so please RSVP to Beth Render at [beth.render@scouting.org](mailto:beth.render@scouting.org) by **January 30, 2020**. Your feedback is important and helps us improve the sale for future years.

**APRIL 24-26, 2020**

## BUFFALO TRACE COUNCIL CAMPOREE

Howdy folks, get on your Cowboy boots and hats and join us for some fun! This year the theme is "How the West Was Won." Ya'll will be working on lassoing a cow, throwing a tomahawk, rifle shooting, sling shots, western obstacle courses, gold panning, leatherwork, branding and blacksmithing. Not to mention the stage coach race, where your troop builds a stage coach (your Scoutmaster sits in the stage coach and the scouts are the horses). We'll also have a chili cookoff. So put this event on your troop calendar. It's gonna be fun. Ye haw!



## John & Kay Gaither Scout Shop

We Accept MasterCard, VISA, and Discover

(All times are Central Time Zone)

Scout Shop Hours (unless otherwise indicated):

**MONDAY—FRIDAY: 8:30AM—5:00PM**

**SATURDAY: 9:00AM—1:00PM**

ALL Facilities CLOSED:

January 1: New Year's Holiday

January 3: Shop Inventory

January 20: Martin Luther King Jr Holiday

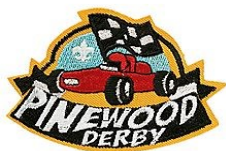
February 17: Presidents Day Holiday

To place an order: phone 812-423-5246x203 or 800-264-5246x203 or fax 812-423-4845 or email [administration@buffalotracecouncil.org](mailto:administration@buffalotracecouncil.org)

[www.buffalotracecouncil.org](http://www.buffalotracecouncil.org)

## Pre-Order Pinewood Derbies TODAY!!!!

Order a quantity of 10 for special pre-order price of only \$3.99 each, regularly priced at \$4.49.



Don't let your Pinewood Derby sneak up on you... "Be Prepared" by clipping out this coupon and submitting it to the Scout Shop to pre-order yours today!

Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Pack # \_\_\_\_\_ Qty \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Submit your order to the Scout Shop or email [administration@buffalotracecouncil.org](mailto:administration@buffalotracecouncil.org).  
3501 E Lloyd Expressway, Evansville IN 47715

Pick up may be made at the Scout Shop or Roundtables. Just let us know ahead of time.

## IMPORTANT CHANGE PLEASE READ

We will no longer mail Compass Points newsletters. Beginning with the March/April 2020 issue of Compass Points, we will email you a link to view as well as share on social media outlets and to the council website.

[www.buffalotracecouncil.org](http://www.buffalotracecouncil.org)

Make sure your email is current in your unit recharterers. If your unit recharter is late, and you have not updated your email address, this could cause a delay in delivery. Be sure to check your spam and junk email filters as well.

We hope you enjoy the transition to a quicker delivery to you about all the upcoming activities in Buffalo Trace Council. Please let us know if you do not get our March electronic edition by March 15.

## COUNCIL REFUND POLICY

- ▶ Reservations canceled at least 30 days prior to the first day of an event will receive a 80% refund.
- ▶ Cancellations within 30 days, and no less than 48 hours prior, will receive a 50% refund.
- ▶ No refunds will be given for cancellations made the day of an event, and for those activities where promotion literature states "No refunds".

**All cancellations must be made directly to the Eykamp Scout Center in writing or by calling 812-423-5246 and then confirmed in writing.**

**NATIONAL EVENTS ARE NOT SUBJECT TO THIS POLICY.**

## 2019 Eagle Scout Information



**Congratulations  
EAGLE SCOUTS**



### Lincoln Heritage District

Eric Joseph Brenner, Troop 182, 12/05/2019  
Gavin Jonathan Lange, Troop 102, 12/05/2019

### Algonkian District

Tyler Allen Clark, Troop 210, 11/07/2019  
Noah Lawrence Meece, Troop 210, 11/07/2019  
Collin Andrew Corless, Troop 262, 11/07/2019  
Grant Arthur Freeman, Troop 203, 11/07/2019  
Levi Clay Seitzinger, Troop 211, 12/05/2019  
Isaac Gene Merrell, Troop 248, 12/05/2019  
John Stephen Will, Troop 203, 12/05/2019

### Native Trails District

Howard Anthony Heerdt, Troop 305, 11/14/2019  
Austin Steven Fortune, Troop 315, 11/14/2019  
Alexander Lee O'Daniel, Troop 342, 11/14/2019  
Mason Selby, Troop 330, 11/14/2019  
Evan Prasad Kanetkan, Troop 352, 12/12/19  
Kaden Michael Monroe, Troop 379, 12/12/19  
Daniel Ignatius Hackney, Troop 362, 12/12/19  
Trevor Austin Monroe, Troop 379, 12/12/19  
Tensei Alfred Nakamura, Troop 335, 12/12/19

### **Eagle Board of Review District Contacts**

**Algonkian District**

**Bill Marsh**

**812-882-2226 or 812-899-0188**

**[bilmarsh@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bilmarsh@sbcglobal.net)**

**Lincoln Heritage District**

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**Native Trails District**

**Fred Hassman**

**812-202-0838**

**[fhassman@gmail.com](mailto:fhassman@gmail.com)**

## Are you a Merit Badge Counselor?



The Merit Badge Counselor position is one that needs to be renewed on a yearly basis.

Emails were sent to all registered Merit Badge Counselors in June and again in July. If you have not yet let us know you plan to continue as a Merit Badge Counselor and what merit badges you'd like to teach, then you have been dropped from the counselor list.

If you would like to be added back to this list, call or email Jennifer Carapia at 812-423-5246 x201 or [jennifer.carapia@scouting.org](mailto:jennifer.carapia@scouting.org).

If you are not a Merit Badge Counselor and would like to become one, fill out the Merit Badge Counselor application available at [buffalotracecouncil.org](http://buffalotracecouncil.org) on the advancement page and turn it in to the Eykamp Scout Center.

## CAMPMASTER APPLICATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED



The Council Campmaster Corps is accepting applications from registered Scouters interested in joining this elite corps of volunteers.

If you are interested in becoming a Campmaster or would like additional information about this bunch of people who wear the orange caps at Old Ben Scout Reservation, please email Mark Schweickart, Chief Campmaster, at [minspector@att.net](mailto:minspector@att.net).

Provide your name, phone numbers (home and cell), mailing address, current registered Scouting position and unit of assignment.



## OA UPDATE

### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW LODGE OFFICERS FOR 2020!

Lodge Chief– Luke Schweickart  
 Lodge VC Activities– Andy Hardgrave  
 Lodge VC Publications– Jacob Paynter  
 Lodge Secretary of Recording– Derek Hoffman  
 Lodge VC Elections– Logan Carter  
 Lodge VC Finance–Jace Lemp

### UPDATING OF LODGE RECORDS

All lodge members are encouraged to complete an updated form so we can confirm our records. The form is available on the council website at [www.buffalotracecouncil.org](http://www.buffalotracecouncil.org) and at the Eykamp Scout Center.

### 2020 OA ACORN PASS \$55

NOW AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE!

Pass includes the following:

- \*Spring Fellowship
- \*Summer Fellowship
- \*Fall Fellowship
- \*January 2021 Winter Banquet

**\*DUES MUST BE PAID IN FULL**



### WINTER BANQUET

Saturday January 4, 2020 @ 6:00PM  
 Bluegrass United Methodist Church  
 All lodge members welcome to join!

Register @ <https://scoutingevent.com/156-2019OAWinterBanquet>



### 2020 ANNUAL DUES

That time of year is upon us to renew your lodge membership. Renewal forms can be found at the Eykamp Scout Center and on the Council website.



## 2021 NATIONAL SCOUT JAMBOREE

**JULY 21-30, 2021**

### THE SUMMIT BECHTEL FAMILY NATIONAL SCOUT RESERVE

<https://www.buffalotracecouncil.org/activities-events>

The National Jamboree is open to any registered Scout who is at least a First Class Scout and 12 years of age by the first day of the Jamboree (July 21, 2021) but has not reached his/her 18th birthday by the last day of the Jamboree (July 30, 2021). Cost is expected to be \$1950 per participant. Set up monthly electronic payments and have all fees paid by January 29, 2021 and save \$150!

The Buffalo Trace Council will have one troop consisting of 32 youth and eight adults. To submit a NEW application, Scouts and Scouters will need a my.scouting username and password. If you do not have a my.scouting account, please go to [my.scouting.org](http://my.scouting.org) and follow the directions to create an account. Your member ID number will be needed to set up the account. To learn more or to complete online registration, go to <https://jamboree.scouting.org>

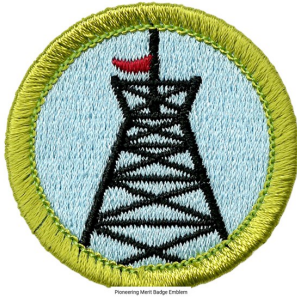
Additionally, youth participants must submit a reservation with the Buffalo Trace Council, complete the Buffalo Trace Council 2021 National Jamboree Payment Policy form and send it with a nonrefundable deposit of \$150 to the Eykamp Scout Center. See council website for details.

### ATTENTION SCOUTS BSA LEADERS:

The Buffalo Trace Council is selecting adults to lead our youth at the **National Jamboree**, which will take place from **July 21 – July 30, 2021 at the Summit Bechtel National Scout Reserve in West Virginia**. Available positions include one male and one female Scoutmaster, one female and five male Assistant Scoutmasters. We promise this Jamboree will be nothing like you have ever experienced before so don't let the opportunity to apply for these rewarding positions pass you by!

To apply, you must fill out the Council's Leadership Application, which can be found at <https://www.buffalotracecouncil.org/activities-events>. You must also apply with the National Council at <https://jamboree.scouting.org/>. **There is a \$250 deposit due to Buffalo Trace Council**, which is refundable if you are not chosen to attend. Registration deadline for applications to serve as part of the Buffalo Trace Council's contingent adult leadership is **February 28, 2020**.

Interested Scouts are also encouraged to apply and can do so starting in December at the Jamboree website, <https://jamboree.scouting.org/>. A link to apply for Buffalo Trace Council will be available soon. **Please share this information with your youth!**



**Winter Camporee  
Pioneering Merit Badge  
Old Ben Scout Reservation  
January 10-12, 2020**

**\$10 per Scout  
\$5 per Adult**

Register online at: <https://scoutingevent.com/156-2020WinterCamporee>

Questions please contact one of the following:

Dick Lange at 812-309-4043      DICKL186@GMAIL.COM  
Michelle Kieper at 812-582-1876      mkieper@psci.net  
Michael Richard at 812-704-8441      michael.richard@scouting.org

This year's winter camp will be held at Old Ben Scout Reservation. This event is open to all Troops and Crews in Buffalo Trace Council! WEBELOS will be allowed if units have required training. You will be required to build a TRESTLE before camp, as we'll have Chariot race on Saturday morning. There will also be a Cooking contest with winners receiving prizes. Patrols can submit a dinner entry, your choice, and/or a dessert, your choice. We are planning a weekend of fun and excitement for your Scouts, and we look forward to seeing you there.

We plan on having a Pioneering Merit Badge Counselor on site to help assist with the Merit Badge and sign off on Blue Cards. Please note, your Scout is NOT **Guaranteed** to complete the Pioneering Merit Badge during this event.

**Payment must be submitted online or by mail by Friday, January 3, 2020.**

*You are cordially invited to attend  
Council Court of Honor  
Saturday, February 29, 2020  
Christian Fellowship Church  
4100 Millersburg Rd.  
Evansville, IN 47725  
1:00 PM (CST) Check-in begins at  
12:30 PM*



Join us in celebration of 2019 Council achievements! Scholarship recipients, the Eagle Scout Service Project of the Year and other awards will be presented. All youth earning their Eagle Scout Rank or Summit Award in 2019 are invited to be recognized with their peers, and outstanding volunteers who have given unselfishly to Scouting will be honored with the Silver Beaver Award (the highest award a council can bestow upon a volunteer). Don't miss this wonderful recognition of leadership and service! A reception with cookies, cake, punch, and of course, coffee will follow.  
Register online at  
<https://scoutingevent.com/156-2020CCOH>

**Cub Scout Faith Day  
Sponsored by  
Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting  
(DCCS)  
Good Shepard Parish  
Saturday, February 29, 2020 8:00 am—NOON  
For information contact  
[Bill Noll @ nbpknoll@aol.com](mailto:BillNoll@nbpknoll@aol.com)  
**ALL ARE WELCOME!****



**Annual Scouting/  
Sponsored by:  
Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting  
(DCCS)  
Event to be held at:  
The Catholic Diocese of Evansville  
4200 N Kentucky Avenue  
March 6-8, 2020  
For further information, contact  
Joe Dickinson, DCCS Secretary  
at [joerdickinson@gmail.com](mailto:joerdickinson@gmail.com) or 812-853-3278.  
**ALL ARE WELCOME!****

# FOS 2020

It's hard to believe, but 2020 is almost here! Your Pack, Troop, or Crew can earn FREE badges during the 2020 calendar year. How, 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.

**If you hold a successful Friends of Scouting presentation and meet your unit's FOS goal, your unit can receive free badges for all of 2020.**

### Level 1 (\$37/member)

<u>PACKS</u>	<u>TROOPS</u>	<u>CREWS</u>
Lion	Scout	Venturing
Bobcat	Tenderfoot	Discovery
Tiger	First Class	Pathfinder
Wolf	Second Class	Summit
Bear	Star	
Webelos	Life	
Arrow of Light	Eagle	

### LEVEL 2 (\$52/member)

<u>PACKS</u>	<u>TROOPS</u>	<u>CREWS</u>
Webelos Pins	Merit Badges	Quest
Belt Loops		Trust
		Ranger

**Plus all of Level 1 patches**

The FOS presentation is a brief talk made to families at pack meetings and Courts of Honor to give them the opportunity to make a pledge to Scouting. The badge program is good only for the calendar year. If you wait until February to have a presentation, you can only take advantage of the program for 10 months.

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, maintenance of Old Ben Scout Reservation, training and program planning materials, etc.

Call or email today to set up your 2020 FOS Family Presentation

Lincoln Heritage District Director: **Michael Richard**—812-704-8441 [michael.richard@scouting.org](mailto:michael.richard@scouting.org)

Algonkian District Associate: **Christopher Felton**—219-477-7455 [christopher.felton@scouting.org](mailto:christopher.felton@scouting.org)

Native Trails District Executive: **Abby Roberts**—812-423-5426 ext 214 [abigail.roberts@scouting.org](mailto:abigail.roberts@scouting.org)



## 2020 OBSR Summer Resource Camp!

Sunday, May 30– Friday, June 5, 2020

Our First Year program offers fantastic “hands on” activities, where the majority of the skills and knowledge needed to attain First Class are taught. This important program is led by highly skilled, veteran Scouts that have proven to successfully connect to the younger aged Scouts.

The second, third and fourth year Scouts have a wide selection of merit badge choices, having added several new badges to our program. Leadership growth opportunities for these Scouts are everywhere. We'll have new surprises for our unique and challenging Patrol Competition and camp wide games and events. Feedback from Scouters have suggested that the skills and lessons learned from a week of true leadership, responsibility and accountability has helped the growth of not only the Scouts involved, but their respective Troops too.

For our seasoned Scouts (high school and college), we offer even more leadership and service opportunities with our popular Buffalo Boy program. We can provide the kind of challenges and real world leadership experience these Scouts need to fully round out their leadership development. And it's fun too ... just ask any of them.

**Mark your calendar—Summer is Coming!**

## Fee Increase Communications

For more than 100 years, Scouting has helped build future leaders by combining educational activities and lifelong values with fun and adventure in the outdoors. As we continue the Scouting mission, it is important that we keep pace with an ever-changing world. While costs to the organization have increased every year, the National Council Boy Scouts of America has worked to keep the annual membership fee as low as possible by subsidizing core costs, including liability insurance we must carry to cover all official Scouting activities. We kept the cost low to make Scouting available to as many young people as possible but keeping the cost artificially low for many years now magnifies the impact of changes.

To ensure we have the resources to fulfill the promise of Scouting despite increasing operating costs, the National Executive Board of the Boy Scouts of America has made the difficult but necessary decision to increase the annual membership fee effective January 1, 2020 to:

- \$60 for youth members in Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing and Sea Scouts,
- \$36 for youth members in Exploring,
- \$36 for adult members (includes cost of background check and Scouting Magazine)
- \$60 for unit charter fees



Every dollar of the national membership fee will go toward the cost of essential services, including liability insurance for those participating in approved Scouting activities, program resources, safety standards, youth protection and personal safety training, and services to councils nationwide to sustain Scouting. The Buffalo Trace Council will not receive any funds associated with the National fee increase. Families enjoy Scouting because of its high value and reasonable price. Even with an increase in the membership fee, Scouting will remain significantly less expensive than most youth programs in the area, and certainly more impactful long-term. National BSA will continue to take every measure to reduce operational expenses and the Buffalo Trace Council will continue to fundraise locally to support our program and provide assistance when needed.

We are committed to ensuring that all youth can experience the character-building benefits of Scouting regardless of their financial situation. In addition to our existing council and unit membership assistance, the National Council has established a national Growing Future Leaders Fund, which is funded entirely through donations, to provide additional financial support to those who need it.

Thank you for your continued role in empowering a generation of future leaders of character through Scouting programs.

### Cub Scout Parent-N-Pal May 2-3, 2020 Eykamp Scout Center

**Don't miss out on this amazing event!  
Build a tray, chest, table, or chair with your parent!**



**Building memories with your child that  
will last a lifetime!**

### Unit Charter Renewals Due January 31, 2020

Units received their recharter packets in November and December. Hopefully, you have had an opportunity to review your roster and contact ALL registered members to confirm renewal and invite back the Scouts you haven't seen in a while.

If you need help with online rechartering, please contact your **Unit Commissioner, Abby, Michael, or Chris ASAP**. We have computers (and help) available at the Eykamp Scout Center by appointment.

You can submit your recharter paperwork online or to the Eykamp Scout Center.

Reminder **ALL** renewing and new adults must sign the new CBC background authorization form. Don't forget your JTE Forms.

# Thank You!

## LINCOLN HERITAGE DISTRICT

Serving Dubois, Perry, Pike, Spencer, and Warrick (except Newburgh) Counties

District Chairperson: Tom Fierst 812.634.9236  
 District Commissioner: Richard Corman 812.455.4990  
 District Director: Michael Richard 812.704.8441  
 Email: michael.richard@scouting.org

All Activities are on Central Time

### January 2020

- 2 Roundtable/Eagle Board, St. James Lutheran Church, Holland, 6:30pm
- 4 District Planning Conference
- 9 District Committee Meeting, St. James Lutheran Church, Holland, 6:30pm
- 10-12 LH Winter Camporee at OBSR
- 26 District Recognition Dinner

### February 2020

- 6 Roundtable/Eagle Board, St. James Lutheran Church, Holland, 6:30pm
- 13 District Committee Meeting, St. James Lutheran Church, Holland, 6:30pm
- 17 **President's Day, All Facilities Closed**
- 29 Council Court of Honor, Christian Fellowship Church, Evansville, 1:00 pm

## Thank you!

Doris Gries and Mike Kreilein for chairing another successful Popcorn Sale in our district! Also, thanks to **Thermwood** in Dale for allowing us to use their facility for both our popcorn distribution days. I would also like to thank those who helped on popcorn distribution day.

Top District Selling Unit, Pack 130  
 Top District Selling Cub Scout, Brogan Stenftenagel, Pack 130  
 Top District Selling Scout, Carson Powell, Troop 130



## Friends of Scouting

Lincoln Heritage District thanks everyone for supporting 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 will help to provide a quality program to the youth in our organization. We encourage every unit to participate in Friends of Scouting. Remember that the free badges of rank are connected to your unit's FOS contribution. Maximize your time of free badges of rank by scheduling your presentation soon! If you have questions or would like to schedule a presentation, please contact **Doris Gries at 812-489-0332 or Michael.**

## Lincoln Heritage District Recognition Dinner

Sunday, January 26, 2020

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC PARISH HALL, DALE  
 5:00-7:00 PM (CST) \$10 per adult, \$5 per youth

Come join your fellow Scouters for an evening of friendship and celebration as units and peers are recognized for their accomplishments in 2019, including Eagle Scouts and the District Award of Merit recipients. All are invited to attend. For more information and to register, go to:

<https://scoutingevent.com/156-2020LHDinner>

## Lincoln Heritage District Merit Badge University Weekend Saturday, March 14, 2020 Vincennes University-Jasper

Online registration will begin soon. Your help is needed! If you or someone you know is qualified and would like to teach a merit badge, or if you have suggestions for merit badges and training, contact **Jadd Miller at jaddmiller@gmail.com or Michael or Michael.**

## RECHARTERS AND JOURNEY TO EXCELLENCE (JTE) FORMS ARE DUE BY JANUARY 31, 2020!

Buffalo Trace Council  
 Spring Scout Camporee  
 Saturday, April 24-26, 2020  
 Old Ben Scout Reservation

**Save the Date!**

## Cub Scout Day Camp is coming June 24-26, 2020

Are you ready for adventure! Start promoting Cub Scout Day Camp now! Day Camp is the highlight of the Cub Scout year and is one of the only times Cubs get to participate in shooting sports. **DON'T LET YOUR SCOUTS MISS OUT!** Free placemats will be available soon. If you want more information, please contact Day Camp Director **Mike Gudorf at 812-309-0443.**

## Lincoln Heritage District Planning Conference

Saturday, January 4, 2020, 8am-2pm (CT)

St. Joseph Parish Center, Jasper, IN

All Scouters are invited to attend to develop ideas and plans of implementation for all aspects of the 2020 Scouting year in accordance with council and district policies. Everyone should be prepared to discuss and offer suggestions. Registration not needed, but appreciated. Contact District Chair **Tom Fierst** for more information or **Michael.**



## ALGONKIAN DISTRICT

Serving Edwards, Gibson, Knox, Lawrence,  
Richland, and Wabash Counties

District Chair: Vacant  
District Commissioner: Vacant  
District Associate: Christopher Felton 800-264-5246x216  
E-mail: christopher.felton@scouting.org

### ALL ACTIVITIES ARE ON CENTRAL TIME January 2020

- 2 Roundtable/Eagle Board, Vincennes University Updike Hall, 6:30pm
- 16 District Committee Meeting, Vincennes University Updike Hall, 6:30pm
- 18 Merit Badge University & Leader Training, Vincennes University
- 25 District Recognition Banquet, Community Methodist Church, Vincennes, 5:00pm

### February 2020

- 6 Roundtable/Eagle Board, Vincennes University Updike Hall, 6:30 pm
- 20 District Committee Meeting, Vincennes University Updike Hall, 6:30pm

## Thank You!

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### POPCORN SHOUT OUT!

**Top Selling Unit, Pack 246**

**Top Seller in District, John Will,  
Troop 203**

**Top Family, Rogen & Sophie Martin  
Pack 270**



### Merit Badge University

January 18, 2020  
Vincennes University



The cost of the event is \$12 per person. A buffet style lunch will be provided on campus. Please register all your Scouts from your troop at the same time. There are several different merit badges offered including both Eagle and non-Eagle required. We will be offering Scoutmaster Position Specific Training, Life to Eagle, and IOLC. The registration can be found on the Buffalo Trace Website. Please send payment to the Eykamp Scout Center by January 12.

**Recharterers and Journey to Excellence (JTE) forms are due by January 30, 2020!**

## District Recognition Banquet

January 25, 2020

5pm-7pm (CST)

Community Methodist Church  
1548 S Hart Street Rd, Vincennes, IN  
Invitation to all Scout Leaders & Families



The district is hosting its annual recognition dinner for the adult leaders & families who volunteer their time and services to develop the skills, knowledge, and leadership of our Scouts. Dinner & drinks will be provided. Guests are asked to bring a dessert. We will be honoring the 2019 Eagle Scouts, District Award of Merit recipients and recognizing the units who earned the District Excellence Awards. Please send registrations to the Eykamp Scout Center or signup online by **January 20**. Registration forms are available on our district webpage.



## Spring Scouts BSA Camporee

April 24-26, 2020



The Buffalo Trace Council provides a fun filled Spring Camporee your Scouts won't want to miss! The theme will be How the West Was Won. Look for registration online to be posted early in the year, but add the event to your calendar now.



## CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP

June 17-19, 2020  
Vincennes, IN

Get ready for Cub Scout Day Camp. It is the highlight of the Cub Scout year and is one of the only times Cubs will get to participate in shooting sports. If you are interested in volunteering for camp, please contact Day Camp Director **Barry Baldwin**.

## SOAP BOX DERBY

June 19, 2020



We are having the soap box derby race the of Cub Scout Day Camp this year! Racers will race against others in their division and prizes will be awarded for each division. Please plan to build a race car with your den or pack prior to the event.



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 will help to provide a quality program to the youth in our organization. If you have questions or would like to schedule a presentation, please contact **Chris**.

# NATIVE TRAILS DISTRICT

Serving Gallatin, Posey, Vanderburgh, White Counties and the Newburgh

District Chair: Jon Keck 812.431.0356  
 District Commissioner: Joe Holtz 812.499.9520  
 District Executive: Abby Roberts 812.423.5246x214  
 Email: abigail.roberts@scouting.org

## January 2020

- 1 Facilities Closed, New Years Eve
- 2 Virtual Roundtable (office open)
- 3 Inventory Day-All Facilities Closed
- 9 Eagle Board, Eykamp Scout Center, 6:30pm
- 16 NT District Commissioner, Eykamp Scout Center; 6:00pm
- 16 NT District Committee, Eykamp Scout Center; 6:30pm
- 20 All Facilities Closed, Martin Luther King Jr Day
- 24 Volunteer Recognition Dinner, Deaconess Pavilion
- 31 Recharterers Due

## February 2020

- 6 Roundtable, Salem United Methodist Church, 6:30pm
- 8 Native Trails Merit Badge University, USI
- 13 Eagle Board, Eykamp Scout Center, 6:30pm
- 17 President's Day, All Facilities Closed
- 20 District Commissioners, Eykamp Scout Center, 6:00pm
- 20 District Committee Meeting, Eykamp Scout Center, 6:30pm
- 29 Council Court of Honor and Wood Badge Reunion

## You're Invited!

### Native Trails District Volunteer Recognition Dinner

Deaconess Pavilion; Gateway Campus  
**Friday, January 24, 2020**

The BSA is an organization that cannot function without volunteers. To thank you and the other volunteers that make the Native Trails District successful for all our Scouts, we invite you to our annual recognition dinner.

We will recognize the 2019 recipients of the District Award of Merit, the Unit Service Award, and Adult Training Awards. District Award of Merit and Silver Beaver Award nomination forms are on the Advancement page of our website.

RSVP online through the council calendar or the event on the Native Trails web page. Suggested dress: Scout Uniform or Business Attire.

*thank you!*

## RECHARTER!

Have you completed your recharter?  
 All recharterers are due Friday, January 31.

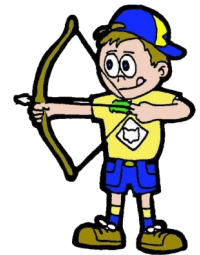
What do you need to do?

1. Pick up your recharter packet.
2. Login to My.Scouting.org. Click on Menu—Legacy Web Tools—Internet Rechartering.
3. Click the Register button and enter your unit information.
4. Follow the step by step process.
5. Finally, get the approval of your Institutional Head and submit payment.

Questions? Contact your Commissioner or Abby.

## SAVE THE DATE:

Cub Scout Day Camp  
 June 10-12  
 Price for all 3 days: \$55  
 Price for one day: \$25



Shooting Sports, Games, and Adventure!

## Membership & Marketing Minute

Before you complete your recharter, make sure to contact all your Scouts to see if they plan to return.

This is a great time to contact those families you haven't seen in a while, or maybe they only made it to one or two meetings. Ask them if there are any conflicts (scheduling, transportation, etc.) that are keeping them from attending meetings. If there are conflicts the unit cannot solve, ask the family to contact Abby at the Eykamp Scout Center. Abby can help them find a unit closer to home, a unit that meets on a different night, or help in some other way.

Don't assume that a family is no longer interested just because you haven't seen them in a while. A phone call may be just what they need to get involved again.

### Roundtable

Save the Date for a special Roundtable.

**Thursday, February 6—6:30 PM CT**

Salem United Methodist Church  
6311 Kratzville Rd Evansville, IN 47710

**Topic: Keeping Children Safe of the Internet**

Speaker: Amanda Giddings,  
Youth Educator for the  
Indiana State Police's Internet Crimes  
Against Children Task Force.

Join us to learn more about keeping  
your children and Scouts safe online.

### **Merit Badge University**

Saturday, February 8, 2020  
University of Southern Indiana

Join us for another Merit Badge University!  
Classes offered will include:

- Architecture
- Chemistry
- Chess
- Citizenship in the Community
- Citizenship in the Nation
- Citizenship in the World
- Communication
- Digital Technology
- Engineering
- Environmental Science
- Fire Safety
- First Aid
- Medicine
- Nuclear Science
- Personal Management
- Scuba Diving
- Textile
- Veterinary Medicine

Adult training will also be available.

Sign up online at  
<https://scoutingevent.com/156-2020USIMBU>

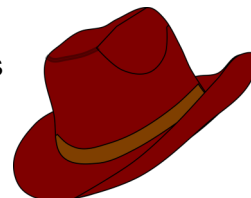
### **How the West Was Won Scout Camporee**

**April 24-26, 2020**

Save the date for a hootin' tootin' good time  
at the How the West Was Won Spring  
Camporee.

Stations will include:

- Archery and Tomahawks
- Rifle and Sling Shots
- Obstacle Course
- Stage Coach Race
- Gold panning and Leath-  
erwork
- Roping, branding, blacksmithing



Back by popular demand is the auction  
where Scouts can "buy" items to use in  
the chili cookoff.



### **Your Unit Could Earn Free Rank and Advancement for 2020**

If your unit has  
not scheduled a Friends of Scouting Presentation, do  
so now by contacting Friends of Scouting Chairman  
**Ted Stoen at 812-319-1148** or **Abby** at the Eykamp  
Scout Center. These presentations are about 10  
minutes long and can happen at any well attended unit  
event.

The funds raised through Friends of Scouting presen-  
tations help keep local Scouting alive and helps us  
provide quality programming to youth of all social, eco-  
nomic, and cultural backgrounds.

If your unit holds a presentation and raises \$37/active  
Scout you can earn free rank badges for the rest of the  
year. (Bobcat, Tiger, Wolf, Scout, Tenderfoot, Ventur-  
er, Pathfinder, etc.) If the unit raises \$52/active Scout  
you can earn free rank badges AND free advancement  
for the rest of the year. Advancement includes belt  
loops, Webelos pins, merit badges, and Venturing  
awards.

The sooner you hold your presentation the more your



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## 2020 COUNCIL CALENDAR

### JANUARY 2020

- 1 New Year's Day:  
**ALL FACILITIES CLOSED**
- 3 Inventory Day:  
**ALL FACILITIES CLOSED**
- 4 OA Winter Banquet
- 9 Ole Buzzards @ Eykamp
- 14 Commissioners Cabinet
- 20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day:  
**ALL FACILITIES CLOSED**
- 21 Executive Board Meeting  
& Annual Business Meeting
- 26 OA LEC @ Eykamp
- 31 **CHARTERS DUE @ EYKAMP**

### FEBRUARY 2020

- 3 Popcorn Evaluation Meeting
- 4 Properties Meeting
- 9 Scout Sunday
- 11 Program Group Meeting &  
Commissioners Cabinet
- 13 Ole Buzzards @ Eykamp
- 17 Presidents Day  
**ALL FACILITIES CLOSED**
- 18 Executive Committee Meeting
- 23 OA LEC
- 29 Council Court of Honor

### MARCH 2020

- 8 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS  
TIME BEGINS
- 10 Commissioners Cabinet
- 12 Ole Buzzards @ Eykamp
- 17 St. Patrick's Day  
OA LEC
- 21 OA Rank up and OA LEC @  
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