

BUFFALO TRACE COUNCIL PRESENTS

# COMPASS POINTS

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Scouting  America  
Buffalo Trace Council





# MEMBERSHIP TRAINING

*Let's round up and get together, to maximize our Scouting Program with ideas, guidance, and best practices for Cub Scouts and Scouts BSA 2025 Fall Recruitment*

**WEDNESDAY  
MAY 14, 2025**

**6PM (CST)**



**REGISTER NOW**

**MONDAY  
MAY 19, 2025**

**6PM (CST)**

**REGISTER NOW**



**SATURDAY  
MAY 31, 2025**

**9AM (CST)**



**REGISTER NOW**

**\*\*Choose a date that best fits your schedule\*\***

**Don't miss out on the chance to learn how to maximize your resources to help grow your unit.**



**Contact Us  
812-423-5246**



**Visit Our Website  
[www.buffalotracecouncil.org](http://www.buffalotracecouncil.org)**



**Our Location  
Eykamp Scout Center**





# EAGLE SCOUT

## INFORMATION

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March 2025

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April 2025

n/a

#### **ALGONKIAN**

March 2025

n/a

April 2025

Jonas Marshall Troop 240

#### **LINCOLN HERITAGE**

March 2025

Samuel Walters Troop 175

April 2025

Camden Graman Troop 185

Nora Welp Troop 186G





# **ORDER OF THE ARROW 2025 LODGE CALENDAR**

**MAY 2025**

**16-18TH - SPRING CONCLAVE**

**18TH - MONTHLY LEC\***

**JUNE 2025**

**7TH- SASH & BASH**

**22ND - MONTHLY LEC\***

**JULY 2025**

**13TH - MONTHLY LEC\***

**The most current calendar is available at**

**[kiondaga.org/events/](https://kiondaga.org/events/)**

**General Lodge Contact:  
[contact@kiondaga.org](mailto:contact@kiondaga.org)**

**\*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 AT 9AM.**



# GAITHER SCOUT SHOP

Hours of Operation  
Monday - Friday  
8:30am - 5pm (CST)



Eagle Scout  
Graduation Honor  
Cords

**\$12.99**



**\$5.99**

Eagle Scout Merit Badge  
Cupcake Picks

To place an order call 812.423.5246  
fax 812.423.4845, or email  
[administration@buffalotracecouncil.org](mailto:administration@buffalotracecouncil.org)



Eagle Scout Balloon  
Arch Kit

**\$19.99**

Open Saturday 9AM - 12PM (CT)

May 31

August 9th

September 13th

October 18th

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**GREAT PRICES!  
GREAT PEOPLE!**





# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Wood Badge 2025

Combined Course with Hoosier Trails Council  
September 5-7, 2025 (Maumee Scout Reservation)  
September 27-28, 2025 (Camp Carson)

Exciting, action-packed adult leadership program covered over the course of two weekends. Designed for councils to provide adult leader members with leadership skills and experience they can use in their Scouting positions and in other situations demanding leadership of self and others.



REGISTER NOW

## Mining in Society Merit Badge Day

Join us for a fun filled merit badge day at the Fort Branch campus of Vincennes University. You will finish your merit badge, go into a simulated mine, and get hand-on experience with real mining equipment.

Saturday July 26, 2025

Vincennes University Fort Branch Campus  
8100 US-41, Fort Branch, IN 47648



REGISTER NOW

## National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)

July 7-12, 2025

Embark on a Quest to find the Meaning of Leadership.

In partnership with Hoosier Trails Council.

MORE INFORMATION



REGISTER NOW





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# NATIONAL JAMBOREE

SUMMIT BECHTEL RESERVE  
**JULY 22-31**

Join Hoosier Trails & Buffalo Trace Council

The National Jamboree is Scouting's flagship event! Join thousands of Scouts from across the country at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia. With thrilling activities and the opportunity to elevate your Scouting journey, this is an event you will not want to miss.

## WHAT'S WAITING FOR YOU AT THE JAMBOREE?

- High-adventure activities like rock climbing, zip-lining, BMX biking, paddle boarding, and more.
- Cultural and leadership-building opportunities to help you grow as a Scout and a leader.
- Special celebrations marking the USA's 250th anniversary, bringing together Scouts from all over the nation.
- Opportunities for Scouts to challenge themselves, make memories, and push beyond limits.

### KEY DETAILS

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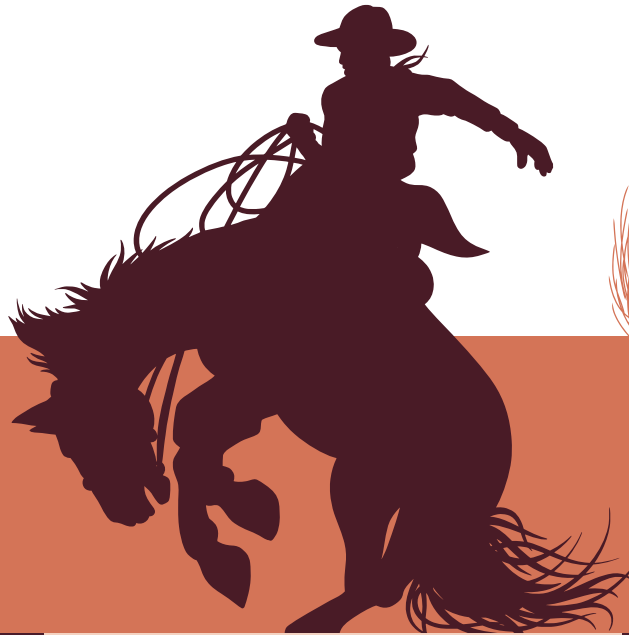


- [Jamboree.Scouting.org](https://Jamboree.Scouting.org) -



# WILD WEST ADVENTURE 2025 DAY CAMP

ENJOY THE SUMMER HEAT WITH SOME SUMMER FUN AT THE  
2025 DAY CAMP WHILE COMPLETING REQUIREMENTS FOR  
YOUR NEW RANK, INCLUDING BBS, ARCHERY, STEM  
ACTIVITIES, ARTS & CRAFTS, GAMES, AND MORE!



## EVANSVILLE LOCATION

JUNE 3-6, 2025

EYKAMP SCOUT CENTER  
3501 E. LLOYD EXPY  
EVANSVILLE, IN 47715

## HUNTINGBURG LOCATION

JUNE 10-13, 2025

DUBOIS COUNTY 4-H  
FAIRGROUNDS  
4157 S. STATE ROAD 162  
HUNTINGBURG, IN 47542

## VINCENNES LOCATION

JUNE 18-20, 2025

OUIABACHE TRAILS PARK  
3500 N LOWER FORT  
KNOX RD.  
VINCENNES, IN 47591

**REGISTER NOW**



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# 2024 POPCORN TOP SELLER OTTERS GAME



**SATURDAY,  
MAY 10, 2025**



# POPCORN UNIVERSITY TRAINING

**Join us to learn about the 2025 Buffalo Trace Council Popcorn Sale! This popcorn training is designed for both new and returning Popcorn Kernels. One person from each unit is encouraged to attend. Lots of great information will be shared. Everyone will benefit from attending! Council will provide each unit several items to support your store front sales at the training. Be sure to register and attend!**

**Vincennes University Ft. Branch Campus**

**Saturday, July 12, 2025**

**Registration 8:00 AM (Central Time)**

**Training 8:30 AM to Noon (Central Time)**

**REGISTER NOW**



# EXCLUSIVE STORE ACCESS



**SHOP OUR FAMILY OF BRANDS AT 40% OFF RETAIL PRICING**

**Buffalo Trace Council, Boy Scouts of America**

**VALID DATES**

**05/16/2025- 06/08/2025**

**VALID FOR YOU +  
4 GUESTS**

**WHAT TO BRING**

**THIS INVITATION  
PHOTO I.D.**

**LOCATION & HOURS**

2480 US Hwy 41 N.  
Henderson, KY 42420

SUN - THUR: 10A - 6P

FRI - SAT: 10A - 7P

**YEAR-ROUND ACCESS**

**MILITARY & FIRST RESPONDERS: EVERY DAY**

**SENIORS (65+): TUESDAYS**

**PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY REQUIRED + 4 GUESTS INCLUDED**



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Questions? Please email: [kentuckyemployeestore@columbia.com](mailto:kentuckyemployeestore@columbia.com)

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Donors who give \$100 or more will receive a 2025 FOS Council Strip via mail.



Scouts attending FOS Presentations will receive a 2025 FOS Patch.

# 2025

## FRIENDS OF SCOUTING CAMPAIGN

MAKE YOUR OWN TRAIL. LIFE IS AN ADVENTURE.

Your Pack, Troop, or Crew can earn FREE Rank/Advancement during the 2025 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 rank/advancement.

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, Yard Signs, Training, and Program Planning Materials. **The Council also uses Friends of Scouting to provide critical Membership/Registration, Uniform, and Campership Assistance.**

Contact your District Professional today to schedule your Unit's presentation in 2025!

### Level 1 (\$45 per Scout)

Rank Patches Only

#### Packs

Lion  
Bobcat  
Tiger  
Wolf  
Bear  
Webelos  
Arrow of Light

#### Troops

Scout  
Tenderfoot  
First Class  
Second Class  
Star  
Life  
Eagle

#### Crews

Venturing  
Discovery  
Pathfinder  
Summit



### Level 2 (\$60 per Scout)

Rank & Advancements

#### Packs

Rank  
Belt Loops  
Adventure Pins

#### Troops

Ranks  
Merit Badges

#### Crews

Ranks  
Quest  
Trust  
Ranger



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.

## 2025 FREE RANK PROGRAM

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

**Pack 301, Troop 315, Troop 335**

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

**Pack 151, Troop 102, Troop 186G,  
Troop 301, Troop 305, Troop 312,  
Troop 375, Troop 211, Pack 362, Pack  
385, Pack 399**

**CONTACT YOUR DISTRICT PROFESSIONAL TO SCHEDULE  
YOUR 2025 FOS PRESENTATION FOR YOUR UNIT.**

### **LINCOLN HERITAGE**

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# COUNCIL CALENDAR

## MAY

- 1 Ideal Year of Scouting
- 3 Fishing Derby  
Survey Merit Badge
- 5 Cinco de Mayo
- 6 LH - Eagle Board of Review
- 8 NT- Eagle Board of Review  
ALG- Eagle Board of Review
- 10 Popcorn Recognition Otters Game
- 11 Mother's Day
- 14 Recruitment Training  
Staff Meeting
- 15 LH - District Committee Meeting  
ALG - District Committee Meeting  
NT - District Committee Meeting
- 16-18 OA Ordeal
- 18 OA- LEC
- 19 Recruitment Training  
Commissioner's Cabinet
- 20 Executive Committee Meeting
- 26 Memorial Day OFFICE CLOSED
- 28 Staff Meeting
- 31 Recruitment Training  
Scout Shop Open 9-Noon

## JUNE

- 3 LH - Eagle Board of Review
- 3-5 Evansville Day Camp
- 5 ALG - Eagle Board of Review
- 7 OA - Sash & Bash
- 10-13 Huntingburg Day Camp
- 12 NT - Eagle Board of Review
- 15 Father's Day
- 18-20 Vincennes Day Camp
- 19 ALG- District Committee Meeting  
NT- District Committee Meeting  
Juneteenth National Independence Day
- 22 OA LEC
- 25 Staff Meeting

## JULY

- 1 LH - Eagle Board of Review
- 4 Independence Day (Office Closed)
- 9 Staff Meeting
- 10 ALG - Eagle Board of Review  
NT - Eagle Board of Review
- 12 Popcorn University
- 13 OA LEC
- 14 Commissioner's Cabinet
- 17 NT - District Committee Meeting  
ALG - District Committee Meeting  
LH - District Committee Meeting
- 22 Executive Committee Meeting
- 23 Staff Meeting
- 23-24 Popcorn Storefront Signups with TE
- 26 Mining in Society Merit Badge Day 2025

*Stay  
Tuned*





# 2024 ANNUAL REPORT

Check out the 2024 Annual Report the Impact of YOU on the Council's Website:

<https://www.buffalotracecouncil.org/about-us>



**UNITED WAY**

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

## LICENSE PLATE INFORMATION



### INDIANA LICENSE

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!

### ILLINOIS LICENSE

Did you know that you can support Buffalo Trace Council by purchasing an Eagle Scout license plate in Indiana/Illinois? License plate registration application forms may be obtained in person at most Secretary of State facilities, by mail, by visiting [www.cyberdriveillinois.com](http://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.

**Complete details are on the BMV website or at a local licensing branch.**



**Council President: Dr. David Hayhurst**  
**Council Commissioner: Joe Holtz**  
**Scout Executive: John Harding**  
**Compass Points Editor: Jennifer Carapia**

# **Mission Statement**

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

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