**BUFFALO TRACE COUNCIL** 

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EAGLE SCOUT



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<u>January 2025</u> n/a

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EAGLE BOARD OF REVIEW Meet 2nd Thursday of every Month EAGLE BOARD OF REVIEW Meet 1st Thursday of every Month EAGLE BOARD OF REVIEW Meet 1st Tuesday of every Month

# ORDER OF THE ARROW

March 2025 23rd - Monthly LEC\* 29th - Rank Up

> April 2025 11-13th - Section Conclave 27th - Monthly LEC\*

May 2025 16-18th - Spring Conclave 18th - Monthly LEC\*

#### 2025 OA RANK UP Saturday, March 29, 2025

Rank Up is an opportunity for Scouts BSA working on ranks up to First Class to learn from Arrowmen in the Order of the Arrow to complete requirements and obtain needed skills to RANK UP!

**REGISTER NOW** 

The most current calendar is available at

<u>kiondaga.org/events/</u>

General Lodge Contact: 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.

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# **UNIT AND MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

#### **REMEMBER!**

Unit Renewal and Membership Renewal are now two separate processes.

### **UNIT RENEWAL**

Be sure to complete the Unit Renewal Pre-Check to ensure a smooth process!

All adult leaders have up-to-date Youth Protection Training. For a guide to check your unit's training status click <u>here</u>!

All leaders are registered in the correct leadership positions AND all required positions are covered.

All youth meet the age requirement for the program.

Submit new signed CBC Authorization forms for all adult leaders to council. For a blank form, click <u>here.</u>

All Unit Pin information is correct and up-to-date. Click <u>here</u> for guidance.

The Unit Renewal fee is \$100 and can be paid online with a credit card or ACH.

### MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

2025 Membership Fees

Youth: \$85 Adult: \$65 Merit Badge Counselor only: \$25 Scout Life subscription: \$15 All memberships are for a 12-month period.

Membership Renewals can be completed online by the individual OR by the unit and fees can be paid with a credit card or ACH.

Renewals can also be completed by Council, please fill out the Member Renewal Request Form available <u>here</u> or on our website and submit it with payment to the office.

\*Note: Individuals applying for financial assistance MUST complete their renewal at Council.

#### District/Council Renewal

Council Members-at-Large will be voted in on January 28, 2025. Chartered Organization Representatives and duly elected council members-at-large are eligible to vote and are strongly encouraged to attend. Members who need to renew will receive an email inviting them to renew.

**CLICK HERE** 

#### Have Questions?

Visit the Membership Resources page on our website for guides, forms, and other resources.

# MEMBERSHIP TRAINING

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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

# **SAVE THE DATES!**

WEDNESDAY MAY 14, 2025 MONDAY MAY 19, 2025 SATURDAY MAY 31, 2025

\*\*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.





Visit Our Website www.buffalotracecouncil.org



Our Location Eykamp Scout Center

# \* MERIT BADGE \* \* UNIVERSITY 2025

On behalf of the Buffalo Trace Council, we would like to extend our appreciation to all of the volunteers, talented Merit Badge Counselors, and faculty members of Vincennes University. Scouts who participated in the Algonkian District Merit Badge University had the opportunity to learn a variety of merit badges like Swimming, Robotics, Welding, Geology, First Aid, Chemistry, Citizenship in the Nation, etc. Scouts were able to accomplish merit badge requirements to work towards their Eagle Scout Rank.

The Buffalo Trace Council thanks the Scouts and Volunteer Leaders who helped make the Native Trails District Merit Badge University at USI on February 22, 2025, a resounding success. We are especially grateful to have celebrated the 30th Anniversary of MBU at the University of Souther Indiana and appreciate the time and effort of the faculty and staff to make 1995-2025 memorable for generations of BTC Scouts and Scouters.

St. Joseph Catholic Church 1029 Kundeck St. Jasper, IN 47546 Saturday, March 15, 2025

# TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

#### Wilderness First Aid Training

Wilderness First Aid Training is intended for anyone planning a remote high adventure. It will prepare participants to identify and address medical issues that can arise.

March 21-22, 2025

**REGISTER NOW** 

#### QPR Suicide <u>Prevention Training</u>

Saturday, March 15, 2025 Ask a question, save a life.

Available at the Jasper MBU



# Training Weekend

April 12-13, 2025

#### Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation

BALOO is a fun, exciting, and required training for all those in your Pack who are in charge of conducting a Pack family campout. Packs conducting overnight campouts 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!

#### Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills

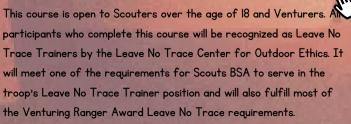
REGISTER NOW

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 Scoutcraft skills is a must for a Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster, and Venturing Crew Advisor to be successful.

#### Leave No Trace Training

#### 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 📏

#### 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**

# UPCOMING EVENTS

#### **Jasper MBU**

Saturday, March 15, 2025 St. Joseph Parish Center Jasper, IN Variety of Merit Badges Available - register today for a spot! Adults take a look at what trainings are available!

**GISTER NOW** 

#### **Fishing Derby**

The Fishing Derby is a great time for our Cub Scouts to come out and see if they can catch the biggest fish of the day! Dubois County Park Lake and Nature Area (Adjacent to Dubois County 4-H Fairgrounds) May 3, 2025

#### Super Scout Bros Council Camporee

Get ready for an epic weekend of fun, games, challenges, and more at our GAME ON Challenge Weekend! April 25-27, 2025 Camp Reveal in Evansville, IN 47725

#### <u>Survey Merit Badge Day</u>

Discover how land is measured and how it is described so others know where boundary lines are. In partnership with Southwest Chapter of the Indiana Society of Professional Land Surveyors on

Saturday, May 3, 2025

Eykamp Scout Center

REGISTER

NOW

#### SAVE DATE Fire Safety & Search and Rescue <u>Merit Badge Day</u>

In partnership with Mid-American Air Center, The Lawrenceville-Vincennes International Airport Saturday, May 3, 2025 Eykamp Scout Center



Council Court of Honor

Honoring the Young Men & Women Who Achieved the Rank of Eagle Scout in 2024.

> Saturday, April 5, 2025 4pm (CST) Oakland City University Student Life Center 720 West Sherman Street Oakland City, IN 47660

\*\*Advance Reservations are Required; Sorry, No Walk-Ins\*\*



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#### **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

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



# Attend the 2026 National Jamboree

#### Join the Mountaineer Area Council contingent

#### WHAT IS A JAMBOREE?

The Summit Bechtel Reserve



The Jamboree provides memories like no other Scouting event where an estimated 20,000 participants from across the United States along with visitors from other countries converge to experience all that Scouting has to offer. The Summit provides a world class outdoor playground for 10 days to celebrate Scouting.

#### **CAN I PARTICIPATE?**

**Boys and Girls**... Scouting America Scouts who are at least 12 years old and no older than 17 years old by the start of the Jamboree. If a Venturing Crew is added participants must be at least 13 years of age and completed the 8th grade or the age of 14 and no more than 20 years old before the start of the Jamboree.

Adult leaders are also needed for the council contingent.

#### HOW MUCH?

\$2200 via a payment plan ... Yes, this is a lot of money, BUT participants receive:

- Full access to The Summit and all Jamboree activities for 10 days. Visitors don't have nearly as much fun.
- All meals for the Jamboree and pre-Jamboree activities
- Jamboree commemorative travel bag and day pack
- MAC BSA Jamboree 2026 t-shirts & hat

MAC BSA Jamboree 2026 patches for keeping and trading

- Transportation to & from The Summit
- Memorable experiences and lasting friendships

Scholarships based on need are available

#### HOW DO I SIGN UP?

Go to www.macbsa.org and click the Jamboree 2026

jamboree@macbsa.org (304) 366-3940







# THURSDAY, MAY 1, 2025 6PM (CST)

NEWBURGH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 4178 IN-261, NEWBUGH, IN 47630

### \$10 MEAL ENTRY

WWW.BUFFALOTRACECOUNCIL.ORG

# POPCORN RECOGNITION

On behalf of the Council, we would like to thank you all for a successful year! We had an amazing Popcorn Sale for 2024! Thank you for all of your support! Your hard work has gone a long way, to support our Scouts and our Future Leaders!



<u>Order your Shirt Today!</u>



# TOP 100 POPCORN SELLERS 2024

	1.	Troop 374G	Alexandria P.	\$17,672	51.	Pack 369	Jedidiah K.	\$1,746
	2.	Troop 375	Vincent B.	\$6,125		Pack 226	Luke G.	\$1,743
	3.	Pack 325	Aiden B.	\$5,849	53.	Pack 369	Jadon K.	\$1,714
	4.	Pack 369	Miguel T.	\$4,525	54.	Pack 369	Deacon S.	\$1,682
	5.	Troop 371	Oliver C.	\$4,297	55.	Troop 315	Evie L.	\$1,681
	6.	Pack 246	Ellis L.	\$3,844	56.	Troop 350B	Mason A.	\$1,665
	7.	Pack 246	Jamie C.	\$3,778	57.	Pack 371	Dominic G.	\$1,647
	8.	Pack 369	Michael H.	\$3,640	58.	Pack 369	Arkin S.	\$1,637
	9.	Pack 369	Riddik B.	\$3,497	59.	Pack 246	Henry C.	\$1,629
	10.	Pack 245	Isaiah I.	\$3,424	60.	Pack 369	Avery G.	\$1,615
	11.	Pack 186	Jeremiah S.	\$3,235	61.	Pack 240	Xavier G.	\$1,610
	12.	Pack 186	Keyton F.	\$3,234	62.	Pack 325	Aiden G.	\$1,593
	13	Troop 371	Brody E.	\$3,195	63.	Troop 371	Adam S.	\$1,590
	14.	Troop 374G	EllaAnn C.	\$3,065	64.	Pack 246	William B.	\$1,582
	15.	Troop 315	Scott H.	\$3,039	65.	Pack 246	Aticus B.	\$1,579
	16.	Pack 325	Hunter M.	\$2,808	66.	Pack 369	Sudarshan N.	\$1,573
	17.	Pack 270	Christian W.	\$2,770	67.	Pack 369	Cooper S.	\$1,557
	18.	Troop 374G	Adaleigh L.	\$2,757	68.	Pack 369	Henry W.	\$1,556
	19.	Pack 182	Ashlyn H.	\$2,687	69.	Pack 369	Grant N.	\$1,553
	20.	Pack 246	Zander Z.	\$2,687	70.	Pack 369	Stephen H.	\$1,550
	21.	Pack 185	Rueger M.	\$2,680	71.	Pack 369	Kingston W.	\$1,549
	22.	Pack 182	Lauren H.	\$2,674	72.	Pack 170	Tanner B.	\$1,540
	23.	Pack 369	Matias T.	\$2,652	73.	Pack 369	Ella W.	\$1,531
	24.	Pack 301	Noah K.	\$2, 618	74.	Pack 369	Andrew E.	\$1,529
-	25.	Pack 369	Logan R.	\$2, 563	75.	Troop 315	Cora W.	\$1,521
	26.	Pack 369	Jack R.	\$2,552	76.	Pack 369	Bentley B.	\$1,520
	27.	Pack 170	Corbin M.	\$2,514	77.	Pack 369	Alice H.	\$1,519
	28.	Troop 186B	Maximilian P.	\$2,400	78.	Pack 369	Bentley H.	\$1,515
	29.	Pack 226	Paul C.	\$2,386	79.	Pack 369	Korbin H.	\$1,513
	30.	Pack 186	Matthew C.	\$2,363	80.	Pack 369	Liam H.	\$1,510
	31.	Pack 186	Ezekial P.	\$2,295	81.	Pack 369	Luke S.	\$1,510
	32.	Pack 369	Simon M.	\$2,285	82.	Pack 369	Crew E.	\$1,510
	33.	Pack 371	Luca H.	\$2,283	83.	Pack 369	Jameson C.	\$1,505
	34.	Pack 350	Nolan M.	\$2,264	84.	Troop 350G	Raegan B.	\$1,493
	35.	Troop 315	William W.	\$2,261	85.	Pack 305	William H.	\$1,483
	36.	Pack 369	Mark R.	\$2,245	86.	Troop 301	John D.	\$1,465
	37.	Pack 325	Eddie K.	\$2,125	87.	Pack 246	William M.	\$1,463
	38.	Pack 163	Elliott M	\$2,120	88.	Pack 325	Xavier A.	\$1,449
	39.	Pack 226	Ethan M.	\$2, 030	89.	Pack 182	Wrigley B.	\$1,445
	40.	Pack 369	Bennett S.	\$2,000	90.	Pack 325	Brantley A.	\$1,444
	41.	Troop 315	Brogan W.	\$1,987	91.	Pack 245	Zane J.	\$1,422
	42.	Troop 211	Ian B.	\$1,926	92.	Troop 292	Riley R.	\$1,408
	43.	Pack 369	Liam W.	\$1,920	93.	Pack 246	Bennjamin Z.	\$1,400
	44.	Pack 270	Colin F.	\$1,899	94.	Pack 325	Kase S.	\$1,399
	45.	Pack 369	Roisin W.	\$1,874	95.	Pack 325	Asher L.	\$1,396
	46.	Pack 369	Ryan M.	\$1,815	96.	Troop 245	Austin W.	\$1,393
	47.	Pack 325	Fiona L.	\$1,793	97.	Pack 246	Noah H.	\$1,388
	48.	Pack 325	Nolan W.	\$1,784	98.	Pack 312	Wesley D.	\$1,327
	49.	Pack 369	James C.	\$1,765	99.	Pack 240	Salem S.	\$1,325
	50.	Pack 182	Tristan C.	\$1,764	100	Pack 305	Luke V.	\$1,325

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

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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. <u>The Council also uses Friends of Scouting</u> to provide critical Membership/Registration, Uniform, and Campership Assistance.

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

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Packs Lion Bobcat Tiger Wolf Bear Webelos	<u>Troops</u> Scout Tenderfoot First Class Second Class Star Life	<u>Crews</u> Venturing Discovery Pathfinder Summit	Packs Rank Belt Loops Adventure Pins	<u>Troops</u> Ranks Merit Badges	<u>Crews</u> Ranks Quest Trust Ranger		
Arrow of Light	Eagle		FOR SCOUTS				

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



301, Troop 305, Troop 312

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

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# 2024 ANNUAL REPORT

Check out the 2024 Annual Report the Imact of YOU on the Council's Website: <u>https://www.buffalotracecouncil.org/about-us</u>





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 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 CALENDAR**

### MARCH

- 1 Catholic Retreat Scout Reach Pinewood Derby Race Popcorn Recognition Game
- 4 LH- Eagle Board of Review Staff Meeting
- 5 Ash Wednesday
- 6 Algonkian Roundtable ALG- Eagle Board of Review
- 8 Cub Scout Parent-N-Pal
- 9 Daylight Savings
- 10 Commissioner's Cabinet
- 13 NT- Eagle Board of Review
- 15 Lincoln Heritage MBU and Leadership Training
- 17 St. Patrick's Day
- 19 Staff Meeting
- 20 ALG- District Committee Meeting LH- District Committee Meeting NT- District Committee Meeting
- 21-22 Wilderness First Aid Training
- 23 OA- LEC
- 24-28 EVSC, Warrick, Gibson County Spring Break
- 29 OA Rank Up

### MAY

- 1 Ideal Year of Scouting
- 3 Fishing Derby
- Algonkian MBU (draft)
- 5 Cinco de Mayo
- 6 LH Eagle Board of Review
- 8 NT- Eagle Board of Review LH- Eagle Board of Review
- 10 Popcorn Recognition Otters Game Scout Shop
- 11 Mother's Day
- **12-14 National BSA Meeting**
- 14 Recruitment Training Staff Meeting

# APRIL

- 1 LH Eagle Board of Review
- 2 Range & Target Activity Committee Meeting Staff Meeting
- 3 ALG- Eagle Board of Review
- 5 2025 Council Court of Honor
- 7-9 Phone-a-thon
- 8 Program Committee Meeting
- 10 NT- Eagle Board of Review ALG- District Committee Meeting LH- District Committee Meeting NT- District Committee Meeting
- 11-13 OA- Section Conclave
- 12 Scout Shop Scout Reach Field Day Sporting Clay Classic
- 12-13 Spring IOLS Training Spring Leave No Trace Trainer Course Spring BALOO
- 14 Commissioner's Cabinet
- 15 Executive Board Meeting
- 16 Staff Meeting
- 18 Good Friday OFFICE CLOSED
- 20 Easter Sunday
- 21 Membership Meeting
- 23 Administration Professional Day- (Staff Training) OFFICE CLOSED
- 25-27 Council Camporee
- 27 OA- LEC
- 30 Staff Meeting

# MAY CONT.

- 15 LH District Committee Meeting ALG - District Committee Meeting NT - District Committee Meeting
- 16-18 OA Ordeal
- 17 Cub Scout Parent & Pal
- 18 OA- LEC
- 19 Recruitment Training Commissioner's Cabinet
- 20 Executive Committee Meeting
- 26 Memorial Day OFFICE CLOSED
- 28 Staff Meeting
- 31 Recruitment Training

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

# Mission Statement

The mission of the Butfalo 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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