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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



While in elementary school, Ken Steltenpohl was riding his bicycle at the end of his driveway when his father walked up to him and said, "You're going to be a Boy Scout." Ken wasn't immediately thrilled with the statement his father made, but after joining his Cub Pack, he found out that he enjoyed scouting. Ken enjoyed scouting so much that he never left and will celebrate his 68th year in scouting this September.

Working as waterfront director at Camp Carnes, Ken was asked by his scoutmaster, "How are you doing on your eagle?" Ken shrugged his shoulders in response. His scoutmaster told him that you either finish your eagle before you're 18, or I'm going to kick your butt. This nudge helped push him down the path, earning the coveted Eagle Scout rank in 1965. After graduating from Jasper High School, He attended Lockyear Business College where he graduated in 1967. Immediately after college he enlisted in the Air Force where he served as Staff Sergeant until 1971. During his years in college and the Air Force he actively helped with scout troops from Kansas City, Missouri to Hawaii. Ken completed his service in the Air Force in November 1971 and was the Scoutmaster of Jasper Troop 185 the following January.

Ken learned early that every scout needs a push no matter who they are. This early lesson helped him guide almost 50 youth to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout during his 16 years as Scoutmaster at Troop 185. During his time as Scoutmaster, he earned his Wood Badge beads, Order of the Arrow Vigil Award, St George Catholic Scouting Award and the Silver Beaver Award in 1983. Ken's wife Sarah played a big part in helping with the troop and his son David also earned his Eagle. Professionally, Ken worked for 35 years at Dubois County Bank and Old National Bank, where he worked in Security & Compliance and eventually became Vice President.

Ken has built his life around service to others. He has been a member of the Knights of Columbus and the American Legion Post 147 since 1972, served on the Junior Achievement board as treasurer for 23 years and as a Holy Family Eucharistic Minister for 45 years.

In 2007 Ken took over as Chief Buzzard of the Ole Buzzards, which is group of volunteer scouters who, in the past, maintained Old Ben Scout Reservation and currently helps with the upkeep of the Eykamp Scout Center. Along with his duties running the Buzzards, he served as Old Ben Camp Ranger from May 2016 to April 2023 and currently serves as the Vice President of Properties for the Buffalo Trace Council since January of 2018 and has been on the Executive board since 2013.

Scouting is still a big part of his heart. His favorite part of being a scouter is seeing the twinkle in a scout's eyes when they have learned something; that's his paycheck.

Ken Steltenpohl has made a positive impact on countless lives through his dedication to help and serve others. Personally, he has had a positive impact on my life; strengthening my desire to be the best scouter I can be. On behalf of the Buffalo Trace Council, thank you for everything you have done and continue to do for scouting.

Written by: Christian South-Alderson



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

2024 MEMBERSHIP FEES

EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2024

NATIONAL FEE

\$85/YR

YOUTH MEMBERS

\$15/YR

SCOUT LIFE MAGAZINE



NATIONAL FEE

\$65/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.

UNIT CHARTER FEE

\$100/YR

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 Financial Assistance Application Form.

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EAGLE SCOUT

INFORMATION



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NATIVE TRAILS

January 2024

n/a

ALGONKIAN

January 2024

n/a

LINCOLN HERITAGE

January 2024

Evan Mitchell - Troop 170

Caleb Humbert - Troop 181

Sean Nord - Troop 185

February 2024

Sarah Market - Troop 374G

Isaac Deeg - Troop 397

Brock Heneisen - Troop 397

February 2024

Devon Noel - Troop 210

Michael Watry - Troop 210

February 2024

Bryce Memmer - Troop 186B

Audrey Hoffman - Troop 186G

EAGLE BOARD OF REVIEW
Meet 2nd Thursday of every Month

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Meet 1st Thursday of every Month

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Meet 1st Tuesday of every Month

MERIT BADGE DAYS



VINCENNES MBU

On behalf of the Buffalo Trace Council, we would like to thank all the Scouts that participated in the Algonkian District Merit Badge University. The day was full of fun and excitement which wouldn't have been possible without the help of our loyal volunteers and talented Merit Badge Counselors. We would like to extend our gratitude to Vincennes University for providing their wonderful facilities for the day. A special thanks to Laura Carie, Director of University Events and Special Projects and Andrew Corless, Biology Department Chair at Vincennes University for helping organize such a successful event.

USI MBU

The Buffalo Trace Council thanks it's Scouts and Volunteer Leaders for helping to make the Native Trails District Merit Badge University at USI a roaring success. Particular thanks and acknowledgements: University of Southern Indiana; Perry Township Fire Department; USI Accounting Circle; Merit Badge Counselors; Adult Leader Trainers; Carmen & Ted Stoen; Lindsey G; Guest Speaker, Clinton Pedigo; and Kiondaga Lodge, Order of the Arrow.

JASPER MBU

Saturday, March 16, 2024
Check In: 7AM (CST)/ 8AM (EST)
St. Joseph Catholic Church
1029 Kundeck St.
Jasper, IN 47546



REGISTER NOW

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 15-16, 2024

 REGISTER NOW

New Cub Scout Program

Saturday, March 16, 2024

9AM (CST)/ 10AM (EST)

Presentation on Upcoming Changes to
Cub Scout Program

Via Zoom or Available at the Jasper MBU

[Zoom Link](#) 

Training Weekend

April 20-21, 2024

REGISTER
NOW!

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

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.

REGISTER
NOW

Leave No Trace Training

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 Leave 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.

REGISTER NOW 

Membership Meeting

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

Eykamp Scout Center
5:30PM (CST)

We need your assistance with growing membership within our units. Do you have ideas or have an interest in assisting our units/ Council with growing membership. Join Us!

NRA Training

Information to be announced as soon as it is confirmed.

Please check back soon.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Saturday, March 16, 2024



Register & Questions Contact:

CONTACT



812-435-08809

education@meskerparkzoo.com

Jasper MBU

Saturday, March 16, 2024

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!

REGISTER NOW

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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)

April 6, 2024

REGISTER NOW

Council Court of Honor

Join us for a special celebration! The Council Court of Honor is a time to celebrate our Scouts and Volunteers. Everyone is invited to recognize our 2023 Eagle Scout, Silver Beaver and District Award of Merit recipients, Scouting Scholarship recipients, Eagle Scout Project of the Year Award winner, and other special recognitions.

April 6, 2024

Aldersgate United Methodist Church

Gardening Merit Badge Day

Join us for an educational day filled with gardening and scouting. In partnership with Southwestern Indiana Master Gardener Association

Saturday, April 20, 2024

Eykamp Scout Center

Save the Date

Flannels & Flapjacks Camporee

A camporee is a fun weekend filled with Scouts BSA skill competitions and meeting other Scouts from around the area.

April 26-28, 2024

Old Ben Campground

REGISTER NOW

UPCOMING EVENTS

Ideal Year of Scouting

Thursday, May 2, 2024

All are welcome to attend.

More Information Coming Soon!

Animal Science Merit Badge Day

Learn about numerous animals ranging from cattle to emu and all sorts in between! Join us to learn to make your own butter!

Saturday, May 4, 2024

Farm Bureau Building

Knox County 4-H Fair Grounds

SAVE!
THE DATE

Parent & Pal

Saturday, May 11, 2024

More Information Coming Soon!

Colors Retirement Ceremony

Saturday, May 11, 2024

More Information Coming Soon!

**REGISTER
NOW!**

Spring Field Day

Join us for an amazing time filled with lots of laughter and fun! We have a wide range of activities to choose from! This event is open to all Scouts! Bring the family and come out for a day of Scouting Activities, Food, Obstacle Course, Space Activities, Shooting Sports, and much more

April 13, 2024 from 9-Noon

ORDER OF THE ARROW

2024 KIONDAGA LODGE CALENDAR

REGISTER NOW



MARCH 2024

- 9TH - RANK UP @ANGEL MOUNDS STATE HISTORIC SITE @9-2PM (CST)
- 24TH - PRE-LEC ADVISER MEETING @EYKAMP SCOUT CENTER @1PM (CST)
- 24TH - LODGE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING @EYKAMP SCOUT CENTER @2PM (CST)

APRIL 2024

- 12TH - 14TH - SECTION CONCLAVE @CAMP CHIEF LITTLE TURTLE
- 28TH - LODGE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING @EYKAMP SCOUT CENTER @2PM (CST)

MAY 2024

- 17TH - 19TH - SPRING CONCLAVE AND ORDEAL
- 19TH - LODGE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The most current calendar is available at
kiondaga.org/events/

General Lodge Contact: contact@kiondaga.org



DAY CAMP 2024

Early Registration ends 30 days prior to event date.

HUNTINGBURG LOCATION:

June 4-7, 2024

REGISTER NOW

Dubois County 4-H Fairgrounds

4157 IN-162

Huntingburg, IN 47542

EVANSVILLE LOCATION:

June 11-14, 2024

REGISTER NOW

Eykamp Scout Center

3501 E. Lloyd Expressway

Evansville, IN 47715

VINCENNES LOCATION:

June 19-21, 2024

REGISTER NOW

Ouabache Trails Park

3500 N. Lower Fort Knox Rd.

Vincennes, IN 47591





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- Kayaking
- Scuba diving



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- Fishing
- International
- Winter Expeditions



PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH

- Backpacking
- Rock Climbing
- Shooting Sports
- Horseback Riding
- Living History



THE SUMMIT

- High Adventure
- Summer Camp
- Rock Climbing
- Shooting Sports
- Zip Lining

**THE THRILL OF HIGH ADVENTURE RUNS AT THE CORE OF THE SCOUTING
EXPERIENCE. NOW YOU CAN EXPERIENCE A ONE-OF-A-KIND ADVENTURE,
WHETHER INVOLVED IN A SCOUTING PROGRAM OR NOT!**



High Adventure Invitation

Further Information



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 2023! Thank you for all of your support! Your hard work has gone a long way, to support our Scouts and our Future Leaders!



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TOP SELLER

Miguel T.
\$13,627.36



Top Online Seller:

Logan S.
\$1,257.00

Top Family:
Trevino Family
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Top Unit:
Pack 369
Newburgh, IN

Each Scout in the Top 100 and Top Family
will receive their shirt FREE of CHARGE!

Order your Shirt Today!

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NOW**

TOP 100 POPCORN SELLERS

1. Pack 369	Miguel T.	\$13,627.36	51. Pack 369	Josiah K.	\$1,814.06
2. Pack 369	Michael H.	\$7,441.04	52. Pack 369	Keegan D.	\$1,798.12
3. Troop 375	Vincent B.	\$7,360.00	53. Pack 371	Adam S.	\$1,751.00
4. Pack 369	Riddik B.	\$6,856.31	54. Pack 350	Nathaniel S.	\$1,731.00
5. Troop 374G	Alexandria P.	\$6,780.00	55. Pack 369	Aiden P.	\$1,720.75
6. Pack 270	Christian W.	\$6,305.00	56. Troop 315B	Brogan W.	\$1,704.50
7. Pack 325	Aiden B.	\$5,432.18	57. Pack 246	Ledger P.	\$1,686.91
8. Troop 350G	Raegan B.	\$4,524.58	58. Pack 369	Landon S.	\$1,668.76
9. Troop 130	Brogan S.	\$3,913.00	59. Pack 186	Audrie B.	\$1,659.43
10. Pack 246	Ellis L.	\$3,744.00	60. Pack 100	BrentLee W.	\$1,645.10
11. Troop 371	Brody E.	\$3,317.50	61. Pack 240	Isaac D.	\$1,645.00
12. Pack 325	Talon L.	\$3,090.42	62. Pack 240	Xavier F.	\$1,640.00
13. Pack 393	Grey K.	\$3,040.00	63. Troop 301	John D.	\$1,630.50
14. Troop 315B	Scott H.	\$2,876.06	64. Pack 325	Zachary H.	\$1,622.83
15. Pack 325	Christian H.	\$2,810.69	65. Pack 325	Fiona L.	\$1,622.75
16. Pack 369	Easton R.	\$2,800.95	66. Pack 246	Benjamin Z.	\$1,609.94
17. Pack 186	Jeremiah S.	\$2,578.59	67. Pack 369	Sudarshan N.	\$1,607.13
18. Troop 371	Oliver C.	\$2,569.00	68. Pack 186	Matthew C.	\$1,595.50
19. Pack 186	Jaxton B.	\$2,557.50	69. Pack 186	Michael C.	\$1,595.50
20. Pack 369	Cooper S.	\$2,517.95	70. Pack 369	Stephen H.	\$1,589.71
21. Pack 369	Jack R.	\$2,418.04	71. Troop 315G	Liliana C.	\$1,577.50
22. Pack 369	Logan R.	\$2,418.04	72. Pack 325	Edith G.	\$1,573.62
23. Pack 369	Bentley B.	\$2,414.33	73. Pack 369	Blake E.	\$1,570.13
24. Pack 325	Hunter M.	\$2,395.23	74. Pack 170	Tanner B.	\$1,568.00
25. Troop 350B	Stephen B.	\$2,379.17	75. Pack 369	Cannon D.	\$1,550.28
26. Troop 315B	William W.	\$2,324.41	76. Troop 130	Denver H.	\$1,547.00
27. Troop 350B	Tyler B.	\$2,295.42	77. Pack 245	Theodore K.	\$1,518.50
28. Pack 240	Collin N.	\$2,290.00	78. Pack 305	Caden H.	\$1,517.67
29. Troop 374G	EllaAnn C.	\$2,270.00	79. Pack 246	Stella P.	\$1,505.98
30. Troop 130	Hayden G.	\$2,224.50	80. Pack 369	Kingston W.	\$1,505.95
31. Pack 369	Joel E.	\$2,170.21	81. Pack 246	Jamie C.	\$1,504.00
32. Pack 270	Colin F.	\$2,149.00	82. Pack 246	William M.	\$1,501.57
33. Troop 211	Elijah M.	\$2,138.32	83. Troop 315B	Liam A.	\$1,501.10
34. Pack 369	Deacon S.	\$2,103.43	84. Pack 350	Owen D.	\$1,485.00
35. Pack 246	Keegan M.	\$2,063.00	85. Pack 270	Carson P.	\$1,484.00
36. Pack 246	Atticus B.	\$2,062.07	86. Pack 305	Zinley H.	\$1,481.67
37. Pack 369	Ryan M.	\$2,057.00	87. Pack 246	Henry C.	\$1,469.00
38. Troop 315G	Cora W.	\$2,049.48	88. Pack 350	Oliver F.	\$1,463.87
39. Troop 211	Callen B.	\$2,022.79	89. Pack 369	Carter G.	\$1,457.78
40. Troop 245	Austin W.	\$2,013.00	90. Pack 246	Noah H.	\$1,452.99
41. Pack 369	Mark R.	\$1,999.38	91. Pack 270	Evan M.	\$1,418.00
42. Troop 211	Ian B.	\$1,992.79	92. Pack 246	Davis P.	\$1,405.72
43. Pack 185	Rueger M.	\$1,971.00	93. Pack 325	Kase S.	\$1,405.01
44. Pack 385	Jaxtyn W.	\$1,963.00	94. Troop 374G	Savannah G.	\$1,390.00
45. Pack 369	Matias T.	\$1,904.03	95. Troop 186B	Maximilian P.	\$1,370.50
46. Pack 170	Corbin M.	\$1,862.00	96. Pack 305	Luke V.	\$1,366.00
47. Troop 210	Dylan N.	\$1,830.00	97. Pack 369	Ethan H.	\$1,364.51
48. Pack 383	Shane B.	\$1,820.81	98. Pack 325	Jackson L.	\$1,359.15
49. Pack 369	Jadon K.	\$1,814.06	99. Pack 211	Amelia M.	\$1,355.32
50. Pack 369	Jedidiah K.	\$1,814.06	100. Pack 245	Jaxon P.	\$1,342.50

2023 TOP FAMILIES

1. TREVINO FAMILY \$14,004

Miguel - Pack 369

Elias - Troop 352

2. BRENNER FAMILY \$9,199

Raegan - Troop 350G

Tyler - Troop 350

Stephen - Troop 350

3. PYM FAMILY \$7,265

Alexandria - Troop 374G

Owen - Troop 350

4. KORANCHIE-BOAH FAMILY \$5,442

Jedidiah - Pack 369

Jadon - Pack 369

Josiah - Pack 369

5. CONLEY FAMILY \$4,839

Oliver - Troop 371

Ella Ann - Troop 374G

6. RANARD FAMILY \$4,836

Jack - Pack 369

Logan - Pack 369

7. BIELECKI FAMILY \$4,015

Ian - Troop 211

Callen - Pack 211

8. LANCE FAMILY \$3,802

Evie - Troop 315G

Fiona - Pack 325

Asher - Pack 325

9. WININGER FAMILY \$3,754

Cora - Troop 315

Brogan - Troop 315

10. CHRISTMAS FAMILY \$3,191

Michael - Pack 186

Matthew - Pack 186

11. BRINKMAN FAMILY \$2,940

Gwen - Pack 186

Audrie - Pack 186

12. PAULIN FAMILY \$2,551

Maximilian - Troop 186

Ezekiel - Pack 186

13. HAYES FAMILY \$2,484

Zachary - Pack 325

Philip - Pack 325

14. HUDSON FAMILY \$2,475

Evelyn - Pack 325

Jack - Pack 325

15. NOEL FAMILY \$2,370

Dylan - Troop 210

Devon - Troop 210

16. BYERS FAMILY \$2,325

Amulet - Pack 100

Leonidas - Pack 100

Aleks - Pack 100

17. PRESKE FAMILY \$2,274

James - Pack 325

Sydney - Pack 325

18. HILLYARD FAMILY \$2,114

Bentley - Pack 369

Korbin - Pack 369

19. WEYER FAMILY \$2,059

Oliver - Pack 100

Natalie - Pack 100

20. STRICKLEN FAMILY \$2,021

Jaxon - Pack 369

Blake - Pack 369

21. FLESHNER HUYNH FAMILY \$2,001

Adeline - Pack 369

Avery - Pack 369

2023 POPCORN TOP SELLER OTTERS GAME

Saturday

May 18, 2024



SAVE THE DATE



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Operation

Monday - Friday
8:30-5PM (CST)



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New Limited Edition Grey
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Council Logo. Limited Sizes

SATURDAY

March 9, 2024
9-Noon (CST)

April 13, 2024
9-Noon (CST)



\$2.99

No Returns.
Effective: 2/15/2024



\$29.99



FRIENDS OF SCOUTING

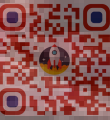
Exploring New Horizons



Your Pack, Troop, or Crew can earn FREE badges during the 2024 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 rank and advancement badges?

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, Registration, Uniform and Campership Assistance, etc.

Contact your District Professional today to schedule your Unit's presentation in early 2024!



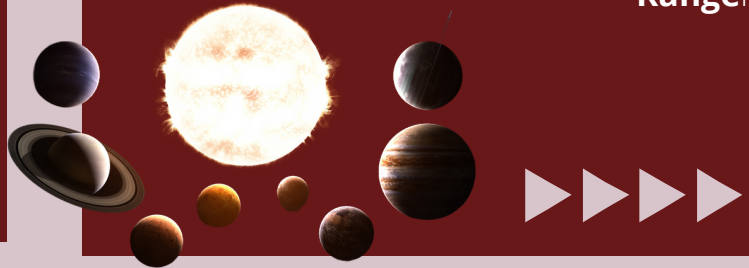
Level 1 (\$45 per Member) Rank Patches Only

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

<u>Packs</u>	<u>Troops</u>	<u>Crews</u>
Belt Loops	Merit Badges	Quest
Webelos Pin		Trust
		Ranger



2024 FREE RANK PROGRAM

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

PACK 301

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

TROOP 301, TROOP 186G, PACK 399, PACK 163, PACK 362, TROOP 375, PACK 385

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.

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

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INDIANA



Thank you to everyone who has purchased a Boy Scout 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



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.

2023 ANNUAL REPORT



Check out the 2023 Annual Report *The Impact of You* on the Council's website: www.buffalotracecouncil.org!



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

SPECIAL GRANTS TO SUPPORT THE BUFFALO TRACE COUNCIL

The Buffalo Trace Council offers our sincere appreciation to many corporations and foundations which have supported our Scouts through special grants. Thank you to the following benefactors:

Bower-Suhrheinrich Foundation
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Knox County Community Foundation
NRA Foundation
Pike County Community Foundation
Perry County Community Foundation
Posey County Community Foundation
Spencer County Community Foundation
Vanderburgh County Community Foundation
WIN Energy REMC



COUNCIL CALENDAR

MARCH

- 1-3 Catholic Retreat
- 5 Spring Camporee Planning Meeting
LH - Eagle Board of Review
- 7 ALG - Eagle Board of Review
ALG - Roundtable
- 8-10 Wood Badge Course Weekend
- 9 OA Rank Up
Scout Shop Open @9-Noon(CST)
- 10 Daylight Saving Time
- 11 Commissioner's Cabinet
- 13 Staff Meeting
- 14 NT - Eagle Board of Review
- 15-16 Wilderness First Aid Training
- 16 Lincoln Heritage Merit Badge University
Cub Scout Zoobilee @Mesker Park Zoo
Scout Reach PWD Race
- 17 St. Patrick's Day
- 20 Outreach Staff Meeting
Membership Meeting
- 21 LH - District Committee Meeting
ALG - District Committee Meeting
NT - District Committee Meeting
- 23-24 Wood Badge Course Weekend
- 24 Palm Sunday
OA - LEC
- 26 Properties Management Meeting
- 27 Staff Meeting
- 29 Good Friday - Office Closed
- 31 Easter Sunday

MAY

- 2 Ideal Year of Scouting
- 4 Animal Science Merit Badge Day
- 5 Cinco de Mayo
- 7 LH - Eagle Board of Review
- 8 Staff Meeting
- 9 ALG - Eagle Board of Review
NT - Eagle Board of Review
- 11 Scout Shop Open 9-Noon (CST)
Cub Scout Parent & Pal
Colors Retirement Ceremony

APRIL

- 2 LH - Eagle Board of Review
- 3 Shooting Sports Committee Meeting
- 4 ALG - Eagle Board of Review
ALG - Roundtable
- 6 Cub Scout Fishing Derby
Council Court of Honor
- 8 Solar Eclipse Day
Commissioner's Cabinet Meeting
- 9 Program Group Meeting
- 10 Staff Meeting
- 11 NT - Eagle Board of Review
- 12-14 OA - Section Conclave
- 13 Scout Reach Field Day
- 16 Executive Board Meeting
- 17 Outreach Staff Meeting
- 18 LH - District Committee Meeting
ALG - District Committee Meeting
NT - District Committee Meeting
- 20 Gardening Merit Badge Day
- 20-21 Spring BALOO Training
Spring IOLS Training
Spring LNT Training
- 24 Administrative Professional - Staff
Training - Office Closed
- 26-28 Flannels & Flapjacks Spring Camporee
- 27 Scout Shop
- 28 OA - LEC

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- 12 Mother's Day
- 16 LH - District Committee Meeting
ALG - District Committee Meeting
NT - District Committee Meeting
- 17-19 OA Spring Conclave & Ordeal
- 18 Otter's Night - Popcorn Recognition
- 19 OA - LEC
- 20-23 Friends of Scouting Phone-a-thon
- 21 Executive Committee Meeting
- 22 Staff Meeting
Membership Meeting
- 27 Memorial Day - Office Closed



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