

News Blast March 25, 2014

ScoutAbout 5K/10K Run Scheduled for May 31st

Details and registration info. is available at: sagamorebsa.org/htdocs/wordpress/scoutabout-run/



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Scouting for Food

During the spring, the Boy Scouts host one of the largest service projects nationally, Scouting for Food. Units should allow two Saturdays to pass out flyers and then one Saturday to pick up canned goods which will help support our local food banks and community. This is a great opportunity to serve your community and log service hours to help with your unit's Journey to Excellence.

Scouting for Food Commitment Form/Patch Order

New, Simplified Annual Health and Medical Record Now Available

Access the new Annual Health and Medical Record (effective 3/1/2014) online via the following link:

http://www.scouting.org/sitecore/content/Home/HealthandSafety/ahmr.aspx

H.W. "Hod" Peabody BSA Scholarship Fund

Sagamore Council has established the H.W. "Hod" Peabody BSA Scholarship Fund within the Community Foundation. Scouts who are interested in applying for this scholarship should do so using the General Scholarship Form that is accessible via the link below. Instructions are

included with the scholarship application. (Preference will be given to Eagle Scouts). http://www.cfhoward.org/scholarship funds.html

Bowl-A-Thon

It's that time of year again to plan for your Bowl-A-Thon, a fun event for Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and leaders. To get started, call Russ Wiseman at 219-819-0070, or email Russ at prodata@rhsi.tv.

WOOD BADGE

April 25-27 & May 16-18, 2014 at Cary Camp

Wood Badge is leadership training for volunteer leaders involved in all phases of Scouting - Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Exploring, and Venturing, as well as council and district leaders, and professionals. Wood Badge combines the most current leadership skills used by corporate America with the best of successful outdoor leadership programs and nearly 100 years of Scouting experience.

Each partipant must be a registered adult Scouter with basic training for their particular scouting position and any Outdoor Skills training appropriate for that position. There are no special physical or outdoor abilities required. Wood Badge is a six-day course conducted over two full three-day weekends. The first weekend reflects the unit meeting, while the second weekend uses a camping activity as its delivery model. The focus is on leadership skills, not outdoor skills. This year's course will be held at Cary Camp in Lafayette.

Register on Campmaster at http://Sagamore.camp-master.com. If you have questions, email or call Course Director Chris Jones at 765-437-1110.

Philmont 2015

Sagamore Council has been awarded a Philmont Council Trek consisting of two crews for 2015. Arrival date at Philmont is July 15, 2015, and departure for home is July 27, 2015. If train travel is used, as in the past, departure from the Lafayette area will be on July 13 or 14 with a return late in the evening on July 28, 2015. We are looking for a Troop(s) or Crew(s) to organize and lead one or both of the 12 person Trek crews and provide necessary Scouts to fill them.

Trek crews have a minimum of 7 persons with 4 of these being youth. Scouts must be 14 at the time of the Trek or be 13 and have finished 8th grade. Maximum number of adults is 4 for crews of 8 or more, but youth should have preference. Crews must have at least 2 adults, and 3 are recommended. All persons must meet the height and weight requirements of Philmont and pass a physical on arrival. Expected cost per person is estimated at \$1250 - \$1300, excluding items of a personal nature. Popcorn

funds can be used, and limited scholarship funds may be available from Philmont. It is the Council's intent to have both crews filled completely; unused slots will be expected to be advertised council-wide for youth.

The Council Contingent Coordinator, <u>David Hall</u>, may be reached via email or at 765-427-2486. The crews are going to be allocated on a first come/first served basis to qualified units and/or individuals who are prepared to put up non-refundable deposits of \$100 per person. For detailed information on Philmont Treks, use the following link:

http://www.scouting.org/sitecore/content/Philmont/Camping.aspx

Some Staff Positions Still Available for 2014 Boy Scout Summer Camp at Camp Buffalo

If you are interested in serving as a staff member at 2014 Boy Scout Summer Camp at Camp Buffalo this year, email Pat Harding or call Pat at 765-743-9795. There are still positions to be filled!

Summer Camp Staff Application

2015 World Scout Jamboree in Japan July 28 - August 8, 2015

In the summer of 2015 more than 30,000 Scouts and leaders from 161 countries around the world will converge on Kiarara-hama, Yamaguchi, Japan for the 23rd World Scout Jamboree. *We are looking for adult leaders for our Troop and Crew Leaders*. See links below:

World Scout Jamboree Brochure
World Scout Jamboree 2015 Website
World Jamboreee Adult Leader Application

Free Camping & Hiking Topographical Maps Available to Scout Troops from Tripleblaze

Tripleblaze.com has announced that it will be giving away 1,000 2-year Tripleblaze memberships (\$49.98 value) to Boy Scout Troops in the US and Canada to help jump start camping and hiking trip planning for 2014. Troops may apply for a free membership using this link on a first come, first served basis. More info. is available at www.tripleblaze.com/scouts or email Jeff Barber.



Registration Is Still Open for 2014 Programs at the New Summit High Adventure Base

Programs begin June 8, 2014, and are open to registered Scouts and Venturers who are at least 13 years old by September 1 of the year they attend, and their registered leaders.

Access additional info. and registration Instructions
Access details and videos of the programs

For general information on putting together high Adventure trips, <u>email David Hall</u>, Sagamore Council High Adventure Coordinator, or call him at 765-427-2486.

"Trees of the Midwest" Now Offered in \$3.99 App from Purdue Extension

Read News Release How to Purchase this App

Updated MyScouting Tools Information

A second version of the new MyScouting Tools was recently released for our Key 3 unit and district volunteers on my.scouting.org. The My Dashboard Tool has also been enhanced, which is accessible to all members.

Additional Information

NYLT - White Stag

National Youth Leadership Training is an exciting, action-packed program designed to provide youth members of the Boy Scouts of America with leadership skills and experience they can use in their home units and in other situations demanding leadership of self and others.

Detailed, Printable 2014 NYLT Brochure & Registration Form

COUNCIL CALENDAR

March 2014

28 Interstate Battery Sale Ends

April 2014

- 1 Property Committee
- 4 Interstate Battery Sale Unit Orders Due
- 6 Order of the Arrow Lodge Meeting Grissom
- 18 Good Friday Office Closed
- 20 Easter Sunday
- 21 Executive Board Meeting at Cary Camp
- 25-27 Wood Badge Course at Cary Camp
 - 30 Council Annual Recognition Dinner at Purdue Memorial Union South Ballroom, West Lafayette at 6:30 PM

View Full Council Google Calendar

(The Council Google calendar includes both council and district events, meetings and roundtables in addition to Council events.)

North Star District Announcements

North Star District Contacts:

District Executive - <u>Jason Revord</u> - 765-418-7381 District Commissioner - <u>Tressa Bowman</u> District Chairman - Tony Schroeder

North Star District serves Cass, Fulton, Jasper, Newton, Pulaski and White Counties.

North Star District Pinewood Derby April 12

This year's Pinewood Derby race will be held in Logansport at the All Saints

Catholic Church, 112 E Market St. on April 12th. Weigh in will be 10:30 am to noon EST and race will start at noon. Cost is \$5.00 per car. Event chairman is Jeremy Pattee, 574-753-4046.



Printable Flyer/Rules for North Star Pinewood Derby.

District "Scout Oympics" Spring Camporee April 25 - 27 at Camp Buffalo

Leaders, it's time to make plans for your troop to participate in the North Star District 2014 Spring Camporee! It will be at Camp Buffalo April 25-27, with Scout Olympics as the theme. Activities will include shooting sports, orienteering, first aid, and a fitness competition.

Early bird registration fee (by April14) is \$12 per person, and after April 14 the fee is \$15. Registration will be by unit, via CampMaster website. Payments can be made online via CampMaster using a credit card, debit card, or e-check/bank draft. If you have questions, contact Sam Rance or Jason Revord.

Bring your Scouts out to the Spring Camporee at Camp Buffalo to enjoy the spring weather and challenge themselves in some well-planned activities!

Peshewa District Announcements

Peshewa District Contacts:

District Director - Matt Bender - 765-532-7557

District Executive - Daniel Carbaugh - 765-480-3716

District Commissioner - Don Harper - 765-860-4474

District Chairman - Nick Pate

Peshewa District serves Blackford, Grant, Howard, Miami and Wabash Counties

Ol Akela Had a Farm Cub Scout Day Camp

Peshewa District is offering several opportunities for youth to participate in a Cub Scout Day Camp. Each of these camps will have a Farming theme, with differing activities to provide a fun and exciting summertime adventure for your Scout! Sign up at CampMaster!

<u>Saturday</u>, <u>June 7th - Salamonie State Reservoir</u> (A "One-Day" Day Camp) Early Bird Fee is \$20 with deadline of May 17.

This camp will be in connection with DNR fishing derby. The morning Scouts will register and participate in the fishing derby. The afternoon will include crafts with the Miami Indians. Some other activities will be available that day as well.

Monday, June 30 - Wednesday, July 2 - Rainbow Christian Camp (Converse) (A "Three-Day" Day Camp)
Early Bird Fee is \$48 with deadline of May 31.

<u>Saturday</u>, <u>July 26th - Howard County Fairgrounds/Greentown</u> (A "One-Day" Day Camp) Early bird fee is \$20 with deadline of July 5.

<u>There is also a special early registration for all 3 day camps</u> (Salamonie, Converse, and Greentown.) Early Registration for all the day camps is \$60 with May 17 deadline.

Peshewa District Pinewood Derby

Saturday April 12, 2014 - Howard County Fairgrounds (Greentown)

The Distrct Pinewod Derby will be on April 12 at the Howard County 4-H Fairgrounds. Early Registration fee is \$4.00 (by April 4). After April 4, registration fee will be \$5.00 per Scout.. Rules and regulations are on the registration page at CampMaster.

Volunteer Leader Recognition Dinner

This year's Annual Dinner will be held on Wednesday, April 9, 2014, at the Howard County 4-H Fairgrounds in Greentown. Gathering will begin at 6:00 PM and the dinner will be at 6:30 PM. Like last year the program will include"the auction", the Distict Annual Election, and award presentations honoring volunteers in the Peshewa District.

The fee for this year's event is \$7.00 per person and is open to all volunteers and their spouses. Pre-registration is required by Monday, April 7, 2014. Fee for the program includes volunteer awards and the main course. Participants are requested to bring a side dish, dessert, or other pitch-in related food item.

Event registration may be found at **CampMaster**.

Boy Scout Spring Camporee May 2 - 4

Friday - Sunday, May 2 - 4, 2014 Glass's Farm - 8803 E 825 S, Upland, Indiana

Rex Banter and Troop 427 have agreed to host the upcoming First Aid and

Emergency Preparedess Peshewa District Spring Camporee. The cost will be \$10.00 per person. A leader's guide will be available via CampMaster website. For more information or to volunteer to assist with the Spring Camporee, email Rex Banter, Troop 427 Scoutmaster, or call him at 765-661-5538. Register and access more details via CampMaster website.

Peshewa District Calendar

March 2014:

District Committee Meeting - 7:00 PM
 Howard County 4-H Fairgrounds (Greentown)

April 2014:

- Order of the Arrow Lodge Meeting 2:00 PM 4:00 PM Grisom Air Force Museum
- 9 District Volunteer Recognition Dinner and Elections 6:30 PM Howard Couny 4-H
- 12 Cub Scout Pinewood Derby 9:30 AM Howard County 4-H Fairgrounds
- District Committee Meeting 7:00 PM
 Howard County 4-H Fairronds (Greenton)

Peshewa District Eagle Scout:

Zachary Bever Troop 429

Wabash Valley District Announcements

Wabash Valley District Contacts:

District Executive - Dylan Melling 765-639-4398

District Director - Colin Earl 920-540-8015

District Commissioner - Curtis Beazer 765-463-2962

District Chairman - Jerry Day

Wabash Valley serves Benton, Carroll, Tippecanoe, Warren & Northern Fountain Counties

Wabash Valley Spring Camporee 2014 "Highland Games" April 11-13 - Cary Camp

Get registered for Wabash Valley District's Highland Games Spring Camporee 2014 at Cary Camp via the <u>CampMaster</u> website! Registration fee is \$17.50 on or before April 1st, and registration fee is \$25.00 after April 1st. Activities will include caber toss, patrol log push, tug o' war, stone toss, weight throw, hammer throw, log pull, fire building competition, champion's feud and cooking competition.

Welcome Curtis Beazer - Wabash Valley District Commissioner

We are proud to announce that Curtis Beazer has been approved as District Commissioner for the Wabash Valley District. Curtis will give guidance to the Commissioner staff, whose purpose is to provide unit service and help mantain quality units within our district. Curtis grew up in southern Idaho on a small dairy farm. He attended the 1977 National Scout Jamboree in Pennsylvania. Curtis is a member of the Latter Day Saints Church and served a two year mission in England. He graduated from Utah State University and moved to Indiana for his first job. Curtis and his wife raised their three sons here and are proud they all decided to be Eagle Scouts. Curtis and his wife enjoy riding with the local cycling club several thousand miles per year.

Purdue Baseball Evening May 16

On May 16th Purdue will join with the Scouts to have a baseball night! This event is meant for families and friends of all Scouts! Tickets will be \$4.00 per person for game only ticket and \$7.00 for game ticket with hot dog and soda. Sign up for this event via CampMaster website. Units can pick up tickets the week prior to attending.

Wabash Valley Pinewood Derby April 5th

Tippecanoe Mall in Front of Sears

Don't forget to prepare your top three finishers from your pack for the Wabash Valley District Pinewood Derby April 5th! More information can be found here. There is also an open race for any parents, siblings, friends, or community members who would like to build a car and enter this open race. The rules for all cars in the race and details for the open race can be found here.

The "Pet Place" event at lw Tech in Lafayette on April 5th is free and is aimed mostly at Cub Scouts. It is a great chance for them to practice money management. This event can also count for several requirements for each level of Cub Scouting. In particular, this could be useful for Bear achievements 13 and 14, though it can apply to many other things as well. Access Pet Place Event Flyer

Scouting for Food

Has your unit filled out your commitment form to participate in Scouting for Food this year? Filling out the Commitment form is a critical step in helping make sure that all of the effort put forth by the Scouts is counted and that the proper number of patches are collected! Please make sure that someone from your unit fills out the top part of the form and emails it back to Dylan Melling. From there a drop of the appropriate number of bags and stickers can be arranged!

Lafayette Lemonade Day

Lafayette Lemonade Day will be on May 17th. This free event is geared to help youth learn about entrepreneurship and encourage them to set goals. This can be a great supplement to goal setting for popcorn in helping youth understand budgets and goals for when they get older. Access flyer here.

Summer Camp

Has your unit started promoting summer camping to your youth? Information for Camp Buffalo (Boy Scouts) can be found here. For Cub Scouts in our area, Adventure Camp and Day Camp are great options! At Adventure Camp the youth will actually stay overight while day camp will have the Scouts going home at the end of the day and coming back the next day. The deadlines for registration and payment for all camps can be found here. If funding is an obstacle for a boy attending camp, please remember Camperships are due by April 1st. Our goal is to have as many boys as possible attend camp this year!

SCOUTStrong Journey to Excellence Element

We had a lot of units ask about the section on Journey to Excellence concerning the SCOUTStrong. This program is designed to help Scouts get active and promote healthy eating. It's a challenge designed for the whole family, not just the Scout! Unit leaders can find information on implementing the program here, and a lot more information can be found here.

Wabash Valley District Eagle Scouts:

William Grisham Tream 2391

Logan Poad Troop 373

Takachsin Lodge - Order of the Arrow

Order of the Arrow Takachsin Lodge Contacts:

Lodge Chief - Lucas Bowman Lodge Advisor - <u>Steve Bowman</u> Staff Advisor - Chas Triplett

It is time to do elections for the Order of the Arrow. To schedule your troop elections contact:

Don Harper at 765-860-4474 don.harper@att.net

Rex Banter at 765-661-5538 ransbanter@att.net

Steve Bowman at 765-252-8526 sbowman@haynesintl.com

The next OA and LEC Meeting is April 6th at Grissom air Museum 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm.

Order of the Arrow Section Conclave is at Vincennes University Friday April 11th. Be sure to register on CampMaster. We would like to congratulate this year's winners of the Conclave Bear Scholar awards: Jacob Clupper from Troop 427 and Taylor Dotterer from Troop 200. They will be attending this year for free and will be recognized during the Conclave Campfire.

Upcoming Training Events

Outdoor Leaders Skills Training

Outdoor Leaders Skills training will be offered at the Peshewa Camporee in Upland, Indiana on Saturday, May 3, 2014. This will consist of two separate classes covering these three courses:

Introduction to Outdoors Leader Skills (IOLS) - Boy Scouts
Outdoor Webelos Leader Skills (OWLS) - Webelos
Basic Adult Leader Outdoors Orientation (BALOO) - Cub Scouts

Registration will begin at 8:00 AM and classes will begin at 8:30 AM. Cost is \$15 for IOLS & OWLS and \$10 for BALOO. Adults who are registered to attend the Peshewa Spring Camporee will receive a \$5 discount. Access other details and register online via <u>CampMaster</u>. If you have questions, contact Randy Rusch via email or 765-453-0818.

Training Contacts:

North Star District Training Chair - Scott Grandstaff
Peshewa District Training Chair - Randy Rusch
Wabash Valley District Training Chair - Annette Delacroix
Council Training Staff Advisor - Chas Triplett

Tributes / Memorial Contributions

In Memory of: Jim & Betty Hart

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Bob & Linda Zartman
Brent & Tina Barnett
Chris & Beth Campbell
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Steve & Jeanne Custer

In Memory of: Eileen Stanley

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In Memory of: Robert Chambers

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Robert & Marilyn Chambers
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