Have a Safe & Happy Halloween!

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Council Wide Announcements & Calendar

University of Scouting, Fall Semester

November 15, 2014

Lilly Life Science Building - Purdue University

8:30 AM Registration  9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Classes

Early Bird Registration is $10.00 if registered and paid by Nov. 5th
Registration Fee after Nov. 5th is $20.00
Lunch will be provided.
Registration Deadline is November 12th

All participants must Register via CampMaster website.
No “At the Door” sign-ups will be accepted at this event.

Merit Badge Classes:

Cooking*, Engineering, Communications*, Nuclear Science, American Culture, Veterinary Medicine, Citizen in the World*, and Environmental Science*

(Merit Badges with asterisks beside them are required to earn the Eagle rank.)

Adult Leader Trainings:

Scouting for Food

We need your help. Chas has a stack of Scouting for Food Patches from this past spring. Below is a list of units we know participated. Chas has given patches to only three of the units listed below. If your unit is on this list, please e-mail Chas at ctriplet@bsamail.org with the number of people who participated and the service hours your unit accumulated doing this event. If your unit is not listed and participated in Scouting for Food, e-mail Chas with your information so we can get your information recorded and patches distributed to your unit.

Pack 3333   Pack 3157   Troop 167   Pack 3126   Pack 3165
Pack 3321   Pack 3324   Pack 3393   Pack 3430   Pack 3599
Pack 3707   Pack 3154   Troop 154

Kokomo Trading Post News:
New Holiday Village Pieces are Now in Stock!

New Holiday Village pieces are now in stock to add to your collections!

Tree Sales features a Cub Scout, a Boy Scout and a Leader hard at work on a Christmas tree sales lot - $9.99

Popcorn Tree features a Cub Scout and Boy Scout decorating a tree with popcorn garland and ornaments - $5.99

Lighted Porcelain BSA Camp Dining Hall is a porcelain replica of the most popular in-camp destination by Boy Scout standards! - $16.99

Supplies are limited, so please shop early to avoid disappointment! If you have questions call Debbie Thomson, Trading Post Manager, at 765-452-8253.

Do you have Questions about Applications for Financial Assistance for Needy Scouts?


Attention ALL Commissioners:

Please make plans to attend the University of Scouting Fall Semester at Purdue on Saturday, November 15, 2014. We will be offering the
following trainings:

Commissioner Basic Training - for all newly registered unit commissioners

Roundtable Commissioner Training

Commissioner Tools - for ALL commissioners (unit, roundtable, district, and assistants)

Commissioner Tools is our NEW on-line reporting system for recording all contacts with our units. This is a MUST SEE tool, so it is highly recommended you attend this class.

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COUNCIL CALENDAR

October 2014

28  Commissioners Meeting 6 PM - Cary Camp

31  Popcorn Orders Due Online by Noon

November 2014

1  Cub Scout Shooting Instructor Training 10 AM - 6 PM
   Hingst Scout Service Center, Kokomo

2  OA Lodge Meeting 2 PM - Grissom Air Museum

4  Property Committee Meeting 7 PM

10  Finance Committee Meeting 7 PM - Kokomo

10  Program Committee Meeting 7 PM - Cary Camp

11  Veteran’s Day - Office Closed

11-13  Popcorn Distribution

15  University of Scouting Fall Semester 8 AM - 4 PM
    Lilly Life Science Building, Purdue University

17  Executive Committee Meeting 7 PM - Kokomo

25  Commissioners Meeting 6 PM - Cary Camp

27-28  Office & Camps Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday
December 2014

2  Property Committee Meeting 7 PM
5  Popcorn Money Due to Council
5  Popcorn Prize Orders Due
6  Order of the Arrow Winter Banquet 10:30 AM - 2:30 PM - Main Street United Methodist Church, Kokomo
7  Boy Scout and Cub Scout Summer Camp Expo 3 PM - 5 PM - Cary Camp
8  Unit Renewal Signed Paperwork and Recharter Payments are Due to Council Office
15  Executive Board Meeting 7 PM - Cary Camp
22-23  Trading Post Closed for Inventory
23  Commissioner Meeting 6 PM - Cary Camp
24-25  Office, Trading Post & Camps Closed for Holiday
26-31  Trading Post Closed

View Full Council Google Calendar

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

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
Service Hours

As the year winds down, it is critical that we make sure all service hours performed by Scouts this year are recorded properly. Service hours can be submitted in several ways, the easiest being via the Sagamore Council Website - click on "Submit Service Hours" button on the home page www.sagamorebsa.org. If your unit has not reported any service hours by the end of the month, a representative of the District Program and Civic Service Committee will be contacting you to help make sure there haven't been any major issues.

Wabash Valley District Dinner

We invite everyone to join us on December 4th at 7 pm at Trinity United Methodist Church for the Annual District Dinner. Awards will be presented for outstanding volunteers, district elections will be held, and a good time will be had by all as we celebrate a successful year of Scouting. Registration for the meal is only $12 and can be made via Campmaster. Registration at the door will not be accepted.

Recharter Paperwork Deadline

Remember that all recharter paperwork and payments are due no later than Monday, December 8th. If you would like to drop off your paperwork and or payment at Cary Camp, Dylan or Colin will be at Cary Camp on November 21st from 3 PM to 6 PM to accept them. If that time does not work for you, please schedule a pick up with your unit commissioner or Dylan or Colin PRIOR to December 8th.

Journey to Excellence

Units, please make sure that your Journey to Excellence scorecard is submitted with the recharter paperwork. All scorecards can be found on the BSA Website. This is a critical part of showing your parents where you've made great improvements in the program this year and helps identify the areas you can make even better!

Court of Honor/Blue and Gold Dates

Leaders - Have you submitted your Blue and Gold or Court of Honor dates yet? Family Friends of Scouting is a critical part of our council support initiative and is a key element in your unit earning free camping, rank advancement, and more! Making a contribution to Scouting ensures the success of the program and helps sustain Scouting for the future! Please send your dates to Mike Silver, mjsilverjr@gmail.com.
Wabash Valley District Eagle Scouts:

- Samuel Bondi, Troop 303
- Kori Cummings, Troop 310
- Brett Painter, Troop 348
- Julian Pridemore, Troop 372

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

Fall Membership Ice Cream Challenge

The Peshewa District is offering a Fall Membership Ice Cream Challenge to all Scouting units within the Peshewa District. If your unit meets its membership goal by October 31st, the Peshewa District will pay for an ice cream party with (of course) the ice cream, bowls, and SPRINKLES!!!

To learn more about this program, or to find out what your unit's challenge goal is, please contact Melody Kegel.

Reminder about Recharter Due Dates

The fall rechartering process opened on October 1st, and all Peshewa District charters and payments are to be turned in to the council by Friday, November 21st. There is no grace period anymore, so if your unit isn't rechartered by January 1st, there are serious consequences for not doing so. Make sure you get started early and stay on top of it. If you need help or have questions, talk to Matt or Daniel.

Schedule your Friends of Scouting Presentation!
Please be sure to schedule your Friends of Scouting presentation this month. To continue receiving the level of service you do from Sagamore Council, we need to have a more successful fundraising year than ever before. Call Daniel or Matt at 765-452-8253, or send an email to matt.bender@scouting.org with the date of your Pack's Blue & Gold banquet or your Troop's Court of Honor. To assist the fundraising season kickoff, you may also schedule a presentation for next year at your November or December unit meeting.

Art Anderson Bowl-A-Thon

On Sunday, January 11, 2015, the Peshewa District will host it's second annual Art Anderson Bowl-A-Thon. Last year over $1,000 was raised to go into the Art Anderson campership Fund to send needy youth to summer camp. This year Jeremy Ramberger, event creator and event chairman, will have even more interesting bowling challenges, door prizes, and overall excitement.

Registration is $20 per bowler if registered by January 7th, or $25 per bowler if registered after January 7th. [Access registration form for Art Anderson Bowl-A-Thon.](#)

Peshewa District Calendar

November

- **12** Volunteer Roundtable & Chaplain's Roundtable - 7:00 PM - Howard County 4-H Fairgrounds (Greentown)
- **15** University of Scouting Fall Semester - Purdue University (West Lafayette)
- **19** District Committee Meeting - 7:00 PM - Howard County 4-H Fairgrounds (Greentown)
- **21** Peshewa District Unit Renewal (Recharter) Signed Paperwork Due 12:00 PM - Hingst Scout Service Center. Kokomo

December

- **5** Popcorn Money is due to the Council Office, Kokomo
- **10** Christmas Dessert and White Elephant Exchange 7:00 PM - Howard County 4-H Fairgrounds (Greentown)
North Star District Announcements

North Star District Contacts:

District Executive - Jason Revord - 765-418-7381
District Commissioner - Tressa Bowman
District Chairman - Tony Schroeder

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

North Star Roundtable November 8th

The November Roundtable will be held in the Camp Buffalo dining hall from 10 AM to 2 PM on Saturday, November 8th. The council portion will consist of turning in paper recharters and taking Youth Protection training. The leaders will take Leader Specific Training for both Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts. All youth will have the opportunity to get their weather badge. Lunch this time will be "bring-your-own" sack lunch, and registration will close on November 7th.

Takachsin Lodge - Order of the Arrow

Order of the Arrow Takachsin Lodge Contacts:

Lodge Chief - Lucas Bowman
Lodge Advisor - Steve Bowman
Staff Advisor - Chas Triplett

Upcoming Events:

November

Our next Lodge Meeting is November 2 at 2:00 PM. The meeting will be held at Grissom Air Museum (1000 W Hoosier Blvd, Peru IN). Everyone is welcome to attend.

December

December 6 - Winter Banquet: Come celebrate the Lodge's anniversary and the year's accomplishments during the Winter Banquet to be held at Main Street United Methodist Church in Kokomo IN. The event begins at 10:30 AM with fellowship and will include lunch and other activities. Feel free to invite your family and friends to attend with you to celebrate. NOTE: Payment is required at the time of reservation, and participants must register via

https://ui.constantcontact.com/visualeditor/visual_editor_preview.jsp?agent.uid=1118928288596&format=html&print=true
CampMaster. Earn a FREE NOAC Lodge patch for registering online using CampMaster!!

NOAC Announcement:

NOAC registration is full! All of the slots are filled both nationally and locally. Takachsin Lodge is working to get more availability, but so is everyone else. We have started a stand-by sign up on CampMaster. As opportunities open up they will be offered on a first come basis. Sign up early!

Training Contacts:

North Star District Training Chair - Scott Grandstaff
Peshewa District Training Chair - Randy Rusch
Wabash Valley District Training Chair - (Vacant at this time)
Council Training Staff Advisor - Chas Triplett

University of Scouting - Fall Semester

Get registered for University of Scouting, Fall Semester, scheduled on November 15th in the Lilly Science Building at Purdue, via CampMaster website soon!

Please note that both training for adults and merit badge classes for youth are being offered at University of Scouting.

Early bird registration (paid by November 5th) is $10. After November 5th, Registration fee is $20. Registration deadline is Nov. 12th. No "at-the-door" sign-ups will be accepted at this event.

Tributes / Memorial Contributions

In Memory of:
Don Bloodgood

From:
William Menges