

# Scouters' News

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## 2018 Silver Beaver Class

We are proud to recognize these Scouters who have helped make the Scouting movement the successful program that it is today. The Silver Beaver award will be presented at the Great Trail Council Annual Recognition Dinner on Sunday, May 6, at Camp Manatoc's Dining Hall. Congratulations to these amazing Scouters.

## Council Information

### Council Annual Dinner and Silver Beaver Recognition Event

The big event will be held on **Sunday, May 6**, at the Camp Manatoc Dining Hall. The reception begins at 12:30 p.m. and the dinner and program will begin at 1:00 p.m. The cost is \$27 per person.

Please join us as we recognize the recipients of the District Award of Merit, National Merit Award, SuperNOVA, Torch of Gold Award, William H. Spurgeon III Award, William T. Hornaday Gold Badge, Whitney M. Young Jr. Award, and the presentation of the highest award a local council can bestow, the Silver Beaver Award.

**Reservation deadline is April 30, no walk-ins, please! Reservations are online at:**  
<https://scoutingevent.com/433-GTCAnnualDinner>

### Annual Business Meeting

**Monday, May 21, at 4 p.m.**  
**Northeast Ohio Medical University**  
**Rootstown, OH**

**RSVP to Sarah Shimp**  
**Sarah.shimp@scouting.org**

### 180 Action Plan/Family Scouting

- **May 2018**
  - ◇ Complete Spring Recruitment Events.
  - ◇ Promotion of summer camp opportunities. (Day Camp, Cub Scout Adventure Camp and WEBELOS Resident Camp)
  - ◇ All new leaders complete training. (Youth Protection, BALOO and Position Specific)
- **June 2018**
  - ◇ New Scouts are entered into the registration system.
  - ◇ Early bird fees for June camps are due at least one week prior to start of the camp.
  - ◇ Early bird fees for July and August camps are due by June 30.

**SAVE THE DATE**

**100th Anniversary Celebration**

**of Camp Stambaugh**

**September 20-23, 2019**



### Are you brave enough to “Go Over the Edge”?

This is your opportunity to rappel down the side of the FirstEnergy building in downtown Akron and help raise funds for the Scouting program! Go “Over the Edge” with us on **Saturday, August 11** by raising \$1,200 for Scouting and your once in a lifetime chance to take on this awesome experience. More information will be available soon!

### New Cub Scout Rank

Lions will officially kick off as a new Cub Scout rank for fall 2018. To be consistent, Cub Scouting no longer uses the term Tiger Cubs or Lion Cubs. The youth are simply Lions or Tigers. Lions should be recruited and registered close to the time that the active programs begin in the fall.

Lion materials have been updated to reflect the needs of both boys and girls. All girl dens or all boy dens are welcome. Lions will have more resources similar to other Cub Scout ranks. These will arrive in the Scout Shop and online this summer in preparation for the fall start.

### BSA Youth Protection contact list

Online YPT Training	For help with online YPT or technical questions, contact the Member Care Contact Center	Member Care Contact Center 972-580-2489 myscouting@scouting.org
Technical Questions		
Report Suspected Inappropriate Activity	A dedicated 24-hour ScoutsFirst Helpline is available to report any suspected inappropriate activity.	1-844-SCOUTS1 1-844-726-8871 scouts1st@scouting.org
Support and Counseling	The BSA is committed to providing ongoing support to victims and their families, including counseling.	1-844-SCOUTS1 1-844-726-8871 scouts1st@scouting.org

## Council Information



By Andrew & Bena Paisley

*"It is not the mountain we conquer but we ourselves."*

-Sir Edmund Hillary

Recent research from the Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics

demonstrates that spending just 30 minutes teaching leave no trace principles to your Scouts can have a significant impact on their attitudes and awareness. Such a little investment of time reaps huge benefits. One of the best ways to incorporate Leave No Trace principles in your Scout meetings is through games. There are a number of games that you can play and they can be found at [www.lnt.org](http://www.lnt.org) under the "resources" tab.

One of my favorite games is called "The Ethics Game." This can be played with Scouts of any age including Cub Scouts. To set it up, a five minute intro on the seven principles is a good idea. I like to put hand gestures with each principle to help people remember. For example, I use my **two** fingers walking along the palm of my hand to remind people of the **second** principle to "travel and camp on durable surfaces." This really helps people to remember. Be creative as you like with any hand motions that tie the number principle to the principle itself.

The Ethics Game is such a great patrol game to get Scout to go beyond just reciting the principles to actually thinking about the principles and owning them. To begin the game, write on three cards things that bother people when they go outside. For example, burning trash in a camp fire ring is a pet peeve of mine. But it can be anything. Cutting short a switchback or carving one's initials in a tree or taking an artifact from a historical place or cutting limbs off a live tree for fire wood. It can be anything. Reiterate that there is no one right answer. The idea is for the Scouts to review the three choices and then stand by the one thing that makes them the most disappointed or angry. Give the Scouts a few minutes to think about why they dislike certain behavior and then ask them to commit to one behavior that really bothers them. Each Scout is then given the opportunity to defend his or her position. As the moderator, you can ask probing questions and at the end, ask the Scouts if any of them have changed their minds.

Whatever game you choose, have fun but make it a regular part of your meetings (say once a quarter) so you too can impact a mind for the outdoors.

### Manatoc Chapel Work Day

The twelfth point of the Scout Law is Reverent. In order to help our Scouts fulfill that commitment at summer camp, the Catholic Committee on Scouting is organizing a work day to spruce up the Manatoc Chapel. Please join us on **Saturday, June 2**, to start working at 8 a.m. We will be gravelling the walkways, repairing benches, possibly staining benches, pulling weeds, etc. Please bring shovels, rakes, work gloves and wheelbarrows if you have them. We will work until the job is complete. Meet at the Manatoc Dining Hall for coffee and donuts. Lunch will be provided. If you have any questions, please contact us at [ccs@gtcbsa.org](mailto:ccs@gtcbsa.org).

### Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII Training

The Catholic Committee on Scouting will be presenting Counselor Training for Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII. Training will be held on **Saturday, June 9**. Training will be at the Great Trail Council office, 1601 S. Main St., Akron. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Training will be from 9 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Cost for training, materials, coffee, donuts, and lunch will be \$5. Please register by Saturday, June 2 by mail or at the Great Trail Council office. Make checks payable to Great Trail Council. If you have any questions, please email [ccs@gtcbsa.org](mailto:ccs@gtcbsa.org).

### 24th World Scout Jamboree

The 24th World Scout Jamboree will be held **July 22 – August 2, 2019** at The Summit Bechtel Reserve and is co-hosted by Scouts Canada, Association de Scouts de Mexico and the Boy Scouts of America.

The theme for the 24th World Scout Jamboree is "Unlock a New World". This reflects the new adventures, cultures and friendships that will be shared by Scouts from around the world. We expect there to be tremendous interest in this Jamboree and encourage folks to apply as soon as possible. We have until July 31, 2018 to make up a unit entirely of Great Trail Council members (we are currently more than halfway to that goal!)

Scouts and Venturers (male and female) must be between the ages of 14 and 17 at the time the Jamboree starts. Anyone 18 and older can sign up as a contingent leader or as part of the International Service Team (IST, or Staff). Applications should be submitted as soon as possible. Information on the World Jamboree can be found at <http://www.gtcbsa.org/ws>

Join Scouts and Scouters from across the BSA to "Come See the World". Scouts will leave the Jamboree with a wider view of the world and a renewed commitment to Scouting.

Questions? Contact Vincent Close, at [vclose@sbcglobal.net](mailto:vclose@sbcglobal.net).

## Council Information

### 3rd Saturday Series

On May 19, the Special Needs Advisory Committee will hold a training specifically for those who expect to have a significant need which must be met at one of Great Trail Council's Day Camps this summer.

If you—or your unit—have a Scout with an allergy, a food allergy, heat intolerance, a significant medical concern, a physical impairment or cognitive or behavioral issues which may affect day camp participation, please plan to attend.

All 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday Series Courses are held at the Council Service Center from 9 a.m. until noon. Please RSVP to **Wendy** at [wendygreathouse@gmail.com](mailto:wendygreathouse@gmail.com).

### Summer camp sessions

Your unit is at summer camp—and, Joy of Joys! you are with them. You have time on your hands, but... what to do?

You can join the Special Needs Advisory Committee (SNAC) each Monday of Summer Camp as we give an overview of what SNAC does within Great Trail Council. Each Monday at 9 a.m., we'll be in the Lewis Conference Center—waiting to address your issues, and talk about our services.

We look forward to meeting with each of you, and to helping you serve all of the Scouts that come to you in the absolute best way you can.

### Save the date

#### Hike for All—Saturday, October 20

On Saturday, October 20, from 9 a.m. until noon, join the Special Needs Advisory Committee and the Park Ranger Explorer Post for a morning of hiking, wildlife identification, plant identification, fun and fellowship. Watch for additional information in *Scouters' News* and unit saddlebags in June of 2018. Suitable for ALL levels of Scouting and ALL ability levels.

### Save the date

#### Bike Rode-All—Saturday, May 18, 2019

Join the Special Needs Advisory Committee as we present a fun and accessible activity for all ability levels and levels of Scouting. We'll have help in fitting bike helmets, tools to adjust bike pieces parts, knowledgeable humans to oversee the process, bike safety-towns suitable for all ages, and activities designed for all Scouting levels. Watch for more information in the fall of 2018.

For more information, or to volunteer for these events, please contact the Special Needs Advisory Committee Chair **Wendy Greathouse** at [wendygreathouse@gmail.com](mailto:wendygreathouse@gmail.com) or **Caroline Altizer** at the council office at 330-773-0415.

### Are you registered for BALOO?



BALOO is **Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation** and it teaches the basic outdoor skills that leaders must know in order to take Cub Scouts on a campout.

There must be at least one BALOO trained leader on every pack campout. This year's BALOO training is on **May 5-6** and the cost is \$25, if paid by April 25, and \$30 after April 25. Registration is at: [www.scoutingevent.com/433-SPBALOO18](http://www.scoutingevent.com/433-SPBALOO18).

Here are some tips for making the most of your BALOO experience:

1. **Take your time with the online modules.** While you could zip through all the modules in little more than an hour, try to go at a slower pace. Take time to explore some of the online resources provided. Review any sections you find confusing. Each module includes a table of contents that allows you to repeat previous sections. Just click the TOC button at the bottom of the window.
2. **Bring your questions—and your skits.** Several of the online modules preview weekend content and will probably prompt questions you'll want to ask. Bring those questions with you, as well as skits or songs to share during the campfire program your class will plan.
3. **Arrive with an open mind.** If your idea of roughing it is a motel without high-speed internet, try to view the content through the eyes of your Cub Scouts. They're thirsting for adventure. On the other hand, if you're an expert camper, remember the purpose of the course is to prepare you to lead den and pack overnights—not rugged backcountry excursions.

For more information contact **Jericho Johnson** at 330-807-5841 or **Nate Watson** at 330-773-0415 ext. 225.



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### Important info for summer camp 2018!

Effective **June 1, 2018**, adults accompanying a Scouting unit, who are present at the activity for 72 total hours or more, **must be registered as a leader**, including completion of a criminal background check and youth protection training. The 72 hours need not be consecutive but are accumulative. All together, it's a bold new approach that will serve as just one part of the BSA's ongoing effort to enroll the entire community in the fight against child abuse both in and out of Scouting.

# Council Information

## Tributes & Memorials

**In Memory of:** **Douglas Charnley**  
**From:** Dave & Ann Miller  
 Judy Delahoyde  
 Connie Schultz  
 John & Janice Papcun  
 Caroline Traves  
 Charlotte Russell  
 Richard & Dorie Christy  
 Charles & Jayne Coleman  
 Homestead Insurance Agency  
 Ellen McGuire  
 Shari Kelley  
 Robert & Maureen Marshall  
 Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Reese  
 Steve Temple & Karen Malloy  
 David & Paula Chase  
 Linda & Jeff Ames  
 Rodney & Ellen Lounds  
 Zito Insurance Agency  
 Michael Hexter  
 Martha Oakes  
 Jean Soper  
 Linda & Tom Powell  
 Burgess & Jan Holt  
 Helen Deuring  
 Chad & Jennifer Webb  
 Richard & Sue Coffinger  
 Carolyn & Neal Sadler  
 Diana & Dale Rabung  
 John & Erin Carr  
 Don & Alice Spickler  
 Donna VanOcker  
 Molly Fisher Goodman  
 Jennifer Fisher  
 Stacey Fisher Solovg  
 Beth Fisher  
 Kent & Judy Daugherty

**In Memory of:** **Joseph Gainard**  
**From:** Judy Delahoyde

**In Memory of:** **William Sybolt**  
**From:** Sandra Demarsh  
 Ben & Brittny Jones

**In Memory of:** **Raymond Talbert**  
**From:** NMG Aerospace

**In Memory of:** **Bruce Lapierre**  
**From:** Bill & Barbara Mansfield

**In Memory of:** **David Firis**  
**From:** Walter Keith

**In Memory of:** **R. B. Talbert**  
**From:** Terence Polzin

**In Honor of:** **Robert Gordan**  
**From:** Marla DeBellis

## Eagle's Nest



	Troop	Eagle Date
Morgan Boyle	Crew 2458	02/23/18
Frank Constantine Jr.	4101	03/22/18
Marcus Koneval	501	03/20/18
Michael McCabe II	115	03/14/18
Nicholas Salladay	48	03/22/18
Christopher Sisia	514	03/05/17
Travis Synnestvedt	4065	03/22/18
Michael Terrell	501	03/13/18
Alexander Virostek	177	03/07/18

## Manatoc Museum News



Did you know the Manatoc Museum is located in the Admin Building at Camp Manatoc? Operating hours are Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m., September through May, and during posted hours during summer camp.

The Manatoc Museum is committed to preserving the rich history of the Manatoc Reservation Camps, to honoring those individuals who have made significant contributions to the camps and to telling the story of significant milestones related to the Akron area and Great Trail Council by collecting, organizing, preserving, exhibiting and interpreting relevant artifacts and documents.

Areas of focus are:

1. Camps Manatoc, Butler and Ritchie
2. Akron Area Council
3. Great Trail Council
4. Order of the Arrow Marnoc Lodge #151

The museum also displays items of general Boy Scout history and displays special exhibits examining the influence of the Scouting movement on the Scouts of the Manatoc Reservation and the local council.

The museum gladly accepts donations of Scouting history. They can be dropped off at the Admin Building or at the council office. Museum contacts are: Joe Mako (330-867-6256), David Rice (330-801-6430) and Ken Munyon (330-212-8649).

## Council Information

### **Webelos Resident Camp— 4 days and 3 nights of fun!**

The **Best** Webelos Resident Camp in Ohio is set for **July 22-25** and **July 25-28** at our own Camp Manatoc with Webelos only in camp those days. We have a new Webelos Camp Director, **Kip Shipley**, and he will be assisted by the Manatoc camp staff.

Webelos Resident Camp is a great opportunity for Webelos Scouts to experience the adventure waiting for them in a week of Boy Scout summer camp. It's days filled with exciting activities like swimming, boating, rafting, archery, bb-gun marksmanship, hiking, fire building, and working on Webelos Advancement Adventures!

Campers sleep in BSA canvas tents on wooden platforms, just like our Boy Scouts do, and **camp as a unit under their own adult leadership**.

Most meals are served, family-style, in the historic dining hall and every day features our camp's traditional "Pass in Review" retreat ceremony at the Butler Memorial.

Time at Webelos Resident Camp equals a whole school year's worth of den meetings so, Webelos den leaders and Webelos parents, now's the time to start making Webelos Resident Camp a part of your summer plans.

**Cost is \$175 per Webelos Scout and \$105 per adult if paid on or before July 13.**

Registration is online at:

<https://scoutingevent.com/433-wrc>

Make plans now and we look forward to seeing your first and second year Webelos Scouts at resident camp this summer!

### **Camp housing update**

Age-appropriate and separate accommodations for adults and Scouts are required. No adult may share a tent with a person of the opposite sex unless he or she is that adult's spouse. No youth may share a tent with an adult or a person of the opposite sex other than a family member or guardian. Assigning youth members more than two years apart in age to sleep in the same tent should be avoided unless the youth are relatives.

When housing other than tents is used, separate housing must be provided for male and female participants. Adult male leaders must be responsible for the male participants; adult female leaders must be responsible for the female participants. Housing must have separate buildings, rooms or appropriate barriers installed.

Whenever possible, separate shower and latrine facilities should be provided for male/female adults and male/female youth. If separate facilities are not available, times should be scheduled and posted.

### **Short-term camping at Camp Stambaugh being offered this summer!**



Thinking of an inexpensive getaway? Come enjoy nature at Camp Stambaugh. Scout troops would you like a two day campout in the middle of the summer? Here's your chance!

Camp Stambaugh will be available for family and unit campouts during the 2018

summer season. There will not be a formal program. Check-in time will be at 4 p.m. on your arrival day and noon on check-out day.

All Scouts must be registered before unit camping reservations are made. For family camping, at least one person attending must be registered in the Scouting program. Registration may be done online at <http://www.manatoc.org/weekends.html> or call Peggy at 330-773-0415 ext. 221.



### **More improvements at Camp Stambaugh!**

Camp Stambaugh now has city water in the main part of camp. Goodbye iron water! Lake Stambaugh will be ready for fishing soon, as the dam has been repaired and the pool is getting a new liner!

### **Important news about summer camp!**

Effective June 1, 2018, adults accompanying a Scouting unit to any activity **72 hours or more** in length, must be **registered as a leader**, including a **criminal background check** and **youth protection training**. The 72 hours need not be consecutive.

This is a new regulation from our national office and all adults staying at camp this summer must be registered and youth protection trained.



**Early Bird  
Summer Camp Fees  
Due by May 21**

## Council Information

### Hazardous Weather Training



**Effective April 30**, new direct contact leaders must complete Hazardous Weather Training online to be considered position trained. The Scouting program takes place in the outdoors. This training discusses how to manage risks from the weather to our Scouting family. The Hazardous Weather Training course is available in the BSA Learn Center by logging in to your account on My.Scouting.org.

### Cub Adventure Camp at Stambaugh



Cub Adventure Weekends are Cub and family friendly camping programs. Come to camp as a family or unit. Meals, t-shirts, and activities are planned.

Cub Adventure Weekend—  
**Friday, May 11-Sunday, May 13—Cost \$40 per person**

Cub Adventure Weekend—  
**Friday, July 27-Sunday, July 29—Cost \$40 per person**

Cub Adventure Weekend—  
**Friday, Sept. 21-Sunday, Sept. 23—Cost \$40 per person**

Register at:

<https://scoutingevent.com/433-cubadventure>

### Cub Adventure Camp at Manatoc

Cub Adventure Weekend Session 1—  
**Friday, May 18-Saturday, May 19—Cost \$40 per person**

Cub Adventure Weekend Session 2—  
**Saturday, May 19-Sunday, May 20—Cost \$40 per person**

Fall Cub Adventure Weekend at Camp Butler—  
**Friday, September 28-Saturday, September 29—  
Cost \$40 per person**

Register at:

<https://scoutingevent.com/433-cubadventure>

**Council Annual Dinner  
and Silver Beaver Recognition Event  
Sunday, May 6  
Camp Manatoc Dining Hall  
Cost \$27/person**

*Reservation deadline is April 30*

<https://scoutingevent.com/433-GTCAnnualDinner>

### Join the Camp Stambaugh Campmaster Crew!

We are seeking Campmasters for Stambaugh Scout Reservation's Campmaster Crew.

Are you:

- At least 18 years of age?
- Registered with the BSA? (or would like to register)
- Youth Protection trained?
- Customer service oriented?

We offer:

- 2-3 free weekends in the Eagle Cabin
- The opportunity to meet new Scouts and Scouters from all over
- Free CPR/AED Training (semi-annual)
- Free YPT Training (semi-annual)
- Other training opportunities  
- certified Rangemaster

When: **Saturday, June 9**

Time: 9 a.m.—1 p.m. (lunch provided)

We will be picking Campmaster weekends and helping with the SSR Work Day.

Please RSVP for training and lunch by calling the SSR Chief Campmaster, Brad Lang at 330-883-8921.

We will also handle council registrations at this meeting. For those who are not registered and are planning to register, dues for the year are \$33 and will be collected at this meeting. If you are already a registered member of the BSA, no fee is due. **Please bring a copy of your current Youth Protection Training certificate.** The Campmaster Crew is registered and operates as Venturing Crew 2300.

### Camp Stambaugh needs your help!



**WORK IN PROGRESS**

On **June 8-10**, all units that sign up with Camp Ranger Nathan are welcome to spend the weekend at Camp Stambaugh for free!

All cabins and tent sites are first come, first served and there will be a limit to the number of units that can reserve. Call Nathan at 330-974-8476.

Lunch is free! Pizza, chips, bottled water and cookies will be provided. Please support Camp Stambaugh and help us get it ready for the summer camping season. Nathan will have projects ready to assign to units. **\*\*You will be required to work from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturday and leave your cabin or campsite extra clean.**

Questions? Call Chris Bergdorf at 330-607-6376. Call Nathan to reserve at 330-974-8476.

# Council Information

## 2018 GTC Popcorn Sale Dates

### May

- ⇒ Wednesday, May 2—Staff Popcorn Development Day, 11:30-2:00
- ⇒ Thursday, May 17—District Popcorn Team Meeting #1

### June

- ⇒ Saturday, June 16—VIP Popcorn Party/District Popcorn Teams #2

### July

- ⇒ Thursday, July 19—District Popcorn Team Meeting #3—\*Prepare for kick-offs
- ⇒ Thursday, July 26—New Kernel Orientation

### August

- ⇒ Popcorn Kick-Off Month!
- ⇒ Promote popcorn at your August Kick-Off Roundtable

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## 2018 District Kick-Off Dates

- **Sunday, July 29—East**
- **Wednesday, August 1—Central**
- **Saturday, August 4—West**

### September

- ⇒ Tuesday, September 4—Show & Deliver orders due
- ⇒ Saturday, September 15—Show & Deliver distribution

### October

- ⇒ Saturdays, October 6, 13, 20 & 27—District Blitz Days
- ⇒ Tuesday, October 30—All Take Orders due/SNS \$\$\$

### November

- ⇒ Friday, November 2—All prize orders due!
- ⇒ Saturday, November 10—Take Order Popcorn Distribution Day

### December

- ⇒ Friday, December 7—All popcorn money due to the council office

## 2018 Friends of Scouting

Please join the over 4,000 families, companies, foundations, and friends that help support the programs, facilities, and vision of Scouting. This year our goal is to raise \$700,000.

### Make A Donation!

- \* Go to [www.gtcbasa.org](http://www.gtcbasa.org)
- \* Click on Support
- \* Click on donate to the Great Trail Council

### Watch Our New Video

- \* Go to [www.gtcbasa.org](http://www.gtcbasa.org)
- \* Click on Support
- \* Click on FOS Presenter Information
- \* Click on 2018 Family FOS Video

**Questions?** Jody Gildersleeve, Director of Development, 330-773-0415 ext. 218 or email [jody.gildersleeve@scouting.org](mailto:jody.gildersleeve@scouting.org)

## From the Registration Desk...

### **Charter Info**

All charters have been processed with the exception of the few that have not been turned in or the defects that haven't been taken care of. Charters, membership cards and rosters have been mailed out. If you were 100% Boys' Life or you earned a JTE award those ribbons were included. If you have any questions regarding your charter packet, please let me know.

### **Adult Registration & Position Changes**

Leadership positions within the unit can be changed anytime during the charter year. If you are changing leadership positions during the charter year, you must turn in a completed and signed adult app and disclosure form with your new position marked on the application. If you are changing your position to charter organization rep, the new CR will have to be the CR in any other unit chartered by the same organization. At charter time you do not need an app and disclosure form to change leadership positions, it just needs to be changed when the charter is being done online.

### **Institutional Head**

The institutional head can change anytime during the charter year. In order for that change to be made a new unit application must be completed and signed by the new institutional head. Please contact your district executive to let them know that this change is being made and to request a new unit application.

*If you have any questions regarding registration, chartering, training records or internet advancements, or any of the above changes, please contact Council Registrar Pat Gaugler at 330-773-0415 ext. 210 or email [pat.gaugler@scouting.org](mailto:pat.gaugler@scouting.org).*



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## Council Information

### 2018 Camp Card Fundraiser Earn your way to camp!

It's much more than a discount card. Scouts are selling character and a better community all while earning their way to summer camp!

- **Card is just \$10!** Each card features two single use offers as well as a code to register online for a membership with the Entertainment Promotion Network (active for a year from the day registered).
- The code gives access to thousands of local merchants with savings up to 50%.
- The site can be accessed through a computer or using the SaversGuide app on a smartphone. Offers are based on zip code so new offers will appear wherever you are. Visit [bsademo.saversguide.com](http://bsademo.saversguide.com) for a live demo.
- **Scouts earn \$5 per card.** That's **50%** directly funding camp and other Scouting adventures!
- Sign-up form and sale resources are available at [www.gtcbasa.org/camp-cards](http://www.gtcbasa.org/camp-cards).



### Sale Key Dates

**May 10**—Continue to pick-up cards at roundtables. Last day for units to return up to 50% of unsold cards.

**June 7**—Sale ends. Camp Card payments due at roundtables.



### GREAT TRAIL COUNCIL

#### Saturday, May 5

The Great Trail Council needs you to help fight hunger in our area. Help feed local families by participating in our collection goal of 100,000 items (cans or non-perishable packages). The food will be distributed to local food pantries of your unit's choice throughout the council. We challenge your district to collect 15,000 items of food!

#### "To help other people at all times" - Scout Oath

- Choose how your unit is going to participate: Door-to-Door collection, coordinate a local drive with a school, business or place of worship, or do a Friends & Family campaign within your unit.
- Appoint a Scouting for Food Chair in your unit to contact a food bank or pantry location, coordinate pick-up and distribution times, report the unit collection tally, designate a meeting location. Fill out the commitment form online at: <http://www.gtcbasa.org/scoutingforfood>
- Determine how many Scouts will participate and how many adults will be available to drive when picking up food.
- Determine the number of bags and boxes needed. Ask your unit's families to save these items for the drive.
- If doing a door-to-door collection, print or request door hangers (available on [www.gtcbasa.org](http://www.gtcbasa.org)).
- Talk to other units to get them to participate (consider a friendly competition).
- Collect as many items as possible and total the amount.
- Turn in food to your preferred food bank, pantry or church on May 5, 2018.
- Report the final count using the **online report form at:** <http://www.gtcbasa.org/scoutingforfood>
- Celebrate your success and thank all your Scouts and parents for participating!

# Arrowhead District

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 District Executive      David Michalec      330-883-7096      david.michalec@scouting.org

[www.facebook.com/ArrowheadGTC](http://www.facebook.com/ArrowheadGTC)



## District Recognition Dinner is May 9

The Arrowhead District Recognition Dinner will be Wednesday May 9, at 6:30 p.m., at the Camp Stambaugh Dining Hall. **This dinner will take the place of May's roundtable.**

**Event Day:** Wednesday, May 9

**Location:** Camp Stambaugh Dining Hall

**Time:** 6:30 p.m. - Dinner/Program

**Cost:** \$8 per person (2017 Eagle Scouts Free)

<https://www.scoutingevent.com/433-AHRD18>

Come join us for an evening of relaxation, food, fellowship, and recognition! Please join us when we recognize our 2017 Eagle Scouts, Outstanding Units, Scouters, Journey to Excellence Troops/Packs/Crews, District Award of Merit, Top Popcorn Sellers, and all who have given exceptional service to the district and the community throughout the 2017 year.

Invite your fellow leaders, assistant leaders, committee members, parents, spouses and Scouting friends, too!

## Arrowhead Cub Scout Day Camp



This year's theme is "Bug Hunters!" Arrowhead Day Camp will be three days of fun from **June 28-30**. Save the date now to make sure your Cub Scouts are ready for a once in a lifetime experience!

Registration is \$60 until May 15 and \$70 from May 15 through June 1. All participants will receive a "Bug Hunters" t-shirt, lunch each day, a patch, a cup, and crafts to be taken home.

Registration is to be completed online at <https://www.scoutingevent.com/433-ahcsdc>, please start your planning now.

Day Camp Director: **Mary Hostetler** at [mdhoss11610@gmail.com](mailto:mdhoss11610@gmail.com)

## District Committee is open to all Scouters

Arrowhead District would like to invite all Scouters in the area to attend monthly meetings in which program planning takes place for Scouting in Trumbull and Eastern Portage County. Arrowhead's District Committee meets the first Wednesday of each month at Kent State Trumbull's Classroom Building in room #233 at 7 p.m. These meetings are where we make local programming a success through planning membership recruitment, event planning, financial planning, and commissioner business.



## Olympic Team Challenge Camporee

Arrowhead District would like to formally thank **Matt** and **DeAnna Fuchilla** for their efforts in chairing the Spring Camporee held in April at Camp Stambaugh. Boy Scout troops had the opportunity to compete in stations in Olympic Team Challenges. In the background, the sound of machinery was a pleasant distraction as the Lake was being repaired. Pictured are Scouts of **Troop 4557** working together in a unique station that put Scout skills, teamwork, and physical fitness to the test as a Scout "walks" an A-frame down the parade field with the assistance of their team.

## Annual elections May 2

Arrowhead's annual elections will take place at the district committee meeting on Wednesday, May 2, at the Kent State Trumbull's Classroom Building room #233. We will start at 7 p.m., members-at-large and chartered partner representatives will each have a vote to approve the nominating committee report for members-at-large.

<b>May</b>	
2	District Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Kent State Trumbull
6	Council Dinner—Camp Manatoc
9	District Dinner—Camp Stambaugh
17	Advancement Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Christ Episcopal Church
24	Advancement Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Christ Episcopal Church
	<b>Registration \$22.00      Boys' Life \$8.00</b>
<b>June</b>	
6	District Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Kent State Trumbull
21	Advancement Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Christ Episcopal Church
28	Advancement Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Christ Episcopal Church
28-30	Day Camp—Eagle Creek Conservation Club
	<b>Registration \$19.25      Boys' Life \$7.00</b>

# Chippewa District

“Scouting, From Tiger Paws to Eagle Claws”

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## District Recognition Awards



April’s roundtable served as our recognition for district leadership. Congratulations to this year’s recipient of the District Award of Merit, **Gregg Townsend**. Gregg has served in many positions at the unit, district and council level.

## District Annual Business Meeting

The District Annual Business Meeting will be held on May 9, at Wadsworth Buehlers Community Room, 175 Great Oaks Trail, Wadsworth, 44281. All elected district members at large and chartering organization representatives do have a vote in the election of the district committee for the coming year.

## Bug Hunter Day Camp is around the corner!



Believe it or not, it’s time to start planning for Day Camp.

**Place:** Camp Butler

**Cost:** \$70.00

**Dates:** Session 1—June 25-27, Session 2—June 28-30

**Contact:** Camp Director Steve Trommer at [chippewadaycamp@gmail.com](mailto:chippewadaycamp@gmail.com)

**Registration online at:**

<https://scoutingevent.com/433-chipcscd>

If you would like to help with our planning or be a part of staff, you can contact Camp Director Steve Trommer at [chippewadaycamp@gmail.com](mailto:chippewadaycamp@gmail.com). If your Boy Scout is looking for service hours and would like to be part of our youth staff, we would like to hear from him.

We look forward to seeing you at Camp Butler for day camp this summer!

## Friends of Scouting

If you haven’t done so already please schedule and turn in your FOS presentation date to our family campaign manager **Sherri Buck** at [sbuck01@msn.com](mailto:sbuck01@msn.com).

## Congratulations Ed Martin!



**Ed Martin** (pictured at left), our District Commissioner and a former Chair of the National Catholic Committee on Scouting (NCCS), was recognized with the Brother Barnabas award “for long and meritorious service in the spiritual growth of Catholic youth through Scouting under Catholic auspices at the recent NCCS Biennial Conference in Minneapolis.

Considered the most prestigious recognition of the NCCS, less than 20 have been awarded in its 80-year history. Congratulations Ed!

## Competition hosted by Post 2552

Explorer Post 2552 hosted this year’s Ohio Law Enforcement Exploring Advisor Association’s annual competition. Sgt. Fraser did an excellent job organizing the event. The post took first place in First Aid and Air Pistol/Active Shooter. They placed third in Bomb Threats and Arrests & Search. There were 26 posts competing from our Great Trail, Buckeye, Erie Shores, Miami Valley, Lake Erie and Simon Kenton Councils.



### May

- 3 District Commissioners Meeting—7 p.m.—Ed Martin’s house
  - 9 District Annual Meeting/Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Buehler’s Wadsworth
  - 10 Roundtable—7 p.m.—Medina United Methodist Church
- Registration \$30.25      Boys’ Life \$11.00**

### June

- 7 District Commissioners Meeting—7 p.m.—Ed Martin’s house
  - 13 District Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Buehler’s Wadsworth
  - 14 Roundtable—7 p.m.—Medina United Methodist Church
  - 25-27 Day Camp Session 1—Camp Butler
  - 28-30 Day Camp Session 2—Camp Butler
- Registration \$27.50      Boys’ Life \$10.00**

# Lakes District

## “Leads the Way”

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District Website: [www.lakesdistrict.org](http://www.lakesdistrict.org)



## 2018 “Bug Hunters” Day Camp



This year the theme for day camp is Bug Hunters! Join us **June 20-23**, at beautiful Craftsmen Park for a camp to remember. Please be aware that this year there will be a final registration date (that date is being determined). No late

registrations will be accepted and there will be no walk-ins allowed at day camp. Also registration for day camp will be exclusively online and that includes t-shirts. Register at:

<https://scoutingevent.com/433-lakescsdc>

## May-hem Roundtable



Please mark your calendars for Thursday, May 10, at 7 p.m., at Messiah Lutheran Church, 4700 S. Main St., Akron, OH 44319 for the Lakes District Roundtable.

May is our annual **program planning** roundtable, this is where all the units get their flash

drives to plan their program for the following year. It seems way too soon to start thinking about September now, but the object is to have a committee meeting over the summer to plan so that your unit is up and running in September. This year we will be continuing our tradition of having meatballs, but will have a twist this year. The meatballs will be Swedish and there will be curly fries. We like to refer to this as Swedish Meatball Mayhem with a Twist. We ask that attendees of this event bring a covered dish with them and everyone participates in the banquet that we will enjoy. Mark your calendar and we'll see you there!

## National Summertime Pack Award

Your pack can qualify for the National Summertime Pack Award certificate and streamer by planning and conducting three pack activities during the summer – one in each June, July and August.

The purpose of this award is to encourage packs to provide a year-round program by continuing to meet during time periods when school is out. The main benefit of participating in this program is to keep the interest of the Scouts over the summer and to retain their membership for the following year.

Look in the resources and forms section of your Cub Scout Leader book for the National Summertime Pack Award form and start planning for the summer!

## District Award recipients

Congratulations to our 2017-2018 District Award recipients:

District Award of Merit recipients: **Matt Hutchison** and **Jodie Amiot**

Commodore of the Lakes Award recipients: **Brandie Reedy, Jim Disabato, Christopher Stoll, Sarah Hutchison, Kalandra Derr, Joshua Maximovich Callee Weyrick, Debra Vasilev, Aaron McMullen, Mike McClain, Jeff Cerone, Sarah Weber, Martha LaConte, John Garvin, Richard Cole, Jasen Sokol**

## Pinewood Derby results

### Tigers

- 1st Nolan Rogers—3334
- 2nd Lance Underation—3146
- 3rd Jace Norasaeng—3215

### Wolves

- 1st Jackson Anstine—3334
- 2nd Chase Handel—3334
- 3rd Xander Wilhelm—3127

### Bears

- 1st Jordan Willison—3132
- 2nd Mitchell Anstine—3334
- 3rd Mark Dippel—3118

### Webelos

- 1st Mason Pardee—3132
- 2nd Conner Byrne—3132
- 3rd Kaden Larsen—3337

### May

- 1 District Committee Meeting—7 a.m.—Green Market District, 1700 Corporate Woods Pkwy., Uniontown
  - 3 District Commissioners Meeting—6:30 p.m.—Acme, 3235 Manchester Rd., Akron
  - 9 Day Camp Early Bird Deadline
  - 10 District roundtable—7 p.m.—Messiah Lutheran Church, 4700 S. Main St., Akron
- Registration \$27.50      Boys' Life \$10.00**

### June

- 2 Lakes District Fishing Derby—9 a.m.—ODNR District 3 Youth Ponds, 912 Portage Lakes Dr., Akron
  - 20-23 Lakes District Day Camp—details at [www.lakesdistrict.org](http://www.lakesdistrict.org)
- Registration \$24.75      Boys' Life \$9.00**

# Marnoc Lodge #151

Order of the Arrow

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## Lodge officer election notification

All lodge officer positions will be elected during the Spring Fellowship on June 2, 2018 following lunch. Any youth member of the lodge who will not turn 21 before August 11, 2019 is eligible for election. Any candidate for election must complete the following requirements before noon on June 2, 2018.

Excerpt from Article IV of the Lodge By-Laws:

1. Nominations for lodge officers shall be received from (a) the nominating committee and (b) individual members of the lodge. A letter of intent from any Scout running for a lodge officer position must be received by the Staff Professional Adviser prior to 12:00 p.m. (noon) on the business day prior to elections. Both the nominees and the member submitting the nomination must be active, dues-paid members of the lodge, and consent of the nominee to serve, if elected, must have been obtained.

In order to appear on the ballot all members intending to run must submit their nomination intent and position running for (you may nominate for more than one position) to Shannon.sinex@gtcbsa.org by noon on 6/2/2018.

[Nomination forms are available for download here.](#)

Late nominations will not be reviewed, and no nominations from the floor will be accepted.

The positions that will be elected are: Lodge Chief; Lodge Vice Chief of Inductions; Lodge Vice Chief of Program; Lodge Secretary; and Lodge Treasurer.

The term of office begins and ends with the Lodge Summer Fellowship (8/12/2018 to 8/11/2019).

## Spring Fellowship

The 2018 Marnoc Lodge Spring Fellowship will take place June 1-3, at Camp Manatoc. This event will include our annual Lodge Officer elections, a bit of service (read Summer Camp Setup), some Fellowship, and support of our first Ordeal of the year. You can sign up now at

<https://scoutingevent.com/433-springfellowship>.

Highlights for the weekend include the "christening" of the Litchfield Lake Iceberg.

## Final Section C4-A Conclave

The final conclave for Section C4-A will be held May 18-20, 2018 at the Beaumont Scout Reservation in Rock Creek. You can register for conclave at <http://conclave.oe-c4a.org>.

## Renew your membership

The Order of the Arrow, Scouting's Honor Society, is made up of thousands of great Scouts and Scouters like yourself, who were elected to the Order by their fellow Scouts because they saw something in you, something special - those qualities of trust, leadership, friendship, brotherhood, and a desire to serve others - that set you apart.

You undertook the Ordeal to prove your dedication to the high ideals of service that is the hallmark of our Order. Perhaps you have achieved an even greater understanding of Wimachtendienk, Wingolauchsik, Witahemui by sealing your membership through the Brotherhood, or even now keep the flame of cheerful service alive through leadership in service. You are an Arrowman and we ask that you continue your support for the Order of the Arrow and its worthy goals which are more important now than ever.

An active member in Marnoc Lodge is someone who is a currently registered Scout or Scouter in the Great Trail Council with current dues paid. With active membership, you are entitled to attend all functions of the lodge appropriate for your honor level. It also entitles you to wear your OA flap. Technically, if you don't pay your dues, you are not a member, and the flap should be removed from your uniform.

Think back on your Ordeal. Remember the Obligation and Admonition. Remember ... "The one who chose you need you." Visit <https://scoutingevent.com/433-marnocdues> now to renew your membership.

\*Thanks to the nice folks with the Sipp-O Lodge for this paragraph, I couldn't have said it better.

## Ordeal registrations

Just a reminder that Unit Election reports, Ordeal Registrations, and Adult Nominations were due to the Lodge by April 15. You can still register your youth election results and choose an Ordeal date online at <https://scoutingevent.com/433-ordeal>. You can continue to post your election results at [http://bit.ly/2018\\_151election](http://bit.ly/2018_151election).

# Moecomdws District

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## Moe District Pinewood Derby

The 18<sup>th</sup> Annual MOECOMDWS District Pinewood Derby was held Saturday, April 14, at Holy Family School in Stow. 40 Scouts from 16 packs raced in the recognition rally. The race was highlighted with prizes, t-shirts, and tons of fun! A special thanks goes out to **Tom Brownridge** and **Pack 3177** for hosting the event. The top three finishers were:

1. **Ian Katz**
2. **Markus Pilch**
3. **George Barker**

## Spring Recruiting

It is time for spring recruitment! Get in touch with **Jackie McDonnell** at [moerecruiting@gmail.com](mailto:moerecruiting@gmail.com) as soon as possible to coordinate your spring recruitment! If you have an active summertime pack, why not recruit your upcoming Tiger Den Leader in the spring? Don't miss out on a great opportunity. Also, every troop should have an open house!

## How many BALOO trained adults does your pack have?



Who: Any Cub Scout leader or Cub Scout parent

What: BALOO Training

When: Saturday & Sunday, **May 5 & 6**

Where: Camp Manatoc

Why: Because EVERY Cub Scout pack must have a BALOO trained adult at every outdoor activity

Cost: \$25.00

Register at:

<https://scoutingevent.com/433-SPBALOO18>

Note: BALOO is a council sponsored training and is provided twice a year in May and October. Any Cub Scout leader in Great Trail Council can attend any training event.

Questions: **Jericho Johnson** at [jericho.who@gmail.com](mailto:jericho.who@gmail.com)

## Register for day camp! It's our "Bug Hunting Extravaganza!"



The best week of the summer? Easy question, MOECOMDWS DAY CAMP.

We will have two day camp sessions, **June 18-21** and **June 21-23**, along with the annual Tiger Adventure Day on June 23. Also added this year will be a family campout on Friday, June 22. Register online today at <https://scoutingevent.com/433-moescdc>

Check out [moedaycamp.blogspot.com](http://moedaycamp.blogspot.com) for more info.

Want to boost your day camp attendance? Have someone from our day camp team visit your pack meeting! Contact [Moedaycamp@gmail.com](mailto:Moedaycamp@gmail.com) to schedule an event, or if you have any questions.

## Mark your calendar! Fall Camporee will be a hoot!

All troops and Webelos dens—put the weekend of **September 21** in your calendars. You're not going to want to miss the 2018 Moecomdws Fall Camporee.

Troop 152 will be hosting the annual fall event at Camp Manatoc. This year's program will be a giant capture the flag tournament! Stay tuned on Facebook, MoeScouts.org and check your saddlebags for more info!

## Don't Forget! District Awards Ceremony May 10—7:15 p.m. St. Stephen's Church

### May

3	District Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Hudson Presbyterian Church
5-6	BALOO
6	Council Dinner—Camp Manatoc
10	Roundtable—7:15 p.m.—St. Stephen's Lutheran Church
26-28	Memorial Day Weekend—Scout Shop/office closed
28	Memorial Day
	<b>Registration \$27.50      Boys' Life \$10.00</b>

### June

16	VIP Popcorn
17	Father's Day—Summer Camp Week 1
18-20	Day Camp Session 1
21-23	Day Camp Session 2
22	Family Overnight Camp
23	Tiger Adventure Day
	<b>Registration \$24.75      Boys' Life \$9.00</b>

# Old Portage District

“THE Quality District”

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Old Portage Website <https://oldportage.com/>



## Old Portage District Dinner

**Date:** Thursday, May 10

**Time:** Appetizers—6:00 p.m.

Dinner—6:30 p.m.

**Location:** Faith Lutheran Church

**Cost:** Donation

**Purpose:** to recognize volunteer achievement in the Old Portage District

**RSVP:** by May 9 to [stacybechtel@hotmail.com](mailto:stacybechtel@hotmail.com)

## “Hot Shots” Spring Camporee

**Dates:** May 4-6

**Location:** Camp Chickagami Park, 17957 Tavern Rd., Burton, OH

**Cost:** \$10 per Scout—\$6.00 per leader by April 30

**Cost includes:** dinner—main course and program

**For more information please contact: Mike Fasig** at 330-329-8586 or [mfscouter@aol.com](mailto:mfscouter@aol.com)

**Make checks payable to:** Great Trail Council, OP Camporee GTC, PO Box 68, Akron, OH 44309-0068

## “Bug Hunters” Day Camp

**Theme:** Bug Hunters

**Dates:** July 9-11, Family Night-July 10, 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

**Time:** 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**Location:** Camp Butler

**Cost:** \$70 per Cub Scout - \$60 if paid by May 25

**All registrations must be done online**

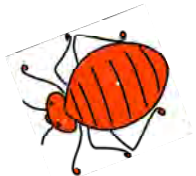
We will be learning all about BUGS, practicing Scout skills, and having lots of fun! The Cub Scouts will enjoy activities like: archery, BB guns, swimming, sling shots, and time at the lake.

Boys and Girls are welcome!

Questions call or email:

**Stacy Bechtel:** 330-687-4815, [stacybechtel@hotmail.com](mailto:stacybechtel@hotmail.com)

**Jim Horvath:** 330-283-4422, [jhorvath99@aol.com](mailto:jhorvath99@aol.com)



## Spring Cub Scout recruitment

If your Cub Scout pack has a summer program, and would like to add youth to your pack, we can assist you. Beginning this June Cub Scout packs can add girl dens as well as additional boys, in grades first through fourth.

Recruitment can also help you identify new adult leadership as well.

We have flyers highlighting both girls and boys. If you are interested in conducting a spring recruitment, contact John Schlobohm at [john.schlobohm@scouting.org](mailto:john.schlobohm@scouting.org)

## Camp Card Sale



Are your Scouts looking for a way to earn their way to camp? Day Camp, Webelos Resident Camp, or Boy Scout Summer Camp—how much do you need?

For every 10 cards sold, you will earn \$50. Cards sell for \$10 each and provide you access to thousands of entertainment discounts, up to 50% and is good through December 31, 2018. Offers include restaurants, retail stores, travel, and much more.

If your pack, troop, or crew is interested, send an email to **John Schlobohm** at [john.schlobohm@scouting.org](mailto:john.schlobohm@scouting.org) or stop by the Scout Service Center.

# Spring

### May

4-6 Old Portage Camporee—Camp Chickagami Park  
10 District Recognition Dinner—Faith Lutheran Church  
18-20 Cub Adventure Weekend—Camp Manatoc  
**Registration \$30.25      Boys' Life \$11.00**

# Seneca District

“The Heart of the Great Trail Council”

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## Family Friends of Scouting Campaign

The campaign is underway for all Cub Scout packs, Boy Scout troops and Venture crews. Now is the time to think about having a FOS presentation at a blue and gold banquet, court of honor, or parent night.

**Our Family Friends of Scouting chairman this year is Mike Rowe. He will be contacting you as well to help schedule. Mike can be reached [mikeroweops@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mikeroweops@sbcglobal.net) or (330) 351-3283. You may also call Robert Balash, (330) 773-0415, ext. 227, ([Robert.Balash@scouting.org](mailto:Robert.Balash@scouting.org)) to schedule.** Make sure the date you select is a date when you will have the most family and friends of Scouts in attendance and we'll arrange for a FOS presenter to attend your event. Presentations typically take 10 minutes, with a short follow-up at the end of your program. Sign up online at <http://bit.ly/2018GTCFOS>

We need to be able to tell the “Scouting Story” to every family and give them the opportunity to make a financial contribution to help support the great things we do with the youth of our communities.



## Seneca District Fishing Derby

The 2018 Seneca District Fishing Derby will be held on **June 2**, at Lake Hodgson, located at 5331 Lakewood Rd., Ravenna, OH 44266. Stay tuned for more details about this incredible event! Questions? Talk to **Chad Roberts**, this year's chairman for the event at 330-221-9944.

## Seneca Recognition Night

On Thursday, April 22, at roundtable, Seneca District recognized outstanding volunteers for their dedication to Scouting and their service to the youth we serve. The following are our recipients for the 2017 Program Year District Awards: Den Leader of the Year: **Gabe Santacreu**—P3265, Cubmaster: **Gabe Szoka**—P3275, Ass't. Scoutmaster: **Tom Mahon**—T253, Scoutmaster: **Lee Drewette**—T253, Committee Chairman: **Cindy Olesh**—P3575, Clyde Hazle—P3265, District Award of Merit: (2) - **Rick Angeli**—T262, P3262, **Dana Toth**—C2265, Spirit Of Seneca — **Mike Rowe**—575, **Chad Roberts**—262.

## Cub Scout Day Camp is right around the corner!



The Seneca District is pleased and proud to be running our own Seneca “Bug Hunters” Day Camp. Mark your calendars for **July 12-14**, at Camp Butler. We are currently looking for persons to staff stations at camp. Day camp is the one activity that your boys will talk about all year! Junior staff is also needed from our troops! For questions or more information contact **Cindy Olesh**, at [cindyolesh@gmail.com](mailto:cindyolesh@gmail.com) or **Jackie Demyan** at [jackiedemyan@gmail.com](mailto:jackiedemyan@gmail.com). More information will be put in saddlebags!

## Seneca is online

Seneca District always strives to improve our communications to the district. Please consider “liking” our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/SenecaScouts](http://www.facebook.com/SenecaScouts). Also check out our updated webpage for all the new information regarding advancements, trainings, and programs at [www.SenecaDistrict.org](http://www.SenecaDistrict.org)!

### May

- 3 District Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Kent United Church of Christ, 1400 E. Main St., Kent
  - 5 BALOO & OWL Training
  - 6 Council Annual Dinner
  - 10 Roundtable—7 p.m.—Kent United Church of Christ, 1400 E. Main St., Kent
  - 13 Mother's Day
  - 26-28 Memorial Day Weekend—Scout Shop/office closed
- Registration \$24.75      Boys' Life \$9.00**

### June

- 2 Fishing Derby—Lake Hodgson
  - 17 Father's Day
  - 17 Summer Camp Week 1
  - 23 Streetsboro Merit Badge Day
  - 24 Summer Camp Week 2
- Registration \$22.00      Boys' Life \$8.00**



# Tri Fires District

## “Fired Up Scouting!”

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### District Awards winners announced



Tri-Fires District held its final District Awards Dinner on April 12, at First Congregational Church of Tallmadge. More than 70 Scouters were treated to a great night of food, fellowship, and recognition. A special thanks is in order to **Wes and Stacy Ramp, Tosha Curren, Wendy Greathouse,**

**Dustin and Lisa Gibson, Crew 2361, Troop 361,** and everyone else who made this night possible. A huge CONGRATULATIONS to all of our winners. The 2018 District Award winners for Tri-Fires are as follows:

Charter Partner of the Year—**St. Matthew's Parish**

Cub Leader of the Year—**Mike Bennett**, Pack 3037

Cubmaster of the Year—**Aaron Mellinger**, Pack 3074

Scout Leader of the Year—**Jeananne Kilbell**, Troop 77

Scoutmaster of the Year—**Walt Welker**, Troop 48

Venturing Leader of the Year—**Stacy Ramp**, Crew 2361

District Staff Member of the Year—**Ken Brown**, Assistant Roundtable Commissioner

District Award of Merit—**Todd Mosko**

District Award of Merit—**Bill Canan**

Silver Beaver Award—**Mike Thompson**

### What a race! Pinewood was a success



Pack 3310 put on a great show for the district this year! The final Tri-Fires District Pinewood Derby was a blast, with over 40 Scouts racing. Shout out to **Dennis Parado** and his team for making all of this happen. Congratulations to our following winners:

Lion—**William Christner**, Pack 3412

Tiger—**Andrew Zalewski**, Pack 3310

Wolf—**Eli Clark**, Pack 3310

Bear—**Landon Brown**, Pack 3048

Webelos—**Robert Boley**, Pack 3310

Family—**Craig Boley**, Pack 3310

### Join us for roundtable

Roundtable is held on the second Thursday of the month at 7 p.m., and it is the place to be! May roundtable is the last one of the program year, so come get all of your materials for your summer planning sessions! This year, instead of those old, bulky packets, we will be giving all units flash drives with important information! This will also be our last roundtable at Northwest Ave. Church of Christ. The district roundtable staff is working hard with Old Portage to find a centralized location for 2018. Stay posted for more information regarding that.

### How many BALOO trained adults does your pack have?

Who: Any Cub Scout leader or Cub Scout parent

What: BALOO Training

When: Saturday & Sunday, **May 5 & 6**

Where: Camp Manatoc

Why: Because EVERY Cub Scout pack must have a BALOO trained adult at every outdoor activity

Cost: \$25.00

**Register at:**

<https://scoutingevent.com/433-SPBALOO18>

Note: BALOO is a council sponsored training and is provided twice a year in May and October. Any Cub Scout leader in Great Trail Council can attend any training event.

Questions: **Jericho Johnson** at [jericho.who@gmail.com](mailto:jericho.who@gmail.com)

### Spring recruiting

It is time for spring recruitment! Get in touch with Wendy Greathouse at [wendygreathouse@gmail.com](mailto:wendygreathouse@gmail.com) as soon as possible to coordinate your spring recruitment! If you have an active summertime pack, why not recruit your upcoming Tiger den leader in the spring? Don't miss out on a great opportunity. Also, every troop should have an open house!

#### May

- 3 District Commissioners Meeting—6 p.m.—Northwest Ave. Church of Christ, 737 Northwest Ave., Tallmadge
  - 3 District Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Northwest Ave. Church of Christ, 737 Northwest Ave., Tallmadge
  - 5-6 BALOO Training
  - 10 District Awards—7 p.m.—Northwest Ave. Church of Christ, 737 Northwest Ave., Tallmadge
  - 26-28 Scout Shop/office closed
  - 28 Memorial Day
- Registration \$24.75                      Boys' Life \$9.00**

# Venturing

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## VOA needs you!

The Great Trail Council Venturing Officers Association is the youth-led, adult-supported organization with the mission to promote and support the Venturing program, grow membership and advancing leadership opportunities through communication, program, and administration. Each crew president serves as a voting member of the VOA. Join us each month for our conference call and let us know how to contact the president by signing up at [GTCVenturing.org/crewpresident](http://GTCVenturing.org/crewpresident) to make sure we include you. If a crew president cannot serve on the VOA, another officer of the crew is welcome. For all questions, ask **Kimberly Myers**, [Advisor@GTCVenturing.org](mailto:Advisor@GTCVenturing.org), and **Jake Thoman**, [President@GTCVenturing.org](mailto:President@GTCVenturing.org) and **Dennis Vargo**, Staff Advisor, [Dennis.Vargo@scouting.org](mailto:Dennis.Vargo@scouting.org).

Apply to be a VOA officer

<http://GTCVenturing.org/VOA>

Term: June 1, 2018 to May 31, 2019

## May roundtable

Crew leaders and Scoutmasters will receive a USB with program materials on it at the May roundtable. Here is a link to the ton of information provided about Venturing by the VOA and Venturing Committee. You can see a table of contents and download all 115 pages if you want. Go to [http://gtcventuring.org/news/2018/04/may\\_2018\\_program\\_materials/](http://gtcventuring.org/news/2018/04/may_2018_program_materials/)

## Venturing Leadership Awards

We will be presenting the Venturing Leadership Awards at the Council Recognition Dinner, Sunday **May 6**, at Camp Manatoc. Come and see who is being honored with the highest award in Venturing a council can bestow.

## Venturing Birthday Bash and Splash

Download and share our flyer at [http://gtcventuring.org/news/2018/04/bash\\_and\\_splash/](http://gtcventuring.org/news/2018/04/bash_and_splash/)



This year's "luau" is on **August 11** and will be more special than ever because it is the 20th Birthday Party for Venturing so we will have a huge **Bash and Splash** with birthday presents! Also, we will offer a top shot competition for those who **add a Blast** to their Bash and Splash! More information and registration when ready will be at [GTCVenturing.org/events](http://GTCVenturing.org/events).

## Add a "Blast" to your Bash and Splash



Come camp for the whole weekend, **April 10-12** and take the day to participate in various shooting sports. Are you a good shot? Put your skills to the test with the new Venturing Top Shot Tournament! After your day of shooting sports, join us at the "Luau" bash to have a splash in the pool. Enjoy food, games, music, and a movie. (Shooting requires an upcharge, TBD)

## Crew Officers Training Seminar At the VOA Retreat in September

For the first time, the Great Trail Council is planning a Crew Officers Retreat and Training. While the date is still TBD, we are shooting for September at Camp Stambaugh. It will run from Saturday at 1 p.m. to Sunday morning and will follow the orientation of VOA officers the night before. The date will be set after the 2018-2019 VOA officers start their term of office in June. Share our flyer at <http://gtcventuring.org/news/2018/04/crew-officer-seminar-planned-at-the-voa-retreat/>

Who is eligible: All crew officers and their advisors. Crew officers will learn in a fun environment: (1) the roles and responsibilities of all officers and advisors plus how to (2) plan activities (Tier I, II and III adventures), (3) schedule a year's plan, (4) plan and run a typical crew meeting, and (5) create standard operating procedures and a crew code of conduct. They will also learn about ALPS and learn to reference all Venturing resources.

Separate sessions for advisors and crew presidents are planned. And yes, we will have fun and good food planned as well! The Crew Officer Seminar is led by trained Crew Officer Seminar facilitators. After this seminar your officers will be able to take charge of their program and conduct your annual planning conference (known as the Annual Crew Officer Seminar).

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# Whispering Pines District

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## Join us at May roundtable

Join us for our May roundtable on Thursday, **May 3**, at 7 p.m., at Westminster Presbyterian Church located at: 119 Stadium Drive, Boardman, OH 44512. All adults are welcome and encouraged to attend our monthly roundtables. These meetings offer important announcements about upcoming events, handouts and informational flyers for district led endeavors, plus information about council-wide programs.

## Spring recruitment flyers are available

Is your pack or troop planning to recruit new youth this spring? Contact **John Brkic** at [john.brkic@scouting.org](mailto:john.brkic@scouting.org) to request flyers to be delivered to your school.

## Whispering Pines District Recognition Dinner

Special thanks to **Kurt Hilderbrand** and his team for planning the 2018 District Recognition Dinner that was held on **Sunday, April 15**. What a great evening to get together to recognize the district's achievements in the last year, and pay special tribute to our Scouting family from District Award of Merit winners to our Eagle Scout Class of 2017.

## May Cub Adventure Camp and District Pinewood Rally



This year, the Whispering Pines District will be hosting their first Pinewood Rally during the May Cub Adventure Weekend at Camp Stambaugh, **May 11-13**. Sign Up online for either event at:

<https://scoutingevent.com/433-cubadventure>. If you have questions about the upcoming event, please contact **Steph Kelly** at [ifindthem@gmail.com](mailto:ifindthem@gmail.com).

## "Bug Hunters" Day Camp at Stambaugh

This year's Cub Scout Day Camp will be held at Camp Stambaugh from **July 23 – 27**. The theme is "Bug Hunters" and activities will include: swimming, BB guns, archery, real bug farming, bug forensics, praying mantis hatch, and MORE! Registration will open soon at <http://scoutingevent.com/433-wpcsd>.



## Scout Museum tours and programs

Tours can be arranged for the Scout Museum at Camp Stambaugh by calling **Bill Moss** at 330-755-6795 or better yet by emailing him at [billbpmoss@sbcglobal.net](mailto:billbpmoss@sbcglobal.net) with a request to tour the museum or request a special program for you unit. Both Cub packs and Scout troops are encouraged to come out to the museum and have a short meeting there and tour the museum. Boy Scouts can work on building a Commando Rope, which they get to keep - it's free. Cub Scouts can build an Indian Bone Game, which they get to keep - it's free.

We even do History Hunts for answers to questions about Scouting which can be run as a competition between dens and or patrols. We can even run a History Hunt as a station during district or council activities.

There is also a store in the museum where you can get FREE things and even buy some of the historical things from Scouting's past.



### May

- 2 District Commissioners Meeting—6:30 p.m.—Boardman United Methodist Church
- 2 Advancement Committee Meeting—6:30 p.m.—Boardman United Methodist Church
- 2 District Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Boardman United Methodist Church
- 3 Roundtable—7 p.m.—Westminster Presbyterian Church (will be held outside in the pavilion as a pot-luck, please bring a dish for fellowship)
- 11-13 Cub Adventure Weekend—Camp Stambaugh
- 12 District Pinewood Rally—Camp Stambaugh  
**Registration \$22.00 Boys' Life \$8.00**

### June

- 6 District Commissioners Meeting—6:30 p.m.—Boardman United Methodist Church
- 6 Advancement Committee Meeting—6:30 p.m.—Boardman United Methodist Church
- 6 District Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Boardman United Methodist Church
- 7 Roundtable—7 p.m.  
**Registration \$19.25 Boys' Life \$7.00**

## **Venturing cont'd.**

### **Super Hero Weekend is November 2-5**

Great Trail Venturing Fun Weekend will be held at Camp Butler. In the last four years we have had super fun weekends such as the Halloween Monster Mash (2014); Star Wars: The Venturers Awaken (2015); Peace, Love and Venturing (2016); and the Triwizard Tournament (2017). This year Save the Date and plan to join us for more super fun with Super Hero Weekend that will top them all!

### **Start a crew, join a crew**

Summer is a great time to get that crew started and registered. Contact [Dennis.Vargo@scouting.org](mailto:Dennis.Vargo@scouting.org) or check out our page at <http://GTCVenturing.org/join>. But do it, Join the Adventure Today!

### **Calendar and deadlines**

All registration for Council Venturing events will be listed at [GTCVenturing.org/events](http://GTCVenturing.org/events). Please ask your questions on our Facebook space or email questions to [events@GTCVenturing.org](mailto:events@GTCVenturing.org).

**May 6**—Council Recognition Celebration Dinner, Camp Manatoc dining Hall, noon.

**Aug. 10-12**—Great Trail Venturing's 20<sup>th</sup> Birthday Bash and Splash or Blast, Bash and Splash if you add shooting during the day

**September**—VOA and Crew Officer Training Retreat. Camp Stambaugh. VOA Officers Friday to Sunday, Crew Officers from 1 p.m. Saturday to Sunday.

**Nov. 2-5**—Great Trail Venturing Super Hero Weekend, Camp Butler.

**July 1-6, 2019**—VenturingFest, Summit Bechtel Reserve, WV



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## Council Calendar

### May

- 2 Auction Committee Meeting
- 5 [Baloo/Owl—Camp Manatoc](#)
- 5 NYLT 4
- 5 Rifle/Shot Gun Shooting—Camp Manatoc
- 5 Scouting for Food
- 6 [Council Dinner](#)
- 7 Training Committee Meeting
- 10 Camp Card money due
- 10 Finance Committee Meeting
- 11-13 [Cub Adventure Camp—Stambaugh](#)
- 13 Mother's Day
- 17 District Popcorn Team Meeting
- 17 Endowment Committee Meeting
- 18-20 [Cub Adventure Camp—Manatoc](#)
- 19 [Cub Scout Shooting Sports Training](#)
- 21 Executive Board Meeting
- 22 Camping Committee Meeting
- 23 District M&M/SNTJS Kick-Off
- 24 FOS #4
- 25-26 [Boy Scout Outdoor Leader Skills Training](#)
- 26-28 Memorial Day Weekend—Scout Shop/office closed
- 29 Commissioners Meeting
- 29 CPR Training/Day Camp Staff
- 30 First Aid/Day Camp Staff

### June

- 1 Wilderness First Aid
- 2 Manatoc Chapel Work Day
- 2 Kiwanis Work Day
- 2 Wilderness Engineers Work Day
- 7 Week 1—10-Day Pre-Camp Meeting
- 7 Finance Committee Meeting
- 8 NYLT Staff
- 9 AAD Pope Pius Training
- 9 Camp Staff Work Day
- 9 Swim Tests—Camp Manatoc
- 10 NYLT Week—Camp Manatoc
- 10 Staff Week—Camp Manatoc
- 11 Executive Committee Meeting
- 12 Membership Committee Meeting
- 13 Properties Committee Meeting
- 14 Week 2—10-Day Pre-Camp Meeting
- 15 Scout Night—Canal Park
- 16 Campmasters Meeting
- 16 NYLT Staff
- 16 VIP Popcorn
- 17 Father's Day—Week 1 Summer Camp begins
- 17 Philmont Contingent departs
- 21 Week 3—10-Day Pre-Camp Meeting
- 22 Risk Management Meeting
- 24 Week 2 Summer Camp begins
- 25 Trumbull Golf Tournament
- 28 Week 4—10-Day Pre-Camp Meeting
- 28 FOS Victory
- 29 Philmont Contingent returns

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### **Camp Stambaugh Scout Shop**

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