



Scouters' News

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Great Trail Council, Boy Scouts of America, Akron, Ohio

It's official! We're moving!

On October 8, the Executive Board of the Great Trail Council voted to purchase the building at 4500 Hudson Drive in Stow. This will become our new Scout Service Center with expanded office, meeting, storage, and Scout Shop space. We will be renovating the building over the next several weeks and expect to open for business at the new site in early January. More exciting information to follow!



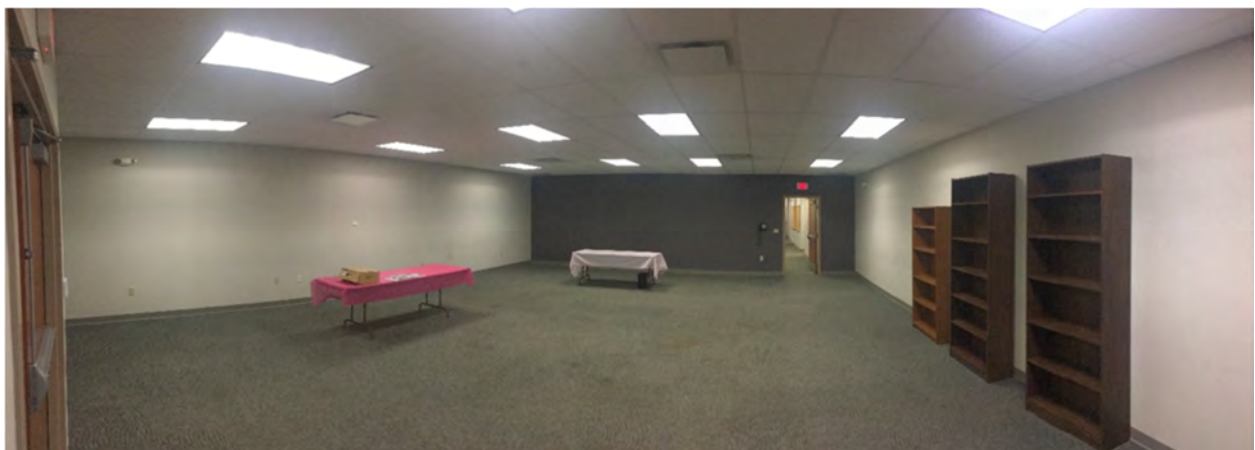
4500
Hudson Dr.,
Stow



New office area



New space for Scout Shop



New main conference area

Council Information

Not one, but two employees are retiring from Great Trail Council!



Pat Gaugler has been with the Great Trail Council for nearly 20 years. As the council registrar for 19 years, Pat has entered hundreds of thousands of applications into our Scouting system all while becoming a Certified Registrar through the national office of the Boy Scouts of America.

Pat plans to spend more time with her husband, children, and grandchildren when she retires on January 4. She would like to do more creative bible journaling, volunteering, and try pottery and stained glass.

Please wish her luck and happiness on her new adventures.



Peggy Paskiet has been with the Great Trail Council for over 21 years. Starting with the council as the registrar, she then moved to the position of program (camping) secretary where she has been extremely helpful to tens of thousands of campers in and out of our council.

After retirement on December 14, Peggy plans to move back to her hometown of Fremont, Ohio, where she recently purchased a home. She also plans to enjoy much deserved time with her grandchildren and will continue with her volunteer activities.

Please join us in wishing Peggy joy and relaxation in her retirement.



Important December dates

Due to the relocation of our Scout Shop and offices we will be working on a very tight schedule during the Christmas holidays. While we will be working very hard behind the scenes, our Akron Scout Shop and office hours will be interrupted for a brief period of time.

December 18—6 p.m.

Akron Scout Shop closes

December 21—Noon

Akron office closes

January 2

New office opens at 4500 Hudson Drive, Stow

January 12

New Scout Shop opens at 4500 Hudson Drive, Stow

2018 International Peace Light coming to Great Trail Council and Mahoning Valley



Plans are being made to bring the 2018 International Peace Light once again to our area.

We ask that if your unit wants to participate this year, please reach out in September to your sponsoring organization if it is a church or other churches in your area to offer to bring the International Peace Light to them if they wish. The earlier you approach them then they have time to include this opportunity in their holiday

planning.

At this time an exact date has not been set for its arrival in New York City but is usually the Saturday after Thanksgiving and then will arrive locally in a few days. We hope to have it available once again at Camp Stambaugh and other locations. We will be trying to notify all churches in the area.

Cub Leader Training

Please visit

<https://scoutingevent.com/433-2018FallCST> to see all the available fall training options for Cub leaders.

Scout Leader Training

Indoor Leader Training:

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

Outdoor Leader Training:

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

Council Information

Big News!

New neckerchief slides have arrived!



We have a new stock of Lion, Wolf, Bear and Webelos neckerchief slides. If you have any of the ones that were affected by the Boy Scouts of America Safety Recall please bring them to either the Akron or Stambaugh Scout Shops by December 18, for an even exchange.



Prepared. For Life.™

Unit key leadership mandated training

ALL unit head leaders (Committee Chair, Cubmaster/ Scoutmaster) must be position trained by your recharter date for the 2019 Scouting year, or your unit will not be able to be rechartered. For upcoming training dates please visit www.gtcbasa.org.

Catholic Committee on Scouting

The Cleveland Diocese Catholic Committee on Scouting is seeking nominations for adult recognition. There are two emblems: The Bronze Pelican which is diocese recognition for volunteers in Catholic units. The second is the St. George emblem which is a national recognition that is awarded by the diocese. The Bronze Pelican form can be requested from the committee and the St. George emblem information is listed below:

<https://www.nccs-bsa.org/index.php/adult-recognition/st-george>

Nominations are due to **Jim Hickey** by December 1, 2018. His email is eagle8190@att.net.

If you have any questions, please contact the Catholic Committee at catholic.scouting@gtcbasa.org.

Boy Scouts and Venturers are invited

Boy Scouts and Venturers are invited to attend the Founders of Faith in Ohio Retreat on **November 18**, at St. John Vianney Church, 7575 Bellflower Rd., Mentor, from 8:45 a.m.-4:15 p.m.

Please wear your Class A uniform and bring your bible, a pen and \$14 for the emblem.

Breakfast will not be provided, but lunch will be served.

Register by contacting **Jim Hickey** at eagle8190@att.net by November 11.

Eagle Scout application process

Eagle Scout Application Certifications



Eagle Scout rank applications must have council certification by the Scout's 18th birthday and **prior** to the Board of Review. All signatures (applicant, Scoutmaster, and committee chair) must be on the application at the time of council certification. The application may be brought to the Scout Service Center in Akron or to the Camp Stambaugh Scout Shop during regular office (or Scout Shop) hours. You may also scan and email the application to Peggy Paskiet at peg.paskiet@scouting.org or fax to 330-773-4084. If you bring the application to the Scout Service Center, it will be checked while you wait (usually 5-10 minutes).

Completed Eagles

After the Board of Review, Eagle applications, project books, and reference letters may be dropped off at the Scout Service Center in Akron or at the Camp Stambaugh Scout Shop. Questions? Contact the Eagle desk at 330-773-0415 ext. 221.

Please note: after review and approval by the National office you will be notified when your book and materials will be ready for pick up (generally 3 to 4 weeks after it's received at the council office). You can either pick up at the Scout Service Center in Akron or at Camp Stambaugh during regular office hours. Eagle kits are available at the Akron Scout Shop or at the Camp Stambaugh Scout Shop.

SAVE THE DATE



You Are Invited To
The Highest Level of Adult
Leadership Training In Scouting Today

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GREAT TRAIL COUNCIL, BSA

Manatoc Scout Reservation
August 19-24, 2019

Council Information



2018 Fall Product Sale featuring Pecatonica River Popcorn and Bent Tree Coffee Roasters Coffee

www.gtccpopcorn.org

Everything you need to know about this year's fall product sale:

- Products...what we are selling
- Sales methods...how you should be selling
- Incentive items...awesome prizes and rewards
- Ordering...how to order your popcorn and prizes
- Sales dates...important!
- Unit Kernels Guide...your popcorn sale "playbook"
- Popcorn sale Excel worksheet...help manage your sale
- Online sales

Important websites

- **Commit unit to sell, order popcorn, winners circle prizes**—Pecatonica River Popcorn website—www.prpopcorn.com
- **Brochure Prizes**—www.boyscouts-gcc.com
- **Popcorn Guidebook, Forms, Incentives**—Great Trail Council website—www.gtccpopcorn.org
- **Q for a Day**—Quicken Loans Arena website—www.theqarena.com/boyscouts

Council Popcorn Advisor—Shannon Sinex
330-773-0415 ext. 217 or email
shannon.sinex@scouting.org

Council Popcorn Assistant—Lisa Lambert
330-773-0415 ext. 241 or email
lisa.lambert@scouting.org

Cavs Experience Popcorn Incentive

Saturday, December 8

For all Scouts selling \$2,000 or more in popcorn/ coffee!

Includes: Scout ticket, 1 parent ticket, food, mascot meet and greet, and Scouts will hold the large flag during the national anthem.

****Must email participant info to Lisa Lambert (lisa.lambert@scouting.org) no later than Friday, November 2. This is a firm deadline!**

New Take Order payment method

Remember, we have a new Take Order payment method this year. Your unit kernel will receive your invoice via email. On November 10 (November 9 for Arrowhead or Whispering Pines Districts) your unit must bring a check to pay your Take Order invoice when you pick-up your popcorn order. We will hold the check until December 10, when it will be deposited. If you still have an outstanding balance you will need to bring two checks, one for your Show'N'Sell balance that will be cashed immediately, and one for Take Order that will be held. Finally, any additional popcorn picked up after November 10 will need to be paid for at the time of pick-up.

2018 GTC Popcorn Sale Dates

November

- ⇒ Friday, November 2—All prize orders due!
- ⇒ Saturday, November 10—Take Order Popcorn Distribution Day—Bring check to pay popcorn invoice

December

- ⇒ Friday, December 10—All checks deposited

District Popcorn Kernel information

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| Arrowhead | Teresa Prentiss | teresaprentiss@yahoo.com |
| Chippewa | Julio Esis Gigi Fuhry | bsachippewapopcorn@gmail.com |
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| Exploring | Caroline Altizer | caroline.altizer@scouting.org |
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| Moe | Karl Biermann Sara Sinex | moepopcorn18@gmail.com |
| Seneca | Sabrina Finney Lori Fronk | sabrinafinneypopcorn@gmail.com godiswithusinohio@gmail.com |
| Whispering Pines | Marion Sweely | msweely@zoominternet.net |
| Staff Advisor | Shannon Sinex | shannon.sinex@scouting.org |
| Admin | Lisa Lambert | lisa.lambert@scouting.org |

Council Information

From the Registration Desk...

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

Adult Registration & Training Requirements

All Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, Crew Advisors, Skippers and Post Advisors must be fully trained by December 31, 2018. Training includes the specific training for their position, Youth Protection training and Hazardous Weather training. Scoutmasters must also take Intro to Outdoor Leader training. Committee Chairs must take their specific training and Youth Protection. Your unit will not be able to charter if you do not have your unit leader and committee chair fully trained.

Now is the time to check the training for your unit leaders and committee chairs. Just an FYI, the info in my. Scouting.org may not match what is in ScoutNet. If you are finding the unit leader or committee chair do not have their position specific training contact me by email at pat.gaugler@scouting.org. I will check and let you know what is recorded in ScoutNet.

If you have two different ID numbers the records will not match. When logging into my.Scouting.org for the first time it will create an ID number for you if you don't have one or are not registered. This creates a file in ScoutNet. This may create a second file in ScoutNet. The files are merged when they are found. You can verify and change your ID number by logging into my.Scouting.org, go to Legacy Tools then Maintain Member ID. Add the ID number that is on your membership card and remove the other one if needed.

If you are registering an 18 to 21 year old, it is recommended that you register them as a 92U, Unit College Scouter Reserve. Also, if you have registered leaders age 21 and older whose involvement is limited or they want to maintain their membership, register them as a 91U, Unit Scouter Reserve. For both of these positions Youth Protection is the only training required.

Youth Protection Training

There are a large number of adult leaders that have not taken the new Youth Protection, therefore their YPT has expired. This must be taken care of ASAP! Anyone that doesn't have the current YPT by recharter time will not be able to register for the new charter year. If the leader is in a required position the charter cannot be processed until they take YPT.

Chartering

Charter packets for Arrowhead and Whispering Pines were available in October. If you don't have your packet contact your district executive. Signal Tree and Seneca charters will be available at your November roundtable.

2019 Charter Time Frame

Access Codes will be in each unit's charter packet on bright green paper!

Arrowhead District serving Trumbull County

Charter Training & Pick-Up—Wednesday, October 10, 2018, Roundtable 7 p.m., Electrical Trades Institute of NEO, 4550 Research Pkwy., Warren, OH

Charter Window opens November 1, 2018

Charter Training & Assistance—Wednesday, November 14, 2018, Roundtable, 7 p.m., Electrical Trades Institute of NEO

Charter Turn-In—Wednesday, December 12, 2018, Roundtable, 7 p.m., Electrical Trades Institute of NEO, 4550 Research Pkwy., Warren, OH

Whispering Pines District serving Mahoning County

Charter Training & Pick-Up—Thursday, October 4, 2018, Roundtable, 7-7:30 p.m., Westminster Presbyterian Church, 119 Stadium Dr., Boardman, OH

Charter Window opens November 1, 2018

Charter Turn-In Party—Thursday, December 6, 2018, 7-8:30 p.m.—Westminster Presbyterian Church, 119 Stadium Dr., Boardman, OH

Exploring serving Summit County

Charters were handed out at the August Roundtable. If you did not receive your unit's charter, contact Caroline Altizer at 330-773-0415 ext. 245

Charter Turn-In—Must be turned in by Saturday, December 1, 2018 or no later than January 7, 2019 Roundtable, 6:30 p.m., Goodyear Tire & Rubber, 200 Innovation Way, Akron, OH

The Signal Tree District serving Akron, Bath, Copley, Mogadore, Richfield and Tallmadge

Charter Training & Pick-up—Thursday, November 8, 2018, Roundtable, 7 p.m., Faith Lutheran Church, 2726 W. Market St., Akron, OH

Charter Window opens December 1, 2018

Recharter Turn-In Party—Roundtable, Thursday, January 10, 2019, 7 p.m., Faith Lutheran Church, 2726 W. Market St., Akron, OH

Seneca District serving Portage County

Charter Training & Pick-up—Thursday, November 8, 2018, Roundtable, 7 p.m., Kent United Church of Christ, 1400 E. Main St., Kent, OH

Charter Window opens December 1, 2018

Recharter Turn-In Party—Roundtable, Thursday, January 10, 2019, 7 p.m., Kent United Church of Christ, 1400 E. Main St., Kent, OH

Moecomdws District serving Cuyahoga Falls, Hudson, Munroe Falls

Charter Training & Pick-up—Thursday, December 13, 2018, Roundtable, 7:15 p.m., St. Stephen's Church, 3725 Kent Rd., Stow, OH

Charter Window opens January 1, 2019

Recharter Turn-In Party—Roundtable, Thursday, February 7, 2019, 7:15 p.m., St. Stephen's Church, 3725 Kent Rd., Stow, OH

Lakes District serving the Southern Summit County area

Charter Training & Pick-up—Thursday, December 13, 2018, Roundtable 7 p.m., Messiah Lutheran Church, 4700 S. Main St., Akron, OH

Charter Window opens January 1, 2019

Recharter Turn-In Party—Roundtable, Thursday, February 14, 2019, 7 p.m., Messiah Lutheran Church, 4700 S. Main St., Akron, OH

Chippewa District serving Medina County

Charter Training & Pick-up—Thursday, January 10, 2019, 7 p.m., Medina United Methodist Church, 4747 Foote Rd., Medina, OH

Charter Window opens February 1, 2019

Recharter Turn-In Party—Saturday, March 9, 2019, 8 a.m.-11 a.m., or Thursday, March 14, 2019, 5 p.m.-8 p.m., Medina United Methodist Church, 4747 Foote Rd., Medina, OH

Council Information

Tributes & Memorials

In Memory of: Jack Heimovics
From: Joan & Bruce Ferris

In Memory of: David Carver Jones
From: Richard Cozad & Nancy Frost
 Robert Bell



Philmont Scout Ranch & Training Center
 575-376-2281 www.philmontscoutranch.org

Eagle's Nest



| | Troop | Eagle Date |
|---------------------|-------|------------|
| Logan Bender | 81 | 09/23/18 |
| Seth Carr | 179 | 09/18/18 |
| Carson Flynn | 262 | 09/05/18 |
| Anson Hankey | 9022 | 08/21/18 |
| Luke Hetzel | 9090 | 08/28/18 |
| Landon Hollopeter | 500 | 08/28/18 |
| Thomas Kiglics | 270 | 09/12/18 |
| Clint Kindlesparker | 4065 | 08/23/18 |
| Kaine Koerner | 361 | 09/04/18 |
| Dylan Kostar | 387 | 08/21/18 |
| Joseph Massaro | 456 | 09/24/18 |
| Nicholas Matheos | 380 | 09/24/18 |
| Nicholas Mattiussi | 9184 | 09/10/18 |
| Nathan Mayor | 321 | 09/26/18 |
| Daniel McCallister | 387 | 09/24/18 |
| Andrew Pemberton | 4262 | 09/27/18 |
| John Pesarchick | 520 | 09/28/18 |
| Coleman Piccoli | 9184 | 09/10/18 |
| Michael Romanotto | 454 | 09/27/18 |
| Jordan Schwoeble | 406 | 10/01/18 |
| Joseph Sewell | 411 | 10/02/18 |
| Michael Stevens | 4028 | 08/23/18 |
| Matthew Vacarchuk | 501 | 09/11/18 |



2019 PTC Registration is OPEN!

Visit the national volunteer training center for the Boy Scouts of America with over fifty different week-long conferences. Since 1950, the Philmont Training Center has provided a unique environment for training volunteers and professionals, creating leaders, and hosting family friendly adventures. Conferences feature the latest tools, techniques, audiovisuals, discussions, idea-sharing, and activities led by a faculty of experienced Scouters selected by the National Council.

Register at www.philmontscoutranch.org.

Philmont Family Adventure is Back!



NOW AVAILABLE FOR 4 WEEKS!!!

Philmont Family Adventure is a chance to experience Philmont Scout Ranch like never before! Open to all registered members of the BSA and their families, you will have the chance to participate in incredible activities offered by Philmont and make memories with your family that will last a lifetime.

More info at www.philmontscoutranch.org.

Council Information

Summer camp fees for 2019

Here are the fees for summer camp 2019 at Camp Manatoc:

The Dining Hall Plan



Early Bird Fee

This fee is due no later than **May 20, 2019**

Great Trail units—\$280

Out of Council units—\$290

Basic Fee

This is the fee you pay if paid by the **Friday following your 10 day meeting**

Great Trail units—\$300

Out of Council units—\$310

Late Fee

This is the fee you pay at check-in

Great Trail units—\$315

Out of Council units—\$325

The Dining Hall plan includes two (2) free leaders; additional leaders are \$150.00 each. Each unit bringing 20 Scouts receives an additional free leader. (Additional free leaders for each 10 Scouts above 10. E.g. 20 Scouts = 3 leaders, 30 Scouts = 4 leaders, this will not be pro-rated.)

The Patrol Cooking Plan

Early Bird Fee

This fee is due no later than **May 20, 2019**

Great Trail units—\$205

Out of Council units—\$215

Basic Fee

This is the fee you pay if paid by the **Friday following your 10 day meeting**

Great Trail units—\$215

Out of Council units—\$225

The Patrol Cooking plan includes two (2) free leaders; additional leaders are \$55.00 each. Each unit bringing 20 Scouts receives an additional free leader. (Additional free leaders for each 10 Scouts above 10. E.g. 20 Scouts = 3 leaders, 30 Scouts = 4 leaders, this will not be pro-rated.)

Summer camp staff interviews

Interviews for 2019 summer camp at Manatoc will be held on Friday, December 28, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the dining hall at Camp Manatoc. Apply at:

http://www.manatoc.org/seasonal_staff.html

Questions? Contact **Chris Bergdorf** at manatocbutler@windstream.net.

Important info about using cabins at Camps Manatoc, Butler and Stambaugh

A few reminders when your unit rents facilities at our camps:

- Always make sure your facilities are rented before arriving at camp—go to <https://campreservation.com/433/Home>
- Make sure your Scouts and their parents know where you are camping and where to meet when they arrive—and make sure they know their pack, troop, or crew number!

When you arrive at camp

- **Leader in charge for your unit** needs to first check-in with the campmasters, either at the Manatoc Administration Building or the Butler Director's Cabin, before going to your cabin. The campmasters will provide you with the key or combination to your building and a check-in form;
- What do you do with the paperwork? **The FIRST person to unlock the building needs to be THE leader in charge** and, needs to check the building for any problems, using the check-in form as the guide. Once that's completed Scouts and adults can enter. This will ensure that problems are noted before your unit uses the facility so previous damage can be assessed to the prior week's unit, not yours mistakenly;
- Then, **THE leader in charge** will need to turn in the check-in form and completed roster to the campmasters right after you've checked your building. We need to know who and how many are in camp in case of emergencies;

During your time at camp

- The campmasters are there to help you and they have the answers to any of your questions. They will know (or find) the answer—use them, they are your friends;

When you are ready to depart from camp

- Please, leave your building better than you found it! It's the "Boy Scout Rule," handed down from generation to generation—always "Leave It Better Than You Found It!";
- Let the campmasters know that you are ready to check-out and they'll come to your cabin and check it for damage, firewood left for the next unit to use and cleanliness;
- Once they've checked your building, you're ready to head for home!

Please keep all of these things in mind when next your unit comes to camp—it will help all of us keep our facilities nice, clean and sound for the generations to come after us.

Council Information



Great Trail Council announces family camping at all of our camps!

Family camping is an outdoor experience that involves Cub Scouting, Scouting, Sea Scouting, or Venturing program elements in overnight settings with two or more family members, **including at least one BSA member** of that family. *Parents are responsible for the supervision of their children, and Youth Protection policies apply.*

Recreational family camping occurs when Scouting families camp as a family unit outside of an organized program. It is a non-structured camping experience but is conducted within a Scouting framework at local council-owned property.

Family camping at Great Trail Council camps will be charged as follows: members of GTC will be charged a \$20 minimum fee for the weekend. Families of more than five will be charged \$4 per person for the weekend. Families from out of council will be charged a minimum of \$27.50 for the weekend. Families of more than five will be charged \$5.50 per person for the weekend.

All registration and Youth Protection rules apply from the *Guide to Safe Scouting*.

Coed facilities at our camps

Camp Manatoc

The coed facilities include: Training Lodge (2 bedrooms); Eagle Lodge (4 bedrooms; Young Explorer (2 bedrooms); Concord Lodge (2 rooms); and the Trading Post cabin (2 rooms). Along with these facilities we have added temporary curtains to Bittersweet, Buena Vista, Birchbark, Basswood, Valley View, Vale Edge, Kiwanis, and Legion Lodge allowing them to have two separate bedrooms. The Health Lodge (Ladies Bunkhouse) will continue to be open for reservations for any ladies in camp.

Camp Butler

The coed facilities include Boyce Lodge (3 bedrooms) and Atwater Lodge (4 bedrooms).

Camp Stambaugh

The coed facilities include: Hunter (2 rooms); Schwebel (2 rooms); Baloo (3 rooms); and Akela (3 rooms).

New accommodation rules for camping

Adult Supervision

Two registered adult leaders, 21 years of age or over, are required at all Scouting activities, including meetings. There must be a registered female adult leader over 21 in every unit serving females. A registered female adult leader over 21 must be present for any activity involving female youth. Notwithstanding the minimum leader requirements, age and program appropriate supervision must always be provided. All registered leaders must be Youth Protection trained. All adults accompanying a Scouting unit who are present at the activity for 72 total hours or more must be registered leaders. The 72 hours need not be consecutive.

Tenting

Separate tenting arrangements must be provided for male and female adults as well as for male and female youth. Youth sharing tents should be no more than two years apart in age. In Cub Scouting, parents and guardians may share a tent with their family. In all other programs, youth and adults tent separately. Spouses may share tents.

Cabin Accommodations

Whenever possible, separate cabins or lodging should be provided for male and female adults as well as for male and female youth. Where separate accommodations cannot be provided due to group size or limited availability, modifications may be made. Where separate accommodations are not available, additional supervision is required. If adults and youth of the same gender occupy single-room accommodations, there must be a minimum of two adults and four youth, with all adults being Youth Protection trained. Physical separation by other means, including temporary barriers or space, should be used only when no other arrangements are possible. These modifications are limited to single-gender accommodations. Restrooms, separate shower and latrine facilities should be provided for male and female adults, as well as for male and female youth. If separate facilities are not available, separate times should be scheduled and posted. Privacy of youth is respected. Adults and youth must respect each other's privacy, especially in situations such as changing clothes and taking showers at camp. Adult leaders should closely monitor these areas but only enter as need for youth protection or health and safety reasons.



Council Information

Silver Beaver gathering

The next quarterly gathering will be held at Camp Stambaugh, 3712 Leffingwell Rd., Canfield on Sunday, **November 11, at 1 p.m.**

We will have lunch, visit with friends, and tour Camp Stambaugh. Lunch will be in the dining hall and parking is conveniently located next to the dining hall.

If you're not receiving our reminder cards, please provide us with your name, address, city, zip code, phone number and email. Send this info to Megan King at mcoxey@bsamail.org or call 330-773-0415 ext. 244.

To register for this gathering submit your name and guest by November 1. Cost is \$10 per person payable to Great Trail Council, Attn: Silver Beaver Colony, P.O. Box 68, Akron, OH 44309-0068.

Advancement with a special need

If you have a Scout who is having difficulty meeting requirements in your unit, please contact the Special Needs Advisory Committee (SNAC). Nothing is more frustrating to a leader than having a Scout who is unable to move forward through no fault of his or her own.

Calling us now, and not when said Scout will be 18 in 6 days, is optimal. (We're grumpy when last minute surprises happen. REALLY, REALLY GRUMPY.) We are also very efficient. And, we dislike having hours of meetings for a simple fix, so we'll help right away.

Our NEW and FUN email address is:
universalscoutinggtc@gmail.com

You can use that email to contact Wendy, SNAC's Committee Chair. Or Caroline, SNAC's professional Scouter. Or Chris, SNAC's Commissioner. (See? Very Efficient.)

Behaviors out of control in your pack or den?



Bummer. Too bad you missed our trainings in September and October, huh?

Alright. Maybe you were busy. One hour a week and all that.

Still need help? Contact us right away. Retention in your unit is

tied to how much fun your Scouts have—which is directly correlated to whether your unit is under control or not.

Even though you DID miss our training, we'll still help. And Scouting will be that much more enjoyable!

Our email address is
universalscoutinggtc@gmail.com

BSA Youth Protection contact list

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| 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 |

University of Scouting—Save the Date

Mark your calendars for Saturday, **March 2**, at Ravenna High School to be part of University of Scouting for 2019. Scouters teaching Scouters is the driving force behind University of Scouting. It is the largest supplemental training course offered by Great Trail Council to Scouting volunteers at all levels. During this fun-filled day, experienced volunteer leaders will present programs to help you improve your skills and expand your knowledge. You will also meet other leaders, gather new resources, and share ideas on building the best possible program for your Scouts. Basic training is also available. Watch for information about registration in late November. The earlier you register, the better chance you have of getting the classes you want. You can create your own personalized set of classes based on your Scouting roles and level of experience. The day begins with coffee and rolls at 7:30 a.m., includes a box lunch and time to network, and ends at 4:10 p.m.

Who should attend?

Adults are invited to attend the college or colleges of their choice. Wear your uniform, if you have one. You may want to bring a notebook, camera, tape recorder, comfortable shoes, some money for the Trading Post, your good will, and a smile. Hope to see you at Ravenna High School on March 2!

**Happy
Thanksgiving**

Arrowhead District

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District Commissioner
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November Roundtable

Join us for our November Roundtable on Wednesday, **November 7**, at 7 p.m., at N.E.O. Electrical Trades Institute, Research Pkwy., Champion.

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.

Annual recharter info

Recharter packets for the 2019 calendar year have been distributed to all units. Remember that your unit recharter is due on or before the December roundtable.

Popcorn sale information



Our Take Order distribution will be held at the K-Mart Distribution Center located at 541 Perkins Jones Rd., NE, Warren, on **Friday, November 9**. Please pay attention

to your emails for further instruction.

A HUGE THANK YOU goes out to the team at the K-Mart Distribution Center in Warren for allowing us to use their facility as our popcorn distribution warehouse this year. We wouldn't have been able to do it without them!

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 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 their short meeting there and tour the museum. We even do History Hunts for answers to questions about Scouting. There is a store in the museum where you can get some historical things from Scouting's past.

Update your Youth Protection ASAP

The BSA has announced bold, wide-ranging updates to its Youth Protection program as part of an ongoing effort to protect young people from child abuse.

This starts with an enhanced online Youth Protection training course all volunteers and professionals must complete.

Even those Scout leaders who took the previous version of Youth Protection training must log into <http://www.My.Scouting.org> and complete the updated Youth Protection course.

The updated course will take about an hour to complete. It includes cutting-edge research from the top experts in the field of child abuse prevention. It covers topics like bullying, neglect, exposure to violence, physical and emotional abuse, and child sexual abuse.

Next, the BSA has made it impossible for an individual to register as a new volunteer without first completing Youth Protection training. Unit rechartering is affected, too. Packs, troops, posts, ships and crews cannot recharter until all leaders — 100 percent of them — are current on their Youth Protection training.

The BSA is serious about fighting child abuse, and you're an important part of that fight. Thanks for your vigilance and dedication.

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November

- 2 Popcorn prize orders due
 - 7 District Committee Meeting—6:30 p.m.—Kent State Trumbull, Rm. 203, Warren
 - 9 Popcorn Take Order pick-up—K-Mart Distribution Center, Warren
 - 10 College of Commissioner Science, Kent United Church of Christ, Kent
 - 14 Roundtable—7:10 p.m.—NEO Electrical Trades Institute
 - 15 Advancement Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Christ Episcopal Church, Warren
 - 22-25 Thanksgiving—Scout Shop/office closed
- Registration \$5.50 Boys' Life \$2.00**

December

- 5 District Committee Meeting—6:30 p.m.—Kent State Trumbull, Rm. 203, Warren
 - 5 Advancement Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Kent State Trumbull, Rm. 203, Warren
 - 12 Roundtable—7:10 p.m.—NEO Electrical Trades Institute (unit recharterers are due!)
 - 13 Camp Card sign-up
 - 20 Advancement Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Christ Episcopal Church, Warren
 - 21 Scout Shop/office closed at noon
- Registration \$2.75 Boys' Life N/A**

Chippewa District

“Scouting, From Lion Paws to Eagle Claws”

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Fall Membership Drive continues!

We have had great growth in Cub Scouts this fall. We have more to do in order to reach as many youth as we can. We will want to focus other recruitment through bring a friend events and follow up recruitment events for units who did not bring in enough youth to keep their program strong. The council will provide free recruitment patches to packs where Cub Scouts were recruited by a friend. We are also looking at areas where we are not reaching enough youth in the community. If you would like to do more, please contact **Tim Rupert** at timothy.rupert@scouting.org.

Don't hold onto those applications

The sooner that you turn in applications the sooner your Scouts are officially members of Scouting. Please do not hold onto applications! They need to be turned in, at the latest, before the end of the month that they are received from parent(s).

Leaders and parents

We are looking for people that may be interested in becoming part of our district committee. The district committee plans and assists with district events, provides training, fundraises and more. We are looking for people to help in the following areas:

Finance/fundraising/popcorn
Membership/marketing
Program/district events
Pinewood, Klondike, day camp
Advancement

If you have an interest or have any questions please contact: **Sherri Buck**-District Chair, Chippewa District, Sbuck01@msn.com or 330-635-1200.

Chippewa Klondike Derby



The planning is well under way for the Chippewa District Klondike Derby. Mark your troop calendar for **January 18-20, 2019**, at Camp Manatoc. If you are interested in helping, please contact

Howard at howardloew@aol.com.

District Pinewood Derby

The Pinewood Derby planning is underway. Rules will be distributed at the November Roundtable. The Pinewood Derby will be on **April 6**, at Claggett Middle School.



Girl troops are forming

We already have most of the paperwork for our new female troops that are starting on February 1. We are looking to start recruiting older members for the troops, so that the incoming Arrow of Light Cubs will have someone to help lead. These troops can start meeting and even doing some events NOW, provided their paperwork is submitted into the office. **Craig Wrobleski** is helping to spearhead this growth. You can contact him at cwrobles@yahoo.com.

Family Friends of Scouting

We have already started scheduling our Family Friends of Scouting presentations for 2019. Please contact our chair **Shelia Bazan** at sbazan@highlandschools.org.

Training and your unit recharter

We have several adults who have not completed the most recent Youth Protection Training. The old training expired on 9/30/18. As with last year, any adult leader with expired youth protection training, will not be allowed to recharter in the BSA. As well, our council is working to ensure that we have trained leaders in our top positions. In order to recharter your unit committee chair and top leader (Cubmaster, Scoutmaster, Crew Advisor, Ship Skipper) will need to be completely trained.

November

- 1 District Commissioners Meeting—7 p.m.—Ed's house
- 8 Roundtable—7 p.m.—Medina United Methodist Church
- 10 Popcorn delivery—Medina Armory
- 14 District Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Buehler's, Wadsworth
- 22-24 Thanksgiving—Scout Shops/office closed
Registration \$13.75 Boys' Life \$5.00

December

- 6 District Commissioners Meeting—7 p.m.—Ed's house
- 12 District Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Buehler's, Wadsworth
- 13 Roundtable—7 p.m.—Medina United Methodist Church
- 18 Akron Scout Shop closes (reopens in Stow on Jan. 12)
- 21 Scout office closes at noon
Registration \$11.00 Boys' Life \$4.00

Lakes District

“Leads the Way”

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Every Scout deserves a trained leader

Every adult is required to have Youth Protection Training. The new course. If you haven't taken the course on-line then you should not be conducting any activities, meetings or programs. At recharter time those who don't have the updated training will be dropped.

Also, all Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, Crew Advisors, and Committee Chairs are required to have completed Leader Specific Training, and the outdoor component by December 31. If not, you will be dropped from your charter. Being an Eagle Scout or having 20 years' experience, does not qualify you as trained.

Extra training courses have been scheduled this year to accommodate this change. The Scouts we serve deserve a leader who has been trained, knows the latest guidelines, and understands the various leadership roles in a pack, troop or crew.

Scout Leader Training

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills training will be held at Camp Manatoc's Gilwell Shelter on Friday, **November 2** and Saturday, **November 3**. Cost is \$20 and registration is online at: <https://www.scoutingevent.com/433-FAIOLS2>

Cub Scout Leader Training

Register for any of these trainings at: <http://www.scoutingevent.com/433-2018FallCST>

1. Saturday, **November 3**, 8 a.m.-11 a.m.—Clearview United Methodist Church, 1733 Massillon Rd., Akron, OH 44312—Questions? Contact **Bill Hedrick** at 330-524-0381 or walterhedrick288@gmail.com.
2. Thursday, **November 15**, 6:30 p.m.-10 p.m.—Camp Stambaugh (Rotary Cabin), 3712 Leffingwell Rd., Canfield, OH 44406—Questions? Contact **Bill Moss** at 330-755-6795 or billbpmoss@sbcglobal.net.
3. Wednesday, **November 28**, 6 p.m.-9 p.m.—Kent United Church of Christ, 1400 E. Main St., Kent, OH 44240—Questions? Contact **Tom Torres** at 216-926-2086 or lisaandtom@windstream.net.

Popcorn key dates

November

- 2 Prize orders due—\$2,000 sellers names due to Lisa Lambert (lisa.lambert@scouting.org) if you want to attend the Cavs game on December 8
- 10 Take Order distribution

December

- 7 Popcorn checks deposited

Lakes District Popcorn Kernel—**Gena Valloric**, 330-896-8958 or rvalloric@gmail.com.

Fall recruitment update

As of October 11, Lakes District has recruited 83 youth. So, there are opportunities for many youths to join. Each new Cub Scout registered received a Pioneer II snap together space ship. A good project that can be done at home or in a den meeting. Thanks to the following packs who have turned in registrations to date: 3112, 3118, 3146, 3215, 3282, 3304, 3330, 3334, 3335, and 3759.

Sign up for 2019 Family FOS presentation

Friends of Scouting is our annual giving program that provides an opportunity for families to support the Scouting program in Great Trail Council. 100% of the proceeds from Friends of Scouting stay in the council. Friends of Scouting supports all three of our camps, provides program support to units, marketing materials for recruitment, Scout Shop facilities in two locations, camperships/scholarships for Scouts in need, and much more.

Please email your FOS contact person's name, phone number and email along with your unit number, date of presentation, time, location and address to **Sarah Shimp** at sarah.shimp@scouting.org.

November

- 7 District Commissioners Meeting—7 p.m.—Acme, Manchester Rd., Coventry
- 8 Roundtable—7 p.m.—Messiah Lutheran Church
- 22-23 Scout Shops/office closed
Registration \$11.00 Boys' Life \$4.00

December

- 5 District Commissioners Meeting—7 p.m.—Acme, Manchester Rd., Coventry
- 13 Roundtable—7 p.m.—Messiah Lutheran Church—**recharter packets will be distributed at this meeting**
- 21-25 Scout Shops/office closed
- 26-31 Scout Shops closed for inventory
Registration \$8.25 Boys' Life \$3.00

Moecomdws District

“It’s A Matter Of Pride”

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Congratulations MOE!

Congratulations to everyone, and a huge THANK YOU to all involved—Moecomdws District has reached year end membership goals! Every pack in the district conducted a successful School Night to Join Scouting, and we had great district help and representation at all.

A special shout out to our District Membership Chair, **Jackie McDonnell**, for helping get everyone prepared, and to **Ruth Mundy** for lining up district help at each event.

Popcorn sale is wrapping up

Another year of popcorn is almost in the books, but there are still several more things to take care of.

Friday, **November 2**—all prize orders due

Saturday, **November 10**—Take Order distribution at VMI in Stow. Checks for full amount due to council.

Monday, **December 10**—all checks will be deposited by Great Trail Council, any outstanding bills at this time will incur 2.5% interest

This year, we are asking all units to bring a check for the full amount due to Take Order distribution. We will hold on to the checks and cash them on **December 10**. This is mandatory to collect your popcorn.

WE ALSO NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP DISTRIBUTE POPCORN ON NOVEMBER 10. PLEASE COME HELP!

Klondike is coming!



Please mark your calendars for the 2019 Moe Klondike, “Ice Station Butler”, hosted by Troop 177. The event will take place **January 25-27** at Camp Butler. The cost is \$15 per participant and includes Saturday

lunch, activities, and camping. Leader guides to come soon.

2018 Journey to Excellence

As we get started in the new Scouting year please remember to track your unit’s Journey to Excellence. Journey to Excellence is the BSA’s performance recognition program designed to encourage, reward success, and measure the performance of our units, districts, and councils. You can follow your journey at the link below:

<http://www.scouting.org/scoutsources/commissioners/journey.aspx>

Punkin’ Chunkin’ a success!

This year’s Punkin’ Chunkin’ was our 4th annual, and it was bigger than ever! Over 300 people showed up to launch pumpkins, play games, eat donuts and climb monkey bridges! The event was a huge success, and we are already looking forward to next year. A huge thank you goes out to **Becky Grimm, Ruth and Mike Mundy, and Troops 160, 154, 273, 777, 177 and Pack 3177** for helping out!

Camping out to end hunger

Northminster Presbyterian Church and Boy Scout Troop 155 are sponsoring a drive to collect non-perishable food and personal hygiene items December 14-16 at the church, 104 W. Portage Trail Extension. The Boy Scouts will camp out in front of the church for 48 hours collecting donations as contributors “drive through” and “drop off” in an effort to fill the troop’s tents. Beginning Friday, December 14, at 6 p.m., donations of canned or boxed foods, personal hygiene items and new socks will be collected. Ending Sunday, December 16, at 2 p.m., donations will be distributed to both the Cuyahoga Falls Good Neighbors and the Woodridge Food Pantry. Cash donations will also be accepted. Stop by the church and give what you can.



November

- 1 District Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Hudson Presbyterian Church
- 3 Goodwill/Good Turn Day
- 8 District Commissioners Meeting—6:30 p.m.—St. Stephen Church
- 8 Roundtable—7:15 p.m.—St. Stephen Church
- 10 Popcorn Distribution—VMI Group, 4670 Allen Rd., Stow
- 22-25 Thanksgiving—Scout Shops/offices closed
Registration \$11.00 Boys’ Life \$4.00

December

- 6 District Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Hudson Presbyterian Church
- 10 Popcorn money deposited
- 13 District Commissioners Meeting—6:30 p.m.—St. Stephen’s Church
- 13 Roundtable—7:15 p.m.—St. Stephen’s Church
- 15 Breakfast with Santa
- 22-30 Christmas—Scout Shops/offices closed
Registration \$8.25 Boys’ Life \$3.00

Seneca District

“The Heart of the Great Trail Council”

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Scout Night to Join Scouting III

In October we focused on community nights for SNTJS II, to try and pick up any kids that were unable to attend the Scout Night to Join Scouting (SNTJS) in September. For November we need units to run a Bring-A-Buddy program where you have your Scouts invite a buddy (not currently in Scouting) to a special meeting/event where they can see what it's like to join the BSA! For more detailed information about the Bring-A-Buddy program contact **Robert Balash** at robert.balash@scouting.org.



Take Order popcorn pick up

The Take Order popcorn pick up location will be at **Duracote, Inc., 350 N. Diamond St., Ravenna.** Popcorn will be available to be picked up from **9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Saturday, November 10.** The absolute deadline for pick up will be 11 a.m. There will be **NO Exceptions.** If you miss that deadline, you'll have to make your own arrangements to retrieve your order from our Council Service Center. The warehouse, space, time, and employees are being donated to Seneca District by Duracote for that specific time period. Please respect their generosity. If you have any questions, please contact District Popcorn Kernel **Sabrina Finney**, Sabrinafinneypopcorn@gmail.com, or **Robert Balash** at robert.balash@scouting.org, 330-773-0415 ext. 227.

Pre-sorting popcorn at Duracote

Our popcorn will arrive at Duracote, 350 N. Diamond St., Ravenna, on Thursday morning. On Friday, **November 9**, from 10 a.m.-12 p.m., we will be sorting the popcorn into unit orders like we did last year. We are asking for help with this important task! Anyone interested in helping please contact District Popcorn Kernel **Sabrina Finney** at sabrinafinneypopcorn@gmail.com, or **Robert Balash** at robert.balash@scouting.org, 330-773-0415 ext. 227. **ANY UNIT THAT COMES AND HELPS WILL BE ALLOWED TO TAKE THEIR POPCORN HOME ON FRIDAY!** Also, you will have lunch provided by your district executive! So, come enjoy some free food, get your popcorn early, and have a great time with other volunteers!

Klondike is January 18-20

SAVE THE DATE! The Klondike will be happening over the weekend of **January 18-January 20!** It will be at Camp Butler this year. Let's hope for some snow this year! More information to come at roundtable and through emails. Full Leader's Guide will be available at NOVEMBER ROUNDTABLE

Sign up now for Family FOS presentation

For all Cub Scout packs, Boy Scout troops, and Venture crews—Now is the time to begin thinking about having a FOS presentation at a blue & gold banquet, court of honor, or family night!

Start by selecting a unit FOS chair to schedule a presentation at your most well attended event in January, February, or March. Sign-ups will be held at roundtable with an opportunity to earn a certificate for \$40 OFF RENTAL FEE OF A CABIN AT ANY OF OUR COUNCIL OWNED PROPERTIES!

We need to make sure everyone has a chance to hear the Scouting Story and give them the opportunity to make a financial contribution to help support the great experiences and activities we do to support the youth in our communities!

Contact Robert Balash, 330-773-0415 ext. 227 or robert.balash@scouting.org to get the show started!

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November

- 1 District Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Kent United Church of Christ, 1400 E. Main St., Kent
 - 2 Popcorn prize orders due
 - 8 Roundtable—7 p.m.—Kent United Church of Christ, 1400 E. Main St., Kent
 - 8 District Commissioners Meeting—before roundtable
 - 9 Popcorn sorting—Duracote—10 a.m.-noon
 - 9 Popcorn pick-up—Duracote—9-11 a.m.
 - 11 Veterans Day
 - 22-24 Thanksgiving—Scout Shop/offices closed
 - 28 Cub Leader Training—Kent United Church of Christ, 1400 E. Main St., Kent
- Registration \$8.25 Boys' Life \$3.00**

December

- 6 District Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Kent United Church of Christ, 1400 E. Main St., Kent
 - 9 Breakfast with Santa—Camp Manatoc
 - 13 Roundtable—7 p.m.—Kent United Church of Christ, 1400 E. Main St., Kent
 - 13 District Commissioners Meeting—7 p.m.—Kent United Church of Christ, 1400 E. Main St., Kent
 - 22-26 Scout Shops/office closed
 - 28-31 Scout Shops closed
 - 31 New Year's Eve
- Registration \$5.50 Boys' Life \$2.00**

The Signal Tree

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It's an important time of year!

November, we are rapidly approaching the holidays, especially Thanksgiving. We have so much to be thankful for. We live in an amazing country which allows us the freedom to gather as Scouts and work towards a better future. This is a time to catch up with friends and family and be thankful for every blessing that we have been bestowed in the preceding year. Our district is thankful for all of you. Without great volunteers that care about the youth who participate in our programs our organization would not exist. There are many of you out there that have worked hard to ensure that we have excellent programming for our young people, and that we as a district continue to develop and improve.

This month we begin the process of charter renewal, this is an important time of year, this is our opportunity to review our performance and records, it is a great time to make sure that our leaders are getting the support that they need and that we are moving towards growth as an organization. We want to continue to engage new volunteers in the process and to assure that they are given opportunities for training and development.



Communications

There are many other opportunities for Cub Scouts and Scouts. Be sure to read about them here in the *Scouters' News* or check out the council or district facebook page/website for other opportunities. Here is the URL for our district FaceBook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/signaltree.gtc/>

Remind!

If you haven't already, please subscribe to our Remind account! You can do that by using this link: <https://www.remind.com/join/signaltree>. This will add you to our text message alert system which we use to send out flyers date and activity changes as well as other important information. You can also text the message: @signaltree to the number 81010. If you would like to leave the remind just respond with @leave to one of the messages.



*Happy Thanksgiving!
To You And Your Family*

November

- 1 District Commissioners Meeting—6:30 p.m.—Faith Lutheran Church, 2726 W. Market St., Akron
- 8 District Roundtable/Charter Renewal Training—7 p.m.—Faith Lutheran Church, 2726 W. Market St., Akron
Registration \$8.25 Boys' Life \$3.00

December

- 6 District Commissioners Meeting—6:30 p.m.—Faith Lutheran Church, 2726 W. Market St., Akron
- 13 District Roundtable—7 p.m.—Faith Lutheran Church, 2726 W. Market St., Akron
Registration \$5.50 Boys' Life \$2.00

Whispering Pines District

"Over a Century of Scouting"

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Join us at roundtable!

Join us for our November Roundtable on Thursday, **November 8**, at 7 p.m., at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 119 Stadium Dr., 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.

Annual recharter packet turn-in

Recharter packets are due to be turned in next month on Thursday, **December 6**, at roundtable. Please mark this date on your calendar and make sure that your recharter packets are turned in on time. Recharter packets must be turned in directly to John Brkic prior to being taken to the Scout Service Center in Akron. **DO NOT UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES MAIL YOUR CHARTERS TO THE OFFICE.**

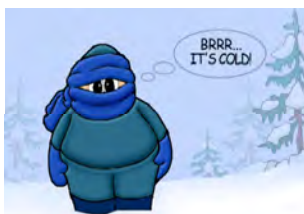
Popcorn sale information



Our Take Order distribution will be held at Dearing Compressor and Pump Co., on Friday, **November 9**. Please pay attention to your e-mails for further instructions.

A HUGE Thank YOU goes out to the team at Dearing Compressor and Pump Co. for allowing us to use their facility as our popcorn distribution warehouse this year. We wouldn't have been able to do it without them!

Cub Scout Freeze Out 2019



This year's Cub Scout Freeze Out program will be on Saturday, **January 26**, 2019. If you are participating in the morning session, you will be camping on Friday evening. If you are participating in

the afternoon session, you will be camping on Saturday evening. For information about this program, please contact the event chair, **Steph Kelly** at ifindthem@gmail.com.

Webelos Woods

Thank you to **Steph Kelly** for everything you did to plan this year's Webelos Woods! Another successful event was held at Camp Stambaugh on November 2-4.

2019 Klondike Derby

This year's Klondike Derby will be held on **January 4 - 6**, 2019 at Camp Stambaugh. Registration will be open online at:

<https://www.scoutingevent.com/433-2019WPKlondikeDerby>

We will need volunteers to run stations again, and you will be e-mailed a link to the Sign Up Genius for that. Additionally, all troops will be asked to bring a prize for the auction after the Klondike.

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 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 their short meeting there and tour the museum. We even do History Hunts for answers to questions about Scouting. There is a store in the museum where you can get some historical things from Scouting's past.



November

- 2 Webelos Woods Campout—Camp Stambaugh
 - 7 District Commissioners Meeting—6:30 p.m.—Boardman United Methodist Church
 - 7 District Advancement Committee Meeting—6:30 p.m.—Boardman United Methodist Church
 - 7 District Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Boardman United Methodist Church
 - 8 Roundtable—7 p.m.—Westminster Presbyterian Church
 - 9 Popcorn distribution
- Registration \$5.50 Boys' Life \$2.00**

December

- 5 District Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—location TBD
 - 6 Roundtable—7 p.m.—Westminster Presbyterian Church
 - 6 Recharter packets due
- Registration \$2.75 Boys' Life N/A**

Arrowhead District cont'd.

What is Friends of Scouting?

It's that time of the year when you'll start hearing the phrase "Friends of Scouting" at unit meetings and district roundtable.

What is Friends of Scouting? What does it mean to be a Friend of Scouting? And why should you consider becoming one?

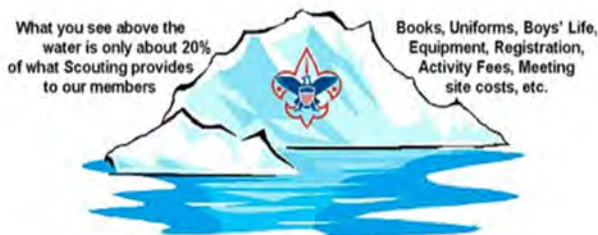
First, the basics: Friends of Scouting is our council's annual giving campaign. Friends of Scouting (or FOS) represents our council's largest source of income.

Our Friends of Scouting campaign begins in November and ends in March. During the campaign, a volunteer will visit your pack meeting or troop court of honor to explain the campaign and make an appeal for your support. You'll be asked to make a tax-deductible pledge to the council.

The natural next question is: Why should I give money to the council? The council's answer is with what's called "The Iceberg Analogy."

The Iceberg Analogy

The thinking here is that Scouts and volunteers see only 20 percent of what councils provide to members. There's a whole lot more beneath the surface.



What does the council provide? What's beneath the surface?

- **Volunteer and staff training**
- **Insurance coverage** to protect volunteers, chartered organizations, staff members and properties
- **Support staff** for registration, publications and other program support
- **Camp promotion** for Cub Scout day camps, Boy Scout summer camps, high-adventure bases and more
- **Camp rangers** to keep the council camps up-to-date and ready for Scouts and families
- **Camp equipment** like tents, cooking equipment, camp vehicles, building repairs, canoes, equipment replacement and repair, and general upkeep of council camps
- **Recognitions for leaders** who complete training, volunteer for special projects and help in many Scouting roles

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Arrowhead District cont'd.

The Iceberg Analogy continued

- **Professional staff** to work with volunteers to organize new units, manage fundraising programs, conduct training, assist membership recruitment, provide counsel and direct support for district, camps and programs
- **Administrative needs** including postage, computers and links to the National BSA computer system, copy machines, folding machines, and more
- **Service centers** to provide additional support to volunteers
- **Audio-visual supplies** used in training, at camps and in volunteer meetings
- **Postage** to mail materials to leaders, parents and youth members
- **Council website** to keep you informed
- **Reference publications** and resources, including program planning kits and to camping cookbooks
- **Camp scholarships** for uniforms and registration fees for disadvantaged young people

As you can see, there's more happening at our council than the average volunteer sees. And it can't happen without the support of volunteers like you.

Employee match programs

Some companies, possibly including the one for which you work, will match their employees' charitable contributions. Be sure to see whether your workplace has such a program. If so, you'll double your impact.

Who must take the updated YPT?

All registered Scouters (volunteers and professionals), including any adult who will be present at a Scouting activity for 72 total hours or more.

The updated course debuted in February 2018; if you took Youth Protection training prior to that, you'll need to complete the updated course ASAP.

- ♦ **No** unit may recharter without all leaders being current on their Youth Protection training.

Seneca District cont'd.

Recharter!

Your unit charter processor needs to attend roundtable on **November 9**, at the Kent United Church of Christ. We'll be handing out recharter packets that night and to make this easy you'll want to attain yours ASAP. If you or someone from your unit can't attend roundtable on November 8, please contact Rob to set up an alternative! **We will be going over all the changes in the new packet!**

Council Calendar

November

- 2 Popcorn prize orders due
- 3 Goodwill Good Turn Day
- 4 Daylight Savings Time ends
- 5 Eagle Dinner Committee Meeting
- 7 Auction Committee
- 7 Wood Badge/NYLT
- 8 Finance Committee Meeting
- 10 Take Order popcorn distribution
- 11 Veterans Day
- 12 Council Board FOS Kick-Off
- 12 Executive Board Meeting
- 13 Camping Committee Meeting
- 14 Council FOS
- 15 University of Scouting Committee Meeting
- 16 Marketing Committee Meeting
- 17 NYLT staff interviews
- 17 Special Needs Advisory Committee Meeting
- 22 Thanksgiving—Scout Shops/office closed
- 23 Scout Shops/office closed
- 24 Scout Shops closed
- 27 Council Commissioners Meeting
- 28 Properties Committee Meeting

December

- 5 Auction Committee Meeting
- 6 Finance Committee Meeting
- 7 Popcorn money due
- 10 Executive Committee Meeting
- 12 Wilderness Engineers Christmas Party
- 13 Camp Card sign-up
- 15 Breakfast with Santa
- 21 Scout Shops/office closed
- 22-24 Scout Shops/office closed
- 25 Merry Christmas!
- 26-31 Scout Shops closed for inventory
- 27 Camp Staff Christmas Party
- 28 Camp staff interviews
- 31 New Year's Eve—Scout Shops/office closed

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