



# Scouters' News

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

**SATURDAY  
JANUARY 12  
9AM - 1PM**

**GRAND  
OPENING**

**GREAT TRAIL COUNCIL, BSA  
SCOUT SERVICE CENTER**

**4500 Hudson Drive  
Stow, OH 44224**

**RIBBON  
CUTTING  
AT  
9AM**

**Open to all Scouts,  
Families, Volunteers,  
Neighbors and the Community!**



We are in search of 2 part-time office assistants and 2 part-time Scout Shop employees! If you are an outgoing friendly person, we are looking for you!

**Office Assistants:** duties include (but not limited to) answering phones, greeting volunteers, assist with events and work orders, processing advancements, Eagles, and other miscellaneous tasks. **Requirements:** Scouting background, ability to work independently, strong organizational skills and attention to detail, some heavy lifting, strong knowledge of Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Publisher, Outlook), must be able to prioritize and multitask in a quick paced environment. Please contact **Megan King** at [Megan.King@Scouting.org](mailto:Megan.King@Scouting.org) if interested.

**Scout Shop Assistants:** duties would include (but not limited to): assisting customers/volunteers, stocking and tidying shop, processing program fees and retail clerk duties. **Requirements:** Scouting background, retail experience helpful, ability to work independently with minimal oversight, strong organizational skills and attention to detail, some lifting of heavy packages, must be able to prioritize and multitask in a quick paced environment. Please contact **Bill Soinski** at [Bill.Soinski@Scouting.org](mailto:Bill.Soinski@Scouting.org) if interested.

## Council Information

### Peace Light from Bethlehem arriving in Akron on December 5



With the arrival of the International Peace Light on December 1, at the JFK International Airport in New York City, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Girl Scouts along with hundreds of volunteers will be busy distributing the

Peace Light flame to churches, communities, and their families and friends as far north as Winnipeg, Ontario, Canada and as far west as Los Angeles, California through the efforts of many couriers. Austrian Airlines has been flying the Peace Light to New York City since 2001. Once again the Brooklyn and Queens Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting is sponsoring the arrival of the Peace Light in the United States where they will have a short ceremony at Our Lady of the Skies Catholic Chapel and it will begin its journey.

The Great Trail Council will be welcoming the 2018 International Peace Light to the area on **Wednesday, December 5, at 4 p.m.**, at the Scout Shop located at 1601 S. Main St., Akron. The welcoming ceremony is open to the public. Individuals and organizations of all faiths are cordially invited to bring a windproof container or lamp to receive this message of peace and to take the Nativity of Bethlehem flame back to their place of worship in order to provide this Peace Light to their own congregations to commemorate the Christmas season or take home for their personal use for the holidays.

The Peace Light will be available at the Scout Shop during normal business hours until the close of business on Saturday, December 15. For more information contact Director of Field Service John Schlobohm at 330-773-0415 ext. 213.

### Before you camp, you BALOO

The BSA wants you to have at least one BALOO-trained adult on every Cub Scout den or pack overnight outdoor event. That includes pack camping and Webelos den overnights.

A BALOO-trained leader should be at any overnighter regardless of whether it's a pack, district or council event. Having at least one BALOO-trained adult will make your Cub Scouts' camping experience as awesome as it can be.

Recent updates make BALOO more impactful, useful and convenient. The new course combines the previous BALOO and a course called Outdoor Leader Skills for Webelos Leaders, or OWL.

Just log in to *My.Scouting.org* to begin. The hands-on component is a 1-1/2 day course offered by your district or council.

### 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 College of Commissioner Science staff and participants

The 2018 College of Commissioner Science was held on November 10, at Kent United Church of Christ. 40 participants and staff attended this year. At the end of the day 14 Bachelor, 8 Master, and 1 Doctorate certificates were conferred. Thanks to the staff led by Chancellor **Joe Mako** and Vice Chancellor **David Rice** of the college.

### 2019 World Scout Jamboree

The countdown to the 2019 World Scout Jamboree continues. The first World Jamboree on American soil since 1967 is set for July 22 to August 2 at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia. Join the global celebration at <https://www.wsj2019.us>.

### Help your Scouts excel

*Boys' Life* magazine helps your Scouting unit and your Scouts excel. Research shows youth who subscribe advance further, spend more time outdoors and stay in Scouting longer than those who don't. Plus, *Boys' Life* helps start your youth on the path to becoming lifelong readers. Today's readers are tomorrow's leaders!

# 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.

## Wood Badge and NYLT Scholarship Dinner

Have you attended a Wood Badge Course? Has someone from your troop or crew benefitted from attending NYLT? Come to our Wood Badge & NYLT Scholarship Dinner! We will have a fantastic meal along with an auction and trading post. All proceeds from this event help to provide scholarships for our Scouts to attend NYLT and our Scouters to attend Wood Badge, allowing them to experience the highest level training available. The dinner will be held on Sunday, **February 17**, 2019 at 12:30 p.m., at St. Paul's Catholic Church, 1580 Brown St., Akron, 44301. Online registration opens December 1, at <https://www.scoutingevent.com/433-WBNYLTDINNER>.

## Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII Board of Review

The Catholic Committee on Scouting will be conducting Boards of Review for Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII.

The Boards of Review will be held on **Saturday, February 23**, at Archbishop Hoban High School, 1 Holy Cross Blvd., Akron, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Applicants for the religious emblems should make sure they have all the required signatures. Please make sure they bring their completed books and applications to the Board of Review. Cost for the medals is \$15.00. Checks need to be made payable to DCCS.

The award ceremony will be in April. Details will be mailed to the award recipients upon completion of the Board of Review.

For more information email [catholic.scouting@gtcbsa.org](mailto:catholic.scouting@gtcbsa.org).

*Merry Christmas*



## Creating a great program

- ◆ Your Scouts want and need to do stuff. They don't just want you to talk to them about stuff.
- ◆ Always try the activity/craft yourself before trying to do it with the Scouts. Dream catchers are a lot trickier than you might think!
- ◆ Always have a Plan B. And a Plan C. And a Plan D doesn't hurt.
- ◆ In all that you do, make time for fun.
- ◆ Both work and play will build strong bonds between Scouts; encourage both and have fun!

## Measuring success

- ◆ Patches, pins and medals are great, but we measure our success by the size of a Scout's smile.
- ◆ Always do what's in the best interest of the Scouts. It's not about you; it's about them!
- ◆ Just when you think you aren't getting through, you find out you are! And there is nothing like it!
- ◆ Enjoy the times you make their eyes light up. It makes everything else worth it.

## Working with parents and other adults

- ◆ Encourage parents to be leaders, not parents.
- ◆ Once you are trained and feel comfortable, find and train the next person. Then you always have a backup.
- ◆ You can't be a lone ranger. Your effectiveness will suffer, as will your program.
- ◆ Always find a job (however small) for parents who offer to help for the first time.

## Working with Scouts

- ◆ If the Scouts aren't listening, be calm enough to put your Scout sign up and wait—for as long as it takes. They will catch on fast, and putting up a Scout sign will become magical.
- ◆ Give the Scouts a chance to taste success. They will find out it suits them.
- ◆ Stand back and let the Scouts do it. Just don't let them set each other on fire!
- ◆ Before your Scouts care how much you know, they must know how much you care.



## Council Information



### 2018 GTC Popcorn Sale Dates

#### December

⇒ Friday, December 10—All checks deposited



### Popcorn sale is wrapping up

Great job selling popcorn everyone! We haven't quite wrapped up the sale, have you paid your popcorn bill? Checks for popcorn invoices were due at popcorn pick-up on November 10 and will be deposited on December 10. If you did not bring your check with you to pick-up or have not mailed your check, it is due in the office on **Monday, December 10**. If you have placed a second chance order, invoices will be sent after popcorn is picked up and will be due no later than December 20. Thanks everyone for your cooperation with this!



### Family Friends of Scouting

It's that time of year again when we start planning for the 2019 Family FOS Campaign! Sign-up your unit for a presentation no later than your December Roundtable to be entered to win a \$50 gift certificate to the Scout Shop or any of our camps. You can schedule a time with your District Family FOS Chair or your District Executive. Or, if you choose you can do it online! Here is the link to get yourself all set up and entered in the drawing, <http://bit.ly/2019gtcfos>. The drawing will be held at your December Roundtable, so make sure you attend in case you win!

### 2019 Camp Card Fundraiser Earn your way to camp!

*It's much more than a discount card. You're selling character and a better community all while earning your way to Summer Camp!*

- **Sell a card for 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 populated based on zip code so new offers will appear wherever you are. For a demo of the local offers available, please visit:

<http://bsademo.saversguide.com> and change to your current location.

- **You earn \$5 per card.** That's **50%** funding camp and other adventures!
- **NEW—For every 100 cards you sell, you get a 10-card discount: For example—sell 100 cards...get billed for only 90...sell 200...get billed for only 180. You make 100% profit on these 10 cards per 100 sold.**
- Check out [www.gtcbasa.org/camp-cards](http://www.gtcbasa.org/camp-cards)
- for more information and resources.

### Key sale dates

**December Roundtable**— Units Sign-Up Online at [www.gtcbasa.org/camp-cards](http://www.gtcbasa.org/camp-cards) or at Roundtables.

**January Roundtable** – **SALE BEGINS!** Camp Card Kick-Offs at Roundtables/Commit to Sell on Site/Pick-Up Cards

**April Roundtable** – Continue to Pick Up Cards at Roundtables. Last Day to Return Up to 25% of Unsold Cards.

**May Roundtable** – Sale Ends. Camp Card Payments Due to Council or Turn in at Roundtables. Questions? [jody.gildersleeve@scouting.org](mailto:jody.gildersleeve@scouting.org) or 330-773-0415 ext. 218

**Remember, you're not just selling cards, you're selling Scouting!**

# Council Information

## From the Registration Desk...

### Chartering

In November charter packets for the Signal Tree and Seneca Districts were available at the roundtable. If you don't have your unit's charter packet, please contact your district executive asap. Your charter window opens December 1. Charters for Arrowhead and Whispering Pines should be turned in at the December Roundtable. See the chart in the next column for the dates. Charters for Lakes and Moe will be available at the December Roundtable.

### Things to Remember

This will be my last "From the Registration Desk" article before I retire. I thought I would leave you with some reminders.

1. Beginning January 1, only the new adult apps and disclosure forms and the new youth apps will be accepted.
2. A Youth Protection Training certificate must be included with ALL adult registration, whether you are a new leader or a returning leader.
3. If registering a Lion or Tiger the parent's date of birth must be included on the application.
4. If the Lion or Tiger Adult Partner is not the parent or guardian at the same address as the youth, an adult app and disclosure form signed by the charter organization rep must be turned in with the youth app.
5. Registration money must be included with the apps. If emailing, an email approval from someone on the Scout Shop account must be included.
6. Don't hold on to registration. Make sure that all youth and adult registration is turned in as soon as possible.
7. Youth advancement dates must be after the registration start date. They must be registered Boy Scouts before they start earning merit badges.
8. **National policy is that an adult app and disclosure form must be completed and signed for every position that you register for.**
9. If you are having trouble with your log-in to my.Scouting.org or trouble with the online training call the National Help Desk at 972-580-2489. Hours are 7 a.m.-7 p.m. Central time, Monday-Friday.
10. Through these 19 plus years I have met and worked with many wonderful volunteers. It has been a pleasure working with you. **I will be available until January 4. If you have any questions regarding registration, chartering, training, or Internet Advancement, please contact Council Registrar Pat Gaugler at 330-773-0415 ext. 210 or [pat.gaugler@scouting.org](mailto:pat.gaugler@scouting.org)**

## 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

### Eagle's Nest



	Troop	Eagle Date
Jonathan Beckner, Jr.	4008	10/25/18
Samuel Biggs	62	10/27/18
Brett Boehm	518	10/22/18
Pierce DeFilippo	257	10/09/18
Ian Doucet	1	10/30/18
Damion Durst	4557	10/25/18
Kyle Fuller	327	10/17/18
Richard Hipkins	361	10/17/18
Frankie Ice	456	10/09/18
Joseph Kelly, IV	310	10/28/18
Michael Lucia	280	10/24/18
Trevor Milbrandt	454	10/25/18
Conner Mullins	154	09/27/18
Jeremy Nider	259	10/08/18
Jonathan Olson	4050	10/25/18
Noah Porter	406	10/18/18
Matthew Rojas	501	10/16/18
Kyle Takacs	4015	10/18/18
Calvin Whipple	501	10/16/18
Jason Wynn	330	10/17/18



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### Breakfast with Santa—Camp Manatoc

Don't miss this Christmas fun-tastic event at Camp Manatoc on **December 15**, from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., at the dining hall. Cost for adults is \$9 and youth (ages 5-12) is \$7, and children four and under are free.



Breakfast will be prepared by our famous Lady Engineers. Bring your wish list for Santa. Free gifts and pictures with Santa are only \$5.

Please make reservations online at: <https://scoutingevent.com/433-santa>

Deadline for making reservations is December 12.

### Breakfast with Santa—Camp Stambaugh



Come join us for some Christmas fun with Santa on **December 15**, from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., at Camp Stambaugh. Cost for this great pancake breakfast is \$8 for adults, children (12 and under) are \$5, and children 4 and under are free.

Bring your wish list! Free gifts for the kids and you can take your own pictures with Santa. This event is sponsored by the

Stambaugh campmasters.

Please make reservations online at: <https://scoutingevent.com/433-santa>

Deadline for making reservations is December 12.

### SAVE THE DATE



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

**WOOD BADGE  
COURSE C4-433-19**

Manatoc Scout Reservation  
August 19-24, 2019



## 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.)*

### Camp staff builds leaders



The theme this year is “Props & Pistons.” We have planned new fun and exciting merit badges. This is shaping up to be one of the best summer experiences in years.

Come be part of history this summer. Give back to those Scouts that follow you just as some older Scouts did for you. I’m sure you all remember your favorite staff member. So join the 2019 Manatoc staff in making history once again. Manatoc Scout Reservation is looking for great young men and women, ages 16 and up, for the 2019 summer camping season. We are also looking for staff apprentices, ages 14 and 15. Apply online at: [http://www.manatoc.org/seasonal\\_staff.html](http://www.manatoc.org/seasonal_staff.html). For further information call **Chris Bergdorf** at 330-607-6376 or **Bill Lovell** at 330-808-7970.

### 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](http://www.manatoc.org/seasonal_staff.html) Forward your application to the Scout Service Center at least two weeks prior to the interview date. Applications are needed for both previous staff as well as prospective staff members.

Questions? Contact **Chris Bergdorf** at [manatocbutler@windstream.net](mailto:manatocbutler@windstream.net).



### Marnoc Lodge wraps up 2018

Marnoc Lodge has completed a great inductions year with more than 140 new Ordeal members. The Fall Fellowship saw more than 40 members spend a weekend of fun, fellowship and service as we set up the Haunted Hay Ride for our Cub Scouts. Coming up next is our biggest event of the year – the Winter Banquet! The date is **Saturday, December 15**. The price is \$30 which renews your membership and includes a fabulous dinner. Come and enjoy a night of fellowship, reconnect with old friends and make some new ones. For more details go to the Lodge website [www.marnoc.org](http://www.marnoc.org). Registration is at: <https://www.scoutingevent.com/433-oabanquet>

Yours in Service,  
Marnoc Lodge

## 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 needed for youth protection or health and safety reasons.





## Council Information

### 2019 Adventure Partnership With Bechtel National Scout Reserve

The Great Trail Council announces an adventure partnership with Bechtel National Scout Reserve. *This will serve as an adventure program for Great Trail Council Scouts, Venturers, and Explorers ages 13 and up.*

The Great Trail Council will be hosting an out trip during the 2019 camping season. Scouts may sign up online at [www.gtcbbsa.org](http://www.gtcbbsa.org). The Scouts and leaders will arrive at Camp Manatoc on Monday morning, then meet and greet the contingent during a continental breakfast. The Scouts will be taken in rented vans to Summit/Bechtel, arriving 5 hours later. The Scouts will get settled in their campsite. After dinner they will choose a Monday night activity. Tuesday they will arrive at the extreme sports area where they will try their hand at skateboarding and BMX. Tuesday night they again will pick an evening activity. Wednesday brings them to the water sports area. Wednesday night will lead them to another evening program. Thursday is shooting sports day where they can take aim with cross bows and lasers. The trip will end Friday afternoon at the Manatoc Scout Reservation. The trip will be **July 8-12**. We will be looking for leaders interested in going on the trip. One leader must be at least 25 years of age with a valid driver's license and the other must be over 18. Leaders fee is \$100.00 to cover food.

**Questions? Call Chris Bergdorf at 330-607-6376.**

### 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 <a href="mailto:myscouting@scouting.org">myscouting@scouting.org</a>
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 <a href="mailto:scouts1st@scouting.org">scouts1st@scouting.org</a>
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 <a href="mailto:scouts1st@scouting.org">scouts1st@scouting.org</a>

### 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.



*Wishing you Happy Holidays!  
From your Great Trail Council Staff*

*Anitra, Bill, Caroline, Cathey, Chris, Dennis, Gayle, Jodi, Jody, John B., John S., Lisa, Megan, Nate, Pat G., Pat S., Peggy, Rob, Sarah, Scott, Shannon, Sherrie, Tim, Tom, and Wayne*

# Arrowhead District

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## Roundtable is December 12

Join us for our December Roundtable on Wednesday **December 12**, at 7 p.m., at NEO Electrical Trades Institute, Research Pkwy., Champion. Unit recharterers are due at this roundtable.

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 recharterers are due

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.

## 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 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.



## 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 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.

### 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
  - 18 Scout Shop closed until January 12—Will reopen at 4500 Hudson Dr., Stow
  - 20 Advancement Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Christ Episcopal Church, Warren
  - 21 Office closed at noon
- Registration \$2.75      Boys' Life N/A**

### January

- 2 District Committee Meeting—6:30 p.m.—Kent State Trumbull, Room #203, Warren
  - 9 Roundtable—7:10 p.m.—NEO Electrical Trades Institute
  - 10 Camp Card Kick-Off
  - 17 Advancement Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Christ Episcopal Church, Warren
  - 18-20 Klondike—Camp Stambaugh
  - 24 Advancement Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Christ Episcopal Church, Warren
- Registration \$33.00      Boys' Life \$12.00**

# Chippewa District

“Scouting, From Lion Paws to Eagle Claws”

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## Contact your commissioner for fall inventory

With the end of the year, it is time to make sure that we have all of our youth accounted for. You should be getting a call to verify that all the youth that are in your pack, troop or crew are registered. This is important to get done before the end of the year so that all rosters are right when recharter is done. It will be much easier on the committee chair or whomever is designated to do your recharter, if we have an accurate list of all the youth registered in your pack.

## 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: District Chair **Sherri Buck** at [Sbuck01@msn.com](mailto:Sbuck01@msn.com) or 330-635-1200.

## Family Friends of Scouting

We have already started scheduling our Family Friends of Scouting presentations for 2019. Please contact our chair **Sheila Bazan** at [sheilabazan@yahoo.com](mailto:sheilabazan@yahoo.com).

## Greatest Klondike on Earth



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](mailto:howardloew@aol.com).

Register at:

<https://scoutingevent.com/433-chiplondike2019>

## District Pinewood Derby

The Pinewood Derby planning is underway. Rules were distributed at the November Roundtable. The Pinewood Derby will be on **April 27**, at Claggett Middle School.

## 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.

## 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. There will be an *Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops* on **January 12**, specifically for the young women. **Craig Wroblewski** is helping to spearhead this growth. You can contact him at [cwrobles@yahoo.com](mailto:cwrobles@yahoo.com).



### 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**

### January

- 2 Office opens at 4500 Hudson Dr., Stow
  - 3 Commissioners Meeting
  - 9 District Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—River Styx Buehlers
  - 10 Roundtable—7 p.m.—Medina United Methodist Church
  - 12 Scout Shop Grand Opening—9 a.m.-1 p.m.—4500 Hudson Dr., Stow
  - 18-20 Klondike Derby—Camp Manatoc
- Registration \$8.25      Boys' Life \$3.00**



# Lakes District

## “Leads the Way”

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## New district executive selected for Lakes District



We are pleased to announce the selection of **Christopher (Chris) Weinland** as District Executive for Lakes District. Chris will start his position on January 2, 2019.

Chris is an Eagle Scout from Simon Kenton

Council, in Columbus, Ohio. He has earned both a Bachelor of Arts and Master of Public Administration from Bowling Green State University. He most recently moved back to Ohio with his wife from Omaha, Nebraska.

Please join us in welcoming Chris to the Lakes District.

## Get your unit advancements entered

Several units in the district are showing little or no advancements for all of 2018. However, advancements were probably earned by their Scouts.

The deadline to get credit for advancement is **December 31, 2018**. This impacts, your unit, district, and council Journey to Excellence scorecard. It also impacts results of how Scouts are completing skills and recognition to the public.

It also shows on an individual Scouts record. Please, meet the deadline.

## Lakes District Klondike 2019



The 2019 Lakes District Klondike will be at Camp Manatoc on the weekend of **January 25-27, 2019**. The theme of the Klondike is **THE BURNING PIG FESTIVAL – A VIKING EXPERIENCE**. Headed by King Hedrick of Green, the

event will include Viking themed events put on by each troop and will be attended by Boy Scouts and Webelos. The event will conclude with a full Viking funeral for Bacon our beloved 2019 Klondike Mascot on Saturday night. Recognition will be provided for each event and points will be earned that will be used in our famous award auction. The Klondike Cook-off will be the JARL OF SPAMWICH with SPAM based dishes to honor our mascot. Save the Date!



## Recharter packets to be distributed at December Roundtable

The 2019 recharter packets will be distributed at the December Roundtable, held on Thursday, December 13, at Messiah Lutheran Church, 4700 S. Main St., Akron. Also, bring a dish to pass as we will enjoy a meal there as we gather.

During the program we will review the packets, and how to process your charter efficiently.

## Scout Shop/office moving

**December 18** will be the last day the Scout Shop will be open for business until it reopens at the new office on Saturday, January 12. So get your supplies now to prepare for December and January meetings, courts of honor, pinewood derbies, etc.

The new shop will open on **Saturday, January 12**, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at 4500 Hudson Dr., Stow, OH. Approximately ½ mile east of Rt. 8 (exit 9).

### December

- 4 District Committee Meeting—7 a.m.—McDonald's, Massillon Rd.
  - 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**
  - 18 Akron Scout Shop closing at 6 p.m.—reopens on January 12 at 4500 Hudson Dr., Stow
  - 21 Office closing at noon—reopens on January 2 at 4500 Hudson Dr., Stow
- Registration \$8.25      Boys' Life \$3.00**

### January

- 1 Happy New Year
  - 2 District Commissioners Meeting—6:30 p.m.—Acme, Manchester Rd.
  - 8 District Committee Meeting—7 a.m.—McDonalds, Massillon Rd., Green
  - 10 Roundtable—7 p.m.—Messiah Lutheran Church
  - 12 Scout Shop Grand Opening—9 a.m.-1 p.m.—4500 Hudson Dr., Stow
  - 12 Girl Troop Leader Training
  - 25-27 Klondike Derby—Camp Manatoc
- Registration \$5.50      Boys' Life \$2.00**

# Moecomdws District

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### Moe Cub Bowling Day

**What:** Two hours of bowling, hot dog, chips, drink and a bowling patch  
**Date:** February 9, 2019  
**Time:** 12:45 p.m. check in—bowling from 1-3 p.m.  
**Where:** Stonehedge Lanes, 580 E. Cuyahoga Falls Ave., Akron, 44310; phone 330-928-2161  
**Cost:** \$10 per bowler

\*Non-bowling adults may purchase lunch for \$5  
Registration forms have been put in saddlebags. Please register as a pack and register in advance, we cannot take walk-ins. There is lots of work that needs to be done ahead of time by volunteers to make the day run as smoothly as possible.

### Klondike “Ice Station Butler!”



#### *It’s a race for the secret...or TOTAL DESTRUCTION*

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.

To register and download SPL and Scoutmaster leader guides, please go to:  
<https://scoutingevent.com/433-2019MoeKlondike> or [www.moescouts.org](http://www.moescouts.org).

### 2019 Family FOS Campaign starts soon!

Our 2019 Family FOS Campaign is about to begin. All units need to schedule a presentation date, preferably the date of your blue and gold banquet or court of honor. Please give your date to Family FOS Chair **Greg Dykes**. He can be reached at [GregDykes@gmail.com](mailto:GregDykes@gmail.com).

### Recharter distribution at December Roundtable

2019 recharter packets will be distributed at December Roundtable. Please have someone from your unit in attendance to pick it up. For a recharter timeline and training video, please visit [www.moescouts.org](http://www.moescouts.org). Recharter packets will be collected at the February Roundtable. Please be sure to include your Journey To Excellence scorecard!

### 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 continuous 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.



#### 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
- 18 Akron Scout Shop closes at 6 p.m.—reopens on January 12 at 4500 Hudson Dr., Stow
- 21 Office closes at noon—reopens on January 2 at 4500 Hudson Dr., Stow
- 25 Merry Christmas  
**Registration \$8.25                      Boys’ Life \$3.00**

#### January

- 1 New Year’s Day
- 2 Office reopens at 4500 Hudson Dr., Stow
- 3 District Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Hudson Presbyterian Church
- 8 Family FOS Presenter Training—6:30 p.m.—Scout Service Center, 4500 Hudson Dr., Stow
- 10 District Commissioner Meeting—6:30 p.m.—St. Stephen Church
- 10 Roundtable—7:15 p.m.—St. Stephen Church
- 12 Scout Shop Grand Opening—4500 Hudson Dr., Stow
- 17 Family FOS Presenter Training—6:30 p.m.—Scout Service Center, 4500 Hudson Dr., Stow
- 19 Family FOS Presenter Training—10 a.m.—Camp Manatoc
- 21 Martin Luther King Day—Scout Shop/office closed
- 25-27 Moe Klondike—Camp Butler  
**Registration \$5.50                      Boys’ Life—\$2.00**

# Seneca District

“The Heart of the Great Trail Council”

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## Last minute applications? Turn them in ASAP!

As we move closer to the end of the year we want to finish up the last minute recruiting. Please be sure to turn in all applications that you still have to Robert Balash. Check your online roster and your personal roster to make sure that they match up. If there is anyone missing please contact **Robert Balash** at [Robert.balash@scouting.org](mailto:Robert.balash@scouting.org).

## 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 is available now.

## Sign up now for your unit's Family Friends of Scouting 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 THE RENTAL FEE AT ANY OF OUR COUNCIL OWNED PROPERTIES! (Some cabins cost more than \$40 to rent.)

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** at 330-773-0415 ext. 227, or [Robert.balash@scouting.org](mailto:Robert.balash@scouting.org) to get the show started!

## Recharter!

Did your charter processor attend roundtable on November 8, at Kent United Church of Christ? We handed out recharter packets that night and to make this the easiest experience possible, you will want yours ASAP. If you or someone from your unit didn't attend roundtable on November 8, please contact **Rob** ([robert.balash@scouting.org](mailto:robert.balash@scouting.org)) to set up an alternative option!



# Happy Holidays!

### 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
  - 18 Scout Shop Akron—closes 6 p.m.—closed until January 12, 2019
  - 21 Office—closes at noon—closed until January 2, 2019
  - 25 Christmas
  - 31 New Year's Eve
- Registration \$5.50      Boys' Life \$2.00**

### January

- 2 **Office opens at 4500 Hudson Dr., Stow**
  - 8 Family FOS Presenters Training—7 p.m.—Scout Service Center, 4500 Hudson Dr., Stow
  - 10 Roundtable—7 p.m.—Kent United Church of Christ, 1400 E. Main St., Kent—**All charters due**
  - 10 District Commissioners Meeting—7 p.m.—Kent United Church of Christ, 1400 E. Main St., Kent
  - 12 **Scout Shop opens at 4500 Hudson Dr., Stow**
  - 17 Family Presenters Training #2—7 p.m.—Scout Service Center, 4500 Hudson Dr., Stow
  - 18-20 District Klondike—Camp Butler
- Registration \$2.75      Boys' Life N/A**



# The Signal Tree

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## Happy Holidays!

Happy Holidays! Whichever holidays you celebrate:

Bodhi Day	St. John the Evangelist	Human Rights Day
Advent	Holy Innocents	Dongzhi Festival
Krampusnacht	St. Sylvester	Hogmanay
St. Nicholas	Pancha Ganapati	Newtonmas
Feast of the Immaculate Conception	Malkh	Kwanzaa
St. Lucia's Day	Modraniht	New Year's Eve
Las Posadas	Saturnalia	Soyal
Longest Night	Dies Natalis Solis Invicti	Solstice
Christmas Eve	Human Light	Zamenhof Day
Christmas Day	Hanukkah	Watch Night
Anastasia of Sirmium	Yule	Chalica
12 Days of Christmas	Yaldakoliada	
St. Stephen's Day	Boxing Day	

We hope everyone enjoyed Thanksgiving and is well on their way to completing any shopping and preparations for the holidays.

## Klondike

Klondike begins at 6:30 p.m. on **Friday, January 11**, at Camp Manatoc. The cost is \$6 for Scouts and \$3 for adults and includes a patch, coffee, hot chocolate, and activities. There is NO charge for tent camping. Please prepare for this year's derby. Information and flyers will be available via email/facebook/remind/roundtables. We are looking forward to a great first Klondike as Signal Tree District.

Happy Holidays!

## 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.



### 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
  - 18 Scout Shop closes at 6 p.m.—reopens on January 12 at 4500 Hudson Dr., Stow
  - 21 Office closes at noon—reopens on January 2 at 4500 Hudson Dr., Stow
- Registration \$5.50      Boys' Life \$2.00**

### January

- 2 Office opens at 4500 Hudson Dr., Stow
  - 3 District Commissioner Meeting—6:30 p.m.—Faith Lutheran Church, 2726 W. Market St., Akron
  - 10 District Roundtable—7 p.m.—Faith Lutheran Church, 2726 W. Market St., Akron
  - 11 Klondike—6:30 p.m.—Camp Manatoc
  - 12 Scout Shop—Grand Opening—4500 Hudson Dr., Stow
- Registration \$2.75      Boys' Life N/A**

# Venturing

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## Take our survey

Everyone is welcome to take this short survey. Help our great officers plan better events for you in 2019. The survey link is on <http://GTCVenturing.org/events> (direct link <https://goo.gl/forms/4wJ4ScQoXkrZVjLE3>). Tell us what you would like to see in Venturing in 2019 while there is time to change dates and events.

## Superhero weekend was a blast!

Vice President **Isabel Jager** and President **Adelaide White** did a fantastic job of putting on a weekend that had everyone raving. Super hero jeopardy, good fellowship and pizza started on Friday night gave way to a full day on Saturday of archery, ultimate Frisbee, orienteering, and climbing. Our guest superheroes for the weekend were the handlers and their dogs from Big Creek Search Dog Association a professional SAR team that demonstrated in the field their skill. Good thing too, we found the missing Venturers! Shown in the picture is handler **John Swaney and Ginger**.



## Become a member of the Council Venturing Support Team

We are constantly open to new members to serve in a variety of adult support positions including advisors, committee members and unit commissioners. Maybe you are a few years out of being a member, perhaps you have been away from Venturing for a while. Talk to **Dennis** or email [Chair@GTCVenturing.org](mailto:Chair@GTCVenturing.org) for more information.

## Be a Venturing Unit Commissioner

We really need help here and will train you. Serve Venturing by directly serving a crew. Interested? Email [Info@GTCVenturing.org](mailto:Info@GTCVenturing.org) to start the discussion.

## Be sure your crew president is consulted

Crew presidents are all automatic full-voting members of the Council Venturing Officers Association, but we cannot invite them unless someone in the crew tells us who they are. Report your crew president's name and contact details to the VOA at <http://GTCVenturing.org/crewpresident>.

## Questions and comments

We can answer your general questions at [info@GTCVenturing.org](mailto:info@GTCVenturing.org) or contact [advisor@GTCVenturing.org](mailto:advisor@GTCVenturing.org) for comments and requests for the VOA. You can also message us through Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/GTCVenturing/>.

## Save the date for the spring forum

Do you miss Venturing Roundtables or Venturing Forums where you can get together and learn and share ideas to make Venturing stronger? Well they are back and stronger than ever. Just twice a year they are not to be missed. Save the date now for the

# GTC Venturing Spring Forum

Either April 7 or 14, 2019 watch for an announcement.

This event is for all youth and adults in Venturing.

It will include

Adult Roundtable/Venturing Forum/Fellowship/ Training

Youth program time, e.g., Shooting or Climbing

Venturing Officer Association meeting

VOA Officer Selection at the spring forum

Long term plans to be made.

## A Fall Forum will be held during the Fall Fun Event

Scheduled in November 2019.



# Whispering Pines District

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### Roundtable is December 6

Join us for our December Roundtable on Thursday, December 6, 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 should be turned in on **Thursday, December 6**, at roundtable. Please contact John Brkic via e-mail at [john.brkic@scouting.org](mailto:john.brkic@scouting.org) to schedule an appointment to turn in your recharter packet if you have not done so already. 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.**

### Family Friends of Scouting Presentations

It's that time of year! Please make sure you send your 2019 Family Friends of Scouting Presentation date to our Family Friends of Scouting Chair **Marion Sweely** by e-mailing the information to: [msweely@zoominternet.net](mailto:msweely@zoominternet.net). This year we are asking that all Cub Scout packs conduct their presentations at their blue and gold banquets and that all troops conduct their FOS presentations at a court of honor. You can also schedule your presentation by filling out the online form at: <http://bit.ly/2019gtcfos>

### Cub Scout Freeze Out 2019



This year's Cub Scout Freeze Out Program will be on **Saturday, January 26**. If you are participating in the morning session, you will be camping on Friday evening. This year's program will again feature a "day only" registration. We only have camping

space for 172 people including adults for each session. Please refer to the online registration for complete information about this year's Cub Scout Freeze Out. 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](mailto:ifindthem@gmail.com) or you can register for Freeze Out online at: <https://scoutingevent.com/433-2019WPCSFO>



### 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>

### 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 [billbmoss@sbcglobal.net](mailto:billbmoss@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.

<b>December</b>	
6	Roundtable—7 p.m.—Westminster Presbyterian Church
6	Recharter packets due <b>Registration \$2.75</b> <b>Boys' Life N/A</b>
<b>January</b>	
4	Klondike Derby—Camp Stambaugh
9	District Commissioners Meeting—6:30 p.m.—Boardman United Methodist Church
9	Advancement Committee Meeting—6:30 p.m.—Boardman United Methodist Church
9	District Committee Meeting—7 p.m.—Boardman United Methodist Church
10	Roundtable—7 p.m.—Westminster Presbyterian Church
26	Cub Scout Freeze Out—Camp Stambaugh <b>Registration \$33.00</b> <b>Boys' Life \$12.00</b>



## Council Calendar

### 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
- 18 Last Day Scout Shop open until 2019
- 19 Scout Shop closed for Inventory
- 21 Scout Shops/office closed
- 22-24 Scout Shops/office closed
- 25 Merry Christmas!
- 26-31 Scout Shops closed
- 27 Camp Staff Christmas Party
- 28 Camp staff interviews
- 31 New Year's Eve—Scout Shops/office closed

### January

- 2 **Scout office opens at 4500 Hudson Dr., Stow!**
- 7 Eagle Dinner Committee Meeting
- 7 Training Committee Meeting
- 8 Family FOS Presenters
- 9 Auction Committee Meeting
- 9 Wood Badge/NYLT Meeting
- 10 Camp Card Kick-Off
- 12 **Scout Shop opens at 4500 Hudson Dr., Stow!**
- 14 Day Camp Committee Meeting
- 15 Camping Committee Meeting
- 17 Family FOS Presenters
- 19 Family FOS Presenters
- 21 Martin Luther King Day—Scout Shops/office closed
- 23 Properties Committee Meeting
- 24 University of Scouting Meeting
- 25 Marketing Committee Meeting
- 29 Council Commissioners Meeting

**Last day Akron Scout Shop will be open is December 18th and will reopen at our new location, 4500 Hudson Dr. Stow on January 12th.**

If you need any advancement items, we are offering free shipping from our Camp Stambaugh Shop. Please contact Diana at: [canfield.shop@gtcbsa.org](mailto:canfield.shop@gtcbsa.org)

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#### **Hours**

Monday—Friday: 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

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