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Buckskin Council Proudly Presents the John L. Dickinson Eagle Scout Recognition Social



Honoring the Next Generation of American Leaders

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The Buckskin Council's ***John L. Dickinson Eagle Scout Recognition Social*** is an inspiring event for the next generation of America's leaders!

Each year, Scouts, Leaders, Parents and Businesses gather to recognize the "best and brightest" youth in our Council. Eagle Scouts embody the leadership, service, and commitment to excellence that Scouting brings to our nation. Scouting's ideals are Service to God, family, and community; a pledge to Help Other People at All Times; and to Do Your Duty to God and Your Country. This dinner recognizes these scouts and their families for their dedication to these ideals.

We invite you to be a part of this hallmark event!

Saturday, December 19, 2020
H. Bernard Wehrle Sr Service Center
4:30 p.m. doors open
5:00 p.m. dinner & program

Eagle Scouts & Parents,

The Buckskin Council invites you to be the honored guests at the John L. Dickinson Eagle Scout Social to be held Saturday, December 19, 2020 at the H. Bernard Wehrle Sr. Scout Leadership Service Center. (2829 Kanawha Blvd. East, Charleston Wv.) The doors will open at 4:30 p.m.; Food stations will be open at 5:00 p.m. and be followed by a program with the evening ending at 7:00 p.m.

Thanks to parent employers, individuals, corporate and foundation sponsorships there is no fee for you and your parents to attend. The sponsors and employers of the parents help donate to under write the cost of the event. Siblings (under 18) may attend at no charge. Additional adults who would like to attend cost \$50.00 per person.

Your health and safety are our focus as we reengage in scouting events and activities. We are planning this year's Recognition Social anticipating that we can hold the event in person in mid-December. We will follow and observe the guidelines of the CDC, State and BSA as we plan the event. We will have a plan B to go virtual if the circumstances require us to. Contact Larry Wunderly at 304-340-3663 to find out how you can help.

HERE IS THE LINK FOR REGISTRATION AND EMPLOYEEER INFO

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfbkNVja4jQ4Ht4DxElmO9w1Ho7m2JaA8L8B9j4iP_5A43Mw/viewform

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BE SURE TO CHECK THE COUNCIL WEBSITE FOR UPDATES REGARDING SCHEDULED EVENTS.

Council Calendar

November

6-7	Wilderness First Aid, Camp Arrowhead
7	Scouting for Food bag distribution
12	Executive Board meeting, 6:00 pm
14	Scouting for Food bag pickup
14	Charleston Shop open, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
21	Huntington Shop open, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
26-27	Thanksgiving - Service Center & Shops Closed

December

10	Executive Committee Mtg, 6:00 pm
12	Charleston Shop open, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
19	Huntington Shop open, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
19	John L. Dickinson Eagle Scout Recognition Social
20	Winterplace Ski Day
24-25	Christmas - Service Center & Shops Closed
28	All Scout Shops Closed for Inventory

January, 2020

1	New Year's Day - Service Center & Shops Closed
9	Council-District Operations (CDO) 10:00 am
9	Charleston Shop open, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
10	Winterplace Ski Day
14	Executive Board meeting, 6:00 pm
18	MLK Jr Day - Service Center & Shops Closed
23	Huntington Shop open, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
28	District Commissioner meeting



Tudor's/Gino's Cards

The Tudor's/Gino's Card is available year round to help fund your scouting experience. You can purchase the cards for \$5 each and sell them for \$10 at your own pace or check them out and return the \$5 cash for each card you sell along with the cards you did not sell.

Stop by the Service Center or one of the Scout Shops and check out some Gino's/Tudor's cards. The Card has \$60 worth of coupons for everyone's favorite items for only \$10.

Units earn \$5 for every card they sell!

***Thank You to our
Buckskin Council Champions
for helping to support Scouting in
the local community!***

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Second Chance Popcorn Sale Announced

Popcorn orders will be arriving
for distribution November 13th.
Please check with your District

Executive for schedule for distribution.

For anyone who missed the first sale or would like to get more money raised for their unit, we have been able to secure a "Second Chance Sale."

This sale will begin October 27 with orders due to the Council by November 18th. We will have delivery on December 10th or 11th and will know for sure closer to that time. You can also sell online still using your online selling account. If you have questions, please contact Mike Cidor.

Check out the Popcorn Sale page on the council website to find out what's new this year and how Camp Masters can make your Scouting year a success. (A little sneak peek - how about free shipping for all online sales and the new Camp Masters Scout App?)

Camp Masters High Achiever Prizes -

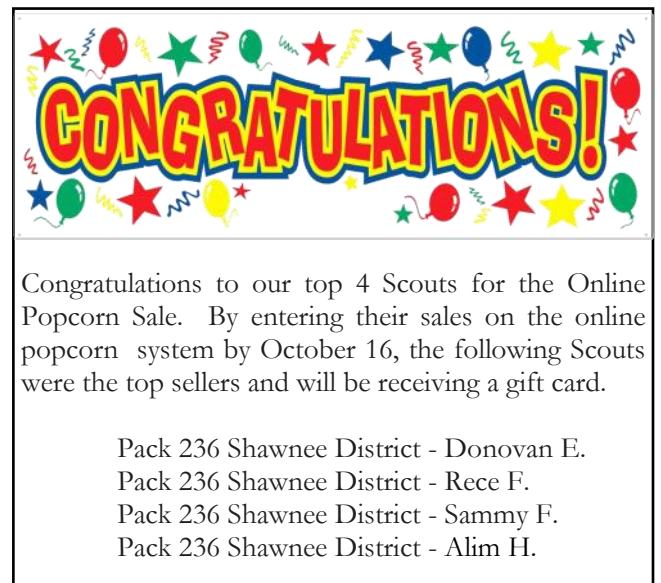
- **\$3,000 and Up Club** - Scouts who sell \$3,000 or more will earn Camp Masters' High Achiever Prize. You choose between a Camping Package **OR** Visa Debit Card for 5% of total sales.
- **\$600 Club** - Each Scout who sells \$600 or more will be invited to a special party in their district. Leaders, be sure to turn in the \$600 Club form so we know all the Scouts who qualify!
- **Fill-A-Form Drawing** - We will have 3 drawings to win \$25 Gift Cards to Walmart or Amazon. Turn in copies of your filled order forms for the chance to win. Drawings will be held Sept. 30, Oct. 15, and Oct. 31.
- **Bonus Prize Level** - Scouts who sell \$600 or more will receive their chosen prize from their prize level PLUS a prize from the Bonus Prize Level (Zing Fireteck Rocket or an Outdoor Adventure Set)

Important Popcorn Dates to Remember

Show & Sell payment due	October 26, 2020
Orders due by Noon	October 26, 2020
Popcorn Pickup	November 13, 2020

Second Chance Sale Dates

Sale begins	October 27, 2020
Orders due by Noon	November 18, 2020
Popcorn Pickup	December 10-11, 2020



Camp Director Position Opening

Buckskin Council is looking for an enthusiastic, customer-oriented individual to serve as the Camp Director of Camp Kootaga's summer camp program. Camp Kootaga will serve approximately 450 Scouts in summer, 2021 through Cub Scout and Scouts BSA resident camp programs.

The Camp Director is responsible for the overall operation of the summer camp program at Camp Kootaga and serves as the face of the Buckskin Council and the Boy Scouts of America to those in camp.

This position supervises and coordinates the work of approximately 40 paid seasonal camp staff, as well as many volunteers who aid in program delivery and operational support. The position is a "Management Level" position, and skills such as strong interpersonal communication, employee management, budgeting, and program delivery are vital to the success of the role. In addition to the salary, meals and housing are included during the summer camp season.

The Camp Director must be at least age 21, be willing to be a registered member of the Buckskin Council, Boy Scouts of America, and live on site during the summer camp operation from approximately June 9 to July 30, 2021. This position requires National Camp School Camp Management certification, qualified candidates must be able to complete this training prior to the camp season start.

Interested individuals should send a cover letter and resume to Buckskin Council Summer Camp Staff Advisor at Michael.Cidor@scouting.org to have an interview scheduled. Additional information on jobs available with the Buckskin Council can be found at www.buckskin.org.

On-line Merit Badge College

November 21, 2020

Buckskin Council will be hosting another on-line Merit Badge College on Saturday, November 21. Two sessions will be offered. The first session will be from 9:00am to noon. The second session will be from 1:00pm to 4:00pm.

Merit badges to be offered include

- American Business
- Chess
- Chemistry
- Fingerprinting
- Scouting Heritage
- Energy
- Weather
- Railroading

There is no fee for these sessions, but Scouts are required to register and complete the pre-requisites for the badges they wish to earn. The on-line catalog, available on the Council website, contains the schedule and the pre-requisite for each session.

Completed pre-reqs are to be emailed prior to the merit badge session to the counselor. The counselor's email is provided in the course catalog.

This event will be conducted using Zoom Video Conferencing. Internet links to each merit badge session will be emailed to participants. Access to the Zoom sessions will be open approximately 15 minutes prior to the scheduled session start time. Full details are included in the on-line course catalog at buckskin.org.

So your Scout earned some merit badges at the Online Merit Badge College.

How do they display those hard earned badges?
Stop by your nearest Scout Shop and pick up a merit badge sash.

We now have sashes in three sizes to fit your growing Scout: 30 inch, 36 inch, and 40 inch



**Remember to grab a
Sash Pin to keep that
sash in place!**

A sincere ***Thank You*** to our
Pacesetter Partners
for helping support Scouting in
Buckskin Council.

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SPECIAL THANKS

Volunteers are the heart of Scouting and in the Buckskin Council we have a group who quietly serve you by making sure the newsletters and other key communications are prepared, labeled and mailed. It is important to let our leaders know who these folks are so you can thank them when you see them.

An extra special thank you to the Wunderly family for stepping up to help us fold the October Courier so that our regular helpers could stay home and avoid exposure.

The Newsletter is folded on the last Tuesday of each month, between August and May, starting around 8:30 am and ending around noon. If you would like to join this great group of people, call the Scout Service Center at 304-340-3663 and let us know. We would greatly appreciate your help!!!!

November Roundtables Offer Training on Virtual Pack and Troop Meetings

During the month of November, district Roundtables across the council will highlight Virtual Pack and Troop meeting plans. If you aren't sure you can handle a virtual den meeting or troop meeting, this is your chance to see one modelled. Unsure of the "rules" you must follow or the mechanics of running a Zoom/virtual meeting? Attend any District Roundtable during the month of November for the answers.

But...what is Roundtable? Roundtable is a monthly meeting where leaders come together to receive additional training, hear about upcoming events, and learn from other leaders' experiences. Our hope is that roundtable will inspire, motivate, and equip you with new ideas to take back to your scouts.

We invite you to attend any (or all) of the virtual roundtables being offered in November. It doesn't matter which district you belong to; you are welcome at all roundtables.

Here are the scheduled dates:

- Adena & Chief Cornstalk – Thurs, Nov. 5th @ 6:30 pm
- Kootaga & Seneca– Tues, Nov. 3rd @ 7:00 pm
- Mountain Dominion & Shawnee– Thurs, Nov. 19th @ 6:30 pm

Watch for information on how to get the Zoom Meeting links.



A Thanksgiving Scoutmaster Minute

At Thanksgiving we always think of everything we are thankful for – friends, family, freedom, churches, schools, food. Not everyone gets everything they want, but everyone should be thankful for what they have.

And don't forget that "giving" is a part of "Thanksgiving". You might not be able to give money, but you can give time. You can give by doing your Good Turn every day – just don't expect to be rewarded or paid. Help shovel a neighbor's sidewalk. Visit an elderly person. Just do something simple like holding a door open for somebody. Whatever your Good Turn, don't accept anything in return, except perhaps a "Thank you".

So this Thanksgiving, really commit yourself to taking the time every day to "Do a Good Turn Daily".



H. Bernard Wehrle, Sr.
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2829 Kanawha Blvd E
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Huntington Scout Shop
1037 Sixth Ave
Huntington, WV 25701

Monday-Friday 9:00 am-5:00 pm
Phone: 304-523-3408/fax 304-523-3409



Parkersburg Scout Shop
1117 Garfield Ave
Parkersburg, WV 26101

Monday-Friday 9:00 am-5:00 pm (No Saturdays)
Phone: 304-422-4507/ fax 304-428-8594



Charleston and Huntington Scout Shops are
open one Saturday a month from
9:00 am - 1:00 pm

The specific dates are listed below:

Charleston Shop	Huntington Shop
Nov. 14	Nov. 21
Dec. 12	Dec. 19
Jan. 9	Jan. 23
Feb. 13	Feb. 27
Mar. 13*	Mar. 20

* Charleston Shop open @ Univ. of Scouting

Buckskin Council Camps

Fall is here and the camping is beautiful! Our camps are open and ready for Scouts to enjoy. That's right, the Buckskin Council is taking reservations for the use of campsites at council camps.

All bath houses, shower facilities, buildings, and community gathering areas will remain closed. One designated spigot will be provided for units to collect potable water. Plan to bring enough water jugs to accommodate your group for a minimum of 2 days. This will limit the number of times the designated water fill-up area is needed.

Camp Arrowhead



www.buckskin.org/camping/camparrowhead

There are plenty of projects you can do to help get Camp Arrowhead ready for winter. Projects range from small ones like repairing and painting benches at the Chapel to large one like cleaning a ditch line to ensure proper drainage along the road behind the Bunkhouse. If you are comfortable doing a little carpentry work, a bathroom in Meachem Lodge needs some work. Call Camp Caretaker Caleb Gibson at 304-208-0167.

Camp Cherokee



www.buckskin.org/camping/campcherokee

Volunteers have been busy installing lighting at the lower shelter. They are looking for someone with experience in solar lighting. If that person is you, contact Bobby Preston at 606-624-5531 or David Leckie at 304-542-5071. Plans are also in the works to paint the cabin's roof in the spring. We will need plenty of helpers so contact Bobby or David if you can lend a hand.

Camp Chief Logan

www.buckskin.org/camping/campchieflogan

We are looking for volunteers to help with cleaning up trails, replacing steps, and the Order of the Arrow is working on plans for Gas and Water Line replacement. If you would like to volunteer to help at Camp Chief Logan, contact Camp Ranger Aaron Motto at 304-928-4066.

Camp Roland



www.buckskin.org/camping/camproland

Work has begun on building a new climbing tower. Anyone who would be interested in helping with this project or doing any of many other maintenance projects at camp, please contact Trey Aliff at 304-308-0405.

Camp Kootaga



www.buckskin.org/camping/campkootaga/

Things have been busy at Camp Kootaga with work projects to help make some nice improvements to camp. In the last several weeks we have been able to dig and lay new waterlines to the campsites. We have the materials and are getting ready to start the building of the new bouldering grotto for Scouts and Cubs to climb on. The campsites are open for units to camp. Make reservations through the Parkersburg Scout Shop or online at www.buckskin.org/camping/campkootaga. Call Camp Ranger John Baker at 304-628-3766.

Planning to camp? Please review the guidelines at www.buckskin.org/camping before making your reservation. *Please note that no "Out of Council" units or guests are allowed at Camps at this time. Groups must be registered members of the BSA, or Parents of BSA members.

Scouts always leave an area better than they found it. While your Pack, Troop or Crew are at camp, ask the Camp Ranger/Caretaker for suggestions on a service project. Small or large, there are many tasks to be done in order to keep our camps in tip top condition.



Scouting For Food

As Scouts, we know how fortunate we are to have a warm meal every night — whether around the campfire or at the kitchen table. And we know that not everyone is so lucky. That's the genesis of Scouting for Food, the annual food collection drive run by the council. It's another reminder to our local communities that Scouts are here, doing good turns.

Scouting for Food takes place on two consecutive weekends. On the first weekend, Scouts distribute bags to let their neighbors know about the drive. On the second, Scouts revisit those houses to pick up bags full of canned food, cereal, pasta, peanut butter, juice and other nonperishable items.

The bags do not have a date on them so units who cannot do the distribution on November 7th and pick up on November 14th may choose their own weekends to do the drive. You are encouraged to try and do your drive on these dates. Pick up bags at the Wehrle Service Center, Huntington Scout Shop or Parkersburg Scout Shop.

We ask unit leaders to please let the council know how many cans/items you collected using the form at www.buckskin.org/events/scouting-for-food

Bag Distribution: November 7th

Bag Pick-up: November 14th

Report # items collected: December 18th

Make a difference while you shop!

At smile.amazon.com

and Amazon donates.

Support your local council.



<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/55-0357013>

BUCKSKIN COUNCIL SCOUTS ON SKIS FAMILY SKI OUTINGS AT WINTERPLACE

Have your troop learn to ski and earn the coveted **Snow Sports Merit Badge!**

• **Sunday, December 20, 2020**

Sunday, January 10, 2021

• **Sunday, February 7, 2021**

• **Sunday, February 28, 2021**

Bring Scouts and family members to Scout on Skis and receive:

- A full day (open to close) lift ticket
- A 90 minute group lesson customized to each participant's skiing level.
- A full set of ski rental equipment including helmet
- Snow Sports Merit Badge option at 10am, 12 Noon or 2 pm.
- Meal Voucher

Add-ons and upgrades are available.

Check-in at Winterplace between **8:00am - 1:00pm**. Ski until **10:00pm**.

Price: To be announced

Register Online at Buckskin.org
or call 304-340-3663



TAKHONEK LODGE

ORDER OF THE ARROW, LODGE #617



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Service
Vigil Selection

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Hytone Chapter
Kootaga Chapter
Seneca Chapter
Shawnee Chapter
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Communications
Conclave Adviser
Elangomat Adviser
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2020 Lodge Calendar		
Date	Event	Location
TBA	Summit Fellowship ⁰	The Summit
TBA	Fall Ordeal ^{*□}	Camp Roland
TBA	FORUM	Camp Lazarus
TBA	Winter Banquet	The Summit
* denotes Ordeal opportunity		
□ denotes Brotherhood opportunity		
⁰ denotes Vigil opportunity		

All registration links and more information on each event can be found by visiting www.takhonek.org/registration.

The Vigil Honor

"The Vigil Honor was first bestowed upon E. Uner Goodman by the Unami Lodge in 1915, and has since been conferred annually as a national recognition upon OA members for noteworthy service to others through the OA and Scouting. Lodges nominate candidates for the Vigil Honor, the highest honor that the Order of the Arrow can bestow upon its members for service to lodge, council, and Scouting. Membership cannot be won by a person's conscious endeavors. The Vigil Honor is a high mark of distinction and recognition reserved for those Arrowmen who, by reason of exceptional service, personal effort, and unselfish interest, have made distinguished contributions beyond the immediate responsibilities of their position of office to one or more of the following:

- Lodge
- Order of the Arrow
- Scouting community
- Scout Camp

Under no circumstances should tenure in Scouting or the Order of the Arrow be considered as reason enough for a Vigil Honor recommendation. Any member of the Order of the Arrow registered in Scouting and in good standing in a regularly chartered lodge is eligible for recommendation to the National Order of the Arrow Committee for elevation to the Vigil Honor provided that, at the time of the recommendation, the individual has been a Brotherhood member for a minimum of two years."

-excerpt from National Order of the Arrow

Takhonek Lodge is excited to announce our 2020 Vigil Honor members. The following list of individuals have completed their requirements and are our newest Vigil members.

John Cowger	Andrew Davis
Alec Dawson	Kermit Davis
James Simmons	Steven Young.

Meet your Section C-4 officers

Section Chief – Jonathan Golden

Jonathan Golden is an Eagle Scout and Vigil Honor Member of Onondaga Lodge. Outside of scouting, he attends Wittenberg University pursuing a double-major in Marketing and Communications. In Jonathan's free time, he enjoys photography and playing tennis.

Section Vice Chief- Ethan Ventling

Ethan Ventling is an Eagle Scout and Vigil honor member of Marnoc Lodge. Outside of scouting, he attends Youngstown State University majoring in Business Administration. A fun fact about Ethan is he is from Cody, Wyoming and enjoys hunting, fishing, and horseback riding.

Section Secretary- Harley Hoff

Harley Hoff is an Eagle Scout and brotherhood honor member of Marnoc Lodge. Outside of scouting, he is a state certified EMT and Firefighter, and later plans to attend college for Fire Science and Emergency Management. In his free time, he enjoys hiking, kayaking, and photography.



TRAINING CORNER

by Carol McCarthy

TRAINING CALENDAR

Upcoming Virtual Training Sessions

We are offering a Cub Leader Virtual training for units who request it and get it calendared with us. From Scoutmaster Fundamentals to Cub Scout Leader Specific and more. Tell us where your needs are!

Watch our website for more options and ideas to help you make your program exciting! buckskin.org/training

If you need Scouts BSA Leader Specific training, contact Carol or Sue to schedule a virtual training for your unit leaders.

There are new online & facilitated versions of the Scouts BSA training.

Charter Organization Representative

Training is Online

This training is intended to help Charter Organization Representatives better understand the role they play in the leadership structure of our Scouting programs. Take the training at my.scouting.org or contact Carol or Sue to schedule a session.

Remember to check the training coming up on the calendar!

Stay tuned closely to the website for training that may pop up there, and updates on courses already set up.

WELCOME to NEW TRAINERS on our team in Mt. Dominion ...Dan Trent and Ed Evans join David Emmanuel for YPT and IOLS offerings.

WELCOME to Pete Conklin as our new Kootaga District Training Chair as of October. He comes with training experience and Commissioner time over the many years in scouting. Newly retired...he will now focus on our unit needs.

Anyone who would like to join our training teams just need to contact me or their District Executive. An EDGE course will be set up as needed for training in those skills for quality presentations.

November

6-7 Wilderness First Aid at Camp Arrowhead

June

13-18 National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)

Remember to check the training coming up on the calendar!

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www.buckskin.org/training

NRA Basic Range Safety Officer (RSO) Training

Saturday, November 14, 2020

The NRA Basic Range Safety Officer (RSO) course teaches the basic duties that a RSO performs. It provides a thorough introduction to the role of the RSO; range Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs); range safety briefings; range inspections and rules; emergency procedures; and how to clear firearm stoppages and correct malfunctions.

This course will allow you to add in summer camp, and other scouting activities and events. Also, will allow your troop to do a Troop shoot with a certified NRA instructor. To host a Troop shoot you need at least 1 RSO and a certified NRA instructor, this means your troop can plan a campout at a Scout camp like Arrowhead and use the shooting ranges for rifle and shotgun. For archery you would need a Tier 1 archery instructor.

For more information, contact Albert Harris by text at 304-208-1993 or by home phone 740-451-0719.

The class will be held at Camp Arrowhead on Saturday, November 14th starting at 8:30 AM and will finish at approximately 6:00 PM.

Please eat breakfast before arriving and bring bag lunch and snacks. The cost for the course is \$20 to cover your instructional materials.

Register at www.buckskin.org.

Schedule Training for Your Unit

Call: Carol McCarthy, Council Training Chair
DesignsbyCarol@gmail.com 703-587-4453

Or Sue Williams, Council Training Vice Chair
busy2busy@gmail.com 217-741-0900

Adena District

Serving: Cabell, Wayne, Lincoln, WV; Lawrence, OH;
Boyd, Carter, Lawrence, KY Counties
carl.sullivan@scouting.org

Adena District Committee

District Chair	Stephen Stacks	304-634-9679
District Vice-Chair	Kenneth Bannon	304-633-2645
District Commissioner	Alvin Watts	304-751-5686
District Executive	Carl Sullivan	304-523-3408
Nominating Committee	David Amsbary	304-697-5757
Fund Development	David Lunsford	304-733-2780
Family FOS	Pryce Haynes III	304-416-0453
Community FOS	Joe Randolph	304-633-1794
Product Sale	Melanie Young	304-523-3408
Golf Scramble	Mark Cox	304-736-3054
Membership	vacant	
Training	Sue Williams	217-741-0900
Program Chair	Robert Shields	304-638-4536
Camp Promotion	Jon Keelin	606-739-9232
Advancement	Ed Dzierzak	304-634-6189
Marketing	Jeremy Reed	304-972-9116
Cub Scout Roundtable	Melanie Young	606-928-4903

**BE SURE TO CHECK THE COUNCIL WEBSITE
AND DISTRICT FACEBOOK PAGE FOR UPDATES
REGARDING SCHEDULED EVENTS.**

DISTRICT COMMITTEE

The District Committee Meeting will be conducted via Zoom Video Conference at 6:00pm. These meetings will continue to be held via Zoom until we are able to meet in person. These meeting begin at 6:00pm on the third Thursday of each month. All units should have a representative

ROUNDTABLE

Regular Adena District Roundtable meetings are held the first Thursday of each month. Meetings are for all Scout leaders regardless of your position. Melanie Young has some interesting ideas for the coming year. Watch for more information about the upcoming Roundtable.

SCOUTING FOR FOOD

The Council will observe the annual Scouting for Food campaign the first two weeks of November. This annual service project benefits the local food banks in your community. Marked bags are available at any of the three scout shops. Please be sure to report the quantity of food items your unit collects and donates to your local food bank.

VETERANS DAY FLAG PLACEMENT

Scouts have a wonderful opportunity to demonstrate respect for our veterans by participating in flag placements at Spring Hill Cemetery in Huntington. Spring Hill placements will begin at 10:00am on Nov 7. Other opportunities may exist at a cemetery near you. Check with your local cemetery.

Adena Event Calendar

November

- 5 Roundtable - virtual, 6:30pm
- 6-7 Wilderness First Aid, Camp Arrowhead
- 7 Veterans Day Flag Placements / Scouting for Food Bag Distribution
- 13 Popcorn Pick-up
- 14 Scouting for Food Bag Pickup
- 19 District Committee, 6:00pm
- 21 Online Merit Badge College
- 26-27 Council Offices & Shops Closed-Thanksgiving

December

- 3 Roundtable - virtual, 6:30pm
- 17 District Committee, 6:00pm
- 19 Huntington Scout Shop is open
- 20 Winterplace Scout Ski Day
- 24-25 Christmas - Service Center & Shops Closed
- 28 All Shops closed for Inventory

January

- 1 New Year's Day - Service Center & Shops Closed
- 7 Roundtable, 6:30pm
- 9 Popcorn Celebration
- 10 Ski Day at Winterplace
- 21 District Committee, 6:00pm
- 23 Winter Fun Day
- 29-31 Klondike

POPCORN ORDERS DUE & PICKUP

The popcorn sale orders are due in the Charleston Council office by noon on Monday, October 26. Units should plan to pick up their orders on Friday, November 13. Pick up will be made at the Huntington Scout Shop this year. Please call Melanie or Carl to schedule a pick-up time on Friday.

ONLINE MERIT BADGE COLLEGE

The next session of the Buckskin Council OMBC will be Nov 21. Eight merit badges are offered, in four morning and four afternoon sessions. The course catalog with pre-requisites and registration details is available on the Council website at www.buckskin.org/events/online-merit-badge-college

SKI DAYS at WINTERPLACE

Ski Days at Winterplace have been scheduled for Jan 10, Feb 7, and Feb 28. All dates are on Sunday.

POPCORN CELEBRATION

Scouts who sell \$600 or more during the annual Campmaster Popcorn Sale will be treated to a celebration event on Sat., January 9. Invitations with details will be sent to those who qualify.

WINTER FUN DAY

Saturday, Jan 23 will be our Winter Fun Day. Plans are still developing for this event, so watch for more details in a future issue of the Courier and on the Council website.

Chief Cornstalk District

Serving: Logan, Boone Mingo Kanawha, Braxton & Clay Counties in WV
& Pike County in Ky.
bill.bryant@scouting.org

Chief Cornstalk Event Calendar

Chief Cornstalk District Committee

District Chair	Mark Linville	304-369-2795
District Commissioner	Paul Helmick	304-744-3211
Field Director	Billy Bryant	304-340-3663
Vice Chair	Kem Abraham	304-855-8543
Vice Chair	Jeffrey Brandt	304-982-5546
Vice Chair	Steve Snodgrass	304-837-3302
Membership Chair	Kevin Abdalla	304-345-8091
Community FOS Chair	Les Wilkerson	
Family FOS Chair	Mike Kawash	304-768-3948
Product Sales	Jessica Hunter	304-389-8842
Special Event Chair	Steve Downey	
Program Chair	Grace Ann Tolbert	304-988-9537
Training Chair	Bonnie Starling	304-965-7680
Advancement Chair	John Teare	304-550-3516
Camping Chair	James Sutphin	304-553-9676
Marketing Chair	Jim Strawn	
Cub Day Camp	Kara Cvechko	304-573-6720
Cub Day Camp	Alicyn Spencer	304-380-4167
Cub Family Camp	Becky Kinser	304-752-0454
District Chaplain	Danny Pauley	304-561-7666

Chief Cornstalk District Committee

The District Meeting will continue in a digital format for the next few months. The Meeting is the third Thursday of each month at 7:00pm. Anyone can attend, help plan upcoming events and receive information about the Council and District activities.

Unit Charters

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Recruitment

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November

- 7 Scouting for Food bag distribution
- 14 Scouting for Food bag pickup
- 19 District Committee Meeting (Zoom mtg)
- 26-27 Council Offices & Shops Closed-Thanksgiving

December

- 17 District Committee Meeting (Zoom mtg)
- 20 Winterplace Scout Ski Day
- 24-25 Christmas - Service Center & Shops Closed
- 28 All Shops closed for Inventory

January 2020

- 1 New Year's Day - Service Center & Shops Closed
- 10 Ski Day @ Winterplace
- 18 MLK Jr Day - Service Center & Shops Closed

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Kootaga District

Serving: Wood, Jackson, Wirt, Roane, Ritchie, Calhoun counties in WV, and the communities of Belpre, Little Hocking, and Coolville in Ohio
michael.cidor@scouting.org

Kootaga District Committee

District Chair	James Bennon	304-485-1547
District Commissioner	Christopher Burk	304-615-5648
District Director	Michael Cidor	814-860-1562
VC Comm. & Marketing	Christopher Burk	304-615-5648
VC Finance	Kevin Trippett	304-422-0806
VC Membership	Sarah Paxton	304-917-9972
VC Programs	Jeri Lynn Boudreau	304-991-8870
Product Sales	John Shepard	304-588-2849
Special Event Fundraising	Andy Shaffer	
Day Camp Admin-Pkbg	Jeri Lynn Boudreau	304-991-8870
Day Camp Program-Pkbg	Jeremy Holland	
Day Camp Admin-Jackson	Eric Summers	304-531-8452
Camping	Keith Morrow	
Advancement	Patrick Shook	304-481-1792
Training	Pete Conklin	304-455-5064

Kootaga Advancement

I would like to express my gratitude and appreciation to the committee members for their input, insight and knowledge of the Eagle process, with the reviewing of the Scouts Eagle projects proposals, and helping with conducting the Scouts Eagle BORs. Dr. Whitaker, Todd Handley, Kevin Trippett, Jim Bennon and the newest member Rick Windland, these men makes my job much easier, THANK YOU ALL

According to my records, we have had 10 scouts earn the rank of Eagle so far this year. We currently have 11 scouts whose project have been approved and currently working on their projects. Of those 11 we have one EBOR scheduled.

Sincerely, Patrick Shook, Advancement Chair

Eagle BOR Date	Eagle Scout	Troop
4/23/2020	Dylan Joseph Kelps Winter	43
6/8/2020	Nathan Mureiko	117
6/15/2020	Daniel William McCloy	30
6/16/2020	Blake Alexander Boothe	129
6/17/2020	Chris Reader	19
8/10/2020	Isaac Plotner	117
8/17/2020	Larry Gage Tetrack	419
8/21/2020	Gabriel Adams	30
8/24/2020	Bailey Tyler Lawson	437
9/3/2020	Christopher Floyd Sandy	80

Kootaga Event Calendar

November

- 6-7 Wilderness First Aid, Camp Arrowhead
- 7 Scouting for Food bag distribution
- 13 Popcorn Pick-up
- 14 Scouting for Food bag pickup
- 26-27 Council Offices & Shops Closed-Thanksgiving

December

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Kootaga Training

We would like to introduce to the Kootaga District the new District Training Chair, Pete Conklin. Pete is a long time Scouter, Wood Badger and retired educator. Pete is looking forward to getting to know as many of the leaders as possible and talk to each unit about their training needs and see how we can help. Pete can be reached at 304-455-5064 or by email at vpconklin@gmail.com.

Online Merit Badge College

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There is no fee, but Scouts are required to register and complete the pre-requisites for the badges they wish to earn. The on-line catalog, available on the Council website, contains the schedule and the pre-requisite for each session.

Roundtable

Don't forget to join us for our monthly Roundtable meeting on November 3rd at 7 PM. This is a zoom meeting and you can join by using the meeting code: 947 3864 9536 and the password is the district name. This month we will be joined by the Council Training team offering some supplemental training during the breakout.

Popcorn Sale

This is a reminder that Popcorn orders will be coming in for distribution November 13th. Please check with your District Executive for schedule for distribution.

For anyone who missed the first sale or would like to get more money raised for their unit, we have been able to secure a "Second Chance Sale." This sale will run from October 27 with orders due to the Council by November 18th. We will have delivery on December 10th or 11th and will know for sure closer to that time. You can also sell online still using your online selling account. If you have questions, please contact Mike Cidor.

Mountain Dominion District

Serving: Monroe, Mercer, McDowell, Summers & Wyoming Counties in WV;
Giles, Bland & Tazewell Counties in VA
Johnny.aliff@scouting.org

Mt. Dominion District Committee

District Chair	Philip Ball	304-425-2196
District Commissioner	Thomas Kozikowski	540-626-4242
District Director	Trey Aliff	304-308-0405
Cub Scout Prog Chair	Paula Mattox	
Boy Scout Prog Chair	Dan Trent	276-322-3911
Venture Prog Chair	Tim Wallace	276-963-0525
Finance Chair	Philip Ball	304-425-2196
Training Chair		
Advancement Chair	Dan Cook	540-544-7100
Camping Chair	Kermit Davis	304-425-8889
Unit Service	Thomas Kozikowski	540-626-4242
Popcorn Chair	Angie Higginbotham	540-599-9111
OA Chapter Advisor	Barry Nowlin	304-320-7217
Membership Chair	Carrie Kozikowski	540-626-4242
Family FOS Chair	Philip Ball	304-425-2196

Roundtable

Held the 3rd Thursday each month via an online Zoom Meeting. Topics and links to the meeting for each month will be posted on the Mt Dominion District page on the Council website. Roundtable begins at 6:30pm and is open to all registered leaders. This is a great opportunity to stay up to date with the latest trainings, programs and events in our area. Roundtable does not meet every month; please check the calendar to see which months they will be meeting. District committee starts at 7:15pm and is also open to all registered leaders. The District Committee is responsible for the overall operations of all aspects of the Mt Dominion District. If you are interested in joining the district committee, contact District Chair Phillip Ball at pkball94@hotmail.com



Mt Dominion Event Calendar

November

- 7 Scouting for Food bag distribution
- 13 Popcorn Pickup
- 14 Scouting for Food bag pickup
- 19 Roundtable Meeting- 6:30- (Online Zoom Mtg)
- 19 District Committee, 7:15- (Online Zoom Mtg)
- 21 Online Merit Badge College
- 26-27 Council Offices & Shops Closed-Thanksgiving

December

- 17 Roundtable Meeting- 6:30- (Online Zoom Mtg)
- 17 District Committee, 7:15- (Online Zoom Mtg)
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Important update on district events:

Due to the uncertain nature of the COVID-19 virus, we may have to reschedule several district and council events in the near future. Please check the district website regularly for up to date information for upcoming events. www.buckskin.org/mtdominion

Seneca District

Serving: Fayette, Raleigh, Nicholas, Webster, Greenbrier and Pocahontas Counties in WV
david.leckie@scouting.org

Seneca District Committee

District Chair	OPEN	
District Commissioner	Lori Hindson	
Sr District Executive	David Leckie	304-542-5071
Advancement Chair	Jeff Proctor	304-673-2640
Program Chair	OPEN	
Training Chair	Carol McCarthy	703-587-4453

Please Note** As our country is going through this difficult time it may be necessary to postpone events for the safety of all involved. Please monitor the Buckskin Council website for up to date information about events.

Website Resources

Please make sure that you are checking the Buckskin Council Website often for Scouting Resources and upcoming programs. WWW.BUCKSKIN.ORG

Unit Charters

Please work on your charters in the upcoming months, and if you need any assistance please contact David Leckie at 304-542-5071 to schedule an appointment. If you have any youth members that need financial assistance to continue their journey in Scouting please send David an email at dleckie@bsaemail.org.

Popcorn Pick Up

Popcorn Distribution will be on November 13th. Please contact David Leckie to arrange to pick up your order.

Recruitment

Please give David Leckie a call at 304-542-5071 to discuss your unit and develop a plan that best serves your unit.

Seneca Event Calendar

November

- 7 Scouting for Food bag distribution
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Shawnee District

Serving: Putnam, Mason, western Kanawha Counties, WV; Gallia and Meigs Counties, OH
larry.wunderly@scouting.org

Shawnee District Committee

District Chair	Leo Lopez	304-776-6148
District Commissioner	Rosann Brooks	304-881-1042
Asst. Scout Executive	Larry Wunderly	304-340-3663
Vice District Chair	Colleen Sergeant	304-552-0297
Vice District Chair	Mark Newman	304-549-0532
Vice District Chair (Finance)	Brian Linville	
Advancement Chair	Debbie Slack	304-340-3663
Program Chair	Chad Cavender	
Cub Program Chair	Melinda Craddock	304-727-0143
Camping Chair	Barry Lindley	
Boy Scout Roundtable	Mark Newman	304-549-0532
Cub Scout Roundtable	Colleen Sergeant	304-552-0297
Product Sales/Family FOS	Amy Carte	304-964-4208
Membership Chair	Tracy Hudson	304-382-9679

Shawnee District Committee

The District Meeting will continue in a digital format for the next few months. The Meeting is the First Thursday of each month at 7:00pm. Anyone can attend, help plan upcoming events and receive information about the Council and District activities.

Unit Charters

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Recruitment

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Shawnee District Event Calendar

November

- 5 Shawnee District Committee Meeting via Zoom
- 7 Scouting for Food bag distribution
- 14 Scouting for Food bag pickup
- 21 Online Merit Badge College
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December

- 3 Shawnee District Committee Meeting (Zoom mtg)
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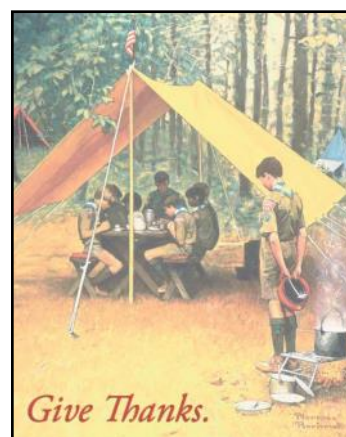
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Buckskin Council, BSA

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2829 Kanawha Blvd. E
Charleston, WV 25311



Scouting for Food 2020

District: _____

Pack/Troop/Crew/Post #: _____

Person Completing Form: _____

Number of Cans/Items Collected: _____

Number of Scouts: _____

Number of Adults: _____

Number of Tagalongs: _____

***Please send this form to the Buckskin Council office by either e-mailing it or by turning it in to the Buckskin Council Office, Huntington Scout Shop, Parkersburg Scout Shop or mailing it to:

Buckskin Council Office
2829 Kanawha Blvd. East
Charleston, WV25311

Please have these turned in by **December 18, 2020**. If you have any questions, please contact your District Executive.

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Company may obtain a consumer report on you to be used for employment purposes (in your case, this means for the purpose of evaluating you as a new or existing volunteer).

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Date of Birth: _____		Unit Type and Number: _____	

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Signature _____ Date _____