



A Message for Units Chartered to United Methodist Churches

The recent decision by the General Conference of the United Methodist Church to no longer sponsor Scouting programs has created a situation for our Packs and Troops chartered to UM churches. The timing of that decision has also caused unit leaders in these Packs and Troops to respond in a short period to resolve their charter issues.

There are several options that have been identified for affected units to pursue. To provide some guidance to our volunteer leaders, we have arranged two Zoom meetings. The first will be on **Thursday, January 5, 2023 at 6:30pm**. The second will be **Tuesday, January 10, 2023, at 6:30pm**. These meetings are intended for UMC unit Cubmasters, Scoutmasters and Committee Chairs to review these options. If there are others from your unit you wish to invite to this meeting, please do so. The presentation will be the same during both Zoom meetings.

Executive Board member John Van Horn will be on the call with us. John has been very involved in the creation of the Central Appalachian Scouters' Association, a newly incorporated community action group, which the BSA and the Council has endorsed as at least a "stop-gap" solution to address the immediate need of current UMC chartered units.

The online meeting will be limited to one hour in length. We hope to address many of the questions you may have regarding the options available for the Pack or Troop you serve. We also realize that we may not get to all the questions that participants want to ask. Therefore, we do ask that participants with questions use the chat feature in Zoom to enter their questions. We will try to address as many of these during our call. If we do not get to all the questions, we will address them after the call and email the responses to the participants.

You and your other team members are encouraged to join us on either Thursday, January 5, or Tuesday, January 10 for this important informational meeting. The link for this Zoom meeting is listed below.

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MARSHALL UNIVERSITY MERIT BADGE COLLEGE

Marshall University Merit Badge College is February 11, 2023. More than forty merit badges will be offered during this day long event. Scouts may register for up to two merit badges being offered. Are there any new merit badges? Yes! We are adding Citizenship in Society to our merit badge offerings.

The fee is \$13 per scout which includes lunch. Adults may purchase an optional lunch ticket for \$9. Select your merit badges or training when registering. Register now at www.buckskin.org.

Several adult training classes will be offered at no fee, including Youth Protection and Merit Badge Counselor Orientation. Basic First Aid, AED and CPR will again be offered. The fee for this all-day session will be \$45.00.

Register early for best merit badge selection. Scouts are expected to come prepared with any pre-requisite materials completed. The course catalog has all the details.

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Council Calendar

January

- 2 Office and Shops Closed for New Year's Day
- 12 Executive Board meeting
- 14 Charleston Shop open, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- 14 Council-District Operations (CDO) mtg, 10am -12pm
- 16 MLK Jr Day - Service Center & Shops closed
- 21 Huntington Shop open, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

February

- 9 Executive Committee meeting
- 11 Charleston Shop open, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- 11 Marshall University Merit Badge College
- 18 Huntington Shop open, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- 20 Presidents' Day - Service Center & Shops Closed

March

- 9 Annual Executive Board Meeting
- 11 University of Scouting
- 11 Charleston Shop open at Univ. of Scouting
- 18 Huntington Shop open, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

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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.

We always look forward to seeing our volunteers in the council office. 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!!!!



Greeting Scouters,

I hope you had a great holiday season, full of family and traditions. Now we are in January, this is a great time to reinvigorate our Scouting program. Time to get those fun activities planned and follow up on that leader training or scheduling that meeting.

Please use this newsletter and our web site, Buckskin.org as a resource to find many activity and program ideas for the Scouts entrusted to you. Look at the ski days at Winterplace, the merit badge college at Marshall, the WVU Basketball Scout Day, and many, many more fun things to do. Utilize the free monthly activities each district has for its units. If you have trouble finding an activity, call the Service Center for assistance and guidance. We are here to help.

Finally, Happy New Year! I hope you have a great Scout year in 2023!

Good Scouting to you and yours,

Jeffrey L. Purdy
Scout Executive

Look at What Your Pack or Troop Can Do for FREE!

35th annual West Virginia Hunting and Fishing Show

January 20-22, 2023

Charleston Convention Center, Charleston, WV

The 35th annual West Virginia Hunting and Fishing Show returns to the Charleston Convention Center. All Scouts are invited to attend free of charge, just wear your uniform! Learn about fishing and wildlife conservation while having fun too. New events for the 2023 Show include a youth challenge, and youth survival training. Sponsored by the West Virginia Trophy Hunters Association, all proceeds, except for costs to run the show and club operating expenses, are donated to programs that promote or protect hunting, fishing, wildlife conservation, and related educational activities.

Show schedule:

Friday, January 20	12pm to 9pm
Saturday, January 21	9am to 9pm
Sunday, January 22	10am to 5pm

Admission:

Adults - \$9.00 *

Children ages 6 to 12 - \$1.00 *

Children under 6 – Free

* Any Scout (youth) or Scouter (adult) in uniform will be admitted for free

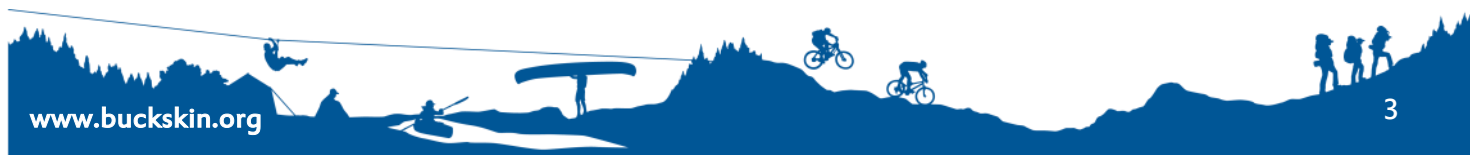
WV Capitol and Museum Tour

February 25, 2023 – 10:00am
Capitol Complex, Charleston, WV

All Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, and Venture Scouts are invited to a fun and educational day on Saturday, February 25, 2023. Participants will meet in front of the WV Cultural Center, Building 9, Capitol Complex, 1900 Kanawha Blvd E. The full day of activities will begin at 10:00am with a 40-minute walking tour of the statuary and monuments on the complex grounds, followed by a guided tour of the Capitol Building. A hot dog lunch is provided at the Charleston Service Center (2829 Kanawha Blvd E).

After lunch, tour the state museum at the Cultural Center. This self-paced tour will take you through the 26 rooms with over 600 thousand artifacts on display. Scouts and their families can take their time as they move from one display room to another. The museum tour concludes our scheduled activities for the day.

This is a Council-wide, no fee event open to all Cubs, Scouts BSA, Venture Scouts, and their families. We do ask that you make reservations via the Council website: www.buckskin.org so adequate preparations for the lunch can be made.



JAMBOREE SERVICE TEAM NEEDS

As a member of the Jamboree Service Team - You deliver the Jamboree Experience! What makes a jamboree awesome? What is the key to a world-class, life changing experience? It's you. If you love Scouting and being part of a high functioning team that delivers amazing experiences, then we want you on the 2023 National Jamboree Service Team. The 2023 is all about moving Scouting forward and no matter your skillset, we need you to deliver the promise of this historic event.

Prior to applying, please review the policies found in the Resource Library. The My.Scouting username and password belonging to the account of the person applying for the 2023 National Jamboree will be required.

Please ensure all information is current in My.Scouting before proceeding as the National Jamboree service team application will reflect the applicant's information from My.Scouting. All updates/edits to account information will need to be made in My.Scouting.

Applicants 34 years of age and older:

Session 1 (July 16-22, 2023) – \$700

Session 2 (July 23-29, 2023) – \$700

Session 3 (July 16-29, 2023) – \$1200

Applicants 16-33 years of age:

Session 1 YAJ (July 16-22, 2023) – \$400

Session 2 YAJ (July 23-29, 2023) – \$400

Session 3 YAJ (July 16-29, 2023) – \$675

*These fees are intentionally lower to entice young adults to consider serving on JST.

The JST job listing and descriptions can be found on the website <https://jamboree.scouting.org/jamboree-service-team/>. A link to the registration site for Jamboree Service Team can be found on the website above.



Ring in the New Year with toasty toes!
Stop by your nearest Scout shop and stock
up on warm Scout socks.



Camp Kootaga Scouts BSA Summer Camp

Reserve Your Campsite Today!

The Buckskin Council is looking forward to Summer Camp in 2023. We are working hard on planning a 2023 Summer Camp that will be fun and exciting and most of all SAFE for all Scouts and leaders. The camp staff are working to plan the program, hire an excellent staff and get Summer Camp at Camp Kootaga ready for all the Scouts to enjoy.

The 2023 Leaders Guide and program information will be available soon to help Troops plan their adventure this summer.

Make your troop's campsite reservation today and begin the trail to Summer Camp! Have a favorite campsite? Now is the time to lock it in.

Summer Camp Schedule for Scouts BSA for 2023:

Week 1 - June 18-24, 2023

Week 2 - June 25- July 1, 2023

Week 3 - July 2-8, 2023

Week 4 - July 9-15, 2023

Now Hiring Summer Camp Staff

Do you want to be part of the Summer Camp Staff for Camp Kootaga in 2023? Well here is your chance!

Fill out the Summer Camp Staff Application and send it to the Buckskin Council at 2829 Kanawha Blvd. East, Charleston, WV 25311 or by email it to michael.cidor@scouting.org.

You can find the Camp Staff Application at www.buckskin.org/camping/scoutsbsacamp.

Council-District Operations Meeting (CDO)

Saturday, January 14, 2023

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Wehrle Service Center

2829 Kanawha Blvd East, Charleston

Buckskin Council Announces

Job Openings

Since 1910, Scouting has helped mold the future leaders of this country by combining educational activities and lifelong values with fun. The Boy Scouts of America believes and understands that helping youth puts us on a path towards a more conscientious, responsible, and productive society.

Today's professional Scouters are a diverse group of men and women sharing a dynamic career offering independence, achievement, and stability. This is work that makes a difference, work that calls one to continual learning and challenge, work that offers solid compensation, benefits and advancement. Buckskin Council is accepting applications for two District Executive positions. Please read the Position Requirements at www.buckskin.org/news/buckskin-council-announces-job-openings/ for more information.

Qualified candidates must submit cover letter and resume with salary history to Jeffrey.Purdy@Scouting.org. Only the most qualified candidates will be contacted.

Additional information on a career as a District Executive can be found at this link: www.scouting.org/careers/working-with-us



2023 National Scout Jamboree

We are about seven months from the most spectacular Scouting event – the National Scout Jamboree. The dates are July 19-28, 2023. And the place is right here in our backyard – the Summit Bechtel Reserve near Glen Jean, WV.

Thirty-three slots in the Council's male troop contingent have been filled. There are eight slots still open in our female patrol. Scouts are encouraged to apply now for both the troop and the patrol.

The fee is \$2,115. This is a once in a lifetime experience that is very much worth the cost to attend.

Check out the Jambo videos and imagine yourself on the Big Zip, the Rocks, the Barrels, and so much more. Go to <https://jamboree.scouting.org/marketing/> and scroll to the bottom of the page for videos.

Register at: <https://jamboree.scouting.org/>

Questions? Contact Carl Sullivan at carl.sullivan@scouting.org

Adults who are interested in being a part of the contingent leadership are encouraged to complete the 2023 Leadership Application. This form can be found on the Council website at www.buckskin.org/events/2023-national-jamboree-dates-announced/

Once completed, please send this form to carl.sullivan@scouting.org.



H. Bernard Wehrle, Sr. Scout Leadership Service Center and Scout Shop

2829 Kanawha Blvd E

Charleston, WV 25311

Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Phone: 304-340-3663/fax 304-925-0533



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
Jan 14	Jan 21
Feb 11	Feb 18
Mar 11	Mar 18
Apr 15	Apr 22
May 13	May 20

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, January 8, 2023

Sunday, February 5, 2023

Sunday, February 26, 2023

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
- Meal Voucher

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

Price: \$80 Ski Package
\$10 Snowboard Rental
\$11 Additional Meal Voucher

Register Online at www.buckskin.org
or call 304-340-3663

By Thursday before your chosen date
Walk-ins will pay a \$10 late fee.

Snowtubing Add-on
\$35 for 2 hours

Add-on tickets must be purchased at
winterplace.com/snowtubing-tickets

Silver Beaver & District Award of Merit Nominations

The Buckskin Council is accepting nominations for the Silver Beaver Award and District Award of Merit. If you know someone who is worthy, please fill out the form and send it to the Buckskin Council, 2829 Kanawha Blvd. E, Charleston, WV 25311.



Silver Beaver: The Silver Beaver Award recognizes Scouters exemplify the ideals of Scouting both in and out of the Scouting circle. The Silver Beaver Award is a National Award and the highest award that can be presented to a volunteer on a council level.

It is one of the most distinguished forms of recognition in Scouting.

You may download the nomination form at:
www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/512-103_WB.pdf



District Award of Merit: The District Award of Merit is a council award presented by districts in the same manner that the Silver Beaver is a national award presented by councils. The award recognizes Scouters who render services of outstanding nature at the district level.

You may download the nomination form at:
www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/33720.pdf

Buckskin Council's Recognition Dinner is scheduled for March. More information to come.

"A hundred years from now it will not matter what my bank account was, the sort of house I lived in, or the kind of car I drove. But the world may be different, because I was important in the life of a boy."

- Forest Witcraft,

October 1950 issue of Scouting magazine



TAKHONEK LODGE

ORDER OF THE ARROW, LODGE #617



Oh joyous January, how you bring fulfillment to my dreary heart with the birth of a new year. Now with that out of the way, it's time to pull up the bootstraps, batten the hatches, prepare the defenses, whatever other metaphor fits here, and begin a whole new lodge calendar. The good news is that the calendar isn't too wild going out of the gate.

Winter Banquet

Taking a step back in time, the Winter Banquet went well. The guest speaker gave an inspiring speech, and the guests from the section leadership seemed to believe we were well functioning. Lodge leadership power transition went well, no one tried to hold a coup d'etat. Congratulations to Ed Evans for earning the Founders Award. Overall, it was a great way to end off the last year.

AIA/ICE Weekend

AIA/ICE is coming up. This event is a personal favorite of mine. This event is where the youth of the lodge can learn everything about being a ceremonialist or being an elongomat. I would strongly recommend that anyone who has an interest in the OA's ceremonies come out to this event. Further, I would encourage others to come out simply to be able to spend time with their brothers, and even forge an interest within the behind-the-scenes work. The AIA/ICE weekend will be held March 17-19 at Camp Arrowhead. Online Registration for the event will start in January at <https://www.buckskin.org/oa/>.

Unit Elections

Since a new calendar year has begun, every troop is now eligible for their once-a-year OA election. With Spring Fellowship coming close, now would be a great time to hold the elections. If you are interested in holding an election for your troop, please contact someone within the lodge or your chapter to have them come conduct the elections.

2023 Dues and Fox Pass

Put down the pitchforks and torches, for I am merely the messenger. I understand with the rising costs of gas and everything that money is something not many want to use, but it is that time of year. 2023 dues are due if you wish to continue to be a member of the lodge and participate in all events. The 2023 Fox Pass is available, and it is looking as Fox Pass-y as ever. Reminder, the Fox Pass is a system where lodge members can pay a fee, and immediately be pre-paid for all events (excluding Conclave, Forum, & Vigil) for the 2023 calendar year. If you do plan on attending every event this year, understand that this process is actually cheaper than signing up for every event individually. Those who do not plan on going to every event could use the Fox Pass as an inner encouragement to become more active in the lodge than they already are. Finally, buying the Fox Pass nets you a 2 free Fox Pass exclusive patches. Go to www.buckskin.org/oa-events/2023-takhonek-lodge-dues-and-fox-pass/ to pay your dues and get more information.

2023 Lodge Calendar

Date	Event	Location
March 17-19	ICE/AIA Weekend	Cp Arrowhead
Mar 31-Apr 2	Spring Ordeal/Brotherhd	Cp Kootaga
May 19-21	E13 Section Conclave	Beaumont Scout Res.

Note From the New Chief

Hello, my name is Sarah Dudley, and I am your 2023 Takhonek lodge chief. A little bit about me, I am 15 years old and a junior in high school having been homeschooled since the third grade. Since joining scouting, I've made many accomplishments; I earned the rank of eagle in November 2021; I had a reasonably large project where I worked with the West Virginia horse network to create eight obstacles, build three walls, redo two barn doors, and replace the roof of the quarantine area, and donated over \$800 by holding an obstacle show day; I have earned over 50 merit badges, earning myself five eagle palms; I have also earned many awards, including the camping and riding national outdoor achievement, historic trails award, and the Glenn and Melinda Adam's national Eagle Scout service project of the year award council-wide; I have camped 79 nights, hiked 80+ miles, and done over 400 hours of service work; I have attended four summer camps, participated in the NYLT course, and I've taught the horsemanship merit badge to four different troops. In my early years of scouting, I swore I would never be in the OA, but I quickly learned that was not a true statement. Since my Ordeal in spring of 2020, I attended two Section conclaves and FOURMs, as well as the National Order of the Arrow Conference, back in July of 2022. I never believed I would be involved in the Order of the Arrow or scouts in general, but I saw a need for leadership that I believed I could help with while growing myself as a leader. Outside of Scouting, I have a hectic life, as I own and foster horses, which is not an easy task. I don't just hold horses though: I show, help train, and pay for them. I work for a vet, own a business, and on Mountain State Farm, a local bison farm. On weekends when I'm not at a scout event, you can most likely see me at a local horse show riding my horse Rain. So, saying I'm a busy person may be a bit of an understatement. I like my life better though when I am busy, I live by the term YOLO (you only live once), so I try to make the absolute most of it. Thank you for taking a minute to read about me and my life. I hope to have a successful 2023 and see you at the upcoming events!

2023 Youth Officers

Lodge Chief	Sarah Dudley
VC Administration	Dawson Brown
VC Program	Drake Odell
Secretary	Vacant
Immediate Past Chief	Will Dudley

2023 Chapter Chiefs

Adena	Travis Stambaugh
Adjudimo	Wyatt Dennison
Hytone	Andrew Davis
Kootaga	Hunter Trippett
Seneca	Jacob McGuire
Wapiti	Parker Hawkins

2023 Adult Advisers

Lodge Adviser	David Duncan	david.duncan@suddenlink.net
Assoc. Adviser Admin.	Steve Young	steveyoungOA@gmail.com
Assoc. Adviser Prog.	Jeff Estepe	
Assoc. Adviser Summit	George Soltis	gm.soltis@gmail.com
Staff Adviser	Billy Bryant	bill.bryant@scouting.org

Chapter Advisers

Adena	Jon Keelin	jkeelin@takhonek.org
Adjudimo	Scott Dennison	scott.dennison@outlook.com
Hytone	Ed Evans	hytone416@hotmail.com
Kootaga	Jay Wilson	jwilson@takhonek.org
Seneca	Kim Bennett	
Wapiti	David Duncan	david.duncan@suddenlink.net



Training Corner

By Susan Williams

Marshall University Merit Badge College

Now is the time to sign up for adult training classes at Marshall University Merit Badge College. Among the available training is Scoutmaster Specific training, Merit Badge Counselor training, Eagle Scout process overview. First Aid, CPR/AED certification will also be available. This class is \$45 and limited to 20 participants, so sign up early to reserve your slot. As always, Youth Protection Training will be offered. Anyone may attend this training. We have a new training this year: Mental Health First Aid. Learn what to watch for in your scouts mental health.

Youth Protection Training

Recharter season is here! Over the next few months, Packs and Troops across the council will be working on renewing their 2023 registrations.

What is one of the biggest issues they will encounter? Leaders with expired Youth Protection Training!

Now is the time for your Pack or Troop leaders to review the YPT status of all registered leaders to make sure everyone has current Youth Protection.

How do you check that? It's easy to check! Just login to your my.scouting.org account and click on the the menu button. Find your unit in the drop-down box and select "YPT Reports" This report lists all the leaders in your unit and their YPT expiration date.

Want to schedule a group YPT session? Contact Sue Williams, Carol McCarthy, or your District Executive to schedule a date for an in-person YPT class.

Training Calendar

February

11 Adult Training at Marshall Merit Badge College

Camp Kootaga News

Camp Kootaga Work Days

Pack your lunch and water bottle, then join us at Camp Kootaga for Work days are scheduled throughout the next few months. Pick one that fits your schedule, then bring your troop out and help make camp shine!

Specific projects will be posted the week prior.

February 4	February 18
March 4	March 18
April 1	April 15
April 29	May 6
May 13	May 27

For more information, contact John Baker or Jim Bennon.
Camp phone 304-628-3766

Upcoming Camp Kootaga Meeting

Camp Kootaga Committee meets on Sunday, January 22, 2023 to plan project and address issues and the camp. Everyone is invited to bring your fresh ideas, suggestions, and solutions.

Meet & Greet	2:00 pm - 2:30 pm
Camp Committee mtg	2:30 pm - 3:30 pm
Camp Maintenance mtg	3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Contact Jim Bennon for more details. A Zoom meeting option will be available for those unable to be there in person.

Schedule Training for Your Unit

Call: Sue Williams, Council Training Chair
buzy2buzy@gmail.com 217-741-0900

Or Carol McCarthy, Training Vice-Chair
DesignsbyCarol@gmail.com 703-587-4453

Adena District

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

Adena Event Calendar

January

- 2 Office and Shops Closed for New Year's Day
- 5 Roundtable - 6:30 pm
- 14 Council District Operations Meeting (CDO)
- 16 MLK Jr Day - Service Center & Shops closed
- 19 District Committee meeting, 6:00 pm
- 21 Adena Popcorn Celebration
- 27-29 Klondike Derby Camporee, Camp Arrowhead

February

- 2 Roundtable - 6:30pm
- 11 MU Merit Badge College
- 16 District Committee - 6:00pm
- 20 Presidents' Day - Service Center & Shops Closed
- 25 WV Capitol and Museum Tour

March

- 2 - Roundtable - 6:30pm
- 16 District Committee - 6:00pm
- 18 District Pinewood Derby

ROUNDTABLE

The Monthly Roundtable Meeting returns to the schedule in September. These meetings will be held in person at the Gathering Place, Kenova, WV. The meeting will also be shown via Zoom for those who may not be able to attend otherwise. Roundtable is held the first Thursday of each month beginning at 6:30pm.

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 meetings begin at 6:00pm on the third Thursday of each month. All units should have a representative attend. All District Committee members and Charter Organization Representatives are encouraged to attend.

CDO MEETING

The next scheduled Council District Operations Meeting will be January 14 at the Charleston Council Office. District Committee and functional committee chairs should plan to attend. These include the District Chair, Advancement Chair, Camping Chair, Program Chair, Membership Chair, Marketing Chair, Training Chair, and Day Camp Directors.

Adena District Committee

District Chair	Kenneth Bannon	304-633-2645
District Vice-Chair	vacant	
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
Community FOS	Lee Oxley	304-697-4370
Product Sale	Melanie Young	304-523-3408
Membership	Jane Mills	304-417-1422
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
OA Chapter Advisor	Jon Keelin	606-739-9232

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

ADENA POPCORN CELEBRATION

All scouts in Adena District who sell \$650 or more during the recent Popcorn Sale will be invited to a celebration as a thank you for your efforts. We plan to have this celebration on Saturday, January 21. Watch for more information about this event.

WEST VIRGINIA HUNTING & FISHING SHOW

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KLONDIKE

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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

January

- 2 Office and Shops Closed for New Year's Day
- 5 Cornstalk District Meeting
- 8 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace
- 14 Council District Operations Meeting (CDO),
Wehrle Service Center
- 16 MLK Jr Day - Service Center & Shops closed

February

- 2 Cornstalk District Meeting
- 5 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace
- 20 Presidents' Day - Service Center & Shops Closed
- 26 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace

March

- 2 Cornstalk District Meeting
- 18 Pinewood Derby

Chief Cornstalk District Committee

District Chair	Mark Linville	304-369-2795
District Commissioner	Jon Dudley	740-683-2265
Field Director	Billy Bryant	304-340-3663
Vice Chair	Jeffrey Brandt	304-982-5546
Vice Chair	Steve Snodgrass	304-837-3302
Membership Chair	Kevin Abdalla	304-345-8091
Community FOS Chair	vacant	
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
OA Chapter Advisor	Matt Dawson	304-546-6165

Cornstalk District Committee

The Meeting is the first Tuesday 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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POPCORN CELEBRATION

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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

Kootaga Event Calendar

January

- 2 Office and Shops Closed for New Year's Day
- 14 Council District Operations Meeting (CDO),
Wehrle Service Center
- 16 MLK Jr Day - Service Center & Shops closed
- 27-29 Klondike Derby, Camp Kootaga

February

- 5 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace
- 14 District Committee mtg and Roundtable
- 20 Presidents' Day - Service Center & Shops Closed
- 26 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace

March

- 14 District Committee mtg and Roundtable

District Chair	Vernon Criss	
District Commissioner	Christopher Burk	304-615-5648
District Director	Michael Cidor	814-860-1562
Comm. & Marketing	Kathy Wise	304-482-7576
FOS Chair	Susan Barber	
VC Membership	vacant	
Product Sales	vacant	
Camping	Keith Morrow	740-590-7687
Advancement	Patrick Shook	304-481-1792
Training	Pete Conklin	304-455-5064
OA Chapter Advisor	Jay Wilson	304-481-3731

Hunting & Fishing Show

Join us for the annual Hunting and Fishing Show January 20 – 22, 2023. All Scouts and Scouters in uniform will be admitted to the event for free. Stop by the Scouting booth and enter to win a cool giveaway.

Kootaga District Meeting/Roundtable

The Kootaga District Committee Meeting is January 10th at 6:30 PM followed by Roundtable at 7:30 PM. Both meetings will be available in person and on zoom. In person we will

District Committee Meeting Zoom information: Meeting ID: 921 2829 6053, Passcode: 869342

Kootaga Roundtable: Meeting ID: 961 9782 7074, Passcode: Kootaga

Klondike Derby

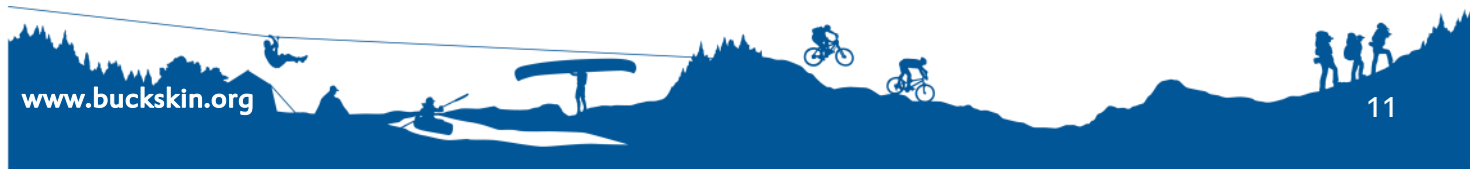
January 27-29

"It's no mystery why, year after year, the Klondike Derby is so much fun. For this year's event, however, we have a new challenge; to track down recent camp sightings of an elusive and legendary creature."

The Kootaga District Klondike Derby will be on Saturday, January 28, 2023. Cost is \$15 per person, which will cover the event patches, cracker barrel on Friday night, hot lunch on Saturday and recognition items for the event. Each troop will be asked to provide a volunteer to help make this the best Klondike!

We are looking for volunteers from each participating troop to help us bring this story to life by going to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090E4EADA929A6F58-klondike>, and sign up to become a part of the Klondike 23' team. #campkootaga, #bucksincouncil

Register at www.buckskin.org/kootaga



Mountain Dominion District

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

Mt Dominion Event Calendar

January

- 2 Office and Shops Closed for New Year's Day
- 14 Council District Operations Meeting (CDO),
Wehrle Service Center
- 16 MLK Jr Day - Service Center & Shops closed

February

- 16 District Committee mtg, Stinson UMC, Princeton
7:15 pm
- 16 District Roundtable, Stinson UMC, Princeton
6:30 pm
- 17-19 Winter Cold Rush Camporee

March

- 11 District Dinner
- 16 District Committee mtg, Stinson UMC, Princeton
7:15 pm
- 16 District Roundtable, Stinson UMC, Princeton
6:30 pm
- 18 District Pinewood Derby

Important update on district events:

Please check the district website regularly for up to date information for upcoming events.

www.buckskin.org/mtdominion

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 District Committee

District Chair	Philip Ball	304-425-2196
District Commissioner	Thomas Kozikowski	540-626-4242
Field Director	Billy Bryant	304-340-3663
Cub Scout Prog Chair	Carrie Kozikowski	540-626-4242
Scouts BSA Prog Chair	Dan Trent	276-322-3911
Venture Prog Chair	Tim Wallace	276-963-0525
Finance Chair	Philip Ball	304-425-2196
Training Chair	Daren Law	540-235-6467
Advancement Chair	Barry Nowlin	304-487-5632
Camping Chair	Kermit Davis	304-425-8889
Unit Service	Thomas Kozikowski	540-626-4242
Popcorn Chair	vacant	
OA Chapter Advisor	Ed Evans	304-673-2969
Membership Chair	Kim Medley	540-235-6864
Family FOS Chair	Philip Ball	304-425-2196



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Seneca District

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

Seneca Event Calendar

January

- 2 Office and Shops Closed for New Year's Day
- 8 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace
- 14 Council District Operations Meeting (CDO),
Wehrle Service Center
- 16 MLK Jr Day - Service Center & Shops closed

February

- 5 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace
- 20 Presidents' Day - Service Center & Shops Closed
- 26 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace

March

- 18 District Pinewood Derby

Unit Charters

Please work on your charters in the upcoming months, and if you need any assistance please contact Billy Bryant at 304-340-3663 to schedule an appointment. If you have any youth members that need financial assistance to continue their journey in Scouting please send Billy Bryant an email at bill.bryant@scouting.org

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Seneca District Committee

District Chair	Frank Jorgensen	
District Commissioner	Lori Hindson	
Field Director	Billy Bryant	304-340-3663
Advancement Chair	Jeff Proctor	304-673-2640
Program Chair	OPEN	
Training Chair	Carol McCarthy	703-587-4453
OA Chapter Advisor	Kim Bennett	304-640-3854
Venturing Chair	Dana McCorkle	304-573-4636

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Shawnee District

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larry.wunderly@scouting.org

Shawnee District Committee

District Chair	Leo Lopez	304-419-4554
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 (Finance)		
Advancement Chair	Debbie Slack	304-340-3663
Program Chair	Mike Lamb	
Cub Program Chair	Melinda Craddock	304-727-0143
Camping Chair	Barry Lindley	
SBSA Scout Roundtable	Gerry Stover	
Cub Scout Roundtable	Colleen Sergeant	304-552-0297
Product Sales/Family FOS	Amy Carte	304-964-4208
Membership Chair	Tracy Hudson	304-382-9679
OA Chapter Advisor	David Duncan	304-541-7559

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Shawnee District Event Calendar

January

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- 14 Council District Operations Meeting (CDO),
Wehrle Service Center
- 16 MLK Jr Day - Service Center & Shops closed
- 19 District Committee & Roundtable

February

- 5 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace
- 16 District Committee & Roundtable
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- 26 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace

March

- 16 District Committee mtg and Roundtable
- 18 District Pinewood Derby

Shawnee District Committee

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MARSHALL UNIVERSITY MERIT BADGE

COLLEGE

February 11, 2023 will be the date for the next MU Merit Badge College in Huntington. A variety of merit badges will be offered during this day long event. Scouts may register for up to two merit badges being offered. We are adding Citizenship in Society to our merit badge offerings. The fee is \$13 per scout which includes lunch. Adults may purchase a lunch ticket for \$9. Most adult training will be offered at no fee, including Youth Protection and Merit Badge Counselor Orientation. Basic First Aid, AED and CPR will again be offered. The cost for this all-day session will be \$45.00.

Register early for best merit badge selection. Scouts are to come prepared with any pre-requisite materials completed.

WEST VIRGINIA CAPITOL & MUSEUM TOUR

A fun and educational day will take place on February 25, when scouts from the Council will join together at the West Virginia Capitol Complex in Charleston. The full day of activities will begin at 10:00am with a walking tour of the statuary and monuments on the complex grounds. This will be followed by a guided tour of the Capitol. We may be able to arrange some meetings with some state delegates or senators. The group will re-assemble at the Charleston Service Center for a hot dog lunch. The afternoon will give everyone an opportunity to tour the state museum at the Culture Center. This self-paced tour will take you through the 26 rooms with over 600 thousand artifacts on display. This is a Council-wide, no fee event open to all Cubs, Scouts BSA, and Venture Scouts. Reservations via the Council website are requested so adequate preparations for the event can be made.

DISTRICT PINEWOOD DERBY

Scouts – get ready for a fun filled day of Cub Scout Pinewood Derby Racing on March 18. The site will be Catlettsburg Elementary School, 3501 Court St, Catlettsburg, KY. There will be no fee for this event. All participants will receive an event patch. Trophies for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishers in each Cub rank, as well as for a Grand Champion. There will be an Open class for siblings, parents and leaders who wish to race as well. Come, join the fun of Pinewood Derby on March 18. Register via the Council website.

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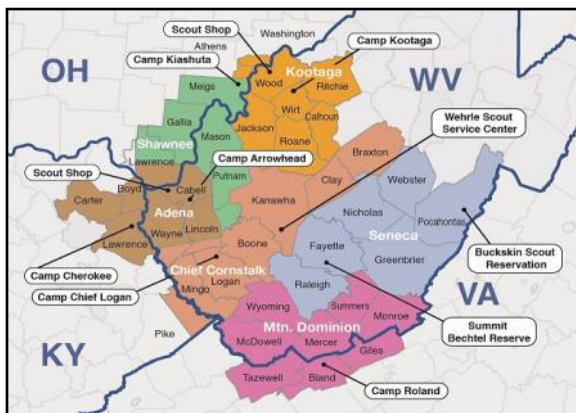
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Mail To: Buckskin Council, BSA

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Charleston, WV 25311

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BUCKSKIN COUNCIL, BSA
WV Capitol and Museum Tour
February 25, 2023 - 10:00am
Capitol Complex, Charleston, WV

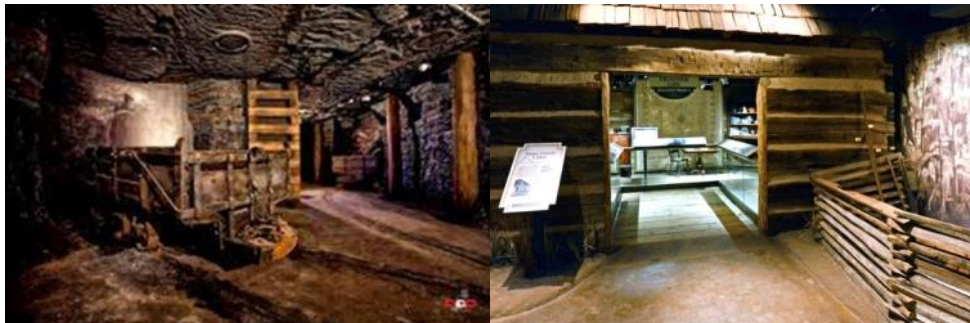
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This will be followed by a guided tour of the Capitol Building. We may be able to arrange some meetings with your state delegate or senator. Delegate Vernon Criss, who is also the Kootaga District Chairman, will help us arrange these meetings. You need to let us know with whom you want to meet.

The group will re-assemble at the Charleston Service Center for a hot dog lunch. The H. Bernard Wehrle, Sr. Scout Leadership Service Center and Scout Shop is located at 2829 Kanawha Blvd E.

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January 20 - 22, 2023

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Show schedule:

Friday, January 20	12pm to 9pm
Saturday, January 21	9am to 9pm
Sunday, January 22	10am to 5pm

Admission:

Adults - \$9.00 *

Children ages 6 to 12 - \$1.00 *

Children under 6 – Free

* Any Scout (youth) or Scouter (adult) in uniform will be admitted for free



Unit Commitment Form 2023 Spring Nut Sale

Yes, my unit would like to participate in the 2023 Spring Nut Sale

Unit Number: _____

District: _____

Pack, Troop, Crew, Ship, Post

Unit Leader: _____

Unit Nut Sale chairperson (this should be DIFFERENT than the unit leader):

Name: _____

(Only one name per unit and it must be the person that will oversee the unit's sale)

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Phone: home: _____

work: _____

cell: _____

Email: _____

We must have an email address

Approx. number of Scouts in unit: _____

Number of adults in unit: _____

Please complete this form and return it to the Buckskin Council Office by February 1st.

You may mail the form to:

Buckskin Council, BSA
Attn: Spring Nut Sale
2829 Kanawha Blvd, E
Charleston, WV 25311

or fax it to: 304-925-0533



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\$35.00

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Pre-Register:

Call 304-340-3663

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\$80 Rate is if you pre-register and purchase your ticket by Thursday before the event. All of your family, friends, and neighbors qualify for this special rate with pre-registration.



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BUCKSKIN COUNCIL, BSA
2023 NATIONAL SCOUT JAMBOREE
Contingent Leadership Application



Name _____

Current Registration – Unit / Position _____

Contact – Email _____ Phone _____

Buckskin Council is expecting to send a troop and a patrol to the 2023 NSJ. The troop will be for male youth and patrol will be for female youth. No crew will be sponsored for this Jamboree. Each troop will need four (4) adult leaders, one (1) of which should be in the 18-21 year old age range. The female patrol will have one female leader. All adult leaders are expected to register on-line for the 2023 NSJ, pay their initial deposit, and complete this application by **July 1, 2022**. The Council's 2023 NSJ Committee will be making contingent leadership decision shortly thereafter. This application may be mailed to the Charleston Service Center or emailed to Carl.Sullivan@scouting.org. Please don't delay! Acceptance into the Council 2023 NSJ contingent is subject to the participant maintaining the registration payment schedule. Failure to make registration payments in a timely manner may result in forfeiture of your place in the Council's contingent. Applicants must meet 2023 NSJ physical guidelines per the annual BSA Health and Medical Record form, including the Summit Bechtel Reserve addendum.

Adult Leadership Experience

Previous Jamboree Experience

Unique skills you would bring to the Contingent

Are you a medical professional (ie Doctor, PA, EMT, Paramedic, etc)? Please indicate which one? _____

Are you certified in wilderness first aid? _____ If so, when does your certification expire? _____

Complete this form and forward it to the Buckskin Council Service Center, 2829 Kanawha Blvd East,
Charleston, WV 25311, or email to Carl.Sullivan@scouting.org by July 12, 2022.



NOMINATION FOR THE DISTRICT AWARD OF MERIT



NOTE: The nomination is confidential.
To avoid possible disappointment,
please do not advise nominee in any
way of your action in his or her behalf.

_____ Council

_____ District

_____ Unit

TO THE DISTRICT AWARD OF MERIT COMMITTEE:

It is a pleasure to present for your consideration for the DISTRICT AWARD OF MERIT:

Name _____

Address _____

City or Town _____ Zip _____

Currently registered in Scouting as _____

The nominee has earned the following (provide dates):

_____ Den Leader's Training Award or Den Leader Award	_____ Scouter's Religious Award	_____ Other (specify) _____
_____ Den Leader Coach's Training Award or Den Leader Coach Award	_____ Silver Beaver	_____
_____ Cubmaster Award	_____ Order of the Arrow	_____
_____ Cub Scouter Award	_____ Wood Badge	_____
_____ Webelos Den Leader Award	_____ Venturing Awards	_____
_____ Scouter's Training Award	_____ Distinguished Commis- sioner Service Award	
_____ Scouter's Key		

The noteworthy service upon which this nomination is based follows:

(Furnish as much information as possible. For example: president, Rotary Club; vestryman, St. Paul's Church; chairman, Red Cross campaign; vice-president, PTA; medical director, hospital; Cubmaster, 3 years; Scoutmaster, 4 years; Venturing Advisor, 3 years; commissioner, etc. Use additional paper, if necessary.)

Date of nomination

Name of person making nomination

Position in Scouting

Contact number

GENERAL INFORMATION

The District Award of Merit is a council award presented by districts in the same manner that the Silver Beaver is a national award presented by councils.

The award is available to Scouters who render service of an outstanding nature at the district level.

The award is made available annually on the basis of 1 for each 25 traditional units or fraction thereof. The district need not present all the awards to which it is entitled each year.

It is not appropriate to nominate a Scouter who has already received this award.

A professional Scouter or other council employee may not receive this award based on employment service. However, a professional Scouter or employee who also serves as a volunteer Scouter may be eligible, based on *volunteer* service.

REQUIREMENTS

1. A nominee must be a registered Scouter.
2. A nominee must have rendered noteworthy service to youth in Scouting, outside Scouting, or both.
Note: The nature and value of "noteworthy service to youth" may consist of a single plan or decisions that contributed vitally to the lives of large numbers of youth or it may have been given to a small group over an extended period of time.
3. Consideration must be given to the nominee's Scouting position and the corresponding opportunity to render outstanding service beyond the expectations of that Scouting position.
4. The nominee's attitude toward and cooperation with the district and/or council is to be taken into consideration.
5. Nominations cannot be considered for posthumous awards.

PROCEDURE

1. Annually, district chairmen will appoint a temporary special District Award of Merit committee of not more than five persons who will consider all candidates and make recommendations of those to receive the award to the council through the Scout executive.
2. The Scout executive will inform the district chairman of those nominations approved by the council committee.
3. The following procedure is suggested for such presentation ceremonies:
 - a. The recipient and spouse should be in attendance at the annual meeting or recognition dinner.
 - b. A district and/or council officer should explain the award and its significance.
 - c. Eagle Scouts or Silver Award Venturers should be asked to escort the recipients to a place of honor at the head table or on stage.
 - d. A suitable citation for each recipient should be read indicating what each has done in Scouting.
 - e. The award (certificate, No. 33719; plaque, No. 17565; and lapel pin, No. 17551) may be presented at this time with appropriate congratulations.
 - f. The only uniform insignia which accompanies this award is an embroidered overhand knot, No. 05013.
 - g. A group picture may be taken for use in neighborhood or community newspapers (district responsibility).

District approval

Council approval

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The Silver Beaver Award Nomination Form



The Silver Beaver Award was introduced in 1931 and is a council-level distinguished service award of the Boy Scouts of America. Recipients of this award are registered Scouters who have made an impact on the lives of youth through service given at the council level. This nomination form must be sent to the local council.

To prevent embarrassment, the candidate should not be notified of this nomination.

Name _____ Spouse's name _____

Home address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Country _____ Home phone _____ Mobile phone _____

Company name _____ Professional title _____

Scouting position _____ Unit type and No. _____ District name _____

The nominee is registered in Scouting as _____ and holds a membership certificate
expiring _____. (If Scouter is currently unit-connected, give unit number: _____)

If the award is granted, we plan to present it on _____
(This date is required, as it is recorded on the certificate.)

I confirm that the nominee lives by the principles of the Scout Oath and Scout Law in word and deed, and is exemplary in his/her personal, family, and professional activities.

Confirmation by person submitting nomination: _____
(Printed name)

Scouting position _____
(Signature)

Home phone _____ Mobile phone _____ Email _____

* Silver Beaver Award committee chair signature

* Scout executive signature

* ONLY NECESSARY IF NOMINEE IS SELECTED

RECORD OF SERVICE IN THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Please list registered adult positions in the Boy Scouts of America with dates listed chronologically. Indicate unit number, chartered organization, and district where appropriate.

Position	Unit No.	District	Council	Dates From – To	Total Years
Council-level Leadership Roles					
District-level Leadership Roles					
Unit-level Leadership Roles					

Total number of years as a registered adult Council volunteer: _____

What significant council-level service to youth has been made by this nominee?

(Attach additional page if needed)

TRAINING COURSES

Please indicate which training courses the nominee participated in and/or staffed with year completed.

Training Courses	Participant	Staff/Faculty
Florida Sea Base Conference		
Kodiak or Kodiak X Staff		
National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) Staff		
National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE) Staff		
National Camping School		
National Junior Leader Instructor Camp (NJLIC)		
Philmont Leadership Challenge		
Philmont Training Center Conference		
Powder Horn		
Seabadge		
Wood Badge		
Other BSA Training Courses	Staff/Faculty	

SCOUTING RECOGNITION

Scouting Honors					
Type	Year	Type	Year	Type	Year
Eagle Scout		National Eagle Scout Association		Distinguished Eagle Scout	
Scouter's Key		Scouter's Training Award		Arrow of Light	
Order of the Arrow member		Order of the Arrow Vigil Honor		Arrowhead Honor	
Youth Religious Emblem		Adult Religious Award		Silver Award	
Unit Leader Award of Merit		NESA Outstanding Eagle Scout Award		District Award of Merit	
Whitney M. Young Jr. Service Award		Distinguished Commissioner Service Award		James E. West Society Fellowship Award	
Other Scouting Awards including Cub, Explorer, Learning for Life, STEM, Varsity and Venturing					
Type	Year	Type	Year	Type	Year

NOTEWORTHY SERVICE OF EXCEPTIONAL CHARACTER TO YOUTH OUTSIDE OF SCOUTING

Please list organization, position held, recognition received and year(s) involved or awarded.

Organization	Position/Recognition	Year(s)

Additional noteworthy comments on service of character to youth outside of Scouting:

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ADDITIONAL NOTEWORTHY COMMENTS OF THE NOMINEE'S STANDING IN THE COMMUNITY

Information covering the nominee's standing in the community, citing activities in which he/she is most active in business, professional, civic, religious, educational, fraternal, veterans, and other non-Scouting areas.

Organization	Positions Held	Years Served	Accomplishments

Comments

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(Attach letters of recommendation if appropriate.)

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Give the full name and titles (if any) of the nominee exactly as you want them to appear on the certificate.
2. Furnish as much information as possible for each section.
3. Long-established policy limits the award of the Silver Beaver to adults 21 and older who are registered with the Boy Scouts of America as volunteer Scouters.
4. Nominations will not be considered for current or former professional Scouters within five (5) years of their leaving employment with the BSA. Other council employees (part time or full time) are eligible to receive the Silver Beaver Award based on their volunteer service, not employed service.
5. Nominations cannot be considered for posthumous awards.
6. Order Silver Beaver insignia using the regular Supply order form from the Supply Group distribution center.

RULES AND REGULATIONS of the BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Article X, Section 6, Clause 3 Silver Beaver Award

The Boy Scouts of America, acting through the National Court of Honor, may award the Silver Beaver for distinguished service to youth upon the following basis and procedure:

- a) Each local council may process their own annual allotment of Silver Beaver awards and shall send a list of Silver Beaver recipients presented each calendar year to the National Court of Honor no later than January 31 of the following year.
- b) The award is made for noteworthy service of exceptional character to youth by registered Scouters within the territory under the jurisdiction of a local council.
- c) As evidence of the award there shall be presented: a suitable certificate, duly authenticated by the Boy Scouts of America, pursuant to the action of the National Court of Honor; and a miniature Silver Beaver suspended by a blue, white, and blue ribbon to be worn around the neck.
- d) It shall be a general policy that no public announcements shall be made by the local council in advance of action by the National Court of Honor with reference to names presented for consideration.
- e) These awards shall be made to the recipients by the local council concerned in connection with its annual meeting or other public location.
- f) Each duly chartered local council shall be entitled to one nomination. Councils having more than 60 units shall be entitled to further nominations on the basis of one for each additional 60 units or fraction thereof in their territory, as of December 31 preceding the nomination, according to the records of the national office.
- g) Councils not using their full allotment in any year may accumulate the unused portion for use in any subsequent year.
- h) In extraordinary cases, the Silver Beaver Award may be made by the National Court of Honor to a Scouter upon the recommendation of the duly constituted Scouting authorities having supervision of one or more units of the Boy Scouts of America, located outside of the United States and not under the jurisdiction of a local council.