



UNIVERSITY OF SCOUTING IS BACK!!

The largest adult training event in the Buckskin Council returns post-Covid on **March 25, 2023**. West Virginia State University at Institute will again be hosting this event. This is the largest single training event for adult and youth leaders in Buckskin Council! You'll have the opportunity to meet and share ideas with other like-minded friends of scouting throughout the area. A variety of adult training sessions will be available for volunteer leaders and parents to expand their knowledge of Scouting. Some of these sessions will be CPR/AED &

First Aid, Merit Badge Counselor Orientation, Outdoor Cooking, and much more.

More than twenty-five merit badge sessions will be offered for Scouts BSA and Venturing participants. The new Eagle required Citizenship in Society will be offered. All day merit badge sessions will include Emergency Preparedness, First Aid, and Electronics. Other badges will be offered in both the morning or afternoon sessions, while still others will only be offered in either the morning or afternoon only. Register early for best selection. Scouts are expected to complete the pre-requisites listed in the course catalog. Be prepared to participate in the discussions.

The fee is \$15 for Scouts and \$15 for adults. Lunch is included. The First Aid & CPR/AED class is an additional \$45.

Update to BSA's Barriers to Abuse

As part of BSA's ongoing commitment to abuse prevention, the Boy Scouts of America is updating the adult supervision requirements for overnight activities. This update enhances the minimum "two deep leadership" requirements by additionally requiring every adult present on overnight activities to be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America. These adults must submit an adult application and registration fee, undergo a criminal background check, a volunteer screening database check and must complete mandatory Youth Protection training.

A limited exception for parents and legal guardians of Cub Scout youth attending overnight with their children is planned due to the family centric nature of Cub Scouting. All Cub Scout Packs, Scouts BSA Troops, Venturing Crews, Sea Scouting Ships, Exploring Posts, council, and district overnight programs will be required to comply with this update by September 1, 2023. We encourage early adoption prior to the effective date. This updated Barrier to Abuse can be referenced as part of the Guide to Safe Scouting, Youth Protection and Adult Leadership section, Scouting's Barriers to Abuse. Youth Protection and Barriers to Abuse FAQs will be expanded to include additional FAQs as they are developed.

Summer Camp @ The Summit

The James C. Justice National Scout Camp offers weeklong resident camp sessions, packed with advancement and enrichment opportunities, for Scouts, Venturers, and leaders. Summer camp is the quintessential Scouting experience, and Justice Scout Camp provides participants opportunities to participate in engaging merit badge and training sessions, experience the thrills of high adventure through buy-up activities, and enjoy Scouting traditions.

All Buckskin Council units receive a **10% discount** off the camp fee of \$510.00 per person! All Buckskin Council units receive **TWO FREE LEADERS SPACES**. Unit leaders can request a virtual or in-person camp promotion by emailing Camp Director Johnny Tracy, at john.tracy@scouting.org, or calling 304-719-9865

LEARN MORE AND REGISTER AT SUMMITBSA.ORG

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Council Calendar

March

- 9 Annual Executive Board Meeting
- 11 Charleston Shop open 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- 17-19 OA AIA/ICE Weekend, Camp Arrowhead
- 18 Huntington Shop open 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- 25 University of Scouting, WVSU
- 31-Apr 2 OA Spring Fellowship, Camp Kootaga

April

- 7 Good Friday, Service Center & Shops Closed
- 13 Executive Committee meeting
- 15 Charleston Shop open, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- 15 Council - District Operations mtg (CDO)
10 am - 12 pm, Service Center
- 15 Council Pinewood Derby
- 22 Huntington Shop open, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

May

- 5-6 BALOO , Camp Arrowhead
- 11 Executive Board Meeting
- 13 Charleston Shop open 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- 20 Huntington Shop open 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- 29 Memorial Day - Service Center & Shops Closed

Happy 
St. Patrick's Day



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!!!!



Dear Scouting Volunteer,

An unfortunate fact of our current society is that we spend less and less quality time with the people who are the most important to us—our children. Increasing divorce rates and dual-worker families mean fewer children receive full-time parental supervision. They have fewer positive role models in their lives. In fact, studies show that as our media choices have increased since the early 1980s, our time spent together as families has steadily decreased.

Since the inception of the Boy Scouts of America in 1910, one of our main objectives has been to provide strong role models for youth during their formative years. In years gone by, these people were called neighbors, teachers, and community and religious leaders, as well as Scoutmasters. Today, we call them

mentors.

No matter the name or title, what our youth need are caring adults who are strong role models. Each year, more than a million adults dedicate themselves to the betterment of our nation's youth by volunteering with the Boy Scouts of America in Cub Scouting, Scouts BSA, and Venturing.

However, adults are not the only mentors. The BSA pioneered the concept of peer-to-peer mentoring, or letting youth lead other youth. When older youth lead and plan activities and campouts, younger Scouts learn from their example. Today, that same concept of peer-to-peer mentoring is being used in our nation's schools, as well as Scouting activities.

Too many wrong choices are available for our nation's youth. They desperately need, and want, our guidance to successfully navigate the difficult years of adolescence. Being involved in Scouting and mentoring has a powerful impact in the lives of youth. The bottom line is mentoring improves decision-making, builds confidence, and teaches life lessons. And that is what Scouting has always been about—preparing America's youth for the future.

I would like to thank the volunteers in the Buckskin Council for your mentoring of our future leaders.

Good Scouting to you and yours,

Jeffrey L. Purdy

Scout Executive



Family Friends of Scouting is a vital part of sustaining Scouting in our area!

Contact your District Executive or Friends of Scouting Chair to schedule a presentation for your Pack, Troop, or Crew.



SCOUT NIGHT

Camp-out on the baseball field after the game!

JULY 15 / 6:35 p.m

\$5 per ticket / \$8 Food Voucher

Includes: Hot Dog, Chips & Soda

Post-Game Megablast Fireworks

Scan URL to Register



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 2023 Leaders Guide and program information is now available to help Troops plan their adventure this summer. Registration will open soon, so make your troop's campsite reservation today and begin the trail to Summer Camp!

If you have scouts needing help paying for camp, the Scholarship application is now available at www.buckskin.org/camping/scoutsbsacamp/

Have a favorite campsite? Now is the time to lock it in before it's too late!

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.

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.

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

2023 CAMP KOOTAGA CAMPSITE RESERVATIONS - Reserve your troop's campsite at www.buckskin.org

SITE/DATE	June 18 – 24	June 25 – July 1	July 2 – 8	July 9 - 15
	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4
SUBPARK		T437 B, DH, BS, KD		
BEECHWOOD				
BADEN POWELL	T236 B, DH, SK	T77, B, DH, LE		
DAN BEARD	T222 B, DH, MV	T203, B, SS, BS, KD		T479 B, SS, BS, KD T479 G, SS, BS, KD
J.M. BENNETT		T38 B, DH, BS, AD		T91 B, SS, BS, KD
SENECA	T43 B, SS, BS, KD			T12 B, DH, BS, KD
MIAMI	T304 B, DH, BS, SH	T395 B, DH, SK	T68 B, DH, BS, MD	
DELEWARE	T14 B, DH, MT	T20 B, SS, BS, KD		
SHAWNEE				
CHEORKEE				
DAKOTA		T99 B, DH, SK		
MAHONEGON				T6 B, DH, BS, KD
IROQUOIS				
CHIPPEWA	T231 B, SS, MV	T149 B, SS, OV T175 B, SS, OV T1750 G, SS, OV		

B= BOY TROOP G=GIRL TROOP DH=DINING HALL SS=SELF SUFFICIENT
BS=BUCKSKIN COUNCIL, MV=MUSKINGUM VALLEY COUNCIL, SK=SIMON KENTON COUNCIL,
MT=MOUNTAINEER AREA COUNCIL, OV=OHIO RIVER VALLEY CO.
AD=ADENA DIST., CS=CORNSTALK DIST., KD=KOOTAGA DIST., MD=MT. DOMINION DIST., SD=SENECA DIST.,

Spring Nut Sale

A Scout is thrifty and pays his/her own way. The Buckskin Council has teamed up with Whitley's Peanuts to bring a spring product sale option to our units. The Spring Nut sale is designed to help units raise funds for summer activities. Many packs, troops, and crews fund their unit through the popcorn sale in the fall, and use the spring nut sale to "fund the Scout". This is a great opportunity to help raise the funds that give each youth the ability to attend camp.

Units will earn 32% commission. Every Scout that participates will earn a patch.

Find the latest information about the sale and submit your unit's commitment form at www.buckskin.org/peanut-sale.

GO NUTS and get your unit committed today!

Your unit can do Online Fundraising! Send friends and family to whitleysfundraising.com to order peanuts online. Shipping is free. Check out the informational sheet in "Resources" for details.

Please fill out the Commitment form in the appendix (or online at www.buckskin.org/peanut-sale) and return to the Wehrle Service Center so we can assemble your packet.

Key Dates for the sale are:

- February 1, 2023 Sale Begins
- April 18, 2023 Unit Nut & Patch Order Due to Council Service Center by Noon
- April 28-29, 2023 Distribution of Orders

If you have questions or need more information, please feel free to contact Michael Cidor at the Buckskin Council, H.B. Wehrle Scout Service Center at 304-340-3663 or on his cell phone at 814-860-1562. Thank you and we look forward to your Scouts having a wonderful experience this summer.

Help your Scouts earn their way to camp this summer by participating in the 2023 Spring Nut Sale.

Protect your Scout's shiny new handbook with a zippered handbook cover. The Scout Shop has three designs, all equipped with zippered pockets to keep your blue cards handy, a bookmark, and a pen loop.

Stop by the Scout Shop and grab one today!



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
Mar 11	Mar 18
Apr 15	Apr 22
May 13	May 20



Find Buckskin Council's Cub Scout Pinewood Derby rules and guidelines at www.buckskin.org/forms.



2023 NATIONAL SCOUT JAMBOREE

Congratulations to the young men who have preliminarily been accepted into the Council's Jamboree contingent. There are only two slots left in the boy troop. The girl patrol still has openings also. Apply today for your chance to experience the once-in-a-lifetime adventure.

Adult leadership positions are still available. If you are an adult leader who believes your skills can be helpful as an assistant scoutmaster, contact Carl Sullivan.

The 2023 National Scout Jamboree will be July 19-28, at the Summit Bechtel Reserve, Glen Jean, WV. The Council fee to attend as of November 1, 2022, is \$2,115. (Scouts who registered and were accepted prior to Nov 1, 2022, will pay \$1,900 due to the early bird discount.) The Council registration fee must be paid in full by March 15, 2023.

Jamboree Band Seeks Members

The Jamboree Band is now forming and is looking for musicians. The staff (Service Team) band is made up registered scouts and scouters and will supply music for ceremonies, events, concerts, shows, and will entertain the many thousands of scouts and visitors to the National Jamboree. Repertoire includes popular and patriotic music, marches, and pep band tunes. Adults may apply, however initial preference will go to youth staff. All instruments needed including drumline.

For information about the band and how to apply, please visit jamboreeband.colbsa.net or email the director George Pinchock at pinchock@aol.com



JAMBOREE SERVICE TEAM NEEDS YOU!

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 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.

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.

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

More information will be announced about the time and location of the Council Recognition Dinner.



TAKHONEK LODGE

ORDER OF THE ARROW, LODGE #617



We're marching into March. The year is still starting slowly, but we already have a slew of events planned. All are encouraged to come out. Remember to keep up with your chapter as well. They are encouraged to hold their own individual activities after all.

AIA/ICE Weekend

AIA/ICE is coming up. This event is a personal favorite of mine. This event is where the lodge youth can learn everything about being a ceremonialist or an elangomat. I strongly recommend that anyone interested in the OA's ceremonies come to this event. Further, I would encourage others to come out to be able to spend time with their brothers and even forge an interest in the behind-the-scenes work. The AIA/ICE weekend will be held March 17-19 at Camp Arrowhead. Register online at www.buckskin.org/oa. Registration ends on March 9th, and there will be no late or on-site registration.

Spring Ordeal/Brotherhood (Fellowship)

Spring Fellowship is a great chance to Spring forward with the lodge's activities and membership. This is an opportunity for anyone elected as an ordeal candidate to complete their ordeal and be welcomed into our order. Springtime is also used to symbolize rebirth; thus, anyone eligible for brotherhood should take the opportunity to accomplish this task and reach that goal. The event will be held on March 30-April 2 at Camp Kootaga. Register online at www.buckskin.org/oa. Registering before the 26th to avoid a late fee. Registration closes on March 29th. The cost is \$20 for Arrowman and is included free with this year's Fox Pass. The cost for Ordeal candidates is \$50 and Brotherhood Candidates is \$45. Ordeal Candidates should aim to show up to camp between 6:00-7:30pm on Friday evening. The Spring Fellowship will have a Western theme, so feel free to wear your cowboy boots and cowboy hats.

Unit Elections

Since a new calendar year has begun, every troop is 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 get in touch with someone within the lodge or your chapter to have them conduct the elections.

2023 Lodge Calendar

Date	Event	Location
March 17-19	ICE/AIA Weekend	Camp Arrowhead
Mar 31-Apr 2	Spring Ordeal/Brotherhd	Camp Kootaga
May 19-21	E13 Section Conclave	Beaumont Scout Res.
August 5	Summer Picnic Pool Party	Camp Arrowhead
Sept 15-16	Vigil/Vigil Reunion	Summit – Sub Camp A
Sept. 29 – Oct. 1	Fall Ordeal/Brotherhood	Camp Arrowhead
October 27-28	Lodge Leadership Dev(LLD) Council Office	
November 3-5	Section E13 Forum	Camp Lazarus
December 9	Lodge Winter Banquet	Summit Pigott Dng Hall

2023 Dues and Fox Pass

Put down the pitchforks and torches, for I am merely the messenger. With the rising costs of gas and everything, 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 lodge member and participate in all events. Speaking of events, the 2023 Fox Pass is available and looks as Fox Passy as ever. Remember, the Fox Pass is a system where lodge members can pay a fee and be pre-paid for all lodge events (excludes Conclave, Forum, & Vigil) for the 2023 calendar year. If you plan on attending every event this year, understand that this process is cheaper than signing up for every event individually. A benefit to the Fox Pass is that you still receive the event patch, even if you cannot attend. Furthermore, those who do not immediately plan on going to every occasion could use the Fox Pass to encourage them to become more active in the lodge than they already are. Finally, buying the Fox Pass nets you two free Fox Pass exclusive patches.

Go to <https://www.buckskin.org/oa-events/2023-takhonek-lodge-dues-and-fox-pass/> to pay your dues and get more information on the Fox Pass. Fox pass sales end after the Spring Fellowship. If I were you, I'd grab mine quickly if you want to receive all event patches and Fox Pass benefits.

New Chapter Advisers

At the start of 2023, the Seneca, Hytone, and Adjudio chapters all started with brand new chapter advisers. I'd like to say thank you to Lee, Brian, and Scott for taking on these duties and helping to guide their chapter into the future. The former advisers for these chapters worked diligently to keep the OA alive in their districts and for that we are very grateful. Thanks Kim and Ed for all your hard work!!!

2023 Youth Officers

Sarah Dudley
Dawson Brown
Drake Odell
Vacant
Will Dudley

2023 Chapter Chiefs

Jayden Burchett
Wyatt Dennison
Blake Blankenship
Hunter Trippett
Natalie Barnette
Parker Hawkins

2023 Adult Advisers

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VC Program	Jeff Estep	jstep136@gmail.com
Secretary	George Soltis	gm.soltis@gmail.com
Immediate Past Chief	Billy Bryant	bill.bryant@scouting.org

Chapter Advisers

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Hytone	Brian Blankenship	blankenshipbrian1@gmail.com
Kootaga	Jay Wilson	jw6180a@yahoo.com
Seneca	Lee Webb	lealwe318@hotmail.com
Wapiti	David Duncan	david.duncan@suddenlink.net



Training Corner

By Susan Williams

University of Scouting

Buckskin Council's University of Scouting is returning to West Virginia State University on Saturday, March 25th.

More than 20 adult leader training sessions will be offered. From Nature Basics and Teaching the Whittling Chip for Cub Scout leaders to Eagle Paperwork Process and Troop Boards of Review for Scouts BSA leaders. All leaders may choose from classes in Flag Etiquette, Navigating Scoutbook, and Outdoor Cooking. In addition, Basic First Aid & CPR/AED will be offered for an additional fee of \$45.

The fee for adults is **\$15** and includes lunch.

Woodbadge

Wood Badge is an advanced leadership training course open to Scouting volunteers and participants ages 18 and older. Leaders from Cub Scouting, Scouts BSA, Venturing, Sea Scouts and Explorers all have something to gain from Wood Badge. The first Wood Badge course ever was held at Gilwell Park in England in 1919. It lasted nearly two weeks, and the participants experienced a course devised by Scouting founder Robert Baden-Powell.

Woodbadge came to the Boy Scouts of America 75 years ago and has been making a difference in the quality of adult leadership ever since. If you want to raise your leadership game to the next level, consider participating in the Woodbadge course planned in Buckskin Council for 2024. Go to www.buckskin.org and fill out the Woodbadge survey to put your name on the list. We will contact you with details on the planned course when they become available.

Training Calendar

March

25 University of Scouting at WVSU, Institute

May

5-6 Basic Adult Leader Orientation (BALOO) at Camp Arrowhead

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

THE KANAWHA TRACE 60th ANNIVERSARY HIKE

Looking for a challenge this spring?



The Kanawha Trace Anniversary

Hike will take place on April 21-23. The Kanawha Trace is a 35 mile hiking trail stretching from Barboursville to Frazier's Bottom, WV. A section of the trail traverses Camp Arrowhead. Scout troops have been hiking and maintaining this gem of a trail for 60 years.

All groups or individuals wishing to participate are requested to register no later than Friday the 3rd of April 2023. When you have registered a final packet of maps and detailed instructions will be either emailed/mailed to you. A meal package and various recognitions marking the anniversary are also available.

Anniversary patches and medal will be available for you to purchase. All funds generated from the sale of Kanawha Trace items goes into the Trail Fund where it is used for maintenance or used as matching money for grant funding to improve the trail. A final event accounting will be published in the Council newsletter.

Register on-line at <http://www.kanawhatrace.org/registration.html>. Details about the event and fees can be found in this issue of the Courier.

Any questions can be directed to Chris Kyle [304-942-5454], Charlie Dundas [304-654-9153] or emailed to Kanawha.Trace@gmail.com.



Adena District

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

Adena Event Calendar

March

- 2 - Roundtable – 6:30pm
- 16 District Committee – 6:00pm
- 18 District Pinewood Derby
- 25 Univ of Scouting at WVSU, Institute

April

- 6 Roundtable – 6:30pm
- 7 Good Friday – Council Office and Scout Shops Closed
- 10 Huntington Shop closed
- 15 Council Pinewood Derby
- 20 District Committee – 6:00pm
- 21-23 Webelos-ree – Camp Arrowhead
- 21-23 Kanawha Trace Anniversary Hike
- 22 Adena Fishing Derby – Camp Arrowhead
- 28-30 Adena Spring Camporee

May

- 4 Roundtable – 6:30pm
- 5-6 BALOO Training, Camp Arrowhead
- 18 District Committee – 6:30pm
- 19-20 Cubmobile, Cabell Midland HS
- 27 Flag Placements
- 29 Memorial Day – Service Center and Shops closed

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.

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 19. Register at www.buckskin.org/adena.

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.**

UNIVERSITY OF SCOUTING

The UoS returns to the campus of West Virginia State University at Institute, WV on Saturday, March 25. Check-in begins at 8:00am, with the morning session getting underway about 9:00am. Adult volunteers will have a variety of basic and intermediate training course from which to choose. Youth members of Scouts BSA troops will have a good selection of merit badges to aid in their advancement. The full course catalog will be available shortly on the Council website. So, save the date and plan to be a part of one of the largest Scouting events in the Kanawha Valley.

WEBELOS-REE

Adena District will be hosting its annual Webelos-ree the weekend of April 21-23 at Camp Arrowhead. This event is an overnight camping experience for Webelos and Arrow of Light scouts. This is NOT a family camp. Scouts will be working to complete the Outdoor Adventure requirement. An Induction to the Great Tribe of Webelos Ceremony will also be conducted Saturday evening. Watch for more detailed information on the Council website at www.buckskin.org/adena.

FISHING DERBY

Bring your pole. Bring some bait. Come out to catch “the BIG ONE” at Camp Arrowhead on Saturday, April 22, as we have our annual Fishing Derby. Enjoy a great morning of fishing at camp as we have trophies for the most fish caught and the biggest fish caught. We will also be giving away two rod and reel sets a door prizes. This is a no fee event sponsored by Adena District. Participants are asked to register online to give us an idea of how many will be attending.

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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
www.buckskin.org/chiefcornstalk

Chief Cornstalk Event Calendar

March

- 16. District Committee Meeting
- 18 Pinewood Derby, Wehrle Service Center
- 25 Univ of Scouting at WVSU, Institute

April

- 7 Good Friday – Council Office and Scout Shops Closed
- 15 Council Pinewood Derby
- 20 District Committee Meeting
- 28 District Camporee Scouts BSA
- 21-22 Spring Camporee

May

- 18 District Committee Meeting
- 19-21 Cub Scout Family Camp
- 29 Memorial Day - Service Center & Shops closed

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	Scott Dennison	

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

If you need any assistance with Unit re-chartering please contact Billy Bryant at 304-687-0476 to schedule an appointment. If you have any youth members that need financial assistance to continue their journey in Scouting please send Bill an email to bill.bryant@scouting.org.

District Pinewood Derby Race

Cub Scouts, bring your pinewood derby car to compete against other Scouts from all over Chief Cornstalk District. Is yours the fastest?

Chief Cornstalk District's Cub Scout Pinewood Derby is Saturday, March 18th at the Wehrle Service Center, 2829 Kanawha Blvd East, in Charleston. Check in begins at 10:00 am. Tagalongs and siblings are welcome to race also. This much fun needs to be shared!

There is no fee to race and walk-ins are welcome, but we ask you to register by Friday, March 17th, so we know how many racers to expect.

Register at www.buckskin.org/chiefcornstalk. We'll see at the starting line!

Kootaga District

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

Kootaga Event Calendar

March

- 2-3 Parkersburg Shop closed
- 9-10 Parkersburg Shop closed
- 14 District Committee mtg and Roundtable
- 25 Univ of Scouting at WVSU, Institute

April

- 7 Good Friday – Council Office and Scout Shops Closed
- 11 District Committee mtg and Roundtable
- 15 Council Pinewood Derby

May

- 9 District Committee mtg and Roundtable
- 29 Memorial Day - Service Center & Shops closed

Kootaga District Committee Meeting / Roundtable

The District Committee meeting is Tuesday, March 14th. District Meeting at 6:30 PM followed by Roundtable at 7 PM. We will once again be at the Scout Shop in Parkersburg conference room and on Zoom.

Committee Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 921 2829 6053

Passcode: 869342

Roundtable Zoom Info

Meeting ID: 961 9782 7074

Passcode: Kootaga

University of Scouting

The UoS returns to the campus of West Virginia State University at Institute, WV on Saturday, March 25. Check-in begins at 8:00am, with the morning session getting underway about 9:00am. Adult volunteers will have a variety of basic and intermediate training course from which to choose. Youth members of Scouts BSA troops will have a good selection of merit badges to aid in their advancement. The full course catalog is available on the Council website. Register today!

Camp Workdays

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.

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

Kootaga District Committee

District Chair	Vernon Criss	
District Commissioner	Christopher Burk	304-615-5648
District Executive	Michael Fletcher	xxxxxxxxxx
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

Kootaga District Pinewood Derby

Join us for a Day of Pinewood Derby Fun ! The Kootaga District Derby is at Wayside United Methodist Church Gym, 3001 Grand Central Ave. in Vienna, on Saturday, March 18th!

This Race will be the Qualifier for the Buckskin Council Championship. To Race in the Council race you MUST finish in the official District Race Top 3 or be the Overall #1 racer in your Pack Race.

The Kootaga District Derby is open to all registered scouts, leaders, and parents. We will feature lots of fun racing activities like Mayor's Cup Race, 2 Cub Tracks, and Open Class Racing.

The fee is \$5 per racer. Cub Scouts must select a time slot to race. Each time slot is limited to 25 Cub Scouts. Additional time slots may be opened if necessary.

Racers will race based on the group they register with! Sign up with your Pack to race against your pack or separately to race against random racers. All times will be recorded and the winner selected based on fastest times.

Register for your time slot at www.buckskin.org/kootaga.

Summer Camp Staff

Do you know someone who would make a great Summer Camp Staff Member for Camp Kootaga this summer? We have many positions available. We need lifeguards, merit badge instructors, program area directors, office, and trading post staff. You can get your application at www.buckskin.org/camping/scoutsbsacamp.

Family Friends of Scouting

Packs and Troops planning to have Blue & Gold Dinners and Troop Award Ceremonies, we would love to come and share information about our Council and District to your unit families. We do not do any hard sales; we just present information and ask anyone that would like to support the District and Council to continue in the work that we do to help Scouting in the Buckskin Council to do so. All we need is a few minutes to share. Thank you

Peanut Sale

It's that time again. Time to be "Nuts for Scouting." The sale begins February 1st and orders are due to the Council April 18th. We will have packets available with brochures for units that complete the commitment form. We are planning to do some top selling Scout prizes for each District. If you have questions, contact Michael Cidor.

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Mountain Dominion District

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

Mt Dominion Event Calendar

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

April

- 7 Good Friday – Council Office and Scout Shops Closed
- 21-23 Spring Camporee, Camp Roland

May

- 18 District Committee meeting
- 20 Spring Cub Fun Day, Camp Roland
- 29 Memorial Day - Service Center & Shops Closed

Important update on district events:

Please check the district website regularly for up to date information on 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. 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	Brian Blankenship	
Membership Chair	Kim Medley	540-235-6864
Family FOS Chair	Philip Ball	304-425-2196

District Awards and Recognition Dinner

Every year Mtn Dominion honors the achievements of our exceptional scouts and volunteers. This year the District Awards Dinner is March 11 from 6pm to 8pm at Coal Country Kandies and Café, 301 Mercer St, Princeton, WV.

Eagle Scouts from the Class of 2022 are invited to attend **free** in honor of their hard work and accomplishment. All other attendees are \$5 each plus the cost of the meal. Meals are \$8 plus tax & tips. Be prepared to pay for your meal at the restaurant. Everyone in the district is encouraged to come out and celebrate a great year of Scouting in Mtn Dominion District.

Register at www.buckskin.org/mtdominion.

Contact David Emanuel at 304-920-2781 if you have any questions or want to help.

District Pinewood Derby

The District Pinewood Derby is March 18. More information will be available as the details are confirmed. Want to help? Contact Carrie Kozikowski at 540-626-4242.

Save the Dates!

Our Scouts BSA Spring Camp at Camp Roland is April 21-23. More information to come. Contact Dan Trent if you'd like to help.

The Cub Scout Spring Camp is May 20th at Camp Roland. For more information, contact Carrie Kozikowski.

Seneca District

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

Seneca Event Calendar

March

- 18 District Pinewood Derby
- 25 University of Scouting at WVSU

April

- 7 Good Friday – Council Office and Scout Shops Closed
- 15 Council Pinewood Derby
- 20 District Committee meeting
- 21-22 Spring Camporee

May

- 18 District Committee meeting
- 19-21 Family Camp
- 29 Memorial Day - Service Center & Shops Closed

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

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 email it to

michael.cidor@scouting.org.

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

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	Lee Webb	
Venturing Chair	Dana McCorkle	304-573-4636

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Shawnee District

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michael.cidor@scouting.org
www.buckskin.org/shawnee

Shawnee District Event Calendar

March

- 16 District Committee mtg and Roundtable
- 18 District Pinewood Derby
- 25 University of Scouting at WVSU

April

- 7 Good Friday – Council Office and Scout Shops Closed
- 15 Council Pinewood Derby
- 16 Council-District Operations mtg (DCO)
- 20 District Committee mtg and Roundtable
- 28-29 Camporee

May

- 18 District Committee mtg and Roundtable
- 19-21 Cub Scout Family Camp
- 29 Memorial Day—Service center & Shops closed

Hello Shawnee District. I am Michael Cidor “Mike”, and I am now the District Director serving the Shawnee District. I have gotten to meet and know many of the volunteers in the district through either the Council Popcorn Sale, Peanut Sale, or other activities. I am a life long Scout and have been a Scouting Professional for now over 20 years. This is the sixth district I will have the pleasure of serving in my career. I look forward to working with you and being a resource to help you and your unit be successful. I will be working out of the Wehrle Scout Service Center, but if you need to reach me my contact information is below. Please let me know how I can help, and I look forward to getting to visit your unit and to know you all soon.

Mike Cidor

Office: 304-340-3663 Cell: 814-860-1562

Michael.Cidor@scouting.org

Spring Nut Sales

It's not too late if your unit wants to participate in the Spring Nut Sale and hasn't started yet. You can still get a packet of take order forms at any of the Scouts Shops or the Council Service Center. The sale runs through the middle of April with distribution at the end of April. It is an easy, profitable sale for Scouts to help earn their way to camp.

Key Dates for the sale are:

- February 1, 2023, Sale Begins
- April 18, 2023, Unit Nut & Patch Order Due to Council Service Center by Noon
- April 28-29, 2023, Distribution of Orders

Questions? Feel free to contact Michael Cidor at 304-340-3663 or on his cell phone at 814-860-1562. Thank you and we look forward to your Scouts having a wonderful experience this summer. Help your Scouts earn their way to camp this summer by participating in the 2023 Spring Nut Sale.

Shawnee District Committee

District Chair	Leo Lopez	304-419-4554
District Commissioner	Rosann Brooks	304-881-1042
District Director	Michael Cidor	814-860-1562
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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University of Scouting

The UoS returns to the campus of West Virginia State University at Institute, WV on Saturday, March 25. Check-in begins at 8:00am, with the morning session getting underway about 9:00am. Adult volunteers will have a variety of basic and intermediate training course from which to choose. Youth members of Scouts BSA troops will have a good selection of merit badges to aid in their advancement. The full course catalog is available on the Council website. So, register today and plan to be a part of one of the largest Scouting events in the Kanawha Valley.

Shawnee District Pinewood Derby

The District Pinewood Derby race is Saturday, March 18th at the H.B. Wehrle Service Center. Weigh in begins at 1:00 pm. The fee is \$5. Awards will be presented immediately after the race. Register at www.buckskin.org/shawnee.

Questions? Contact Mendi Craddock at 304-444-8669.

Summer Camp Staff

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Unit Charters

If you need any assistance with Unit re-chartering please contact Mike Cidor at 814-860-1562 to schedule an appointment. If you have any youth members that need financial assistance to continue their journey in Scouting, please send an email to Michael.Cidor@scouting.org.

KANAWHA TRACE 60th ANNIVERSARY HIKE

The Kanawha Trace Anniversary Hike will take place on the 21-23 of April 2023. All groups or individuals wishing to participate are requested to register no later than Friday the 3rd of April 2023. When you have registered a final packet of maps and detailed instructions will be either emailed/mailed to you. A meal package and various recognitions marking the anniversary are also available. Register on-line at <http://www.kanawhatrace.org/registration.html>. Details about the event and fees can be found in this issue of the Courier.

ADENA SPRING CAMPOREE

Save the date of April 28-30 for the Spring Camporee hosted by Adena District. Developing program around Forestry Merit Badge and Paul Bunyan Award. The camporee will be held at the Kanawha State Forest. Check-in will be Friday evening, Saturday morning will focus on the Forestry Merit Badge. After lunch, opportunities for scouts to earn the Paul Bunyan Award will occur, Scouts will be doing some trail work in forest as part of the award. Campfire Saturday evening will include a re-enactor. Camp will dismiss Sunday morning after chapel service. Registration details will be available at buckskin/adena.

BALOO COURSE

May 5 and 6 will be the dates for the next BALOO training course for Cub Scout Leaders interested in taking their pack or den on outdoor activities. Held at Camp Arrowhead, Ona, WV, scouters can learn the in's and out's of getting your Cubbies outside. There is an on-line module that participants need to complete prior to the in-person course. Training begins on Friday night about 7:00pm after check-in and camp setup. Training starts with breakfast on Saturday morning and continues until about 6:30pm that evening. The course is \$25.00 per person. This covers course material, cracker barrel on Friday night, along with breakfast and lunch on Saturday. Register online at buckskin/adena.

CUBMOBILE

The annual Cub Scout Cubmobile Derby will take place at Cabell Midland High School on Saturday, May 19. Weather permitting, test runs can be conducted Friday evening, May 18 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm at the school. Derby rules, ar specifications, and parental permission forms will be available on the website at buckskin/adena.

MEMORIAL DAY FLAG PLACEMENT

Memorial Day will be the last Monday in May. Scouts have a wonderful opportunity to demonstrate respect for our veterans by participating in flag placements at Golden Oaks Cemetery in Ashland and at Spring Hill Cemetery in Huntington. On Saturday, May 27, placement at Golden Oaks and Spring Hill begins at 9:00am (bring a screwdriver to help make a hole for the flag). Other opportunities may exist at a cemetery near you. Check with your local cemetery. Patches to the first 25 scouts participating at either Golden Oaks or Spring Hill.

Summer Camp 2023

Units who haven't done so, can still sign up for a Camp Site at Camp Kootaga. Visit www.buckskin.org/camping/scoutsbsacamp for weeks and sites available. We are planning to have a couple pre-camp leaders' meetings to discuss program plans and get feedback for the upcoming year.

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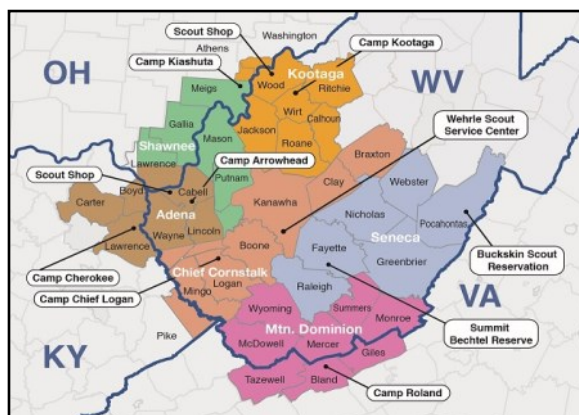
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Please send Acknowledgement To:

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Mail To: Buckskin Council, BSA

2829 Kanawha Blvd. E

Charleston, WV 25311

www.buckskin.org

SHAWNEE DISTRICT PINWOOD DERBY

SATURDAY MARCH 18

BUCKSKIN COUNCIL

**H. BERNARD WEHRLE, SR. SCOUT LEADERSHIP CENTER
2829 KANAWHA BLVD. E, CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA**



Open to all Cub Scouts!

Entry \$5.00

Weigh-In at 1:00pm

Awards following immediately

Please register online at www.buckskin.org

For questions, please call/text Mendi Craddock 304-444-8669

**All cars must follow the Buckskin Council Pinewood
Derby Rules (Revised December 2019)**

BUCKSKIN COUNCIL, BSA
ADENA DISTRICT
Pinewood Derby 2023

WHEN: **March 18, 2023**
Check-in begins 8:00 am
Racing begins about 9:00 am

WHERE: **Catlettsburg Elementary**
3501 Court St, Catlettsburg, KY

Car specifications can be found on the Council website – www.buckskin.org. See the Pinewood Derby logo on the right side of the main page.

Event will have 5 tracks.

Event is open to all Cub Scouts in Adena District. Cubs register without a fee.

Open Division for adults, leaders and siblings. Registration fee is \$5.00 per racer.

For more details, check the Adena District page on the website.





**KOOTAGA
DISTRICT
PINWOOD
DERBY**

MARCH 18, 2023

**WAYSIDE UMC 3001 Grand Central Ave.
Vienna, WV 26105**

Register online at: www.buckskin.org/kootaga

Join us for a Day of Pinewood Derby Fun !

The Kootaga District Derby is open to all registered scouts, leaders, and parents. We will feature lots of fun racing activities like Celebrity Race, Multiple Cub Tracks, and Open Class Racing

This Race will be the Qualifier for the Buckskin Council Championship.

All racers will race once on all lanes and the times will be recorded and the winner selected based on fastest total time.

If your into Pinewood Derby Racing please become a VOLUNTEER by contacting the District Racing Committee at fastantiques@gmail.com



Follow us on FACEBOOK @KootagaDistrictDerby

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LEARN MORE AND REGISTER AT **SUMMITBSA.ORG**

Buckskin Council, BSA
BASIC ADULT LEADER OUTDOOR ORIENTATION
MAY 5-6, 2023 – CAMP ARROWHEAD



BALOO is intended for new Cub Scout leaders or parent volunteers who have minimal camping experience but want to plan and carry out entry level outdoor experiences for the pack. The format for this training is an outdoor camping adventure. The course is designed to address a wide variety of topics which need to be considered when preparing for a Cub Scout outdoor activity. Some of the topics include Aims & Purposes, Planning, Campfire, Health & Safety, Equipment, Cooking, program ideas, and more.

Prior to taking the practical component, participants must have completed the online component. Both the online and the practical, must be completed in order to fulfill the “BALOO Trained” status. In the event the online component is not completed prior to the practical, the trained status is withheld until both components are successfully completed. The online portion is available through the BSA LearnCenter. Log onto my.scouting.org and select the BSA LearnCenter image on the right side of the home page.

The next course will be May 5-6 at Camp Arrowhead. Check-in begins Friday at 6:30pm. All participants are expected to arrive by 7:00pm. The course is planned to conclude by 6:30pm on Saturday. The course is \$25.00 per person. This covers course material, cracker barrel on Friday night, along with breakfast and lunch on Saturday.

You should bring a sleeping bag or blanket, flashlight & batteries, personal items, a notebook and pen or pencil. You may bring your own tent or use a tent provide by the camp. Dress for the weather – the course goes on rain or shine.

If you have questions about this course, please contact Sue Williams at 217-741-0900 or buzy2buzy@gmail.com.

Registration Deadline – Wednesday, May 3, 2023

BALOO REGISTRATION FORM –MAY 5-6, 2023

Name _____ Phone _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email Address _____

Pack # _____ Position _____ District _____

Detail any food allergies, please _____

Complete the registration form and return the form (registration to paid at check-in)

Buckskin Council, BSA, Attn : BALOO – Camp Arrowhead
2829 Kanawha Blvd. East
Charleston, WV 25311

Registration may also be completed using the Council website – www.buckskin.org

**NOMINATING FORM
FOR
ADENA DISTRICT AWARDS**

The Adena District provides this opportunity for all Scouts, Scouters and Friends of the Boy Scouts of America to express their appreciation to individuals throughout the District Scouting Program for their generous and dedicated service to the youth of our area.

Our program is successful only when dedicated, enthusiastic individuals join with others to support, plan, develop and put into action the wide variety of activities and programs which go to make up the Boy Scouts of America movement.

There are many ways to recognize dedicated service and The District Award Committee has provided a form to nominate the following awards: (1) Cubmaster of the Year, (2) Scoutmaster of the Year, and (3) Venture Leader of the Year, (4) Cub Scouter of the Year, and (5) Boy Scouter of the Year. (District Award of Merit nominations **MUST** be made on the separate BSA approved form.)

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I wish to nominate _____ for the _____

_____ award. This person has been active in Scouting for _____ years with

_____ Unit(s) as _____
(Position)

He/She has been instrumental or responsible for _____

_____.

List other: accomplishments, offices, training, etc. which you feel qualify your nominee for this award

Nominated by _____

Mail nominations to: Huntington Scout Shop, 1037 Sixth Avenue, Huntington, WV 25701

Forms are due to the District Executive by Wednesday, February 8, 2023.



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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