



## Camp Kootaga Scouts BSA Summer Camp

### Reserve Your Campsite Today!

The Buckskin Council is looking forward to Summer Camp in 2024. We are working hard on planning a 2024 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 2024 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. Reserve your troop's campsite by clicking on the week you want to attend. A \$100 deposit is due upon Unit Registration. This deposit is not an additional fee. It will go toward your total fee for camp. Be sure to set up a My-Council account, if you don't already have one. After you have entered your troop information, choose your preferred campsite by clicking the "SELECT CAMPSITE" button. You may then proceed through the Checkout process to complete your campsite reservation.

Summer Camp Schedule for Scouts BSA for 2024:

***Staff Week - June 9-15, 2024***

***Week 1 - June 16-22, 2024***

***Week 2 - June 23-29, 2024***

### Now Hiring Summer Camp Staff

Do you want to be part of the Summer Camp Staff for Camp Kootaga in 2024? 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 [bill.bryant@scouting.org](mailto:bill.bryant@scouting.org)

You can find the Camp Staff Application at [www.buckskin.org/camping/scoutsbsacamp](http://www.buckskin.org/camping/scoutsbsacamp).



### Scouts on Skis at Winterplace!

Bring your Scouts, family, friends, co-workers and neighbors and enjoy the day skiing on the beautiful slopes of West Virginia! Winterplace Ski Resort is located just 5 minutes off I-77, Exit 28 at Ghent/Flat Top, WV.

Sign up today for one Ski Day or **all** of them!

**Price \$80.00 (Save up to 50%) Includes:**

1. A Full Day Lift Ticket, open to close
2. Ski or Snowboard Rental Equipment (boots, poles, helmet)
3. 90-minute Beginner or Intermediate Group Lesson \*Minimum Age 8

#### **Add-ons:**

Meal voucher \$15.00 (New menu options)

Winterplace offers a 2-hour Snowtubing package for \$32.00 Availability is limited.

Register no later than 11:59 pm on the Thursday before your chosen Ski Day. Walk-in registrations on the day of the event will pay a late fee.

## Council Officers

President	John McGhee	304-552-1352
Commissioner	Matt Blackwood	304-552-8395
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VP Membership	Pete Roth	304-549-4496
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## Council Calendar

### January

1	New Year's Day - Service Center & Shops closed
7	Scout Ski Day at Winterplace
11	Executive Board meeting
13	Council-District Operations (CDO) meeting, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, Wehrle Service Center
13	Charleston Scout Shop open 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
15	Martin Luther King Jr Day - Service Center & Shops closed
20	Huntington Scout Shop open 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
21	Scout Ski Day at Winterplace

### February

4	Scout Ski Day at Winterplace
8	Executive Committee meeting
10	Charleston Shop open 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
17	Huntington Shop open 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
19	President's Day - Service Center & Shops Closed
25	Scout Ski Day at Winterplace

### March

9	Charleston Shop open 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
9	Marshall University Merit Badge College
14	Annual Executive Board Meeting
15-17	OA AIA/ICE Weekend, Camp Arrowhead
16	Huntington Scout Shop open 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
29	Good Friday - Service Center & Shops closed

### Council - District Operations Meeting (CDO)

**Saturday, January 13, 2024**

**10:00 am - 12:00 pm**

**H.B. Wehrle Service Center**

**2829 Kanawha Blvd**

**Charleston, WV**



## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Buckskin Council, BSA is seeking an individual to join the professional ranks by serving as a District Executive. Please see the attached position description on page 15 in the newsletter or go to **Indeed.com** search for **District Executive, Buckskin**.



Dear Scouters,

Retention is receiving a lot of attention these days. National BSA track this indicator and there is good reason. Retention measures how many Scouts stay in the program from one year to the next. It most directly affects membership growth, but the underlying **cause** of good or bad retention can be found in many areas.

The most obvious reason would seem to be a good quality program. If Scouts are having fun, and their parent's perceive good value in their child participating in Scouting, then they are much more likely to continue through the next year in Scouting. But there are many, many influencers in the quality of a Scouting program. Trained leaders, robust advancement, exciting outdoor program,

weekend camping, long term camping, recognition, good weekly meetings, and quality adult role models are some of the most important ones.

Why is retention important? Because we know for a fact that the longer a youth stays in Scouting, the more positive attributes he or she acquires. Scouts who are in for 5 or more years benefit more from the character development, citizenship training and physical and mental fitness that is Scouting. Also with increased tenure comes a more positive view of Scouting, which helps in recruiting.

Take a little time in your world of Scouting to look at ways to improve the retention of Scouts. Focus on one or more of the above listed influencers that you can help improve in your Cub Scout Pack, Scouts BSA Troop, or Venture Crew. The Scouts will benefit from your effort.

Good Scouting to you and yours,

**Jeffrey L. Purdy**

Scout Executive

## UNIVERSITY OF SCOUTING MERIT BADGE COLLEGE and ADULT TRAINING MARSHALL UNIVERSITY MERIT BADGE COLLEGE UPDATE

The UoS date has not been confirmed at present. The UoS will continue to be the largest adult training event in the Council as well as a major merit badge college event. As soon as the date is confirmed, we should be able to publish the course catalog.

The 2024 MUMBC will be on March 9, 2024, rather than the scheduled date on the Council planning calendar. It seems that the campus is hosting a number of academic events during February, which did not leave available dates or space for the merit badge college. The March 9 date was the earliest date that could be reserved for the event. The Marshall course catalog will be published shortly.

The course catalogs for these two events have been reviewed and compared with the intention of eliminating duplicate elective merit badges between the two merit badge colleges. A significant number of Eagle Required badges will be offered at each college.

## 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](http://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](http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/33720.pdf)

Nominations are due by January 5, 2024. Buckskin Council's Recognition Dinner is scheduled for March. More information to come.



## **HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS** **2024 WORLD TOUR**

Where, WHAT JUST HAPPENED?!? happens all the time!

Don't miss your chance to be a part of the world-famous Harlem Globetrotters global tour as they take the court with moments of extreme basketball innovation and unparalleled fan FUN! See the Globetrotter stars LIVE as they DRIBBLE, SPIN, SLAM, and DUNK their way past their relentless rivals, the Washington Generals! You'll be amazed by new levels of mind-blowing trick shots, expert ball-handling skills, and BIG LAUGHS with unrivaled opportunities for pre-game, post-game and in-game fan engagement!

The Harlem Globetrotters will be performing their on-court basketball magic Tuesday, March 26, in Charleston at the Coliseum, and Wednesday, March 27, in Huntington at Mountain Health Arena. Group ticket pricing is available for groups of 10 or more. Upgrade your experience with the Magic Pass. This 30-minute interactive pre-show experience is held 90 minutes before all Harlem Globetrotters games, and helps create lasting memories for you and your family. Groups do NOT pay on-line service fee.

Magic Pass full price is \$25, the group rate is \$20 and there are no fees for this ticket. To order group tickets for 10 or more call 813-417-3481 or email [info@grouptixs.com](mailto:info@grouptixs.com). Not a group of 10 or more - Purchase on-line with savings on your tickets by entering promo code:GRPGHI. Online tickets can be ordered at <https://www.ticketmaster.com/harlem-globetrotters-2024-world-tour-presented-huntington-west-virginia-03-27-2024/event/16005F2FB76627F2>. Online ticket fees will apply.

**DEADLINE TO ORDER: FRIDAY, 3/22/2024 at NOON (12pm EST)**

### **Instructions for On-Line Code:**

Find the date and time of the show you wish to attend.

Once the page with the seating map opens look in the upper right-hand side for "UNLOCK". Click on the "Unlock" - The passcode space will open. "Enter Offer Passcode" - This is where you enter the code GRPHGI. "Unlock" will turn navy blue - click "Unlock". You will now see the discount "SPECIAL OFFERS UNLOCKED" in green: Go to the seating map and locate the seats you are interested in, click on the BLUE DOTS to select the seats. When selecting the seats be sure to click the Blue "Add" button that shows the discount - "Special Offers" as shown above. You will need to add each seat one at a time. - Once you have completed your selection processed to checkout. If you need assistance, please call our office at 813-417-3481. Groups of 10 or more can also place your order directly with us and save on on-line fees.

## **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 7, 2024**

**Sunday, January 21, 2024**

**Sunday, February 4, 2024**

**Sunday, February 25, 2024**

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

- A full day (open to close) lift ticket
- Ski or Snowboard Rental Equipment
- A 90 minute group lesson customized to each participant's skiing level.
- A full set of ski rental equipment including helmet

NOTE: Meal Voucher NOT included in Ski Package

Add-ons and upgrades are available.

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

**Price: \$80 Ski Package**

**\$32 2 hour Tubing pkg**

**\$15 Meal Voucher**

Register Online at [www.buckskin.org](http://www.buckskin.org)  
or call 304-340-3663





# TAKHONEK LODGE

## ORDER OF THE ARROW, LODGE #617



A new year means new business. 2024 is looking to be a jam-packed year with the standard events and the addition of NOAC. Although the season of giving is over, a scout should always continue that spirit finding ways to give to their unit, chapter, lodge, and community.

### Winter Banquet

Before we jump into new business, let's take a quick look at the banquet. The event went off flawlessly. There was a high turnout, and Arrowmen got to spend time with one another. The 2024 lodge leadership was officially inducted. We also had the honor of hosting the Eastern Region Chief, Matt Carlson. Congratulations Kim Bennett, this year's Founder's Award recipient and to all award recipients, and good luck to this year's LEC.

### AIA/ICE Weekend

The first major outing for the lodge will be AIA/ICE weekend. It is a great chance to learn how to help with ceremonies or serve as an elongamat during the Fellowships. Registration will open sometime in January, and I encourage all to come out for the event.

### NOAC 2024

**Attention Arrowmen!** Sign-ups for NOAC 2024 are now open! NOAC 2024 will be held on the University of Colorado Boulder campus from July 29th to August 3rd. The cost for registration and transportation is \$1,200. More information about NOAC can be found at the NOAC 2024 website: <https://oa-bsa.org/program/events/noac>. To register for the Takhonek contingent, you can visit <https://www.buckskin.org/oa> or scan the QR code.



### 2024 Lodge Calendar

Date	Event	Location
March 15-17	AIA/ICE Weekend	Camp Arrowhead
April 5-7	Spring Ordeal/Brotherhood	Camp Kootaga
May 17-19	E13 Section Conclave	Manatoc Sc. Res., Peninsula, OH
July 29-Aug 3	NOAC 2024	Boulder, CO
August 10	Summer Picnic Pool Party	Camp Arrowhead
September 13-14	Vigil/Vigil Reunion	Summit SubCamp A
Oct. 4-6	Fall Ordeal/Brotherhood	Camp Arrowhead
November 1-3	Section E13 Forum	Camp Lazarus
November 16	Lodge Leadership Dev. (LLD)	Buckskin Council Office
December 14	Lodge Winter Banquet	Summit Pigott Dining Hall

### 2024 Dues

It is essential to remind you to pay your dues. You want to be allowed to go to events or buy merchandise, don't you? Go to <https://www.buckskin.org/oa> to pay your dues and buy your Fox Pass for 2024 or click on the QR code.



### Unit Elections

With the new year beginning, there is a new chance for new members to join our ranks. All troops are encouraged to hold OA elections if they have any eligible members. Chapters should be beating the bushes and contacting the units in their district to schedule unit elections.

### A Word from the New Chief

Hello! My name is Blake Blankenship, and I will be your 2024 Takhonek lodge chief! It was nice to meet all of you at the Winter Banquet and I am honored to serve you all. I am from Troop 1, Princeton WV, and got my Eagle back in August of 2022. I joined the Order of the Arrow during the fall fellowship of 2021. I then began my leadership experience working as the Hytone chapter chief where we created events, many work hours, and designed a new patch. I have many hobbies, but I mostly like to golf in my free time and enjoy the outdoors. I have many good ideas for the coming season of the lodge and look forward to working with my vice chiefs Sam Miller and Wyatt Dennison along with my secretary, Xander Dennison, and you all. We're excited to serve you as we make it a year to remember!

### 2024 Lodge Officers

Lodge Chief:	Blake Blankenship
VC Administration:	Sam Miller
VC Program:	Wyatt Dennison
Secretary:	Xander Dennison
Immediate Past Chief	Sarah Dudley

### 2023 Chapter Chiefs

Adena	Zach Dillon
Adjudimo	Xander Dennison
Hytone	Landon Palmer
Kootaga	Vacant
Seneca	Dawson Brown
Wapiti	Elijah Cavender

### 2023 Adult Advisers

Lodge Adviser	David Duncan	david.duncan@suddenlink.net
Assoc. Adviser Admin.	Steve Young	steveyoungOA@gmail.com
Assoc. Adviser Prog.	Jeff Estep	jkestep136@gmail.com
Assoc. Adviser Summit	George Soltis	gm.soltis@gmail.com
Staff Adviser	Billy Bryant	bill.bryant@scouting.org

### Chapter Advisers

Adena	Jon Keelin	adena617oa@gmail.com
Adjudimo	Scott Dennison	scott.dennison@outlook.com
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

### 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.

**To schedule training, contact a member of our council training team.**

<b>Council Chair</b>	Sue Williams	buzy2buzy@gmail.com 217-741-0900
<b>Council Vice Chair</b>	Carol McCarthy	designsbycarol@gmail.com 703-587-4453
<b>Adena</b>	Sue Williams	buzy2buzy@gmail.com
<b>Chief Cornstalk</b>	TBD	
<b>Kootaga</b>	Pete Conklin	wpconklin@gmail.com 304-455-5064
<b>Mtn Dominion</b>	Daren Law	marshall.d.law@gmail.com 540-235-6467
<b>Seneca</b>	Carol McCarthy	designsbycarol@gmail.com
<b>Shawnee</b>	Rosann Brooks	rosann1030@aol.com



### National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)

National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) is a week-long course at Camp Arrowhead, Ona, WV, that gives Scouts and Venturers the methods, skills and experience to become better leaders in their unit. The course centers around the concepts of what leaders must **be**, what they must **know**, and what they must **do**; with a clear focus on how to accomplish this.

**The cost is \$300 per youth, which includes: an NYLT field T-shirt, all meals and all course materials. A \$75 deposit is required. We will only be able to accept 48 participants for this course. Please register no later than June 10, 2024. Late fee will be \$325.00.**

#### Who can attend?

- All eligible Scouts BSA and Venturing youth who wish to improve their leadership skills. To attend the course, you must have a unit leader recommendation.
- **Scouts:** Must be 13 or older by June 2024 and First Class, or a member of a Crew, Ship, or Post, must be 14 and have completed the 8<sup>th</sup> grade
- Scouts BSA must not be 18 years old and Venturers must not be 21 years old by the last day of the course.

#### What Participants will learn:

Communications  
Problem Solving  
Ethical Decision-Making  
Servant Leadership  
Scouting EDGE  
Working with Adult leaders & Youth in Administrative Areas

Team Development  
Presentation Making  
Resolving Conflict  
Setting Goals

All youth must complete a current BSA Annual Medical Examination (Parts A, B1, B2 & C)

**Questions? Contact Course Director Del Stonestreet at [rds2s@aol.com](mailto:rds2s@aol.com)**

**Or Rosann Brooks at [rosann1030@aol.com](mailto:rosann1030@aol.com)**

*The staff of the Buckskin Council  
wishes good health, good cheer,  
and abundant blessings to everyone in  
our Scouting family!*

# Adena District

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

## Adena Event Calendar

### January

- 1 Scout Office and Shops Closed
- 4 Roundtable, 6:30 pm, The Gathering Place
- 13 Council District Operations Mtg – 10:00am-noon
- 15 MLK Jr Day - Service Center & Shops Closed
- 18 District Committee, 6:00 pm
- 19-21 WV Hunting & Fishing Show
- 26-28 Klondike Camporee

### February

- 1 Roundtable – 6:30pm
- 4 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace
- 15 District Committee – 6:00pm
- 19 President's Day - Office & Shops Closed
- 24 Winter Fun Day
- 25 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace

### March

- 7 Roundtable – 6:30pm
- 9 MU Merit Badge College – 8:30am-4:00pm
- 16 Huntington Shop Open – 9:00am-1:00pm
- 16 Adena Pinewood Derby – 8:00am
- 21 District Committee – 6:00pm
- 29 Good Friday - Office & Shops Closed
- 31 Easter Sunday

### 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.

### SCOUT SHOP OPERATIONS

The Council Office and all Scout Shops are closed January 1 for New Years Day and January 15 for Martin Luther King Day. The Huntington Shop is scheduled to be open the following Saturdays – Jan 20, Feb 17, and Mar 16.

## Adena District Committee

District Chair	vacant	
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	vacant	
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.**

### UNIT RE-CHARTERING BEGINS

Units with charters expiring Jan 31 and Feb 29, may re-charter just as they have in prior years. The online re-charter process can be done using My.Scouting. Any of the unit Key 3 members may enter the information. The Committee Chair or Charter Org Rep may approve the charter, accepting the adults listed. Units re-chartering in March will use a slightly different process. More information regarding re-chartering after Feb 29 will be detailed soon.

All unit Key 3 members should be reviewing the adults to be registered to verify that each has current YPT, which will prevent the system from completing your unit's re-charter. Keep in mind that youth and adults who have joined August 1 or later, will not pay any membership fees during your January or February re-charter. These members paid a full year membership fee when they joined.

### SCOUT SKI DAYS

The Winterplace Ski Dates have been announced for 2024. These dates include Jan 7, Jan 21, Feb 4 and Feb 25. The \$80 Scouting package includes the all-day lift ticket, ski or snowboarding equipment (boots, poles, skis and helmet) and a 90 minute group lesson. Upgrades are available for a meal voucher (\$15) and/or 2-hour snowtubing option (\$32). Registrations and ticket purchase must be made by the Thursday before the event date to receive the \$80 rate.

**(Adena District - continued on page 13)**

# Chief Cornstalk District

Serving: Logan, Boone Mingo Kanawha, Braxton & Clay Counties in WV  
& Pike County in Ky.  
[bill.bryant@scouting.org](mailto:bill.bryant@scouting.org)  
[www.buckskin.org/chiefcornstalk](http://www.buckskin.org/chiefcornstalk)

## Chief Cornstalk Event Calendar

### January

- 1 Scout Office and Shops Closed
- 13 Council District Operations Mtg (CDO) – 10:00am-noon
- 15 MLK Jr Day - Service Center & Shops Closed
- 26 Cranberry Glades Winter Camporee

### February

- 4 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace
- 15 District Committee – 6:00pm
- 19 President's Day - Office & Shops Closed
- 25 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace

### March

- 9 MU Merit Badge College – 8:30am-4:00pm
- 16 District Pinewood Derby
- 21 District Committee Meeting
- 29 Good Friday - Office & Shops Closed
- 31 Easter Sunday

### Cornstalk District Committee

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 a District Events.

### 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 an email to

[bill.bryant@scouting.org](mailto:bill.bryant@scouting.org)

### Cranberry Glades Winter Camporee

The winter camporee will be at the Cranberry Glades January 19-21. The cost is \$5.00 per person. For more information call Billy Bryant @304-687-0476 or Steve Berkhouse @ 304-547-1890.

## 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		
Marketing Chair		
Cub Day Camp	Kara Cvechko	304-573-6720
Cub Day Camp	Alicyn Spencer	304-380-4167
District Chaplain	Danny Pauley	304-561-7666
OA Chapter Advisor	Scott Dennison	

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

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Swope Construction Company**

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**Boyd Machinery**

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**Moses Auto Group**

**The Mountain Company**

**Steel of WV**



# Kootaga District

Serving: Wood, Jackson, Wirt, Roane, Ritchie, Calhoun counties in WV,  
and the communities of Belpre, Little Hocking, and Coolville in Ohio/  
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[www.buckskin.org/kootaga](http://www.buckskin.org/kootaga)

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- 31 Easter Sunday

### THE SIGNIFICANCE OF ROUNDTABLE

We probably all can agree that Scouting has seen some major changes over the past five years. Some good, some debatable and some yet to be realized either way. But no matter what the changes have been, one thing has remained constant, the value leaders and volunteers bring to the program. You are the energy that drives your unit. And the Commissioner Corp and Roundtables are here to help keep you up to speed. But Roundtables aren't just about presenting program changes, reminders and updates. They're about networking. They're about connecting and sharing diverse solutions to common challenges. They're about giving unit leaders the skill to do and the will to do what is needed to ensure that every member of every unit has a great Scouting experience. I do realize that attending Roundtable can be a challenge due to conflicts with unit meetings, other events or lack of access to a computer or internet to attend via Zoom. If that is the case, please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly with any questions, concerns or comments you may have. I'll answer what I can and find the answers if I can't. And I will most likely include those answers in the next Roundtable because if you have that question, someone else probably does as well.

Christopher Burk  
District Commissioner

## Kootaga District Committee

District Chair	Vernon Criss	
District Commissioner	Christopher Burk	304-615-5648
Field Director	Billy Bryant	304-340-3663
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

### DISTRICT RECOGNITION DINNER

Please make plans to join us 6:00pm, Tuesday February 6 at Mt. Pleasants United Methodist Church, 62 Turkey Foot Road, Mineral Wells, WV 26150 to renew old friendships and make new ones with the many leaders and units that have played a major role in helping shape the future of the youth in our community. We look forward to reconnecting as well as taking time to recognize deserving nominees from our District for a variety of honors from outstanding first year Leader to the District's highest honor, the "District Award of Merit". The cost is \$5 per person, \$8 per couple, or \$24 per table of six. Dinner will be provided. We just ask you to bring a dessert to share with 6 - 8 people. You may register on the Buckskin website or at the Parkersburg Scout Shop.

### 2024 Klondike Derby

A great local Scouting tradition continues, with the upcoming 2024 Kootaga Klondike Derby. This year's theme is "Camp Dog Races", as our favorite (and fluffy) Klondike junior Ranger Odin lends a paw to help us plan and deliver on great sled-race themed activities. The Derby will be held from January 26th - the 28th at Camp Kootaga.

Attendee registration information is available on the Buckskin website, and if you're interested in signing up to help with events, please go to

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090E4EADA929A6F58-46098585-kootaga#/>

Cost is \$15 per attendee, includes overnight camping on Friday and Saturday, Saturday hot lunch and an event patch. Note: cabin or Adirondack accommodations available for an additional fee, contact the Parkersburg Scout Office for details.

# Mountain Dominion District

Serving: Monroe, Mercer, McDowell, Summers & Wyoming Counties in WV;  
Giles, Bland & Tazewell Counties in VA  
Samuel.bosley@scouting.org  
[www.buckskin.org/mtdominion](http://www.buckskin.org/mtdominion)

## Mt Dominion Event Calendar

### January

- 1 Scout Office and Shops Closed
- 7 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace
- 13 Council District Operations Mtg – 10:00am-noon
- 15 MLK Jr Day - Service Center & Shops Closed
- 20 Swim-O-Ree, Bluefield State University
- 21 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace

### February

- 4 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace
- 9-11 Klondike Derby Camporee Pipestem State Park
- 15 District Committee meeting
- 19 Presidents' Day - Service Center & Shops closed
- 25 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace

### March

- 16 District Pinewood Derby
- 17 District Recognition Dinner
- 21 District Committee meeting
- 29 Good Friday - 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/](http://www.buckskin.org/)

### Swim-O-Ree

This will take place on January 20<sup>th</sup> starting at 9am.  
The event will happen at the indoor pool facility at Bluefield State University.  
You will be able to take your swim test for summer camp.  
Work on the swimming and lifesaving merit badges (knock off several requirements)  
Lunch will be provided if you pre-register before January 16<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$10 at the door.  
Please call Dan Trent or Brian Blankenship if you have any questions!  
[dantrent@comcast.net](mailto:dantrent@comcast.net) or 276-964-2959  
[blankenshipbrian1@gmail.com](mailto:blankenshipbrian1@gmail.com) or 304-888-2842

### District Klondike Derby at Pipestem

We will have our annual Klondike Derby from February 9<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup> at the campground of Pipestem State Park.  
Cost, time, and events are to be determined.  
Come prepared for some cold weather and a fun time!

## Mt. Dominion District Committee

District Chair	Brian Blankenship	304-888-2842
District Commissioner	Jason Anderson	304-960-1096
District Executive	Samuel Bosley	304-573-5499
Cub Scout Prog Chair	Carrie Kozikowski	540-626-7929
Scouts BSA Prog Chair	Dan Trent	276-322-3911
Venture Prog Chair	Tim Wallace	276-963-0525
Training Chair	Daren Law	540-235-6467
Advancement Chair	Barry Nowlin	304-487-5632
Popcorn Chair	Trey Aliff	304-308-0405
OA Chapter Advisor	Brian Blankenship	304-888-2842
Membership Chair	vacant	
Religious Emb. Coordinator	Bill Fuzia	503-440-5185

### Take advantage of a scout night at the Berglund Center in Roanoke, Virginia!

The Railyard Dawgs will have a scout night where scouts can take in a hockey game for a cheap price of \$13 per ticket. (online purchase only)

The scout day will take place on February 10<sup>th</sup>. Puck drop will be at 7:05pm. Parking will be an additional \$5.

Troops/units will be allowed to take pictures on the team benches after the game.

Email [warren@railyarddawgs.com](mailto:warren@railyarddawgs.com) or call 540-853-6823 for any questions.

### Scout Ski Days at Winterplace

Special Ski Package deal! The price will be \$80 which includes a full day of skiing (open to close), ski or snowboard rental equipment and a customized 90-minute Group lesson (minimum age for the lessons is 8 yrs. old).

Snowtubing package for only \$32.

Please see the flyer for available times!

Meal voucher \$15 (optional)

Please, pre-register (304) 340-3663 or go to [www.buckskin.org](http://www.buckskin.org)

You must register and purchase your ticket by Thursday before the event to receive the \$80 rate.

### District Meeting

The next district meeting will be held at Stinson United Methodist Church on January 18<sup>th</sup>! The roundtable will begin at 6:30 with the district meeting following at 7:15 pm.



# Seneca District

Serving: Fayette, Raleigh, Nicholas, Webster, Greenbrier and Pocahontas Counties in WV  
Samuel.bosley@scouting.org  
[www.buckskin.org/seneca](http://www.buckskin.org/seneca)

## Seneca Event Calendar

### January

- 1 Scout Office and Shops Closed
- 2 District Committee meeting
- 7 Scout Ski Day Winterplace
- 13 Council District Operations Mtg – 10:00am-noon
- 15 MLK Jr Day - Service Center & Shops Closed
- 21 Scout Ski Day Winterplace

### February

- 4 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace
- 6 District Committee meeting
- 9-11 Klondike Derby with Mtn. Dominion Pipestem
- 19 Presidents' Day - Service Center & Shops closed
- 25 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace

### March

- 5 District Committee meeting
- 29 Good Friday - Service Center & Shops closed

### District Committee Meeting

The district meeting will take place on January 2<sup>nd</sup> on zoom! The meeting begins at 7PM. Come ready to discuss the latest on what is happening in the district!

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## Seneca District Committee

District Chair	Frank Jorgensen	
District Commissioner	Lori Hindson	304-237-7413
District Executive	Samuel Bosley	304-573-5499
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

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

A sincere *Thank You* to our

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# Shawnee District

Serving: Putnam, Mason, western Kanawha Counties, WV; Gallia and Meigs Counties, OH  
michael.cidor@scouting.org  
[www.buckskin.org/shawnee](http://www.buckskin.org/shawnee)

## Shawnee District Event Calendar

### January

- 1 Scout Office and Shops Closed
- 7 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace
- 13 Council District Operations Mtg – 10:00am-noon
- 15 MLK Jr Day - Service Center & Shops Closed
- 21 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace

### February

- 4 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace
- 19 Presidents' Day - Service Center & Shops closed
- 25 Scout Ski Day at Winterplace

### March

- 16 District Pinewood Derby
- 21 District Committee meeting
- 29 Good Friday - Service Center & Shops closed

### Council District Operations Meeting

Buckskin Council will hold the first CDO meeting of the new year on Saturday, January 13, 2024, from 10am to noon at the Scout Service Center at 2829 Kanawha Blvd. E. in Charleston. At this meeting we discuss and plan the upcoming events like Cub Scout Day Camps and Training. If you would like to join us and help, be a part of the process, contact your District Executive for more information.

### 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](mailto:Michael.Cidor@scouting.org). For units rechartering in March through June, your process will be different than in the past and we will be sharing information in the coming month or so on how it will all work.

### Shawnee District Committee

The Meeting is the Third Thursday of each month at 6:30 PM. Anyone can attend help plan upcoming events and receive information about the Council and District activities. Contact Mike Cidor or Leo Lopez for more information. Find zoom meeting information at [www.buckskin.org/shawnee-events/shawnee-district-committee-meetings/](http://www.buckskin.org/shawnee-events/shawnee-district-committee-meetings/)

### Now Hiring Summer Camp Staff

Do you want to be part of the Summer Camp Staff for Camp Kootaga in 2024? 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 [bill.bryant@scouting.org](mailto:bill.bryant@scouting.org) or [michael.cidor@scouting.org](mailto:michael.cidor@scouting.org). You can find the Camp Staff Application at [www.buckskin.org/camping/scoutsbsacamp](http://www.buckskin.org/camping/scoutsbsacamp).

## 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)	vacant	
Advancement Chair	Debbie Slack	304-340-3663
Program Chair	Mike Lamb	304-590-1354
Cub Program Chair	Diana Castle	
Camping Chair	Barry Lindley	
SBSA Scout Roundtable	Gerry Stover	
Cub Scout Roundtable	Colleen Sergeant	304-552-0297
Product Sales	David Duncan	304-541-7559
Membership Chair	Traci Hudson	304-382-9679
OA Chapter Advisor	David Duncan	304-541-7559

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For more information about NYLT or to register, please visit <https://www.buckskin.org/training-events/national-youth-leadership-training-nylt-3/> and to schedule a visit from our leadership team, please contact either Del Stonestreet at [rds2s@aol.com](mailto:rds2s@aol.com) or Rosann Brooks at [rosann1030@aol.com](mailto:rosann1030@aol.com)

### Announcing Buckskin Council's

#### Scouts on Skis at Winterplace!

Bring your Scouts, family, friends, co-workers and neighbors and enjoy the day skiing on the beautiful slopes of West Virginia! Sign up today for one Ski Day or all of them! January 7, 2024, January 21, 2024, February 4, 2024 or February 25, 2024.

**Price \$80.00 (Save up to 50%)**

**Includes:** A Full Day Lift Ticket, open to close; Ski or Snowboard Rental Equipment (boots, poles, helmet); 90-minute Beginner or Intermediate Group Lesson \*Minimum Age 8

**Meal voucher \$15.00 (New menu options)**

Register at [www.buckskin.org](http://www.buckskin.org) no later than 11:59 pm on the Thursday before your chosen Ski Day. Walk-in registrations on the day of the event will pay a late fee.

Winterplace offers a 2-hour Snowtubing package for \$32.00



### **POPCORN CELEBRATION**

For those scouts able to sell \$650 or more during the popcorn sale, you have earned a spot at our annual Popcorn Celebration. Leaders are asked to submit a list of scouts from their pack or troop who sold \$650 (total sales – take order, on-line orders, or Show ‘n Sell). Carl will use these lists from each unit to send invitations to the scouts who have qualified for the celebration event. If you sold \$650 or more in popcorn, watch for your invitation in the mail.

### **KLONDIKE**

The Adena Klondike will be January 26-28, 2024, at Camp Arrowhead. The event is open to troops from other districts. The focus of this Klondike will be Search and Rescue. Participants will work on the requirements for the merit badge, which we hope to complete this weekend. Things get underway Friday evening with check-in beginning at 6:00pm. Campsites will be assigned based on unit size. Some campsite sharing may be necessary. In the event of severe weather during the event, buildings in camp will be used as shelters as well. Each unit needs a sled, patrol first aid kit and warm clothing. The Saturday evening meal will be shared together in the Dining Hall. All cooking is to be done outside. Detailed information will be posted on the district webpage when available – buckskin.org/adena.

### **UNIVERSITY OF SCOUTING**

The winter may not seem like a good Scouting time, but winter months bring about two of the largest Scouting events we conduct each year – the University of Scouting and the Marshall University Merit Badge College. March 9 will be the date for the Marshall University Merit Badge College. The catalog will be published shortly. University of Scouting and WVSU Merit Badge event is being planned.

### **DISTRICT DINNER**

Plans are being finalized for the Adena District Dinner. Silver Beaver Award nominations can be made now. Nominees can be from any district in the Council. Award of Merit nominations can also be made but are limited to Adena District volunteers. Scoutmaster, Scouter, Cubmaster and Cub Scouter of the Year nominations can also be made now.

The 2023 Class of Eagle Scouts from the district will be recognized at the dinner. Watch for information about registering for the event.

### **WINTER FUN DAY**

Saturday, February 24 will be our Winter Fun Day across the Council. This special “no fee event” will be in Charleston and include a hot dog lunch at the Council Service Center. Listen for the special announcement about this special event coming soon.

**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:**

<b>Charleston Shop</b>	<b>Huntington Shop</b>
Jan 13	Jan 20
Feb 10	Feb 17
March 9	March 16
April 13	April 20
May 11	May 18



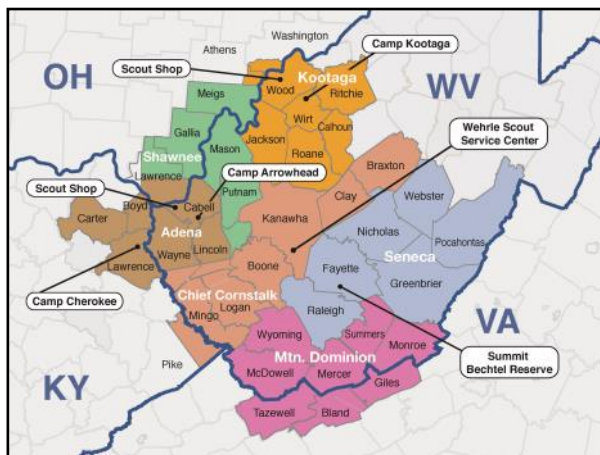
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### THE MEMORIAL TRIBUTE FUND

A lasting way to remember someone you care about.

The Buckskin Council offers an excellent way to remember a Scout, family member, Scout volunteer, friend or community leader, through the Tribute fund. All funds received go to the operating cost in the year they are given. Anyone may, however, designate the donations for a specific purpose. (In Memory Of, Anniversary, Happy Birthday, Get well.)  
Other \_\_\_\_\_

#### Please send Acknowledgement To:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail To: Buckskin Council, BSA  
2829 Kanawha Blvd. E  
Charleston, WV 25311

[www.buckskin.org](http://www.buckskin.org)

## **Buckskin Council, BSA      District Executive Field Position**

District Service Territory: Calhoun, Jackson, Ritchie, Roane, Wirt, Wood counties in West Virginia and several communities in Athens and Washington counties in Ohio.

### **Scouting Overview**

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.

### **Job Summary**

The district executive lives in and serves as the manager and operating officer of the district and is responsible for the effective organization, operation, and promotion of the council program within the district. The district executive is responsible for the achievement of district objectives, including the goals. This person will work with volunteer staff to fulfill their functions and facilitate the optimum collaboration between the district and the council. The applicant must have at least a 4-year bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university (transcript with the date degree conferred stated is required for employment).

### **Essential Duties**

- Work with a unit and district level volunteer and other community and business leaders to identify, recruit, train, guide, and inspire them to become involved in youth programs.
  - Achieve progress towards specific goals and objectives which include program development through collaborative relationships, volunteer recruitment and training, fundraising, membership recruitment and retention.
  - Be responsible for extending programs to religious, civic, fraternal, educational, and other community-based organizations through volunteers.
  - Secure adequate financial support for programs in assigned area. Achieve net income and participation objectives for assigned camps and activities.
  - Recruit leadership for finance campaign efforts to meet the financial needs of the organization.
  - Ensure that all program sites are served through volunteers, regular leader meetings, training events and activities.
  - Collaborate with adult volunteers and oversee achievement of training for their respective role.
  - Be a good role model and recognize the importance of working relationships with other professionals and volunteers. The executive must have communication skills and be able to explain the program's goals and objectives to the public.
  - Provide quality service through timely communication, regular meetings, training events and activities.
  - Have a willingness and ability to devote long and irregular hours to achieve council and district objectives.
- Fulfill additional council staff assignments as requested.

### **Desired Skills**

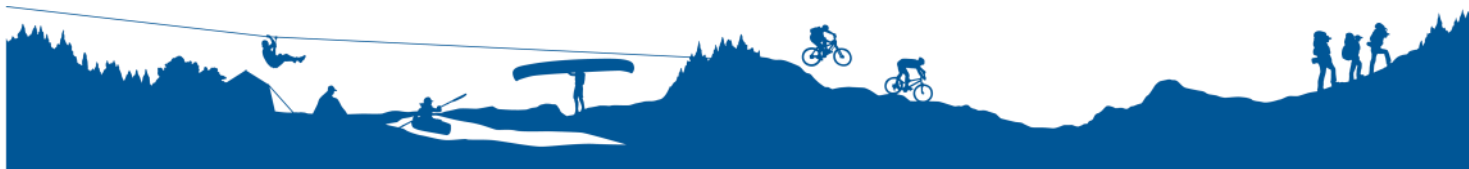
- Strong marketing, fund-raising and program development background is highly desired.
- Non-profit, fundraising or sales experience is a plus.
- Must be comfortable with public speaking and interacting with diverse audiences. Excellent people skills, enthusiastic, punctual, responsible, and creative.
- Self-motivated individual with solid time management skills and strong organizational skills in management, budgeting, and planning. Committed to personal and professional productivity, while maintaining high ethical and professional working standards.

### **Requirements:**

- Must be willing to accept and meet the Boy Scout of America's leadership and membership standards and subscribe to the Scout Oath and Law.
- Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university (transcript with the date degree conferred stated is required for employment).
- Attained 21 years of age or older unless prohibited by any applicable law.
- Ability to work varied hours when necessary, evening activities and weekend work is frequently required to achieve positive objectives.
- Ability to travel for training at least once a year for one to two weeks.
- Ability to travel throughout the assigned territory and provide service and support to volunteers in the assigned counties.
- A Scouting background is helpful but not required for employment.
- Monday to Friday, Evenings, Weekend availability
- Have you reached 21 years of age or older unless prohibited by any applicable law?
- Must possess a valid driver's license, the ability to be insured, and able to be travel in assigned territory and live within the assigned area.

**Education:** Bachelor's Degree (Required)

**Salary Range:**      \$38,000 - \$44,000





# Special Ski Program Buckskin Council



**Special Price \$80, Save Up To 50%**  
**January 7, January 21, February 4 & 25**

## **Ski Package Includes:**

- A full day (open to close) Lift Ticket
- Ski or Snowboard Rental Equipment (boots, poles, skis)
- Helmet
- Customized 90-minute Group Lesson (minimum age for a group lesson is 8)

## **2023-24 Upgrades:**

- **Meal Voucher \$15**  
(New menu options.)
- **Snowtubing \$32**  
Available Sessions:  
9AM-11AM, 11AM-1PM,  
3PM-5PM, 5PM-7PM, 7PM-9PM  
(1PM-3PM Session Not Available)

**Pre-Register: (304)340-3663    [www.buckskin.org](http://www.buckskin.org)**

**Bring your family, friends, co-workers and neighbors!**

Pre-register and purchase your ticket by Thursday before the event to receive the \$80 rate. Your family, friends and neighbors qualify for this special rate.





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**Tuesday, March 26, 2024 at 7:00pm**

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**813-417-3481 or [info@grouptixs.com](mailto:info@grouptixs.com)**

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**MOUNTAIN HEALTH ARENA/ HUNTINGTON, WV**

**Wednesday, March 27, 2024 at 7:00pm**

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# National Youth Leadership Training

## July 14 - 19, 2024

### Camp Arrowhead

#### What is NYLT?

It is a week-long course at Camp Arrowhead, Ona, WV, that gives Scouts and Venturers the methods, skills and experience to become better leaders in their unit. The course centers around the concepts of what leader must **be**, what they must **know**, and what they must **do**; with a clear focus on how to accomplish this.

**The cost is \$300 per youth, which includes: an NYLT field T-shirt, all meals and all course materials. A \$75 deposit is required. We will only be able to accept 48 participants for this course. Please register no later than June 10, 2024. Late fee will be \$325.00.**

#### Who can attend?

- All eligible Scouts BSA and Venturing youth who wish to improve their leadership skills. To attend the course, you must have a unit leader recommendation.
- **Scouts:** Must be 13 or older by June 2024 and First Class, or a member of a Crew, Ship, or Post, must be 14 and have completed the 8<sup>th</sup> grade.
- Scouts BSA must not be 18 years old and Venturers must not be 21 years old by the last day of the course.

#### What Participants will learn

- |                           |                                                            |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| • Communications          | Team Development                                           |
| • Problem Solving         | Presentation Making                                        |
| • Ethical Decision-Making | Working with Adult leaders & Youth in Administrative Areas |
| • Resolving Conflict      | Servant Leadership                                         |
| • Setting Goals           | Scouting EDGE                                              |

All youth must complete a current BSA Annual Medical Examination (Parts A, B1, B2 & C)

Questions? Email the Course Director, Del Stonestreet at [rds2s@aol.com](mailto:rds2s@aol.com)

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Scout Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Number: \_\_\_\_\_ T- Shirt Size (Adult sizes): \_\_\_\_\_

Return this form to the Buckskin Council Office to complete registration and submit payment.

**BUCKSKIN COUNCIL, BSA  
ADENA DISTRICT**

**2024 KLONDIKE DERBY**  
**January 26 to 28, 2024**  
**Camp Arrowhead**



What kind  
of weather  
will we have??



Adena District will host a Klondike the last weekend in January. The focus will be on the Search and Rescue Merit Badge. This Leader's Guide will provide you information about the activities at this event and how to register. The Klondike is open to all troop and crews.

#### Camping Arrangements

The Klondike will offer camping in one of the campsites or in one of the buildings on site. Units may specify their preference for inside or outside camping. Camping assignments will be made based on the unit size and in/out preference. In case of severe weather, all units will be offered an inside location. Units may be required to share campsites, both inside and outside.

#### Cooking Arrangements

All cooking will be done outside. Each unit is responsible for their own meals. All units are invited to share their Saturday evening meal in the Dining Hall. Units should prepare what they have planned for their evening meal, bring their meal to the dining hall, and share in some scout fellowship.

#### Klondike Derby Sled Plan

For those who may not have built a Klondike Sled, the next page provides a simple plan for the construction of a sled. Feel free to use these and modify as you may wish.

Camporee Fee – register via the Council website – [buckskin.org/adena](http://buckskin.org/adena)

- Youth fee – outside camping \$8.00 per scout
- Youth fee – inside camping \$9.00 per scout
- Adult fee – no charge for first two, \$4.00 for others



**WEATHER IS GOING  
TO BE GREAT FOR  
KLONDIKE DERBY  
WEEKEND OF  
JANUARY 26 AT  
CAMP KOOTAGA**

**KOOTAGA KLONDIKE  
CAMP DOG RACES**



*Great recruiting opportunity for your Scout Unit. Invite friends to help your unit design and build a sled, hone your Klondike Derby skills and learn about Scouting. Use the peer to peer cards available at the Scout office to invite your friends.*



**WWW.BUCKSKIN.ORG**

**KOOTAGA DISTRICT BUCKSKIN COUNCIL**



## **KOOTAGA DISTRICT AWARDS DINNER**

**February 6, 2024  
Mt. Pleasant UMC  
[www.buckskin.org](http://www.buckskin.org)**







bsawinterfest.org | BSAWinterfest | bsawinterfest



Talk to your unit so you will be ready when online registration opens. Updated information will be posted at [www.bsawinterfest.org](http://www.bsawinterfest.org) & on Facebook/Instagram as it becomes available.



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## WHO SHOULD ATTEND?:

Youth (14-21), Venturing Crews, Sea Scouts, Explorer Posts, and Scouts BSA Troops (14+ only please)

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## HIGHLIGHTS:

- Competitions:
  - Fire and EMS
  - Law Enforcement
  - Team Sports
  - Aquatic Events
- STEM
- Climbing
- Shooting Sports
- Sports Tournaments, & MORE

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## DATES TO REMEMBER:

**January 19, 2024** – early registration ends

**February 2, 2024** – online registration closes

# FEBRUARY 9-11, 2024

GATLINBURG, TN

Winterfest is hosted by the Northeast Georgia Council, BSA

### PARTICIPANT PRICE

Youth (14-21): \$55 per youth if paid by January 19, 2024.  
After January 19th, the price is \$65 per youth.  
At the door price is \$70.

### VISITOR PRICE

All others (Adults/youth 5-13): \$10 per adult/visitor if paid by January 19, 2024. After January 19th, the price is \$15. At the door price is \$20.



## What is Wood Badge?

Reflecting the best of nearly a century of Scouting experience, Wood Badge draws upon the most current leadership models used by corporate America, academic circles and successful organizations throughout the country.

Wood Badge training was begun by Baden Powell in 1919 as a way to insure that the leaders of Scout troops were properly trained. Since then Wood Badge has been held worldwide, providing advanced leadership training to thousands of Scout leaders.

Wood Badge builds upon the best traditions and experiences of the Boy Scouts of America and also draws from a wide range of courses within and beyond the bounds of Scouting to present the latest in leadership theory and team development.

"Wood Badge helped me realize the need for better communication between leaders and parents in the Pack. It has opened up a new path for increased parental involvement!"

- BILL HUNT, CUBMASTER, MORGANTOWN

"Wood Badge empowers passionate volunteers to unlock the true potential of young minds!"

- TRAVIS MILLER, TROOP COMMITTEE, BRIDGEPORT

"Wood Badge helped me better understand the aims of Scouting and how to set up a quality program in order to have a strong and successful Troop.

Nearly 60% of our Troop leaders have completed Wood Badge, which has given us the tools we needed to go from adult led to mostly youth led!"

- STEVE BLOSSER, SCOUTMASTER, FAIRMONT



## WOOD BADGE

Mountaineer Area Council

September 20 - 22 and  
October 5 - 6, 2024



TAKE YOUR UNIT  
TO THE  
NEXT LEVEL!

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Wood Badge is designed to meet the advanced leadership needs of all Scouters, particularly unit level Scouters, such as Cub leaders, Scoutmasters and assistants, Venturing Crew Advisors, Committee Chairs and members. Additionally Scouters serving at the district and council levels can achieve greater effectiveness through Wood Badge. To attend a Wood Badge course, individuals must:

1. Be registered members of the Boy Scouts of America. (Youth 18 and older may attend as long as the appropriate Youth Protection guidelines are followed. They do not need to be registered in an adult leadership role.)
2. Have completed the basic training courses for their Scouting position.
3. Be capable of functioning safely in an outdoor environment. All participants are required to complete the Annual Health and Medical Record form.



## COURSE INFORMATION

Mountaineer Area Council  
Camp Mountaineer  
September 20 - 22 and  
October 5 - 6, 2024

Participants must attend  
both sessions.

\$275 if deposit paid by 12/31/23

\$300 if deposit paid by 03/31/24

\$325 after 03/31/2024

\*limited assistance available\*

For additional information, visit:



## WHY ATTEND?

By taking Wood Badge, Scouters will acquire valuable tools such as listening, communicating, conflict management, project planning and leading change. Participants will better learn to understand and appreciate diversity and differences in our society. They will learn skills that will make them a better Scout leader. Units with trained leaders are able to deliver an improved program and a more meaningful experience for the youth Scouting serves.

By attending Wood Badge, the participants will internalize the 5 themes of Wood Badge: Living the Values, Growing, Connecting, Guiding, Empowering.





# Linked Troop Wood Badge SBR-24-1



**January 15-19, 2024**

Summit Bechtel Reserve  
Glen Jean, WV



Living the Values, **Growing**, **Connecting**, **Guiding**, **Empowering**

## Why attend Wood Badge?

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- ❖ Learn to understand and appreciate diversity and differences in our society
- ❖ Learn skills to be a better Scout leader
- ❖ Deliver an improved program and a more meaningful experience for the youth Scouting serves.



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