



Cub Scout Family Camp

May 17-19

Camp Arrowhead

Come join the Adena, Chief Cornstalk and Shawnee Districts on May 17-19, 2024 at Camp Arrowhead for our Spring Cub Family Camp. We are on the lookout for Creepy Cryptids of West Virginia. Where will we find them? On the BB or archery ranges? Will they be hiding in the lake? Maybe the DNR is holding them for us?

Cub Scouts and their families will make crafts, play games and hunt for Bigfoot all over Camp Arrowhead. Bring your tents and Six Cub Scout Essentials while we try to catch sight of Bigfoot sunning himself by the pool.

Plan to bring your own food and camping gear. Bring your fishing gear too.

Come prepared for the weather and wear closed-toe shoes.

Registration is \$6 for Cubs, \$3 for Tagalongs, and Adults are FREE.

Register today at www.buckskin.org.



Now Hiring Staff for Camp Kootaga Summer Camp

You've been to Summer Camp. You've camped, canoed, climbed, and lashed camp projects. You swam in the pool until your fingers wrinkled and pounded that leather kit into a recognizable knife holder. What challenge is left for an older Scout? We have your answer! **Serve on Summer Camp Staff!** Use your hard-earned skills to teach and mentor younger Scouts. Build friendships with other staff members that will last a lifetime. Being on Summer Camp Staff is more than just a summer job - it's an experience.

Scouts who are 16 years old and older can become Summer Camp Staff members. You'll work for three weeks (Staff Week plus two weeks of Summer Camp) as a paid member of Camp Kootaga's Camp Staff. Adults may also become Staff Members.

Not quite 16 years old? Become a Counselor-in-training (CIT). CIT's must be at least 14 years old and can work half a day then earn merit badges in their free time.

Staff positions are open in all areas. Camp Kootaga needs lifeguards and counselors in all program areas. You can find the Staff Application www.buckskin.org/camping/scoutsbsacamp/. Apply today!

Do you have questions? Contact Billy Bryant or Michael Cidor at 304-340-3663. They will help you find your home on Camp Kootaga's Summer Camp staff.

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Council Calendar

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- 2-3 Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO), Camp Arrowhead
- 9 Executive Board Meeting
- 10-11 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS), Camp Arrowhead
- 10-11 Wilderness First Aid training, Camp Arrowhead
- 11 Charleston Shop open 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- 15 Early Bird Deadline for Summer Camp
- 18 Huntington Shop open 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
- 27 Memorial Day - Service Center & Shops closed

June

- 3-7 Cub Day Camp at Coonskin Park
- 9-15 Summer Camp Staff Week
- 1-14 Cub Day Camp at Camp Arrowhead
- 13 Executive Committee meeting
- 16-22 Summer Camp Week 1
- 23-29 Summer Camp Week 2

July

- 4 Independence Day - Service Center & Shops Closed
- 11 Executive Board meeting
- 14-19 National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)

August

- 2-4 Aquatics Camp at Camp Cherokee

AQUATICS CAMP

Aquatics Camp will be held August 2-4 at Camp Cherokee on Yatesville Lake, near Louisa, KY. This year's camp will offer merit badges for Canoeing, Small Boat Sailing, Motorboating, Oceanography, Insect Study and Mammal Study and more. For a complete list of the badges being offered, check out the course catalog on the Council website, which will be available soon. Registration is \$15 per scout. Camping is optional at no fee. Adults are free as well. Troops and crews provide their own meals. Be sure to read the course catalog for information about facilities and what to bring as Camp Cherokee is a primitive camp with limited facilities.



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 in page the newsletter appendix or go to **Indeed.com search for District Executive, Buckskin.**



Scouts and Scouters,

I have smelled the campfire and swallowed some of the lake water. I am hypnotized by the very essence of what camp is all about. Outdoors, under the stars, bullfrogs sounding, cool mornings, hot afternoons, dinner at the dining hall, singing silly songs, swimming, hiking, canoeing, fishing, all of these things stir my senses, and bring back fond memories.

There is something almost mystical about camp, especially if you are a Cub Scout or Scout. Our youth only get a few chances to experience the camping experience and it is so, so exciting. You see, as a youth, all of the camp experiences are enhanced. They are larger than life. They fill their senses completely with all that is good about Scouting; the outdoors, the physical challenges, the camaraderie, the great adult role models, the mysteries of nature, fun, adventure, excitement, and more.

And it's just waiting for them, right now A great camp experience can be found at one of the many camps we have available this summer. Each camp has special programs planned for this summer, and your Cub Scout, Scout or Venturer can get their chance at having a lifetime of fond memories. But we have to get them there. We cannot hesitate to invite each and every youth member to go to camp. Ask them as many times as it takes to get them to sign up. Don't let the youth in your sphere of influence miss their chance. It may be one of the most important things you can do for them.

Hope to see you at camp,

Jeffrey L. Purdy
Scout Executive



Summer is the perfect time to get outdoors and have some exciting adventures! Being outdoors is what Scouting is all about and Cub Scout Day Camp is filled with adventure from start to finish.

Experience adventures like nature hikes, BB shooting, archery, slingshot, games and outdoor crafts. Want more? How about fishing, Scouting skills, and STEM adventures?

Cub Scout Packs, plan to bring all your Scouts to join in the fun of Day Camp. Leaders and parents are encouraged to come along and join in the fun because nothing is more fun than helping your Cubs learn new skills.

Register today at www.buckskin.org



**June 3-7 - Day Camp at
Coonskin Park, Charleston**



**June 10-14 - Day Camp at
Camp Arrowhead, Ona**



The Buckskin Council is looking forward to Summer Camp in 2024. Our 2024 Summer Camp will be fun and exciting and most of all SAFE for all Scouts and leaders. The camp staff have worked hard to plan an exciting program, hire an excellent staff and get Summer Camp at Camp Kootaga ready for all the Scouts to enjoy.

The 2024 Leaders Guide is available on our website 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 MyCouncil 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.

Scout and Leader registration is open. Unit leaders who have submitted a campsite reservation can log into their MyCouncil account on the website to register their Scouts.



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

Register today at www.buckskin.org/camping/scoutsbsacamp/

Summer Camp Scholarship Applications Available

Scouts needing assistance to attend Summer Camp at either Camp Kootaga or at the Justice National Scout Camp at the Summit Bechtel Reserve can complete the application found here in the Courier appendix or on the Summer Camp Opportunities page for the Council Website. Applications are due by April 15th for review and consideration. We can help Scout's from Buckskin Council only with up to 50% of the early bird camp registration fee. Please submit the application to the Council Service Center address on the application. If you have any questions, please contact Bill Bryant or Mike Cidor.

Looking for something different? Take your troop to Summer Camp at The James C. Justice National Scout Camp at The Summit!

James C. Justice NATIONAL SCOUT CAMP

THIS IS SCOUT COUNTRY

Buckskin Council • WV • KY • VA • OH

ALL BUCKSKIN COUNCIL UNITS RECEIVE A 10% DISCOUNT OFF THE CAMP FEE OF \$560.00 PER PERSON!

ALL BUCKSKIN COUNCIL UNITS ALSO RECEIVE TWO FREE LEADERS SPACES!

UNIT LEADERS CAN REQUEST A VIRTUAL OR IN-PERSON CAMP PROMOTION BY E-MAILING CAMP DIRECTOR JOHNNY TRACY, AT JOHN.TRACY@SCOUTING.ORG, OR CALLING 901-489-6027!

LEARN MORE AND REGISTER AT SUMMITBSA.ORG



What is STEM at the Summit?

STEM at the Summit offers youth and adult participants the opportunity to engage with exciting and relevant topics in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, through the lens of outdoor adventure and fun!

Participants in STEM at the Summit will explore the beautiful 10,600-acre Summit Bechtel Reserve, located in southern West Virginia, while interacting with STEM professionals and enthusiasts.

Registration for this amazing program will be available soon, but please feel free to reach out if you have any questions or if you would like to help!

Learn more at <https://www.stematsummit.org/>

Basic Adult Leaders Outdoor Orientation

This one-and-a-half day course is designed as an introduction to the Cub Scout outdoor program for leaders interested in adding a camping component to their Pack activities.

BALOO training consists of an online pre-requisite component in addition to an overnight hands on practical. BSA's Cub Scout level camping policies will be taught along with the discovery of the necessary tools to help units carry out a successful camping experience. Completion of this course is mandatory for a MINIMUM OF ONE adult on a Pack overnighter.

When & Where: May 3-4, 2024 at Camp Arrowhead

Fee: \$25

Register: www.buckskin.org/training

Questions: Sue Williams buzy2buzy@gmail.com

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Training

Working as patrols, this hands-on course provides adult leaders the practical outdoor skills they need to lead Scouts in the out-of-doors. Upon completion, leaders should feel comfortable teaching Scouts the basic skills required to obtain the First Class rank. Along with Scoutmaster Specifics this course is required of all direct contact leaders registered in Scouts BSA Troops in order to be considered "trained".

When & Where: May 10-11, 2024 at Camp Arrowhead

Fee: \$25

Register: www.buckskin.org/training

Questions: Rosann Brooks rosann1030@aol.com

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

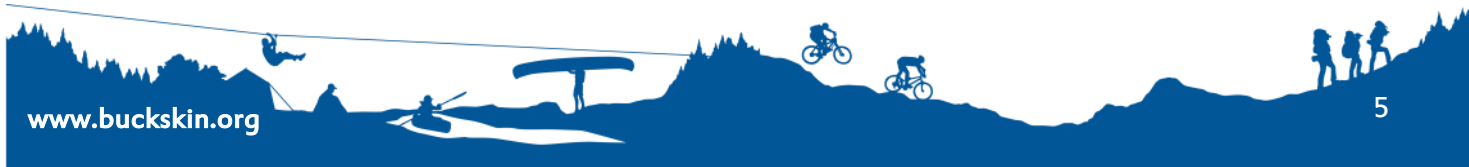
The specific dates are listed below:

Charleston Shop	Huntington Shop
May 11	May 18

****On May 10th, the Wehrle Service Center, Charleston, Huntington, and Parkersburg Scout Shops will have modified hours.**

The Service Center will close at 12:00 pm. The Huntington & Parkersburg Shops will close at 10:30 am.

*****The Huntington Scout Shop will be closed May 13-14 and May 20-21. If you need help, contact the Wehrle Service Center.**



Scouts Read Sacred Texts Worldwide

May 2, 2024

The **Scout Oath** begins with “I will do my best to do my Duty to God... and the **Scout Law** ends with ...” A Scout is Reverent”.

Scouting has organized a few larger Councils around the world to read the **entire** sacred texts of these world religions – Catholic, Jewish, Muslim, and Protestant faiths on May 2, 2024. In addition, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Eastern Orthodox, Hindu, Sikh, and other Faiths will be reading their sacred texts on this same day.

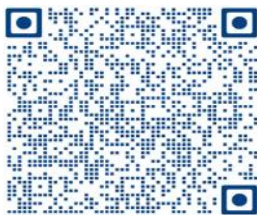
We are inviting every Scout, over one million strong to read their Sacred Texts on this important day.

We encourage Cubs & Scouts to participate in three ways.

- **Read from home with your family** your faith’s Sacred Texts.
- **Ask your Faith leader to read at their faith location.** Faith leaders may suggest the readings, promote, or broadcast this to the public.
- **Invite a Scout friend to participate** in this event at their home or Faith location.

We are pleased to have the Far East and the Transatlantic councils join us. That means Scouts will start reading at 5:30 pm in the Far East, eight hours later, Scouts read in Europe, we cross the Atlantic and six hours later, Scouts begin reading on the East Coast, then Midwest and finish in California. What a vision to have Sacred Texts being read starting in the Far East and sweeping west all around the world – all on the US National Day of Prayer.

Here is the website: <https://stlbsa.org/Scouts-read-sacred-texts-worldwide/>.



Participating in this event could help Scouts satisfy the Duty to God requirement necessary for advancement.

Finally, it wouldn’t be a scouting event without a commemorative patch. Patches will be available for purchase by the council or the individual. Stay tuned.

Questions or comments?

Please contact GSLACRRC@gmail.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 cost is \$300 per youth if paid in full by June 10th. A \$75 deposit is required at registration.

We will only be able to accept 48 participants for this course.

Please register no later than June 10, 2024. Late fee is \$325.

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 8th grade
- Scouts BSA must not be 18 years old and Venturers must not be 21 years old by the last day of the course.

Questions? Contact Course Director Del Stonestreet at rds2s@aol.com

Or Rosann Brooks at rosann1030@aol.com



Scouts who complete NYLT may wear the special “NYLT trained” strip on their uniforms.



Family Friends of Scouting is a vital part of sustaining

Scouting in our community!

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



TAKHONEK LODGE

ORDER OF THE ARROW, LODGE #617



With May beginning, and the end of last month's storms, the summer sun is starting to peak through. Although the Courier Articles are going to go on their own vacation until August, the lodge still has plenty of events to look forward to.

Spring Fellowship

This year's Spring Fellowship was a major success. We also had a very rowdy, but hardworking crowd. A warm congratulations goes out to the 15 new ordeal members and 6 new brotherhood members. A special thanks goes out to all others who came out to volunteer their time. Several projects were completed in preparation for summer camp.

Section E13 Conclave – Find Your Grove

The Section E13 Conclave will be held this year on May 17-19, 2024 at Manatoc Scout Reservation, 1075 Truxell Rd #9734, Peninsula, OH 44264. This year will feature the usual training, lodge competitions, patch trading, live music, a DJ, and plenty of FUN! Registration is open for Conclave at: <https://www.scoutingevent.com/433-e13conclave> or at www.buckskin.org/oa.

Summer Picnic

Mark on your calendars August 10, as that is the date of the summer picnic. Like last year, the picnic will be held at Camp Arrowhead. This year's theme is Baseball, and it is sure to be a home run with several baseball park themed food dishes. Maybe there will be cracker jacks. Alongside the picnic, eligible members can obtain their brotherhood. Keep an eye on the webpage for registration to open in late May.

2024 Lodge Officers

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

2024 Chapter Chiefs

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

2024 Adult Advisers

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Seneca: Lee Webb lealwe318@hotmail.com
Wapiti: David Duncan david.duncan@suddenlink.net

Unit Elections

With summer camps just around the corner, more scouts may become eligible to join the ranks of the OA. 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.

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 or click on the QR code.



Takhonek Social Media

Did you know your Takhonek lodge is on Social Media? Check out the links below for whichever platform you prefer to use.



Snapchat- [takhonek.lodge](https://www.snapchat.com/add/takhonek.lodge)



Facebook- [Takhonek lodge #617](https://www.facebook.com/takhoneklodge617)



Instagram- [takhoneklodge](https://www.instagram.com/takhoneklodge)



X (Twitter)- [@Takhonek](https://twitter.com/Takhonek)

2024 Lodge Calendar

Date	Event	Location
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 20-21	Vigil/Vigil Reunion	Summit Sub Camp 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



Training Corner

By Susan Williams

Common sense tells us that training is important, and research shows the importance of trained leaders. A trained leader is knowledgeable and more confident in the role being performed. Trained leaders exhibit a knowledge and confidence that is picked up by people around them. Trained leaders impact the quality of programs, leader tenure, youth tenure, safety, and a whole lot more. A trained leader is better prepared to make the Scouting program all it can be!

Now is the time to take advantage of our upcoming Outdoor Leader training. It will not be offered again until the fall. Go to www.buckskin.org/training to register.

Scouts BSA leaders going to summer camp should take advantage of all the training that is offered. If you attend camp in another council, be sure to send in a copy of your trained card, so we can update your record.

Happy Camping this summer!

Training Calendar

May

- 3-4 Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO), Camp Arrowhead
- 10-11 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS), Camp Arrowhead

July

- 14-19 National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT),

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

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

We are excited to announce:
they are finally here!
The new Cub Scout Handbooks
are available at all the council
Scout Shops.
Stop by and pick one up today.
Remember, the updated Cub
Scout program kicks off
June 1st!

NEW
Cub Scout Program
Available Now!



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

May

- 2 Roundtable – 6:30pm
- 3-4 BALOO – Camp Arrowhead
- 10-11 IOLS - Camp Arrowhead
- 16 District Committee – 6:00pm
- 17-19 Multi-Dist Family Camp – Camp Arrowhead
- 25 Flag Placements-Golden Oaks & Spring Hill
- 27 Memorial Day – Office & Shops Closed

June

- 6 Roundtable – 6:30pm
- 10-14 Cub Day Camp – Camp Arrowhead
- 20 District Committee – 6:00pm

July

- 4 Independence Day - Service Center & Shops Closed
- 18 - District Committee – 6:00pm

August

- 2-4 Aquatics Camp – Camp Cherokee
- 10 Program Kick-off – Camp Arrowhead
- 15 District Committee – 6:00pm

ROUNDTABLE

The Monthly Roundtable Meeting will be conducted online via Zoom for May. You can use the meeting id 864 7853 6793 for the May Roundtable. Roundtable is held the first Thursday of each month beginning at 6:30pm. The June Roundtable will be a cookout for pack, troop, and crew leaders at ARMCO Park in Ashland. More details will be available soon.

DISTRICT COMMITTEE

The May 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. We are open to suggestions as to where we can resume our in-person meetings.

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 May 27 for Memorial Day. The Huntington Shop is scheduled to be open Saturday May 18.

UNIT RE-CHARTERING BEGINS

If your unit needs assistance in rechartering this year, please contact Carl at the 304-523-3408 or via his email carl.sullivan@scouting.org

Adena District Committee

District Chair	Brian Kinghorn	517-974-4996
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	vacant	
Community FOS	Kevin Craig	304-638-0190
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.

FAMILY FRIENDS OF SCOUTING

As you plan your Blue & Gold Banquet, Pinewood Derby, Pack Meeting, Court of Honor, or other gathering where your families will be present, would you please consider allowing us to share with your families and giving them the opportunity to support Scouting? Contact Carl with the date of your next event where a presentation can be made.

BALOO COURSE

May 3 and 4 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 www.buckskin.org/training.

MULTI-DISTRICT FAMILY CAMP

Plans have been made for a Spring Family Camp at Camp Arrowhead the weekend of May 17-19. The theme will be Creepy Cryptids of West Virginia. Check-in begins at 5:00pm on Friday evening. Activities begin on Saturday morning. Some of the planned activities include BB shooting, archery, boating, fishing and more. Join in the search for Big Foot. Packs will be responsible for their own meals. Fees are \$6 for Cub Scouts, \$3 for tagalongs, and adults are free. Registration on the Council website can be found at www.buckskin.org/adena-events/cub-scout-family-camp/

(Adena District - continued on page 15)

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 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	

Chief Cornstalk Event Calendar

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- 3-4 BALOO, Camp Arrowhead
- 10-11 IOLS, Camp Arrowhead
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- 17-19 Multi-District Cub Family Camp
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Adena/Cornstalk/Shawnee Cub Family Camp

Join us on a weekend Adventure at Camp Arrowhead May 17-19, 2024, as we explore cryptic legends of West Virginia. Some of the activities will include archery, bb's, crafts, DNR presentation, fishing, and hike to look for Bigfoot. The cost is \$6 per cub and \$3 for tag. For more information, please visit Buckskin.org.

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.

Cub Scout Day Camp at Coonskin Park

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June 3-7 - Day Camp at Coonskin Park, Charleston

Cub Scouts - \$55

Tagalongs - \$55

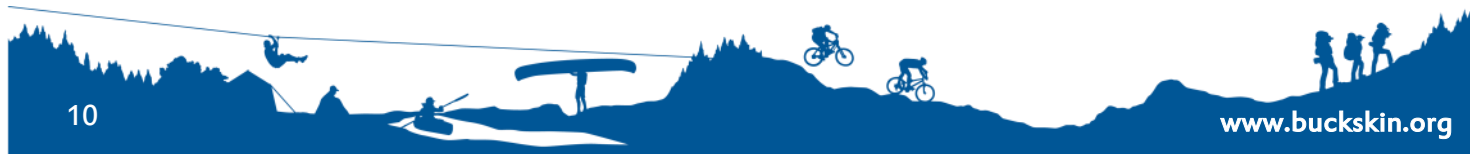
Adults - free (optional \$10 for tshirt)

Scouts BSA Den Chief - free (optional \$10 for tshirt)

Register today at www.buckskin.org

Want to help? Our Day Camp Director is always looking for enthusiastic people to help make Day Camp a fun experience! Contact her to see where you help.

Dianna Castle inkedmomma2010@yahoo.com



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

Kootaga Event Calendar

May

- 14 District Committee, 6:30 pm
- 14 Roundtable, 7:30 pm
- 27 Memorial Day - Service Center & Shops Closed

June

- 11 District Committee meeting, 6:30 pm
- 11 Roundtable, 7:30 pm
- 9-15 Summer Camp - Staff Week
- 16-22 Summer Camp - Week 1
- 23-29 Summer Camp - Week 2

July

- 4 Independence Day - Service Center & Shops Closed
- 14-19 NYLT Camp Arrowhead

Fall Camporee

Join your fellow Scouts and Scouters from across Buckskin Council (or neighboring Councils) September 27-29 at Camp Kootaga. Cub Scout activities as well! The “Good Friends Outing” packet with details and registration information will be distributed later. We hope to see you this Fall! Troop 203 is organizing this event. If you and/or your unit would like to go, contact Troop 203 SM Shaun Harris at harrisma@email.com.

Hiking at Camp Kootaga

Do you know one of the best hiking and camping opportunities is in our back yard at Camp Kootaga. Set up a recruiting event for your unit and take them to Camp to hike and explore for the day. You grew up camping at Camp Kootaga with your unit. But have you ever taken your friends and family on a hike around the camp you grew up in and came to love. Come back to Camp and introduce CK to the next generation. Camp Kootaga means good friends and family. Please contact the Scout Shop to register and confirm your visit with Lisa and the Camp Ranger [John Baker](#). Follow Camp Kootaga and Kootaga District on Facebook.

Message from the District Commissioner

One of the most common comments I hear when talking to youth about why they aren't involved in Scouting is, “Scouting isn't cool.” I am pretty sure that with a little prompting, I probably could get them to agree that Bear Grylls is cool.

Well, I have news for you: Bear Grylls thinks Scouting is cool.

So cool that he wrote an essential handbook, *Do Your Best: How to Be a Scout*, for anyone who is a Scout or wants to become one. The handbook covers how to be a leader; explore the outdoors; and improve emotionally, physically, and relationally.

Grylls wasn't the first to produce a Scouting handbook: In 1908, Lord Robert Baden-Powell wrote *Scouting for Boys*, a manual outlining citizenship, woodcraft, and self-improvement. It became the quintessential handbook for the Scouting movement, selling more than 100 million copies since its publication.

Tent-pitching, wilderness survival, first-aid, and fire-building skills—as outlined in *Scouting for Boys*—are timeless; however, young people

Kootaga District Committee

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today face modern issues, like cyber-bullying and balancing cell-phone use, for example.

Grylls addresses both issues in his book. The first section details Scouting, its origins, its worldwide connections, and what it teaches. Grylls also shares how he enjoyed Scouting as a boy.

“It's a book for anyone who is a Scout, was a Scout or hopes one day to be a Scout—a book that will inspire people to do their best, learn new skills, live life to the full and make a real difference in the world,” Grylls says.

“As soon as I heard the Scout leader challenge us to cook a sausage with just one match, out on the pavement, I was hooked,” he writes. “How would we ever achieve that?”

Scouting taught Grylls friendship, character, and perseverance; values the movement has instilled in young people since its inception, and they're what Grylls conveys in his book.

“*Do Your Best* is all about passing on the skills and stories I've learned over many years as Chief Scout and Chief Ambassador of World Scouting, and sharing the values that make Scouting such a powerful force for good around the world,” Grylls says.

The second section of *Do Your Best* focuses on adventure. It teaches how to camp, cook, navigate, tie knots, study the stars, and predict the weather. As a former British Special Forces soldier and Everest mountaineer, Grylls showcases his expertise, sharing how to properly perform these outdoor skills.

He also integrates a lot of fun facts, like what a group of cormorants is called (a gulp), how the dwarf planet Pluto was named by an 11-year-old girl, and who invented the rucksack. The format perfectly balances education with fun. It also includes exciting stories about explorers, like Reinhold Messner, Ranulph Fiennes, and Nims Purja. Haven't heard of these explorers? Read *Do Your Best* and be inspired!

The third section addresses how to become a more fulfilled, better adjusted person. It gives tips on how to get organized, the benefits of healthy habits, and how to be a good friend. Goal-setting, getting out of your “comfort zone,” making good impressions, and building self-confidence are all outlined in this section as well.

This advice is not only beneficial for young people, but everyone! Plus, there are some handy reference pages, like a distance conversion chart, flag semaphore guide, and list of World Scout Jamboree facts.

As stated in the introduction of the book, “You only get one shot at life. Make it count.” And you can do that by living your best life through Scouting.

Christopher Burk
District Commissioner

Mountain Dominion District

Serving: Monroe, Mercer, McDowell, Summers & Wyoming Counties in WV;
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www.buckskin.org/mtdominion

Mt Dominion Event Calendar

May

- 16 District Roundtable
- 16 District Committee meeting
- 27 Memorial Day - Service Center & Shops Closed

June

- 20 District Committee meeting
- 21 District Roundtable

July

- 4 Independence Day - Service Center & Shops Closed
- 14-19 NYLT Camp Arrowhead

Important update on district events:

Please check the district website regularly for up to date information on upcoming events. www.buckskin.org/minion

District Meeting

The next district meeting will be held at Stinson United Methodist Church on May 16th..

The roundtable will begin at 6:30 with the district meeting following at 7:15 pm.

Outdoor Leader Training

Does someone in your Pack or Troop need outdoor leader training?

Cub Scout Packs must have at least one adult who is Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO) trained to take the Pack on an overnight.

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BALOO training in May 3-4 at Camp Arrowhead. The fee is \$25.

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Register for either of these trainings at www.buckskin.org.

National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT)

NYLT will be offered at Camp Arrowhead July 14-19. This training is essential for your troop's Sr. Patrol Leader, Asst. Sr Patrol Leader, and Patrol Leaders. The leadership skills and knowledge they gain during NYLT will benefit your troop in so many ways!

Sign up today at www.buckskin.org. The fee is \$300 if paid in full by June 10th.

Mt. Dominion District Committee

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Merit Badge College

There is a Merit Badge College scheduled for July 18-20 in Marion, VA. More information to come.

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Seneca Event Calendar

May

- 7 District Committee meeting
- 27 Memorial Day - Service Center & Shops Closed

June

- 4 District Committee meeting

July

- 4 Independence Day - Service Center & Shops Closed
- 14-19 NYLT Camp Arrowhead

District Committee Meeting

The district meeting will take place on May 7th on zoom! The meeting begins at 7 PM. Come ready to discuss the latest on what is happening in the district! Check your email for the Zoom link.

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Shawnee District Event Calendar

May

- 3-4 BALOO training, Camp Arrowhead
- 10-11 IOLS training, Camp Arrowhead
- 17-19 Spring Family Camp – Camp Arrowhead
- 27 Memorial Day - Service Center & Shops Closed

June

- 3-7 Cub Day Camp at Coonskin Park
- 10-14 Cub Day Camp at Camp Arrowhead
- 16-22 Summer Camp Week 1
- 23-29 Summer Camp Week 2

July

- 4 Independence Day - Service Center & Shops Closed
- 14-19 NYLT Camp Arrowhead

Spring Family Camp May 17 – 19

The Shawnee District along with Adena and Chief Cornstalk Districts are hosting the Spring Family Camp at Camp Arrowhead May 17 – 19. There will be a lot of fun as we search for the WV Cryptids. We will have shooting sports, fishing, scavenger hunt, crafts and more. For more information and to register visit www.buckskin.org/adena-events/cub-scout-family-camp/. If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Dianna Castle (681) 245-3111 or inkedmomma2010@yahoo.com or Mike Cidor at (814) 860-1562 or Michael.cidor@scouting.org

Cub Scout Day Camp Opportunities

This year we are holding Cub Scout Day Camp June 3-7 at Coonskin Park and June 10 – 14 at Camp Arrowhead. Cost is \$55 for Cub Scouts and Tagalongs; Adults are Free but can order a shirt for \$10. For more information and to register visit www.buckskin.org/events/outdoor-adventure-day-camp/

Summer Camp at Camp Kootaga

Summer camp is quickly approaching and if you are still looking for a great adventure, check out Camp Kootaga, located 14 miles east of route 77 near Parkersburg. We are still looking to fill some of our camp staff positions as well if interested, please contact Camp Director Billy Bryant or Camp Program Director Michael Cidor for more information. You can also get information and applications at the Scout Service Center in Charleston, and the Scout Shops in Huntington and Parkersburg or visit our website at www.buckskin.org/camping/scoutsbsacamp/

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Training Opportunities

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills or IOLS will be offered at Camp Arrowhead May 10-11, 2024. Registration by May 8th is required. The IOLS course builds and expands on the concepts and themes introduced in Scoutmaster Positions-Specific Training and Venturing Advisor Position-Specific Training and provides Scouters with the confidence to take youth into the outdoors. Register at www.buckskin.org/adena-events/introduction-to-outdoor-leader-skills-iols-4/

Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation or BALOO will be offered May 3-4 at Camp Arrowhead. Registration is required by April 30th. BALOO training is intended for 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. A minimum of one adult must be BALOO trained on every Cub Scout Pack campout. 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. Register at www.buckskin.org/adena-events/basic-adult-leader-outdoor-orientation-baloo-6/

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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 25, 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.

ADENA DAY CAMP

Gather your cubbies and their adult partners for a week of OUTDOOR ADVENTURE at the Adena Day Camp, June 10-14, at Camp Arrowhead. Camp is scheduled for each day from 8:30am to 4:00pm, Monday thru Friday. Packs need to supply some adult supervision with their scouts. Activities will include the regular Cub Day camp events including crafts, games, and some advancement opportunities based on the new Cub Scout program requirements. The Camp will again be participating in the Cabell County BOE free lunch program. Fees for Day Camp are \$55 for Cub Scouts and tagalongs (which includes a tee shirt). Adults and Scouts BSA Den Chiefs are free, but are encouraged to purchase a camp tee-shirt for \$10. Additional youth tee-shirts may also be purchased at \$10 each. Please order additional shirts when making your camp registration so we can have those available for you. You can register for the Camp Arrowhead Day Camp using this link - www.buckskin.org/events/outdoor-adventure-day-camp/

Scholarships for camp are available and applications must be submitted by May 15. The scholarship application can be found at www.buckskin.org/camping/cubscoutcamps.

AQUATICS CAMP

The annual Aquatics Camp will be held August 2-4 at Camp Cherokee on Yatesville Lake, near Louisa, KY. This year's camp will offer merit badges for Canoeing, Small Boat Sailing, Motorboating, Oceanography, Insect Study and Mammal Study and more. For a complete list of the badges being offered, check out the course catalog on the Council website, which will be available soon. The registration fee is \$15 per scout. Camping is optional at no fee. Adults are free as well. Troops and crews provide their own meals. Be sure to read the course catalog for information about facilities and what to bring as Camp Cherokee is a primitive camp with limited facilities.

ADENA PROGRAM AND POPCORN KICK-OFF

All packs, troops and crews are invited to join with your fellow scouters on Saturday, August 10th to checkout the upcoming events for the 2024-2025 Program Year. The event gets underway at 10:00am that Saturday morning. In addition to the review of program events, we will also have our Popcorn Kick-off training for the fall Campmaster Popcorn Sale. Get your leaders together and join us in the Dining Hall at Camp Arrowhead. Let's get the year started right with some old fashion Scout Spirit and some popcorn giveaways. The Program Kick-off will be held in lieu of the August Roundtable meeting.

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National Youth Leadership Training or NYLT is being offered July 14 – 19, 2024 at Camp Arrowhead. 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 a 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. Register at <https://www.buckskin.org/adena-events/national-youth-leadership-training-nylt-3/>

District Meetings

Shawnee will have the regular scheduled district meetings in May but will not meet in June. We will send out reminders for meetings after June as well as our Popcorn and Program Kickoff meetings. If you would like to find out more about volunteering at the District, please contact Leo Lopez, Rosann Brooks or Michael Cidor. Visit the Shawnee District website at <https://www.buckskin.org/shawnee/>



Recognizing a Scout for attaining the rank of Eagle? Celebrating your packs Blue & Gold?

Whatever the occasion, submit your request for permission to use a commercial bakery for use of any Boy Scouts of America logos on a cake.

Please note that it takes 2-3 business days to review requests and respond accordingly.

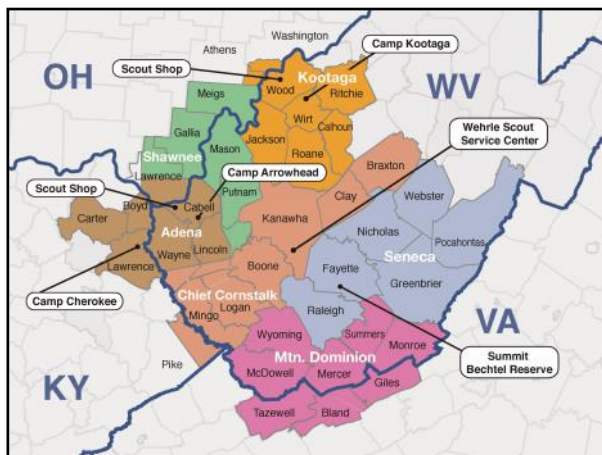
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Buckskin Council, BSA District Executive Field Position

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

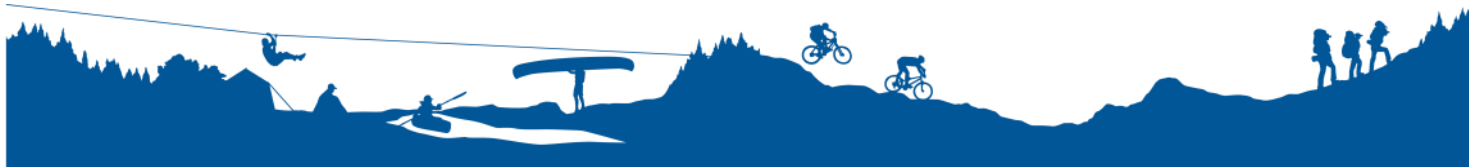
- Strong marketing, fund-raising and program development background is highly desired.
- Non-profit, fundraising or sales experience is a plus.
- Must be comfortable with public speaking and interacting with diverse audiences. Excellent people skills, enthusiastic, punctual, responsible, and creative.
- 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





Adena District

2024 Cub Scout Day Camp

June 10-14, 2024
Camp Arrowhead
Ona, WV

Come celebrate the "Great Outdoors" at Camp Arrowhead! What will you do at Day Camp? For starters - swimming, fishing, BB shooting, archery, slingshot, and boating. Then we'll learn about nature, cooking, and Scout skills. Plus we'll play games and do fun STEM projects!

Cub Scouts and tagalongs \$55

Register today!



Our Camp Director is looking for a few good adults to help with Day Camp. Do you want to have a week of fun at Camp Arrowhead? Call Jeremy Reed at 304-972-9116 or email nighthawkeye@yahoo.com,.



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 8th 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

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|---------------------------|--|
| • 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

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.

STEM @ THE SUMMIT

WHAT IS STEM @ THE SUMMIT?

STEM at the Summit is an immersive program that allows Scouts and Venturers to explore the science, technology, engineering, and mathematics aspects of the outdoor adventures they love—and then use what they have learned!

Our goal is to integrate STEM with adventures at the Summit Bechtel Reserve. For example, participants will:

- Calculate how fast you go down a zip line based on its angle and your size
- Figure out how a rock-climbing fall does not cause injury by deconstructing an auto belay
- Experiment at night with liquid nitrogen and other fun chemicals
- Earn the rare Summit Nova Award

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

STEM at the Summit is open to all registered Scouts BSA and Venturers. A separate, concurrent program will be offered for Scouters (adults) to explore ways to integrate and emphasize STEM activities and concepts in their unit, district, and council-level programs. The program begins at 12:00 p.m. on July 12, and concludes at 5:00 p.m. on July 14.

WHERE CAN I LEARN MORE?

STEM at the Summit hosts a Web site, located at stematsummit.org. Visit the site to learn more and to register for the program. Contact coordinator Lisa Balbes, Ph.D., at lisa@balbes.com or 314-283-3203, with program questions. Contact the Summit, at 304-465-2800, with registration questions.

The cost to participate in this program is \$250.00 for youth or adult participants. This fee includes all programs, tent, cot, food, patch, and other expenses. Participants and their families may also elect to stay in other available lodging at the Summit Bechtel Reserve (options include "glamping" tents in Family Adventure Camp and dormitory rooms), for an additional cost.



JULY 12-14, 2024

Learn more and register @
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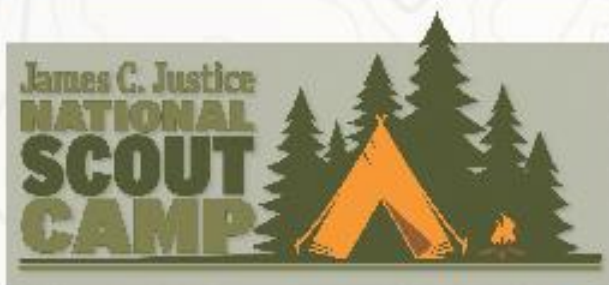
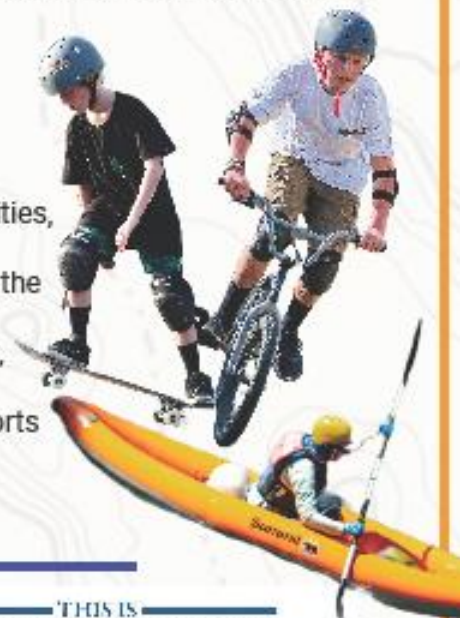
Summer Camp @ the Summit

The James C. Justice National Scout Camp offers week-long 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.

Highlights



- Engaging and interactive staff
- Dozens of merit badges, including numerous Eagle-required badges
- Camp-wide programs, including:
 - Appalachian Celebrachian
 - Open activities
 - Sports competitions
 - Theme days
- High-adventure opportunities, including:
 - Whitewater rafting on the New River Gorge
 - BMX, mountain biking, skateboarding
 - Day-long shooting-sports program
 - Ziplines and climbing
 - Much more!



ALL BUCKSKIN COUNCIL UNITS RECEIVE A **10% DISCOUNT** OFF THE CAMP FEE OF \$560.00 PER PERSON!

ALL BUCKSKIN COUNCIL UNITS ALSO RECEIVE **TWO FREE LEADERS SPACES!**

UNIT LEADERS CAN REQUEST A VIRTUAL OR IN-PERSON CAMP PROMOTION BY E-MAILING CAMP DIRECTOR JOHNNY TRACY, AT JOHN.TRACY@SCOUTING.ORG, OR CALLING 901-489-6027!

LEARN MORE AND REGISTER AT SUMMITBSA.ORG

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.

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.



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

TAKE YOUR UNIT TO THE NEXT LEVEL!

"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



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:
scoutingevent.com/615-WB2024



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.



Buckskin Council, BSA
BASIC ADULT LEADER OUTDOOR ORIENTATION
MAY 3 - 4, 2024 – 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. Complete the course named “BALOO Prerequisite Training V2”. Bring your completion certificate with you.

The next course will be May 3-4 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 – Tuesday, April 30, 2024

BALOO REGISTRATION FORM – MAY 3 - 4, 2024

Name _____ Phone _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email Address _____

Pack # _____ Position _____ District _____

Detail any food allergies, please _____

Complete the registration form and return to:

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

Buckskin Council, BSA
INTRODUCTION TO OUTDOOR LEADER SKILLS
MAY 10 – 11, 2024 – CAMP ARROWHEAD

What is IOLS? The Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS) course builds and expands on the concepts and themes introduced in Scoutmaster Positions-Specific Training and Varsity Coach Position-Specific Training, and provides Scouters with the confidence to take youth into the outdoors.

- Gives adult leaders a practical introduction to the patrol method of a boy-led troop by teaching many of the practical outdoor skills they need to lead scouts in the out-of-doors. In addition, the teaching methods, activities, and games model the variety of teaching used in effective and engaging Scouting programs.
- Hands-on participation is the best learning tool, and this course models the techniques used by effective Scoutmasters, and other leaders in the Scouting program. Attendees will see and experience different aspects of how Scouting works while playing the role of Scouts in a troop.
- Participants will leave the training experience with a full understanding of how the patrol method operates, a feeling of comfort in working with the instructing their Scouts, and an increased level of confidence taking Scouts outdoors safely.

What is covered in IOLS? .The course is designed to address a wide variety of topics such as Outdoor Ethics, Cooking, Fire Site Preparation & Building, Campfire Program, Interfaith Worship, Flag Ceremony and more.

What is the cost to attend? The course is \$25.00 per person. This covers course material, cracker barrel on Friday night, along with breakfast and lunch on Saturday.

When is IOLS training? The next course will be May 10-11, 2024 at Camp Arrowhead. Check-in begins Friday at 6:00 pm. All participants are expected to arrive by 7:00pm. The course is planned to conclude by 5:00 pm on Saturday.

What should I bring? You should bring a Boy Scout Handbook, a sleeping bag or blankets, 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.

QUESTIONS? Contact Rosann Brooks 304-881-1042 or rosann1030@aol.com
Registration Deadline – Wednesday, May 8, 2024

IOLS REGISTRATION FORM – MAY 10 – 11, 2024

Name _____ Phone _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email Address _____

Troop # _____ Position _____ District _____

Detail any food allergies, please _____

Complete the registration form and return the form with your registration fee to

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

Camp Kootaga 2024

Summer Camp Registration Fee Structure

(Register on-line at: <https://www.buckskin.org/camping/scoutsbsacamp/>)

TYPE OF CAMPER	DINING HALL		SELF SUFFICIENT	
	REGULAR PRICE	EARLY BIRD (Paid in full by 5/15/24)	REGULAR PRICE	EARLY BIRD (Paid in full by 5/15/24)
SCOUT	\$325	\$310	\$275	\$260
ADULT	\$175		\$100	

Free Leader discount—unit paid in full before May 15, 2024



Number of Scouts	FREE Adults
1-4	0
5-10	1
11-20	2
21-30	3



Additional leaders coming in for the day may purchase meal tickets in the trading post for meals served in the Dominion Dining Hall at \$10.00 per meal.

Refund Policy

The following refund policy will be in place for the 2024 camping season. Please read this carefully and if you have questions, please contact the Buckskin Council H. B. Wehrle Scout Service Center.

Refund/overpayment requests should be made at check-in on your arrival at camp. A \$30.00 per person administrative fee will be assessed on all refunds, youth and adult.

In cases where a request is not made at check-in, a written request explaining the reason must be submitted to the Buckskin Council H. B. Wehrle Scout Service Center Council Service Center no later than August 13, 2023. Requests received after the deadline will not be considered.

2023 Summer Camp Dates

June 10 – 14 Staff Training / Set Up

June 16 – 22 Week 1 Scouts BSA

June 23 – 29 Week 2 Scouts BSA

Campsite Deposits \$100 – applied to your final camp fees

2024 Camp Kootaga Summer Campsite Deposit Form

Unit Contact Information:

Troop _____ Boy Troop Girl Troop
Council _____ District _____
Leader Name _____ Phone _____
Email _____
Address _____ St _____ Zip _____
Estimated number of scouts: _____ Estimated number of adults: _____
Dining Hall _____ or Self Sufficient (Cooking in site) _____

Camp Session:

- Week 1- June 16-22
 Week 2- June 23-29

Campsite: number top 3 site preferences

____ Subpark ____ Beechwood ____ Baden Powell ____ Dan Beard ____ J.M. Bennett
____ Seneca ____ Miami ____ Delaware ____ Shawnee ____ Cherokee ____ Dakota
____ Mohonegon ____ Iroquois ____ Chippewa

We will do our best to accommodate a units first choice of campsite, however we reserve the right to assign units to other sites for accommodating the best use of the facilities. We will work with units when these situations arise to make sure they are happy with the alternate site.

Payment Method:

____ Cash ____ Check ____ Credit Card

\$100 deposit to hold a site. This deposit will be applied to your final total for summer camp fees.

Scan the QR code to get more information about Camp Kootaga Summer Camp 2024 and register for Camp.

