



Signals

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POPCORN INFORMATION

Thank you to those units who have already submitted their Popcorn kernal's contact information to us!!!

If your unit will be selling popcorn in the fall, please forward your unit kernal's contact information (Name, Mailing address, Phone number, and E-Mail Address) to: Sherry Fields at sbrady@sagamorebsa.org.

Sorry, incomplete information cannot be accepted.

As you and your unit leaders are planning fall activities, please keep in mind the following important dates for the 2011 sale:

Thursday, September 1, 2011	Popcorn Kick-off North District
Thursday, September 8, 2011	Popcorn Kick-off West District
Friday, September 23, 2011	This year's sale begins
Thursday, November 3, 2011	Place orders on-line
Friday, November 4, 2011	Place order with the Council Service Center by Noon
Monday, November 7, 2011	Popcorn Bonus sale begins
Thursday, November 17, 2011	Pick up Popcorn at delivery site and distribute Popcorn to Scouts
Friday, November 18, 2011	Popcorn Bonus orders due to Council Service Center by Noon
Friday, December 2, 2011	Popcorn Bonus sale distribution to units
Friday, December 9, 2011	On-line sale over for prizes
Friday, December 16, 2011	Turn money and prize orders into the Council

We have kept the changes to this year's sale to a minimum. There is no Chocolate Lover's collection this year, and we have added White Chocolate pretzels and Kettle Corn to the choices. Per the feedback we received from unit leaders, the commission structure for the Council will remain the same as last year, 26% base commission and 4% bonus commission for those units who attend a Popcorn kickoff, have a unit and per boy dollar goal submitted prior to sale beginning, pay on time and with one check and have a 8% dollar growth in sales.

The prize program has changed slightly for this year. There are no more physical prizes at the first and second levels. At all levels this year, a Scout can earn either a Walmart gift card, Amazon.com gift card or a Scout certificate that can be redeemed at the Kokomo Scout shop or Cary Camp/Camp Buffalo trading posts (certificate must be redeemed all at one time).

Our thanks to each of you for your commitment to the outstanding programs in Sagamore Council and your personal involvement in this year's Popcorn project. We anticipate the greatest success in the history of our Council's popcorn sales in 2011 and know that you will encourage your unit to "Do their Best" as we provide funds for your unit's programs as well as help fund valuable Council activities through this process.

District Naming Competition Requirements

1. The competition is open to all Scouts, Scout Parents, and Scout Volunteers.
2. The district name should have some significance to the geographic area comprised by the district. It could be a historical figure, physical landmark, etc. The area should somehow identify with the name. The name should not be able to be confused with another district of the council.
3. The name should be positive or neutral in its significance. We do not want to name our district after bad guys from history or things which have had a negative influence.
4. The district name cannot be a name formerly used by a council or district. (No Arrowhead or Three Rivers, as example).
5. The names can be submitted to a district executive for the district, turned in at the council office, or brought to roundtable and turned in. All names must be submitted by the October Roundtables.
6. The names will be screened by the district committee and approved by the Council President and Scout Executive. The top 3 names will be voted on using ballots at the November Roundtables and presented to the Executive Board for approval. The new name and the recognition for the winner will be announced and presented at the December Holiday Party/Roundtables.

The winners of the District Naming contest will receive a token of recognition in appreciation from the district for their efforts and will have the honor of having picked the name for their district for the foreseeable future.

Council Notes

Announcements and schedules for all of Sagamore Council

TRAINING CORNER

Please note two additions to the training calendar. University of Scouting (November 5th) will host Commissioner training, previously scheduled for August 13th, and will host District Committee Training. The new three tier “Journey to Excellence” program requires that District Committee members receive this training. The last session of Outdoor Skills this year is slated for September 23-25. Remember, the goal is to have all direct contact Scouters fully trained in order to recharter. A registration form can be found on the Sagamore Signals training web page.

Boy Scout Specifics

November 5, 2011 - Pioneer High School
Contact: Stu Sullivan at stuart.sullivan@zimmer.com

Venture Leader Training

November 5, 2011 – Pioneer High School
Contact: Dale Landis at landisd@att.net

Outdoor Leader Skills

September 23-25, 2011 – Camp Buffalo
Contact: Dale Landis at landisd@att.net

University of Scouting

November 5, 2011 – Pioneer High School
Contact: Dale Landis at landisd@att.net

Commissioner Training

November 5, 2011 - Pioneer High School
Contact: Vicki Triplett at vltrip@pwrtec.com

District Committee Training

November 5, 2011 - Pioneer High School
Contact: Dale Landis at landisd@att.net

Training Committee Meeting

September 21, 2011 (7 p.m.)
Calvary Presbyterian (Logansport)
Contact: Dale Landis at landisd@att.net

COUNCIL CALENDAR

September

- 11 OA - Lodge Executive Committee at Kokomo Office
- 12 Finance Committee
- 12 Advancement Committee
- 15 Buffalo Property Committee
- 17 Scouting Day at Purdue
- 17 - 18 Koh Koh Mah
- 21 Training Committee
- 24 - 25 Feast of the Hunters Moon
- 26 Commissioner Cabinet
- 26 Executive Committee

October

- 2 Buffalo Shoot for Youth
- 7 - 9 Mississinewa 1812
- 8 Popcorn Super Sale Saturday
- 10 Finance Committee
- 14 - 16 OA Fall Fellowship @ Camp Buffalo
- 15 Popcorn Super Sale Saturday
- 16 OA Lodge Executive Committee at Camp Buffalo
- 17 Executive Board - Camp Buffalo
- 20 Buffalo Property Committee
- 27 Risk Management Kokomo
- 28 - 30 Webelos Activity Badge Midway
- 29 Haunted Trail at Camp Cary

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“Back to Scouting Special”

All regular priced Cub Scout and Boy Scout Class “A” uniform pants and shirts now 15% off, September 1st - 30th, 2011.

Come in and get suited up for a great year of Scouting!

Debbie Thomson, Trading Post Manager



- Council Website: www.sagamoresignals.com
- Camp Cary: www.carycamp.com
- Camp Buffalo: www.campbuffalo.com

North District

Sr. District Executive Brian Hershey hershey@embarqmail.com

Serving Cass, Fulton, Jasper, Newton, northern Miami, Pulaski and northern White Counties

Calendar

SEPTEMBER

- 8 North District Roundtable
6:30 Central 7:30 Eastern at Camp Buffalo

OCTOBER

- 6 North District Roundtable
6:30 Central 7:30 Eastern at Camp Buffalo

NOVEMBER

- 3 North District Roundtable
6:30 Central 7:30 Eastern at Camp Buffalo

North District Eagle

Jonathon Disbro 590

ANNUAL BELT LOOP DAY

Saturday, October 29, 2011
Cross-Wind United Methodist Church, Logansport
9:00 AM to 4:00 PM Eastern Time
Cost is \$4.00 or 3 Cans of Food
(We prefer the food donation)

Lunch will be available for a small fee (Nachos, Hot Dogs, Chips Drinks)

Registration forms will be sent out
to packs in the near future.

Fifteen to 20 different belt loop classes will be offered.

Welcome to Scouting 2011 “The Great Scout Race”

September 16-18, 2011
Camp Buffalo

Enjoy the fun of a truly fantastic day of Scouting events. The race has a dozen challenges including u-turns and road blocks. Some challenges include an obstacle course, BB guns, Archery, Slingshots and much more. Prizes for the Race will be given, including ribbons and patch. There will be individual prizes that include a new BB Gun!

Friday night entertainment by the Boy Scouts of Troop 154. Saturday night camp fire with individual pack and den skits and songs. Come join the fun of an exciting weekend of camping and “The Great Scout Race.” (Refer to agenda at right for event schedule.)

Registration: \$8.00 person or \$20 fee per family This fee covers liability insurance, use of camp, patch and recognition. For a boy to participate in this activity he must be a registered Scout, so make sure all your new fall recruits have their applications in. We request the payment be made from a single check from the Pack or charged to your unit account. At registration you will be given a roster to list all youth and adults in attendance. Please return roster to the multi-purpose room at Friday night meeting.

What to bring as a Pack: tents, ground cloth, cooking utensils, FOOD (for all meals), and a water bucket per campfire. Packs may try borrowing cooking equipment from their local Boy Scout troop if needed. Bring fishing gear if you have it. We will have some to borrow.

We are allowing one or two vehicles per pack to haul equipment back to your campsite. Try to identify a truck if you can. If your unit has a trailer it may stay in your campsite, but ALL VEHICLES MUST RETURN TO THE PARKING LOT.

We encourage each boy to have a parent with them on this campout. We realize, however, that this is difficult for some parents, so we are allowing one adult to supervise 2 boys. Webelos dens do not have to follow this rule, but must have at least 2 adults responsible for their den.

Each Pack should assign a Camp Coordinator. This person’s main tasks will be promoting this camp, and coordinating with staff at Registration Desk upon check-in.

We ask that you please instruct all adults to refrain from smoking in front of the boys. Smoking will only be allowed in the parking lot. As always, alcohol use on camp property is strictly prohibited. If you have questions, call Jeff Morrison at 574-870-0543.

AGENDA

“The Great Scout Race” (All Times are Eastern)

Friday, September 16, 2011

5:00 - 7:00 Check in
7:30 Meet in the Dining Hall & Pick up rosters for Race
Announcements: Brian Hershey, Jeff Morrison, Chas Triplett
Entertainment: Rob McKinney and Troop 154

Saturday, September 17, 2011

8:00 Flag Raising/Opening Ceremony/Race Rules
8:30 Official Race Start
Check in at the dining hall
One hour lunch
Restart from check point
4:00 (Approx. Time) Race ends
6:45 Flag Lowering
7:00 Campfire
Skits, songs, and awards
9:00 Return to campsites

Sunday, September 18, 2011

8:00 Break camp and check out

Sagamore Council Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills September 23 - 25, 2011 at Camp Buffalo

Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills is part of the Scoutmaster Training required to become fully trained. Completing this course and the other required courses qualifies you to wear the "Trained" patch and to attend Wood Badge.

Registration will begin at 6:00 PM on Friday, September 23rd and opening at 7:00 PM. Friday night dinner will not be provided. A cracker barrel will be served. We will break camp at 9:30 AM on Sunday, September 25th. (All times are Eastern) The fee for the weekend is \$25.00. You will need to bring camping gear including a tent, your favorite mess kit, a compass, a Boy Scout Handbook, and appropriate clothing. "Be Prepared" You might find note-taking equipment of use also. Tan uniform shirts and uniform shorts or pants will be the uniform for the weekend. If it is warm enough we will change to tee shirts on Saturday. "Be Prepared" This will be a fun and fast paced weekend, so gather up your adults, share your tents, and attend as a group. (Bring your own earplugs.)

Please complete the form below and send it to the Service Center by September 19, 2011. Forms postmarked after September 19, 2011, will be denied. Also, let Dale Landis know if you have any special needs. (dietary or otherwise)

Dale Landis Cell: 574-835-6344 E-mail: landisd@att.net

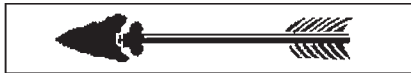
I will attend the Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills on September 23 - 25, 2011 at Camp Buffalo.

Name _____ Phone _____
(please print)

Unit _____ Email _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

The Takachsin Arrow



Lodge Chief Wes Beattie.....

Lodge Advisor..... Mark Beattie markbeattie@hotmail.com

Staff Advisor Nick Losekamp..... nlosekamp@sagamorebsa.org

OA Fall Fellowship

Takachsin Lodge held its annual Fall Ordeal at Cary Camp Aug 12th -14th. Forty new members were inducted as well as 9 new Brotherhood members. Several projects were completed including posts were painted, fire-wood split, and a building was cleared out for storage space. Four Vigil candidates were recognized and a delicious banquet was enjoyed by everyone Saturday night.

The Lodge will be hosting our annual Fall fellowship weekend at Camp Buffalo Oct. 14,15, and 16th. This will be a great opportunity to meet your fellow OA members while competing in different activities. Several activities include: The Golden Arrow Competition, Lodge Ball, Tomahawk toss, human bowling, a kayak race, a canoe trip (weather permitting), and more. The Camp Buffalo Shooting ranges will also be available for those who like shotguns, rifles, and archery. There will be a hog roast Saturday night followed by Officer elections. We will also have a pie auction and the winner will be able to "pie the Lodge Chief". This will be a camping weekend so bring camping gear including a tent, the camp ranger would like to see us fill the 5 biggest camp sites. The cost for the weekend is \$25 for the entire weekend and \$14 for Sat. for those who can only stay for the day's events. Registration will be from 7-9 pm Fri. eve and 8-9 Sat. morning so encourage your Arrowmen to attend this weekend of good fun and good food. We have also been challenged by Ranger Chas that if we can get 150 OA members to the event he will waive our camp fees (let's do this for the lodge). This will be a great event, especially for new OA members. To pre-register contact the Scout Office at 765-452-8253.

Takachsin Lodge will also be inducting it's new Vigil Honor members during the fellowship and all Vigil members are invited to attend.

We are very close to meeting our membership goals for Quality Lodge this year. We still need members to pay their dues, so if you have not paid them yet, please do so to help us achieve our goals. Dues can be paid at the Council Office or at any Lodge event and are \$12.

Upcoming Lodge Events

Lodge Executive Committee
Sunday, September 11th
2:00 PM
Council Office

OA Fall Fellowship
October 14 - 16th
Camp Buffalo

Lodge Executive Committee
Sunday, October 16th
Camp Buffalo

West District

Serving Benton, Carroll, Tippecanoe, Warren and southern White Counties

District DirectorMike Seiber.....mseiber@sagamorebsa.org
 District Executive.....Diann Sedam.....sedamjd@aol.com

Calendar

(All Times are Eastern Standard Time)

September 2011

- 1 TSC Join Scouting Night
- 5 Labor Day, Office Closed
- 8 Popcorn Kick-off
- 8 O.A. Chapter Meeting
- 10 Cub Scout Leader Party
- 13 Good Scout Luncheon
- 20 Red Cross Emergency Preparedness Fair
- 23 Popcorn Sale Begins
- 24 Cary Pancake Breakfast
- 26 Council Executive Committee
- 27 Eagle Boards of Review

October 2011

- 6 District Committee Meetings
- 13 Roundtable
- 13 O.A. Chapter Meeting
- 14-16 O.A. Fall Fellowship
- 17 Council Executive Board - Camp Buffalo
- 25 Eagle Boards of Review
- 28-29 Webelos Activity Badge Midway
- 29 Haunted Trail

(Year at a Glance Calendar is available at the West District page of Sagamoresignals.com)

Cub Scout and Boy Scout Roundtable

Due to scheduling conflicts in September, August served as roundtable for August and September. The next Roundtable will be held on October 13, 2011 at Cary Camp. Come out and see the new District Roundtable staff.

Popcorn Kickoff

The 2011 Popcorn Sale is almost here! This year there are exciting changes to the popcorn line-up with the addition of a non-popcorn item. Popcorn is the perfect way to fund your Unit program and for the Scouts to earn a gift card toward an item they want at Walmart or Amazon. They can even earn credit toward camp or uniforms.

The Popcorn kickoff will be held on September 8th at 7:00 at Cary Camp. Please pass this information on to your leaders. All leaders are invited to attend and find out about the changes to the products and the sale. Be sure that someone from your unit signs in to be eligible for your bonus at the end of the sale.

District Attendance Incentive

The West District introduces the District Attendance Incentive Program for the 2011-2012 Program Year. Each time you attend a roundtable, training course, or specific District Program you will receive credit for tickets that can be redeemed at the May Roundtable for prize drawings. There will be many items available and each item will have a separate drawing and you can choose which items you want to try to win. You must sign in at each activity to receive tickets.

Activities that will earn you tickets:

- Individual Roundtables – 2 tickets per roundtable
- 8 Roundtables between August, 2011 and May, 2012 – 5 tickets
- Cub Scout Leader Party – 2 tickets
- District Dinner – 2 tickets per attendee
- Training course (Specifics, BALOO, University of Scouting, Outdoor, etc) 5 tickets
- District Retreat – 2 tickets
- Hammer and Saw Day (Cary or Buffalo) – 2 tickets

District Meetings

All Scouters are welcome to attend the West District meetings. The next District Meeting will be held on October 6th at St. James Lutheran Church beginning at 7:00 pm.

Cub Scout Leader Party

All Cub Scout Leaders are invited to a PARTY on September 10, 2011, 1:30 to 3:00 p.m., at Our Saviour Lutheran Church, 300 Fowler Ave. in West Lafayette. You will have a chance to meet leaders from all over the new West District. You can leave with ideas that will help you fill in your Den meetings with fun and excitement. There will be refreshments and cake and lot of good cheer for everyone. Everyone will go away from this party with new ideas, new friends and most important new resources.

Haunted Trail

Mark your calendars now for a ghoulishly good time at the 2011 Haunted Trail at Cary Camp. This year the Haunted Trail follows the Webelos Activity Badge Midway on October 29, 2011. Cub Scout Packs are encouraged to attend and spend the night at Cary Camp. Boy Scout Troops are invited to help put on stations for the Cub Scouts. More information will be mailed to Unit leaders.

Tippecanoe County Emergency Preparedness Fair

The Red Cross, Tippecanoe Co. Health Dept. and Tippecanoe Co. Emergency Management will be hosting a readiness fair on September 20, 2011 at the Tippecanoe Fairgrounds Hog Barn in Lafayette. The fair will run from 6:00 p.m. through 8:00 p.m. Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts will have the opportunity to fulfill first aide and emergency preparedness requirements. The host agencies will be joined by other emergency, health and service agencies with live demonstration, vehicle tours, and booths showing agency specialties as well as helping Scouts with their advancement. There will also be refreshments and door prizes.

Summertime Pack Award

Plan now to earn the National Summertime Pack Award. The requirements are not difficult and it is a way to recognize your Cub Scouts at their first Pack meeting in September. By holding activities in the summer, it is also easier to get back into the full Pack program in the Fall. Applications for the National Summertime Pack Award and Summertime Den awards should be submitted after your August activity for immediate recognition while the summer is still fresh in their minds.

West District Eagles

Jason Bail	154
Grant King	303
Nelson Almond	303
Drake Hoover	303
Nicholas Mack	310
Andrew Robbins	310
James Horn	325
Doyle Thelon	325
Daniel O'Connor	333
Richard Sunkel	333
Daniel Midkiff	335
John O'Grady	338
Charles Horner	338
Daniel Dalder	338
Ty Jacobs	338
Michael Ehler	344
Christopher Miller	348
Samuel Rowe	391
Nathan Smith	393

Webelos-To-Scout Planning Steps:

SEPTEMBER

- 1. Mail a letter of introduction from the Boy Scout troop to second-year Webelos Scouts to introduce them to the troop. TMC, SM
- 2. Work on rank advancement with new Scouts. TMC
- 3. Continue planning the joint camping trip for October. SM, PLC, CM, WDL

Webelos-To-Scout Planning Steps:

OCTOBER

- 1. Conduct the joint camping trip with the Webelos den. SM, TMC, SPL, CM
- TMC - Troop Membership Chair
 SM - Scoutmaster
 PLC - Patrol Leaders' Council
 CM - Cubmaster
 WBL - Webelos Den Leader
 SPL - Senior Patrol Leader

East District

Serving Blackford, Grant, Howard, southern Miami and Wabash Counties

District Executive.....Nick Losekamp.....nlosekamp@sagamorebsa.org
 Fall Membership Specialist.....Diann Sedam.....sedamjd@aol.com

Kokomo Fishing Derby

The Kokomo Fishing Derby will be held on Saturday September 10th at Emerald Lake, at St. Joan of Arc Church (3155 South 200 West, Kokomo IN). Registration will run from 9 a.m. to 9:30 and fishing will go from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. If you pre-register you can start fishing as soon as you arrive at 9 a.m.. Avoid the long lines by planning ahead. The cost for youth and adults will be \$3.00 children under 5 are free. Beverages, hot dogs and your fried fish will be provided for lunch. Please just bring a dish to share and your own table service. Each fisherman will need to bring his own fishing pole and fishing tackle. Some bait will be available for each boy, but families should be prepared with their own supplies once those available are distributed.

All fishing will be done from the St. Joan of Arc shoreline (no boats). Trophies will be awarded for the top fishermen. Categories are: Most Fish, Greatest Total Length, Largest Fish, and Smallest Fish. Please understand that your fish must be reported by 11:30 a.m. Fish late to the judging station cannot be counted!

Be sure to dress for the weather! Rain will not keep us from fishing and having a great day! Because of the busy fall schedule, if the Fishing Derby is cut short due to lightning, there will not be a rain date.

Marion Fishing Derby

The Marion Fishing derby will be held on September 9th and 10th at the Van Buren American Legion. Scouts can camp overnight on Friday and the fishing will take place the next day. The cost will be \$6 per person and that includes an all you can eat breakfast. If you have any other questions please contact Dave Garrison at 765-934-2770.

Welcome to Scouting

The Welcome to Scouting event will be held at the First Christian Church (on the corner of Malfalfa and Sycamore in Kokomo) on Saturday September 24th. Registration will run from noon to 1 p.m. and events will run from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.. Events this year will include: BB Guns, Archery, Cinnamon Apples, Water Bottle Rockets, Scarecrows, Campfire Mad Libs and Marshmallows, and more! If your Troop would like to help put on the Welcome to Scouting for the Cub Scouts please contact Nick Losekamp at 765-452-8253. The cost for Welcome to Scouting will be \$8 for youth and \$2 for adults. Any boy who is not already involved in Scouts will be able to sign up at the Welcome to Scouting event. This is a great event for Scouts to bring their friends to. If Scouts have a soccer game or football game they do not have to stay the entire time for the event; they can come before or after the game. To pre-register or if you have any questions please contact the Scout Office at 765-452-8253.

Merit Badge Can Do

The Merit Badge Can Do will be held at Indiana University Kokomo on Saturday October 1st. Registration will be from 8-9 a.m., the first set of Merit Badge classes will be held from 9-noon. There will be a break for lunch from noon to 1 p.m. and then the second class period will be from 1-4 p.m..

Classes offered will include: Family Life, Personal Management, Public Health, Chemistry, Astronomy, Art, Geology, Scholarship, Energy, Reptiles and Amphibians, and more. The cost for the event will be \$10. If you have any questions please contact the Scout office at 765-452-8253. Please pre-register at the office before September 28th. A full schedule of classes should be available for the September Roundtable.

Calendar

September

- 5 Labor Day (Scout Office Closed)
- 9 Fishing Derby (Marion)
- 10 Fishing Derby (Kokomo)
- 14 East District Roundtable
- 16 - 18 Koh-koh-mah
- 23 Popcorn Sale Begins
- 24 Welcome to Scouting
- 28 East District Committee Meeting

October

- 1 Merit Badge Can Do (IUK)
- 7 - 9 Mississinewa 1812
- 12 East District Roundtable
- 14 - 16 OA Fall Fellowship 16-18
- 21 - 23 Fall Camporee
- 26 East District Committee Meeting

East District Eagles

Tyler Bailey	424
Barret Gaylor	506
Adrian Glover	523
Kurt Shaffer	528
Kaleb Worl	566
David Wilkenson	581

Sagamore Council 2011-2012 Camping Promotions Plan

When	Who	What
Sept 2011	Nominating Committees	Recruit District Camping Promotions Team Members
Sept 2011	District Camping Promotions Teams	Schedule camp promotions visits to units
Sept 2011	Executive Staff	Develop Day Camp, Adventure Camp, and Camp Buffalo brochures and registration forms
Oct 2011	Scout Service Center	mail Camp Buffalo registration materials to Boy Scout families
Oct 2011	Scout Service Center	email Camp Buffalo camp information to all Boy Scout families and 2nd-year Webelos
Oct 2011	District Teams	Visit Troops to promote Camp Buffalo, showing the DVD video and introducing the exciting camp payment tracking tool!
Dec 2011	District Teams	Visit Cub Scout Packs to promote Day Camp and Adventure Camp, featuring the DVD videos.