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Volunteer Recognition Dinner



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Calumet Council Annual Council Meeting and Volunteer Recognition Dinner



Friday, April 21, 2006
Villa de Bruno
Lynwood, Illinois

Knights of the Calumet Reception: 6:30 PM
Annual Meeting and Dinner: 7:00 PM
\$25.00 per person

Silver Beaver Sponsors: \$125.00 (Includes two dinner tickets)

Table Sponsor: \$250.00 (Includes six dinner tickets)

Reservation deadline: Friday, April 14, 2006

This evening is dedicated to the extra efforts put forth in the name of making the Calumet Council Scouting program great. A reception for the "Knights of the Calumet" donors to the Friends of Scouting Campaign will begin the evening, and then we will conduct the business of the council at the annual meeting including election of officers and the executive board. We will have a great dinner and program recognizing adult volunteer Scouters culminating with the presentation of the Presidents' Awards and Silver Beaver Award.

OFFICIAL NOTICE:

Attention: All Council Executive Board, Advisory Board and
Charter Partner Representatives

The Calumet Council, Boy Scouts of America Annual Meeting will be held
Friday, April 21, 2006 at 7:00 PM

It will be held at the Villa de Bruno in Lynwood, Illinois



March 2006

- 6 OA Executive Committee
- 9 FOS Report Meeting #3
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April 2006

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- 29 Spring Popcorn Sale Distribution

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COUNCIL NEWS

Calumet Council Risk Fair

Saturday, April 8, 2006

Ridge United Methodist Church
 18420 Burnham Avenue, Lansing, IL
 (located south of Ridge Road near TF
 South High School)

Registration begins at 7:45am: Program runs from 8am to 4pm: \$15.00 for First Aid Course and \$12.00 for all others. (Includes lunch catered by Dal Santo's, a special patch, and a copy of "Guide to Safe Scouting") Plan now to attend this special training course put on by the Calumet Council Risk Management Committee and experts in the field of first aid, safety food prep sanitation and loss prevention. Every Scout unit needs to "Be Prepared" for common emergencies.

American Heart Association "Heart Saver" Course will be offered!

(This course includes C.P.R. and the latest in AED certification)

Other sessions will include:

- *Safe Climbing
- *Safe Swim Defense
- *Food Prep
- *Sanitation
- *Safety Afloat
- *Scout Insurance
- *Youth Protection Training
- *The Risk Zone
- *Leader Liability

Risk Fair Signup Form

Please return this form to the Scout office by Tuesday, April 4, 2006.

Name _____
 Scout Unit _____
 Daytime Phone # (____) _____

Amount enclosed:
 (\$12.00 each) \$ _____

(\$15.00 First Aid Course) \$ _____
 _____ **Heart Saver Course**
 (this course is the entire day!)



Camp Corn

It is not too late to sign up for the Calumet Council Camp Corn Program. The 2006 Spring Camp Corn Popcorn Program is a great opportunity to earn extra money for your unit. It can also be used to help Scouts pay their own way to Philmont, Cub Day Camp, Cub Camp at Camp Frank S. Betz, Shooting Sports Camp, National Youth Leadership Training, African American Heritage Camp, troop high adventure trips or Boy Scout summer camp.

There are several key dates that you need to remember:

Wednesday, March 22, 2006:
 Sale starts

Wednesday, April 19, 2006:
 Popcorn orders due to the Council office

Saturday, April 29, 2006:
 Popcorn distribution for the entire council:
Whole Foods Distribution Center
 480 45th
 Munster, IN 46321

Distribution time:
 8:00 to 11:00 AM

Friday, May 19, 2006:
 All money turned into the Council office

For more information contact Ted Karns at the council service center,
 800.513.2343.



**Scout Executive's
Comments**
By Michael Creagh

"We do all this for the boys"

Everything we do in the Calumet Council is to either assist more boys to join the Scouting program or make the Scouting experience he gets the best possible. (This of course also applies with the female members of our Learning for Life, Exploring, and Venturing program.) We recruit new members; new volunteers and we train them in the Scouting program. We run activities and camps, operating Camp Frank S. Betz for all Scouts to use. We keep records, we conduct meetings, and meetings, and even more meetings, to plan activities, and then we have all the paper work!

The boys are what we are all about. Providing a positive character building Scouting experience is an important goal all adult volunteers share. How do you make sure the business of Scouting doesn't get in the way of the fun of Scouting?

Do you involve the boys in planning? Do you conduct the business part of your units at committee meetings and keep the den, pack, or troop meeting free for boy programming?

Beginning in Cub Scouts, we encourage boys to learn and grow their personal leadership style. This can, at times be hard for some adults as things don't get done efficiently but the development of the boys is still why we do all this!

COUNCIL NEWS

20th Annual Wolf Lake Conservation Project April 21-23, 2006 (Friday thru Sunday)

Saturday, April 22, 2006

8:00 am, Registration

8:30 am, Opening Ceremony

10:00 am, Road Commencement

8:30-2:00 pm, Clean up and Planting

1:00 pm, Free lunch for participants

2:00-4:00 pm, Fishing Derby

This is a wonderful opportunity for your unit to give back. It is a completely free event for your units. Each Scout that participates will receive lunch and a patch. Throughout the day we will be doing all types of projects from picking up garbage to planting trees. We will supply gloves and garbage bags for you.

After the conservation project, Scouts are welcome to participate in the fishing derby.



Boy Scouts troops and Venture crews are welcome to campout for the weekend. This is a free campout, however you must provide your own food except for Saturday's lunch. There will also be opportunities for Scouts to work on merit badges.

More detailed information will be available on the council Web site (www.calumetcouncil.org) or at the Council office.

If you have any questions please contact Art Peschke at 219.659.7841 (home) or 219.765.6767 (cell) or Maureen Potempa, 800.513.2343 at the Council office.

NEW for 2006

Stop by today and check out the new Scout stuff at the Scout shop!



2006 BSA
Collector's Cap



Carabiner
Mugs



Barn Birdhouse Kit

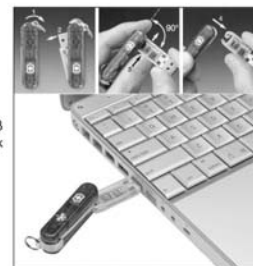


BSA Candy/
Craft Mold



Swiss Army 128 MB
Memory Stick

Cub Scout
Do Your Best
Place Mats and
Napkins



2006 SILVER BEAVER RECIPIENTS



On January 16, the Calumet Council Silver Beaver Committee and me (Ted Karns) reviewed 20 very worthy applicants. The awards will be presented on **Friday, April 21**, at the **2006 Council Annual Dinner**. The committee is proud to announce the Calumet Council 2006 recipients:



Debbie Bona—Debbie has served as a leader in both Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts. She has served on numerous district and council committees including the Membership and Roundtable committees as well as serving as a Friends of Scouting presenter. She has worked on the public relations committee for the last two Excellent Adventures.



Stan Bona—Stan is currently serving the Thunderbird District as its Advancement Chairman. He has served as Scoutmaster and numerous other unit positions. Stan served on the Calumet Council Jamboree Committee and served as Scoutmaster for this national event.



George Johnson—For 13 years, George has served as Scoutmaster of Troop 490 in Dolton, IL. He has served as a member of his district committee and served on many district activities and staffs. George has been an active member of the Calumet Council Jamboree Committee, and has served on staff for the last three National Scout Jamborees.



Scott Histed—Scott is currently serving as the Vice President for Program in the council. He has served on the council's Wood Badge and BSLT staff. Scott continues to serve the Nishnabec District on the Friends of Scouting Committee. Scott is currently registered as an assistant Scoutmaster in Orland Park.



Jim McShane—Jim has been an Executive Board member of the Calumet Council for the past ten years; he currently serves as Vice President of Fundraising. He also has served as a Knight and Community Friends of Scouting worker.



Brian Stegmann—Brian has served as a Cubmaster and assistant Scoutmaster. He has been active on the council Risk Management Committee and Junior Leader Training staff. Brian is active in the Michigamea Lodge and is currently serving as a Chapter and Communication Adviser.



Nils Wickstrom—Nils is currently serving as an assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 342. He serves the Crossroads District as a Unit Commissioner and Friends of Scouting presenter. Nils served on the 2005 National Scout Jamboree Committee and served as an assistant Scoutmaster for the event.



**Scouting for Food
(Collection drop off sites)
Saturday,
April 8, 2006**

The Calumet Council, Drifting Dunes Council, and South Cook Girl Scout Council are involved. Saturday, April 8 is the Good Turn for America Scouting for Food collection.

Thunderbird District

Salvation Army
8225 Columbia Avenue
Munster, IN 1:00-4:30 pm
Contact Loraine Steele, 219.845.0694

Prairie Dunes District

Gary Muslim Center
1473 West 15th Avenue
Gary, IN 9:00-11:00 am

American Legion Post 100
1899 Central Avenue
Lake Station, IN 9:00-12:00 pm

(Merrillville site to be announced)
Contact Donna Prothro, 219.836.1720

Nishnabec District

Zion Lutheran Church
171st and 69th Avenue
Tinley Park, IL 8:00-10:30 am
Contact Tom Hoogland, 800.513.2343

Crossroads District

Response Now
1439 Emerald Avenue
Chicago Heights, IL 9:00-12:00 pm
Contact Cordell Hopkins, 800.513.2343

If your district is not listed, please call your district executive for the information. If you turn your food in at another location or do it before or after April 8th, call your district executive with the number of boys and how many food items. Questions call the Council office

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and ask for Tom Hoogland
219.836.1720 or 800.513.2343.

Scouting for Food Registration Form

Saturday, April 8, 2006

Yes, we want to take part in the 2006 Scouting for Food Campaign.

District _____
Troop # _____
Pack # _____
Post # _____
Crew # _____

of youth _____

Please print your name: _____

Mail to: Calumet Council
8751 Calumet Avenue
Munster, IN 46321-2593

Good Turn for America

Hunger is a way of life for far too many in our country. It may seem ironic, but in the wealthiest nation in the history of the world, millions of people each year are forced to choose between putting food on the table or paying for other necessities of life. An estimated **13 million people go to bed hungry each night.** Through Good Turn for America, organizations like the Boy Scouts of America, the Salvation Army, and thousands of other community organizations, we can work together to alleviate hunger in America.

Community service is one of a society's benchmarks for health. When people are personally involved in supporting their neighborhoods, the outcome is a renewed sense of unity and civic pride. Volunteerism is a hallmark of American society, and helping other people is an integral part of the Boy Scouts of America. Good Turn for America will focus on three areas of service: food, shelter, and healthy living. Therefore, there will be three subtitles: Scouting for Food,

Scouting for Shelter, and Scouting for Healthy Living.

Hunger is a problem in the United States for families with scarce resources. Children suffer when the limited family income must be used for other necessities and a well-balanced nutritional diet cannot be provided. These families rely on charities to provide them with a variety of food.

How can you help? Participate in the council Scouting for Food, food drive. Assist agencies that feed meals to the needy by helping them prepare and serve the meals. Help deliver meals and food to needy shut-ins and the elderly in conjunction with organizations such as Meals on Wheels.

And let us know how your unit has helped feed the hungry in your community. Since 2004, the Web site www.goodturnforamerica.org has been a place where you can go to report your unit's service projects. We will be collecting information about the types of service projects conducted, the number of members and non-members involved in the projects, and who/what organization benefited from your unit's efforts. This will help us tell the story of what Scouts are doing to fight hunger in our community. Units reporting their service project will be allowed to purchase a Good Turn for America patch.

Are you one who will make a difference? Get involved.

For more information, please contact Tom Hoogland at the Council office, 800.513.2343 or visit www.goodturnforamerica.org.





National Youth Leadership Training 2006

The 2006 training for Calumet Council youth leaders will be the new exciting course: National Youth Leadership Training. You may have read about this course in Scouting Magazine.

The course will again be held at the beautiful Camp Frank S. Betz in Berrien Springs, Michigan. National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) is an exciting, action-packed program designed to provide youth members of the BSA with leadership skills and experience in their home troops and in other situations demanding leadership of self and others.

The course utilizes the latest in leadership ideas, and presents fresh, vital, and meaningful training for today's Scouting. The teaching techniques and tools are modern and high tech which will be very relevant to today's youth featuring film clips and sound bites from leaders in business, sports, and the world outside of Scouting. Patrols work on a simulated monthly program for a troop working together using the skills they learn to plan a big troop activity at the end of the "month." Plenty of fun, excitement, and high energy are sure to fill the week. NYLT is an entirely new program, not a reworking of the JLT program. Some troops may consider sending Scouts to NYLT who were very young when they took the JLT course if they could use a "tune-up."

Training Updates

Cub Scout Overnighter: At least one adult on a pack overnighter must have completed Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO). To help fulfill this requirement for packs, we are offering:

(P22 Guide to Safe Scouting)

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BALOO and OWL Training

**Wednesday, May 17, 2006 and
Wednesday, May 24, 2006**

**First United Methodist Church
6635 Hohman Avenue, Hammond, IN**

**7:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Registration fee: \$10.00
www.calumetcouncil.org**

Attention all Cub Scout units! All Cub Scout packs that will be camping as a unit, this includes camping at Camp Frank S. Betz, must have the adults giving leadership to the overnighter trained in BALOO.

Directions? Take 159th Street to Hohman Avenue, turn south to the first street on left. The church is on the corner, and parking is in back.

Registration details on the council Web site or detach and return this form to the Calumet Council, BSA, 8751 Calumet Avenue, Munster, IN 46321.

Questions call:
Dave and Debbie Blankenship, 708.331-5712 or 708.825-3193; or Cordell Hopkins, Council Training Adviser, 219.836.1720 or 800.513.2343.

Baloo and Owl Training

Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Phone #(_____) _____
Pack # _____ District _____
Leadership Position: _____

**Registration fee: \$10.00
Registration due by
Friday, May 12, 2006**

of participants _____ x \$10.00 = \$ _____

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

Advanced Scout Leader Training held Locally this Summer



Wood Badge for the 21st Century

A Two-Weekend Training Course

"C-16-06"

**August 18-20, 2006
September 30,
October 1-2, 2006**

Please return to:
**Rainbow Council Scout Reservation
Morris, Illinois**

Course fee: \$200.00
(\$50.00 deposit required)
(Final payment due by June 1, 2006)

For more information contact:
Rob Richardson, 815.436.3074
E-mail: rdrichards55@sbcglobal.net

Bryan Schroeder, 815.603.2816
E-mail: bschroed@bsamail.org

21st Century Wood Badge

"C-17-06"

Chicago Area Council

**August 25-27, 2006 and
September 15-17, 2006**

www.chicagowoodbadge.org

Questions contact: Ken Nikiel, 773.505.6957 or Chris Townsend, 312.421.8800, x263



Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training

Saturday, April 1, 2006

**Ridge United Methodist Church
8607 Columbia Avenue
Munster, IN**

7:30 am to 5:00 pm

For further information please contact Cordell Hopkins at the Council office, 800.513.2343/www.calumetcouncil.org or Roger Moehl, SM at 219.762-7323 (home). Pre-registration is required! You must register no later than Monday, March 27. Flyers are available at the Council office and on line.

Spring 2006 SM/ASM Leader Specific Training

Name _____
 Address _____
 City/State/Zip _____
 Phone # (_____) _____
 District _____ Unit # _____
 Course fee: \$6.00
 Lunch: \$4.00
 Total: \$ _____

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills

7:00 pm Friday, May 5 to 12:00 noon Sunday, May 7, 2006

**Camp Frank S. Betz
Berrien Springs,
Michigan**

Pre-registration is required! You must register no later than Wednesday, April 26, 2006. Please use separate registra-

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tion sheet for each person being registered.

Spring 2006 Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills

Name _____
 Address _____
 City/State/Zip _____
 Phone # (_____) _____
 District _____ Unit # _____
 Course fee: \$25.00
 Total: \$ _____



Basic Leader Training Council Wide

All Districts are Welcome to Attend!

Tuesday/Thursday, March 14 & 16

Tuesday/Thursday, March 21 & 23

**Markham Lutheran Church
160th and Clifton Avenue
Markham, Illinois**

Also

Saturday, March 28, 2006

**Town Hall of Munster
1005 Ridge Road,
Munster, Indiana**

www.calumetcouncil.org

Flyers are available at the Council office. For further information please check out our Web site:

chopkins@calumetcouncil.org or
 Cordell Hopkins, 800.513.2343; or
 Debbie Blankenship, 708.331.5712



Scoutreach Indiana

Prairie Dunes District and Thunderbird District Roundtables

March 2006

1 Roundtable, 7:30p, Prairie Dunes District, Merrillville United Methodist Church, 305 East 68th Place

March 2006

2 Roundtable, 7:30p, Thunderbird District, First United Methodist Church, 18420 Burnham Avenue, Lansing, IL

Scoutreach Meetings

To all program aids, be reminded that you must attend the scheduled program aid meetings. The following meeting dates are Wednesdays: **April 12, June 14, August 9, October 11, and December 13**. Please make plans to attend.

Upcoming Events

Wolf Lake Conservation Project
April 22, 2006

Thunderbird Camporee
May 19-21, 2006

Prairie Dunes Camporee
May 19-20, 2006

Program and Advancement

There are program materials available for all leaders. These materials can be invaluable in your efforts to help the boys advance. If you are interested in receiving these materials, please contact Sims Bostic at the Scout office, 800.513.2343.



Boy Scout and Venturing Religious Awards Camp

June 24, 2006 to June 25, 2006

Camp Frank S. Betz Berrien Springs, MI

We encourage all youth interested in religious awards to attend this event. Remember, "A Scout is Reverent." You will complete the majority of the religious awards, however, there will be some additional things that will need to be completed at home after the weekend. You will be assigned a counselor in your home area to help you complete your respective program. Registration is limited to the first forty (40) applicants!

Location:

Camp Frank S. Betz
Berrien Springs, Michigan

Time:

Camp will start on **June 24 at 8:00 am** (Chicago time)
Camp will be completed **June 25 at 3:00 pm** (Chicago time)

(Parents, please arrive at 3:00 pm to pick up your Scout.)

Cost:

Cost for this camp is **\$45.00** through June 1 and after it is \$55.00

No registration will be accepted after June 14.

Adult Counselors Needed: The religious awards committee is looking for adults from various religious denominations who would like to help Scouts receive the medals of their faith. Information about the medal programs will be provided. Those who are interested will be invited to work with other counselors at the Calumet Council Religious Awards Camp. For more information please contact Deb Sitz at 219.322.4320 or debsitz@aol.com.

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Religious Awards Camp continued

For more information, contact:
Maureen Potempa at the Council office at 800.513.2343 or 219.836.1720 or mpotempa@calumetcouncil.org.

Please leave your name, unit number, and phone number and a member of the religious committee will return your call.



2005 Fourth Quarter Catholic Award Recipients



God and Me:

Timothy Loquist, Pack 2861, Lansing, IL
Miller Matthew, Pack 531, Griffith, IN
Noah Mitcheltree, Pack 531, Griffith, IN
Alex Wieringa, Pack 156, Matteson, IL
Jacob Langbehn, Pack 531, Griffith, IN

God and Family:

Matthew Tutto, Pack 512, Schererville, IN
Nicholas Langbehn, Pack 531, Griffith, IN



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Venturing Roundtable

Roundtable is open to both youth and adult crew members. Crew Advisors and committee chairmen are especially encouraged to attend. Our turnout has not been great in the past, so for 2006 we are only going to have four roundtables. They will be held the second Wednesday of the month.

Roundtable Dates:

Wednesday, April 12, 2006
Wednesday, July 12, 2006
Wednesday, October 11, 2006

Time:

7:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Location:

First United Methodist Church
18420 Burnham Avenue
Lansing, IL

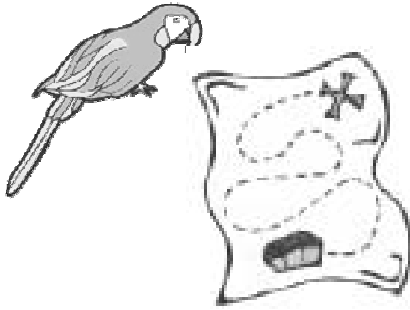
If you have any questions please contact Maureen Potempa at 800.513.2343, 219.836.1720 or mpotempa@calumetcouncil.org



Camp Frank S. Betz Berrien Springs, MI

Cub Camp Camp Goonies

"The Search for the Barnacle Brothers Treasure"



Program:

The weekend will be full of activities for you and your son/family. Throughout Saturday you will be doing activities such as swimming, canoeing, wood projects, running through an obstacle course, archery, rifle range, and so much more. The highlight of Saturday evening will be a camp-wide campfire full of songs and skits.

For the first time ever, both moms and dads have four weekends to choose from. We are having three Parent and Son weekends and one Family Weekend. Space is limited. The maximum number of youth Scouts per weekend is 125. That means you need to register early.

Dates:

Parent and Son Weekend

July 14th – 16th
July 28th – 30th
August 11th – 13th

Family Camp Weekend

July 21st – 23rd

Registration:

We encourage you to register as a pack. This will guarantee that your pack will be grouped together during your weekend. If your pack is not going as a group, you may register as an individual. Registration forms are available online at

BETZ CUB CAMP 2006

www.calumetcouncil.org or at the Council office. All registration after June 6 will be subject to a late fee of \$5.00 per person.

Who Can Attend:

Parent and Son Weekends

Any registered Cub Scout can attend if accompanied by one adult (21 years or older); for example, his mom, dad, aunt, uncle, grandmother, grandfather, or family friend.

Family Camp Weekend

Any registered Cub Scout can attend if accompanied by one or more adults (21 years or older); for example, his mom, dad, aunt, uncle, grandmother, grandfather, or family friend. Siblings are also welcome and will have the option to participate in all activities the parents feel appropriate.



Pricing:

Parent and Son Weekend

Parent - \$25.00
Second Parent - \$15.00
First Scout in a family - \$25.00
Second Scout in a family - \$25.00
Third Scout in family - \$15.00
Saturday breakfast per person - \$2.00
After June 6 add \$5.00 per person for the late fee.

Family Camp Weekend

First Parent - \$25.00
Second Parent - \$15.00
First Scout in a family - \$25.00
Second Scout/sibling in a family - \$25.00
Third Scout/sibling in family - \$15.00
Saturday breakfast per person - \$2.00
After June 6 add \$5.00 per person for the late fee.

Health Forms:

Everyone attending camp must turn in a health form; this includes parents, siblings, and Scouts. Health forms must be turned in when your pack registers with the council.

Meals:

You will be provided with lunch and dinner on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday. You also have the option to purchase breakfast for Saturday morning for \$2.00 per person.

What You Will Receive:

Everyone who registers will receive a t-shirt, patch, and mug. Scouts and siblings will receive a walking stove.



Arrival:

Friday Night Arrival (optional)

You may arrive anytime after 5:00 pm on Friday. Check in at the cabin called Pine Tree. There is no extra cost for coming on Friday, however, there will be no program. Friday is for you and your son/family to spend quality time together, prepare your campsite and to leisurely walk around camp.

Saturday Morning Arrival

Check in will be between 8:00 am and 8:45 am. Program begins promptly at 9:00 am. If you are unable to arrive at camp by 9:00 am, please check in at Pine Tree cabin when you arrive.

Departure:

Camp will end on Sunday morning after the non-denominational religious service and breakfast.

Questions:

Please contact Maureen Potempa at 219.836.1720 or 800.513.2343 or mpotempa@calumetcouncil.org

CUB DAY CAMP/AFRICAN AMERICAN CAMP

Cub Scout Day Camp Timeless Adventure!

“A Passport through Time”

This year’s Cub Day Camp theme is “A Passport through Time.” Many exciting activities will take place as we venture through ancient Asia and Greece, the wild American west, and modern day Africa. Fun will be had with games, music, food, crafts, and clothing as they relate to the time and place we travel. We will also provide basic protection on bb-guns and archery training. Be sure to register early for all the fun.

Questions, call Becky Stanger or Sims Bostic, Council Day Camp Adviser at 800.513.2343.

How you can support Cub Day Camp: Below is a list of items which are needed by the Cub Day Camp staff: cardboard egg cartons, liquid soap laundry containers and the lids to match.

We are also in need of Day Camp directors. If you would like to serve the Cub Scouts of our council and have a ton of fun while doing it, then consider becoming a Day Camp director. Please contact Becky Stanger or Sims Bostic at 800.513.2343 or e-mail: sbostic@calumetcouncil.org .

Cub Day Camp Registration Schedule:

April 1, 2006
Full fees due for reserved camper spots
April 10, 2006
Open registration begins
May 20, 2006
Registration closes

Cub Day Camp Tuition:
Reservation cost
\$10.00 per Scout
Scout day camp fee
\$60.00

Brother discounts until May 20
\$5.00 per additional camper

Cub Day Camp continued

Financial Assistance:
Campership available/see Leaders Guide

Dates and Locations are as follows:

**St. John Lutheran Church
Country Club Hills, IL
(July 11–14 and July 18–July 21)**

**St. James Church
Sauk Village, IL
(July 25–July 28)**

**Peace Memorial Church
Orland Park, IL
(August 1–August 4)**

**Hammond Moose Lodge #570
Hammond, IN
(July 11–July 14)**

**Calumet Ridge Moose Lodge #1258,
Scherrerville, IN
(July 25–July 28 and
August 1-August 4)**

**International Union of Operating
Engineers (IUOE), Local 150,
2193 West 94th Place
Merrillville, IN
(July 18–July 21)**

African American Heritage (AAH) Camp

July 7-July 9, 2006

The Calumet Council, Boy Scouts of America will present the 10th Annual African American Heritage Camp to be held at **Camp Frank S. Betz** in Berrien Springs, Michigan. The African American Heritage Camp is a council camp and all Cub Scout and Boy Scout units are encouraged to participate.

An award will be given to the Scout whose patch design is chosen for the 2006 camp (more information to follow).

*Cub Scout activities will consist of arts, crafts, archery, BB Guns, swimming and other fun activities. *Boy Scout activities will consist of three merit badge sessions and a Scout advancement course for the newly enrolled Scout. *The weekend will also include skits, story telling and rites to passage ceremony. *Participants will gain a better appreciation and understanding of the contributions that African Americans have made to this country and to Scouting.

For more information contact:
Cordell Hopkins, District Director,
219.836.1720 or 800.513.2343, e-mail:
chopkins@calumetcouncil.org

James Robinson, Camp Director,
708.528.7182, e-mail:
jamesrobinson50@aol.com

AAH Camp Registration Form

District _____ Unit # _____

Contact person _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone # (_____) _____

Turn in all medical forms with this
registration form.

No registration accepted after July 1st!

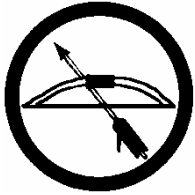
	No.	Total
All Scouts and youth participants:	\$25	--\$ _____
Grand total:		\$ _____

**Camp registration at
Camp Frank S. Betz will start
12 noon on
Friday, July 7, 2006.**

**Camp Frank S. Betz
Berrien Springs,
Michigan**

SHOOTING SPORTS

**Adventure in Archery
2006**



Merit Badge and
Venturing Ranger
Award Shooting
Sports Elective
Course

Who:
All Boy Scouts and All Venture Scouts

Where:
Camp Betz, Berrien Springs, MI

When:
**August 2, 3, 4, 2006
(Wednesday, Thursday and Friday)**

How much: **\$75.00** (includes bows, ar-
rows, class materials and meals)

More Information: contact Ted Karns at
the Council office, 219.836.1720 or
800.513.2343, www.calumetcouncil.org.
Registration deadline: July 24, 2006

**Calumet Council, BSA Shooting
Sports Archery Camp '06**

(Please Print Clearly)

PARTICIPANT _____

MALE/FEMALE _____ AGE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE # (_____) _____

TROOP/CREW _____

COUNCIL _____

SM/ADVISOR _____

[WILL] [WILL NOT] be attending

Adventure in Archery continued

PARENT _____
(PRINT)

PARENT _____
(signature)

[WILL - WILL NOT] be attending

If no SM or parent, name of other adult
from troop attending: _____

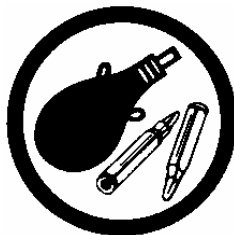
T- Shirt Size: M L XL 2X
(all sizes are adult)

Parent T-Shirt Size: M L XL 2X

Registration form must be returned by
July 22 accompanied with a check for
\$75.00 payable to Calumet Council.
Cancellations after July 24 will result in
loss of registration fee.

Mail to:

Calumet Council, BSA
Archery Camp
8751 Calumet Avenue
Munster, IN 46321-2593



**NRA Shooting Sports
Camp '06**

10th Anniversary

Rifle and Shotgun Shooting Merit Badge
Course and Venture Ranger Award Shooting
Sports Elective Course

**Friday, August 4
Saturday, August 5
Sunday, August 6**

Limited Space – register early!

NRA Shooting Sports continued

PARTICIPANT _____

MALE/FEMALE _____ AGE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE #(_____) _____

TROOP/CREW _____

COUNCIL _____

SM/ADVISOR _____
[WILL - WILL NOT] be attending

PARENT _____
(print)
[WILL - WILL NOT] be attending
PARENT _____
(signature)

If no SM/ADV or parent, name of other
adult from troop/crew attending: _____

I am seeking to earn my (circle all that
apply):

- Rifle MB
- Shotgun MB
- Ranger Elective
- NRA Qual

T-Shirt Size: M L XL

Parent T-shirt Size: M L XL
(All shirts are adult sizes -
sorry, XL is as big as they come.)

Mail to:

Calumet Council, BSA
2006 Shooting Sports Camp
8751 Calumet Avenue
Munster, IN 46321-2593

Flyers are available at the Council
office and on line,
www.calumetcouncil.org.

Questions call Ted Karns, Council
Adviser, 219.836.1720 or 800.513.2343

**Troop
Camp Planning
Promotion**
(location and information)

Owasippe Scout Reservation	
Twin Lake, Michigan	312 421 8800
Rainbow Scout Reservation	
Morris, Illinois	815 942 4450
Camp Loud Thunder	
Illinois City, Illinois	563 388 7233 Ext. 120
Camp Drake	
Fairmount, Illinois	217 356 7291
Ransburg Scout Reservation	
Bloomington, Indiana	317 925 1900
Ma Ka Ja Wan Scout Reservation	
Pearson, Wisconsin	847 433 1813
Camp Napowan	
Wild Rose, Wisconsin	847 824 6880
Camp Shin-Go-Beek	
Waupaca, Wisconsin	708 354 1111
Camp Mach-Kin-O-Siew	
Elcho, Wisconsin	708 354 1111
Camp Buffalo	
Monticello, Indiana	765 452 8253
Camp Indian Trails	
Janesville, Wisconsin	608 756 4669
Camp Bunn	
Hettick, Illinois	317 546 5570
Camp Berry	
Finley, Ohio	419 422 4356
Camp Tesomas	
Rhineland, Wisconsin	715 845 2195
Camp Tamarack	
Jones, Michigan	574 289 0337
Camp Little Turtle	
Pleasant Lake, Indiana	219 432 9593

Check to see which adult volunteers can take the troop to camp, pick a camp and a week to attend. Listed are the Scout camps within a four to six hour drive of the Calumet Council. All camps have weekly fees in the \$140.00 to \$170.00 range. Start planning now. If you need assistance in planning a camping trip, contact your unit commissioner or district executive.

CAMPING NEWS



**Philmont
Trek
Calumet
Council**

**July 2, 2007-
July 16, 2007**

In 2007 we will be sending 36 Scouts and leaders to experience the wonders of backpacking in the Sangre de Cristo Range. This 13 day trip includes ten days on the trail along with participating in the program areas offering activities such as gold mining, and burro racing!

**Preliminary Fee: \$1,200.00
Deposit Due: \$100.00**

The Philmont trip is open to all Scouts age 14 or older by January 1, 2007. All adult (and youth) applicants must meet the Philmont weight limits for backpacking and hiking. The Calumet Council is sending three full crews of ten Scouts and two adults each. Applications for leaders are being taken; if you apply and are not accepted as a leader your deposit will be returned. We strongly encourage troops that have a large number of Scouts attending to have adults apply too. Applications are available for adult leaders at our Web site or the Calumet Council office.

Campmasters Wanted

We would appreciate your help with much needed maintenance and property upkeep. If you think you would be interested in becoming a Camp Frank S. Betz Campmaster, please contact Larry Steele, Sr., Head Campmaster at 219.845.0694.

Cub Scout Resident Camp

*If you thought Betz Cub Camp was fun,
you should check this out!*

Is your pack planning on attending

summer camp next summer? Now is the time to plan for a fun-packed 3 night, 4 day Cub adventure! Boys join Scouting to go camping, what better way than with their pack at a Cub Resident Camp. We are lucky to have eight different camps to choose from within a three-hour drive of the Calumet Council. Leaders must attend with the boys, but on average almost one adult attends for each Cub Scout attending. This past year, 1/3 of all Cub packs in the United States attended Cub Scout Resident Camp, your pack can go in

Cub Scout Camping Policies

Recently, questions have arisen concerning Cub Scouts camping and leadership requirements. Quoting from the latest *Guide to Safe Scouting*, "Overnight camping by Tiger, Wolf, and Bear Cub Scout **Dens** is not approved," however, they may participate in **pack**-organized events. These must include age-appropriate activities and be conducted at a council-approved location (such as a Scout camp). All Scouts should be supervised by a parent or guardian. In all cases they must be responsible to a specific adult. At least one adult must have completed Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO). In all activities in which Tiger Cubs are participating, they must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Family camping refers to an overnight experience where Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, or Venturers camp in a family environment where programming is planned. Parents are responsible for their own children. **Webelos dens** may participate in joint camping events with Boy Scout troops but Webelos den leaders, pack leaders, and parents are expected to accompany the Scouts. This does not apply to council or district run camporees or winter events.

For more information contact the Council office at 219.836.1720 or 800.513.2343

SONS OF BADEN POWELL 2006

CALUMET COUNCIL, BSA
Sons of Baden Powell
National Youth Leadership Training
NYLT 2006



Roman Potempa, Conference Director, 708.597.4121, e-mail: romanp@aol.com
Cordell Hopkins, Staff Adviser, 219.836.1720 or 800.513.2343, Ext. 228
e-mail: chopkins@calumetcouncil.org
www.calumetcouncil.org

Calumet Council's Sons of Baden Powell National Youth Leadership Training Conference
will be held:

Saturday, June 17 to Thursday, June 22, 2006
Camp Frank S. Betz, Berrien Springs, Michigan

This will mark the first conference of the new and exciting six day NYLT program. The conference will be coordinated by Roman Potempa who has been trained and certified at Philmont National Training Center by several of the developers of the new national program. The Scoutmaster for the conference will be the ever enthusiastic Chris Repa who returns to lead the staff and conduct the conference.

WHY A NEW NAME? The national program features new material and a new focus. A B.S.A. study found both youth and adults of the 21st Century prefer the term "youth" over "Junior," and this program will now be the same all across the country – any Scout in any council gets the same training (just like Wood Badge). Thus... it is a National course.

WHY REPLACE JLT INSTEAD OF ADJUST IT? JLT elements are over 30 years old – 11 leadership skills focused on a group led by a leader. Today's leaders in today's world must work as part of a team. NYLT teaches individual skills and focuses on applying them in team settings. NYLT uses the most contemporary and successful leadership tools available today. Many aspects of JLT and traditions do remain as part of NYLT and the conference aligns more with what adults learn in 21st Century Wood Badge.

WHAT IS THE NYLT CONFERENCE? It is a unique six day conference that simulates a month in the life of a troop. It is conducted in a Troop & Patrol outdoor setting filled with challenges and quests focusing on BE – KNOW – DO leadership. Leadership skills are taught not just presented, with memory tips and immediate practical application experiences. Team development and leadership behavior is experienced first hand through a wide range of lively activities such as a camp-wide "geocache" game using GPS devices. Participants leave with a toolbox of contemporary leadership skills. But this is not a conference to send inexperienced Scouts to learn Scoutcraft skills as it is assumed those skills are already in place from the sending unit. The course is not an alternative to a week at summer camp. The focus is on leadership development, not camp or Scoutcraft skills.

HOW DOES THE CONFERENCE OPERATE? The six day conference is run as a troop with a small, experienced older youth training staff supported by a troop committee of veteran Scouters. Starting on Saturday, the conference uses the patrol method throughout which gives each participant a chance to be a patrol leader for a day with older Scouts while he learns modern leadership skills. There are immediate applications of learning while having fun. The first three days cover the first three weeks in a month of a troop planning, with planning troop meetings, PLC meetings, activities and planning for a Big Troop Event which will test their plans. The Scouts will be quite busy. The conference will end on Thursday evening with the traditional Graduation Banquet with participant parents & Scoutmasters invited.

SONS OF BADEN POWELL 2006

WHO SHOULD ATTEND? The course is designed for senior patrol leaders and assistants, or those who soon will serve in similar positions, older patrol leaders and other older Scouts in any leadership positions.

WHAT IF A SCOUT TOOK THE OLDER JLT COURSE? This is a new and different course, geared toward older Scouts, open to even the younger prior JLT staffers.

WHAT ARE THE AGE AND RANK REQUIREMENTS FOR PARTICIPANTS? By the first day of the conference the participant must be 13 years old and have completed the seventh grade. He must be at least a First Class Scout. The participant must have had at least one long term camping experience. It has been established that those younger than 13 often lack the physical and emotional maturity to benefit fully from the NYLT course. Those who have not earned the First Class rank do not have the Scouting background and Scoutcraft skills to fulfill their roles as members of their NYLT patrol and troop. Learning Scoutcraft skills is not the focus of the conference.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

Interested Scouts must complete a Scoutmaster signed NYLT application and return it with the deposit to the Calumet Council Service Center by the deadline.

ENROLLMENT WILL BE LIMITED THIS YEAR AND THE CUT-OFF DATE FOR ENROLLMENT IS NEW THIS CONFERENCE YEAR. A WAITING LIST WILL BE STARTED WHEN THE ENROLLMENT IS FILLED. *There will be eight patrols of six participants each to maintain a quality program experience. When the waiting list is established, those Scouts on the list with the deposit will be first in line for the next year's course.*

WHAT IS THE COST FOR THE CONFERENCE? The conference fee is \$165 with a reservation deposit of \$75. Due to the limited number of available openings, 48, a firm commitment is needed, thus the specific deposit which must be included with the application. Most troops pay all or part of the deposit for the Scout. This deposit is transferable to another participant, but not refundable after March 3, 2006.

During the middle of March the NYLT Troop Committee will review all applications and select a maximum of 48 Scouts for the conference. The selection will be based on age, Scout experience, troop needs, leadership positions held, camping experiences and Scout rank. After the selections have occurred, all applicants will receive written notification of their status. Those selected will receive detailed conference information and materials. Those not selected may choose to be put on a waiting list for next year with their deposit kept intact. All others will have their deposit returned.

Refund Policy: The initial deposit of \$75 is fully refundable upon withdrawal of application through March 3, 2006, after that date it is only kept as a deposit for the 2007 conference or transferable to another applicant's balance. Those applicants not accepted for the limited openings in the program will be given the opportunity to place their name and deposit on a priority waiting list for next conference, or for a refund. Should an opening occur due to a withdrawal, those on the waiting list will be considered and notified. The conference fee (less deposit) is refundable upon withdrawal from the conference until June 1, 2006, after that date refunds are handled on an individual basis. Scouts who fail to attend starting with the first day for non-medical reasons are not entitled to the partial refund and likewise Scouts who leave the conference early.



SONS OF BADEN POWELL 2006

NATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Participant Registration/Application Form (NYLT)

Instructions: Please return the completed application and a \$75.00 deposit to the Robert J. Welsh Service Center, Calumet Council, BSA, 8751 Calumet Avenue, Munster, IN 46321-2593, 219.836.1720 or 800.513.2343

(Please Print or Type)

Name _____

Name of parent(s)/guardian _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip code _____

Phone # (_____) _____

Date of Birth _____ Age _____ (you must be 13 by June 16, 2006)

Grade _____ (you must have completed 7th grade by June 16, 2006)

Troop # _____ District _____ Council _____

Years in Boy Scouts _____

Scout Rank _____ Date Received Rank _____ (you must be 1st class by June 16, 2006)

Number of Weeks Long Term Camping _____

Long Term Camps Attended:	<u>Year</u>	<u>Position in troop</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Physical Condition and Special Need(s):

Troop Leadership Experience: Position(s) Held	Length of Time
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

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Deposit Rec'd _____

Deposit Trx # _____

Payment 1 Amt _____

Payment 1 Trx # _____

Payment 2 Amt _____

Payment 2 Trx # _____

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Troop Guide: _____

Staff Recommendation(s)

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07 08 _____

07 08 _____

**MAIL OR DELIVER
 APPLICATION AND DEPOSIT
 TO:
 Robert J. Welsh Service Center
 Calumet Council, BSA
 8751 Calumet Avenue
 Munster, IN 46321-2593**

SONS OF BADEN POWELL 2006

Participant Pledge:

On my honor as a Scout, I, _____, promise that I will faithfully live according to the Scout Oath and Law during the Sons of Baden-Powell, National Youth Leadership Training Conference. Furthermore, I will represent my troop with honor and do all I can to pass my new knowledge and skills along to my fellow Scouts upon my return.

Signature/Participant

Date

Required Approval:

(Please Print Clearly!)

(PLEASE PRINT) SM Mailing Address

Signature/Scoutmaster

Printed Name/Scoutmaster

(Please Print) City, State, Zip

(Please Print) SM Phone Number

Signature-Parent/Guardian

Printed Name-Parent/Guardian

Date

REGISTRATION INFORMATION /CONFERENCE SIZE:

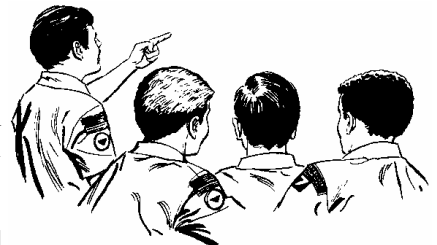
*A maximum of 48 Scouts will be accepted to participate in the Sons of Baden-Powell, National Youth Leadership Training Conference.

*Interested Scouts must complete the NYLT Participant Registration/Application Form and return it along with a \$75.00 deposit to the Calumet Council, BSA, Robert J. Welsh Service Center.

*During the middle of March the NYLT Troop Committee will review all applications and select a maximum of 48 Scouts. The selection will be based on age, Scout experience, troop needs, leadership positions held, camping experience and Scout rank.

*After the selections have occurred, all applicants will receive written notification and deposits will be returned or transferred to another Scout's balance if so desired.

*Late registration (after March 3) will only be accepted if openings remain. Acceptance will be on a first-qualified, first-served basis until 48 participants are enrolled in the Conference. Don't miss out! Register early.



The total conference fee of \$165.00 is to be paid in full by Friday, May 12, 2006.

**Make check(s) payable to Calumet Council, BSA
8751 Calumet Avenue, Munster, IN 46321-2593
www.calumetcouncil.org**

MEMORIAL GIFTS



**Calumet Council
Gratefully
Acknowledges
Tribute Fund Gifts**

In Memory of
Corliss Allen Beck
By
Bill and Barbara May
Alex Gardner Riddle
Eileen W. Schuster & Family
Philip and Karen Bachman
Donald and Linda Varner
Brown Packing Company
Rita J. Berg
Michael Golden
Michael and Christina Bakker
Michael and Andrea Markus
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Richard and Susan Bakker
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Joanne Deakin
Susan Anderson Beck & Family
Garry and Janet Guthridge
David and Judith Hale
John Cain
John and Susan Argus
Therese Muffet
Bill Wright
Alfred and Catherine Kuhn
Linda Nidetz
Robert Fasiang

In Memory of
Dick Newton
By
Jack Cunningham

In Memory of
Lucille Toren
By
Boy Scout Troop 276

In Memory of
Jack Mitchell
By
Bill and Barbara May

In Memory of
Caleb Davies
By
Bill and Barbara May

In Memory of
James Tuttle
By
Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Walker

In Memory of
Richard Artim
By
Martha Wilke

In Memory of
Sylvia Columbus
By
Martha Wilke

In Memory of
Christopher Bieker May
By
Gordon and Carole Segal

In Memory of
Hershey May
By
Martha Wilke

In Memory of
Marilyn O'Neal
By
Martha Wilke

In Honor of
Bill and Barbara May
By
Art Cardenas
Michelle Golden

Honor/Tribute to a Friend

Words too often inadequately express the sentiment we feel at the death of a friend or the joy we feel when a friend is honored with special recognition.

No greater tribute can be paid than to encourage a boy to live the life of a Scout and thus perpetuate the high principles you admire in your friend. A contribution to Calumet Council Memorial/Tribute Fund is the perfect tribute.

Memorial/Tribute Fund

In Memory: _____
 Honored for: _____
 Send Acknowledgment to: _____
 Address/City/State/Zip: _____
 Donor's Name: _____
 Donor's Address/City/State/Zip: _____
 Donor's Phone Number: (____) _____

Make check(s) payable to Calumet Council, BSA. Mail to Memorial/Tribute Fund, 8751 Calumet Avenue, Munster, IN 46321-2593



Recent Eagle Rank Attainers

Sincere congratulations are extended to the Calumet Council and their Scouts who attained the coveted Eagle badge.

John M. Mulesa, Troop 542, St. Thomas More Holy Name Society, Munster, SM Paul Taylor

Kevin E. Trotman, Troop 542, St. Thomas More Holy Name Society, Munster, SM Paul Taylor

Sean Seagren, Troop 507, Burnham Volunteer Fire Department, SM Jerry Hlinsky

Shawn P. McDaniel, Troop 271, Sunnybrook School District 171 PTO, Lansing, SM Joseph Buoscio, Sr.

Andrew B. Stevens, Troop 276, Edward Schultz American Legion #697, Lansing, SM Dominic Podsiadlik

Michael J. Stecyk, Troop 532, Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Schererville, SM Richard Tussey

Donald EB Swibes, Troop 268, St. Andrews Church, Calumet City, SM David Wojcik

Jeremy D. Cox, Troop 50, American Legion Post 260, Portage, SM Don MacMillan

Brian J. Albrecht, Troop 342, St. Paul Community Church, Homewood, SM Robert Solorio

Adam J. Pietraszewski, Troop 342, St. Paul Community Church, Homewood, SM Robert Solorio

William R. Martin, Troop 364, St. Andrew United Methodist Church, Homewood, SM Michael McDonnell

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800.513.2343

www.calumetcouncil.org

2006 Life to Eagle Workshops

Who:

Eagle Scout Candidates, Scout Leaders,
Star Scouts, Parents and Troop
Advancement Specialists

EAGLE SCOUT CANDIDATES MAY ATTEND EITHER SESSION!

Monday, March 20, 2006

Wilbur Wright Middle School
8650 Columbia Avenue
Munster, Indiana
(use the east doors in the auditorium)

Wednesday, March 29, 2006

St. James Hospital Annex Building
(across from Stephanie Center)
30 East 15th
(white building)
Chicago Heights, Illinois

Time:

7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

This informative session will include such topics as Eagle Scout projects, leadership standards, and paperwork process and completion.

Questions:

Contact Donna Protho at the
Council office, 800.513.2343 or
dprotho@calumetcouncil.org.

RSVP:

Virginia Holland,
219 836.720 or 800.513..2343



Retirement Plan Designations

"A simple and sound gift option"

The need to plan today for the future is never more apparent than with retirement. For many people, retirement is a reward for a lifetime of work. But to make sure it is a reward rather than a burden, it is important to plan early -- the security and comfort you deserve hinges on proper preparation.

In addition to the Social Security and Medicare systems, many individuals supplement their retirement income with investments in IRAs (Individual Retirement Accounts), pension and profit-sharing plans, and other savings vehicles. In fact, many people discover that the bulk of their retirement assets are invested in these plans. Many of these people also do not realize that, after providing for themselves and those who depend on them, these retirement investments offer many convenient and cost-effective charitable gift opportunities. With the growth in retirement and pension plans, many people now choose to designate their favorite charities as beneficiaries of any excess, or remaining, retirement funds once these funds are no longer needed. This is increasingly common, since these assets are often the most heavily taxed of all your assets if they are left instead to family members.

COUNCIL NEWS

Will Sez continued

It is very easy to make these gifts to Scouting. If you have an IRA, Keogh plan, or a qualified pension or profit-sharing plan, contact your plan administrator and designate Scouting as the beneficiary of any remaining funds you do not use. During your life, you retain complete access to the funds. There is an estate tax deduction for any assets that go to Scouting, and you have the satisfaction of knowing you have made a meaningful and thoughtful gift.

Please contact Michael Creagh at the Scout office if you are contemplating this potential gift. We will assist you in determining how to use your gift, and in answering any questions you may have. Your plans will remain confidential if you desire.



50th Anniversary Potawatomi Trail Hike

Saturday, March 25, 2006

**Indiana Dunes State Park
Chesterton, Indiana
1600 North 25 East**

Registration, concession stand, and trail hike kick off are located at the **City West Shelter**. Registration begins at 8:00 am and the hike kicks off at 9:00 am.

Please conform to the wishes of the park staff as follows:

1. No dogs or pets are permitted

2. No walking on the lake ice
3. Stay on approved/marked trails

Highlights:

***On Saturday, March 25, Michigamea Lodge 110 will host the 50th Annual Potawatomi Trail Hike.**

***This is a five or ten-mile hike available to all organizations.**

***We welcome Tiger Cubs, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Explorers, Venturing crews, and families.**

The hike traditionally attracts over 1,500 visitors and takes place regardless of rain or snow. The **OA concession stand** will offer coffee, donuts, pop, hotdogs, chips, candy, and hot chocolate.

Cost: No advanced registration is necessary. **The \$4.00 registration fee includes the 2006 Potawatomi 50th Anniversary Hike Trail Patch.** The Indiana State Park may charge a daily entrance fee of \$4.00 per vehicle with Indiana license plates and \$8.00 per vehicle with out-of-state license plates. There is also a chance that buses will be assessed at \$1.00 per person.

Park Camping:

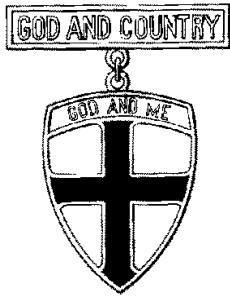
For campsite reservations, contact the Indiana Dunes State Park at 219.926.1952.

Directions:

- *Take I-94 East, approximately 25 miles east of the IL/IN state border
- *Exit Route 49 north
- *Proceed north to park entrance (approximately three miles)

Questions contact Ted Karns at the Council office:
219.836.1720 or 800.513.2343 or
e-mail: www.calumetcouncil.org.





COUNCIL NEWS

A Scout is reverent. He is reverent toward God.

He is faithful in his religious duties and respects the convictions of others in matters of custom and religion. To encourage members to grow stronger in their faith, religious groups have developed the religious emblems program. The Boy Scouts of America has approved of these programs and allows the emblems to be worn on the official uniform. The various religious groups administer the programs.

Frequently Asked Questions:

What are the religious emblems programs?

The religious emblems programs are programs created by the various religious groups to encourage youth to grow stronger in their faith. The religious groups—not the Boy Scouts of America—have created the religious emblems programs themselves. The Boy Scouts of America has approved of these programs and allows the recognition to be worn on the official uniform, but each religious organization develops and administers its own program.

I have a unit with children of all different faiths. How can I include the religious emblems programs for my unit?

The religious emblems programs should be presented to youth members and their families as an optional program for them to complete through their religious organization. Religious instruction should always come from the religious organization, not from the unit leader. Parents need to be informed of these programs and told where to get the information for their particular faith. Interested in making a presentation on the religious awards? Find sample scripts at www.praypub.org.

Why doesn't my religious institution know about the religious emblems programs?

Although the religious bodies at the national level created the religious emblems programs, the local religious institution may not be aware of these programs. It may be helpful to write for more information or even obtain a copy of the curriculum to give to your religious leader.

If the religious emblems program for my faith has more than one level (for the different grade levels), may my child earn all of these recognitions?

Yes. Members can earn all levels of their religious emblems program. However, they must be in the appropriate program guidelines when they start and complete each level (they may not go backward and earn younger programs).

How is the emblem presented?

The emblem should be presented in a meaningful ceremony, preferably in the youth member's religious institution. Some emblems come with a sample presentation ceremony.

How long does it take to complete a program?

It depends on the program. Some programs may take three or four months, others longer.

Where is the emblem worn on the uniform?

The universal religious square knot is worn over the left shirt pocket of the Scout uniform. The medallion is pinned over the square knot for full uniform occasions.

How do we get started on these programs?

First, youth members must obtain the specific booklet for their religion. This booklet will contain information on all the lessons and service projects that they will need to complete. Each member needs to have his or her own booklet to document progress. Some religions also provide adult manuals for counselors and mentors. Check with your local council to see if it stocks these booklets in its store, or contact the religious organization directly (addresses and phone numbers are provided on [this site](#)).

Second, parents must review the specific guidelines for their particular program; age/grade requirements vary from program to program. Some programs require that the youth be an official "member" of the local religious institution, others may not. Each program determines who may serve as counselor (some require clergy, others allow parents or other family members). Be sure to look at specific eligibility guidelines!

Third, families should talk to their religious leaders and show them the booklet before beginning any program. Most of the religious emblems programs require that they be completed under the auspices of that religious organization, and many require the signature of the local religious leader. Again, check the specific eligibility requirements for your religious program.

Fourth, the member needs to complete the requirements, obtain the proper signatures, and follow the instructions to order the emblem/award. (These emblems are not available in your local council.) The emblem can be presented at any time of the year and should be presented in a meaningful ceremony, preferably in the member's religious institution.

Who may serve as counselor?

It depends on the program. Some programs require clergy to serve as counselor, others allow a parent or family member. Please check the specific guidelines for your religious program.

THUNDERBIRD DISTRICT



Serving:

**Burnham, Calumet City,
Dyer, East Chicago,
Griffith, Hammond,
Hegewisch, Highland,
Lansing, Munster, Scherer-
ville, St. John, and Whiting**

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District Calendar

March 2005

2 OA, 6:45p, Un Meth, Lansing, IL
2 Roundtable, 7:15p, Un Meth
27 Commissioner, 7:00p
27 Dist Committee, 7:30p

April 2005

6 OA, 6:45p, Un Meth, Lansing, IL
6 Roundtable, 7:15p, Un Meth
8 Scouting for Food
22 Wolf Lake Project
24 Commissioner, 7:00p
24 Dist Committee, 7:30p

**First United Methodist Church, 18420
Burnham Avenue, Lansing, IL**

**First United Methodist Church, 6635
Hohman Avenue, Hammond, IN**

Friends of Scouting

In order for Scouting to continue to thrive in our community, a great amount of dedication and time is put into our Friends of Scouting Campaign. Thank you is in order for every unit that scheduled their FOS presentation. If your unit has not scheduled their FOS presentation yet, please contact Sandra Pyle as soon as possible at 219.322.8446 or sandrapyle@comcast.net

Klondike Derby

There was just enough snow on the ground to make it a good day. Thanks to all who attended and those who volunteered their time. A special congratulation goes to all of your competition winners:

Winner of the skills competition:

First place: Troop 268, Chargers
Second place: Troop 221, Dragons
Third place was a tie between Troop 204, Pyros and Troop 263, Invisibles

Winner of the Sled Race:

Troop 533, Shark Patrol



(From left to right): Matthew Pukoszek, Jimmy Talyor, Billy Burke, Steve Taylor, Michael Pukoszek (in sled) Everett Senetar, and Andrew Senetar

Scouting for Food

This is a great opportunity for Scouts to help those that are less fortunate. As in years past, we ask your units to conduct a food drive and bring the donations to the designated sight or to your local food pantry.

Food Drop off Information

Date: **Saturday, April 8, 2006**

Time: **1:00pm-4:30pm**

Location: **The Salvation Army, 8225
Columbia Ave., Munster, IN**

If you take the food to your local pantry we ask that you report to us the number of items you collected and the number of Scouts that participated. Patches will be distributed at the Salvation Army or can be picked up at the Scout office once you report your numbers. Questions? Contact Loraine Steele at [219.845.0694](tel:219.845.0694)

Wolf Lake Conservation Project

Join the Thunderbird District and participate in the Wolf Lake Project on **Saturday, April 22, 2006**. Let's take some time to give back to our community. (See page #3 for more details.)

Spring Camporee "Eggstravaganza"

This year's spring camporee will be held at **Camp Frank S. Betz on May 19-21**. Each station will have some use of an egg. More information will be coming soon.

Thunderbird District Dinner

**Attention all unit leaders and
volunteers, this evening is for you.**

Saturday, May 6, 2006

Come to this year's district dinner and enjoy dinner, district recognitions, fellowship, and fun! This is an **adult** event for **anyone** involved with a unit! Hope to see you there! Questions contact Maureen Potempa, Thunderbird District Executive.

PRAIRIE DUNES DISTRICT



Serving:

Black Oak, Calumet Township, Cedar Lake, Crown Point, Gary, Hobart, Lake Dalecartia, Lake Station, Lakes of the Four Seasons, Lowell, Merrillville, New Chicago, Ogden Dunes, Portage, Shelby, Schneider, South Haven (Valpo), Winfield

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District Calendar

March 2006

- 1 Roundtable, 7:30p
- 1 OA Chapter, 7:30p
- 14 District Committee, 7:30p
District Commissioner, (TBA)

April 2006

- 5 Roundtable, 7:30p
- 5 OA Chapter, 7:30p
- 11 District Committee, 7:30p
District Commissioner, (TBA)

(Meetings held at Merrillville United Methodist Church)

Scouting for Food Saturday, April 8, 2006

The biggest service project Calumet Council has is Scouting for Food. Please help support this by signing your unit up to participate. The collection sites for Prairie Dunes District are as follows:

Gary Muslim Center
1473 West 15th Avenue
Gary, IN, 9-11 am

American Legion Post 100
1899 Central Avenue
Lake Station, IN - 9:00-12:00 pm

(Merrillville site to be announced)

Any questions please contact
Donna Protho at 219.836.1720

Yukon Derby Recap

The Yukon derby was a great success due the great leadership of Darlene Propst, Pack 234, Don Scott, Pack 129 and their many helpers. A huge THANK YOU to Don Scott for coordinating the entire program with all the troops. "YAHOO" to Troop 105, Troop 76, Troop 48, Troop 45, and Troop 356 for running the stations. Troop 105 won hands down for the "coolest station" this year. Everyone had a BLAST. We thank Pack 48 for staying behind to make sure the 4H Building was in good shape.

Friends of Scouting

The campaign for Friends of Scouting is in full swing. A few units in the Family campaign have had their presentations done. We still have many more to come. The goal for the Family campaign is \$26,400. Let's strive to meet this goal.

For those units that meet their goal, the Family chairperson will receive a wind-breaker jacket. We would like to see each unit have someone sporting one of those jackets.

Spring Camporee May 19-21, 2006

Warren Regnier has plans in the works for the upcoming 2006 Spring Camporee. Keep your eyes and ears open.

Light of Christ Award Recipients

Pack 45 of Crown Point received the Light of Christ Award. They are as follows: Michael Bukur, Anthony Kendall, Joey Krampen, Derek Maldonado, and Matthew Wielgus.

Jeremy Cox, Troop 50 "Eagles' Wings"

Jeremy's paw prints began as a Tiger Cub Scout in 1996. As a Cub Scout, Jeremy won first place in the bake off contest. Crossing over to Boy Scouts, Jeremy held various leadership positions. He participated in numerous service projects, fund raisers, Scouting for Food, Scout Expos, State Fairs and so on. His Eagle Scout service project involved installing six trail head signs for the Outback Bike Trail and Imagination Glen Park located in Portage, Indiana. Congratulations Jeremy! (Please see photo below.)



Jeremy D. Cox, Troop 50 and friends (Welcome to the Outback Trail)

NISHNABEC DISTRICT



Serving:

Crestwood, Dixmoor, Dolton, Harvey, Midlothian, Oak Forest, Orland Hills, Orland Park, Phoenix, Posen, Riverdale, Robbins, South Holland, Tinley Park

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District Calendar

March 2006

- 7 OA, 7p; Roundtable, 7:30p, Markham Lutheran, 160th & Clifton Park
30 Commrs, 7p; Committee, 7:30p Blankenships' House

April 2006

- 4 OA, 7p; Roundtable, 7:30p, St Damians, Oak Forest
8 Scouting for Food, 8-10:30a, Zion Lutheran Church, Tinley Park
23 District Dinner (TBA)
27 Commrs, 7p; Committee, 7:30p Blankenships'



Spring Camporee

May 19-21, 2006

(location to be announced)

Roundtable

Please mark your calendars! The **March Roundtable will be moved to Markham Lutheran Church, 160th and Clifton Park**. For those that were not at the January Roundtable, you missed the announcement that Debbie Blankenship has taken over as council training chair. By June, we need to have someone step forward and take over roundtable or we will not have a Cub Scout Roundtable.

Thank You

I would like to thank Mike Cipich for a great job with the Klondike. Even though we got a late start because of the gate being locked and we had NO snow, things turned out great. I would also like to thank Tom Cipich, Paul Laitar and Dave Burke for taking care of lunch. I would like to thank Rich Yates for doing a great job with the Yukon and the OA for running the concession stand. The dates for these two events have been set for next year already. The Klondike is January 27, 2007 and the Yukon is February 10, 2007.

Survey Cards

As was mentioned at the January Roundtable, if you want the survey cards passed out in your school districts please let me know. We will pass them out if your unit WILL be signing them up in the spring and WILL have a program for them this summer. Here is something new for Tiger recruitment for this year. You can sign the kindergarteners up now and as long as the applications are IN our office, they can participate in activities. If you would like "boy talks" done for the kindergarteners, please call me at the Council office and either myself, or Doug Stearns will do the boy talks.

Scouting for Food

This year Scouting for Food will be **April 8**. We will have food turned in at **Zion Lutheran Church, 171st and 69th Avenue in Tinley Park from 8:00-10:30 am**. You can turn your food into local

pantries or churches as long as you get the number of boys and food items to me ASAP. We should have the bags at the March Roundtable or you can pick them at the Council office. This year we have the Drifting Dunes and Calumet Council Girl Scouts participating with us.



Friends of Scouting

If your unit has not signed up for a presentation as of yet, it is not too late to do so. The council and district plan is to have every unit participate. If your unit reaches its goal, the Friends of Scouting coordinator for your unit will receive a windbreaker with the Calumet Council FOS strip embroidered on it. As of February 7, 2006, our district is at 24% of its goal.

I would like to thank the following mayors for endorsing a letter for us: Don DeGraff of South Holland, Thomas Murowski of Midlothian, Chester Stranczek of Crestwood, Zenovia Evans of Riverdale and JoAnn Kelly of Oak Forest.

Pinewood Derby

We would like to update you on the Pinewood derby. We have a committee put together and we are trying a couple of different locations to let us in. Bettenhausen Dodge never responded to my change of date. I hope by the March Roundtable we will have something locked in and a flier out.



District Dinner

The Nishnabec District Dinner will be held on **Sunday, April 23**. The location will be announced soon and a flier should be at the March Roundtable. The District Award of Merit will be given out that night. If you have any questions please call Sue Meyer 708.460.7205.

CROSSROADS DISTRICT



Serving:

Beecher, Chicago Heights, Country Club Hills, Crete, East Hazel Crest, Flossmoor, Ford Heights, Glenwood, Hazel Crest, Homewood, Lynwood, Markham, Matteson, Monee, Olympia Fields, Park Forest, Richton Park, Sauk Village, S. Chicago Heights, Steger, Thornton, University Park,

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District Calendar

March 2006

- 1 Rtbl, 7:30p, St James Stephanie Ctr
Chicago Heights
- 18 Pinewood Derby, 11a, Lincoln Mall
- 22 Commissioners, 6:45p, Calvary Un
Church, Orchard Dr & US 30 Hwy
Park Forest
- 22 Committee, 7:15p, Calvary Un Ch

April 2006

- 1 Rtbl, 7:30p, St James Stephanie Ctr
- 22 Commissioners, 6:45p, Calvary Un
- 22 Committee, 7:15p, Calvary Un Ch

Upcoming Events

Lincoln Mall Madness Raceway along with Crossroads District will be sponsoring their First Annual Pinewood Derby under the new district name. This will be the highlight of the 2005-06 Program

Scouting year. There will be four (4) divisions racing and best design. Everyone is invited. Start your Cub Scout Pinewood engines. It's RACE TO SCOUTING TIME!

Race to Scouting 2006

There is still time to recruit new Scout members in your pack and troop. Give Scouting to a young person. Give a positive experience to a young person. Give them the time of their life. Promote Scouting and your program to the community. Make it special. Let's continue the race for more Scouts.

If you are in need of recruiting help or strategies, please contact the membership pit crew. We will help you capture the "checkered flag."

Contact Tim Odom at 708.837.7382 or
E-mail otimijanel7@yahoo.com
or
Jack Yauger at 219.374.2464
E-mail hoosierjey@netscape.com

Webelos to Scout Night Recap

Hosted by Troop 364

Webelos from Cub Packs 100, 123, 156, 173, 186, 304, 386 and 3061 participated in an evening of Boy Scout Adventures that they will never forget. For an evening, the Webelos were able to explore a Boy Scout environment. Their experiences included exploring a wide range of Boy Scout camp equipment that included tents, kitchen hardware, lashings, stoves, camp tools, Dutch ovens, personal camping gear, camp hygiene, camp safety and, much more. Photo and video presentations took them inside and behind the Boy Scout scene. Troop 364's patrol leaders council (PLC) exposed everyone to what a "Boy Led Troop" is all about. The PLC leaders showed the Webelos how to make Dutch oven cobblers, what to bring and how to pack for a campout, how to cleanup after meals in the field and explained the patrol method while providing an interactive question and answer environment. A "huge, fast paced" game topped off the activities. The Web site: "troop364.com" has additional photos of the evenings activities. Now is the time for all the 2nd year Webelos to get in touch with their local Boy Scout troops and start the adventure for real. Have fun!



Patrol leader Peter Thompson and assistant Patrol Leader John Ratko show how to make a Dutch oven cobbler.

EXPLORING NEWS



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Chicago Area Council 2006 Youth Leadership Conference

**Friday, March 24 to
Sunday, March 26**

**Pheasant Run
St. Charles, Illinois**

Registration fee per person is \$75. Pheasant Run room cost per night is \$85 plus tax (single/double/triple/quad).

Introduction: The Chicago Area Council will be hosting the 2006 Youth Leadership Conference. This major event is for all Exploring youth and adult participants involved in the central region.

Exploring is part of the Learning for Life career education program for youth age 14 through 20. The program matches the interests of youth with adult expertise and the program resources of the participating organizations. It is designed to provide experiences to help young people mature and to prepare them to become responsible and caring adults. For more information contact the Chicago Area Council at 312.421.8800.

Conference Highlights

Law Enforcement Explorer Advisor Training—Hey Advisors! Are you up to speed on what's new in Law Enforcement Exploring? If not, plan on attend-

ing this informative training session on Saturday. It will include mandatory Youth Protection training.

Awards Dinner Banquet and Dance—Join us in honoring youth and adults who have gone above and beyond the call of duty at the awards banquet/dinner. This will be a formal or dress uniform event with the conference theme of red, silver, and black. Fly across the dance floor with all of your fellow Explorers, Venturers, and Sea Scouts from 9:00 pm until midnight at the conference dance party.

Advisor's Social Hour—Her Advisors and crew chiefs! While the youth are celebrating, let's chill in our own room with refreshments and munchies on Saturday night from 9:00 pm - 12:00 am.

Conference Schedule

Friday, March 24, 2006: Groups arriving on Friday night will have the opportunity to check in.

Saturday, March 25, 2006: Conference sessions concerning teen issues and building leadership skills are held all day. Throughout the day, agencies from all over the Midwest will exhibit their resources and address the needs of the conference participants. The evening program highlights the conference with a keynote speaker, award presentations, and an incredible multi-media show.

Sunday, March 26, 2006: Breakfast will be served followed by the closing ceremony. This will highlight the action packed weekend with film footage and messages from the conference leadership.

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Antoinette Catchings

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Garfield Murden

Exploring Executive:

Arthur Wielga

Questions call 312.421.8800

Chicago Area Council

Law Enforcement Ride-Along Certification Program

Over the past several months there have been several questions about the Law enforcement ride along program. Since the inception of Law Enforcement Exploring, Explorers in many posts have participated in ride-along programs with their participating organizations. As a result, the national Law Enforcement Exploring program guidelines offer direction to posts and agencies seeking to establish a ride-along program. Ride-along certificates are provided at no cost to the post. For a post to participate, it should follow these steps:

*Provide a completed copy of the Ride-Along Certification Application, No. 99-260, and two sets of the agency's ride-along guidelines, which include all restrictions, training requirement, and other provisions.

*The application and guidelines will be reviewed by a panel upon receipt.

*If the guidelines are appropriate, the number of certificates requested will be forwarded to the post Advisor for personalization and presentation. Note: The Advisor should order the number of necessary certificates and control the distribution to post participants.

*In the event that the guidelines are felt to be inadequate, the post Advisor will be contacted to determine whether the guidelines can be modified to meet the minimum standard as outlined in this publication.

*Once a post's guidelines are on file, the post may order additional certificates by filing the application.

*Posts could recertify every three years or when Advisors change to keep up to date communication. There should be a review of certification with department leadership with every Advisor change.

For additional information check out the Learning for life Web site at www.learning-for-life.org/exploring

ORDER OF THE ARROW



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Michigamea Lodge #110

<http://oa110.org/>

OA National

<http://www.oa-bsa.org/>

OA Central Region

<http://central.oa-bsa.org/>

OA Section C-3B

<http://oa.scouter.net/sectionc3b/>

National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC)

This summer, Order of the Arrow members from around the country have the unique opportunity to get together at the National Order of the Arrow Conference (NOAC). Over 7,000 Arrowmen will come together to have fun, learn new things, and celebrate the best the OA has to offer. This six-day adventure is unlike any other event in Scouting, and only OA members can participate.

A typical NOAC day covers all aspects of the OA. In the morning, you can pick your choice of world-class training sessions ranging from leadership, to Indian crafts, to ceremonies, to high adventure skills, and more. The afternoon bring sports, competitions, special events, and more. After dinner, you get to see an outstanding evening show, and a new show each night. After the show, there are open activities, patch trading, and just hanging out with your friends. Finally, you head to bed, to get some sleep so you are ready to do it all again the next day!

NOAC is a great opportunity for you to learn more about the OA and Scouting (and maybe a little bit more about yourself), to get to know the rest of the members of your lodge, and to make new friends from around the country. Join the Order of the Arrow's best and brightest for a six day adventure of fun, excitement, and memories.

For more information on how you can attend NOAC, contact Ted Karns at the council service center or you can download more information and applications at www.oa110.org.

OA Winter Banquet

On January 7, 2006, Michigamea Lodge held its Winter Banquet and 40th Anniversary Kickoff. Over 130 OA members

attended this event. Since the Michigamea lodge was formed in 1966; thirty-four (34) young men have served as lodge chief. Each of you has left a tremendous impact on our lodge, from the creation of our lodge name to our totem and ceremonial traditions. Twelve of our past lodge chiefs traveled back from all parts of the country to join in our celebration.

(Back row starting on the left): Frank Sikora, 1980; Mike Sikora, 1983; Albert Fischer, Jr., 1981; Jonathan Schroeder, 1978-79; Jim Olsen, Jr., 1976; Mark Slonaker, 1986; and James Carr, 1975. (Front row from the left) Kevin Zielinski, 2001; Erick Bennett, III, 2004-05; and Sean Gertsch, 2003. Not pictured are: Brian Velkavrh, 2002 and David Granger, 1985. (Please see photo below.)

Vigil Applications

The Vigil Honor is a high mark of distinction and recognition reserved for those Arrowmen who, by reason of exceptional service, personal effort, and unselfish interest, have made distinguished contributions beyond the immediate responsibilities of their position of office to one or more of the following: their lodge, the Order of the Arrow, Scouting, or their Scout Camp. The Michigamea Lodge is currently accepting applications for this high honor. To download an application, go to www.oa110.org, all nominations must be turned into the Council office by May 1, 2006.



Michigamea 110 Past Lodge Chiefs



**Calumet Council Day
with the
Chicago Wolves**

**“Chicago Wolves
Pinewood Derby”**

**Sunday, March 12,
2006 at 3:00 pm
Vs
Grand Rapids Griffins**

- *Pre-game fireworks/laser-light show
- *St. Patricks Day Jersey Auction
- *Chicago Wolves Rally Towel courtesy of LaSalle Bank (first 5,000 fans)
- *Mascot Day

For more information call Dan Rozenblat at 847.832.1943 or e-mail:
DMRozenblat@chicagowolves.com

Flyers are available at the Council office and on the council Web site:
www.calumetcouncil.org

Chicago Blackhawks

Employees and families, choose from any of these games;

**Blackhawks vs Coyotes
March 19, 2006, 2:00 pm**

**Blackhawks vs Blues
March 29, 2006, 7:30 pm**

**Blackhawks vs. Oilers
April 7, 2006, 7:30 pm**

(300-level seats: \$40.00, \$25.00 or \$15.00, regular tickets prices.)

Enjoy the thrills of Blackhawks hockey with your family and co-workers at **50% off** regular tickets prices! **Order your 300-level tickets now for \$20, \$12.50 or \$7.50!**

SCOUT NIGHT

For information or seat availability, contact Brad Bober at 312.475.6355 or bbober@chicagoblackhawks.com. For a seating diagram, visit www.chicagoblackhawks.com.

To order tickets, print this page and fill out the form below. Then fax or mail your request:

Fax the form with credit card payment to 312.787.5553. Mail your order to: Chicago Blackhawks, Attn: Brad Bober, 680 North Lake Shore Drive, Suite 1900, Chicago, IL 60611.

**Chicago Blackhawks Corporate
Group Ticket Form**

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone #(_____) _____

E-mail _____

Charge tickets to: Visa MC
 Amex Discover
Order total \$ _____

Card # _____ Exp date _____

Signature _____

Never mail cash! Make check or money order payable to: UNITED CENTER. Questions call 312.475.6355.

**Chicago Rush
Scout Day**

**Sunday, March 26 at
2:00pm**

How it works: Calumet Council Scouts are invited to an exciting day of Chicago Rush Arena Football at an exclusive rate. Choose between two different packages. Please return this order form and payment at least one month prior to the selected game. If you have any ques-

tions please call Nick Snyder at 773.243.3456.

\$2 from every package purchased will be donated to the Calumet Council.

Package “A” \$28.00—200 level seat, jumbo hot dog, regular soft drink, Rush drawstring backpack, and Rush patch
Package “B” \$15.00—200 level seat

Additional patches can be purchased for \$1 per patch.

Mail this form with check payable to: Chicago Rush Arena Football, 8735 W. Higgins Road, #1670, Chicago, IL 60631 or fax to: 773.243.3435. (Discover Card “the preferred card of the Chicago Rush”)

Chicago Rush Registration Form

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone # (_____) _____

E-mail _____

Group name _____

Please charge my (circle one):

Visa MasterCard Amex

Discover

Account # _____

Exp. Date _____

or

Enclosed a check/money order payable to the Rush. Any questions, contact Nick Snyder at 773.243.3456

Fax: 773.243.3435

E-mail: nsnyder@chicagorush.com

RISK MANAGEMENT AWARD



Calumet Council Risk Management Award



REPORT OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR PAST CHARTER YEAR

To qualify for the Calumet Council Risk Management Award, the unit must complete nine (9) of the following requirements.
(Seven starred (*) items are required, plus two additional items = nine total.)

Unit No. _____ Chartered Organization _____

City _____ District _____

Mark yes (Y) or no (N) in the box for each item.

*1 **Health and Safety Position.** Establish and maintain a health and safety position within the unit. Our Unit Health and Safety Chairman is:

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ E-Mail _____

*2 **Safety Check.** Conduct a safety check of the unit's meeting location using the checklist in the *Guide to Safe Scouting*.

*3 **Youth Protection Training.** Uniformed adult leaders have Youth Protection Training at least every other year.

*4 **Show Youth Protection Video.** The unit shows annually the appropriate Youth Protection video at a unit meeting.

*5 **First Aid/Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (FA/CPR).** At least two of the unit leaders are currently trained in first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation. (FA/CPR).

*6 **First Aid Kit.** Verify that the first aid kit for the unit is up to date.

*7 **Guide to Safe Scouting.** The unit has a hard copy of the Guide to Safe Scouting or a printed copy from the BSA website address: www.scouting.org/pubs/gss/index.html.

*8 **Liability Automobile Insurance Levels.** Liability automobile insurance levels are checked on all unit drivers. (\$50,000/\$100,000/\$50,000 or \$100,000 combined single limit)

*9 **Tour Permits.** The unit uses tour permits for all activities according to council policy.

10 **Risk Management Fair.** At least one unit adult volunteer has attended the annual Council Risk Management Fair.

11 **Safe Swim Defense.** Unit leaders and youth are trained in Safe Swim Defense.

12 **Health & Safety or Risk Management Promotion.** The unit conducted a health & safety or risk management

Date Submitted

Unit Health & Safety Chair

Unit Leader

Instruction. The completed application for the Risk Management Award is to be submitted to the Council Office. Ribbon will be awarded upon completion. Awards for mailed in forms will be sent to Unit Health & Safety Position.

BOY SCOUT SWAP MEET

Calumet Council's 17th Annual, All Chicago Area Boy Scout Memorabilia Show & Swap Meet

For more information call Lynn "Swoop" Dellamano, 815.469.5637 or Jim Scherbarth 708.747.1904

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MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

Friday May 26, 2006 • 6:00 p.m. - ???

Saturday May 27, 2006 • 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S CHURCH GYMNASIUM

A well-lit, spacious facility located at...

147th (Sibley Blvd.) & Keeler - Midlothian, IL

SPECIAL FEATURES

- Silent Auctions throughout the day
- Free Appraisal Service
- Museum Displays
- Live Auction 2:00 p.m. with Auctioneer Bob Purdy
Quality items guaranteed!

MORE DETAILS

- General Admission: \$1.50
- Scouts in uniform get in FREE
- Refreshments Available: Lunch & Softdrinks

COUNCIL NEWS



Hello RailCats Fans!

**Saturday, August 12,
2006 at 6:00 pm**

This summer, the Gary SouthShore RailCats are planning a special **Boy & Cub Scout Night/Sleepover for Saturday, August 12**. The game, which has the RailCats facing the Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks, will start at 6:00 pm with gates opening at 5:00 pm.

**Pricing for the Boy & Cub Scout
Night/Sleepover will be:**

*For those who want to **participate** in the sleepover, the cost will be **\$16.00** per person (includes box seat and breakfast).

*For those who want to come to the game but **not** participate in the sleepover, the cost will be **\$7.00** per person for a box seat (normally priced at \$9.00).

We hope you are ready to **jump on board** for the Boy & Cub Scout Night/Sleepover on August 12! For your convenience, use the form below to order your tickets by **August 4**. If you have any questions regarding the Boy & Cub Scout Night/Sleepover, feel free to call the office at 219.882.BALL (Mike Smith, Director of Group Sales, Gary SouthShore RailCats.) We look forward to seeing you at the ballpark in August!



RailCats Boy & Cub Scout/Sleepover Registration Form

Yes, I want to purchase tickets to the Boy & Cub Scout Night/Sleepover on August 12. Please add \$3 convenience fee to total price if tickets are mailed.

Quantity: _____ @ \$16 for those participating in the sleepover
Total Price: \$ _____

Quantity: _____ @ \$7 for those not participating in the sleepover,
Total Price: \$ _____

Seating preference (circle one):
1st Base 3rd Base Home Plate

Number of patches: _____

Methods of Delivery (please circle one)
Mail Pick up (will call window)

Name _____

Organization name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone # _____

Work Phone # _____

Fax # _____

E-mail _____

Visa or MC # _____

Exp. Date _____

Name on card _____

Please make check payable to: South-Shore Baseball, LLC—One Stadium Plaza, Gary, IN 46402



Scout Enhancement/NOAC Scholarship Form

Michigamea Lodge 110 is proud to announce the Jonathan Rich and Tim Scherbarth Memorial Scout Enhancement/NOAC scholarships. The scholarships are designed to enhance fellow Arrowmen in their everyday life by offering assistance to those attending Scout-related activities such as the National Order of the Arrow Conference, troop high adventure trips, jamborees, national events, training sessions, and other events which will strengthen the Scout as a person and as an Arrowman. This year's scholarships are given in memory of two individuals who departed life way before their time.

The scholarships are based on Scout merit and not financial need. The scholarship will be awarded in increments of \$25.00 to \$100.00. To become eligible for this scholarship an Arrowman must: *Be a registered Boy Scout and active member in his troop. *Be an active dues paying member of the Michigamea Lodge 110, Order of the Arrow. *Complete the bottom of this form and the attached 2-page scholarship form. *Attach a letter of recommendation from your Scoutmaster or another Scout leader. *Attach a copy of your advancement record.

The scholarship application deadline is April 7, 2006. Applications are available online and at the Council office. Questions call Ted Karns, Lodge Staff Adviser. Send completed applications to the Lodge Adviser, c/o Calumet Council Service Center, 8751 Calumet Avenue, Munster, IN 46321

www.calumetcouncil.org
Phones: 800.836.1720 or 800.513.2343



21st World Scout Jamboree

The 21st World Scout Jamboree will be hosted by the Scout Association of the United Kingdom from **July 27 until August 8, 2007**. It will bring together 40,000 Scouts, Venturers, leaders, and staff for 12 days. They will share adventure, international friendship, personal growth, and development. This event will take place at **Hylands Park, Chelmsford, England** which is within easy reach of both central London and the airports surrounding London.

The jamboree fee for our Scouts who will be in the US during the summer of 2007 is estimated at \$3,975. The fee includes transportation to London from the gateway city for your region, the pre or post jamboree tour, all meals, lodging, unit and patrol equipment, accident and sickness insurance, prejamboree weekend training, regional/national office administrative/program support, and buses for ground transportation prior to and after the jamboree. Direct Service Scouts departing for the jamboree from outside the United States may meet up with their contingents as they arrive in London. The fee for these Scouts will be announced at a later date.

Cost does not include travel to or from the prejamboree training site, travel to and from the gateway city, or ticketing due to early or late departure from the world jamboree site or while on tour due to medical emergencies, family emergencies, and/or problems based on our code of conduct. The Calumet Council has been allotted seven participants for this event. For more information, contact Ted Karns at the council service center, 219.836.1720 or 800.513.2343.

COUNCIL NEWS

Thunderbolts game versus the Frontier League Champions, Kalamazoo Kings

Wednesday, July 26, 2006 - Game Time: 7:05 PM
Reserved Seat Ticket : \$ 8.00

COME SPEND A BEAUTIFUL EVENING OUT AT THE BALLPARK UNDER THE STARS!

It is a great opportunity for the Boy Scouts of America and the Calumet Council to raise some funds as well as a time for family and friends to get together for a fun, summer night out at Hawkinson Ford Field.

The Calumet Council will receive \$3.00 back on every ticket sold to the Wednesday, July 26th THUNDERBOLTS game versus the 2005 Frontier League Champions, KALAMAZOO KINGS

Each Troop or Pack will be able to participate in a parade around the field during pre-game activities, have the opportunity to meet and interact with your favorite ThunderBolts' players before and after the game and "Kids Run the Bases" following each ThunderBolts home game (excluding Friday Fireworks' nights)

TO ORDER TICKETS CALL TOM HOOGLAND, FIELD DIRECTOR FOR THE BSA CAL COUNCIL
 AT 800/513-2343 OR 219/836-1720 x.230

Time for Camping!



Stock up on gear for camp at your Scout shop!

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