



# Sinnissippi News

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## SINNISSIPPI COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Sinnissippi Council will be held on Monday, January 24, 2005. It will be held for the purpose of reviewing the past Scouting year and to elect the Board & Officers for 2005. Those eligible to vote for the slate of officers are current Executive Board Members and Charter Partner Representatives.

The Annual Meeting will be held in conjunction with the Annual Recognition Dinner.

### SILVER BEAVER NOMINATIONS

The Silver Beaver is the highest award a Council can bestow upon a volunteer. It is an award that "seeks the individual, not one that the individual seeks".

An individual must be nominated to receive this award. Unfortunately, many people have not received this award, or are not even nominated, because "they have been around a long time, they must already have it. Usually this is not the case.

Nomination forms are available at the Council Service Center or from your District Executive and are due at the Council Service Center by **December 10, 2004**. Please nominate those people who you feel deserve it.

### COUNCIL WREATH SALE

Pick up of wreaths for those Units who did a Christmas Wreath Sale this year is at the Council Service Center on Tuesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> between 3:00 and 6:00pm.

If you need to pick them up earlier, please contact Andrew Olsen at the Service Center (608)756-4669) to make arrangements.

### KLONDIKE DERBY

The 2005 Klondike Derby will be held on January 15<sup>th</sup> at Camp Indian Trails and will include Koshkonong & Tomahawk Districts.

Cost is \$5 per person and is due at the Council Service Center by **January 7, 2005** to be guaranteed a patch. After January 7<sup>th</sup> the price increases by \$3 per person.

This event will be for Boy Scouts and Webelos Scouts. Program packets will be handed out at the Outdoor Program Kick-off on December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## SPORTING CLAYS FOR SCOUTING

On September 18<sup>th</sup> the Sinnissippi Council held the 2004 Lycon Sporting Clays for Scouting event. This was the third year and it was a great event with 15 teams competing which was up from 5 the first year.

Corporate Contractors, Inc. #2 won the event this year. Special thanks to Lycon, Inc. for sponsoring the event and Randy DeGarmo who chaired the event and made it the success it was. Randy is also chairing the 2005 Scout-O-Rama at the Rock County Fairgrounds this coming May. Also, hats off to the committee of Jeff Hazekamp, Bob Compton, David Bagley, John Wickhem, and Bill Boyd for a job well done!

Our 2005 shoot is tentatively scheduled for September 17, 2005. it's not too early to plan!

### JAMBOREE TENTS AVAILABLE

The 2005 National Jamboree Troop will be camping in 9'11" x 7'4" nylon backing tents made by ToolPak.

The tents are available for purchase after the Jamboree. There are 16 tents and the price is \$45.00 each. Please contact the Council Service Center to reserve your tent(s). Payment is due at the time you reserve your tent.

### OUTDOOR PROGRAM KICK-OFF

Can you believe it's time to hand out packets and review what will be happening in the Spring & Summer of 2005?! You need to plan to have a representative from your Unit in attendance at the Program Kick-off on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at Camp Indian Trails.

Registration will begin at 5:30pm and all leaders will be treated to a free dinner beginning at 6:00pm. The program will conclude by 8:30pm.

We will be distributing all of the 2005 Camp Leader Guides, as well as Klondike Derby information. Please remember that this outdoor program kick-off will be taking the place of your normal monthly District Roundtable Meeting.

## 2004 POW WOW

November 13<sup>th</sup> is the date for the 2004 Pow Wow for Cub Scout Leaders to be held at Cargill Methodist Church in Janesville. This is an opportunity for new leaders to meet other leaders and see how they run their meetings, outings, etc.

Pow Wow offers unique opportunities in training. Morning sessions are geared toward specific leader positions and in the afternoon there are numerous mini-sessions such as Basic Knots, Bird Houses, Cub Magic, Derby Races, Tie Slides, and Web Pages – just to name a few. Do you know what a minnow race is? Attend Derby Races and find out!

The format of these sessions allows for interaction between staff and leaders taking the course. If you have ever had a situation in your Den or Pack Meeting that you didn't know how to handle – this is the place to ask about it.

You can register for Pow Wow by filling out a form and sending it to the Council Service Center. These forms can be picked up at the Service Center or from the website [www.sinnissippi.org](http://www.sinnissippi.org). If necessary, you can sign up the day of the Pow Wow from 7:45-8:25am but courses are on a first come-first serve basis and some do fill up fast so we recommend that you pre-register. The closing is scheduled for 4:00-4:30pm.

### NATURE TREK

The weather cooperated beautifully this year and we had another successful Nature Trek with close to 900 participants at Camp Indian Trails. Everything went smoothly and all who attended had a great time.

A big thank you to all the countless volunteers who came out and helped this year. Without your support, we would never be able to have a great program like Nature Trek. THANKS!

### SERVICE CENTER CLOSED

#### THANKSGIVING

Thursday/Friday – November 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>

#### CHRISTMAS

Friday – December 24<sup>th</sup>

#### NEW YEAR'S

Friday – December 31<sup>st</sup>

**HAVE A SAFE & HAPPY HOLIDAY !**



## Tomahawk District

**DISTRICT CHAIRMAN:** Dave Ketchpaw  
(262)723-3013  
**DIST.COMMISSIONER:** Jim Kamholtz  
(262)279-7898  
**DISTRICT EXECUTIVE:** Matt Ohms  
(608)756-4669

### NOVEMBER:

4-ROUNDTABLE-Please note change of location: **ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**, corner of Main & Elizabeth Sts., Whitewater, 7:00pm  
5-POPCORN/WREATH ORDERS DUE at Council Service Center  
6-WORK DAY-Camp Indian Trails  
11-DIST.COMMISSIONER MTG., 6:00pm, & DIST. COMMITTEE MTG., 7:00pm at Rocky Rococo's, Whitewater  
23-WREATH PICK-UP-Council Service Center  
25/26-THANKSGIVING - SERVICE CENTER CLOSED

### DECEMBER:

1-POPCORN PICK-UP  
2-OUTDOOR PROGRAM KICK-OFF at Camp Indian Trails  
9-DIST.COMMISSIONER MTG., 6:00pm & DIST.COMMITTEE MTG., 7:00pm at Rocky Rococo's, Whitewater  
10-SILVER BEAVER NOMINATIONS DUE  
15-POPCORN/WREATH MONEY DUE at Council Service Center  
24-CHRISTMAS - SERVICE CENTER CLOSED  
31-NEW YEAR'S - SERVICE CENTER CLOSED  
**TOMAHAWK FALL CAMPOREE**

Everyone who attended the Fall Camporee this year had a good time and many compliments were made about how much fun it was.

Thank you to Dan Walters for bringing in the Rope Bridge and for demonstrating rope making. Thank you to Troop 149 for help in setting up the bridge. Thank you to all the volunteers and leaders who stepped in to run the morning activities, and then again in the afternoon. Thank you to the Committee of Carl Simmerman, Frank Guske, Tamorah Kaiser, Ayron Mapes, Jeff Anderson and Mike Carstensen.

The Theme for the 2005 Camporee will be "Aviation". More information will be available in the coming months and, as always, anyone who would be willing to help run or plan the Camporee is encouraged to contact Matt Ohms at the Council Service Center (608)756-4669.

Again, thank you to all the volunteers who made the Camporee such a success! We could not have done it without you!



## Koshkonong District

**DISTRICT CHAIRMAN:** Jim Enerson  
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**DIST.COMMISSIONER:** Carl Schultz  
(608)868-2545  
**DISTRICT EXECUTIVE:** Andrew Olsen  
(608)756-4669

### NOVEMBER:

4-ROUNDTABLE - St. Patrick's School, Cherry St., Janesville, at 7:00pm  
5-POPCORN/WREATH ORDERS DUE at the Council Service Center  
6-WORK DAY - Camp Indian Trails  
11-DISTRICT DINNER will be held at the Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, 2130 Mt. Zion Ave., Janesville. Doors open at 6:00pm, dinner at 6:45pm and cost is \$16 per person.  
13-POW WOW (see article)  
23-WREATH PICK-UP  
25/26-THANKSGIVING - SERVICE CENTER CLOSED

### DECEMBER:

1-POPCORN PICK-UP will be from 3:00 - 6:00pm at Chambers & Owen, 1733 Morse St., Janesville (directly behind the Target Store, off Hwy. 14). If you need to pick up earlier, please call Andrew Olsen at (608)756-4669 and we will see what we can arrange. **DO NOT CALL CHAMBERS & OWEN!**  
2-OUTDOOR PROGRAM KICK-OFF at Camp Indian Trails. This is the December Roundtable. (see article)  
9-DISTRICT MEETING- 6:30pm at the Council Service Center  
15-POPCORN/WREATH MONEY DUE to the Council Service Center  
24-CHRISTMAS - SERVICE CENTER CLOSED  
31-NEW YEAR'S - SERVICE CENTER CLOSED

### 2004 JANESVILLE LABOR DAY PARADE

Koshkonong District had an award winning parade unit for the 2<sup>nd</sup> consecutive year in the Labor Day Parade. This year they placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the People's Choice category.

Thanks to all who participated, including the construction crew of: Laura Barker, Tim & Krista Shortreed, Brenda Lewis, and Steve & Kathy Shulta. Special thanks to the O.A. members who marched in regalia: Andy, Matt, and John Kaney, David Van Rooy, and Chris Gernetzke. We are looking forward to an even bigger unit next year!



## Arrowhead District

**DISTRICT CHAIRMAN:** John Wong  
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**DISTRICT EXECUTIVE:** B.J.Gallenberg  
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### NOVEMBER:

4-ROUNDTABLE - Calvary Lutheran Ch., 7:00pm  
4-SCOUTING FOR FOOD door hanger distribution at Roundtable  
5-POPCORN/WREATH ORDERS DUE at Council Service Center  
11-DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETING - at M&I Bank, 7:00pm  
13-POW WOW  
23-WREATH PICK-UP at Council Service Center, 4:00-6:00pm. If you wish to pick up earlier, please call to make arrangements.  
25/26-THANKSGIVING - SERVICE CENTER CLOSED

### DECEMBER:

1-POPCORN PICK-UP from 2:00-7:00pm at Smurfit Stone Container Corp., Dock 8, 2350 Springbrook Ct., Beloit  
2-OUTDOOR PROGRAM KICK-OFF at 6:00pm, Camp Indian Trails  
4-SCOUTING FOR FOOD DOOR HANGER DISTRIBUTION  
9-ADULT LDR. RECOGNITION EVENT at Calvary Lutheran Church, 7:00pm  
11-SCOUTING FOR FOOD BAG PICK UP  
15-POPCORN/WREATH MONEY DUE at Council Service Center  
24-CHRISTMAS - SERVICE CENTER CLOSED  
31-NEW YEAR'S - SERVICE CENTER CLOSED

### RECOGNIZE YOUR LEADERS AND VOLUNTEERS.....

.....at the upcoming Adult Leader Recognition Event to be held on Thursday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:00-8:30pm at the Calvary Lutheran Church. Hors d'oeuvres and punch will be served as we recognize and thank the volunteers who keep Scouting going strong in the Stateline Area. Cost is only \$ per person.

Nomination forms are available from Sherry Johnson or B.J. Gallenberg and need to be turned in by November 30<sup>th</sup>.

**SCOUTING FOR FOOD** door hangers will be available at the November 4<sup>th</sup> Roundtable. Please have someone from your Unit in attendance so they can pick up the hangers and a map of your Unit's coverage area. It is extremely important that all areas are covered.

.....Have you nominated your leaders for awards at the Adult Leader Recognition Event?----



Thanksgiving



# Exploring Venturing

We had another great cruise around Lake Geneva again this year. We departed from Lake Geneva Yacht Club around 6:30pm and had a good night for a cruise. The sunset belonged on a postcard.

Our next Venturing Exploring Sea Scout Cabinet meeting will be held on Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, 10:00am, at the Council Service Center. We will be planning more on the Running of the Rock. Anyone interested can attend. Please contact Mike Wittlief (608)754-4422 or Matt Ohms (608) 756-4669 or (262)473-3495.

FIRST ANNUAL RUNNING OF THE ROCK will be held the weekend of June 18-19, 2005. This is a canoe race on the Rock River that will end at Camp Indian Trails with a dinner and a dance to be held in Allen Hall. Older Boy Scouts will be allowed to attend this year on the stipulation that to compete next year they must be a Venture Crew. Registration is limited to the first 200 participants. There will be more information available February 1<sup>st</sup>. Mark your calendar – this is going to be a fun event!

YOUTH OFFICER TRAINING will be held in January. More information will be available in the next newsletter.

ADULT LEADER TRAINING will be held in conjunction with the Rock River Regatta on the last weekend in April. Look for more information in the next newsletter. For more information, contact Mike Wittlief at (608)754-4422 or Matt Ohms at (608)756-4669.



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(608)882-6101

LODGE ADVISOR: Ron Rice  
(608)754-0674

STAFF ADVISOR: Steve Orlovsky  
(608)756-4669

VIGIL HONORS – Congratulations to the following people who received their Vigil Honor at the August Lodge Weekend: Drew Kotche, Chris Gernetzke, David Wilson, John Kaney, Ken Kinney, and Ron Rice. This is the highest honor in the Order of the Arrow. Again, Congratulations!

LODGE ELECTIONS were held at the August Lodge Weekend and the following are the new Lodge Officers: Lodge Chief: David VanRooy; Vice Chief/Activities: William Malone; Vice Chief/Inductions: Andy Kaney; Secretary: Matt Kaney; and Treasurer: Joe Malone.

WINTER BANQUET will be held December 11, 2004. Specific details will be announced in the next *SMOKE SIGNALS*.



## Eagle Scouts

RANDY EHRKE

Troop 138  
First English Lutheran Church  
Whitewater

AUSTIN GOODWIN III

Troop 173  
American Legion Post #173  
Whitewater

CHAD AMEND-ANDERSEN

Troop 328  
First Baptist Church  
Delavan

WILLIAM MALONE

Troop 332  
Sharon Community School

SCOTT PATEROS

Troop 405  
First Lutheran Church – Youth Board  
Janesville

JUSTIN PRESNY

Troop 417  
Milton 7<sup>th</sup> Day Baptist church

THOMAS JOHNSON

ADAM REILLY

Troop 511  
St. Patrick's Home & School Assn.  
Janesville

ANDREW HAEGER

Troop 540  
Faith Lutheran Church  
Janesville

MITCH GILLINS

Troop 556  
Church of Jesus Christ LDS  
Janesville Ward

SETH SNYDER

Troop 562

Loyal Order of Moose #197  
Janesville

PAUL ROSE III

Troop 606  
St. Peter's Home & School Assn.  
South Beloit

ADAM GLAWE

Troop 620  
Roscoe Lions Club

### TRAINER DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

Due to the cancellation of the September Trainer Development Conf., it is being rescheduled for Wednesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-9:30pm each evening at the Council Service Center. Cost is \$6.00 per participant.

Those involved in presenting any type of training, whether at Unit, District, Council or Area level, are the ones who may want to participate to help develop their skills as trainers.

Please have your registration in to the Council Service Center by the close of day on Friday, January 14, 2005.



## Council Calendar

COUNCIL PRES.: Eric Larson  
COUNCIL COMM.: Clare Sessler  
COUNCIL EXEC.: James C. Waters

### NOVEMBER:

1-COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE MTG.  
5-POPCORN/WREATH ORDERS DUE  
6-WORK DAY at Camp Indian Trails  
9-FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
9-PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING  
13-POW WOW  
17-CAMPING COMMITTEE MEETING  
22-COUNCIL EXECUTIVE BOARD MTG  
23-WREATH PICK-UP  
25/26-THANKSGIVING – SERVICE CENTER CLOSED

### DECEMBER:

1-POPCORN PICK-UP  
2-PROGRAM KICK-OFF  
6-COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE MTG.  
10-SILVER BEAVER NOMINATIONS DUE  
11-O.A. WINTER BANQUET  
14-FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
15-POPCORN/WREATH MONEY DUE  
16-COUNCIL TRAINING COMMITTEE MEETING  
20-COUNCIL EXEC. COMMITTEE MTG.  
24-CHRISTMAS – SERVICE CENTER CLOSED  
31-NEW YEAR'S – SERVICE CENTER CLOSED

### THANK YOU! TRAINERS & TRAINEES!

One of the most important things we can do as leaders is to learn how to best deliver the Scouting Promise to our Scouts. We want to thank all who attended Mega Training on Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup>.

We also want to thank the trainers. Scoutmaster Specific Trainers: Val & Marty Wilcox, Scott Larkin, and Jeff Robbe; New Leader Essentials & Cub Scout Specific: Sherry Johnson, Matt Ohms, Heidi Gunion, Steve Shulta, and Tom Johnson who also instructed the Den Chief Training.



## Religious Awards

### GOD & ME

CHRISTOPHER COOTS  
Pack 602  
Prairie Hill PSA #133  
South Beloit

### GOD & FAMILY

JOE FREWIN  
Pack 620  
Roscoe P.T.O.

JEREMY COOTS  
Troop 620  
Roscoe Lions Club

## CLIMBING CORNER

**CLIMBING TOWER** – a HUGE thanks to all the instructors who helped with summer camp! We really appreciate all your time and energy! The Fall Climbing Program is off with a bang with 10 climbs scheduled. **Be sure to get your Spring climbs scheduled as soon as possible!** Dates are filling fast – you might even want to consider scheduling your Fall 2005 Climbs as well!

**ADULT SPRING CLIMBING TRAINING** – March 1<sup>st</sup> at the Council Service Center from 6:30-9:30pm and March 12 & 13 at the tower from 8:00am to 4:00pm. Cost of training is \$35 and includes books, t-shirt, and lunch for both days. Early sign up is encouraged as only 14 participants are accepted. You **MUST** be paid in advance at the Council Service Center. No money will be taken at the door and no sign-ups accepted after February 28<sup>th</sup>. All trainers must be First Aid Certified. Please contact Jenny Bevans at (815)623-2974 or e-mail her at bevanslj@charter.net for more information.

**FIRST AID TRAINING** – Red Cross Certified First Aid Training is being offered February 14 & 16 at the Council Service Center. Cost is \$30 and must be **PAID IN ADVANCE** at the Council Service Center. Only 12 will be accepted for this class so sign up early. For more information, contact Michael Walton at (262)723-6561 or e-mail at mwalton@adtec.services.com.

**COPE COURSE** will be opening soon! Watch and listen for news of progress in the *SINNISSIPPI NEWS* and at your Roundtables!

**CONGRATULATIONS** to three new lead instructors who joined the ranks of the Climbing Tower: Bob Simonis, John Henriksen (both nationally certified COPE instructors), and Steve Shulta. Thanks to all of you for your hard work!

**THE COUNCIL SERVICE CENTER IS STILL ACCEPTING USED INK CARTRIDGES FOR RE-CYCLING.**

**WE DO NOT TAKE LASER PRINTER CARTRIDGES**

## WORK DAY

Plan now to attend the November 6<sup>th</sup> Fall work day at Camp Indian Trails from 9:00am to 3:00pm. Lunch will be provided. We have a ton of projects to complete before Winter!

If your Unit would like to take on a specific project at camp, please contact Mike Klietz, Caretaker, at (608)741-7859. Some of these projects include: staining picnic tables; cutting, splitting & hauling wood for winter cabins; putting up a fence for the Pregont property north of camp; and much more.

Remember, this work day opportunity will qualify your Unit for early cabin sign-up beginning M ay 15, 2005.

## CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP

Day Camp is available to all Tiger Cubs, Wolfs, Bears, and First Year Webelos on a first come – first served basis. Sign up now:

**SESSION #1** – July 5-9, 2005

**SESSION #2** – July 19-23, 2005

**SESSION #3** – August 2-6, 2005

**SESSION #4** – August 6-20, 2005

### CAMP AKELA

Don't let your Fourth Grade Webelos miss out on their camping experience set for **June 26-29, 2005**. If you need to, you can team up with a neighboring Pack to share leadership.

The 2005 Leader Guides will be available at the Outdoor Program Kick-off on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please have a representative in attendance to receive all information.

## CAMP STAFF

Applications for Camp Staff are now available at the Council Service Center. In order to get an interview appointment, your application **MUST BE IN TO THE COUNCIL SERVICE CENTER BY DECEMBER 15, 2004**. We will be holding staff interviews on January 15<sup>th</sup>.

The camp staff experience can be very rewarding; however, you must be willing to work hard and long hours. Full-time camp staff members must be at least 15 years old and counselors-in-training must be at least 14 years old.

There are also a number of positions which require adults over 18 and adults over 21. Our staff at Camp Indian Trails can only be as good as the people you send us.

## 2005 BOY SCOUT SUMMER CAMP

Camp Leader Guides for the 2005 camping year will be handed out at the December 2<sup>nd</sup> Outdoor Program Kick-off. Please plan to have someone in attendance to get all questions answered.

Listed below are the campsite reservations for 2005 and, as you can see, things are filling up fast! The **Campsite Usage Fee of \$40** to hold your campsite is **DUE BY JANUARY 14, 2005**. After that date you could be bumped from your site, so get signed up NOW!



### BLACKHAWK HONOR AT CAMP INDIAN TRAILS

Another successful year was completed at Camp Indian Trails with many campers earning their Blackhawk Honor recognitions with some up to their 14<sup>th</sup> Degree. Congratulations to all honor recipients!

We want to thank the following staff who helped make this a great year: Phil Selgren, Marty Wilcox, Kim Grunow, Mike Wisch, Greg Bergenske, Bob Harrie, William Whitford, Jim Enerson, Bob Bell, Tim Griep, Jerry McGowan, Rick Rowley, Bob Brown, Jim Meier, and Bob Hornby.

Chairman Bob Cheek would also like to give special thanks to Steve Orlovsky, Trevor Bahr, Jason Chambers and their excellent camp staff for their invaluable assistance.

### 2005 BOY SCOUT SUMMER CAMP

	Session #1 June 19-25	Session #2 July 10-16	Session #3 July 24-30	Session #4 August 7-13
<b>BLACKHAWK</b>		*S032	*S066	
JAMES WEST	S0243	S0511/466	S0539/540	S0138
DAN BOONE	S0514	*S0164	S0134	
W. D. BOYCE		S0600		S0516
DAN BEARD	S0422/471	*S039		S0332
PIONEER	S0562	S0622	*S0743	✓S0137
OAK RIDGE	S0407	S0615	S0236	
BADEN POWELL	S0405	S0316	*S0888	S0173
LOOKOUT POINT	✓S0234	S0405		*S0155
WHISPERING PINES	S0328		S0240	✓*S0324
DEER RUN	S0240		*S0268	✓S0651
TURKEY'S ROOST	S0619	S0239		
E.T. SETON	S0605	S0320	S0643	
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CLARK LODGE				

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