



Sugar Creek District “Creekside” February 2015



Crossroads of America Council

Boy Scout Summer Camp

By: Bill Moore

Boy Scouts & Summer Camp are synonymous with one another. Every boy deserves to go to Camp. The Early Bird Deposit of \$115 (50% of \$230) will save your Scouts \$10.00 over the regular fee of \$240. The balance is due 05/07/2015. Many Scouts return to summer camp just for the food. I know for sure that Judy, head chef at Ransburg Scout Reservation, hand trims her steaks daily! Cross Roads of America Council has a Campership program that will assist a Scout who has a financial need. It is a painless form that will count towards the early Bird Deposit! Please click on this link below for the 2015 Boy Scout Camp Brochure & Campership Forms. Registration information and campership forms are available on (go to bottom of page) <http://sugarcreek.homestead.com>

I will be happy to come & promote The Boy Scout Summer Camp Experience to your unit. Your District, Sugar Creek, sent 59% of its Scouts to Camp. Let's reach for 100%!

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County Roundtables in February

By: William Turner

On February 12, 2015, the commissioners will be bringing the monthly roundtable closer to the units in each county. Please encourage all scouters to attend this great opportunity to network with other leaders in your county! The commissioners in each county will plan a program tailored to each county. It would be great if we had several leaders from each unit in attendance.

- Boone County: St. Joseph Catholic Church, 319 East South Street, Lebanon
- Clinton County: Camp Cullom Nature Center, 6815 W County Road 200 North, Frankfort
- Montgomery County: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1086 N 125 W (oak Hill RD & Hwy 125), Crawfordsville. (*Note: the church asks that we do not bring any beverages into the building.*)

Crossroads of America Council offers help in creating and submitting news articles

There are great stories unfolding at the pack and troop level that are worth sharing with local media. Cara Wagner, the marketing and PR executive at the council level is available to assist in obtaining media coverage for the newsworthy things happening in Scouting. Send her photos (and names of those pictured) of Scouting activities in the community, those who reach Eagle rank and more! If you're unsure if a story is newsworthy she can help decipher that too. Contact her at cara.wagner@scouting.org or (317) - 813-7132.

District Dinner 2015

The district dinner is ***February 28th*** 6:00pm at “32 Grill” (Formerly known as Americana).

Cost is \$15 in advance up to February 18th and \$18 at the door. All 2014 Eagle Scouts are welcome to come eat for FREE.

Click below to register on-line. Payment can be made using credit card or check.

www.scoutingevent.com/?SCDistrictD

2015 Friends of Scouting Campaign

Every year, we ask the units to allow a district representative to come speak to the families in the unit about Friends of Scouting. It is that time of year again to start collecting dates for presentations. Please take a look at your calendars. Does your unit have a Blue & Gold Banquet or a Court of Honor scheduled? Do you have a different event planned where you anticipate having your scout families in attendance? Let us know so we can arrange for a presenter to attend. The Friends of Scouting campaign is vital to allowing us to continue offering camp scholarships, registration assistance, uniform assistance, and to help maintain our 7 camp properties. Every little bit helps. If your unit is listed below, we have not heard from you on a FOS date. Please contact Tom as soon as possible to schedule a date, time and location (tjames@crossroadsbsa.org). We are striving for 100% Unit participation.

Packs 550, 765, 838, 909

Troops 323, 336, 337, 765, 838

Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars for these upcoming District Events

Spring Camporee - May 1-3 @ Camp Rotary

As we get dates for more events or activities, we will let you know right away. Thanks

In Memorial:

Delbert E. Mathews, 81, of Colfax passed away Tuesday, January 20, 2015 at Clinton House Health & Rehabilitation Center after a lengthy illness. He was born on April 17, 1933 in Frankfort to William and Ethel Mathews. He married Mary Ann Roush and she preceded him in death in September 1998. He then married Barbara Isenberg on February 5, 2000 and she survives.

Delbert was a 1951 graduate of Frankfort High School. He worked for Nickle Plate Railroad and retired from Chrysler in Kokomo after 30+ years of service. He also worked for Rezenberger Transport Service. He was a foster father to several children. Delbert was awarded the Silver Fox Scouting Award and was a boy scout troop leader of Troop 321 from 1981 to 1992. He was a member of the Colfax Town Council, Colfax Lions Club, Colfax Library Board and volunteered for the Colfax Fire Department. Delbert and his wife were members of Cornerstone Assembly of God in Frankfort where Delbert was an elder. He was an avid camper and loved to travel.

Delbert was Instrumental in keeping Scouting alive in Colfax, Cubmaster: 1976-1986 (Pack 321), Scoutmaster: 1980-1991 (Troop 321). He was District Outdoor Chair: 1991 – 1997. He Started District Camping Program in Sugar Creek. He earned the District Award of Merit: 1986, the District Long Rifle: 1983 and Silver Beaver in 1997. He was a Merit Badge Counselor. Constant presence at Camporees and Klondikes for over 25 years and Served on the Board at Camp Cullom. He Served as Assistant District Commissioner for at least 4 years, and Unit Commissioner for 6-7 years. He Served on Eagle Board of Reviews and Served as District Advancement Chair. He also earned Scouters Training Award in 1976, Order of the Arrow Ordeal member in 1975. Assisted Scouts in earning money for Summer Camp. And has 2 sons that are Eagle Scouts



Wood Badge Recipients

Article by: Mike Thompson

Sugar Creek District was honored to present six gentlemen with their Wood Badge awards at the January roundtable. They are Jeff Osbourne, Mike Thompson, Ron Pritchett, Paul Rusk, Jeff Green and Richard Vogler.



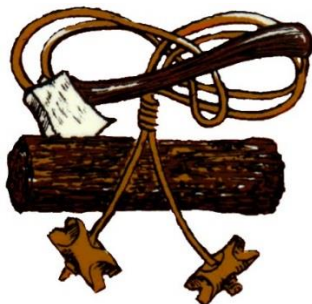
What is Wood Badge?

Wood Badge is Scouting's premier training course. Baden-Powell designed it so that Scouters could learn, in as practical a way possible, the skills and methods of Scouting. It is first and foremost, learning by doing. The members of the course are formed into patrols and these into a troop. The entire troop lives in the out-of-doors for (2) three-day weekends, camping, cooking their own meals, and practicing Scout skills.

Wood Badge courses are forming for 2015! Select this the link below to be directed to more information and registration.

<http://www.crossroadsbsa.org/Training/Woodbadge.aspx>

Scholarships are available!



Commissioner's Corner

By: William Turner

On February 12th, we will have county roundtables in Boone, Clinton, and Montgomery counties. Please encourage all scouters in the district to attend! The commissioners in each county are planning the programs tailored for each county. Please encourage all scouters to come to the nearest roundtable and network with other scouters in the county. We plan to try it again in April before deciding how to proceed in the future.

The next few months promise to be very busy. The district dinner at the end of February is a good time to celebrate the past year and recognize scouters in the district receiving various awards. I am looking forward to the Pinewood Derby in March and the Cub Scout Olympics in April, and of course the spring camporee is in May. We will also again planning an annual kickoff at the May roundtable.

The new Cub Scout adventure program starts this summer. Tom James worked hard to get one of the council rollout meetings to be held in Lebanon on March 19th. Rank requirements, frequently asked questions, transition guides, and other resources are located at www.scouting.org/programupdates. The program will launch on June 1st, and new handbooks, den leader guides, and other materials will be available at the scout shop on May 1st.

Remember, the commissioner corps is here to help the units serve the scouts. If you need our help with something, or have any ideas on what we can do to improve roundtables and our service to individual units, please let me or one of my commissioners know. We are here to serve you!

Yours in Unit Service,
William Turner
District Commissioner, Sugar Creek District



Klondike Derby Results...

The 2015 Klondike Derby took place over the weekend of January 30-31, and a fine time was had by attendees. A bit cold Friday night, a real nice day Saturday with temps in the 30s, and a dusting of snow for Sunday. Our attendance was down this year though.

KLONDIKE DERBY 2015 INDIVIDUAL STATION WINNERS

Station #1 -- Fire Burn Station

1st---Troop 323
2nd---Troop 359
3rd---Troop 337

1st---Pack 359
2nd---Pack 311

Station #2 -- Skillet Toss

1st---Troop 370
2nd---Troop 323
3rd---Troop 359

1st---Pack 311
2nd---Pack 359

Station #3 -- Firewood Relay

1st---Troop 359
2nd---Troop 309
3rd---Troop 323

1st---Pack 359
2nd---Pack 311

Station #4 -- Wise Choices

1st---Troop 338
2nd---Troop 359
3rd---Troop 323

1st---Pack 311
2nd---Pack 359

Station #5 -- Missing Patrol Leader

1st---Troop 309
2nd---Troop 337
3rd---Troop 338

1st---Pack 311
2nd---Pack 359

Station #6 -- Campsite/Campout

1st---Troop 323
2nd---Troop 359
3rd---Troop 311

1st---Pack 359
2nd---Pack 311

Station #7 -- Klondike Gold Rush

1st---Troop 311
2nd---Troop 359
3rd---Troop 323

1st---Pack 359
2nd---Pack 311

Station #8 -- Klondike Sledge Race

1st---Troop 359
2nd---Troop 337
3rd---Troop 323

1st---Pack 359
2nd---Pack 311

OVERALL STANDINGS

TROOPS

1 - T-359
2 - T-323
3 - T-311
4 - T-309
5 - T-337
6 - T-370
7 - T-338

PACKS

1 - P-359
2 - P-311

Attendance -- 60 Youth 34 Adult



Pack & Troop 359

REVISED START TIME (Rev. date 01/07/2015)



SUGARCREEK DISTRICT CUBSCOUT PINWOOD DERBY RACE

MARCH 14, 2015 *

THORNTOWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

200 W Mill St, Thorntown, Indiana

* Snow make-up day March 27, 2015 (see instructions below for details)

[Click here for more details about Derby](#)

Get your scouts outdoors!



Looking to get your den or pack out in nature? Look no further. Scout programs at McCloud and Sodalis Nature Parks are chock-full of adventure and hands-on activities aimed to fulfill badge and elective requirements for your scouts.

Upcoming Scout Sunday:

Conservation

at Sodalis Nature Park
March, 15 2015, 12:30-4:30pm
Advance Registration Required

Working on a Merit Badge? Rent a Merit Badge Backpack from McCloud Nature Center and complete single-day requirements for:

- Bird Study
- Mammal Study
- Reptile & Amphibian Study
- Forestry
- Geology
- Nature



For more information and registration, visit us online at
www.HendricksCountyParks.org