



The Fall Creek District Newsletter

November 2021

Providing information to the Fall Creek District Scouts and Scouters.

Fall Creek District Roundtable

Thursday, November 11h at 7 pm

Join us for the Fall Creek District Roundtable. It's a great way to meet other leaders in our district and learn some new skills to take back to your unit. After a short general meeting session, we have a separate break-out session for Scouts BSA and Cub Scout leaders.

Cub Scout BreakOut Topic

Christmas/service hours/Helpful

Scouts BSA Breakout Topic

Life to Eagle process, Eagle proposal process

Please encourage all leaders involved with your outdoor committees
or activity planning to attend.

Zoom info

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81062162936?pwd=eXBQalFvazJGU2J0VUJZk2OU0rZz09>

Meeting ID: 810 6216 2936

Passcode: 160

The next Fall Creek District Roundtable will be on
Thursday, December 9th at the Golden Burke Scout Center

To be added to the Fall Creek District Roundtable distribution list, complete this [form](#). You will be added to
an email reminder that is sent one week before and the day of a District Roundtable meeting.

If you have trouble accessing the link, contact District Executive Dave Elser dels@crossroadsbsa.org

Our New Fall Creek District Executive!

Jonathan Serf



My name is Jonathan Serf and I am joining your District as one of your new District Executives! Even though I am new to the Fall Creek District, I am not a stranger to Scouting! I have been involved in Boy Scouts since I was in first grade and progressed through the program to be honored to receive the Eagle Rank in the White River District (formerly known as Golden Eagle District).

During that time, I also was a part of the Order of the Arrow and Firecrafter Organizations during that time. I am a recent graduate from Ball State University where I studied Economics with a minor in Political Science. I am so excited to be able to work with you all and be able to continue growing scouting in the Fall Creek District!

Our Newest Eagle Scouts!

Please help me in congratulating the district's newest
Eagle Scouts!



Well done Scouts! Welcome to the club.

Scouts Being Active:

Troop 133/1033 - Big Gear Camporee



The troop headed to Ransburg Scout Reservation for a camporee. Camp was set up at Eagle Landing. Scouts used lashings to set up silver bullets (dining flies), a teepee, and the troop gateway, none of which had been set up in about 10 years. On Saturday, the troop went for a hike and reportedly got lost. On Saturday night, there was a campfire program, which may have

been the best part of the trip. The weather was a bit wet, but all of the shelters helped.



If you would like to share photos from a troop or pack activity, send an email telling us what you did to

FallCreekDistrict@gmail.com

**Scouts Being Active:
T276/T787 Via Ferreta at Red River Gorge in
Kentucky**



The scouts from T276/T787 went rock climbing, Via Ferreta style, at the Red River Gorge in Kentucky. The scouts climbed a marked course in a horseshoe rock formation. Heights ranged from 75 to 150 feet off the ground. The scouts were able to climb after completing a rock climbing safety course.



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Scouts Being Active: Pack 200/282 Fall Hike

Pack 200 had our Fall Hike at Holliday Park on Oct, 19. that started at the Nature Center and ended at the expansive playground.

Our Halloween Costume Party was on October 26th, we enjoyed a costume contest, campfire smores, tail-gate spooky stories, a Halloween craft, and a couple of game stations.

November is a little light with a thanksgiving break, but we'll be initiating pinewood derby hype at the end of the month.

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Spring 2022 Camporee Survey

The 2022 Spring Camporee, hosted by Monon District T358, invites all troops, crews, and Webelos dens to join us at Camp Ransburg the weekend of April 22-24.

This camporee is open to **Monon, Fall Creek, and Pathfinder** units.

Please complete this 4 question, non-binding, form. This helps us get an estimate for our attendance so we can plan the best camporee experience.

Thank you very much.

Stay tuned at Roundtable and your district communication systems for more information.

2022 Spring Camporee attendance estimate form: <https://forms.gle/qZKWXYZ8DR8LmqtHM7>

New Merit Badge Alert:

Citizenship in Society



The Boy Scouts of America (BSA), one of the largest youth organizations in the United States, announced the launch of the Citizenship in Society merit badge, its newest merit badge for youth in the Scouts BSA program (ages 11-17). The new merit badge encourages Scouts to explore important topics around diversity, equity, inclusion and ethical leadership and learn why these qualities are important in society and in Scouting. Beginning July 1, 2022, the Citizenship in Society merit badge will be required for any youth seeking to achieve the prestigious Eagle Scout rank.

Bryan on Scouting

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2021/11/01/introducing-citizenship-in-society-the-bsas-newest-merit-badge/>

Merit Badge Requirements

http://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/merit_badge_reqandres/CitizenshipSociety_ScoutReqs.pdf?_gl=1*vuy7mc*_ga*OTQyMzM2MDM0LjE2MTY0NDEzNjE.*_ga_20G0JHESG4*MTYzNTk2Mzc4NS4xMy4xLjE2MzU5NjYxMDAuNTA

2022 Philmont Treks - Adventurers Needed

Our District has 2 Philmont treks scheduled for next summer (2022). We have some additional openings to help fill out the crews. We are below the 8-person minimum for a crew.

- Troop 446: 7-day trek, July 21-27 (roughly July 19-29 with travel)
- Troop 335: 12-day trek, June 13-25 (roughly Jun 11-27 with travel)

If you have Scouts or Scouters who would like to be part of an awesome scouting adventure, please contact the Scoutmasters of one of these two treks.

For more information:

T446 - Steve Hentz steve.hentz@gmail.com

T335 - Bill Harmon bill@mordtech.com

Crossroad of American Response to Covid-19

For more information about how our council is managing scouting during this time, please visit the following link.

[Our Council's Response to COVID-19](#)

This site has information and guidelines about council events, summer camp, advancement, and unit meetings.

University of Scouting - November 13, 2021



Register now for this year's University of Scouting on Saturday, November 13 from 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. at Carmel High School's Freshmen Center. This is the premier training event for adult volunteers. To register, visit www.cacin.us/21-uofs

Fall Creek District Contacts

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