



# Hou Koda District NewsLetter

# 2006

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## August

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"Hou Koda" is Native American - "Welcome Friend"

### August KICKOFF – (August Roundtable) – August 10, 2006

Program Kickoff is August 10, 2006 at 6:30 PM at Avon Christian. Snacks and drinks will be provided. This is the time to come and get all the information you need for the coming scouting year! Each area represented on the District Leadership Team will have a table with important information for your unit. Those include in part; Membership, Training, Outdoor Activities, Advancement, Finance, Public Relations, etc. Bring all your adult leaders for the most information possible.



### School Nights



All units are encouraged to have their school night recruitment day set on or before August 9, 2006. If they are not scheduled by that time, Jean and Keenan will schedule the school night for the unit. School Nights take place between August 15th - September 30th.

### Boy Scouts License Plates

Take the Spirit of Scouting to the road and help the Indiana Scouting movement. Your purchase of an Indiana Boy Scouts License Plate will support:

- All 7 councils serving Indiana youth
- 90,000 Boy Scouts
- 13 resident camps



How can you participate? When you renew, simply add \$37 to your payment: \$25 goes back to your local Boy Scout Council and the Bureau of Motor Vehicles retains \$12 for administrative fees. These plates can be used as the standard vehicle registration plates for passenger cars, recreational vehicles, and trucks weighing less than 11,000 pounds. This is not a vanity plate, so special numbers or messages cannot be accommodated. Your plate selection is good until your next registration renewal.

### COPE / Climbing for Venture Crews – April through November 2006

Cope offers a Venture Crew the opportunity to participate in a variety of Team Building activities. Activities usually begin at 9 am Saturday and are over by 6 pm the same day. Dates: April 9, 23, May 7, 21, Aug 27, Sept 10, 24, Oct 8, 22, and Nov 5, 12. Contact David Williams 317-547-7538 to make your reservations.



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### Special Needs Scouting Resource Committee

Purpose: To provide a council-based group of individuals who act as resources, who can provide information, advice, and guidance to scouts and scouters in the council on disability awareness and accessibility issues.

The committee is structured similar to a merit badge counselor - a trained and experienced entity who provides knowledge and experience on the particular topic. The intention is to have a resource available to assist the council and districts with disability awareness issues, as well as help when needed.

Services the committee can provide:

- Presentations on a variety of topics for POW-WOW, University of Scouting, District Roundtables, and other unit training opportunities.
- Help with the Disability Awareness merit badge
- Help with accessibility issues as needed
- Parent-Scouter conferences
- Resource for locating other resources

For additional information contact Linda Focken - BSA Staff Adviser @ 317-925-1900 x225  
lfocken@crossroadsbsa.org

### Uniform Assistance Program

One of Scouting's methods of youth development includes wearing a uniform. The Scout uniform makes Scouting visible as a force for good, signifies the Scout's commitment to Scouting ideals and serves as an economic equalizer of all boys. Recognizing the essential role of the uniform in Scout programs, the Lilly Endowment has offered funds to support a Uniform Assistance program for Scouts who would not otherwise be able to purchase a uniform.

*How the Program Works:*

- 1) The unit leader certifies the Scout has qualified by
  - a. Being active in the unit for one month  
or
  - b. Has earned one rank advancement (defined as: Tiger, Bobcat, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, Arrow of Light, Tenderfoot, 2nd Class, 1st Class, Star, Life or Eagle).
- 2) The Scout presents the completed application, with signatures, and his payment of \$20 (or his pledge to pay \$20) to the Scout Service Center. (Applications are available at the Scout office or on-line at [www.crossroadsbsa.org](http://www.crossroadsbsa.org).)
- 3) When the Scout ends his Scout participation, he may return his shirt, scarf and slide to the Scout Service Center for \$5.



*What Uniform Parts Are Included?*

- a. Short sleeve shirt (appropriate to program)
- b. Neckerchief (appropriate to program)
- c. Neckerchief slide (appropriate to program)

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- d. Council shoulder patch
- e. Pack or troop numbers
- f. World Crest
- g. Patrol medallion or den number
- h. Webelos color (if applicable)
- i. Shoulder loops (if applicable)

### Holiday World's Summer Scout Splash August 5 - 13, 2006



Scouting families and friends are invited to enjoy the fun and excitement of two parks for the price of one! An event for the entire family before the school year starts anew. Single day pass \$23.50, regularly \$36.95 (Can ONLY be purchased at your local Scout office) Next Day Ticket \$19 - buy before leaving the park. Price includes admission to Holiday World and Splashin' Safari, unlimited soft drinks, sunscreen and lotion. Free parking. Some rides may have minimum height restrictions (ranging from 36" - 48"). Visit [www.holidayworld.com](http://www.holidayworld.com) for park information and directions. Visit [www.crossroadsbsa.org](http://www.crossroadsbsa.org) for office information and directions.

### Cub Scout Big Blue Football Camp with the Colts - August 9, 2006



There will be a Football Camp with the Indianapolis Colts at Camp Wildwood in Terre Haute, Indiana on August 9<sup>th</sup>. Choose from one of 4 sessions throughout the day. There will be only 200 scouts in each session!

Sessions are FREE! This exclusive opportunity for Cub Scouts will feature educational and recreational activities in a safe and fun environment. The sessions will be led by former Colts player Mike Prior. Also plan to visit the Colts training camp just a few minutes away. Participate in exciting events like:

- Quarterback Challenge
- Dive for the winning catch
- Wide receiver vs. defender
- Teamwork Relay
- Goal Line

Participants must fill out the Colts waiver form available on the "upcoming events" section of the crossroads web site and return with their registration form at [www.crossroadsbsa.org](http://www.crossroadsbsa.org). If you have questions, please call Ryan Keys or Mary Carrico at the scout office @ 317-925-1900

### 2006 Boy Scout Million Dollar Shoot-Out! - August 10, 2006

Event chair, Steve Sterrett, invites you to participate in our second annual Boy Scout Million Dollar Shoot-Out! His committee has planned a unique golf tournament that will be an exciting and entertaining event. The 18 holes of Purgatory Golf Club will be transformed into a par-3 course, with fantastic hole-in-one prizes available on each hole! Our plans are to have on-hand, courtesy of Ed Martin Automotive Group, 18 vehicles as prizes for a hole-in-one. In addition, sports memorabilia and auction items will be available to bid upon. Proceeds will benefit families involved in the Scouting program as well as the Ed Martin Legacy Fund at the Lawrence Township Schools Foundation. Reservation



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amounts include lunch, beverages and all course fees. The Boy Scout Million Dollar Shoot-Out is also a great opportunity to promote your company through hole sponsorships. Register to participate today!

### Scout Day at the Indiana State Fair Monday August 14, 2006

*Highlights include:*

**Indiana State Fair Explorer's Club-** Explore the Fair and discover new fun facts as you uncover clues through your exciting activities. The Explorer's Club is located in the Pfizer Fun Park from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.



**VOICE Xtreme Freestyle Motocross Show-** Six of the nations top motocross bikers will thrill you with dangerous stunts! Shows are at 1 & 5 p.m. Admission is free with vouchers that can be picked up at your local Council Service Center.

**Daily Parade-** Show your Scout pride and wear your uniform and walk as Grand Marshalls in the parade at 6:30 p.m. Please gather in front of the Communications Building by 6:15 p.m.

**Exclusively for Scouts-** \$1 off Fair admission good only on Monday August, 14th. Vouchers may be picked up beginning July 1<sup>st</sup> from the Council offices. For a complete list of events, visit [indianastatefair.com](http://indianastatefair.com) or call (317) 927-7524

Participating Scouts get a free patch!  
Patches can be picked up at the 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday Cake Gift Shop  
Noon to 9:00 pm

### Scout Overnight at the Indianapolis Air Show! August 26 & 27, 2006 – Mt. Comfort Airport

*Featuring the United States Air Force Thunderbirds. Also featuring,*

- U.S. Air Force Air Combat A-10 Demo
- U.S. Navy F-18 Demonstration
- U.S Army Golden Knight Parachute Demonstration Team
- UH-60 Black Hawk Demonstration
- Michael Hunter and the Flight for Diabetes
- P-47 "Thunderbolt"
- P-51 "Mustang"
- P-38 "Lightning"



#### **Scout Benefits**

- Admission to Air Show (Saturday)
- Camping on the Grounds (Saturday)
- Hot Dinner
- Special Aviation Opportunities
- Movie on a 22' x 26' jumbo screen
- Hot pancake breakfast w/ sides

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Please return registration (see below) with payment to any local council service center. RESERVATIONS DUE BY AUG. 16<sup>TH</sup> -Roesch Service Center, 1900 N. Meridian Street, P.O. Box 1966, Indianapolis, IN 46206

### Popcorn kickoff is August 31, 2006



Popcorn kickoff will be on August 31<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 pm at the Avon Christian Church. You will learn about new products, %-earnings, selling and pickup dates, and much more. This is an excellent fund raiser for all units! The person who is heading up your popcorn efforts should attend this meeting. Please mark your calendars now for this kickoff meeting. For additional information contact Carl Heckman at (317) 838-9856 or [heckman11@comcast.net](mailto:heckman11@comcast.net). *This will be the only planning meeting for Popcorn!*

### *2006 Popcorn Sale Facts*

- CAC encourages and supports all Scouting units to fund their entire year of Scouting via the annual popcorn sale.
- Over 500 Packs, Troops, Crews & Posts are planning on selling \$4,000,000 worth of Trail's End gourmet popcorn from September 30th-November 20th, 2006.
- The largest portion of revenue from this sale, up to 39%, is retained by the Scouting unit in the form of commissions and prizes. That could mean over 1.5 million dollars earned by our youth to "pay their own way" to camp, activities and events.
- Trail's End gourmet popcorn can help companies that are looking for holiday gifts for their clients and employees. A website is available that allows individuals to place orders directly through the Trail's End company. The price includes shipping and a commission on each sale is sent to Crossroads of America Council.

You may view all of the delicious products at: [www.orderpopcorn.com](http://www.orderpopcorn.com). When placing an order, please utilize the Council's key code: TE5GKU Not only will your clients and employees receive a wonderful treat; you will be supporting our council's mission of instilling positive values into the lives of young people in our area! For more information, please contact the Popcorn Sale Advisor @ (317) 925-1900.

### 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Shooting Stars Tournament! - September 8, 2006

Please make plans to join Scouting supporters and Shooting enthusiasts at the annual Shooting Stars sporting clay tournament. We are counting on you to help the Scouts continue to prepare young people for a brighter tomorrow. If you or your company have ever supported our community through participation in special events ... you will definitely enjoy this opportunity. We hope you'll participate in the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Shooting Stars sporting clays tournament.

Our Shooting Stars tournament is a fun alternative to charity golf tournaments and will be enjoyed by both experienced and novice shooters. This exciting event raises



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funds to provide Scouting's values-based programs to "At-Risk" youth and help send youth to summer camp. Additional funds help cover the costs of uniforms, handbooks and camping gear for boys that need financial aid to participate.

Scheduled to appear and participate in our outing is television personality and renowned outdoorsman Marty Fisher. Marty Fischer is a graduate of Georgia Southern University. He is seen on national cable television by millions of outdoor enthusiasts and is read by more than a million outdoorsmen each month. He is a host of highly acclaimed Shotgun Journal series currently seen on The Outdoor Channel. Other TV credits include: shooting professional for Suzuki Great Outdoors on ESPN, Pull - America's Great Gun Clubs and Direct Hit on OLN and Sport Shooting America on Fox Sports South. He is a professional wing shooter, National Sporting Clays Association Level III shooting instructor and gun club designer. As of this date, he has designed more than 85 shooting facilities throughout North America, and has been referred to as "perhaps the most sought after gun club designer in America" by the Knoxville News-Sentinel newspaper.

Please review our information. If you are interested, please complete the form and mail or fax it to the scout headquarters (317) 921-3474. This will ensure that space is reserved for you. Forms and additional brochures may be downloaded from the Boy Scout website [www.crossroadsbsa.org](http://www.crossroadsbsa.org) to send to others that you believe would enjoy this type of event at a later date.

## Scout day at the Purdue vs. Miami (Ohio) Football Game – September 9, 2006

 This is for the Miami Ohio game - the game time has not yet been set. Scouts and their guests will have access to Mollenkopf Athletic Center to hear from a Purdue football coach right after the game! Tickets for Scout Day are \$19.00\* each - a discount of \$20.00 per ticket! See registration form at the council web site [www.crossroadsbsa.org](http://www.crossroadsbsa.org) \*includes \$2 for the Crossroads of America Council for promotion and administration.

## Venturing Treasure Hunt – September 14, 2006

You are invited to attend the first "Venturing Treasure Hunt" on Thursday, September 14 at 7 pm at BSA / Hou Koda Roundtable. Avon Christian Church - Shelter House 7236 East County Road 100 South, Avon, IN



All those who would like to join or learn more about BSA newest program "Venturing"; a Scouting program for Male and Females are encouraged to attend. Please let us know if you would like to participate in the "Home Port" at the August 10<sup>th</sup> Hou Koda District Kick-off or contact Kathy Baker.

Come for a night of fun, food & games as you travel to:

- Home Port - "Area Venturing Crews you could join"
- Shark Lagoon - "Venturing activities"
- Treasure Hunt - "What is venturing?"

Venturing is a unique BSA program with boys, girls, or boys and girls crews focusing on one or more of the six experience areas: Citizenship, Leadership, Fitness, Social, Outdoor and Service. Ventures' are recruited at

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any age from 14 (having completed 8th grade) to 21. For more information contact Kathy Baker, BSA Venturing Membership Chair at (317) 838-0681 or [kmkrebs@msn.com](mailto:kmkrebs@msn.com)

### Emergency Preparedness Merit Badge Saturday, October 7, 2006



Workshop will be held at Scout Ridge in Morgan-Monroe State Forest north of Bloomington 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Scouts must already have completed the First Aid merit badge to participate in this workshop. Cost is \$15 per Scout and is limited to 100 Scouts! All participants must bring the Emergency Preparedness merit badge book, signed blue card, pen, paper, sack lunch, and water. Patrols and Troops are welcome to camp out provided they meet BSA regulations and bring appropriate supervision, equipment, etc.

Individuals will not be allowed to camp out on their own. Camping costs an additional \$2 per person per night and should be paid to Morgan Monroe State Forest at the time of camping. Please contact the Roesch Scout Service Center with any questions at (317) 925-1900 or (877) 925-1900. Information about merit badge workshops and other items related to advancement can be found on-line at [www.crossroadsbsa.org/advancement/](http://www.crossroadsbsa.org/advancement/).

### MISSION: Radio Control - October 13-15 – (Fall Camporee)



Boy Scout Camporee & Cub Scout Family Camp - Camp Redwing Muncie, IN

Camporee Chair: Mike Dowd - [eaglesquill@comcast.net](mailto:eaglesquill@comcast.net)

Camporee Advisor: Ryan Keys - [rykeys@crossroadsbsa.org](mailto:rykeys@crossroadsbsa.org)

### 2007 World Scout Jamboree - July 27 through August 8, 2007

The 21<sup>st</sup> 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.

In 2007, the centennial year of the founding of the Scouting movement, the jamboree theme will be "One World, One Promise." Sir Robert Baden-Powell, who founded the Scouting program, also pioneered the very first jamboree at Olympia in London in 1920.



The Boy Scouts of America participated with 301 Scouts and leaders at the First World Scout Jamboree, and 3,200 American Scouts/leaders are invited to return to the birthplace of Scouting during the summer of 2007.

#### **Where Is the Jamboree?**

The 21st World Scout Jamboree will take place at Hylands Park, Chelmsford, England. It is within easy reach of both central London and the airports surrounding London.

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- Hylands Park is a large area of rolling green parkland, with patches of woodland and an English country house. It offers an ideal location for the jamboree site.
- Chelmsford is a local town and has a history stretching back thousands of years. Chelmsford Borough Council owns Hylands Park and is strongly supporting the jamboree.
- Gilwell Park is the home of Scouting in the UK and is close to both Hylands Park and London. It will be the focus of adventurous activities in the Gilwell Adventure, which is one of the jamboree program venues.
- The United Kingdom is a diverse and multicultural society that combines tradition with high technology. The UK has the honor of being the country where Sir Robert Baden-Powell founded Scouting. His first experiment was with an encampment on Brownsea Island in 1907 with 22 Scouts from the London area.

### Cost and Payment Schedule

Participant costs depend on which gateway city is designated by your region. The cost of the package plan includes the jamboree fee established by the Boy Scouts of America, travel and tour cost, all meals, lodging, unit and patrol equipment, accident and sickness insurance, pre-jamboree weekend training, regional/national office administrative/program support, and buses for ground transportation prior to and after the jamboree.

Cost does not include travel to or from the pre-jamboree 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.

A payment plan schedule is listed on both the leader and youth application forms. The estimated cost for the 21st World Scout Jamboree in Chelmsford, Essex, England, is \$3,975 per person. Tour prices are subject to change based on the final transportation contract and participation.

For more information, view the official webpage- <http://www.scouting.org/jamboree/world/index.html>



### Mark your Calendar for Upcoming District Events

<u>Calendar Dates</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Additional Notes</u>
August 5-13, 2006	Summer Scout Splash	Holiday World
August 9, 2006	Cub Scout Big Blue Football Camp with the Colts	Camp Wildwood - Terre Haute, IN
August 10, 2006	<b>August Scout Kickoff</b>	Avon Christian Church 6:30 pm
August 10, 2006	Boy Scout Million Dollar Shoot-Out	Purgatory Golf Course
August 14, 2006	Scout Day at the Indiana State Fair	Indiana State Fairgrounds
August 15, 2006	Deadline for registration - Mt. Comfort Air Show Overnight	Mt. Comfort, Indiana

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August 26-27, 2006	Scout Overnight at the Mount Comfort Air show	Mount Comfort Airport
August 31, 2006	Popcorn Kickoff	Avon Christian Church 6:30 pm
September 8, 2006	Shooting Stars Tournament	
September 9, 2006	Scout day at the Purdue vs Miami Game	Miami, Ohio
September 14, 2006	Venturing Treasure Hunt	Avon Christian Church 7:00 pm
October 1, 2006	Deadline for Nominations for the Walter J. Schuchmann Award	Council Office
October 7, 2006	Emergency Preparedness Merit Badge Workshop	Morgan-Monroe State Forest
October 13-15, 2006	Fall Camporee - MISSION: Radio Control	Camp Red Wing Muncie, IN
December 1, 2006	Deadline for Nominations for the Young American Award	Council Office
July 27-Aug 8, 2007	World Scout Jamboree	United Kingdom

Contact Brenda Smith at [bksmith856@aol.com](mailto:bksmith856@aol.com) to request or provide District Newsletter information. For additional Scouting information visit the following Web Sites:

[www.crossroadsbsa.org](http://www.crossroadsbsa.org)

[www.bsa.scouting.org](http://www.bsa.scouting.org)

[www.usscouts.org](http://www.usscouts.org)

[www.meritbadge.com](http://www.meritbadge.com)

[www.houkoda.org](http://www.houkoda.org)

[www.macscouter.com](http://www.macscouter.com)

[www.raceintoscouting.org](http://www.raceintoscouting.org)

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## Scout Overnight at the Indianapolis Air Show! August 26 & 27, 2006 – Mt. Comfort Airport

### Registration Form

Scout's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Adults \_\_\_\_ X \$22 = \_\_\_\_\_

Unit: Pack Troop Crew # \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_ Youths \_\_\_\_ X \$12 = \_\_\_\_\_

Amount \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ CAM CODE: 6ASAF AIR SHOW OVERNIGHT

Credit Card# \_\_\_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_\_ Mastercard \_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name on card \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Please return registration with payment to any local council service center. RESERVATIONS DUE BY AUG.  
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-Roesch Service Center, 1900 N. Meridian Street, P.O. Box 1966, Indianapolis, IN 46206