



Hou Koda District NewsLetter

2009

Website: www.houkodadistrict.org

October

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

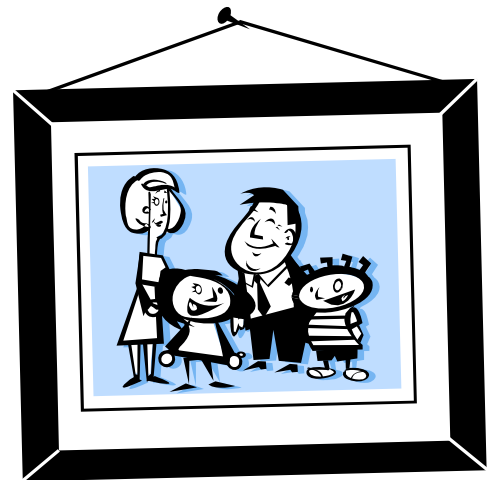
Hou Koda District Fall Camporee / Fam-o-ree* – October 23 – 25, 2009



This is the last Camporee of the year. The location is Kikthawenund Scout Camp near Anderson. We're looking for 100% participation at this Camporee! If you're interested in helping, please contact Mark Allen at mark.products@aol.com.

***The Whole Family is invited to this event** (Pre-registration by noon October 17- for family event requirements)

Camp Opens: 5:00 PM Friday
Camp Wide Game: 7:00 - 9:00 PM Friday
Firecrafter Ember Meeting 9:00 - 10:00 PM Friday
SPL Meeting: 8:30 AM Saturday
Opening: 9:30 AM Saturday
Family Events: 10:00 - 12:00 AM Saturday
Patrol Events: 1:15 - 4:00 PM Saturday
Tug of War: 4:00 - 5:00 PM Saturday
Campfire: 6:45 - 8:00 PM
(All activity times subject to change)
Come prepared for a great fall experience.



Events

Mystery Event - bring your woodsman tools, and 10 feet of sisal twine

Troop Family Event - A family event in your troop site (see attachment) - Families will Vote on the best Family Event

District Family Event - A Mom's Skillet Toss

String burn - *NO Matches or Lighters PLEASE* - a timed event

Skit contest 5 minute time limit - NO EXCEPTIONS

Stunt contest 5 minute time limit - NO EXCEPTIONS

Best camp song 5 minute limit - NO EXCEPTIONS

Best tall tale or story contest 5 minute limit - NO EXCEPTIONS

All events should be scouting appropriate, let the Oath and Law guide you.

Winners of the Skit Contest, Stunt Contest, Camp Song, and Tall Tale, will be participants in the Closing Camp Fire!

Possible other Family Events - TBA - there will be events for those mom's, dad's, and siblings so get everyone out for a great time in the fall weather!

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BSA Must Read: Winter Sports Safety - Helmets



While it is the end of September and school has just begun, CAC would like to advise you of an upcoming change to the Winter Sports Safety section of the Guide to Safe Scouting,

Currently, Section 3 states that "Suitable clothing for the activity and environment should be worn at all times, and equipment should include gloves and helmets when appropriate."

Based upon the review of General Liability claims history, along with a recommendation by the Risk Management Advisory Panel (two Scout executives from each region), and input from the Health and Safety Support Committee, **the following change will be made to the Guide to Safe Scouting** and published as an Alert on Scouting Safely.

"Appropriate personal protective equipment is required for all activities. This includes the recommended use of helmets for all participants engaged in winter sports such as sledding and other sliding devices. The use of helmets is required for the following activities: downhill skiing, snowboarding, and operation of snowmobiles (full-face helmets)."

CAC reminds you that when units engage in winter sports, they should only use designated areas where rocks, tree stumps, and other potential obstacles have been identified and marked, cleared away, shielded, or buffered in some way.

Hou Koda District Cub Scout Roundtable – October 8, 2009

Cub Scout Roundtable will be held at 7:00 pm at **Messiah Lutheran Church, 801 South Green St. Brownsburg IN 46112**. The Cub Scout Roundtable monthly theme is one month in advance of the themes presented in the Cub Scout Program Helps. As always, all adults, leaders and youth are welcome at the Cub Scout Roundtable.

Hou Koda District Boy Scout – October 8, 2008

Boy Scout Roundtable will be held at 7:00 pm at **Messiah Lutheran Church, 801 South Green St. Brownsburg IN 46112**.

Roundtables – Survey

After a summer break with no roundtable in June and July, and Kickoff in August, we started the normal Roundtable routine September 10th at Messiah Lutheran Church in Brownsburg, IN. We are interested in your input on our District Roundtables so fill out the attached survey and return it to Butch Straber.



100th Anniversary of Scouting – Check out Scott Clabaugh's Blog

Scott Clabaugh has a 100th Anniversary Blog on the CAC site. Check it out!

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Be sure to be watching for 100th Anniversary Newsletters with specific information about upcoming Anniversary Activities. If you are on distribution for the HK district newsletter, then you're on distribution for the 100th Anniversary Newsletter. Any

questions: contact Brenda Smith bksmith856@aol.com

Hou Koda District Scouting Recognitions – It's Time!



It's time to start submitting those nominations for Hou Koda District Recognitions. Recognition awards will be presented at the District Recognitions Dinner March 20, 2010.

There are numerous folks out there who deserve recognition for their efforts.

Do you want to see someone special recognized for their Scouting efforts? Then it's up to you to submit a nomination. Don't assume someone else will take care of it.

Recognition Awards Available (see attached descriptions):

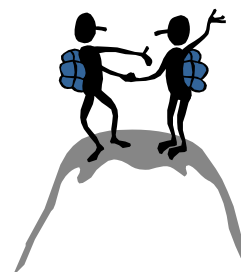
- District Award of Merit
- Guiding Light Award
- Unit of the Year
- Silver Eagle Feather Award
- Gold Eagle Feather Award
- Scoutmaster of the Year
- Venturing Advisor of the Year
- Cubmaster of the Year
- Asst. Scoutmaster of the Year
- Asst. Advisor of the Year
- Asst. Cubmaster of the Year
- Den Leader of the Year
- Committee Member of the Year
- Commissioner of the Year
- Couples in Scouting Award
- Scouting Partner of the Year
- Eagle Scout Service Award
- Centurion Award

Backpack Awareness Training – (BAT) Saturday, October 10, 2009

Adult Leader Training will take place at Camp Belzer on Saturday, October 10, 2009, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm (Classroom Training), and Saturday, October 24 & 25, 2009, Saturday 9:00 am to Sunday 11:00 am at Camp Ransburg (Backpack Experience)

You will receive training in:

- Trip Planning
- Basic Hiking First Aid
- Trek Safely Training
- Menu Planning & Meal Preparation
- Leave No Trace Training
- BSA and CAC Policies
- Gear Equipment Info:



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- Packs
- Boots
- Tents
- Clothing
- Stoves
- Sleeping Bags
- Much, Much, More.....

Objective: To teach adults how to prepare your unit for that High Adventure Trip for Backpacking and to become properly trained. Questions: Contact Steve Taylor at 765-676-6666 or by email at staylor@sill.com
Contact Tim Bouchard at 317-925-1900 or by email at tbouchard@crossroadsbsa.org

2009 Cub Scout Fun Day - Friday, October 16 and Saturday, October 17, 2009

At Camp Red Wing - 6:00 PM Friday to 3:00 PM Saturday

This is the Kick-Off to the Fabulous Circuit of Fun! - Come to Camp Redwing for a day of fun and shoot BB guns, bows and arrows, marshmallow blasters, sling shots, water bottle rockets, help with a service project, find out about the upcoming circuit of fun events and lots more for only \$5 per person! Family Camping is available Oct. 16th for a small fee. Only \$5 per Cub Scout for Saturday (\$2 per sibling)!. Adults are free. Pay \$1 extra to camp overnight on Friday!



RSVP by October 2, 2009 to camp overnight on Friday, October 16.

Arrive at 8am to check in on Saturday if not camping. Event will be held rain or shine. All events are subject to change without notice. Concessions will be available for lunch only on Saturday. All other meals are the responsibility of each family or pack. Watch for additional updates on this exciting event at your Roundtable and at www.crossroadsbsa.org

Wood Badge Bead Annual Dinner – Rescheduled for October 17, 2009



The Wood Badge Association of Crossroads of America Council cordially invites you and your guest(s) for an evening of dining, fun, and

fellowship. Rekindle the Spirit of Wood Badge or spark your interest. Event benefits the Wood Badge Scholarship Fund. Camp Belzer 6102 Boy Scout Road, Indianapolis, IN. See attached Reservation Form.

Keynote Speaker:

State Representative Cindy Noe

6:00 p.m. social hour / trading post / silent auction

7:00 p.m. dinner & program with bead ceremony

Early Bird cost is \$20/person or \$35/couple.

After October 3, cost is \$30/person or \$45/couple

"Generations" recognition for bead holders in the same family!

Full Scout uniform or business attire appropriate.

Please contact Tim Bouchard at 317-925-1900 ext. 248 or e-mail tbouchard@crossroadsbsa.com with questions or dietary restrictions.

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Battle of Belzer - Civil War Days – October 23-25, 2009



"Scouts and Scouters camp, drill and even fight right alongside their Civil War reenacting partners in a mock battle staged at the end of Saturday. It's an immersion event in which Scouts and Scouting adults are introduced to what it was like to be in the service of their country during the epic struggle that has come to be known as the American Civil War. What we're really trying to do is ignite a passion within our youth, and in so doing, pass the torch of teaching our great Nation's rich tapestry of history to the next generation of re-enactors." -Trent Champ, past event coordinator

Registration Deadline Friday, October 9, 2009

WHAT YOU GET: The \$35 registration includes camping Friday and Saturday nights, an official event patch & T-shirt, interaction with re-enactors, drills, program features, ration bag (food) and hot period authentic dinner on Saturday.

ELIGIBILITY: This event is open to the first 600 registered participants. Two-deep leadership is a mandatory requirement for a unit to attend.

CAMP ASSIGNMENTS: Your unit will be assigned to either the Union Army or the Confederate Army based on anticipated re-enactor to Scout ratios and the planned scenario being scripted. Assignments will be announced after close of registration but prior to the event.

Purdue Football Scout Day – 2009 – October 24, 2009 – Purdue VS Northern Illinois

Join New Boilermaker Coach Danny Hope and Purdue Football for Scout Day 2009. Scout Day 2009 is a Crossroads Council Circuit of Fun Alternative, and Scouts will receive a Circuit of Fun patch for attending this event! This will be an unforgettable experience for Scouts from the Crossroads Council. All Scouts, Scout leaders & parents are invited, and Scouts are encouraged to wear uniforms to the big game at Ross-Ade Stadium! Scout Day game tickets are discounted to provide the absolute best value. The Scout Day package includes your game ticket and the official Purdue Circuit of Fun Patch. Use the following link for ordering tickets:



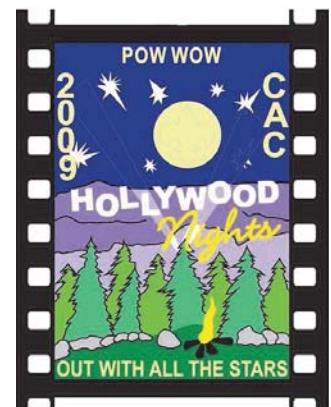
<http://www.crossroadsbsa.org/Portals/0/files/program/activities/Purdue%20Football%20Scout%20Day.pdf>

Pow Wow and Den Chief Training – November 7, 2009

In Native American Culture, Pow Wow is a time when people come together in celebration to renew old friendships and discover new ones. It is a time to reminisce about the treasures of the past and plan for the preservation of a rich heritage.

Join Crossroads of America's Pow Wow in passing Scouting knowledge from one generation of Scouters to the next.

Saturday, November 7, 2009
Registration Begins 7:30 am
Closing Ceremony 3:50 pm
Raymond Park Middle School



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What is the Cost of Pow Wow?

Before October 30, 2009 using Online Reservation System: \$20.00 per person

Before October 30, 2009 using Paper Registration: \$25.00 per person

After 5 pm on October 30, 2009 using either method: \$30.00 per person

Online registration for this event is now available. If you register online by October 30th, you will save \$5 over the paper registration. It is an exciting day filled with adventure for any adult associated with Cub Scouting. Pow wow can turn you on to the wonders your Cub Scout expect! Contact: Tim Bouchard (317) 925-1900 tbouchard@crossroadsbsa.org

Scout Night with the Indiana Pacers – November 14, 2009



Come see the Pacers take on the Boston Celtics and get the best deal in town! At \$10 you get a ticket to the game, shoot a free throw on Conseco's main court and hear a special post game talk with a player. For a upgrade ticket you get a discount on that ticket, all the benefits of the \$10 ticket plus a hot dog, chips and small Pepsi product. As a member of the SCOUTS, you are invited to participate in a Scout Night with your Indiana Pacers!

Wear your uniform and you will have the chance to be seen on the center scoreboard or participate in timeout activities! In addition, by purchasing tickets through this offer, not only will you see exciting pro basketball in action, you will:

- **Be able to shoot a free throw on the main court of Conseco Fieldhouse!**
- **Receive a FREE circuit of fun patch!**
- **Purchase a Scout Value Pack (\$18 or \$38 ticket) that includes one FREE hot dog, bag of chips, Pepsi product, and T-Shirt!**
- **Be a part of a SPECIAL Meet and Greet with a Pacers player after the game!**

Please get your orders in EARLY, we sold out last year vs. Boston and are very likely to sell out again! Don't miss out on this great opportunity; get your orders in today! To place your order, complete and return the order form below along with payment, or visit ConsecoFieldhouse.com/group, Event #2590, your group ID is SCOUT by Monday, November 2, 2009.

Use the following link for ordering tickets:

<http://www.crossroadsbsa.org/Portals/0/files/program/activities/Pacers%20Flyer11-14.pdf>

CAC Merit Badge Workshop - November 21, 2009

8:00 AM - 8:30 AM Registration
8:30 AM - Noon First Class Session
Noon - 1:00 PM Lunch and Tour
1:00 PM - 4:30 Second Class Session



Classes will be released for sign up on Oct. 1st.

- Several Merit Badges to choose from
- High level quality instruction with small class sizes
- On a real college campus - Marian University located in central Indianapolis
- Early Bird fee only \$15 for one session or \$30 for two sessions and includes lunch. EB ends on 10/31/09

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- All full day registrations include lunch.
- Earn a merit badge - the activities committee believes that all Boy Scouts need to do the work required to earn a merit badge. So some classes will require prerequisites to ensure that the high level of work it takes for a youth to earn a badge are met.
- Adults do you have knowledge and passion in a merit badge area? If so, we still are looking for strong merit badge councilors.

Come to beautiful Marian University (formerly Marian College) and earn a merit badge or two. All classes will have a limited class size that is set by the instructor. Do you have a skill or passion in an area and want to lead a merit badge class? Want to be a councilor?

Please contact Mary Carrico at mcarrico@crossroadsbsa.org or Ryan Keys at 317-925-1900 x214 or email rykeys@crossroadsbsa.org. Look for more information on classes on www.crossroadsbsa.org

Venturing Kodiak X Youth Training 2009 - December 4 - 5, 2009

Kodiak X is the final installment of the 3 parts of the Venturing Nature of Leadership. Completion of Kodiak training is required to attend! No exceptions! In Kodiak X you have opportunities to apply the 5 Commissions presented in Kodiak and be presented the final 2 Commissions in the Kodiak program. In this weekend retreat many challenging activities and games will put your Kodiak leadership skills to the test!

Key Information:

- Cabin Camping - Camp Belzer
- Dining Hall Meals
- Outdoor Training Activities
- Adult Leadership provided adhering to the Guide to Safe Scouting for Venturing activities
- BSA Annual Health and Medical Record parts A and C required
- Check-in 7 pm Fri, leave 6 pm Sat.
- Cost: \$30 Crossroads of America Council Venturers, \$35 out-of council Venturers



For additional information please contact Dave Broekers at broekers91@comcast.net or 317-867-5258
Send registration to: Crossroads of America Council, 1900 N. Meridian St., PO Box 1966, Indianapolis IN 46206

Scout Night with the Indiana Ice – December 12, 2009



Discounted admission with lots of perks, all Scouts in uniform will have a chance to get on the ice and shoot a puck! Meet Big E. Foot the Ice mascot! Plus the Ice are giving each Scout a special collectors Indiana Ice item and enjoy lots of fun games and activities in the Champions Hall! For more information call Bryan Moore or Eric Melton at 317-925-4423 EXT 2

Marlinspike Skills - March 5-7, 2010

Have fun learning fancy knot tying with hands-on instruction. Beginners are welcome! Marlinspike Skills is the old sailor's term for fancy knot tying. Join us March 5-7 to learn how to tie some of the most interesting and decorative knots that you will ever see, along with many practical knots. This adult only course offers hands-on instruction by



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Crossroads of America Council's best teachers of knots and rope work. (Of course we are biased in our opinion). Knowledge of basic knot tying is a plus, but not required. If you have a willingness to learn you will enjoy this course. This is the 13th course for Marlinspike Skills offered in the Crossroads of America Council. Get registered and be part of a learning experience. The course starts at 7p.m. on Friday and ends around noon on Sunday. The cost is \$60 and covers all meals, course materials, lodging and entertainment. The course is limited to 15 learners, sign up early to reserve your spot. CAMP BELZER, INDIANAPOLIS 6102 Boy Scout Road, Indianapolis, IN 46226 Visit our web site at www.marlinspikeskills.com . For any questions please contact us: Chief Knothead: Gary Summers 67sgsummers@att.net(317) 213-5476) 1st Ass't Knothead: Eric Wickizer / (317) 398-7805 ekwick@att.net DEADLINE FOR SIGN UP IS FEB. 15, 2010

Mark your Calendar for Upcoming District Events

October 8, 2009	Boy Scout, Cub Scout Roundtable	Messiah Lutheran Church
October 9, 2009	Registration Deadline for Battle of Belzer	
October 10, 2009	Backpack Awareness Training (BAT)	Camp Belzer
October 16 & 17, 2009	Cub Scout Fun Day	Camp Red Wing - Muncie
October 17, 2009	Wood Badge Bead Annual Dinner	Camp Belzer
October 23 - 25, 2009	Hou Koda Fall Camporee	Kikthawenund Scout Camp
October 23 - 25, 2009	Battle of Belzer - Civil War Days	Camp Belzer
October 24, 2009	Purdue Football Scout Day	Ross-Ade Stadium - Purdue University
November 2, 2009	Deadline to purchase Pacer tickets	
November 7, 2009	Pow Wow and Den Chief Training	Raymond Park Middle School
November 14, 2009	Scout Night with the Indiana Pacers	Conseco Fieldhouse
November 21, 2009	Merit Badge Workshop	Marian University
December 4-5, 2009	Kodiak X - Youth Training	Camp Belzer
December 9, 2009	Deadline to order Indiana Ice Tickets	
December 12, 2009	Scout Night with Indiana Ice	Pepsi Coliseum
March 5 7, 2010	Marlinspike Skills Training	Camp Belzer

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

www.crossroadsbsa.org

www.bsa.scouting.org

Crossroads of America
1900 N. Meridian Street
Indianapolis, IN 46206

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www.usscouts.org

317-925-1900

www.meritbadge.com

www.macscouter.com

www.raceintoscouting.org

District Chair: Butch Straber

District Executive (HKA): Carolyn Small (317) 925-1900 (ext, 229)

District Executive (HKB): Josh Reckelhoff (317) 925-1900 (ext. 232)

District Commissioner: Kathy Baker (317) 430-6317

District Program Chair: Bill Munson

District Advancement Chair: Dean Stevens (317) 989-8320

District PR Chair/ 100th Anniv Chair: Brenda Smith (317) 745-7040

District Training Chair: Open

District Finance Chair: Gary Sobczak

District Webmaster: Brian Hazelton



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Round Table at Messiah Lutheran Church Survey

1. Having the Round Table (RT) in Brownsburg is _____
 - a. A great location
 - b. An ok location
 - c. Location could be improved
 - d. Location must be improved

Optional Comment

2. Having the RT at Messiah Lutheran Church (MLC) is _____
 - a. Facility is great for the RT
 - b. Facility is adequate for the RT
 - c. Facility can be improved for the RT
 - d. Facility is totally unsatisfactory for the RT

Optional Comment

3. If you could pick the best community for the RT, where would you like to see it? _____
 - a. Plainfield
 - b. Avon
 - c. Danville
 - d. Brownsburg
 - e. Speedway
 - f. Other (specify): _____

4. If you feel the RT location should be moved to another community, what building/facility do you recommend be used?
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
 - d. _____

Thanks for completing the survey! Please get the completed survey to Butch Straber.

We do appreciate everyone's input. We will try to "do our best" to support our district units!

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 Butch Straber
 922 Ironwood West Drive
 Brownsburg, IN 46112-1748
 Hou Koda District Chairman - QUEST

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Wood Badge Bead Dinner **Saturday, October 17, 2009** **Camp Belzer**

6102 Boy Scout Road, Indianapolis, IN

The Wood Badge Association of Crossroads of America Council cordially invites you and your guest(s) for an evening of dining, fun, and fellowship. Rekindle the Spirit of Wood Badge or spark your interest.

Event benefits the Wood Badge Scholarship Fund.

Keynote Speaker:

State Representative Cindy Noe

6:00 p.m. social hour / trading post / silent auction

7:00 p.m. dinner & program with bead ceremony

Early Bird cost is \$20/person or \$35/couple.

After October 3, cost is \$30/person or \$45/couple

"Generations" recognition for bead holders in the same family!

Full Scout uniform or business attire appropriate.

Please contact Tim Bouchard at 317-925-1900 ext. 248 or e-mail tbouchard@crossroadsbsa.com with questions or dietary restrictions. Clip and return this portion

Yes, I will be attending the 2009 Dinner.

Name(s) _____

My critter(s) is(are): _____

Address _____

City Zip _____

Phone (____) _____

E-mail _____

Number attending: ____

Before October 3: \$20/person or \$35/couple

After October 3: \$30/person or \$45/couple

Sorry, I will be unable to attend, but please accept my free-will donation (\$5, \$10, \$20, \$50) to the WBadge Scholarship for \$ _____

Amount paid \$ _____

MC/Visa# _____

Expiration date _____

Signature _____

Checks should be made payable to: **C.A.C.- B.S.A.** Memo notation: Acct. #6WBDR

Return to any Crossroads office or mail to:

Crossroads of America Council, BSA

Wood Badge Bead Dinner

1900 N. Meridian Street

P.O. Box 1966

Indianapolis, IN 46206-1966

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Crossroads of America Council
Boy Scouts of America
Proudly presents the seventh annual

Battle of Belzer - Civil War Days

Registration—or register online at: www.crossroadsbsa.org

Troop _____ District _____ Leader's Name _____

Address _____

City, State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail (required) _____

Attendance

Number of youth attending _____ x \$35.00 = _____

Number of adults attending _____ x \$35.00 = _____

Adult Size T-Shirts (one per person) ___ Small ___ Medium ___ Large ___ XL ___ XXL ___ XXXL ___ XXXL

TOTAL (CAM Code 6CWDAF) _____

Method of Payment _____ Unit Account _____ Check _____ Credit Card

Credit Card Number _____ Expiration Date _____

Signature _____

Registration Deadline Friday, October 9, 2009

Return to any Scout Service Center, by fax to 317-921-3474 or by mail to
Roesch Scout Service Center, PO Box 1966, Indianapolis, IN 46206-1966
Questions? Call 317-925-1900 or 877-925-1900 (toll free)

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2009 Cub Scout Fun Day

EVENT IS OPEN TO ALL CUB SCOUTS:
TIGER, WOLF, BEAR, WEBELOS AND FAMILIES
BRING A FRIEND AND INTRODUCE HIM TO THE FUN OF SCOUTING!

What to Expect:

Participate in a shoot BB guns, bows & arrows, shoot marshmallow guns, shoot water bottle rockets,
make a craft, play games, do a service project, participate in a family camp!
(Everyone must fill out health forms to camp overnight.)

Enjoy a campfire and s'mores on Friday night at 8:30 p.m.!

District _____ **Unit Number: Pack** _____

Names

Address _____ City _____ St _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____ Phone (H) _____ (W) _____

Registration for: Cub Scout Fun Day (6AFGE): \$5.00/Scout = Fun Day; \$6.00/Scout =
Fun Day + Family Camp; \$2/sibling

Pd: _____ Amount _____ Date _____ Method _____ Rcpt # _____

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Hou Koda District Award Descriptions

The following awards are given by the Hou Koda District and may only be awarded once in a lifetime. Please use the on-line list of past recipients of these awards before making your nominations. On-line list can be found at <http://houkodadistrict.org/>

Please provide as much personal information as possible about the nominee.

Also, please remember that the information you provide must be award specific. For example, if you are nominating someone for the Assistant Cubmaster of the Year Award, the District Awards Committee is only interested in what this person has done for their Unit as the Assistant Cubmaster. This person may also serve on the District Committee, or may have served on staff for a Council Program (Pow Wow, University of Scouting, etc.), or may serve in another capacity in another Unit. These are all fine and noble activities, yet if they do not pertain to the award this person is being nominated for, then they do not belong on the nomination form. (THE FORM IS CURRENTLY BEING UPDATED AND WILL BE INCLUDED IN SUBSEQUENT NEWSLETTERS)

District Award of Merit: The District Award of Merit is awarded by a District to a registered Scouter for service to youth in the District. Normally, the award is presented for service to youth in excess of five years. Candidates must be nominated, not self-nominated. A nominee must be a registered Scouter. A nominee must have rendered noteworthy service to youth in Scouting, outside of Scouting, or both. Note: The nature and value of 'noteworthy service to youth' may consist of a single plan or decisions that contributed vitally to the lives of large numbers of youth or it may have been given to a small group over an extended period of time. Consideration must be given to the nominee's Scouting position and the corresponding opportunity to render outstanding service beyond the expectations of that Scouting position. The nominee's attitude toward and cooperation with the district, division, and/or council is to be taken into consideration.

Unit of the Year: This award recognizes one outstanding Unit (Boy Scout Troop / Venturing Crew / Cub Scout Pack) each year for their dedication to Scouts in the Scouting program. This award is based on the activity and advancements that were made during the year. Please be sure to list all Unit activity and advancements made.

Guiding Light: A Guiding Light is the volunteer in your Unit that most exemplifies Scouting Spirit in their actions and in their commitment to Scouting. The requirements to qualify for this award are at the discretion of each Unit.

Silver Eagle or Gold Eagle Feather Award: This award recognizes Scouters who render service of an outstanding nature to Scouts through the Scouting Program. This nominee must be currently registered in a Scouting Unit of the Hou Koda District. To receive the Silver Eagle Award the nominee must be currently registered in a Boy Scout or Venturing Unit. To receive the Gold Eagle Award the nominee must be currently registered in a Cub Scout Unit. A total of 3 Silver and 3 Gold Eagle Feather Awards may be given each year.

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Scoutmaster / Advisor / Cubmaster of the Year: This award recognizes one outstanding Scoutmaster, one outstanding Venturing Advisor, and one outstanding Cubmaster each year for their dedication to Scouts in the Scouting program. This Scoutmaster, Advisor or Cubmaster must be one who provided the best possible program for the Scouts in their Unit. Please note this award is for Scoutmasters, Advisors or Cubmasters only. To be eligible for this award, nominees must be trained in their position.

Assistant Scoutmaster / Assistant Advisor / Assistant Cubmaster of the Year: This award recognizes one outstanding Assistant Scoutmaster, one outstanding Assistant Venturing Advisor, and one outstanding Assistant Cubmaster each year for their dedication to Scouts in the Scouting program. This Assistant Scoutmaster, Assistant Advisor or Assistant Cubmaster must be one who provided the best program possible for the boys in their Unit. Please note this award is for Assistant Scoutmasters, Assistant Advisors or Assistant Cubmasters only. To be eligible for this award, nominees must be trained in their position.

Den Leader of the Year: This award recognizes one outstanding Den Leader each year for their dedication to boys in the Cub Scout program. This Den Leader must be one who provided the best program possible for the boys in their Pack. This award is for Tiger Cub Den Leaders, Den Leaders, Assistant Den Leaders, Webelos Den Leaders and Assistant Webelos Den Leaders only. To be eligible for this award, the nominee must be trained in their position.

Committee Member of the Year: This award recognizes one outstanding Committee Member each year for their dedication to Scouts in the Scouting Program. This Committee Member must be one who provides the best possible program for the Scouts in their Unit. This award is for ALL members of the Unit Committee; i.e. Committee Chair, Secretary, Chaplain, Treasurer, Advancement Chair, Outings / Activities Chair, Equipment Chair, Public Relations Chair, Membership / Re-registration Chair, Friends of Scouting (FOS) Chair, Unit Trainer, Charter Organization Representative, and etc. To be eligible for this award, the nominee must be trained in their position.

Commissioner of the Year: This award recognizes one Commissioner who is outstanding in their position. This Commissioner must be one who provides the best possible service to Units in Hou Koda District. Eligible positions for this award are: District Commissioner, Assistant District Commissioner, Unit Commissioner, or Roundtable Commissioner. To be eligible for this award, the nominee must be trained in their position.

Couples in Scouting Award: This is a unique award to recognize a married couple who are both in registered leadership positions in Scouting. This couple is committed to provide the best possible program for Scouting.

Scouting Partner of the Year: This award recognizes a NON-REGISTERED person who supports the Scouting Program with their time, talents or financial resources.

Eagle Scout Service Award: This award recognizes an Eagle Scout age 18 through 25 who are not just registered with a Unit, but whom are active on a regular basis leading their Units with noteworthy service. Not often do Eagle Scouts continue on with Scouting after high school. College, employment, and other interests soon take up their time. Fortunately however, some do have that desire to continue on as an Adult Scout Leader. It's a magical force that compels them to follow the Eagle Scout Charge - "to give back to

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Scouting what Scouting gave to them". Any information submitted for this candidate must be after the person has turned 18. The selection committee will use no information prior to his 18th birthday.

Centurion Award: This award recognizes the Unit Leadership dedicated to giving the best possible program to the Scouts in their Unit by having all registered adult leaders trained in their registered position. Adults registered as Members of Unit Committee or Chartered Organization Representatives are optional.

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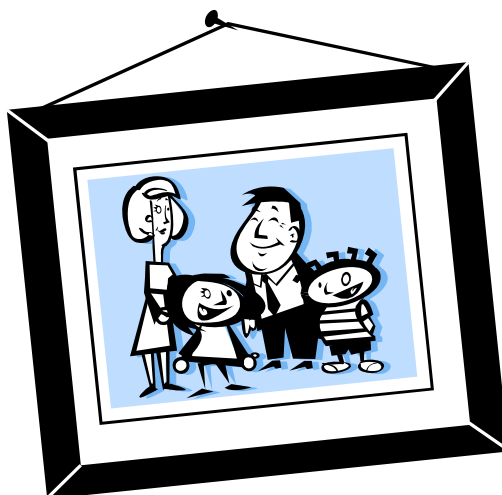
Fall Camporee Troop Family Event

Each Troop will have ONE family event at their Troop site. Please be prepared to start that event PROMPTLY at 10:00 am. Event should be family friendly, for different ages and be scout appropriate.

The event is one of your choosing but listed below are suggestions of possible events:

- Jousting for Donuts - A team of 2 (stead and rider). Stead will carry rider piggyback with lance (pole) and run a straight course aiming at a doughnut - you must be moving, stopping disqualifies the team.
- Balloon Pick-Up - A team of 2. Pick up a balloon from the ground without using hands then drop it into a basket or box. Variation: deposit on a chair, then sit on it and pop it.
- Three Leg Race - Possible Father/Son team. Walk on way, turn around and hop back.
- Egg Carry - Raw egg carried in a spoon, through an obstacle course - drop the egg and you loose. (step over objects, tight turns, walking backward around objects, etc)

Families will be voting on the Best Family Event! Be creative!



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