



Creekside



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Thompson accepts Walter Schuchmann award

On Veterans Day at the Indianapolis Veterans Day Council Banquet Cole Thompson was presented with the Crossroads of America Council's Walter Schuchmann award. Mr. Schuchmann was the highest-ranking civilian at Fort Benjamin Harrison, very active with the Boy Scouts of America, and a member of the Indianapolis Veterans Day Council. Mr. Schuchmann always believed in strong leadership abilities in the Boy Scouts. This award honors a Boy Scout from the Crossroads of America Council who has demonstrated outstanding leadership. Cole is a Eagle Scout from Troop 350 in Sugar Creek district. Cole was presented with a plaque and his name will be displayed on a honorary plaque that is located at Camp Belzer.



Pictured with Cole is Executive Director of Scouting CAC Patrick Sterrett, CAC Special Advancement coordinator John Cook and CAC Program Director Caryl Small.

High Adventure!

By: David Hovde

A high adventure opportunity to the Boundary Waters of northern Minnesota is being offered for members of the Sugar Creek District. The canoe trip under the leadership of Michael McKeown (Troop 326), David Hovde (Troop 336), and Paul Harshman (Troop 336) will occur during the second week of June 2014.



Recruitment and information about the trip will be discussed during the monthly Sugar Creek District Round Table meetings. More formal logistical meetings will be announced. For further information contact David Hovde (davidhovde@comcast.net) and Michael McKeown (mckeownm@ymail.com)

Training Awards Anyone?

Just about every registered leader position at the Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Venturing, or District Leadership levels has a training award. Have you earned the training award for your current position? Maybe you already have, but haven't looked at the requirements yet. Or maybe you're new to your position. All the requirements for the various awards can be found at http://www.scouting.org/sitecore/content/home/awards_central.aspx. Not familiar with adult recognition awards? Need to submit your application for one? Talk to me at roundtable or shoot me an email at SDL39@att.net. I'm more than willing to come out and answer questions your unit leadership has about how to get their square knots.

Dan Green
SC Adult Recognition Chair

Events

Popcorn

Thanks to all of our units for participating in the popcorn sale this year. We are down to the tail end of the process. The final Popcorn pickup day is Thursday, November 21st. A schedule will be emailed around to all kernels. FINAL PAYMENT and unit prize orders are due to the Council office by December 6th. Lastly, don't forget that Scouts can sell online year-round. Again, thanks for a fairly smooth popcorn sale!

Training

Because of great success with the Training Camp program, it will return again this summer. A leader, who completes their required training to become a fully-trained leader through online training modules and volunteer led courses, will have an opportunity to earn a free, limited edition Council Training Camp Shoulder strip. Visit <http://www.crossroadsbsa.org/Training/CourseDescriptions.aspx> to download the forms: Training Camp Flyer, Cub Scout Leader Patch form, Boy Scout Leader Patch form, Venturing Leader Patch form and Team Leader Patch form.

Sugar Creek District is making it a priority to get its leaders basic trained, and we have trainers ready to help make it happen on an "On-Demand" schedule. Our district training team will be reaching out to Committee Chairs, Cubmasters, and Scoutmasters to arrange dates and times to come train members of your leadership teams that are

not basic-trained. If you have any questions about what trainings you or your unit's leaders still need, or if you would like to schedule a training to take place during one of your unit's leader meetings, please feel free to call Steve Taylor (765-676-6666) in Boone or Clinton County, or Will Turner (765-267-0948) in Montgomery County.

Membership

Congratulations to everyone on a good Fall Recruitment for Cub Scouts. If your Pack would like to hold another recruitment night, please let me know so I can assist you. Or if you have a different idea for generating new members, please let us know. We will do what we can to help you out. Perhaps your town is having a festival or event where you can man a booth? Maybe your unit is planning to do a lot of door-to-door sales for Popcorn, and would like some door hangers with your Pack info on it to leave at each house you visit? Anything you think of is at least worth mentioning to see if it is possible. Thanks and keep up the good work. As a District, we are not terribly far away from the number we recruited last year. So let's keep at it!

Flag Retirement Ceremony

By: David Hovde
Troop 336, Pack 336, and Girl Scout Troop 50435 participated in a flag retirement ceremony on the evening of Nov 11 at Camp Cullom. Several dozen flags were retired. A large crowd attended the ceremony.
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On-line Charter Renewal

Charter Renewal paperwork is DUE Thursday, November 14th. We will be collecting paperwork at St. Joseph Catholic Church, starting at 6 PM. This is the same night and location as Roundtable. Please plan to drop off your paperwork at that time. What we need is the completed paper charter that you will have printed from the online system. This paperwork requires a number of signatures. You will also need to have applications for any and all additions to the charter. These are listed on the front page of the charter paperwork. You will also need to come prepared to write a check or make a payment for the paperwork. Please DO NOT fill out the check until we give you the total for the charter paperwork. We want to make sure the math is correct. The final item you want to have with you is a completed Journey to Excellence (JTE) form. These can be found on the Council website, or by a simple Google search. If you have questions, please reach out to either our District Executive, [Tom James](#), or to our District Commissioner, [John Fitzpatrick](#)

Zoombaree Results..

by: Chuck Prass

The 2013 Fall Camporee got off to a rainy overnight and early morning start, but our soggy Scouts came through on Saturday to make another successful Sugar Creek Camporee experience. 89 boys and 48 adults attended to do battle with the Zombies of Camp K. Many thanks to all who worked to make this event happen. Congratulations to the winners of the Fall Zomberee, Troop 323 and Pack 311.

Our next District outing is the Klondike Derby on January 10-12 at Camp Cullom. Also, a reminder...It is only 4 months to our annual Scouting For Food District Service Project.

2013 FALL STATION RESULTS

STA. #1 Zombie First Aid

1st T-309 Snowdogs
2nd T-323 Raging Rhinos
3rd T-359 Eagle Eyes

1st P-359 Tenderfeet
2nd P-365 Roadkill
3rd P-311 Bulldogs

STA. #2 Zombie Rocks

1st T-359 Phoenix
2nd T-359 The What
3rd T-370 Bacon

1st P-311 Bulldogs
2nd P-365 Roadkill
3rd P-338 Badgers

STA. #3 Zombie Shelter

1st T-323 Raging Rhinos
2nd T-359 Eagle Eyes
3rd T-323 Polar Penguins

1st P-311 Bulldogs
2nd P-309 Bruins
3rd P-309 Grizzlies

STA. #4 Zombie Fire

1st T-323 Polar Penguins
2nd T-323 Raging Rhinos
3rd T-309 Snowdogs

1st P-365 Roadkill
2nd P-311 Bulldogs
3rd P-338 Panthers

STA. #5 Zombie Crusine

1st T-359 The What
2nd T-370 Bacon
3rd T-323 Polar Penguins

1st P-338 Badgers
2nd P-359 Tenderfeet
3rd P-311 Bulldogs

STA. #6 Zombie Chase

1st T-309 Snowdogs
2nd T-370 Bacon
3rd T-336 Diamondbacks

1st P-359 Tenderfeet
2nd P-311 Bulldogs
3rd P-309 Bruins

STA. #7 Zombie Escape

1st T-309 Snowdogs
2nd T-359 Phoenix
3rd T-323 Raging Rhinos

1st P-338 Badgers
2nd P-365 Roadkill
3rd P-311 Bulldogs

2013 FALL UNIT OVERALL STANDINGS

Scout Troops

1. T-323
2. T-309
3. T-370
4. T-338
5. T-359
6. T-336
7. T-311
8. T-431

Webelos Packs

1. P-311
2. P-365
3. P-338
4. P-309

5. P-359

Do you have interesting story or article about your pack or troop? E-mail them to be published in next month's newsletter. Please include pictures if you have them..Send them to Mike at mt@ilines.net

Feast of the Hunters Moon by: David Hovde

The Feast of the Hunters Moon occurred last month just outside West Lafayette, Indiana at Fort Ouiatenon. This event is a recreation of life at this 18th century French fort. Several troops from our district and troops from the Sagamore Council were among the 7000 costumed volunteers. These troops either operated food booths or did trash clean up. Both are great ways to raise money for a troop. The troops from our district were 318, 326, 337, 338, 359, 370, and 431. Members of other troops and packs came as visitors or worked in booths operated by non-scouting organizations. In recent years I have seen troops from Illinois, Michigan, and Ohio also participating. The Feast is a great event and in its 46 years has always had a strong BSA

representation. Requirements for some merit badges can be met at this event and many demonstrators are scouts willing help scouts learn about the history or their craft. One scout from Troop 336, for example, spent Sunday working with a blacksmith. If you have not brought your troop or pack to the Feast I strongly encourage you to consider it. There are lots of fun things to see and do; and is a great learning experience. The food is great and you can help support other troops. Next year it will be held on October 4-5, 2014. See:

<http://www.tcha.mus.in.us/feast.htm>

