

French Creek Council Roundtable Announcements
Thursday March 14th, 2024

SAVE THE DATES!!!

See the full calendar on the council website.

Penn State Behrend MBC – March 23, 2024 @ PSB

Council Recognition Dinner – March 23, 2024 @ Pampered Palate, Saegertown, PA

Colonel Drake District Pinewood Derby - April 6th @ CTSR

Total Eclipse OP Spring Camporee: April 5-7 @ Gem City Outdoorsmen Club, Erie, PA

Shooting Day: April 13th @ CTSR

Chief Kiondashawa District Pinewood Derby – March 20th

BALOO Training: April 27-28, 2024 @ CTSR

Beaver Day – May 18th @ CTSR

Colonel Drake Crawl – May 19th @ CTSR

Summer Camp Dates:

Scouts, BSA Resident Camp @ CTSR - <https://scoutingevent.com/532-ScoutsBSASummerCamp2024>

Session 1 – June 16-22, 2024

Session 2 – June 23 – 29, 2024

Eagle Week – June 30 -July 3, 2024

Session 3 – July 7-13, 2024

Session 4 – July 14-20, 2022

Cub Scouts Resident Camp at CTSR - <https://scoutingevent.com/532-CubResidentCamp2024>

Session 1 – July 25 – 28, 2024

Session 2 – August 1-4, 2024

Cub Scout Day Camp -

North Day Camp – June 21-23 @TBD

Central Day Camp – June 28-30 @ Mercer County Career Center

South Day Camp – July 8-12 @ Salem Community Center

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Where to ask Specific Questions??

Registration and Membership – Lori Costello – lori.costello@scouting.org @ office 1pm-5pm

Camping, Program & Insurance – Sue Eckbloom – Susan.Eckbloom@scouting.org @ office full time

Eagle Information & Product Sales - Mandy Barney – Amanda.Barney@scouting.org @ office full time

Scout Shop & Unit Orders - Carol Richards – Carol.Richards@scouting.org - @ office 9am-1pm

Professional Assignments as of January 1, 2023

Amanda Adams – Development (Finance) Executive

Stephanie Jackson – Membership Executive

Mike Graham – Program and Retention Executive

*******Service Center Turn Around Time:** Please allow at least one (1) week turnaround time for award and supply orders from the office to be delivered from the service center. Before you place your orders, knowing what your plan is for pick up or delivery will also be helpful for a quicker turnaround.

OA Dues: Dues were due by the end of April if not yet paid, please go to, <https://scoutingevent.com/532-LangundowiDues2024>

Scouting News: Stay up to date with the scouting community: <http://scoutingwire.org>

Scoutbook: FREE to all units. Visit www.scoutbook.com for more information and training information

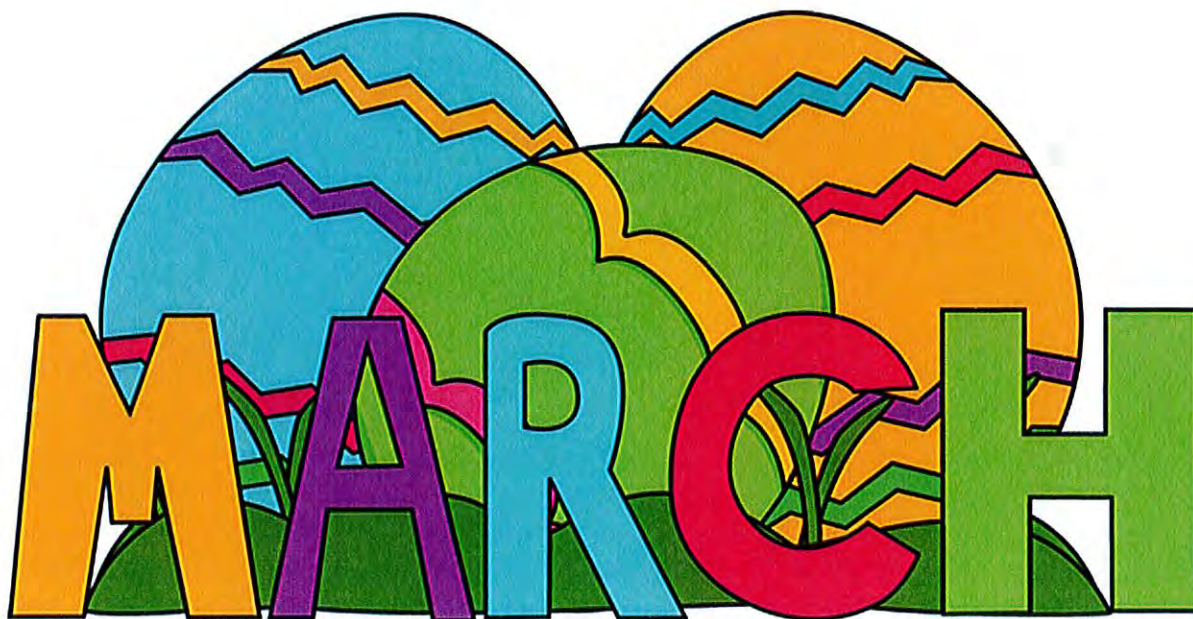
Service Hours: Please update your service hours on my.scouting.

Unit Earning Application: Please submit a unit earning application for any fundraisers other than Popcorn sales to your DE or the Office before the event.

PA State Clearances: Please make sure that your adult volunteers are checking if their PA Clearances are out of date and getting a new copy to Council to be on file when they renew them. There has been an extension due to COVID but if you can please get these updates as soon as possible.

Be A Scout Pins: Make sure that your unit pins on Be A Scout are updated, this is done in My.Scouting

Next Roundtable is a Council Roundtable online on April 11th, 2024



GEM CITY ECLIPSE

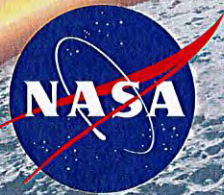


April 5-8th, 2024

Gem City Outdoorsmen Club

CAMPOREE

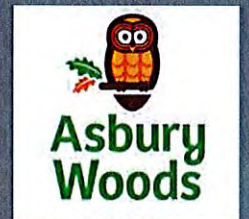
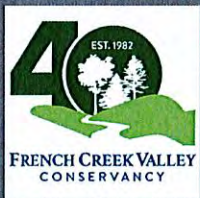
ERIE, PA 2024



What will you experience??



- Build and launch a rocket
- Design a magnetic race car
- Shooting Sports at ranges
- Making souvenir buttons
- Educational Programs
- Fishing
- Bird Banding



Believe in the possibilities.





Required for Cub Scout Leaders taking Scouts on overnight events

April 27-28 2024

Registration 7:45 - 8:30 AM

Dining Hall at Custaloga Town Scout Reservation - 7 Boy Scout Lane, Carlton, PA

Questions? Contact Joan Martin at 814-899-5562

Prerequisite: "BALOO Prerequisite Training" on My.Scouting.org

Register before 4/20/24

Cost \$10 in council/\$30 out of council

**Registration after 4/20 at a cost of \$30 & only with approval of the Course Director

No Walk-Ins, Please Call 814-868-5571

What to bring

Notebook & Pen
Water Bottle
Camp Chair or Cushion
Travel Coffee Mug
Sleeping Bag & Pad
Personal Hygiene Items
Flashlight
Health Forms A & B

Sun Protection
Extra Clothing
Pocket Knife
Matches or Fire Starter
Tent

**Lots of Enthusiasm &
Excitement for
Learning!**





BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®
FRENCH CREEK COUNCIL

Range Safety Officer Training

Date: April 13th, 2024

Time: Starting @ 9am

Location: Moss Training Center

Custaloga Town Scout Reservation

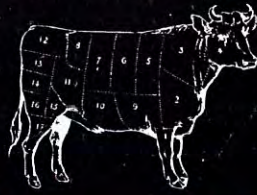
Cost: \$22

**** OPEN TO
REGISTERED
LEADERS IN
FRENCH CREEK
COUNCIL
ONLY****



**Deadline to
Register is
Friday April 5th**





Fill Your Freezer

BLACK ANGUS RAFFLE

WINNER ANNOUNCED ON JUNE 1

\$20



Winner will receive a butchered side of Black Angus from Concord Valley Farm and a deep freeze freezer. Cash option available for freezer ONLY.



Buy Online!
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CONTACT AMANDA ADAMS BY
TEXT OR CALL
724-636-0273



RAFFLE SELLER INCENTIVES

For every 10 tickets sold \$20 in Scout Shop credit will be given to the unit or individual who sold the tickets. Credit can be used for summer camp fees, membership fees, event fees, or merchandise.

Ex: parent sells 40 tickets, Scout receives \$80 in credit.

Great way to raise money for your Scout!



Every unit that sells at least 70 tickets will receive a free weekend campout at Custaloga Town May 31-June 1, 2025. Fully staffed program areas and meals provided.

Programs will include: climbing, shooting, boathouse, and more!



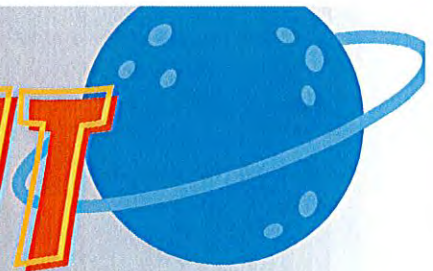
**** TICKETS MUST BE RETURNED WITH UNIT # TO RECEIVE CREDIT ****

**INCENTIVES APPLY TO OUTDOOR ADVENTURE AND MEAT RAFFLE
MUST BE 18 OR OLDER TO SELL**

Contact your District Executive for tickets or stop in at the office in Erie to pick some up. Questions? Call/text/email Amanda at 724-636-0273 or

CUB SCOUT

DAY CAMP



BEFORE 5/31

\$105

**JOIN US FOR AN OUT-OF-THIS-WORLD EXPERIENCE
PLAYING GAMES AND MAKING NEW FRIENDS!**

NORTH

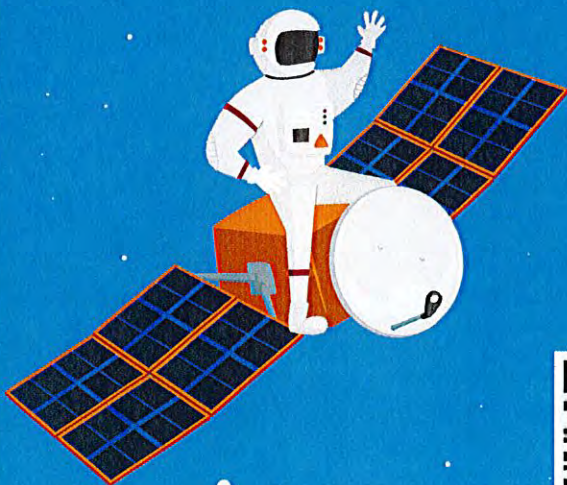
JUNE 17 - 21

CENTRAL

JUNE 24 - 28

SOUTH

JULY 8 - 12



ACTIVITIES:

CRAFTS

STEM

SHOOTING SPORTS

SCOUT SKILLS

THEMED ACTIVITIES

AND MUCH MORE!



Mental Health FIRST AID
from NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR MENTAL WELLBEING

YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

WHY YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID?

Youth Mental Health First Aid teaches you how to identify, understand and respond to signs of mental health and substance use challenges among children and adolescents ages 12-18.

10.2%

of youth will be diagnosed with a substance use disorder in their lifetime.

Source: Youth Mental Health First Aid**

1 IN 5

teens and young adults lives with a mental health condition.

Source: National Alliance for Mental Illness*

50%

of all mental illnesses begin by age 14, and 75% by the mid-20s.

Source: Archives of General Psychiatry***

WHO SHOULD KNOW MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID?

- Teachers.
- School Staff.
- Coaches.
- Camp Counselors.
- Youth Group Leaders.
- Parents.
- Adults who Work with Youth.

WHAT MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID COVERS

- Common signs and symptoms of mental health challenges in this age group, including anxiety, depression, eating disorders and attention deficit hyperactive disorder (ADHD).
- Common signs and symptoms of substance use challenges.
- How to interact with a child or adolescent in crisis.
- How to connect the youth with help.
- Expanded content on trauma, substance use, self-care and the impact of social media and bullying.

THREE WAYS TO LEARN

- **In-person** – Learners will receive their training as an 8-hour, Instructor-led, in-person course.
- **Blended** – Learners complete a 2-hour, self-paced online course, and participate in a 4.5- to 5.5-hour, Instructor-led training. This Instructor-led Training can be:
 - » A video conference.
 - » An in-person class.

Learn how to respond with the Mental Health First Aid Action Plan (**ALGEE**):

- A**ssess for risk of suicide or harm.
- L**isten nonjudgmentally.
- G**ive reassurance and information.
- E**ncourage appropriate professional help.
- E**ncourage self-help and other support strategies.

Sources

* National Alliance on Mental Illness. (n.d.). Kids. <https://www.nami.org/Your-Journey/Kids-Teens-and-Young-Adults/Kids>

** Mental Health First Aid. (2020). Mental Health First Aid USA for adults assisting children and youth. National Council for Mental Wellbeing.

*** Kessler, R., Berglund, P., Demler, O., Jin, R., Merikangas, K.R., Walters, E.E. (2005, June). Lifetime prevalence and age-of-onset distributions of DSM-IV disorders in the National Comorbidity Survey Replication. *Archives of General Psychiatry*. 62(6), 593-602. doi: 10.1001/archpsyc.62.6.593

To find a course or contact a Mental Health First Aid Instructor in your area, visit MHFA.org or email Hello@MentalHealthFirstAid.org.



Mental Health FIRST AID

from NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR MENTAL WELLBEING

teen MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID



When we first started the tMHFA training, I didn't think it would help me at all. However, I was surprised by how much I learned about taking care of my own mental health, being kind to those around me, supporting my friends through rough patches and how to potentially save a life."

—Ava Sapolski

Amherst Steele High School,
Amherst, OH

WHY MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID?

Build a powerful community of teens ages 15-18 by teaching them how to support a friend or classmate with the evidence-based teen Mental Health First Aid (tMHFA) course.

Adolescence is a time of critical change and development. It's when mental health challenges may first emerge and may be the cause for falling grades, problems with close relationships and substance use. Young people will be prepared to provide support for their peers as well as better cope with mental health challenges themselves.

tMHFA was brought to the United States by the **National Council for Mental Wellbeing** in partnership with **Born This Way Foundation**, and is tailored to the unique experiences and needs of young people. Its plain language ensures learners at all reading levels can easily follow along.

1 IN 5*

teens in the United States will experience a mental health challenge by the time they are 18.

64%*

of teens in the United States who experience mental health challenges don't seek help.

Suicide is the **THIRD-LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH***

for youth ages 15-19.

*the original research for the displayed statistic is linked

WHAT IT COVERS

- How to open the conversation about mental health and substance use challenges.
- Common signs and symptoms of mental health and substance use challenges.
- The impact of school violence and bullying on mental wellbeing.
- How to seek the help of a responsible and trusted adult.

WHO SHOULD TAKE IT

- Teens in grades 10-12 or ages 15-18.

WHO SHOULD TEACH IT

- High schools, organizations partnering with a high school, youth-serving organizations.

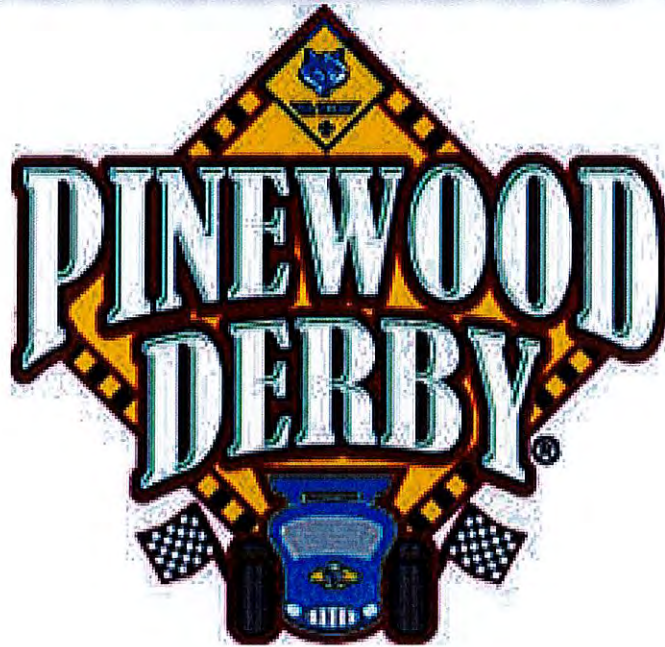
Bring teen MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID to your community

Visit [MHFA.org/Teens](https://www.mhfa.org/teens) for more information

To find a course or contact an Instructor in your area, visit [MHFA.org/Teens](https://www.mhfa.org/teens) or email teenMHFA@TheNationalCouncil.org

BORN THIS WAY FOUNDATION

Chief Kiondashawa District



Saturday April 6

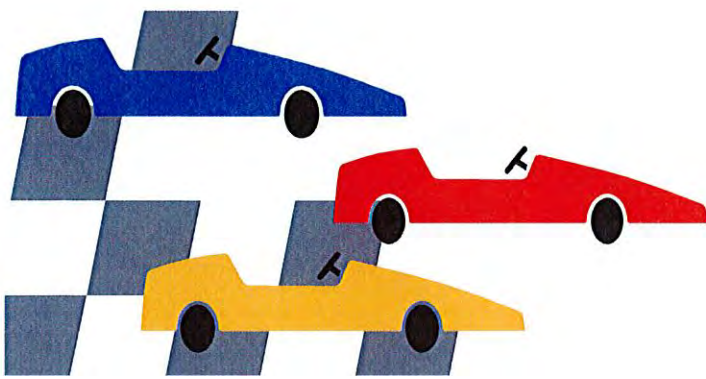
**Custaloga Town Scout Reservation
District Division is for top 6 racers from each unit.**

Open division is for anyone who wants to race!

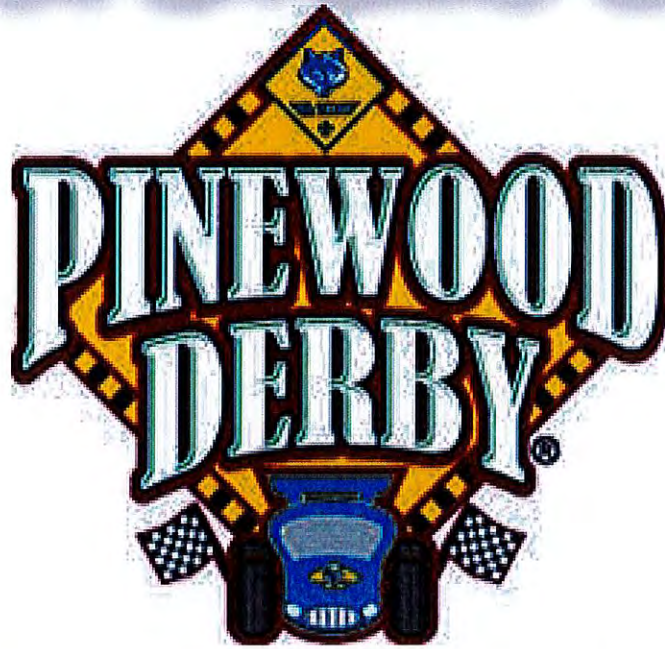
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<https://www.scoutingevent.com/532-CKPWD2024>

Registration @ 12pm with race starting at 1pm



Colonel Drake District



Saturday, April 6

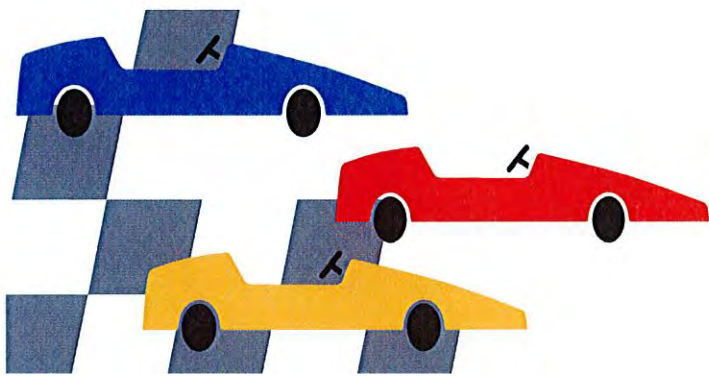
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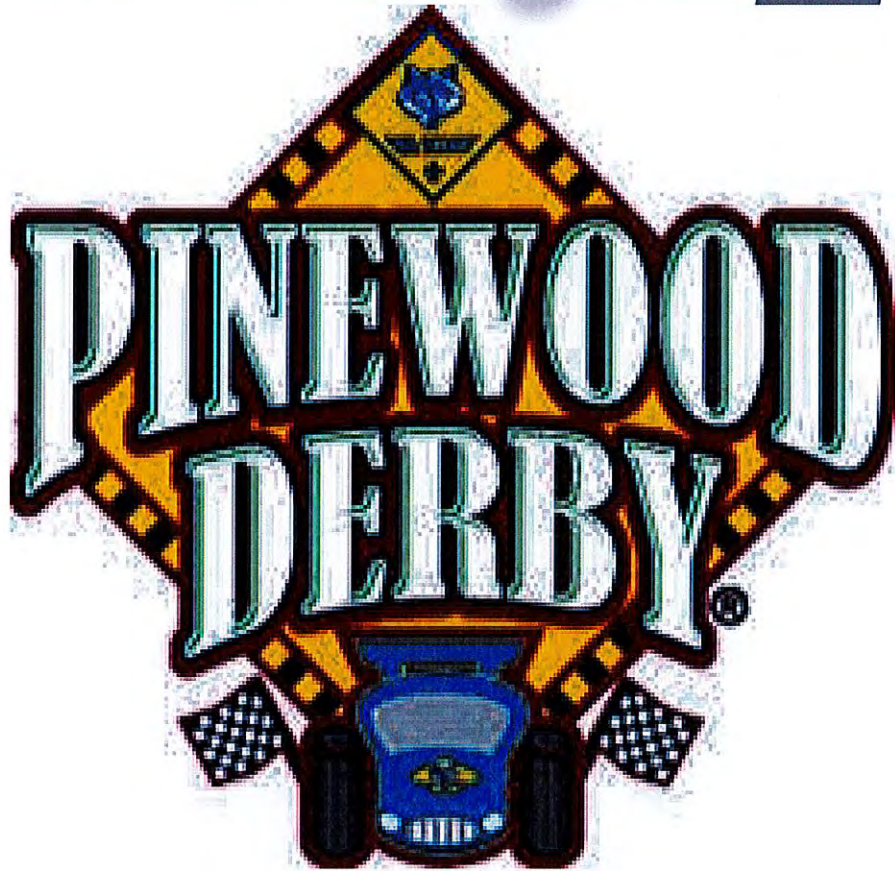
Register online at

<https://www.scoutingevent.com/532-CKPWD2024>

Registration @ 8am with race starting at 9am



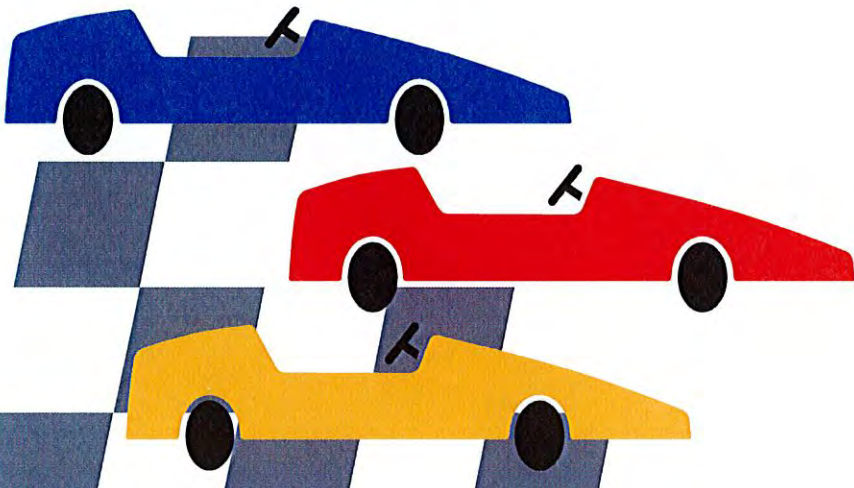
Oliver Perry District



SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday April 20th

(Time and Location TBD)

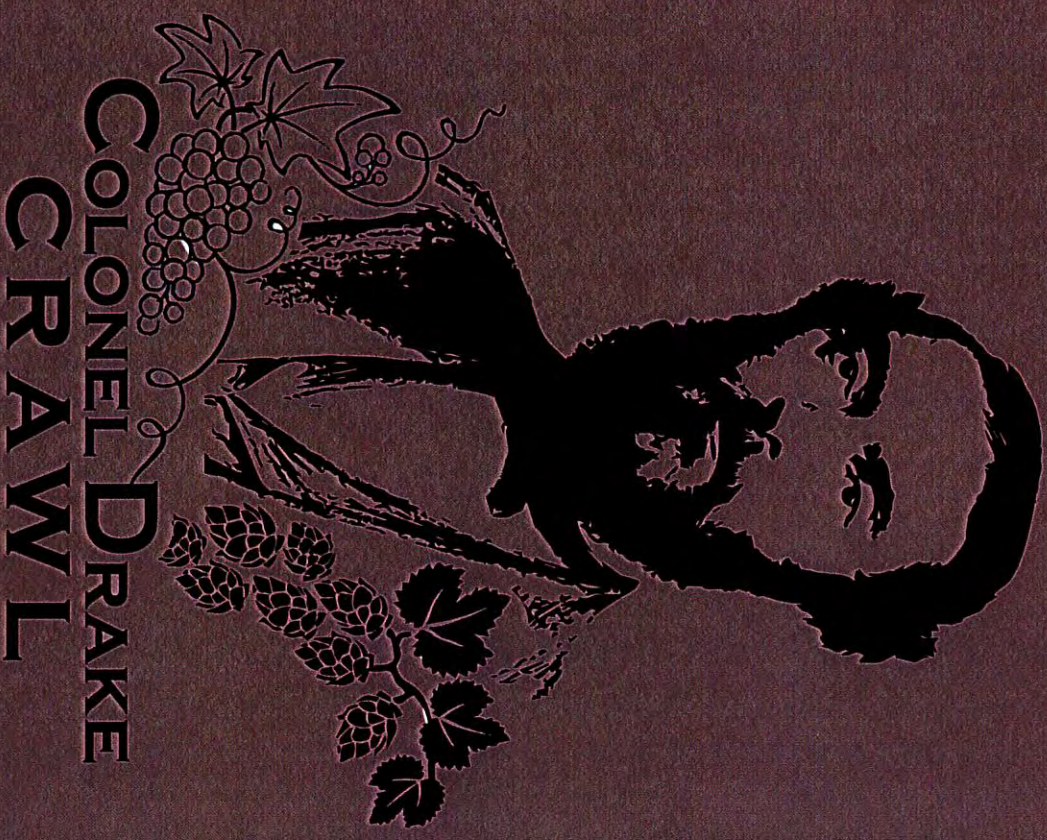


Over 20 vendors - wineries, breweries, distilleries, and cider houses!

Save the Date



MAY 19, 2024



Live music and food trucks too! 1PM - 6PM. Rain or shine!!!

Must be 21 or older. Proper ID required.

Chief Cornplanter Council

Merit Badge Academy

The Chief Cornplanter Council's Merit Badge Academy is a one-day Merit Badge initiative of the Chief Cornplanter Council Boy Scouts of America. It will be an opportunity for middle school and high school-age Scouts BSA, Venturing Scouts, Sea Scouts, and Explorers to pursue a merit badge.

Date: Saturday, March 16th, 2024

Time: Registration-- 8AM to 9AM: classes 9AM to 3PM

Location: Warren County Career Center (unless otherwise specified)

Lunch will be provided. Two hot dogs, chips & a drink.

Merit Badges to be offered:

- **Automotive Maintenance** – MB Counselor: *Michael Crone*
Held at Warren Glass 1209 4th Ave. Warren, PA
- **Citizenship in Society** –MB Counselor: *Alex Watkins*
- **Drafting** – MB Counselor: *Al Webster*
- **Fire Safety** – MB Counselor: *Tim Carpenter*
- **Engineering** – MB Counselor: *J.D Shaw*
- **Game Design** -- MB Counselor: *Scott Burroughs*
- **Health Care Professions** – MB Counselor: *Jim Tellman*
- **Nuclear Science** – MB Counselor: *Brookie LaVigne*
Held at Warren General Hospital, 2 Crescent Park, Warren, PA
(meet in hospital lobby)

Cost is ONLY \$15 per Scout! Fee can be paid at the Betts Scout Service Center OR at the Merit Badge Academy on Saturday, March 16, 2024 (prior to the beginning of classes). PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED so our MB counselors have enough materials for all Scouts participating. Space is limited to TEN Scouts per class – taken on a first-come, first served basis! So be sure to pre-register TODAY by calling the Betts Scout Service Center at (814) 723-6700!

Blue merit badge cards will be provided at the Merit Badge Academy. Scouts are asked to read the merit badge book for their chosen class before the event. Any prerequisites that need to be completed before the class will be sent to Unit Leaders and registered Scouts.

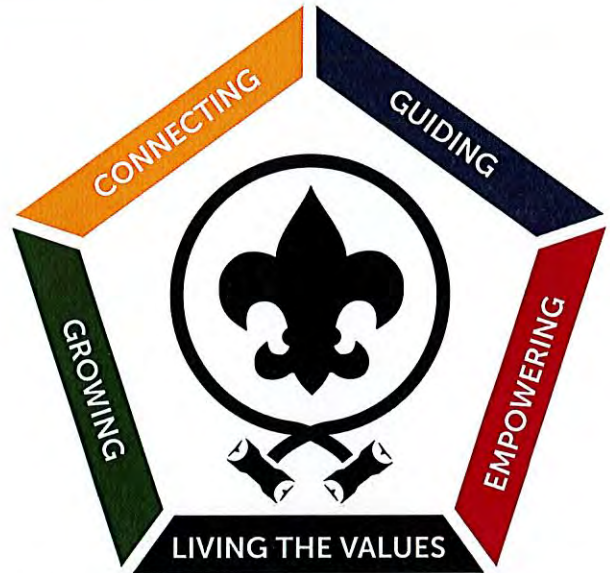


Discover the Fun and Adventure in Leadership with Wood Badge Training

Looking to elevate your leadership skills while having a blast? Wood Badge is the perfect mix of fun, adventure, and learning. This premier leadership program, designed for Scouting volunteers, transforms your leadership journey into an unforgettable experience.

Over the course of two weekends, you'll not only delve into advanced leadership concepts, but also engage in exciting activities, games, team-building exercises, and lively discussions, all in the company of fellow Scouters who share your passion and spirit.

Ready for a fun-filled journey into the heart of leadership? Wood Badge is calling your name. Embrace the adventure and transform your approach to leadership!



WOOD BADGE COURSE 12-509-24

Presented by
**Bucktail, Chief Cornplanter,
French Creek, and
Moraine Trails Councils**

Cost: \$275
(if registered by 5/31/24)

Space is limited. Register today
online at <http://bucktail.org> or
scan the QR code below!

**Bucktail Council
Camp Mountain Run
August 16-18, 2024
September 7-8, 2024**



 **SCAN ME**



FRENCH CREEK COUNCIL, BSA

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CUSTALOGA TOWN SCOUT RESERVATION

Want to find out more about
what is coming to Custaloga
Town this summer?



Reach out for a presentation
to come to your unit.

Contact: Doug Luthringer

OP Camping Committee Chair, 2023 FCC Jamboree Asst. Scoutmaster
thefastmall@hotmail.com or 814-882-6830



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®
FRENCH CREEK COUNCIL

SCOUT EXPO 2024



When: June 15, 2024

Where: Harborcreek Community Park
(Clark Rd Entrance)

Time: Set up is at 8am (10am to 5pm)

RSVP by April 20, 2024

Come see what Scouting is all about!

Fun activities for all ages!

Would like each unit to do one demonstration i.e campsite, first aid, flag etiquette

If you have a favorite dish from a campout, please make it, community will vote on whose is the best. Best will be awarded.

Fundraisers are permitted and you can promote your Unit.

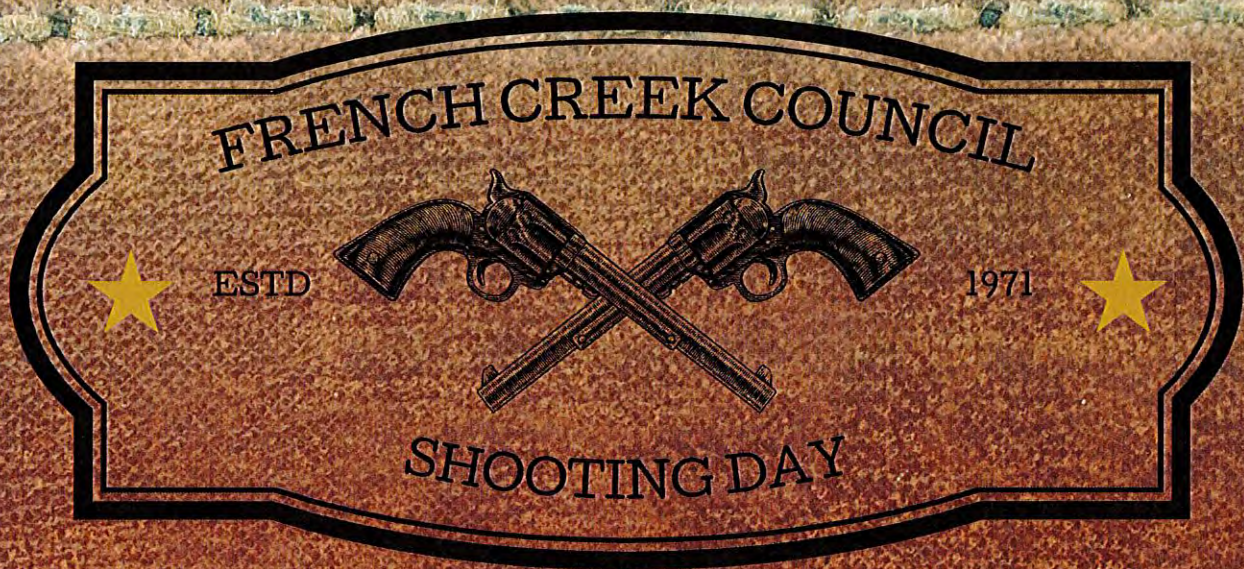
RSVP to include: What dish being made, How many will attend from Unit, What demonstration

RSVP Clarence Smith at scoutleader97@gmail.com

Sign-ups for Scouting will be available

Scouting is fun and
adventurous!!!





Come to Custaloga Town and have some fun!!



Cub Scouts (9am to Noon):
Shooting Sports Archery and BB Gun

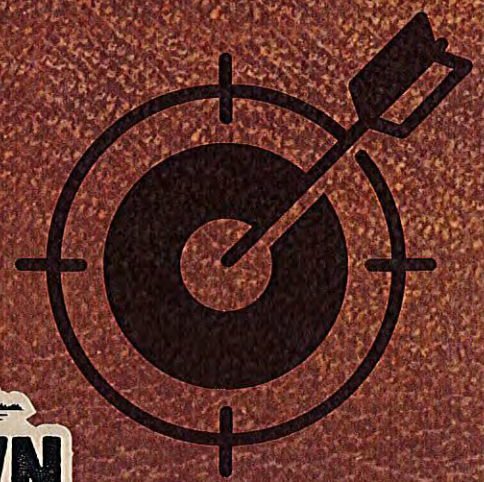
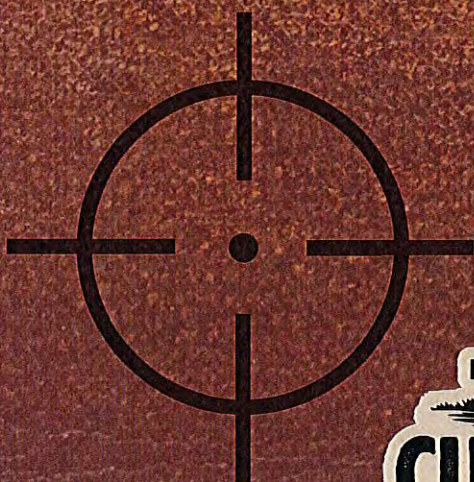
Scouts, BSA (1pm to 4pm):

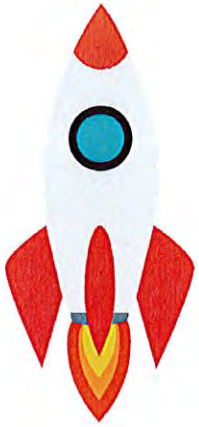
Rifle and Archery Merit Badge, shooting qualification only

Registration begins at 8:30 for Cub Scouts and 12:30 for Scouts, BSA

Lunch and Dinner will not be served

April 13, 2024





Cub Scout Resident Camp Expedition: Galaxy Trek

**Boldly Going Where No Cub Has
Gone Before**

Located in the wide open spaces of
Northwestern PA, Cub Camp provides our
Scouts the chance to explore everything
Custaloga Town has to offer.

2024 Cub Sessions

SESSION 1 JULY 25-28

SESSION 2 AUG 1-4

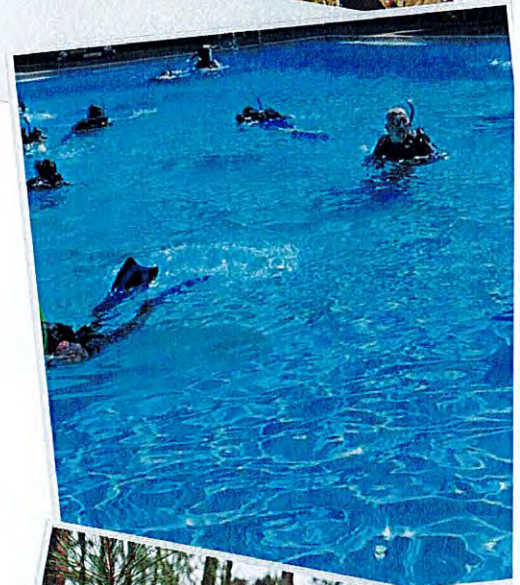
Cub Camp is for all Cub Scouts and includes
opportunities for required and elective
adventures

Be ready to join the Space Rangers on 4
day, 3 night adventure.



REGISTER YOUR PACK

A \$100 deposit is due with
each unit reservation.



EAGLE/SPECIAL PROGRAMS WEEK JUNE 30-JULY 3, 2024 CTSR

We are excited to welcome units or youth as provisional campers to camp, for a special program week and focus on Eagle Scout Merit Badges.

We will be offering the following merit badges during the week, scouts will be able to schedule up to 6 badges from the following:

Archery, Camping, Cit. in the Community, Cit. in the Nation, Cit. in the World, Climbing, Communications, Emergency Preparedness, Environmental Science, Family Life, First Aid, Hiking, Lifesaving, Personal Fitness, Personal Management, Pioneering, Rifle, Shotgun, & Swimming. There will also be special presentations by Council Advancement Committee about Eagle Scout projects, paperwork, and preparing for their Eagle Board of Review.

You can sign up for BSA Lifeguard Certification, and that will be your only course that week.

We will also be offering a 3-day expedition: River, Trails, and Rails led by expert guides Woody and Becky Whitling. Scouts must have a bike and helmet, a pack, a BSA Swimmer Classification and either canoeing or kayaking merit badge to participate. Day 1 they will kayak down the Clarion River. Day 2 backpacking along the North Country Trail. Then Day 3 finish off with a bike ride on the Rail 66 Trail.

This expedition is designed for older scouts.

Lastly this week gives all units the flexibility to use camp and design their own program. Perfect for Sea Scouts, Venturing Crews, and others that would like meals provided in the dining hall but have their own program ideas. More questions about this option please contact Camp Director Justin Dye: (440) 813-7670 email: justindye.musicguy@gmail.com



Eagle/Special Program Camp T-Shirt & Patch included with registration	Early Prior to May 21	Regular May 22-June 11	Late After June 12
Scout	\$225	\$250	\$275
Scout 2nd Week	\$150	\$150	\$150
River Trails Rails Scout	\$200	\$225	\$250
Adult	\$30 a day	\$30 a day	\$30 a day



Scout Resident Camp
Located in the wide open spaces of
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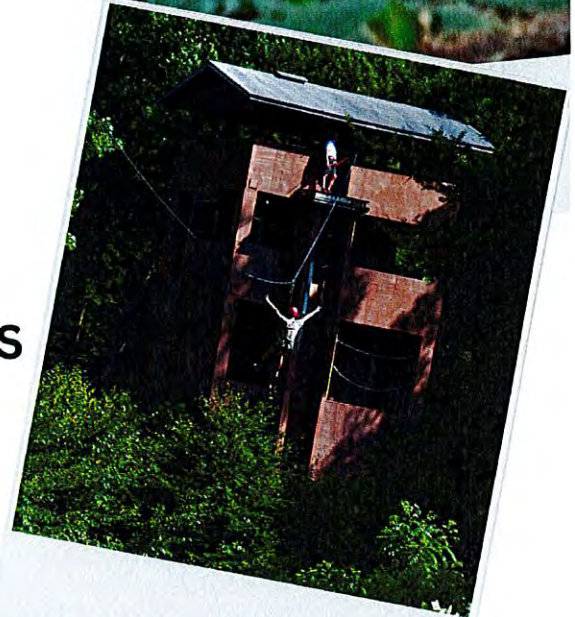
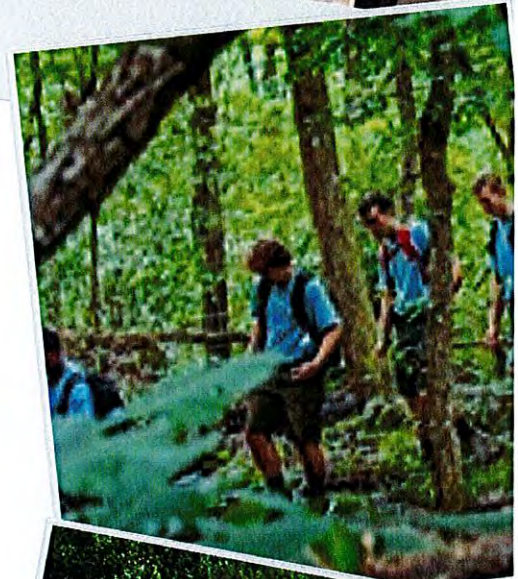
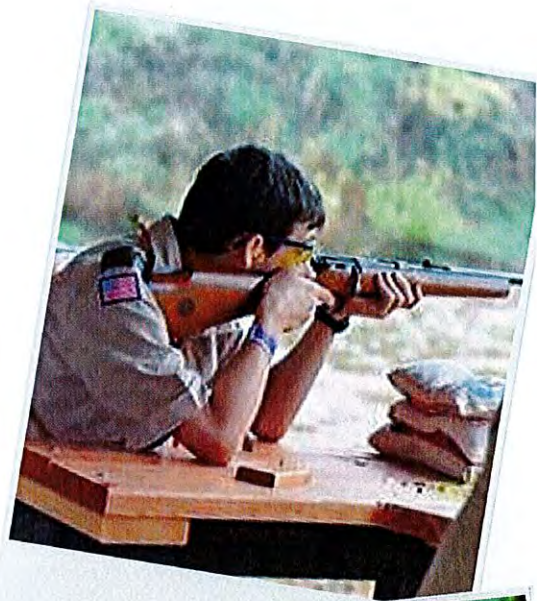
SESSION 4 JULY 14-20

**COME JOIN US FOR OUR NEW
TRAILGATING PROGRAM AND OUR BONUS
BADGE NIGHT!**



REGISTER YOUR TROOP

A \$200 deposit is due with
each unit reservation.



NOW HIRING 2024 CAMP STAFF

**AGES
15+**

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**CUSTALOGA TOWN
SCOUT RESERVATION, CARLTON PA**
.....

**EXPERIENCE AND
MEMORIES FOR A LIFETIME!**

- No Scouting Experience Required
- Directors/Program Staff Needed
- 9 Weeks of Pay
- Summer Housing
- Daily Meals Included
- 14 yr olds can apply for our volunteer CIT Program

Interview Dates:

12/30/23 Erie, PA
1/4/24 Meadville, PA
1/10/24 Sharon, PA
1/11/24 Greenville, PA
1/13/24 CTSR Carlton, PA
1/14/24 Clarion, PA

To schedule an interview:

Text/Call 4408137670

Justin Dye, Camp Director

Email: justindye.musicguy@gmail.com

