

French Creek Council Roundtable Announcements  
December 2024

**SAVE THE DATES!!!**

**See the full calendar on the council website.**

**Rivers Klondike** – January 25<sup>th</sup>

**OKPIK Training** – January 31 – February 2<sup>nd</sup> @ CTSR

**MBC @ Erie Technical School** – February 8<sup>th</sup>

**Lakes Klondike** - February 15<sup>th</sup>

**NYLT** - June 28-July 3, 2025 @ CTSR- <https://scoutingevent.com/532-NYLT2025>

**Summer Camp Dates:**

**Scouts, BSA Resident Camp @ CTSR** - <https://scoutingevent.com/532-ScoutsBSASummerCamp2025>

Eagle & Special Programs Week – June 15 -21, 2025

Session 1 – June 22-28, 2025

Session 2 – July 6-12, 2025

Session 3 – July 13-19, 2025

Session 4 – July 20-26, 2025

**Cub Scouts Resident Camp at CTSR** - <https://scoutingevent.com/532-CubScoutResidentCamp2025>

Session 1 – July 27-30, 2025

Session 2 – July 31-August 3, 2025

**Cub Scout Day Camp –**

North – June 13-20, 2025

Central – June 23-27, 2025

South - July 7-11, 2025 – Salem Township Community Center

**Where to ask Specific Questions??**

**Registration, Membership and Eagle Processing** – Lori Costello – [lori.costello@scouting.org](mailto:lori.costello@scouting.org) @ office 1pm-5pm

**Camping, Program, Product Sales & Insurance** – Tim Yezzi – [Timothy.Yezzi@scouting.org](mailto:Timothy.Yezzi@scouting.org) @ office full time

**Scout Shop & Unit Orders** - Carol Richards – [Carol.Richards@scouting.org](mailto:Carol.Richards@scouting.org) - @ office 9am-1pm

Addison Pandolph – [Addison.Pandolph@scouting.org](mailto:Addison.Pandolph@scouting.org) – @ office full time

**Welcome Addison Pandolph to our office team. We are still distributing duties as she gets trained and up to date. We will have the updated list of where to ask questions next month.**

**Executives**

Stephanie Jackson – [Stephanie.Jackson@scouting.org](mailto:Stephanie.Jackson@scouting.org) - Lakes Sr. District Executive

Mike Graham – [Michael.Graham2@scouting.org](mailto:Michael.Graham2@scouting.org) - Rivers District Executive

**Next Roundtables**

**Rivers – January 8<sup>th</sup> Lakes – January 9<sup>th</sup>**

# UNIT INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Scouting  America  
French Creek Council

## January 2025- June 2025

- 1 Unit must have at least one representative at all 4 remaining Roundtables
- 2 Unit must participate in at least one overnight council/district program. This can be a klondike, or camporee
- 3 Unit participates in council sponsored spring product sale.

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## Units who Check all 3 boxes will Receive the following

- A A third free leader for Resident camp at CTSR
- B \$5 for each additional representative at a Roundtable.

For example, if 3 individuals from Unit 123 attend the August roundtable, they will have representation and will earn \$10 into their unit account at the office. This money will be awarded after confirmation that unit has completed all requirements.

# UNIT INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Scouting  America  
French Creek Council

## August 2025- June 2026

- 1 Units must have at least one representative at all 8 Roundtables.
- 2 Units must participate in at least one overnight council/district program. This can be a klondike, or camporee.
- 3 Unit participates in at least one council sponsored product sale.
- 4 Unit keeps at least 99% YPT throughout the year, and all leaders are trained for the position they hold within the unit.

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## Units who Check all 4 boxes will Receive the following

- A A third free leader for Resident camp at CTSR
- B \$5 for each additional representative at a Roundtable.

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# Lakes 2025 District Awards



## Nomination Information Nominations Due February 1st Awards for 2025

**Scouter of the Year**

**Cubber of the Year**

**Scoutmaster of the Year**

**Cubmaster of the Year**

**Spouse of the Year**

**Commissioner of the Year**

**District Award of Merit\*\***

**To nominate a scouter for one of the above awards, please send an email to one of the district Key 3 below. Please include the award, nominee, and your reasoning for nominating them.**

**\*\*If you want to nominate a scouter for the District Award of Merit, please use its specific nomination form.**

**Email nomination information to one of the following.**

**Ryan Adams:** ryancadams@gmail.com

**Bob Walter:** pack86.cubmaster@gmail.com

**Stephanie Jackson:** Stephanie.jackson@scouting.org

# 2026

## Jamboree Contingent Kick-Off Party

Date: January 12th, 2025

Location: Custaloga Town Dining Hall

Time: 2:00p.m.

**Commemorative Button  
for attendees, only available this meeting.**

Each contingent meeting will have a new button only available there. Collect them all!



Already know you want to attend the Jamboree? Save your place by registering with FCC.



Reach out to Steph at the office for more information and any questions.

[stephanie.jackson@scouting.org](mailto:stephanie.jackson@scouting.org)

**Scouting America**  
French Creek Council



**This cold-weather camping adventure program teaches Scouts and Scouters how to be comfortable and safe while camping in cold weather.**

**Jan 31 - Feb 2, 2025**

Custaloga Town Scout Reservation

<https://scoutingevent.com/532-2025OKPIK>



# FRENCH CREEK COUNCIL 2024 OKPIK COLD WEATHER TRAINING

to be held at Custaloga Town Scout Reservation

7PM on Friday, January 31, 2025 through 12:30PM on Sunday, February 2, 2025

Check in will be from 6:00PM to 6:45PM

**What is OKPIK?** OKPIK is an indoor & mostly outdoor “classroom style” training experience designed to make the participant aware of all aspects of cold weather & winter camping. This training will give you the skills and confidence to lead a winter campout and ensure a safe and fun experience for all. You should consider attending this course to learn how to better train your troop to brave the elements of Winter.

The course will be based out of the Chow Hall at Custaloga Town Scout Reservation.

**Who can attend OKPIK?** Adult leaders. It is assumed that you have completed Outdoor Scoutmasters specific training as this course builds on that previously learned information. Senior Scouts who are at least **14 years of age** and **First Class** are encouraged to attend.

**The early bird fee is \$60.00 for pre-registration by January 1, 2025. The fee will increase to \$75 from Jan 2 to January 24, 2025.** Meals and snacks will be provided. All participants will be able to sleep in a heated cabin Friday night. Then on Saturday night, we hope that all participants will try sleeping in their own tents or at the Adirondacks.

## Subjects to be covered

- Cold and how it affects you
- How to dress – leaders and youth
- Shelters and tents
- Sleeping systems and how to stay warm
- Food, nutrition and menus
- Winter travel – sleds, snow shoes and skis
- Cold weather first aid
- Ice travel, ice fishing and safety
- Chemical fluids for cold weather
- How to train your troop to do cold weather camping
- Back packing stoves and cookware
- Other miscellaneous tidbits

*Okpik Training is now available at Custaloga Town Scout Reservation! On all Winter activities it is vital that one of your Unit leaders is a **Trained** Winter camper with **Strong Knowledge and Skills** in keeping everyone **Safe and Warm**. With the Klondike Derby and Cub Scout Winter Activities, there is no better time than now to receive this **Awesome Training**.*



Upon Completion of this course, you will receive a FCC OKPIK pocket flap patch and Certificate  
Extra Okpik flap patches will be available for purchase for \$5.00 each

OKPIK Cold Weather Training		January 31 – February 2, 2025 @ Custaloga Town Scout Reservation	
Name: _____	Troop # _____	District: _____	
Email: _____	Phone # _____	Council: _____	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, I am enclosing a check for \$60.00 made payable to French Creek Council		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, Charge my credit card for \$60.00		
Card type MC / Visa / Other _____	Card numbers _____	Security Code _____	
Expiration Date ____/____/____	Signature _____		
Required Pre-Registration by FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 2025			
FRENCH CREEK COUNCIL			
1815 Robison Rd W Erie, Pennsylvania 16509 Phone: 814-868-5571			
<a href="https://frenchcreek-bsa.org/">https://frenchcreek-bsa.org/</a>			

I hope to see you, my fellow Scouts and Scouters, at this OKPIK training Experience!  
Woody Whitling-Course Director-[worknwoody@gmail.com](mailto:worknwoody@gmail.com)-(814)229-9663

# Scouting in the Woods at Presque Isle State Park

Registration at Cook House Pavilion

This event is for our Webelos and Arrow of Light scouts to meet Troops in our area, while exploring what Scouts, BSA has to offer them.

This event is also open to non-scouts who are at least 11 years old in grades 5-8 and interested in joining one of our Troops.



February 22nd  
2025  
9am - 2pm



No registration needed, and lunch is provided! Just come to have a great day!

# RIVERS DISTRICT KLONDIKE 2025



**January 25, 2025**

*Custaloga Town Scout Reservation*

## Pennsylvania Pioneering

**Earlybird Pricing:**

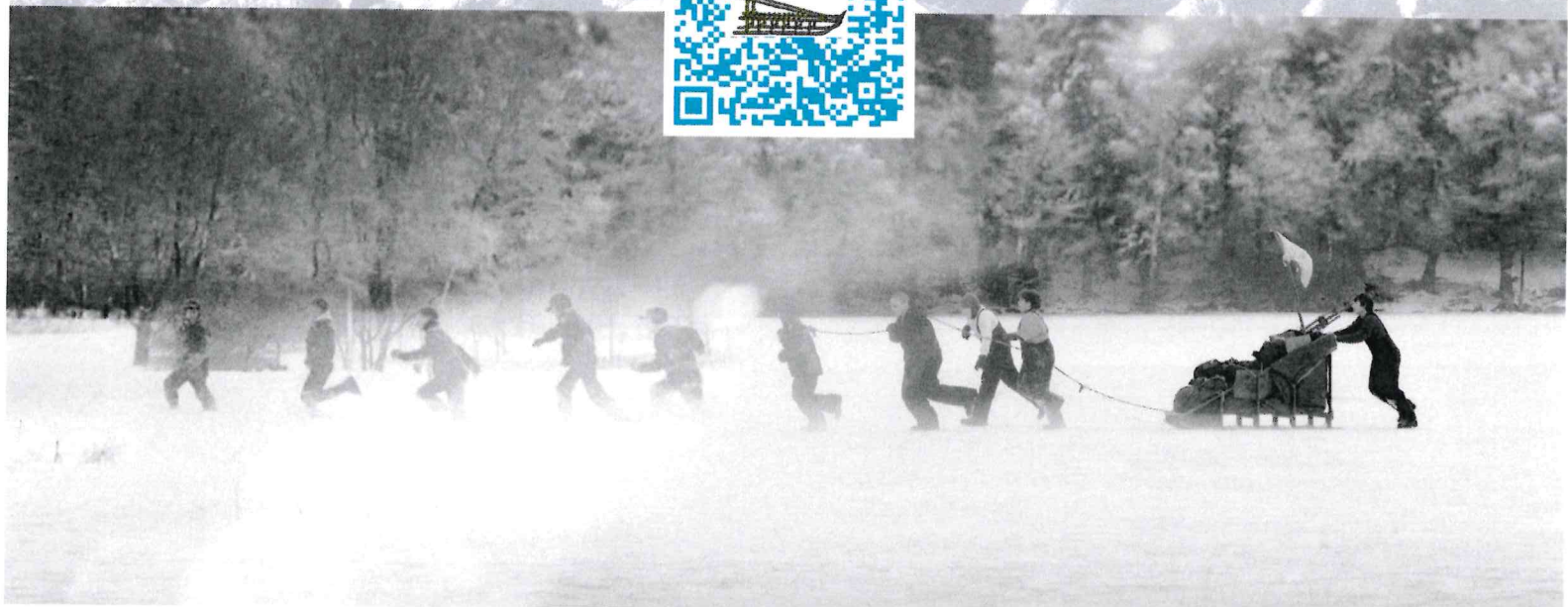
**Youth - \$10    Adults - \$5**

*After January 18:*

**Youth - \$12    Adults - \$7**

**Deadline to Register is January 23**

For Registration, follow the QR or  
<https://www.scoutingevent.com/532-2025Klondike>

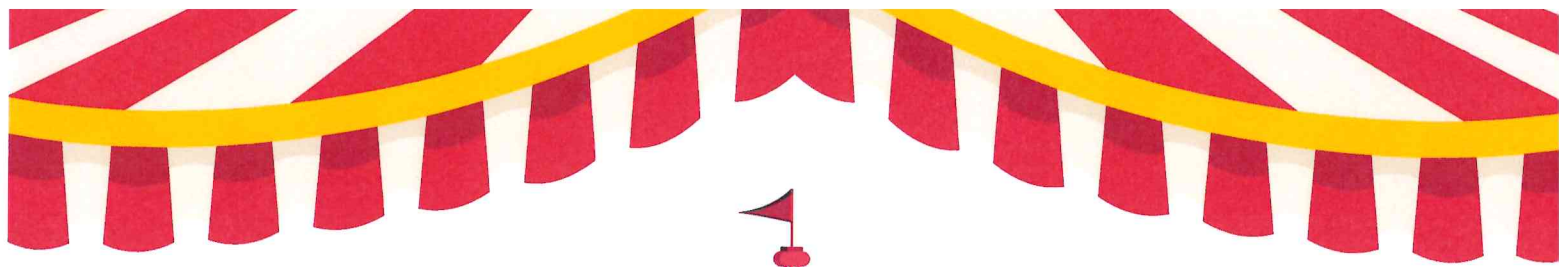


**2025 LAKES  
KLONDIKE DERBY  
MANDOLORIAN –  
THIS IS THE SLEIGH**



**FEBRUARY 15, 2024**

**REGISTRATION OPENS 12-20-24**



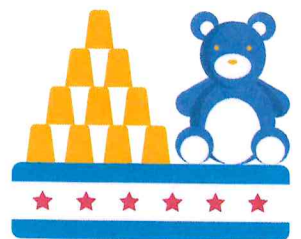
# CARNIVAL CUB CAMP

## 2025 Cub Scout Day Camp

**Northern Camp: June 16 - 20**

**Central Camp: June 23 - 27**

**Southern Camp: July 7 - 11**



*More Information coming soon!*

# SAVE THE DATE



**National Youth Leadership Training**  
**Custaloga Town**  
**June 28-July3, 2025**

French Creek Council is hosting this **6 day course** in a week long format. To complete the course, scouts must attend all six days. There will be 2 troops; one for each gender.

The week will start Saturday AFTERNOON with registration opening at 12:00pm and end before dinner Thursday July 3; allowing families to enjoy the holiday with their scouts.

**What is NYLT?**

National Youth Leadership Training is an exciting, action-packed program designed to provide all 13- to 20-year-old youth members of scouting with leadership skills and experience they can use in their home units and in other situations demanding leadership of self and others. This program has been open to all genders since 2010.

**Why NYLT?**

NYLT transforms the lives of the youth who attend, turning leaders of others into dynamic Leaders of Leaders, creating the leaders of tomorrow that today so desperately demands. Better youth led troops, crews, and ships!

**Who may attend?**

<b>Scouts BSA</b>	<b>Venturing/Sea Scouts</b>
Be at least 13 years old	Be at least 14 years old
Have earned at least the 1st Class Rank	Recommended 1 year of Camping Experience
Completed Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops	Completed Introduction to Leadership Skills for Crews/Ships

**Register at:**

**<https://scoutingevent.com/532-NYLT2025>**

**Limit 48 students; \$290 early bird thru 5-31-25**

**Regular fee \$340**

**Rob Hanes 814.602.7375 [erie\\_scouter@yahoo.com](mailto:erie_scouter@yahoo.com)**

**Jodie Chittester 814.673.5013 [jochittester@gmail.com](mailto:jochittester@gmail.com)**



CUSTALOGA TOWN SCOUT RESERVATION

# WILD WEST



# 2025

CUB SCOUT RESIDENT CAMP

JULY 27-30, 2025

JULY 31-AUGUST 3, 2025



# 2025 Custaloga Town Scout Reservation

## Resident Camp Schedule

Eagle/Special Program Week June 15<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup>

Scouts BSA Week 1 June 22<sup>nd</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>

NO RESIDENT CAMP – FCC NYLT COURSE - June 28<sup>th</sup>-July 3<sup>rd</sup>

Scouts BSA Week 2 July 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>

Scouts BSA Week 3 July 13<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>

Scouts BSA Week 4 July 20<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>

Cub Scout Resident Session 1 July 27<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>

Cub Scout Resident Session 2 July 31<sup>st</sup> – August 3<sup>rd</sup>



## 2025 Fee Structure

### \*\*\*New Scouts BSA Rewards Payment\*\*\*

Introducing the new CTSR Rewards Payment system. Make all payments by due dates and you receive the rewards price. If you miss or are late on a payment you pay the regular or late payment price.

November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 \$50 deposit per scout/leader

February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025 ½ balance due

April 1<sup>st</sup> Full Payment is Due

<b>Scout BSA Resident Camp Fees</b>	<b>***CTSR Rewards*** Full Payment By April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025</b>	<b>Regular Payment April 2 - May 14 2025</b>	<b>May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 or later</b>
Scouts	\$425	\$475	\$525
Adult Leaders	\$285	\$335	\$385
Part-Time Leaders	\$55 per day	\$55 per day	\$55 per day
New Scouts/AOL Cross Overs	\$425	\$425	\$425
2 <sup>nd</sup> Week Scout/ 2025 FCC NYLT Participants	\$225	\$225	\$225

### \*\*\*New Cub Scout Rewards Payment\*\*\*

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January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 \$50 deposit per scout/leader

March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025 ½ balance due

May 1<sup>st</sup> Full Payment is Due

<b>Cub Scout Resident Camp Fees</b>	<b>***CTSR Rewards*** Full Payment By May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025</b>	<b>Regular Payment May 2<sup>nd</sup> - May 31<sup>st</sup> 2025</b>	<b>June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 or later</b>
Cub Scouts	\$295	\$345	\$395
Adult Leaders	\$195	\$245	\$295
Part-Time Leaders	\$50 per day	\$50 per day	\$50 per day
New Scouts	\$295	\$295	\$295
Den Chiefs	\$195	\$245	\$295

### **2025 Scouts BSA Registration:**

<https://scoutingevent.com/532-ScoutsBSASummerCamp2025>

### **2025 Cub Scout Registration:**

<https://scoutingevent.com/532-CubScoutResidentCamp2025>

# CUSTALOGA TOWN SCOUT RESERVATION

## 2025 SIGN UPS NOW AVAILABLE!



**Eagle/Special Program Week June 15th - 21st**

**Scouts BSA Week 1 June 22nd - 28th**

**Scouts BSA Week 2 July 6th - 12th**



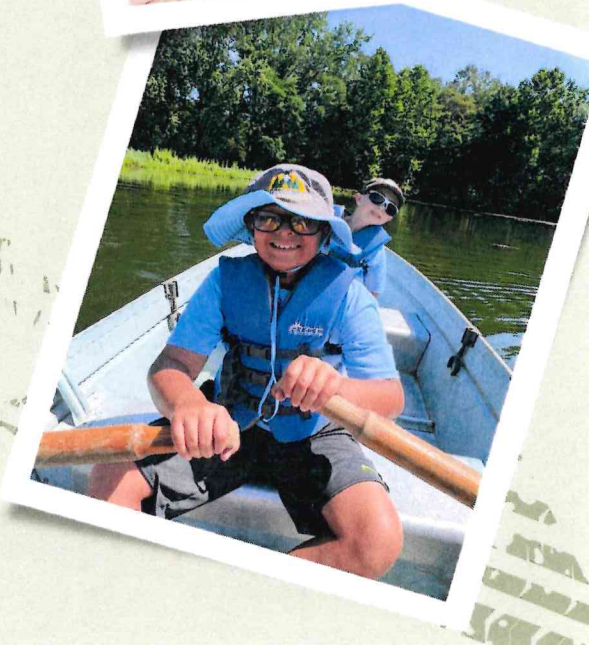
**Scouts BSA Week 3 July 13th - 19th**

**Scouts BSA Week 4 July 20th - 26th**

**Cub Scout Resident Session 1 July 27th - 30th**



**Cub Scout Resident Session 2 July 31st - August 3rd**



**BOOK NOW**



# NOW HIRING 2025 CAMP STAFF

**AGES  
15+**

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**CUSTALOGA TOWN  
SCOUT RESERVATION, CARLTON PA**  
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***EXPERIENCE AND  
MEMORIES FOR A LIFETIME!***

- No Scouting Experience Required
- Director Positions 18+
- Support Staff 15+
- 8 Weeks of Pay
- Summer Housing
- Daily Meals Included

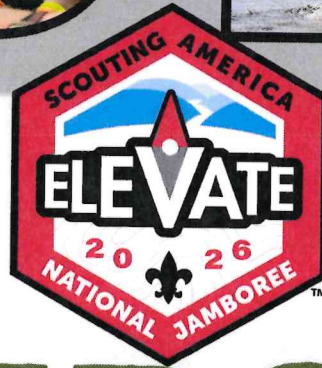


To schedule an interview:

*Text/Call 4408137670*

*Justin Dye, Camp Director*

*Email: [justindye.musicguy@gmail.com](mailto:justindye.musicguy@gmail.com)*



# JAMBOREE

## UNIT VISITS SCHEDULING NOW

LEARN ABOUT ALL JAMOBREE HAS TO OFFER  
YOUR SCOUTS AND WHAT A GREAT  
EXPERIENCE JAMBOREE 2026 IS GOING TO BE.

**SCHEDULE YOUR UNIT VISIT WITH DOUG LUTHRINGER**  
**THEFASTMALL@HOTMAIL.COM OR 814-882-6830**



# #ADVENTUREON!

New Cub Scouts can earn their **first patch**, the **RECRUITER STRIP** patch, in 5 easy steps:

1. Share your excitement about Cub Scouts with a friend.
2. Bring them along to a Den or Pack meeting.
3. Encourage them to join once they see all the fun you're having.
4. After they sign up, you'll qualify for your Recruiter Strip patch.
5. Fill out the form on the back of this page and take it to your Scout Shop to receive your **FREE** patch.

For more details, visit  
[www.scouting.org/welcome](http://www.scouting.org/welcome)  
or scan QR code.



Offer valid through 12/31/2024.



# You've successfully shared the Scouting spirit by **recruiting a friend!**



Wear the **RECRUITER STRIP PATCH** below  
the right uniform pocket as a symbol of your  
contribution to the growth of Scouting.

To **RECEIVE YOUR PATCH** please return the completed form to  
your local Scout Shop, and let's continue building a community  
where **ADVENTURE** and **FRIENDSHIP** thrive together.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Pack / Troop#: \_\_\_\_\_  
Scout's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
New Scout Recruited: \_\_\_\_\_  
Unit Leader: \_\_\_\_\_  
Person Submitting: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Troops Wanted

## Scouting in the Woods 2025

We are looking for a few Troops to help run a station of your choice for our Webelos Woods on February 22nd at Presque Isle State Park



We will be sending out flyers to local schools to invite students 11yrs old and up in 5-8th grade. This will be a great recruitment event for your Troop both with current scouts and the public.

Contact Dan Ste Marie for more information and to let him know your Troop wants to help.

814-566-6914 or danjstemarie@aol.com



# ILST/ILSS Training

HOSTED BY SEA SCOUT SHIP 2532

INTRODUCTION TO LEADERSHIP SKILLS FOR TROOPS/SHIPS IS AN INTRODUCTORY LEADERSHIP COURSE FOR SCOUTS BSA , SEA SCOUTS AND VENTURING YOUTH AND PROVIDES BASIC LEADERSHIP SKILLS TO RUN THEIR UNIT

PLEASE BRING:  
A PACKED LUNCH, NOTEBOOK, PEN, YOUR  
ENTHUSIASM AND A FEW DOLLARS IF YOU  
WISH TO BUY DONUTS FOR BREAKFAST!

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19TH, 8:30AM-4PM  
ERIE MARITIME CENTER, ERIE, PA

COST: FREE  
IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT:  
SKIPPER DAVE BEIGHLEY, 814-440-6883

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