

# Scouting news

FALL 2025  
(Sep-Oct-Nov)



ERIE SHORES COUNCIL #460

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## Fall Membership Recruitment

Soon, the leaves will be changing colors, pumpkin spice will be in the air, and cooler weather will provide the perfect backdrop for getting back into the Scouting spirit.

Visit our Recruitment page for resources to help recruit new Scouts and parents to your program!  
[www.erieshorescouncil.org/recruitment](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/recruitment)

Prepare for the fall with these essential steps:

### Conduct a Leader Analysis

- Identify your Den Leaders.
- Make sure all leaders are current on their Safeguarding Youth Training (SYT) and have taken position-specific training.
- Create a handout with a brief biography of all the Unit's leadership.

### Plan Your Recruitment Night

- Set your Sign-Up Night before September 14.
- Develop and communicate your calendar and budget. Share with families how Unit fundraising helps keep Scouting affordable and accessible.

- Assign a parent to take pictures and post them on social media! Share our story!
- Request flyers, stickers, and more at [www.erieshorescouncil.org/recruitmentresources](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/recruitmentresources).
- Review and download additional resources at the Scouting America Brand Center at <https://scouting.webdamdb.com>.

### New Member Coordinator (NMC)

- Ask several enthusiastic parents to be New Member Coordinators.
- NMCs serve as welcoming ambassadors.
- NMCs foster gradual adult volunteerism.
- Visit [Scouting.org/nmc](http://Scouting.org/nmc) for more information.

### Register and Promote

- Turn new applications into the Council office as soon as possible!
- Approve online applications at My.Scouting by navigating to the Application Manager.
- Promote **Camp Miakonda Adventure Day on September 20, 2025**.

For more information, contact your District Professional or Commissioner.

## Every Scout Deserves a Trained Leader

### Council Training Day at Miakonda

Join us for the **Council Training Day** on **November 1, 2025**, at **Camp Miakonda**.

This adult leader training program is designed specifically for Scouting volunteers. Our mission is to provide a robust training platform that promotes excellence, continuous growth, and lifelong learning within the Scouting community.

The training equips adult leaders with the tools, resources, and support needed to deliver an exceptional Scouting experience to youth members.

Free for all volunteers. Register at [www.erieshorescouncil.org/TrainingDay](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/TrainingDay).

### Safeguarding Youth Training (SYT)

Youth Protection Training (YPT) is now **Safeguarding Youth Training (SYT)** and is required annually for all registered Scouting America volunteers. SYT is a joining requirement with an annual 15–20 minute refresher course.

**Important:** YPT expires on **May 31, 2026**. Update to SYT to avoid suspension.

Access SYT at [My.Scouting.org](http://My.Scouting.org). For help with your account, contact **Michael Smith**, Registrar/District Assistant, at [Michael.Smith6@Scouting.org](mailto:Michael.Smith6@Scouting.org).

Learn more about SYT and Scouting's Youth Protection policies at [www.scouting.org/training/youth-protection](http://www.scouting.org/training/youth-protection).

### Position-Specific Training

All leaders are encouraged to complete leader position-specific training before meeting with youth (or within 90 days) to prepare for the opportunities and responsibilities of their leadership positions.

Most trainings can be completed online through your My.Scouting account. For more information, visit [www.erieshorescouncil.org/pos-specific-units](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/pos-specific-units).

### Adult Training Course/Award Update

Is your My.Scouting profile missing training or award information? Submit your documentation at [www.erieshorescouncil.org/training-adults](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/training-adults) to have your profile updated.

## AT THE IOTT SCOUT SHOP

Erie Shores Council Iott Scout Shop  
Jadel Leadership Center  
P.O. Box 8728  
5600 W. Sylvania Avenue  
Toledo, OH 43623  
419.241.7293  
Fax 419.241.6769

### Council Office Hours:

Monday–Friday 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

### Iott Scout Shop Hours:

Beginning September 2, 2025  
Mon, Tue\*, Wed, Fri 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.  
Closed Sunday  
\*September Only – Extended Hours  
Tuesday 8:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

MasterCard/VISA/Discover Accepted  
Our Iott Scout Shop can order any Scouting America item for you.

Please place orders locally; it helps support Erie Shores Council.

Iott Scout Shop – 419.843.0113

### Miakonda Museum Hours:

Saturdays: September – May  
9:00 a.m. – 12 Noon  
Front Museum in Jadel Leadership  
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
Back Museum in Camp  
*Museums are closed on the weekend of all major holidays.*



Scan this QR Code to access a digital version of the newsletter with clickable links.

## Stay Connected

For information about District events and activities, please call or email your District Executive, attend your District Roundtable, visit the District website, or link from the council website [www.ErieShoresCouncil.org](http://www.ErieShoresCouncil.org)

## Commodore Perry District

[www.erieshorescouncil.org/cp](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/cp)

### District Chair

VACANT

### District Commissioner

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### District Executive

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## Eagle Bay District

[www.erieshorescouncil.org/ebd](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/ebd)

### District Chair

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### District Commissioner

Chuck Baacke, 567.280.2123

### District Executive

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## Northwest District

[www.facebook.com/nwdistrict](http://www.facebook.com/nwdistrict)

### District Chair

Sheryl O'Shea, 419.276.9920  
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### District Commissioner

Michael Holton, 419.841.5851  
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### District Contact

Ellen Watkins, 419.276.1217  
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## Eagle Scout Corner: Kyle Shaffer



Kyle Shaffer earned his Eagle Scout rank on September 15, 2015, after completing a service project for Cherry Street Mission that involved painting the front of a building, raising donations, and collecting toiletries. He participated in Troop

Leadership Training in 2011 and completed National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT) in 2012. Outside of Scouting, Kyle earned a 3rd degree black belt in karate.

Kyle graduated from St. Francis de Sales High School in 2016 and earned a Bachelor's Degree in Aerospace Engineering with honors from the University of Cincinnati in 2021. Currently, he is employed by Lockheed Martin in Colorado, where he works as a Systems Architect.

## Development News

### Qualified Charitable Distributions

When Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs) begin for your qualified IRAs, it's a great time to take advantage of donating to Erie Shores Council, tax-free, through a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD).

When you make a QCD, the distributed amount is excluded from your taxable income, even though it satisfies your RMD. This reduces your overall tax liability. By avoiding income tax on the donated amount, your chosen charity receives a larger gift. The distribution must be made directly from your IRA Custodian to your intended charity.

For questions or more information, contact **Nelson Shaffer**, Director of Development, at [Nelson.Shaffer@Scouting.org](mailto:Nelson.Shaffer@Scouting.org) or 419-704-6033.



## Partners for Clean Streams 29th Annual Clean Your Streams!

**Saturday, September 27, 2025  
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

Every September since 1997, volunteers have undertaken a Northwest Ohio environmental tradition of removing trash from their local streams, rivers, and ditches on Clean Your Streams Day. Volunteer at one of the locations available all around Northwest Ohio. An appreciation picnic will follow. Visit [www.PartnersforCleanStreams.org](http://www.PartnersforCleanStreams.org) to register.

## 2026 Recharter Season

### First Step

Visit [www.erieshorescouncil.org/recharter](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/recharter) for the latest updates on the recharter process, including due dates, forms, FAQs, and instructional videos. Paper recharter packets with all the necessary information and instructions will be distributed at the November District Roundtables.

### Renewal Reminder:

#### Membership vs. Recharter

As a reminder, membership renewals and Unit renewals are separate. Membership is now a 12-month term from the time of registration, regardless of when the Unit renews. New and renewing members will appear on the Unit's recharter roster as prepaid.

### 2025 Scouting America Membership Fees

These fees go directly to National Scouting America and do not include the Council Fee or additional fees a Unit may collect.

- \$85 for Youth Members
- \$65 for Adult Volunteers
- \$50 for Exploring Youth or Adult
- \$25 for Merit Badge Counselors (Non-leader)
- \$15 for Scout Life Magazine Subscription
- \$100 for Unit New/Recharter Fee

### Council Fee (Youth Members Only)

This fee is in addition to the membership fees.

- \$20 for Renewing Youth Members
- \$10 for New Youth Members
- \$60 Family Cap

### Help is Available

Contact **Michael Smith**, Registrar/District Assistant, for questions or support at [Michael.Smith6@Scouting.org](mailto:Michael.Smith6@Scouting.org) or 419-843-0106. For more information, visit [www.erieshorescouncil.org/BSA-Membership-Fees](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/BSA-Membership-Fees).

## Inclusion in Scouting: Embracing All Abilities

We believe every Scout belongs—regardless of ability. The mission of the **Disability and Accessibility Services Committee** is to promote the inclusion of youth with disabilities in all Units across our Council.

We support leaders with tools and training to build inclusive environments. We also offer hands-on activities that simulate common challenges such as dyslexia, ADHD, or hearing loss.

Want to get involved? We meet at 7:00 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at the Jadel Leadership Center. Whether you're a leader, parent, or passionate advocate, we welcome your help in making Scouting more accessible for all. For more information, contact **Cheryl Smarkel** at [cmbs39@aol.com](mailto:cmbs39@aol.com).



## 2025 Popcorn Sale

The 2025 Popcorn Sale runs from September 13 to November 4, 2025.

Pecatonica River Popcorn is offering an excellent selection this year, including the new sweet and salty Mountain Munch!

**Benefits** – Units can earn **30% commission** to help fund activities and awards. The Popcorn Sale also supports Council efforts to maintain camps, provide financial assistance to Scouts in need, and conduct events and activities.

**Online Sales** to out-of-town family and friends are **open now!** Your Popcorn Kernel can sign you up for a Seller ID to start making sales today with **FREE SHIPPING!**

**Prizes, Prizes, Prizes** – Scouts can earn exciting prizes from the Keller Prize Program! Erie Shores Council incentives include a \$100 Camper's Club certificate for all Scouts who sell \$2,000 or more.

**Pecatonica Winner's Circle** offers a prize for every \$3,000 sold! **NEW:** Scouts who sell \$6,500 or more will earn a 3-day/2-night Kalahari Adventure!

Thank you for participating in this year's Popcorn Sale, as it is important for our successful delivery of Scouting within our community. **Keep Popping!**

For more information, visit [www.erieshorescouncil.org/popcorn](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/popcorn) or contact Erin LaLonde at [Erin.Lalonde@Scouting.org](mailto:Erin.Lalonde@Scouting.org).

## Popcorn Corporate Holiday Flyer

The 'Pop'ular Holiday Gift Bundles flyer is a great tool for increasing sales with local businesses.

Businesses can purchase popcorn for holiday gifts, employee recognition, or to support the military.



Flyers are included in Popcorn Rally Kits and available online at [www.erieshorescouncil.org/popcorngifts](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/popcorngifts).

## Schedule for Key Popcorn Sale Events:

Sep. 9 & 10	Show & Sell Distribution
Sep. 12	Sale Begins
Sep./Oct.	Additional Show & Sell pick-ups as needed
Oct. 3 & 23	Show & Sell Payment Due
Nov. 4	Popcorn Sale Ends
Nov. 5 & 6	Final: Show & Sell Returns Accepted
Nov. 6	Final "Take Orders" Due
Nov. 14	Final Prize Orders, Incentive Forms, and Feedback Forms Due
Nov. 19 & 20	Take Order Distribution
Nov. 23	Online Sales End
Nov. 30	Holiday, Corporate, and Late Orders Due
Dec. 8	Final Payments Due

## Iott Scout Shop News

### Welcome Families

The Iott Scout Shop is fully stocked for the entire family! We can assist you with handbooks, uniforms, gifts, and more.

### Online Order Tool

Can't find time to come to the shop? We can have the order ready for you to pick up, or we can ship it to you for an additional charge. Use the online order tool at [www.erieshorescouncil.org/iott](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/iott).

### Uniform Fall Promotion!

Now through December 31, 2025, receive **10% off** on Scout uniform bottoms with the purchase of a matching uniform top.

### Fall Store Hours

Fall Store Hours begin September 2, 2025. Please see page 1 for details.

### September Extended Hours

- Tuesdays in September: 8:30 a.m.–7:00 p.m.
- Saturday, September 20: 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

### Check Us Out!

**Website:** [www.erieshorescouncil.org/iott](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/iott)

**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/iottscoutshop](https://www.facebook.com/iottscoutshop)

## Scout Shop on the Road

### Wood District Scout Shop on the Road

Thursday, October 2, 2025 • 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
Christ United Methodist Church  
301 W Main, Portage, OH

### Eagle Bay District Scout Shop on the Road

Tuesday, October 14, 2025 • 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
Terra State Community College  
2830 Napoleon Road Building B, Fremont, OH

Advancements must be pre-ordered. Uniform pieces, handbooks, and other merchandise will be available for purchase at the event.

To ensure the availability of specific items, we recommend placing a pre-order by calling **419-843-0113**.

## Scoutreach District

[www.erieshorescouncil.org/sr](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/sr)

### District Chair

VACANT

### District Commissioner

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### District Executive

VACANT

## Swan Creek District

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### District Commissioner

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### District Contact

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## Wood District

[www.erieshorescouncil.org/wd](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/wd)

### District Chair

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### District Commissioner

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### Program Support/ Delivery Director

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## Holiday Hours

The Iott Scout Shop and Council Offices will be closed on the following days.

### Labor Day –

September 1, 2025

### Veterans Day –

November 11, 2025

### Thanksgiving –

November 27-29, 2025

## NEW Eagle Scouts

### COMMODORE PERRY

Spencer Harder  
Troop 25  
Robert Thompson

Joseph Schmidlin  
Troop 112  
Matthew Hays

Isaiah Kinn  
Troop 112  
Matthew Hays

### EAGLE BAY

Jaylin Smith  
Troop 9342  
Julie Kruse

### Ann Mannon

Troop 9370  
Gina Margraf-Cox

### Ryan Hunker

Troop 408  
Michael Crispin

### NORTHWEST

Collin Potts

Troop 27  
Marcus Seigar

### Jake Huyghe

Troop 154  
Jason Krumm

### Zayn Cheema

Troop 27  
Marcus Seigar

### Aiden Ashley

Troop 154  
Jason Krumm

### Matthew Vines

Troop 154  
Jason Krumm

### SWAN CREEK

John Beatrice

Troop 210  
Christopher Jackson

### Hunter Gaffney

Troop 167  
Mark Krautheim

### Benjamin Reed

Troop 252  
Michael Baskey

### Garrett Smith

Troop 104  
Bruce Smith

### Maegan Reynolds

Troop 9615  
Tamara Blue

### WOOD

Luke Armbruster

Troop 344  
John Gibson

### Quinn Rader

Troop 344  
John Gibson

### Aidan Schimmel

Troop 63  
Anthony Hiss

### Adrian Schimmel

Troop 63  
Anthony Hiss

### Zachary Clement

Troop 358  
Fred Riggs

### Daniel Hinkle

Troop 315  
Shawn Benjamin

### Robert Shanks

Troop 485  
Michael Kleman

## Summit Award

Emma Grundy

Crew 2020

Marie Grundy

# District News



## COMMODORE PERRY DISTRICT

### Klondike Derby

Frozen fun for everyone! Commodore Perry's **Klondike Derby** will be held on **January 23-25, 2026**. Scouts will compete in a variety of events, including our famous sled race. For questions about race or registration information, contact **Ed Smith** at [Eddsmith1972@gmail.com](mailto:Eddsmith1972@gmail.com) or 419-467-2396.



## EAGLE BAY DISTRICT

### Eagle Bay Scouting for Food

Scouting for Food will be held **November 8 & 15, 2025**. To request door hangers, email **Justin Moyer** at [Justin.Moyer@Scouting.org](mailto:Justin.Moyer@Scouting.org).

### Klondike Derby

Save the Date! The Eagle Bay District **Klondike Derby** will be held **January 16-18, 2026**.



## NORTHWEST DISTRICT

### Winter Weekend One

Join us for **Winter Weekend One** at Camp Miakonda on **December 5-7, 2025!** Scouts will test their survival skills and complete missions to rebuild civilization while navigating the radioactive "Wasteland." Email **Ellen Watkins** at [Ellen.Watkins@Scouting.org](mailto:Ellen.Watkins@Scouting.org) to reserve lodging.

Visit [www.erieshorescouncil.org/NWWWI](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/NWWWI) for more information.

### Klondike Derby

Save the Date! The Northwest District **Klondike Derby** will be held **February 20-22, 2026**.



## SWAN CREEK DISTRICT

### Winter Weekend

Save the Date! The Swan Creek District **Winter Weekend** will be held **February 13-15, 2026**, at Camp Miakonda. Visit [www.erieshorescouncil.org/SCWW](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/SCWW) for details.



## WOOD DISTRICT

### Klondike Derby

Save the Date! The Wood District **Klondike Derby** will be held **February 6-8, 2026**, at Camp Miakonda.

## Cub Family Camp

*Hosted by Tindeuchen Lodge, Order of the Arrow*

Saddle up for a rootin'-tootin' good time at this year's **Cub Family Camp**, held **October 4-5, 2025**, where the Wild West comes to life! Hosted by the Order of the Arrow, this fun-filled weekend is designed for Cub Scouts and their families to experience the spirit of adventure in a safe and engaging outdoor environment.

Visit [www.erieshorescouncil.org/CFC](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/CFC) for more information.

## Fall Camporees

Camporees are open to all Scouts BSA Troops and Venturing Crews in Erie Shores Council.

### Fall Cooking Camporee

*Hosted by Swan Creek District*

The **Fall Cooking Camporee** will be held from **October 10-12, 2025**, at Pioneer Scout Reservation with a cooking theme. Scouts will participate in various cooking activities, including reflector ovens, Dutch ovens, campfire cooking, and trail cooking. The registration fee is \$12 per person by October 3, 2025. For questions, contact **Clif Vaughan** at [clifvaughan@gmail.com](mailto:clifvaughan@gmail.com).

Visit [www.erieshorescouncil.org/fallcamp1](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/fallcamp1) for more information and to register.

### ESC Fall Camporee

*Hosted by Commodore Perry District*

The **ESC Fall Camporee** will be held from **October 17-19, 2025**, at Maumee Bay State Park. Scouts will camp and have the opportunity to complete either the Nature or Golf (Disc Golf) Merit Badge, and enjoy a Root Beer Cantina! The registration fee is \$15 per person. It's sure to be a great weekend for our Scouts! For questions, contact **Jack Robinson** at [John.Robinson@Scouting.org](mailto:John.Robinson@Scouting.org).

Visit [www.erieshorescouncil.org/fallcamporee](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/fallcamporee) for more information and to register.

### Female Troop and Arrow of Light Camporee

Join us for the **Female Troop and Arrow of Light Camporee** on **November 7-9, 2025**, at Camp Miakonda! Female Troops in Erie Shores Council are invited to attend and host female Arrow of Light Scouts for a weekend of fellowship. A Cracker Barrel will be hosted by the Membership Team on Saturday night. For questions, contact **Lora Morgan** at [lorandrew@gmail.com](mailto:lorandrew@gmail.com).

Register and learn more by visiting [www.erieshorescouncil.org/femaleaolcamporee](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/femaleaolcamporee).

## Save the Date!

## Scouting Youth Honors Banquet

Mark your calendars for the annual **Scouting Youth Honors Banquet** on **Saturday, March 14, 2026**. This event will celebrate Scouts who have received the Eagle Scout Award, Summit Award, and other special awards and honors in 2025. For more details, visit [www.erieshorescouncil.org/SYHB](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/SYHB).

## 2026 National Jamboree July 22-31, 2026



Participate in a once-in-a-lifetime experience at the National Jamboree.

The National Jamboree is a gathering of Scouts and Scouters held every four years at one of Scouting America's premier adventure facilities, the Summit Bechtel Reserve. This event showcases Scouting through exhibits, activities, shows, and high-adventure activities. Youth from across the United States attend, creating opportunities to form new friendships with Scouts from across the country.

All Scouts BSA members are eligible to attend, provided they are at least 12 years old by July 22, 2026. Venture Scouts under the age of 18 must join a Scouts BSA Troop before registering.

Spots are limited – only 16 male Scout spots remain, and we are seeking 17 female Scouts to complete our contingent. Secure your spot soon by completing the Council interest form at [www.erieshorescouncil.org/jamboree](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/jamboree).

## Safety Moment: Knife Safety

As you embark on your outdoor adventures, it's essential to know the ins and outs of knife safety. The Totin' Chip is your ticket to becoming a responsible tool user, and earning it comes with some important rules from the Guide to Safe Scouting's knife policy. And remember, a sharp knife is a safer knife!

A checklist to keep in mind:

- Check your Totin' Chip
- Inspect your knife
- Choose the right tool
- Create a safe zone
- Hold it right
- Be aware

Being a sharp Scout means not just having a sharp knife but knowing how to use it safely.

Units are encouraged to present a Safety Moment at every unit meeting. Visit [www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/safety-moments](http://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/safety-moments) for details and other Safety Moments.

## Camp Miakonda Adventure Day

**Saturday, September 20, 2025**

Ahoy! Join us for a day of adventure under the sea, exploring the treasures Camp has to offer at **Camp Miakonda Adventure Day**. Bring a friend and set sail on a Scouting journey! A parent or guardian must accompany each youth participant.

Program Areas will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Come try out archery, fishing, hiking, and more. This is a free event open to everyone, with lunch provided.

For more details and to register, please visit [www.erieshorescouncil.org/CMAD](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/CMAD).



## 2025 Sporting Clays Classic

The **2025 Sporting Clays Classic**, presented by Key Private Bank, will

be held on **Friday, September 26, 2025**, at the WR Hunt Club in Clyde, OH. Purchase tickets for a chance to win a new gun, Vortex Binoculars, or Vortex Rangefinder at [www.erieshorescouncil.org/scdrawing](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/scdrawing).

## Halloween Party

**Saturday, October 25**

**5:30-9:30 p.m.**

**Sunday, October 26**

**1:00-3:30 p.m.**

*Sponsored by Reynolds Corner Rotary*



Prepare for a hauntingly good time! The **Camp Miakonda Halloween Party** is approaching swiftly. Once again, our Scouts will be hosting a thrilling and spine-chilling experience.

Advance tickets are \$8 per person or \$10 at the door. Tickets give access to haunted houses, a hayride, games, and more. Purchase tickets at [www.erieshorescouncil.org/HP](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/HP). Contact the Iott Scout Shop at 419-843-0113 for groups of 10 or more for a group discount.

## Construction City

**Saturday, November 15, 2025**

**Penta Career Center**

The **34th Annual Construction City** event for 4th Grade Webelos and 5th Grade Arrow of Light Scouts is centered on design, teamwork, engineering, and fun! Teams will design and construct a creative building or a strong bridge. This event is expected to sell out, so keep an eye out for registration opening in September. For more information, visit [www.erieshorescouncil.org/C-City](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/C-City).

## Breakfast with Santa

**Saturday, November 29, 2025**

Meet Santa and Mrs. Claus in the festive setting of Camp Miakonda. Enjoy a morning filled with breakfast, crafts, photos, and more! Every child will receive a small gift from Santa.



Visit [www.erieshorescouncil.org/Santa](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/Santa) for tickets. For questions, call **Ellen Watkins** at 419-276-1217.

## Merit Badges at Miakonda

**Saturday, January 3, 2026**

Join us for a full day of hands-on learning and advancement at Camp Miakonda. Scouts can work on merit badges, and adults are invited to volunteer or serve as merit badge counselors. Registration opens November 3, 2025.

Visit [www.erieshorescouncil.org/MB-CM](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/MB-CM) for details and to register.

## Scouting for Food

**Scouting for Food** is proudly sponsored by **Garlic Expressions!** Scouts will distribute door tags and then collect food one week later.

- **Wood District** – October 18-25, 2025
- **Eagle Bay District** – November 8-15, 2025

Visit [www.erieshorescouncil.org/ScoutFood](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/ScoutFood) to request Scouting for Food door tags and find information on safety, community service hour reporting, and the commitment form.

## Order of the Arrow



Tindeuchen Lodge, Order of the Arrow (OA), has several important upcoming events for all OA members. For more details and registration links, visit [www.erieshorescouncil.org/OA](http://www.erieshorescouncil.org/OA).

### Lodge Executive Committee Meetings (LEC)

- **Oct. 5:** Epworth Cabin- Camp Miakonda
- **Nov. 23:** Ford Center (Officer Elections)

### Lodge Events

- **Sep. 20:** Halloween Party Planning
- **Oct. 3-5:** Cub Family Camp hosted by OA
- **Oct. 24-26:** Halloween Party (Fort Haunting)
- **Nov. 21-23:** Ordeal, Brotherhood, Service Weekend-Camp Miakonda

Contact **Patrick Sutherland** at **Lodge Adviser.Tindeuchen@gmail.com** for questions or to update your email address for Lodge communications. Like us on Facebook at **Tindeuchen Lodge 522!**

# MUSEUM FUN FACT

*By Dave Eby, Council Historian*

## The History of Eagle Bay District

Formed in 1993, the Eagle Bay District united the Ottawa and Sandusky Districts. Its roots trace back to 1929, when the Hayes Area District was created within the Toledo Council, covering Ottawa, Sandusky, and Wood counties.

Originally, Ottawa and Sandusky counties operated as the Hayes Area Council, based in Fremont. In 1925, the Council expanded to include six more counties, though only Wood remained after 1933.

By 1935, Sandusky and Ottawa counties became the Fremont and Port Clinton Districts, respectively—renamed Sandusky and Ottawa Districts by 1939. These remained until their merger into Eagle Bay District in 1993.

## Personnel News

Erie Shores Council recently said goodbye to **Austin Taylor** and **Matthew Reineck**. We are grateful for their service and contributions to Scouting, and we wish them all the best in their future endeavors.



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**Calendar of Events** (Check ESC Website for Event Details)

**SEPTEMBER**

- 1 Council Office & Iott Scout Shop Closed – Labor Day
- 9-10 Popcorn Distributions
- 12 Council Popcorn Sale Begins
- 20 Camp Miakonda Adventure Day; OA Halloween Party Planning
- 26 Sporting Clays Classic
- 27 Partners for Clean Streams

**OCTOBER**

- 1-31 Council Popcorn Sale
- 2 Wood District Scout Shop on the Road
- 3 Popcorn Payment Due
- 4-5 Cub Family Camp – Hosted by Order of the Arrow
- 5 OA Lodge Executive Meeting
- 10-12 Fall Cooking Camporee – Hosted by Swan Creek District
- 14 Eagle Bay District Scout Shop on the Road
- 17-19 ESC Fall Camporee – Hosted by Commodore Perry District
- 17-19 CST9 Catholic Camporee at Camp Miakonda
- 18-25 Scouting for Food – Wood District
- 23 Popcorn Payment Due
- 25-26 Camp Miakonda Halloween Party

**NOVEMBER**

- 1 Council Training Day at Miakonda
- 7-9 Female Troops & AOL Campout
- 4 Popcorn Sale Ends
- 5-6 Popcorn Returns
- 6 Popcorn Take Order Due
- 8-15 Scouting for Food – Eagle Bay
- 11 Council Office & Iott Scout Shop Closed – Veterans Day
- 15 Construction City
- 21-23 Order of the Arrow Ordeal & Service Weekend
- 23 Online Popcorn Sales End; OA Lodge Executive Meeting
- 27-29 Council Office & Iott Scout Shop Closed – Thanksgiving
- 29 Breakfast with Santa

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