



Camping is an experience of living in the great outdoors, usually in the company of others, in tents, cabins, huts, improvised shelters or in the open without shelter away from the usual conveniences of home.

Scouting considers camping as the major activity of the troop program, which functions by patrols. To the boy, it is adventurous, joyful living in the open and should be so planned to give practice in self-reliance, initiative, resourcefulness, helpful cooperation, and should result in love and appreciation of the great out-of-doors.

Scouting encourages troop and patrol camping under their own leaders -- Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster, Senior Patrol Leader, and Patrol Leaders -- who with training and experience aid the troop and patrols in the joint planning and YEAR-ROUND enjoyment of camping trips into the great out-of-doors. As a result, troop and patrol loyalties are strengthened and experience in camping becomes a natural part of each troop's program.

As goes camping in your troop, so will go your troop. This information is designed to provide your troop with a listing of locations to camp in Illinois and Indiana and surrounding states. The majority of land within the Calumet Council is metropolitan. Most of our troops camp outside our boundaries. And our council lies on the border of the two states. Therefore the listing covers the two states and those surrounding states. The Order of the Arrow does not claim

to list "every" single campground in this information. We do, however, list campgrounds known by many troops and campgrounds listed by State Parks and various BSA camps in nearby Councils. We hope to continually expand this section by obtaining additional inputs from Scouters in the Calumet Council. If you have any additions or corrections, please send them to the Council Camping Committee at the address listed below.

You should know, that nearby Boy Scout Councils have camps that you can use for short-term camping. You will need a use permit from that Council approved in advance in addition to the required Tour Permit. These BSA Camps provide a level of security, facilities, availability and privacy that are not available at State, National Forest, National Park, and Commercial Campgrounds. The following is a list of Council Camps in Illinois, Indiana and neighboring states. More detailed information is listed in the Campground Listing section. It would be wise to submit your request to camp in another Council's Camp through our own Council. Keep in mind that each Council is obligated to serve its own Scouts first. Please be considerate of other Councils, allow at least two months for processing when you submit your use permit. Consider the old adage, "A lack of planning on your part is not reason for a crisis on their part."

If you know of a good trail, campsite or water bound trip that is not listed in this guide, please turn in a report to the OA Lodge Camp Promotion Committee. You may drop it off or mail it to the Council Office.



Calumet Council  
Boy Scouts of America  
8751 Calumet Avenue  
Munster, Indiana 46321-2593  
Attention: OA Lodge Camp Promotion Committee

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BOY SCOUT SUMMER CAMPS

| CAMP                            | ADDRESS               | CITY       | ST<br>AT<br>E | COUNCIL             | PHONE          | LONG TERM | HIGH ADVENTURE | CUB RESIDENT |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|---------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------|----------------|--------------|
| Akela's World Cub Scout Camp    | 5403 Spider Lake Rd.  | Rhineland  | WI            | Samoset             | (715) 845-2195 |           |                | X            |
| Bear Paw Scout Camp             | P.O. Box 128          | Mountain   | WI            | Bay Lakes           | (920) 734-5705 | X         |                |              |
| Camp Decorah                    | W7495 Council Bay Rd. | Holen      | WI            | Gate Way Area       | (608) 784-4040 | X         |                |              |
| Camp Freeland                   | 105 Fawn Dr.          | Oxford     | WI            | Three Fires         | (630) 584-9250 | X         |                |              |
| Camp Indian Trails              | 2300 E. Racine St.    | Janesville | WI            | Glacier's Edge      | (608) 273-1005 | X         |                |              |
| Camp Long Lake                  |                       | Dundee     | WI            | Potawatomi Area     | (262) 544-4881 | X         |                |              |
| Camp Mach-Kin-Siew              |                       | Elcho      | WI            | Des Plaines Valley  | (708) 354-1111 | X         |                |              |
| Camp Napowan                    | N4789 24th Ave.       | Wild Rose  | WI            | Northwest Suburban  | (847) 824-6880 | X         | X              |              |
| Camp Robert S. Lyle             |                       | Elcho      | WI            | Southeast Wisconsin | (262) 632-1655 | X         |                |              |
| Camp Rokilio Cub Scout World    | 14404 Rokilio Rd.     | Kiel       | WI            | Bay Lakes           | (920) 734-5705 |           |                | X            |
| Camp Shin Go Beek               |                       | Waupaca    | WI            | Des Plaines Valley  | (708) 354-1111 | X         |                | X            |
| Chrystal Lake Scout Reservation |                       | Rhineland  | WI            | Samoset             | (715) 845-2195 | X         | X              | X            |
| Eagle Cave                      | 16320 Cavern Lane     | Blue River | WI            | Privately Owned     | (608) 537-2988 |           |                |              |
| Ed Bryant Scout Reservation     | N6960 CTHG            | Mauston    | WI            | Glacier's Edge      | (608) 273-1005 | X         |                |              |

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| Gardner Dam Scout Camp                 | N2940 Gardner Dam Rd.     | White Lake       | WI | Bay Lakes           | (920) 734-5705 | X |   |   |
| Indian Mound Scout Reservation         | 37612 Indian Mound Rd.    | Oconomowoc       | WI | Milwaukee County    | (414) 774-1776 | X |   | X |
| Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation         | W6500 Spring Lake Rd.     | Pearson          | WI | Northeast Illinois  | (847) 433-1813 | X |   | X |
| Phillips Scout Reservation             | P.O. Box 37               | Haugen           | WI | Chippewa Valley     | (715) 832-6671 | X | X | X |
| R. S. Lyle Scout Reservation           | N10571 Clear Lake Rd.     | Elcho            | WI | Southeast Wisconsin | (262) 632-1655 | X |   | X |
| Tesomas                                | 5403 Spider Lake Rd.      | Rhineland        | WI | Samonet             | (715) 845-2195 | X | X | X |
| Tomahawk Scout Reservation             | N1910 Scout Rd.           | Birchwood        | WI | Indian Head         | (651) 224-1891 | X | X | X |
| Woodman Center for Camping & Education |                           | Richland Center  | WI | Glacier's Edge s    | (608) 273-1005 |   |   | X |
| Camp Agawam                            |                           | Lake Orion North | MI | Clinton Valley      | 248-338-0035   | X |   |   |
| Camp Gerber                            | 1733 Owasippi Road        | Twin Lake        | MI | Gerald R. Ford      | 616-785-2662   | X |   |   |
| Camp Greilick                          | 4754 Scout Camp Road      | Travers City     | MI | Sceic Trails        | 231-938-2200   | X |   |   |
| Camp Hiawatha                          |                           | Munising         | MI | Hiawathaland        | 906-249-1461   | X |   | X |
| Camp Munhacker                         | 20120 Bartell Road        | Gregory          | MI | Great Sauk Trail    | 734-971-7100   |   |   | X |
| Camp Rotary                            | 3201 S. Clare / Rt 1      | Clare            | MI | Lake Huron          | 517-695-5593   | X |   |   |
| Camp Tapico                            |                           | Grayling         | MI | Tall Pine           | 810-235-2531   | X |   | X |
| Cole Canoe Base                        | 1356 Greenwood Road       | Alger            | MI | Detroit Area        | 313-897-1965   | X | X | X |
| D-bar-A Scout Ranch                    | 880 E. Sotton Road        | Metamora         | MI | Detroit Area        | 313-897-1965   | X | X | X |
| Lost Lake Scout Reservation            | 4930 S. Lake Station Ave. | Lake             | MI | Clinton Valley      | 248-338-0035   | X |   | X |
| Northwoods Scout Reservation           | 3552 Lakeshore Drive      | Lupton           | MI | Chief Okemos        | 517-321-7278   | X |   |   |
| Owasippe                               |                           | Whitehall        | MI | Chicago Area        | 312-421-8800   | X |   |   |
| Paul Bunyan Scout Reservation          | 621 Valley Road           | Rose City        | MI | Lake Huron          | 517-695-5593   | X |   |   |
| Rota-Kiwan Scout Reservation           |                           | Kalamazoo        | MI | Southwest Michigan  | 616-343-4687   | X |   | X |
| Wood Lake Scout Reservation            | 10891 Withers Street      | Jones            | MI | LaSalle             | 219-289-0337   | X |   |   |

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| Beaumont Scout Reservation                   | 2429 n.S. State        | Rock Creek     | OH | Greater Cleveland       | (216) 861-6060 | X |  | X |
| Camp Berry                                   | 11716 Hancock CR-40    | Findlay        | OH | Black Swamp Area        | (419) 422-4356 | X |  | X |
| Camp Chickagami                              | 17920 Tavern Rd.       | Parkman        | OH | Greater Western Reserve | (330) 898-8474 | X |  |   |
| Camp Falling Rock                            | 12637 Houldershell Rd. | Newark         | OH | Simon Keaton            | (614) 436-7200 | X |  |   |
| Camp Firelands                               | 13782 Gore-Orphanage   | Wakeman        | OH | Heat of Ohio            | (419) 522-5091 | X |  | X |
| Camp Frontier at Pioneer Scout Reservation   | 07 371 Rd. S.          | Pioneer        | OH | Toledo Area             | (419) 241-7293 | X |  |   |
| Camp Hugh Taylor Birch                       | 4057 Swimming Pool Rd. | Yellow Springs | OH | Tecumseh                | (937) 325-6449 | X |  | X |
| Camp Lakota                                  | 2180 Ginter Rd.        | Defiance       | OH | Black Swamp Area        | (419) 422-4356 | X |  | X |
| Camp Lazarus                                 | 4422 Columbus Pike     | Delaware       | OH | Simon Keaton            | (614) 436-7200 | X |  | X |
| Camp Manatoc Scout Reservation               | 1065 Truxeu Rd.        | Peninsula      | OH | Great Trail             | (330) 733-0415 | X |  |   |
| Camp McKinley                                | 37748 Furnace Rd.      | Lisbon         | OH | Buckeye                 | (330) 580-4272 | X |  | X |
| Camp Miakonda at DeVilbiss Scout Reservation | 5600 W. Sylvania Ave.  | Toledo         | OH | Toledo Area             | (419) 241-7293 |   |  | X |
| Camp Oyo                                     | 168 Shawnee Rd.        | Portsmouth     | OH | Simon Keaton            | (614) 436-7200 | X |  |   |
| Camp Stambaugh                               | 3712 Leffinwer         | Canfield       | OH | Greater Western Reserve | (330) 898-8474 |   |  | X |
| Camp Stigwandish                             | 7497 Ross Rd.          | Madison        | OH | Greater Western Reserve | (330) 898-8474 | X |  |   |
| Chief Logan Reservation                      | 3600 Scout Camp Rd.    | Ray            | OH | Simon Keaton            | (614) 436-7200 | X |  |   |
| Dan Beard Scout Reservation                  | 581 Ibold Rd.          | Loveland       | OH | Dan Beard               | (513) 961-2336 |   |  | X |
| Fort Steuben Scout Reservation               | RD-2 79601 Adams Rd.   | Freeport       | OH | Ohio River Valley       | (304) 277-2660 | X |  | X |
| LeVeque Scout Reservation                    | 37011 Scout Rd.        | Logan          | OH | Simon Keaton            | (614) 436-7200 | X |  |   |
| Muskingum Valley Camp                        | 16905 CR-271           | Coshocton      | OH | Muskingum Valley        | (740) 453-0571 | X |  | X |
| Seven Ranges Scout Reservation               | 7070 Meter Rd. NE      | Kensington     | OH | Buckeye                 | (330) 580-4272 | X |  | X |
| Woodland Trails Scout Reservation            | 265 Gasper Somers Rd.  | Camden         | OH | Miami Valley            |                | X |  |   |

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| Camp Big Timber                   | 37W 955                | Elgin         | IL | Three Fires           | (630) 584-9250 | X |   | X |
| Camp Bunn                         | 5259 Camp Lane         | Hettick       | IL | Abraham Lincoln       | (217) 546-7125 | X |   |   |
| Camp Eastman                      | 750 E CR-1780          | Nauvoo        | IL | Mississippi Valley    | (217) 224-0204 | X |   | X |
| Camp Illinek                      | 6610 Iron Bridge Rd.   | Chatham       | IL | Abraham Lincoln       | (217) 546-7125 |   |   | X |
| Camp Lakota                       | Rt. 1 2050 Deepcut Rd. | Woodstock     | IL | Northwest Suburban    | (847) 824-6880 | X |   | X |
| Camp Lowden                       | 4418 Scout Rd.         | Oregon        | IL | Blackhawk             | (815) 397-0210 | X |   | X |
| Camp Robert Drake                 | 10010 E-CR1500 N.      | Fairmount     | IL | Prarie Lands          | (217) 356-7291 | X |   |   |
| Camp Saukenauk                    | RR 2 Box 108           | Quincy        | IL | Mississippi Valley    | (217) 224-0204 | X |   |   |
| Camp Warren Levis                 | 5500 Boy Scout Lane    | Godfrey       | IL | Trails West           | (618) 259-2145 | X |   | X |
| Canyon Camp                       | 4853 Townsend Rd.      | Stockton      | IL | Blackhawk             | (815) 397-0210 | X |   | X |
| Ingersoll Scout Reservation       | 33 Knox Rd.            | London Mills  | IL | W. D. Boyce           | (309) 673-6136 | X |   |   |
| Loud Thunder Scout Reservation    | 9906 175th St.         | Illinois City | IL | Illowa                | (319) 388-7233 | X |   | X |
| Rainbow Council Scout Reservation | 2600 Winter Bottom Rd. | Morris        | IL | Rainbow               | (815) 942-4450 | X |   | X |
| Rhodes France Scout Reservation   | RR 3 Box 144           | Pana          | IL | Lincoln Trails        | (217) 429-2326 | X |   | X |
| Anthony Wayne Scout Reservation   | P.O. Box 5             | Pleasant Lake | IN | Anthony Wayne         | (219) 432-9593 | X |   | X |
| Bear Creek Scout Reservation      | 7417 S. Scout Rd.      | Connersville  | IN | Crossroads of America | (317) 925-1900 | X |   |   |
| Bradford Scout Reservation        | 7575 Beach Grove       | Martinsville  | IN | Crossroads of America | (317) 925-1900 | X |   |   |
| Camp Belzer                       | 6102 Boy Scout Rd.     | Indianapolis  | IN | Crossroads of America | (317) 925-1900 | X |   |   |
| Camp Buffalo                      | 9400 N. Boy Scout Rd.  | Buffalo       | IN | Sagamore              | (765) 452-8253 | X |   |   |
| Camp Chief Little Turtle          | 2282 W. 500 W. S.      | Pleasant Lake | IN | Anthony Wayne         | (800) 272-2922 | X | X | X |
| Camp Krietenstein                 | 6445 E. CR-575         | Center Point  | IN | Walbash Valley        | (812) 232-9496 | X |   | X |
| Camp Topenebee                    | 6337 N. Holmesville    | Michigan      | IN | LaSalle               | (219) 289-0337 | X |   | X |

|                            | Rd.                    | City        |    |                       |                |   |  |   |
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| Cary Camp                  | 6286 SR-26             | Lafayette   | IN | Sagamore              | (765) 452-8253 | X |  |   |
| Kikthawenund               | 7651 W. 500 N.         | Frankton    | IN | Crossroads of America | (317) 925-1900 | X |  | X |
| Old Ben Scout Reservation  | 5735 E. CR. 175 N.     | Winslow     | IN | Buffalo Track         | (812) 423-5246 | X |  | X |
| Ransburg Scout Reservation | 7599 Waldrip Creek     | Bloomington | IN | Crossroads of America | (317) 925-1900 | X |  |   |
| Red Wing Scout Reservation | 5757 Inlow Springs Rd. | Muncie      | IN | Crossroads of America | (317) 925-1900 | X |  |   |

- 1. SAGAMORE COUNCIL, BSA<sup>R</sup> .....(765)452-8253  
518 N. MAIN STREET (800)844-0537  
P.O. BOX 865  
KOKOMO, INDIANA 46903-0865  
[www.sagamoresignals.com](http://www.sagamoresignals.com)
  - A. CAMP BUFFALO .....(574)278-7114  
9400 N BOY SCOUT RD  
MONTICELLO, IN 47960

Located one mile east of State Highway 39 on State Road 16, approximately 9 miles north of Monticello. Camp Buffalo is situated on a large wooded property along the Tippecanoe River in North Central Indiana. Along with the river, the camp boasts of a pond that soon will be a lake, 14 heavily wooded campsites, a recently renovated swimming pool, open expansive activity areas, and a dedicated staff of both year round help and summer camp workers. The camp offers 4 weeks of camping opportunities for Boy Scouts. These weeks are open not only to troops, but individual boys can come and take part in a provisional camp experience where they will be teamed up with a troop of like-age boys.

During the non-camp weeks, the facilities can be rented by any approved group. First priority goes to scout groups, but church groups and other groups can rent a campsite, or one of the sleeping cabins on the property. With advanced notice, some of the non-sleeping buildings can also be rented. This includes our nature lodge for meetings and the dining hall. All reservations are made through the Sagamore Council Center in Kokomo, IN (See contact information).

Program areas include Aquatics, Handicrafts, Scoutcraft, Shooting, Sports, Ecology, Tower/Health and Fitness, and Operation First Class. We have full dining facilities during camp, serving 3 meals a day. We have a health lodge staffed 24 hours a day with trained professionals to offer comfort to any who are hurt or to administer any medications.

During summer camp, boys are able to enjoy nature, participate in many organized (and not so organized) games, be in contact with 35 or more youth staff, and can take up to 6 hours of instruction each day on merit badges or rank advancement. Not only this, but each Wednesday, the Order of the Arrow ceremony is held to recognize "Tapped out" scouts and sometimes to allow a missed boy to be inducted. Wednesday is also parent visitation night. For more information, go to [www.campbuffalo.com](http://www.campbuffalo.com).

- B. CARY CAMP .....(765)447-1990  
6286 STATE ROAD 26 E  
LAFAYETTE, IN 47905

Located about 2 miles east of I-65 on State Road 26, on the north side of the road. Mr. Frank M Cary purchased the original 44 acres and promptly deeded the tract to the Boy Scouts of America. The deed required that the camp be forever known as Franklin Levering Cary Camp in memory of Mr. Cary's only son. Today, Cary Camp has more than 130 beautiful wooded acres bordering on the Wildcat Creek. Cary Camp teems with all kinds of wildlife including birds and animals. The camp has all of the amenities necessary for a successful Boy Scout camp. Included are a large swimming pool, five cabins for overnight camping, five outdoor camp sites, and a large dinning hall which can be used for a meeting room. It also has excellent canoeing and fishing area on the Wildcat Creek. There is a council campfire ring for camp wide evening events as well as archery and rifle ranges. The camp has a grassy Cary Camp "Prairie" which resembles the Midwest prairie of years ago. Each camp site is equipped with water and sanitary facilities. The swimming pool, cabins, and dinning hall are available to all kinds of youth groups virtually year round with the exception of the time Cary Camp is devoted to Cub Summer Resident Camp.



In addition, Cary camp also has the McAllister Scouting Training Center. It consists of four buildings plus restrooms, each can be used individually or in combination. The entire complex is heated, air conditioned, has a kitchen, VCR, PA, PC, overhead projector, and wireless internet.

For more information, go to [www.carycamp.com](http://www.carycamp.com).

2. ILLOWA COUNCIL, BSA.....(563)388-7233  
 4711 North Brady Street, Suite #200  
 Davenport, Iowa 52806  
[www.illowabsa.org](http://www.illowabsa.org)

A. LOUD THUNDER  
 Audalusia, Illinois

The Loud Thunder Scout Reservation is located in heavily wooded terrain about a half-hour west of the Quad Cities (Davenport IA, Bettendorf IA, Rock Island IL, Moline IL) on the Illinois side of the Mississippi River. Activities at Loud Thunder are supported by a modern 300-person Dining Hall and kitchen support area that doubles as our largest capacity meeting room. There is an equally modern Administrative/Meeting Building with conference seating for 30-35 persons and limited cooking facilities. Loud Thunder's 200+ acres also includes two lakes for Boating and Canoeing; specialized activity areas for Rifle, Shotgun, and Archery shooting; and a large outdoor Swimming Pool. There's always access to the resident wildlife population along our many trails, and a small but exciting observatory building with a high-resolution telescope for year-round observation of the stars. Loud Thunder has a Health Lodge, an outdoor Chapel, a convenient covered "Kiva" for outdoor meetings, and a wide variety of covered shelters throughout the Camp for informal gatherings. New is a 60'x60' Pioneer Fort activity center with twin

blockhouses for observation, a large Handicraft Building with three separate covered work porches, and a Cycling Activity Building. Smaller and more rustic facilities on our Lower Camp include a second Swimming Pool, a Lakeside Waterfront Area and several additional shelters and buildings. The camp has 16 developed tenting campsites, including a handicapped accessible campsite with concrete paths and a handicapped-accessible latrine building. Loud Thunder Reservation is also equipped with the area's largest High and Low "Ropes" Course, where groups can learn and practice initiative and team-building skills under certified instructors.

- \ 3. GERALD R. FORD COUNCIL .....(616)785-2662  
 Formerly WEST MICHIGAN SHORES COUNCIL  
 3213 WALKER AV NW  
 GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN 49544  
[www.bsagfc.org](http://www.bsagfc.org)

- A. CAMP GERBER  
 1733 OWASSIPI ROAD  
 TWIN LAKE, MICHIGAN 49457

Gerber Scout Camp offers a wide range of instruction and hands-on training in all the traditional camp activities. All staff members undergo extensive training to make sure all campers receive the best possible instruction. Key Area Directors are graduates of the prestigious B.S.A. National Camp School and hold certificates from many other organizations. You can learn to shoot a bow and arrow at the Archery Range, fire a black powder muzzle loader and learn firearm safety at the Rifle and Shotgun Ranges, take up swimming, kayaking and sailing at the Waterfront and carve a decoy or stamp a wallet at the Handicraft Area. Regardless of whether you are working on a merit badge or just having fun, the staff is there to serve you so you get the best and safest experience possible. Do not miss out on the fun. Many weeks are already filled at Boy Scout Camp. For those that are not signed up you sure are going to miss out on a great summer, but for those that are, bring as many boys as you can.

- 4. LaSALLE COUNCIL, BSA.....(574)289-0337  
 1340 SOUTH BEND AV.....(800)822-3867  
 SOUTH BEND, INDIANA 46617  
[www.lasallecouncilbsa.org](http://www.lasallecouncilbsa.org)

Details of the LaSalle Council camps, including maps and reservation forms, may be found in a file on the CD used to distribute this booklet. The illustrated patch may be earned by camping at all three LaSalle Council camps. For additional information, E-Mail [info@lasallecouncilbsa.org](mailto:info@lasallecouncilbsa.org).



- A.    **CAMP TAMARACK** .....(269)435-7533  
       **WOOD LAKE SCOUT RESERVATION**  
       10891 Withers Road  
       Jones, MI. 49061

CAMP TAMARACK is part of the Wood Lake Scout reservation, located about five miles north of U.S. 12 and just south of Jones, Michigan, right off M-20. It has been owned and operated by the BSA since 1956 and consists of more than 80 acres of heavily wooded land. Located on the Scout Reservation are two glacial lakes, Big and Little Wood Lake, miles of trails, and plenty of wild life. Tamarack hosts the Council Boy Scout Summer Camp.

There are presently 16 campsites with water that are scattered in the woods and around Big Wood Lake. Although the Scouts live in the outdoors in tents, there are several buildings that are used to provide services to the boys. These include a dining hall seating 300, a shower house, health lodge, chapel, rifle and archery ranges, and troop cabins. Three cabins, 24 people each, with gas heat are available for winter camping, but no kitchen facilities. Fishing is available from the shore of Wood Lake and boats are available for rent.

CAMP TAMARACK is rated as a National Standard Camp by the National Council, BSA. An "A" rating was awarded to the camp in 1989. Inspection teams have acclaimed this camp as one of the best Scout camps they have visited. Admission to the camp is open to all Boy Scouts of every race, color, religion, and national origin.

- B.    **CAMP WILL WELBER** .....(269)435-7533  
       **WOOD LAKE SCOUT RESERVATION**  
       10891 Withers Road  
       Jones, MI. 49061

CAMP WILL WELBER is part of the Wood Lake Scout reservation, located about five miles north of U.S. 12 and just south of Jones, Michigan, right off M-20. Will Welber is a family camp located on the south side of Wood Lake Reservation. Facilities include showers, flush toilets, a small lodge with a kitchen and ten cabins. Each cabin has bunks to sleep six, electricity, a stove and sink. Will Welber has its own waterfront for boating or fishing.

- C.    **CAMP TOPENEBEE** .....(219)879-2041  
       0377N Holmesville Road  
       Michigan City, IN. 46360

CAMP TOPENEBEE is located south of Michigan City, IN between I-80/90 and I-94 just off of US 421. From the intersection of Highways 20 and 421, go south on 421 four miles to Holmesville Rd. Turn half-left and go southeast on Holmesville Rd one mile. From intersection of Indiana Toll Rd. and Highway 421, go north on 421 two miles to Holmesville Rd. Turn right (hairpin turn) and back southeast on Holmesville Rd. for one mile. Camp entrance is on left. Topenebee is usually used by LaSalle Council for their Cub camps. Districts of Calumet Council have used the camp for District Camporees. Facilities include four cabins with wood heat, picnic shelter, six Adirondack shelters, rifle/archery range, fitness trail, waterfront, and 14 camp sites. Unfortunately, the dinning hall burned down in

2003, but is being replaced by a training center which will include a kitchen. Contact LaSalle Council for latest rental prices.

D. CAMP RICE WOODS  
600N and 1100E  
Koontz Lake, IN.

RICE WOODS is located south of Walkerton, IN. This 132 acre site is maintained for primitive camping. It offers a picnic pavilion, nine campsites with space for four or five tents each, and a wood heated cabin with 15 bunks. Water is from an old fashioned pitcher pump. The Council is considering selling the camp unless it can raise a camping maintenance fund.

5. Des PLAINES VALLEY COUNCIL, BSA<sup>R</sup> .....(708)354-1111  
811 WEST HILLGROVE AVE.  
LAGRANGE, ILLINOIS 60525  
[www.bsa-dpvc.org](http://www.bsa-dpvc.org)

A. CAMP MACH  
LOCATED FIVE MILES WEST OF  
ELCHO, WI.  
(ABOUT 300 MILES NORTH OF LaGRANGE IL.)

CAMP MACH-KIN-O-SLEW is located five miles west of Elcho, Wisconsin on lake Enterprise (about 300 miles from LaGrange, Illinois). It is operated by the Des Plaines Valley Council, B.S.A. and has been in operation since 1954 and consists of 540 acres of heavily wooded land. Located on the camp are two glacial lakes - BIG APPLE and LITTLE APPLE, beaver dams, bogs, and plenty of wildlife.

Back in the early 1900's Lake Enterprise was called Lake-Mach-Kin-O-slew which is an Indian name that means "lake of the big fish." That is how CAMP MACH-KIN-O-SLEW got its name. Lake Enterprise is a relatively shallow lake that is a little over a square mile in size and has a small island located near the camp.

The region surrounding the camp was a great lumbering area in the early 1900's. Signs of early lumbering can still be seen in the camp along with remains of a fire that destroyed the area around 1930.

In 1920 a man named J. L. Kraft, founder of Kraft Foods in Chicago, bought half of the property surrounding Lake Enterprise. Kraft has a beautiful home built on the Southwest shore of the lake where occasionally he would broadcast his "Kraft Music Hall" over the radio. Mr. Kraft also built a large fireplace on the Western shore of the lake that was used for outdoor barbecues. The fireplace is now in the center of the camp's main service building.

There are presently 13 campsites that are scattered in the woods and around the APPLE Lakes. Although the Scouts live in the outdoors in tents, there are a few buildings that are used to provide services. These include a Shower House, Health Lodge, Chapel, and Service Building that houses the Quartermaster, Commissary and Trading Post. Winter programs are also available.

CAMP MACH-KIN-O-SLEW is rated as a National Standard Camp by the National Council, B.S.A. Admission to the camp is open to all Scouts of every sex, race, color, religion, and national origin.

B. CAMP SHIN-GO-BEEK  
12 MILES SOUTH OF  
WAUPACA, WISCONSIN

CAMP SHIN-GO-BEEK consists of 594 acres on Big Twin Lake, 12 miles south of Waupaca, Wisconsin and 210 miles from the Des Plaines Valley Council office. This beautiful wooded area abounds in wildlife.

Each summer the camp operates with a full Camp Staff which provides help and assistance to the troop leaders in carrying out a program of camping, hiking, swimming, boating, canoeing, sailing, fishing, archery, campfires and many more activities. The camp is an excellent way to highlight the troop's annual program. Troops camp one or two weeks under their own adult leadership.



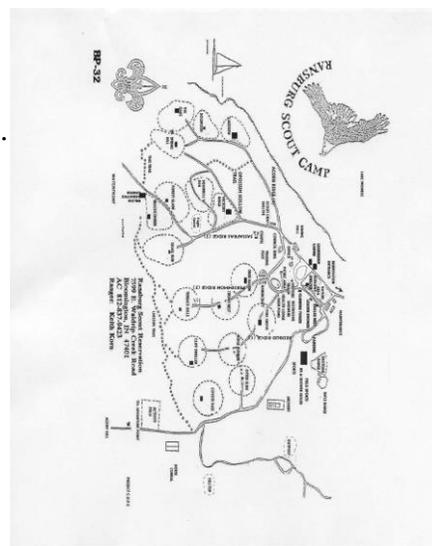
The centrally located dining hall provides nourishing meals for hungry campers, or you may choose to use the Patrol Method cooking option. Other camp facilities include a health center, shower house, observatory, a well stocked trading post and well developed program areas.

- 6. CROSSROADS OF AMERICA COUNCIL<sup>R</sup> .....(317)925-1900  
 1900 NORTH MERIDIAN .....(877)925-1900  
 INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA  
[www.crossroadsbsa.org](http://www.crossroadsbsa.org)

A. RANSBURG SCOUT CAMP .....  
7599 EAST WALDRIP CREEK ROAD  
BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA 47401

The CROSSROADS OF AMERICA COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA prides itself in operating RANSBURG SCOUT RESERVATION as its primary Summer Camp. At Lake Monroe, and covered with 624 acres of oak and jack pine trees. RANSBURG is nestled in the Hoosier National Forest.

The camp is rich in adventure, a perfect setting



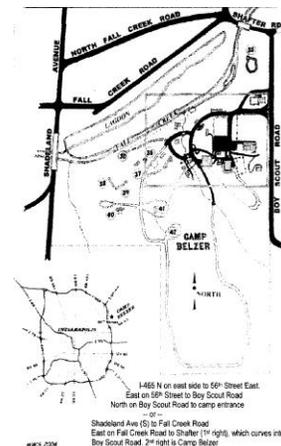
for your Scouts to experience real Scouting adventure. Sailing, water skiing, horseback riding, hiking, nature trails and more await each Scout who spends a memorable week or more at Ransburg every summer.

The camp offers four different opportunities for troops and individual Scouts during the summer camp season. The first is the Main Camp, a traditional Boy Scout camp program experience with full dining hall service and wall tents on platforms in the campsite. Second is Adventure Point, a lone troop experience, with minimal camp staff (for aquatics and shooting sports). Troops will prepare all of their meals from the food provided by the camp. Third is a campsite cooking option, where troops cook in the campsite (with camp food or your own food) and have full service main camp program. (Hilltop and Outpost campsites only). Finally, the provisional Scout program provides the opportunity for Scouts to attend a Ransburg session if they cannot attend with their troop or they wish to camp for a second week. The camp will provide leadership for these Scouts while they are in camp.

Acceptance and participation in the camping programs at RANSBURG SCOUT RESERVATION are the same for everyone without regard to race, color, sex, age, handicap, or national origin. Any person who believes he or she has been discriminated against in any USDA-related activity should write: Secretary of Agriculture, Washington DC 20230.

**B. CAMP BELZER**  
6102 BOY SCOUT ROAD  
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46226.....(317)546-6031

Located on the northeast edge of Indianapolis, from the east leg of I-465, exit at 56th Street east. Continue east on 56th Street to Boy Scout Road. Turn left (north) and follow road to camp gateway on your left. The camp has Archery, BB Range, five cabins, eight shelters, Canoeing, Field House, Picnic Area, and two pools. Fall Creek cuts through the northwest corner of camp. Belzer is primarily used for Cub Scout Day Camp. Two Boy Scout advancement camp programs are also held at Belzer.



Baden-Powell Camp offers the opportunity for Scouts to work on several merit badges, many being Eagle required. The camp operates seven sessions, Monday through Thursday from 8:45 to 3:00. Scouts that are First Class or higher as well as those Scouts who have completed the Dan Beard Camp are eligible to attend. Campers will be given the opportunity for a recreational swim each day.

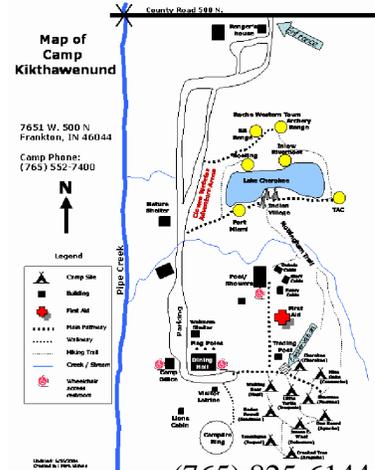
Dan Beard Camp is designed for younger Scouts, who will have the opportunity to complete various requirements towards the ranks of Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class. This camp will emphasize the major skills needed in those three ranks. Scouts attending Dan Beard will also earn the First Aid merit badge and Camper, the first rank of Firecrafter. The camp operates Monday through Thursday from 8:45AM to 3:00PM.

C. CAMP KIKTHAWENUND

7651 W. 500 N.

FRANKTON, IN 46044.....(765) 552-7400

Located between Anderson and Elwood. From Indianapolis, take I-69 to State Road 37 north to Madison County Road 500 N. Turn east 2 miles to camp gateway on your right. [OR from State Road 9 to Madison County Road 500 N. Turn west 8 miles to camp gateway on your left. Camp is approximately 30 minutes from Castleton. There is a highway sign on S.R. 37 with the camp name on it. This camp is primarily used for WEBELOS resident camp.



(765) 825-6144

D. Camp Bear Creek

7417 S Scout Rd

Connersville, IN 47331 .....(765) 825-6144

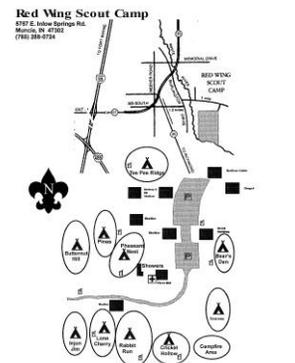
From I-70 or US 40 turn south on Highway 1. Take Highway 1 through Connersville to Highway 121. Take Highway 121 south to Nulltown. Turn left on first road south of Nulltown and follow signs to camp gateway. The camp is situated on Bear Creek and includes canoeing, pool with showers, dining hall, Rifle Range, two small lakes, and nine campsites.

E. Camp Red Wing

5757 E. Inlow Springs Rd.

Muncie, IN 47302 .....(765) 288- 0724

From Muncie, take SR 67 to Meeker Road. Turn south 1 block to 300 S. Turn left. Continue east on 300 S. to Burlington Drive. Turn left (north) on Burlington Drive. Take first road east (right turn) .4 mile. Proceed 1 mile to the camp gateway.



F. Camp Krienstein

6445 E. County Road 575 N

Center Point, IN 47840

Located between Terre Haute and Indianapolis near Poland IN along I-70, take I-70 to SR-42 East to Boy Scout Road. Follow signs. The camp includes a pole barn, shower house, sports field, a lake with aquatics area, Archery Range, Rifle Range, and 11 campsites. This camp is used as a secondary summer camp.

Camp provides a traditional Boy Scout summer experience with full dining hall service and wall tents on elevated platforms in each campsite. We have an option where units may use their own tents and equipment in selected campsites. Our provisional Scout program provides the opportunity for individual Scouts and patrols to attend camp if they

cannot attend with their troop or they wish to enjoy camp for additional weeks. The camp will assist with providing leadership for these Scouts while they are in camp.

- G. Camp Wildwood  
5103 East Old Maple Ave.  
Terre Haute, IN 47803

Fruitridge Road to Beech. Under railroad over pass to Old Maple Avenue. Travel past Wildwood Lane, on Old Maple, to sign.

- 7. RAINBOW COUNCIL, BSA .....(815)942-4450  
2600 N. WINTERBOTTOM ROAD  
MORRIS, ILLINOIS 60450  
[www.rcscouts.org](http://www.rcscouts.org)

A. RAINBOW SCOUT RESERVATION

RAINBOW COUNCIL SCOUT RESERVATION is conveniently located just outside the Chicago Metropolitan area in Grundy County near Morris, Illinois. It is situated along the Mazon River (noted fossil hunting location) in the wide, thickly-wooded corridor of the river basin. Camper population is small, averaging about 100 campers per week, providing the advantages of a low camper - staff ratio.

The camp offers a dining hall, lake swimming, and boating, scoutcrafts, fieldsports, nature and ecology, and a large, diverse merit badge program. In addition, a "First Time Camper Program" is being offered to help new campers get a head start on their Tenderfoot through First Class. Also, there is an exciting obstacle course called "Challenge Valley", and numerous outpost opportunities. This year's outpost activities feature the wilderness Indian Survival Expedition. The program provides experienced Scouts with a chance to traverse some extraordinary terrain and learn to survive with the basic essentials. Participating Scouts can meet requirements for the "Wilderness Survival" and "Indian Lore" merit badges.



B. CAMP THEATHIHITI  
(KANKAKEE ILLINOIS)

This is a very primitive camp that also has no potable water available. All drinking and washing water must be brought in.

- 8. CHICAGO AREA COUNCIL, B.S.A.  
730 WEST LAKE STREET  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60606  
[www.chicagobsa.org](http://www.chicagobsa.org)

OWASIPPE SCOUT RESERVATION.....(800)283-0830

Owasippe Scout Reservation is America's Premier Scout Camp having opened in 1911 from a parcel of 40 acres on Crystal Lake graciously donated by the White Lake Chamber of Commerce. It is owned and operated by the Chicago Area Council Boy Scouts of America. The Camp has just celebrated its Diamond Jubilee and looks forward to another 90 years of Scout camping and happy youth. What follows is an overview of the camp and its programs.



OWASIPPE is located seven miles east of Whitehall, Michigan, about four hours from Chicago. The camp consists of 5,000 acres of rolling hills, deciduous and evergreen woodland forests, crystal clear lakes and streams in the heart of Michigan's water wonderland, nestled in the southwest corner of the Manistee National Forest. The Admin Center is at the intersection of Russell and Silver Creek Roads in Blue Lake Township, about 8 miles north of US Hwy 31 and Muskegon

OWASIPPE is owned and operated by the CHICAGO AREA COUNCIL, B.S.A. as the long term summer camp for the Scouts of Chicagoland. Scouts from other councils throughout the midwest are welcome at OWASSIPPE.

OWASIPPE is a bustling hub of Scouting distributed among two section camps, namely Blackhawk and Wolverine, as well as the Reneker Family Camp, and a host of "outpost" program areas for older Scouts. A backpacking and float program, dubbed "The Manistee Quest" uses the North Country Trail in the Manistee. The "Ad Center" campus is also home to the E. Urner Goodman Owasippe Museum housed in the original Blue Lake Township Hall built in 1910.

Each section camp at Owasippe is independently staffed and runs a traditional Scouting summer program for a host of units. Camps Blackhawk and Wolverine each have in excess of 20 unit sites. Camp Blackhawk is a dining hall camp while Camp Wolverine has "hotpack" meals delivered to each troop site. Raw food cooking is available at each camp.

All section camps have a sanitary unit with a shower, wash basin, and flush toilets. Hot showers are available in all section camps. Campsites come with a flush water hydrant, picnic tables, and a campfire area. Sites range from 1/2 to 2 acres in size and are in close proximity to most of the program areas. Units are supplied with 6' high canvas wall tents, floorboards, and cots. Campsites are located in older growth forests on sandy soil with good drainage.

Outpost programs are challenging, exciting, and play well to BSA Venturing. Some outposts are standbys such as COPE which sports a high and low ropes course. Another unique program feature to Owasippe is its Diamond-O Ranch which hosts guided trail rides, overnite treks to a remote location, and horsemanship merit badge. Some of the newer outposts which have proven very popular with the Scouts and also make available

merit badge programming are Astronomy, Fishing, Photography, and Sailing. There is also a Tubing Outpost which takes Scouts down a "lazy river" in inner tubes.

The manistee quest is also a part of the older-Scout and Venturing program allowing units to plan off-camp backpacking treks into the Manistee National Forest along the North Country National Scenic Trail for up to one week in length. Treks are guided for their entire trip and Scouts are encouraged to work on the 50-Miler Award. Part or all of the trek can be done by canoe on any of three rivers, Pere Marquette, Pine or Manistee. Such float trips can be integrated with the national forest trail network for easy rendezvous through a licensed outfitter. Longer treks are available upon request.

Trek leadership (2-deep) is provided by the unit. However in 2002 there will also be a "provisional" program thereby allowing individual Scouts or crews with only one leader to participate with camp-supplied leadership. In any event, Owasippe will provide a trek guide and instructor for the trip. Crew sizes for each trek must have a minimum of 6 participants but no more than 10. Not more than 1/2 of the crew (minus one) can be adults, age 21 and over. The minimum age to participate in this program is 13 by January 1.

Reneker family resort hosts living quarters and program facilities for the families of Scouters attending Owasippe with their units. This way, they do NOT have to sacrifice a family vacation for the sake of Scouting as their family will be in close proximity to each other and still on the reservation. Camp Reneker sports 40 family cabins, a swimming pool, tennis courts, nature trail, archery course, and a program area featuring crafts and games for smaller children. Children can enroll into various programs based on age-groups. Families can sign into as much or as little as they want. For 2003, the one-week fee for a cabin and program will be \$200 with a related unit in camp and \$300 if NO UNIT is in camp, simultaneously. Families are on their own for food. Each cabin has two bedrooms with two beds each, a living room, and a fully-equipped kitchen. There is electricity and hot water with bathroom and showering facilities within 50 yards of each cabin.

Any Scouting unit or Scout-Family is invited to visit Owasippe in the "off-season", use its facilities, and stay overnite! Tent camping is available for \$25/campsite at Camp Wolverine. Cabin rentals (Spring and Fall) are available at \$30/night at Camp Reneker, \$50-75/night at a Lake (Wolverine) cabin, and \$60/night at the Milton Gray Staff Village. All cabins have electricity, hot water, an appliances kitchen, and are propane-heated (except for Reneker cabins). Those interested should call the CAC Service Center for details and a reservation form at 312-421-8800.

9. THREE FIRES AREA COUNCIL .....(708)584-9250  
 415 NORTH  
 St. CHARLES, ILLINOIS 60174  
[www.threefirescouncil.org](http://www.threefirescouncil.org)
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A. CAMP FREELAND LESLIE

CAMP FREELAND LESLIE (CFL) is a wilderness camp which provides one of the finest day and evening programs in the country. We are known throughout a several state region for the excellence of our staff, program and facilities. We see our roles as a staff as providing a fantastic program which is so diverse and rich that a scout cannot possibly do everything in a week he is here. He must, with the aid and counsel of his troop leaders, select the experiences which will provide the best combination of pure scouting fun and advancement.



Some troop leaders who have never camped at CFL find difficulty to understand how a Scout can achieve his quota of merit badges, while participating in the building of cooking fires, the cooking of meals, and the necessary clean up of pots and pans and the campsite. Experienced CFL scoutmasters know that scouts not only earn the merit badges that they want and need to advance, but they also develop, through the process of working as a patrol team to organize and carry out meal preparation and clean up, into real working patrols. We know that this builds troops: that it will help to improve your own troop. We are really here to help you and your green bar council.

10. NORTHWEST SUBURBAN COUNCIL<sup>R</sup> .....(847) 824-6880  
600 North Wheeling Road,  
Mount Prospect, Illinois 60056-2165  
www.nwsc.org

A. Camp Napowan, Wild Rose, Wisconsin

Located in the pine forests of Wisconsin, 7 miles east of Wild Rose and 40 miles west of Oshkosh, Camp Napowan offers troops the very best in a long-term camping experience. The camp offers a unique program to help Scouts grow and develop.

Situated on Lake Napowan and Hills Lake, the camp has a full and active aquatics program. Combined with the Flintlock historical theme for a variety of craftsman badges, an ambitious Nature area, three shooting sports ranges, and the challenging COPE Course, the camp offers a plethora of activities. Program opportunities abound which provide incentive and motivation for Scout advancement. It also enables them to understand and learn the positive value system taught by Scouting. Scouts are assured of having fun and developing friends and memories that will last a lifetime. A special CAP program is available for first time campers to familiarize them with Napowan.

Summertime Activities Available: Canoeing, Fishing, Hiking, Sailing, Swimming, Horseback Riding, Rifle, Archery, Skeet Shooting, Water Skiing

Local Activities include: Water Park, Experimental Aircraft Association, canoeing, tubing, tennis, golf, fish hatchery tours, action archery course

- B. Camp Lakota, Woodstock, Illinois .....(815) 338-6820

This camp has 18 campsites varying in size. A Program Center has two large rooms (one upstairs, one downstairs) that can each accommodate up to 60 people for meetings or 25 people overnight. There are no beds, but each room has a small kitchenette with stove, refrigerator, sink, counters, cabinets, fireplace, and bathroom. The Field Cabin has bunk beds without mattresses for 36 people, lights, gas heat, oven, and range. Moehling Shelter is 16'x32', has panels for winter, lights, and a barrel stove, but no beds. Gould Shelter is open on three sides, has one fireplace, and screw eyes for unit supplied tarps. Seton Shelter is open on all four sides, has no fireplace, and no provision for tarps. Cross country skiing equipment is available for rental at the trading post with prior arrangement with the camp ranger. A sledding hill is also available, but snowmobiling is not allowed. Fire wood is scarce, so bring your own.

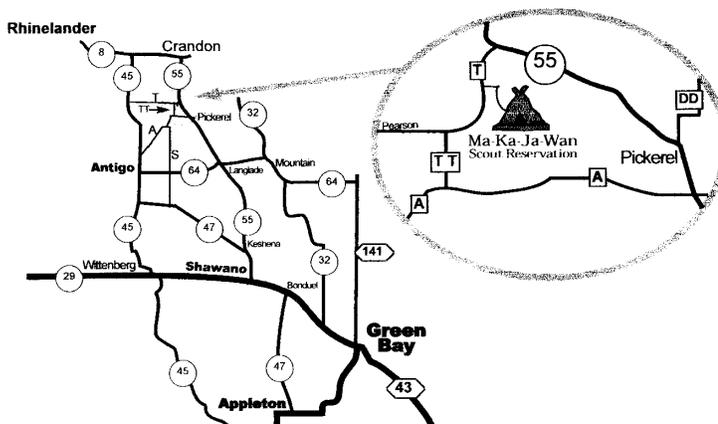
C. Blue Goose High Adventure Base

See Chapter 4 on High Adventure.

- 11. Northeast Illinois Council .....(847) 433-1813  
 2745 Skokie Valley Road  
 Highland Park, IL 60035  
[www.neic.org](http://www.neic.org)

A. Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation

Thousands of Scouts every summer attend a week or more at Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation. It consists of 1,560 acres of beautiful forests and has two lakes and a natural creek. The reservation operates two full service camps, a wilderness camp, a horse ranch, and a family camp. A special Trailblazer program is available for new Scouts working toward First



Class. Program areas include a climbing wall, Patrol Challenge (team building) course, and hiking trails (up to 20 miles). Fishing in Lake Killian is said to be excellent for earning those Merit Badges. Three High Adventure trips of 3 to 4 days are offered for an additional \$20 per person. Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan is located in Pearson, Wisconsin, 25 miles northeast of Antigo, Wisconsin. Additional information can be found at [www.makajawan.org](http://www.makajawan.org).

B. Camp Dan Beard

The camp is located at 200 Portwine Rd.; Northbrook, IL, 4 miles west of Deerfield, south of Lake Cook Road and north of Dundee Road. The camp is approximately 80 acres of wooded and open land (two grassy fields). Facilities:

- Two water pumps (containers needed to carry water from the pumps)

- several latrines
- hiking trails
- three tent campsites
- cabins as follows:

**BAITY CABIN:** Sleeps 20, bunk beds, no mattresses, forced air furnace, wood burning fireplace, counters, tables and benches and 2 electrical outlets.

**Note: the cabins below not available for rental at this time**

**CABIN #1:** Sleeps 20, metal bunk beds, plywood surface, no mattresses, kitchen area with counter, table and benches, no cooking facilities, covered front porch, heated by a wood burning stove (bring your own wood), and 1 electrical outlet.

**CABIN #2:** Sleeps 20, same as Cabin #1, except there is no front porch.

**CABIN #4:** Sleeps 24, built in plywood bunks, no mattresses, kitchen counter but no sink, two fixed 6 ft. long tables, two fixed 2 ft. long tables, two electrical outlets. Heated by a wood burning stove (bring your own wood).

**CABIN #5:** Sleeps 36, built in plywood bunks, no mattresses, kitchen area with counter but no sink, table & benches, four electrical outlets. Heated with one wood burning stove-BYOW (Bring Your Own Wood).

**CABIN #6:** Sleeps 36, same as Cabin #5.

#### C. Camp Crown

The camp is located at 11651 304<sup>th</sup> Av; Wilmont, WI. Take Rt. 41 north which turns into I-94 north. Exit Wisconsin County C and go west. Turn south on County B. Turn east into camp. The camp is approximately 146 acres of rolling hills, wooded and open lands, several ponds. Facilities:

- Large shelter for 30
- About 20 campsites
- Approximately 300 campers
- Water Pumps available ( need containers to carry water )
- 3 Latrines
- Fishing and Canoeing permissible

#### D. Camp Oakarro

The camp is located at 40635 Mill Creek Rd.; Wadsworth, IL. Take Rt. 41 north. Exit Illinois Route 173 and go west. Turn south on Mill Creek road. Turn east into camp. The camp is approximately 40 acres of wooded and open lands, several ponds, cleared camp sites, and hiking trails. Facilities:

- About 20 campsites - **TENTING ONLY**
  - Approximately 300 campers
  - Water Pumps available ( need containers to carry water )
  - 3 Latrines
  - Fishing and Canoeing permissible
  - Pavilion and large fire bowl available upon request
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12. Southwest Michigan Council .....(269) 343-4687  
 1035 West Maple St. (800) 272-7962  
 Kalamazoo MI 49008  
[www.bsaswmc.org](http://www.bsaswmc.org)

A. Rota-Kiwan Reservation

B. Camp Madron

Program opportunities are the highlight of summer camp. While merit badge work is often the focus, a wide variety of other programs are offered for the beginning camper to the more experienced. Program areas include:

Field Sports – Archery, Rifle, Shotgun, Black Powder, Athletics, Sports, and other activities including volleyball and soccer

Handicrafts – Leatherwork, Basketry, Wood Carving, Pottery, Sculpture

Scoutcraft – Camping, Hiking, Backpacking, Cooking, Indian Lore, Orienteering, Pioneering, Wilderness Survival

Nature – Environmental Science, Astronomy, Bird Study, Fish & Wildlife Management, Forestry, Geology, Insect Study, Mammals, Nature, Plant Science, Reptile & Amphibian Study, Soil & Water Conservation, Weather

Health Lodge – Family Life, First Aid, Emergency Preparedness, Safety

Aquatic – Swimming, Lifesaving, Canoeing, Rowing, Small Boat Sailing, Fishing

Many Merit Badges require advance or follow-up work to fully complete. This is a sampling of the badges we plan to offer if staffing levels can be reached)

In addition to regularly scheduled classes, troops and individual Scouts can plan for a variety of optional activities including a Polar Bear Swim, Mile Swim, Troop Swim, Troop Shoot (Archery or Rifle), Troop Hike, Troop Cookout or Troop Challenge.

Special Evening programs include the Water Carnival on Tuesday evening, Order of the Arrow Tap-Out Ceremony on Wednesday evening, Taste of Madron on Thursday evening, and Parents Night on Friday evening. Parents are invited to tour the camp and enjoy a closing campfire put on by the Scouts and camp staff.

Scouts from various troops may come together to form a "camp troop" and the camp provides the adult leadership. This is a great option if personal schedules do not allow for you to attend camp with your troop or if you want to return to camp for another week.

13. Bay-Lakes Council .....(920) 734-5705  
 PO BOX 267  
 Appleton, WI 54912  
[www.baylakesbsa.org](http://www.baylakesbsa.org)

A. Bear Paw Scout Camp

Bear Paw Scout Camp consists of 325 acres of wilderness situated in the middle of Nicolet National Forest surrounding Bear Paw Lake near Mountain, Wisconsin. Campers have unlimited opportunities to hike, mountain bike, canoe, sail, swim, and enjoy nature at its finest! Additional programs offered are designed to help each Scout toward Eagle rank. The four winter camping facilities are filled to capacity during the winter season as

snowshoe activities are featured. Check out the Bear Paw Scout Camp web page at [www.bpsc.org](http://www.bpsc.org).

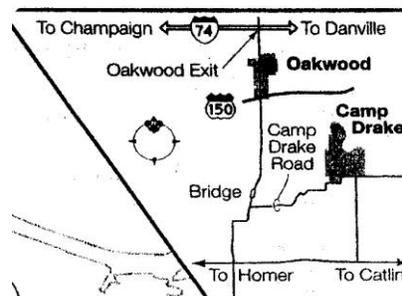
**B. Gardner Dam Scout Camp**

Gardner Dam Scout Camp consists of 400 acres of pristine nature along the banks of the Wild Wolf River in Langlade County. This camp features white water kayaking, a climbing tower, canoeing, 75 miles of mountain biking trails, and a special *variable menu* for patrol cooking to challenge all participants. Cross-country skiing is a very popular weekend activity. The camp is often used by college ecology classes. Check out the Gardner Dam Scout Camp web page at [www.athenet.net/~halron/gdc/gdchome.htm](http://www.athenet.net/~halron/gdc/gdchome.htm)

- 14. Prairielands Council.....217-356-7291  
 3301 Farber Dr. 800-464-7291  
 Box 6267  
 Champaign, IL 61826-6267  
[www.prairielandsbsa.org](http://www.prairielandsbsa.org)  
[www.campdrake.com](http://www.campdrake.com)

**A. CAMP ROBERT DRAKE**

Camp Robert Drake is located at 10001 E Co. Rd. 1500N; Fairmont, Illinois. It is the premiere camping location in central Illinois. With 12 separate camping sites along the Salt Fork River, Drake is an excellent location to take boys on their first outing. During the summer months, a staff of approximately 40 provides a program for both Boy Scouts and Webelos Cubs.



Campsites are equipped with a latrine, washstand, and bulletin board. Meals are served in the dinning hall. Swimming is in a pool adjacent to the shower house. Poncho Pond is used for all boating and fishing activities. The Pollywog program is for boys working toward First Class. Forty-five Merit Badges, including 10 Eagle required, are offered from before breakfast thru after supper (eight time slots). The Lincoln Circuit Trail (see Chapter 5) passes the border of the camp, and the Onaquispasippi Trail follows the perimeter of the camp. Special programs for older boys include a trail bike course, a bouldering wall, and GPS course. High Adventure trips are also available. The camp is rich in traditions such as Rainbow Rock, Suzie Stick, the game of Koob, and the Fluer-De-Lis games. Special adult opportunities are available such as golf at a local course, a ladies and gentlemen float trip, Dutch Oven Cookoff, Scoutmaster shoot, and the Scoutmaster Belly Flop contest. The 2005, out-of-Council, fee is \$170 per boy. Provisional camping (individual boys) is only available during the 5<sup>th</sup> session. Four cabins are also available. A promotional CD may be down loaded from the Drake web site.

- 15. WD Boyce Council BSA .....(309)673-6136  
 614 NE Madison Avenue (800)369-5069  
 Peoria Illinois 61603  
[www.wdboyce.org](http://www.wdboyce.org)

A. Ingersoll Scout Reservation

Ingersoll Scout Reservation, the lone camp of the W. D. Boyce Council, is tucked away in the middle of central Illinois farmland, about 40 miles west of Peoria. Ingersoll encompasses about 1000 acres of rolling hills, deciduous forest, wetlands, and prairie along several miles of the Cedar Creek.

Ingersoll offers a chance to complete many different merit badges, from Swimming to Canoeing, Orienteering to Shotgun Shooting, and Astronomy to Mammal Study. The summer camp program gives both younger and older Scouts an opportunity to have fun and learn important Scout skills.

16. Mississippi Valley Council<sup>R</sup> .....(217) 224-0204  
 2336 Oak Street (800) 364-4799  
 Quincy, Illinois 62301  
[www.mississippivalleybsa.org](http://www.mississippivalleybsa.org)

- A. Camp Eastman .....(217) 847-2770  
 750 E. County Road 1780  
 Nauvoo, IL 62354

Camp Eastman is located just off IL 96 (The River Road) 8 miles south of Nauvoo, IL or 5.5 miles north of Hamilton, IL on the Mississippi River. Camp sessions run from mid-July to mid-August. Facilities include a large Dining Hall, COPE Course, pool, and large boating program including sailing, motorboating & water-skiing on the Mississippi River as well as normal camp boating activities.

Situated on the Mighty Mississippi, Camp Eastman provides an ideal setting for boys of all ages. Here you'll find a quiet creek ideal for lessons in the use of a variety of small boats. From the safe harbor, just under the highway bridge, the more accomplished and daring Scouts have access to the raging Father of Waters in which to really test their skills.

Along with the recreation and wildlife opportunities that only the Mississippi brings, there are other environments that appeal to anyone wishing to study wetlands, aquatic, hardwood forests and river bluff habitats.

You will find that the 11 campsites are within a few minutes of all the program activities including the trading post and dining hall.

One of the major attractions at Eastman is the huge swimming pool. It is well maintained and provides a safe area to learn swimming and lifesaving skills.

Camp Eastman is a compact acreage proven by design and tradition to be an ideal place for young people to learn the skills needed for leadership and good citizenship as they grow into contributing members of our society.

The Mississippi Valley Council Camps will once again be offering a canoe trek from

Nauvoo to the Port of Eastman (boating waterfront at Larry Creek). To participate, Scouts must be at least 13 years old, a blue swimmer in the current season and have the Canoeing Merit Badge. Participation will be limited due to the availability of licensed canoes and trailers. A minimum of one adult is required for every seven youth participants.

- B. Saukenauk Scout Reservation.....(217) 985-4983  
 2948 E 1000<sup>th</sup> St  
 Mendon, IL 62351

Saukenauk Scout Reservation is located in West Central Illinois 25 miles north of Quincy and 4 miles east of Lima, Illinois. Saukenauk is 602 acres of prime Boy Scout Real Estate that includes four camps. Camp sessions run from mid-June to early July. Facilities include a Dining Hall, K-2 Climbing Tower, and Large lake featuring a suspension bridge.

Camp Illini (referred to as the Main Side) is designed for Boy Scout Troop long-term Camp (summer camp) with a dining hall and all the other program areas needed for a summer camp program. These areas include a 40-acre lake with swimming beach and boathouse, a rifle range, health lodge, chapel, trading post, shower house and 10 campsites.

Camp Illiniwek (referred to as the Jambo Side) is covered with beautiful, huge pines. It was originally designed for troops wishing to do their own cooking. There are seven campsites. Many troops enjoy staying on the Jambo Side of the lake and walking to the main side for meals and program.

The rest of Saukenauk is set aside as Camp Iroquois (outside camping) and the High Adventure Area, all within easy walking distance. Both of these areas are unimproved by man and retain the grandeur and attractiveness of an ancient Eastern Hardwood Forest.

There are examples of several types of ecological environments at Saukenauk, ranging from semi-arid to aquatic, wetlands and prairie remnants. A week spent near this assortment of habitats will whet a young person’s appetite for study and adventure.

- 17. Abraham Lincoln Council<sup>R</sup> .....(217)529-2727  
 5231 S Sixth St.  
 Springfield, IL 62703  
[www.alincolnbsa.org](http://www.alincolnbsa.org)

- A. Camp Bunn  
 5259 Camp Lane  
 Hettick, Illinois 62649

Hettick is approximately 40 miles southwest of Springfield on Route 111. Camp Bunn has more than 600 acres of woods, streams, and fields. The camp provides wall tents and floor boards for tents, but the Troop/individual must provide any Cots/Air Mattresses. Visitors are welcome at camp on Thursday night for a delicious dinner with their troop.

The cost is \$5.00 per adult, \$3.00 per child between 5 & 10 years of age, under 5 years is free, or \$15.00 per family (immediate members only). Before the troops come to camp, they must select one of several food service options. The 80-acre, Lake Freesen offers tremendous resources for all kinds of water fun. Certified lifeguards and instructors staff the waterfront. Canoes, rowboats, and sailboats, along with all the necessary safety equipment are available. Besides the usual program features there is also Fine Arts consisting of the following Merit Badges: Art, Cinematography, Music, Public Speaking, and Theater.

18. Hoosier Trails Council .....(812) 336-6809  
 5625 E St. Rd 46 1-800-844-6809  
 Bloomington, IN 47401  
[www.hoosiertrailsbsa.org](http://www.hoosiertrailsbsa.org)

A. Maumee Scout Reservation

Opened in 1972 for long term camping. It consists of 605 acres in the Northwest corner of Jackson County in the middle of the Hoosier National Forest. The camp has a 56 acre lake that on a clear day you can see it's bottom. The fishing is great. There are 11 campsites and 2 cabins that can be used year round. The camp is capable of supporting 200 campers a week.

The camp is also used for many Cub Scout activities like Mom & Me, Dad & Lad, and Webelos weekend camping.

The Eagle Quest Program is for Scouts who want to work on Tenderfoot, Second Class and First Class requirements. Scoutmasters are invited to help us. New Scouts can get the one-on-one help they need to learn those difficult knots, compass techniques and other basic Scoutcraft skills.

The good old reliable "hands-on-approach" will be taken in merit badge and skill instruction in all areas. We know that "Company's Comin" and we assure you that we will "Do our Best" to offer your Scouts an exciting and challenging Summer Camp Program.

19. Buffalo Trace Council.....812-423-5246  
 3501 E Lloyd Expressway 800-264-5246  
 P.O. Box 3245  
 Evansville, Indiana 47731-3245  
[www.buffalotracecouncil.org](http://www.buffalotracecouncil.org)

A. Old Ben Scout Reservation

Acres: 260 acres

Number of Camp Sites: 10

Camp Facilities:

Dining Hall (capacity: 220)

Campfire ring, trading post, showers, and chapel available.

Available Activities:

swimming, rifle/archery range, canoeing, hiking, COPE

Includes : Lake. Rowboats, Canoes available, Long-term, Short-term camping & Dining Hall.

Winter accomodations are available. Call (812) 895-0980 for more information.

Located in Winslow IN.

20. Anthony Wayne Area Council .....260-432-9593  
8315 West Jefferson Blvd, 800-272-2922  
Fort Wayne, IN 46804  
[www.awac.org](http://www.awac.org)

A. Camp Chief Little Turtle

One of the premier camps in the Midwest! The Anthony Wayne Scout Reservation includes over 1,200 acres of program area including Camp Chief Little Turtle for Boy Scouts and Camp Follinger for Cub Scouts. Deluxe facilities:

- Air conditioned dinning hall. All meals prepared on site.
- New camper showers – (new building in 2001) with individual stalls.
- Natural lake – crystal clear water, with sandy beach.
- Campsites – wilderness or platform tents with cots.
- Wildlife wetland habitats and observation areas (new in 2001)

Adventurous programs:

- Trek mountain bikes
- 30 ft repelling & climbing tower
- COPE high course
- Over 40 basic merit badges (plus electives) offered during summer camp.
- Great Lakes sailing camp
- River canoe treks
- Rock climbing
- Water front activities including rope swing, snorkel, sailboards, canoe, sailboat, and rowing

Year round facility:

Bring your troop to camp anytime for a great experience. COPE, cabins, trails, wildlife areas, and showers are open year round. Pokagon State Park is just minutes away with one of three refrigerated Toboggan Slides in the nation.

Convenient location:

Camp Chief Little Turtle is strategically located midway between Chicago, Detroit, and Indianapolis. Near the intersection of Interstates 80/90 and 69. The drive to camp is on safe, easy to navigate, 4 lane interstate highways, yet camp is located far from city and traffic noise. Each campsite is accessible to a troop trailer.

What's New:

The Anthony Wayne Area Council continues to invest in the outdoor education of our youth. Our year 2000 Capital Campaign has provided over \$1,500,000 toward the continued expansion and improvement of the Anthony Wayne Scout Reservation. We have completed as of May 2001.... New camper showers, new - year round showers & laundry, new and expanded Staff Village, and a unique Wildlife Habitat. Following shortly will be a remodeled Dinning Hall and Conference Center, program and rental cabins, and Cub World. Come watch us grow!!!

For summer camp reservations call: 800/272-2922

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21. Hawkeye Area Council .....(319)862-0541  
660 32nd Avenue SW 877-429-5272  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52404  
[www.hawkeyebsa.org](http://www.hawkeyebsa.org)

A. Howard H. Cherry Scout Reservation

B. Camp Wakonda

22. Northeast Iowa Council .....(563)556-4343  
10601 Military Road (800)866-2721  
P.O. Box 732  
Dubuque, Iowa 52004-0732  
[www.scoutsiowa.com](http://www.scoutsiowa.com)

A. Camp C.S. Klaus

Camp C.S. Klaus is currently Northeast Iowa Council's long term summer camp. The camp is situated in a valley about four miles northwest of Colesburg, Iowa. Among some of the amenities at Klaus are a trout stream, a scenic waterfall with many rare plants growing there, a twelve acre man-made lake, eight campsites, several permanent buildings and an excellent newly constructed field sports area. Camp C. S. Klaus gets its name from Clifton and Sophia Klaus who donated the original 180 acres to the Council.

Among the buildings at Camp Klaus are the Visitor's Center and the Health Office, trading post and quartermaster building, the A-Frame, Chateau, Red Fox lodge, newly refurbished Chapel and recently modernized and upgraded Dining Hall. Also new for the 2002 camping season will be four new staff cabins. There are three pavillions located around camp; the Lyon's Den, Owl's Roost and a Scoutcraft pavillion. The Rapelling and climbing tower, located across the lake from the dining hall, will have some new features for the 2002 camping season..

When camp is in session during the summer months, several different programs are available for Cub Scouts, Webelos, Boy Scouts and Venture Crews. Again at Camp Klaus for the 2002 summer season will be a revised older scout Outbound Adventure Program of week-long camping and canoeing in the Yellow River Forest area and on the Mississippi River. When camp is not in session, short term camping is available. Ruprecht Memorial Campsite, with recently added Adirondack shelters, is also available on a short term camping basis. For more information or the new promotional flyer on Camp C. S. Klaus, contact the Council Service Center.

B. Camp Burton

Camp Burton is a forty acre camp operated and maintained by the Northeast Iowa Council. The Camp is situated just twelve miles north of Dubuque off Highway 52 on Boy Scout Road. The Camp offers camping, a heated lodge for winter use, hiking, and a latrine. Inside the lodge there is a cooking stove enclosed by an L-shaped stainless steel counter for indoor cooking, and a woodburning stove in the main room and the sleeping

quarters for heat.

The Camp is no longer available for long term camping but is a favorite spot for Troops for late fall, winter and early spring outings. Contact the Council Service Center for more information and reservations.

23. BLACKHAWK AREA COUNCIL .....(815)397-0210  
 1800 Seventh Avenue  
 Rockford, IL 61104  
[www.blackhawkscouting.org](http://www.blackhawkscouting.org)

A. Canyon Camp

As it's name implies, Canyon Camp is nestled in a canyon between Stockton and Apple River, IL. It has been visited and revisited by many scouts from throughout the States for over 65 years. The camp offers programs for the first year camper which get them started along the right Scouting trail. There is a "First Class Emphasis" program for those Scouts working on advancement in rank. And, for the "experienced" Scouts and Scouters, there is the Operation O.W.L. program which offers high adventure experiences such as river canoe trips, rappelling, and woodsman camping.

During the "off" season, Canyon Camp is utilized by many for Troop Campouts. It is home to deer, turkeys, raccoons and more. The hills offer wonderful sledding opportunities during the winter. [www.canyoncamp.org](http://www.canyoncamp.org)

B. Camp Lowden

Located seven miles south of Oregon, Illinois, Camp Lowden is on 250 acres of wooded property surrounded by the Lowden-Miller State Forest. It is a complete service Scout camp offering challenging summer camp programs for all ages of Scouts. Camp Lowden also offers opportunities for year-round unit camping and other scout events and activities. [www.camplowden.org](http://www.camplowden.org)

24. Black Swamp Council.....(419)422-4356  
 752 W Robb Av. (888)686-4220  
 Lima, Ohio 45801  
[www.bsac449-bsa.org](http://www.bsac449-bsa.org)

A. Camp Berry

Camp Berry is located just south of Findlay, OH on over 340 acres of meadows and woods, with a flowing creek and a 4-acre lake. The camp offers 14 campsites and 6 cabins for your camping needs. Camp Berry also features a swimming pool, hiking trails, shooting range, 50' climbing tower, and outdoor amphitheater.

Summer Camp at Berry is a must-have experience for your son. Each campsite features canvas wall tents on wood platforms, with bunks and mattresses ready to be moved in to. Summer Camp provides a week of fun and adventure for your son, and a chance to make friendships that may last a lifetime. Boys not only learn how to live in a tent, but also how to cook and serve a meal for eight, but also basic skills of outdoor living.

Scouts discover and learn that if they work together as a team, life in camp is much smoother. Teamwork is a basic principle in Scouting. Each Scout will have a full day's

adventure as they work on activities in those areas that most interest them. Scouts in camp for the first year, will have an opportunity to learn and earn all the outdoor skills needed for all ranks up through the First Class.

**B. Camp Lakota**

Camp Lakota, located south of Defiance, Ohio, sits on 640 acres of rolling meadows and woods, with a flowing creek and a 46-acre lake. The camp offers 14 campsites and 1 cabin for your camping needs. Camp Lakota also features hiking trails, a shooting range, a high ropes course, canoeing, water skiing, and much more.

Summer Camp at Lakota is a must-have experience for your son. Units provide their own tents and camping gear while staying at Camp Lakota. A feature of Camp Lakota is the 265-foot suspension bridge that will take Scouts back and forth from the lake to the main part of camp. Summer Camp provides a week of fun and adventure for your son, and a chance to make friendships that may last a lifetime. Boys not only learn how to live in a tent, but also how to cook and serve a meal for eight, but also basic skills of outdoor living.

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- 25. Glacier’s Edge Council .....(608) 273-1005  
 P.O. Box 14135.....(800)213-1418  
 Madison, Wisconsin 53708-0135  
[www.glaciersedge.org](http://www.glaciersedge.org)

**A. Ed Bryant Scout Reservation**

214 acres located on County Highway G on the south end of Castle Rock Lake in the Town of Germantown seven miles northeast of the City of Mauston in Juneau County, Wisconsin. The location is just 15 miles off of Interstate 90-94 with easy access. The property is rolling woodland with low bluffs overlooking Castle Rock Lake with a mile of shoreline. The camp has twelve campsites with sanitary facilities and running water. There are designated program areas for shooting sports, including: rifle, shotgun, and archery ranges; nature, Scoutcraft, swimming, watercraft, handicraft, and climbing and traversing (for younger Scouts) walls. Programs include Baden Powell I (Scout to First Class) and over fifty Merit Badges. There is also an adult patrol challenge. During the “Specialty Session” week, special programs in Eagle advancement, Climbing, Lifeguard, Pioneering, First responder, and a **Girl Scout** program are offered. A new dining hall, shower and toilet facilities were added in 2003. Patrol cooking is also offered. The camp also has a large campfire bowl overlooking the lake and a large open field for sports activities. Units bring their own tents and the camp provides a patrol box. A promotion video is available on the web site.

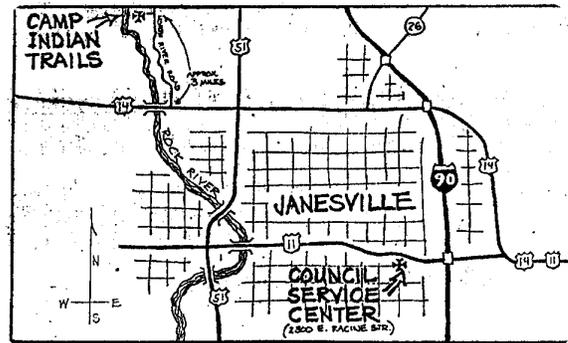
**B. WOODMAN CENTER FOR CAMPING AND EDUCATION**

532.5 acres located on CTH - I in the northeast corner (section 6) of Willow Twp., Richland County, Wisconsin. Near the village of Rockbridge between Cazenovia and

Richland Center. The core of the Woodman Center is situated in a valley, with wooded hills and high bluffs, rolling pasture land and a 4-acre man-made lake located in the center of the main valley. Currently the Woodman Center is used by Scout units for overnight camping. The Center is also available for youth and adult weekend training programs and for Cub Scout day camping and Cub and Family overnight camping programs.

### C. Camp Indian Trails

Camp Indian Trails is comprised of approximately 200 acres of pristine woodlands about seven miles northwest of Janesville along the Rock River off Hwy 14 on North River Road. We provide some of the finest facilities in the country for Cub Scout Day Camp, Boy Scout Long Term Camp, Unit camping and family camping. An Iron Man High Adventure (five day) trip is offered for Scouts 13 and older that includes biking (you provide), COPE Course, and Canoeing. Camp Indian Trails is a BSA nationally accredited camp.



Our facilities include:

- Olympic sized swimming pool
- Separate change rooms for men, women, and boys
- Huge dining hall and fall-out shelter that seats 400+
- BB gun and Archery range for Cub Scouts
- 25 foot challenging Cub Scout climbing wall
- Handicraft center
- Nature center
- Scout skills and pioneering center
- Waterfront activities center including Canoes, Kayaks, and SCUBA (extra charge)
- Boy Scout rifle range
- Boy Scout archery range
- 50 foot high adventure climbing tower
- Campsites for up to 800 people
- Wood platform wall tents for long term camp
- Modern shower facilities
- Outdoor classroom center
- Outdoor fire and ceremonies bowls
- Outdoor chapel
- Hiking trails
- Observation tower
- Four log cabins and two wood frame cabins for Fall, Winter and Spring cabin camping

26. Southeast Wisconsin Council .....(262)632-1655  
 2319 Northwestern Avenue (800)773-1655  
 Racine, WI 53404  
[www.sewisbsa.com](http://www.sewisbsa.com)

A. Camp Oh-Da-Ko-Ta

Camp Oh-Da-Ko-Ta offers complete facilities for Cub Packs, Scout Troops, and Venture Crews. The camp encompasses 185 acres of beautiful rolling hills and woodlands including waterfront on Dyer Lake.

Facilities include a dining hall with shower facilities, 4 winter camping cabins with kitchens, 2 campfire bowls, Cub and Scout program areas, year-round trading post, BB guns, archery, nature, crafts, Tee-Pee fire ring, Fort Dakota, chapel, lakefront with swimming, boating, and fishing.

Camp Oh-Da-Ko-Ta is operated during the summer for Cub Scout programs. Programs offered are Cub Day camp, Mom-and-Me weekend, Webelos weekend. From September 1 through May 31, camp is available for winter cabin camping, tent camping, camporees, and other outdoor activities. Family camping is available on Labor Day and Memorial Day weekends. Over 500 campers can be accommodated on any given weekend.

Reservations must be made through the SE Wis Council service center. A non-refundable deposit is required to hold your reservation. It is important to make your reservation as early as possible. Cabin sizes vary from 20 to 32 campers. All facilities are available and each unit must provide 2 deep adult leadership with proper certification. Camp Oh-Da-Ko-Ta is just 2 miles north of Hwy 50 on Hwy P. It is 25 miles west of Kenosha, 5 miles south of Burlington, and 15 miles from Lake Geneva and Elkhorn.

B. Camp Lyle

Camp Lyle is 640 wooded acres and provides a summer adventure for both Scouts and Webelos by providing long term camping programs.

Camp facilities include 2 pavilions, 2 wholly contained lakes, Wolf River access, an administration building with first-aid, commissary, and trading post operations.

Camp Lyle is located 5 miles south of Post Lake, 15 miles from Elcho, located between Antigo and Rhinelander.

27. Potawatomi Area Council .....(262)544-4881  
 804 Bluemound Rd.  
 Waukesha, WI 53188  
[www.pacbsa.org](http://www.pacbsa.org)

A. Camp Long Lake

Located north of Milwaukee near St. Cloud, WI, Camp Long Lake offers an exciting Scouting experience for boys of all ages. Project First Class allows new Scouts to work on their Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class ranks. The Trail to Eagle program will allow Star and Life Scouts to work on Citizenship in the Nation, Citizenship in the World, and Personal Fitness merit badges. Golf merit badge challenges Scouts and adults at a nearby golf course. Our 45 foot tall Climbing Tower offers challenge to youth and adults over 13 years of age. And of course our Dining Hall offers delicious food so that your boys can focus on



learning Scout skills they would not have the chance to work on the rest of the year rather than cooking responsibilities that they can experience as a part of the Troop's year round program. Facilities include a new Shower House, rifle and shotgun ranges, canoeing, kayaks, and 16 campsites. New Leader Essentials, Troop Committee Training, and other courses will be offered to adult leaders as in the past. A Power Point slide show is available on the Council website. To get to Camp Long Lake, take I-45 north out of Milwaukee towards West Bend; stay on I-45 as it becomes limited access two-lane near Kewaskum; go a little over 7 miles past the second stoplight in Kewaskum; turn right on Hwy 67; travel almost 4 miles and Hwy 67 makes a sharp left in Dundee; continue on for almost 3 miles and turn right onto Boy Scout Rd; within one mile you will come to the camp parking lot (gravel road). The camp is at N4350 Boy Scout Rd, St. Cloud, WI.

28. GREATER CLEVELAND COUNCIL.....(216)861-3431  
 2241 WOODLAND AV  
 CLEVELAND, OH 44115  
[www.gccbsa.org](http://www.gccbsa.org)



#### A. BEAUMONT SCOUT RESERVATION

Beaumont is located on Route 45 north of Rock Creek, OH, seven miles south of I-90 along the Grand River in Ashtabula County. The camp is a full-service Scout Reservation on 1,260 acres of forests, fields, wetlands and lakes. Operating as a summer camp every year since 1946, Beaumont has grown into a complete reservation with facilities for Cub Scouting, winter camping, training courses as well as the Boy Scout camp described here for your troop. Half of the use fee is due with the reservation request and is not refundable. Troops camping in the Broadbent sub-camp eat their meals prepared and served family-style in the camp dining hall. You can do your own patrol cooking at a campsite in the McCahill sub-camp. Troops can select a standard campsite with a large, roofed pavilion and plenty of area for setting up patrol tents. Starting in 2001, troops also have the option of reserving a campsite with platform tents already in place when they arrive. A total of 19 campsites are available. In addition, special needs troops may choose a troop lodge (cabin) as their campsite; one of which has a ramp. The property has four lakes and fishing for bass and bluegill is good. Hiking trails with patches are available. A family camp with tent sites, trailer hook ups, and shower house is open spring through fall. The camp trading post is open every weekend. Summer camp price is graduated as follows: Dining Hall Troops \$155.00 - \$55.00 Leader; Patrol Cooking \$90.00 - \$10.00 Leader.

Twelve cabins, sleeping 28-36 people, are available for winter camping. Primary heat is by wood stoves with supplemental gas heat at an additional cost. Cabins have outdoor toilets, stove, refrigerator, but water has to be carried in the winter.

The Pack 'n' Paddle program is for experienced Scouts that want to combine the excitement of river canoeing with the challenge of distance backpacking. The Pack 'n' Paddle group will gather at the lakefront on Monday at 9 a.m. to do an equipment check, and a pre-trip briefing. Departure is at the bridge at 1:45 p.m. After a four-and-one-half hour Grand River trip they will set up camp for the evening. Morning brings a switch to

backpacking. Back roads and a scenic rails-to-trails hike covers nine miles to the second campsite. Wednesday the Pack 'n' Paddle group returns to their own troops in time for breakfast. Participants will have the opportunity to improve their skills in canoeing, outpost cooking and camping, water purification techniques, back road, highway and trail hiking safety, topographic map and compass skills and GPS receiver usage. A camp staff member will lead this outpost experience. Scouts interested must be age 13 by Jan. 1, to participate. The Pack 'n' Paddle fee of \$20 covers canoeing equipment, permits, four meals, and a special Pack 'n' Paddle patch. Two adults may be part of the Pack 'n' Paddle group at the same fee.

B. TINNEMAN CANOE BASE

See Chapter 4 on High Adventure camps.

30. BLUE GRASS COUNCIL.....(859)231-7811  
 415 NORTH BROADWAY  
 LEXINGTON, KY 40508  
[www.bgbsa.org](http://www.bgbsa.org)

- A. CAMP McKEE  
 8965 LEVEE ROAD  
 JEFFERSONVILLE, KY 40937

Camp McKee is part of the 1000 acre BLUE GRASS COUNCIL SCOUT RESERVATION. It is located at the Montgomery/Powell County line on Highway 11. Directions to Camp McKee are: take Highway 11 from Mt. Sterling towards Clay City or Highway 11 from Clay City towards Mt. Sterling, approximately 8 miles from each city. Coming from Mt. Sterling, it is a wide curve with a passing lane (the only passing lane on the road). Turn right at the camp entrance, follow the road to the fork, and take the right fork to the parking lot.

The property consists of rolling hills and knobs covered with a hardwood forest of, oak, hickory, and pine. Geese and ducks are found on the 14 acre lake stocked with bass, bream and catfish. Aquatic activities include canoeing, rowing, swimming, mile swim and B.S.A. Lifeguard.

Shooting sports are also a camp highlight. Programs featuring shotguns, .22 rifles and archery are all available at camp.

Our Baden-Powell Program, for the first year campers, gives Scouts a real taste of pioneer life and a big start toward earning their First Class Rank in just one year. The program will also help Scouts learn how the patrol method works.

For older Scouts, we have expanded our High Adventure program. This program is designed for your Star Scouts, 13 years or older, who have been to camp at least two previous years. Our merit badge program offers many badges that are required for Eagle Rank and also those that are sometimes more difficult to earn outside the summer camp setting.

Our staff members are well trained and eager to work with your Scouts to insure that they have a great Summer Camp Experience!

31. McGREGOR SMITH SCOUT RESERVATION.....(305)364-0020  
 SOUTH FLORIDIA COUNCIL  
 15255 NW 82 AVENUE  
 MIAMI LAKES, FL 33016  
[www.sfcbsa.org](http://www.sfcbsa.org)

A. CAMP LONE-OAK

Archery, swimming, bass fishing, outpost camping, horseback riding, rifle and shotgun, and 50 + merit badges. Nature hikes, first year camper programs, canoeing, rowing, and sail boating.

32. CHIEF OKEMOS COUNCIL.....(517)321-9400  
 4000 W MICHIGAN AV  
 LANSING, MI 48917  
[www.chiefokemosbsa.org](http://www.chiefokemosbsa.org)

A. NORTHWOODS SCOUT RESERVATION

Northwoods is located at 3552 Lakeshore Drive Lupton, Michigan, east of West Branch off Peters Road. From Lansing, you can get to the camp either by heading North on U.S. 127 to M-55, or by heading North to Flint on I-69 and then North to camp on I-75 to M-33 to M-55. Turn North onto Henderson Lake Road and then East on Peters Road until it ends.



The camp consists of 840 acres of northern hardwood forest, wetlands and Lake Arrowhead, a 90-acre private lake. Part of Big Williams Lake is also on camp property. Facilities range from rustic campsites on the south side of the lake to the heated log cabin overlooking Lake Arrowhead. At Northwoods you have trails to hike, wetlands to visit, wildlife to watch for and fish to catch. The road around the lake passes through a variety of habitats, from northern hardwood forests to lowland swamp forests to wetlands to open fields. Deer, coyotes, raccoons, chipmunks, rabbits, porcupines, frogs, wild turkeys, pheasant, loons and Bald Eagles are some of the wildlife commonly seen and heard. During the summer, two-man wall tents, each with two cots, on a wooden platform. There are sixteen campsites located around camp: 12 inpost sites located around the north side of the lake with latrines, seasonal water (available at the latrine building) and fire rings, but no electricity. Four outpost sites are located along the south and east lakeshore. The outpost sites have latrines, water pumps, fire rings and lake access, but no electricity. The waterfront includes swimming, rowboats, sailboats, kayaks, and fishing. The Netomi Trail is the camp's Scout to First Class program. High Adventure trips are available with one week especially devoted to that.

In the winter, camping, snowshoeing, sledding, cross-country ski trails and ice fishing are all available at Northwoods. Scouts can earn their polar bear patch and work on a variety of merit badges involving plant and wildlife identification. Camping can be done completely out of doors, in unheated cabins, or in the heated Log Cabin or Meijer Dining Lodge.

Family camp area consists of a wooded, secluded area by the main entrance of camp. There are 4 cabins of various sizes and about 4 camping spaces. Tents, pop-up campers and trailers can be accommodated in this area. An A-frame is available for a sheltered

campfire and small group gatherings. Electric hookup, fire pits and seasonal water hookups are available. Latrine facilities and showers are available at the family camp area: modern facilities are also nearby at the Welcome Center.

**B. CAMP KIWANIS**

Camp Kiwanis is located at 676 W Dansville Road, Mason, Michigan, 3.5 miles east of Mason on M-36 at Diamond Rd. The camp contains 85 acres, 55 of which are wooded. Camp Kiwanis is open year-round for camping, hiking, sledding and outdoor fun. Camp facilities can sleep 107 people indoors, or bring 300 of your friends and camp outdoors under the stars. The "Tower of Strength" will challenge the older scouts. It houses both a climbing wall and the rappelling area. There are two campfire bowls for holding group campfires.

Camp Kiwanis was previously owned by the Lansing Kiwanis Club and used as a fresh air camp for tubercular children. It was donated June 8, 1939 to the Chief Okemos Council of the Boy Scouts of America. The camp was also used for several years by the Volunteers of America and the Salvation Army for children and their mothers.

At Kiwanis, there are nature trails to walk with tree identification plaques along the way. The trails range from the highest elevation in Ingham County to low swamp habitats. The "20" acres are open to walk and explore the natural features. Deer, fox, raccoons, squirrels, rabbits, hawks, turkey buzzards, ducks, bats, wild turkeys and coyotes are among the wildlife that make their homes on camp property.

In the winter, camping, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing and sledding down the 800' sledding hill are all available at Kiwanis, or you can sit in the shelter by the sledding hill and watch the fun. The camping area is open year round and scouts can earn their Polar Bear patch.

Neitz Lodge houses the meeting facilities at camp. It can comfortably accommodate 100 people. There is a woodburning fireplace at one end of the meeting area. There is a full kitchen as well as restrooms.

Sparrow Lodge sleeps 20 on one side and 18 on the other. You may rent one side or both. It has a full kitchen, restrooms and shower.

Gibson cabin will sleep 21 people. It has a refrigerator and microwave, but no running water. A latrine is located nearby.

Dart Lodge has two sides, each of which holds 24 people. Each side has its own kitchen and separate adult sleeping room. There are central restrooms and two showers.

There are 20 campsites, ranging in size from 30 by 30 feet to 75 by 100 feet. The site locations range from grassy fields to shady sites to sleeping in the pines. Each campsite has a picnic table and fire ring. Spring through fall, hot showers and flush toilets are available.

- 33. MIDDLE TENNESSEE COUNCIL .....(615)383-9724  
 P.O. BOX 150409 ..... 800-899-7268  
 NASHVILLE, TN 37215  
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**A. BOXWELL SCOUT RESERVATION**

Camp Boxwell is located on the shores of Old Hickory Lake in Wilson County on State Highway 109, five miles south of Gallatin near LaGuardo, Tennessee. The reservation includes 1,232 acres of rolling hills with lots of good camping sites and hiking trails. Boxwell is filled with wildlife including deer, turkey and geese. The surrounding waters are excellent for swimming, canoeing, fishing, and other aquatic activities. These aquatic activities include motorboating, waterskiing, and sailing. The camp has a new 4,000 square foot swimming pool. The Davy Crockett program is for Scouts working toward First Class. High Adventure opportunities include a caving program, a fishing program, and an Extreme Outdoor Experience which has options for horseback riding, rock climbing, wilderness survival, tubing, and more. The shooting program includes qualification for NRA recognition emblems. The dining hall operates on split shifts. The "out of Council" early bird fee for 2004 is \$155 plus additional fees for some activities. Boxwell Reservation is a nationally accredited camp with an "A" rating. Recently renovated, it is one of the premier camps in the Southern Region. In 1952, the original site was located and, in 1957, the Middle Tennessee Council acquired, by special act of Congress, fee simple (\$1.00) title to 528 acres of land from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Subsequent purchases brought its size up to 1,273 acres. The camps within the reservation are named for other outstanding citizens and scouters. The developed camps include Camp Stahlman, Camp Parnell, Camp Craig, Gaylord CubWorld, and the Percy Dempsey Camporee site. Camp Light, Explorer Island and Camp Beanie Elam have been kept as wilderness sites. Boxwell Reservation is rich in tradition and widely considered one of the very best summer camp facilities in the United States.

#### B. GRIMES CANOE BASE

Grimes Canoe Base has access to over 110 miles of river. Located on the Buffalo River near Flatwoods, Tennessee, Grimes has campsites available with two person tents erected on platforms. Each tent is equipped with cots. You may also bring your own tent if you prefer. Showers and bathrooms are available along with a Trading Post for snacks, T-shirts and patches. The spring-fed Buffalo River is a world away from Tennessee's urban areas. It meanders through several rural middle-Tennessee counties, 1 1/2 hours south-west of Nashville. The base is open from April 1 through November 1. The Tennessee Department of Tourism's Official Vacation Guide lists the Buffalo River as Class I & II river with regular waves and occasional rapids, meaning it is suitable for beginners. Grimes is staffed year round by ranger Wayne Hamm, who can help advise you on trips that will suit your group. Trips can be arranged to last from two hours to five days. Camping is available at the Canoe Base, or along the river.

**Directions to Grimes Canoe Base** - From Nashville take 1-40 West (towards Memphis). Exit at Waverly/Linden - Highway 13 (Exit 143). Turn left (South) on Highway 13. Grimes Canoe Base is 30 miles from the Interstate on your left. There is a wooden sign marking the entrance. Mile Marker 4 on Highway 13.

#### C. PARISH RESERVATION

Charles E. Parish Reservation located in Rock Island, TN is available for Troops to use for weekend camping, camporees, fun days, overnights and other events. With approximately 125 acres, Parish Reservation is bordered by Rock Island Lake. There are fourteen rustic campsites, a multi purpose building, the Walling Lodge, and a campfire area that will seat up to 100 people. The lodge, though small, has electricity for night meetings, a fireplace, water,

chairs, and picnic tables. The camp has plenty of wood available from fallen trees and no one should cut live trees for anything without prior permission. There is plenty of water available at several taps throughout the camp, along with two shower houses with toilets and wash basins. A large assembly field with a central flag pole will safely hold several hundred people, for camporees and district gatherings. There are also two smaller fields for games and other activities. A hiking (nature) trail from the campfire area to the entrance road is approximately 1.36 miles long. Reservations must be made through the Camping office at 615-383-9724.

To get to Charles E. Parish Reservation from Nashville: Take I-40 East towards Knoxville to the Livingston/Sparta Exit 288. Turn right and go south on Hwy 111 for 18.5 miles through Sparta. Take the left lanes of Hwy 111 onto Hwy 70S toward McMinnville. Go 10.8 miles on Hwy 70S (you will cross the Caney Fork River and the Rocky River). Turn right on Route 136N or Rock Island Road. Go 2.4 miles through the community of Rock Island and cross the Caney Fork River. Parish Reservation entrance will be on your right. Follow the gravel road, past the Park Ranger residence to the check-in point.

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