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Minsi Trails Council

TRAIL NOTES



August 2024 Edition

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[Register Here!](#)

SAFETY MOMENT



IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

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As Scouts and leaders, we all know that the motto of Scouting is “Be Prepared.” But just how prepared are we when an emergency strikes and we are alone or we come upon someone who is unable to communicate? The BSA has multiple safety programs within the BSA to keep our Scouts and Scouters safe, but let’s look at other ideas that can enhance that ability and be passed to our friends, families, and people outside of Scouting.

**RESOURCES: IN CASE OF
EMERGENCY**

FALL MEMBERSHIP KICKOFF

MEMBERSHIP KICKOFF

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 14TH
5:30PM-7:30PM

#ADVENTUREON!

**MONROE &
CARBON-LUZERNE**

**LEHIGH,
NORTHAMPTON &
WARREN**

CAMP MINSI

106 Camp Minsi Rd
Pocono Summit, PA 18346
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Allentown, PA 18109
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MINSI TRAILS COUNCIL STAFF UPDATE

WELCOME
VINCENT
POLAKOWSKI
TO MINSI TRAILS COUNCIL



VINCENT WILL BE JOINING US AS
DISTRICT DIRECTOR FOR
NORTHAMPTON AND WARREN
COUNTIES

UNIT & MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL PROCESS



The Unit Renewal Process is changing

As you may be aware of already, the Unit Renewal Process is changing. Units now have the option to select Unit Pay or Individual Member Pay for registration renewal. Click the button below for more information on how to make that designation and for more information regarding the changes for the Unit Renewal Process.

SCOUTDAY AT DORNEY PARK



Join us for
**Boy Scouts of America
Minsi Trails Council Day!**

Saturday, August 24, 2024

Purchase
Tickets At
\$36.00

You can purchase tickets at:
dorneypark.com/MinsiTrailsCouncil

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UPDATES ON CUB SCOUT & SCOUTSBSA PROGRAM

As part of continuous improvements, updates for ScoutsBSA rank and merit badge requirements will take effect January 1, 2024.

Updates to the Cub Scout Programs will take effect June 1st, 2024. Check out the links below for more information and tune in to the Boy Scouts of America Cub Chat Live each month for new details.

[Updates in the Cub Scout Program](#)

[Cub Scout Program Update FAQs](#)

[2024 ScoutsBSA Advancement Update](#)

SCOUT NIGHT AT THE IRONPIGS

YOUR HOMETOWN TEAM

**FRIDAY
JUNE 21**

7:05PM

VS



**FRIDAY
AUGUST 9**

7:05PM

VS



2024 SCOUT NIGHT

SIGN-UP IS BY SCOUT UNIT ONLY FOR GROUPS OF 20+.
NO INDIVIDUAL TICKET ORDERS PLEASE.

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- 2023 IRONPIGS SCOUT SLEEPOVER PATCH
- TROOPS CAN SEND IN A TROOP PHOTO TO BE SHOWN ON THE VIDEO BOARD BEFORE THE GAME
- PREGAME PARADE ON THE FIELD
- IRONPIGS GAME
- POST-GAME FIREWORKS!
- OVERNIGHT CAMPOUT ON THE FIELD
- MOVIE SHOWN ON THE VIDEOBOARD
- CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST IN THE MORNING
- 2024 IRONPIGS SCOUT SLEEPOVER PATCH

Scout uniforms or activity uniforms are permitted. Be sure to sign up early.
If camping, please use free-standing tents only; no cots and no tent pegs allowed.

**PINEWOOD DERBY RACING
IN THE TD BANK PLAZA!**



TICKET OPTIONS:

<u>Sleepover</u>	\$19	Field Level Ticket, + \$2 Ballpark Credit
	\$16	GA Ticket, + \$2 Ballpark Credit
<u>Game-Only</u>	\$12	Field Level Ticket + \$2 Ballpark Credit
	\$9	GA Ticket, + \$2 Ballpark Credit

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT GROUP SALES
AT INFO@IRONPIGSBASEBALL.COM
OR TEXT 833-495-0033

 **610-841-7447 ext. 2**

CUB SCOUT FISHING DERBY



MINSI TRAILS COUNCIL

FISHING DERBY

**PRESENTED BY DUNKELBERGER'S
SPORTS OUTFITTERS**

**BRING YOUR
OWN BAIT**

Fishing at both ponds at Camp Trexler



ON AUGUST 10TH 2024



START AT 08 AM - 02 PM

CAMP TREXLER

288 Camp Trexler Rd
Kunkletown, PA 18058

****RAIN OR SHINE****

More information visit our website
www.minsitrails.org

**PRIZES
CONTESTS
FAMILY FUN**

**FREE REGISTRATION
AND
FISHING BADGE
FOR CUB SCOUTS**

2024 MINSI TRAILS COUNCIL NYLT





NYLT

NATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP TRAINING

NYLT is an exciting, action-packed program designed to provide youth with leadership skills and experience that they can use in their home troops, crews, and in life situations demanding leadership of self and others. The NYLT course centers on the concepts of what a leader must BE, must KNOW, and what a leader must DO. The key elements are taught with a clear focus on how to lead. NYLT is a six-day course. Content is delivered in a troop and patrol outdoor setting with an emphasis on immediate application of learning in a fun environment.

[For More Information: Click Here!](#)

[To Register Your Scout: Click Here!](#)

MINSI TRAILS SUMMER CAMP AT CAMP MINSI

THANK YOU



CAMPERS!



JOIN THE FUN AT CAMP MINSI IN 2025



SAVE THE DATE

While we are sad to see the end of our Summer Camp Season come so quickly, we are excited to share with you the dates of 2025 Summer Camp at Camp Minsi!

June 22nd-28th: Cub Scout Resident Camp

June 29th- July 5th: Cub Scout Resident Camp & STEM Camp

July 6th-12th: Scouts BSA Resident & Webelos Pioneer Camp

July 13th-19th: Scouts BSA Resident & Webelos Pioneer Camp

July 20th-26th: Scouts BSA Resident & Webelos Pioneer Camp

July 27th- August 2nd: Scouts BSA Resident & Webelos Pioneer Camp

We are currently working on the final details for our new registration system, but in the meantime if you want to sign up your Troop or Pack for 2025 Summer Camp the link will be below for our paper registration.

[2025 Camp Dates and Form](#)

ANNUAL GIFT PLANNING



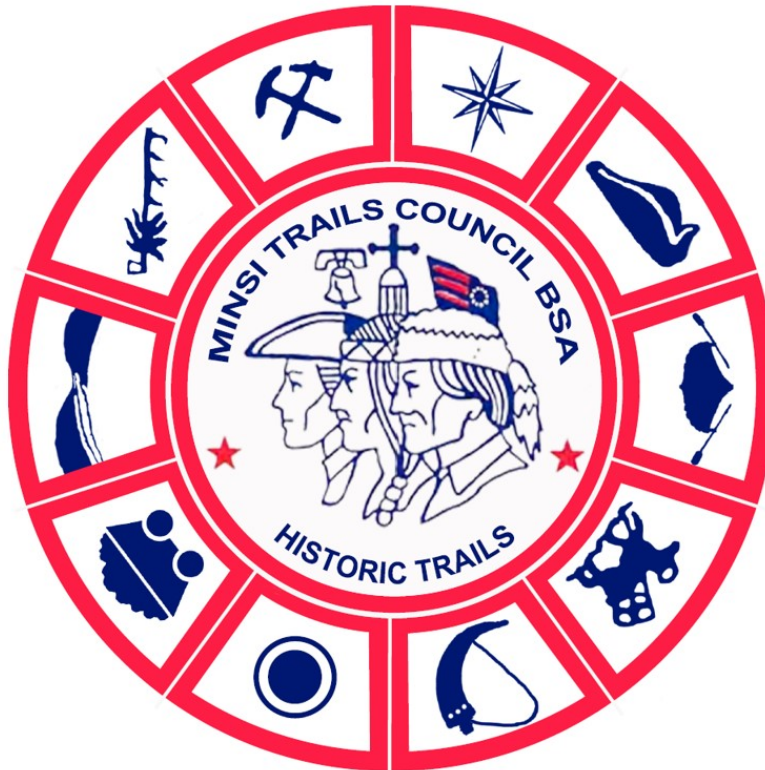
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GIFT PLANNING



As you know, Scouting is so much more than camping. It prepares kids for life. Because of you, boys and girls throughout our nation are learning skills that can be critical during times of uncertainty including first aid, healthcare, fire and EMS, and law enforcement. Thank you for all you do to make it possible for kids to learn these lifesaving skills through Scouting.

Is Scouting in your estate plans? Would you like to receive some additional information about supporting the future of Scouting through an estate gift? [Email us.](#)

MINSI TRAILS COUNCIL HISTORICAL TRAILS



The Minsi Trails Council activities committee is pleased to announce the refresh of the MTC Historic Trails program. First launched in 1969, and updated in the 1990's, these 10 hikes offer an excellent opportunity for Scouts to learn about our region's history. Each hike offers a glimpse into the past of how the area started - from pre-colonial rural areas to urban centers of industry, and transportation networks to entertainment sites. Each hiking booklet has been updated to include new photographs and updated routes to ensure safe hiking conditions. You will find they now also include additional online resources of some of the sites you'll visit. You may access these new hiking pamphlets at <https://www.minsitrails.org/historictrails>. Both online and print friendly versions are

available. The hiking booklets may also be reached from the main website under the “council” section.

For each hike completed, Scouts can earn a rocker, and after completing 5 hikes they are eligible to wear the medal. The patches and medal are both available today at the Minsi Trails Council Scout Shop. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact the committee at historictrails@minsitrails.org. Happy hiking!

MTC 2024 DAY CAMPS



2024 MINSI TRAILS CUB SCOUT DAY CAMP

Lehigh Mystical Journey Day Camp August 2nd-4th

Monroe & Carbon-Luzerne Guardians of Scouting Day Camp August 16th-18th

MERIT BADGE COLLEGE



MONROE **MERIT BADGE** **COLLEGE**

Saturday, December 14th, 2024

Northampton Community College
Monroe Campus, Tannersville, PA

MONROE DISTRICT FALL CAMPOREE

Monroe District

2024 Fall Canoe Camporee

Lehman Township Community Park



When: September 20-22, 2024

Where: Lehman Township Community Park – Bushkill, Pa. 18324

What: 10 Mile Canoe Trip on the Delaware River, Camping for 2 nights

Cost: \$45 (Includes: Camping, Canoeing, Transportation to and from the Delaware River, and Event patch.)

How: Registration through Minsi Trails Council Website minsitrails.org

Limited to: 125 Participants (youth and adult).

Additional event information will be furnished via e-mail upon registration:

numero1scout@gmail.com

2026 NATIONAL JAMBOREE



The next National Jamboree will take place from July 22-31, 2026 at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia. The theme for the 2026 National Jamboree is "Elevate." This theme is focused on preparing Scouts for a life of purpose and impact as they participate in the once-in-a-lifetime experience of the Jamboree.

Registration for the Jamboree will open in the Fall of 2024 and we expect the cost to be similar to that of our most recent trip in 2023 and will include the Jamboree registration, bus transportation, t-shirts, patches, duffel bag and day pack. You can expect that the total cost for this trip to be in the \$1800-\$2100 range. We also expect that Jamboree camperships will be available.

We are hoping to send multiple units from Minsi Trails Council to the Jamboree in 2026! Please use this form to let us know your interest - both scouts and adult leaders that wish to participate. We are not looking for a deposit and submitting this form does not obligate you in any way. By registering now you will be the first to know as we hear more about this great scouting opportunity!!

[Interested in Attending? Click Here!](#)

[Looking for more information? Click Here](#)

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[Carbon-Luzerne District](#)

[Lehigh District](#)

[Monroe](#)

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Northampton
District

Warren
District

INCIDENT REPORTING



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Timely and complete incident reporting provides the BSA with an opportunity for analysis of incidents that occur and promotes continuous improvement of our programs. The sooner a clear, concise and complete incident report is made, the sooner an appropriate response to the incident can occur.

It's essential to include all the information you can in your incident report, including providing a detailed incident description, filling out all the forms in their entirety and providing additional attachments — such as photos of the incident, the unit's participating roster, release and waiver forms, witness statements, etc. — when required.

[BSA National Incident Reporting Website](#)

[Incident Reporting Requirements](#)

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