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Minsi Trails Council

TRAIL NOTES



October 2024 Edition

Sign up to Stay in Touch!

If you're on this email it means you are signed up for our Newsletter. Please forward this to others in your Scouting Unit so we can help keep people informed. Thank you

[Register Here!](#)

SAFETY MOMENT



SCOUTING SAFELY

Do you know where to find up-to-the-minute safety information for Scouts and Scouters? The [scouting.org](https://www.scouting.org) website. Take time to become familiar with all the safety information under Scouting Safely to help all of us keep Scouts safe.

[Scouting.org](https://www.scouting.org)

[Scouting Safely
Resources](#)

MTC SCOUTSHOP HOURS



As we continue to look for better ways to serve you, we are excited to announce that the Minsi Trails Scout Shop has rolled out some new hours!

Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 10:00am-5:00pm

Tuesday and Thursday: 10:00am-7:00pm

Saturday: 10:00am-2:00pm

Sunday: CLOSED

UPDATE ON CUB SCOUT CAMPING



SAFETY UPDATE

Important to note, especially for our Cub Scout Packs with Webelos and Arrow of Light Den's there has been a change to the Guide to Safe Scouting. Click the link below for more details and information.

[Guide to Safe Scouting:
Camping](#)

CUB SCOUT FALL FAMILY CAMP

JOIN US!

CUB SCOUT FALL FAMILY CAMP

COME FOR A FUN WEEKEND AT CAMP MINSI WHERE CUB SCOUT PACKS AND FAMILIES CAN ENJOY THE OUTDOORS AND PARTICIPATE IN FUN ACTIVITIES LIKE ARCHERY, SLING SHOT, BB RANGE, HAY RIDES, NATURE, STEM AND MORE!



For More Information or to Register: [CLICK HERE!](#)

UNIT & MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL PROCESS



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.

[Unit Renewal
Process](#)

[September 2024
Update](#)

2025 NJ STATE POLICE AND NATIONAL GUARD CAMPOREE



For more details or to Register

2024 FALL POPCORN SALE

ONLINE OCTOBER

FROM 9/30 8PM EDT

TO 10/6 7:59PM EDT

**SELL \$250 IN
ONLINE SALES & GET**

**100 BONUS
POINTS**

Trail's End.

The 2024 Fall Popcorn Sale is well underway! If your unit is interested in still participating please reach out to either Brennan (brennan.malenovitch@scouting.org) or Teresa at (teresa.smith@scouting.org). We have limited popcorn left at the office for Show & Sells. Check out the link below for more information regarding the 2024 Sale.

Be sure to be on the lookout for some great promotions from Trail's End!

[2024 Fall Popcorn Sale Information](#)

LEHIGH VALLEY PHANTOMS SCOUT NIGHT



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SCOUT NIGHT!

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26TH
7:05PM**

TICKETS START AT \$20.00!

**ALL TROOPS/PACKS IN
ATTENDANCE CAN PARTICIPATE IN
OUR ANNUAL ON ICE SCOUT
PARADE!**

**RESERVE YOUR SEATS BY
SEPTEMBER 26TH AND YOUR
SCOUTS WILL RECEIVE AN
OFFICIAL PHANTOMS 2024 SCOUT
NIGHT PATCH!**



**RESERVE YOUR SPOT TODAY BY CONTACTING SAMANTHA CARROLL
SCARROLL@PHANTOMSHOCKEY.COM**

BJs Brewhouse Dine & Donate



JOIN US FOR A DELICIOUS WAY TO
RAISE MONEY!

Date: **Oct 09, 2024**

Time: **11:00AM to 11:00PM**

For Dine In, Takeout or Curbside at this BJ's Location:

665 N Krocks Rd.
Allentown, PA 18106
484-268-2340

Enjoy delicious food in a fun atmosphere along with your family
and friends while earning funds in support of:

Dine & Donate for Boy Scouts of America, Minsi Trails Council

**WITH EACH FLYER PRESENTED DURING THIS FUNDRAISING EVENT, BJ'S WILL DONATE
20% OF FOOD AND SOFT BEVERAGE SALES TO THE DESIGNATED ORGANIZATION!**

VISIT US IN PERSON, ORDER ONLINE OR PLACE A TAKE-OUT ORDER

When dining in: **Present this flyer to your server at any time during your meal.**

When ordering online: **Enter the 6-digit fundraiser code below at the time of checkout.**

When placing a take-out order: **Present this flyer to a BJ's team member upon your arrival.**

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Valid for dine in, takeout or curbside when applicable. Not valid toward alcoholic beverages, Happy Hour specials or for delivery orders.
Please do not distribute flyers on site during the event.



WOODBADGE REUNION

Wood Badge Reunion Dinner

Sunday, October 27, 2024

Gathering Time: 3:00 pm

Dinner: 4:00 pm

East Hills Moravian Church
1830 Butztown Rd, Bethlehem, PA 18017
<https://goo.gl/maps/RdNhKwquHqK63MyTA>



Mark your calendars! The Wood Badge Reunion Dinner is scheduled for October 27, 2024, and the venue is once again East Hills Moravian Church in Bethlehem. We extend a warm invitation to all Wood Badgers, whether you've earned your beads, are currently working on your tickets, spouses and friends, or even those who are curious about future courses. This gathering holds the spirit of our Annual Wood Badge Reunion Dinner, and we encourage attendees to consider bringing someone along and possibly arranging carpooling for the event.

The Reunion promises excitement with both a silent auction and a (tentative) live auction. Expect a range of thrilling items that have been favorites in the past.

We kindly request contributions for the auctions, specifically Scouting items and valuable objects. To coordinate your donations, please reach out to Dave Hay at 610-360-5151 by October 19, 2024. We would like to have all items at East Hills Moravian Church by 2:30 PM on the 27th, ready for the Reunion Auction. It's worth noting that all proceeds will contribute to the Wood Badge Fund.

Please register as soon as possible, but no later than October 18, 2024 so that we can get a count for food. Please consider including a donation to the Wood Badge fund, since it is needed to assist our own Wood Badge courses, its participants, other training needs, and awards. With a course in 2025 and costs increasing, anything you can do to help offset the expense is appreciated.

Please check the Minsi Trails website for cancellation information at www.minsitrails.org

To register online visit:

<https://mnsitrails.doubleknot.com/event/3067322>



Mail to: Minsi Trails Council, PO Box 20624, Lehigh Valley, PA 18002

Please reserve _____ dinners at \$ _____ for the Wood Badge Reunion (\$30 if before 10/18; \$35 after)

Donation of \$ _____ is enclosed towards the Wood Badge Fund. If you cannot participate, your donation is still needed and appreciated. Thank you.

Total Amount enclosed: \$ _____ Please make checks payable to Minsi Trails Council, BSA

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Spouse's/Guest Name: _____

District: _____

Council - if not Minsi Trails: _____

Email Address: _____

Food Restrictions? _____

Participant in 13-502-22? (Y/N) _____

To Register: Click Here!

MINSI TRAILS SUMMER CAMP AT CAMP MINSI



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**](#)

MTC SPORTING CLAYS TOURNAMENT



Join us for a great day to support Scouting in the Minsi Trails Council at the MTC Sporting Clays Tournament, held on October 18th at Lehigh Valley Sporting Clays. Check the link below for Registration and Sponsorship Opportunities.

Registration and Sponsorship Opportunities

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 historictails@minsitrails.org. Happy hiking!

MERIT BADGE COLLEGE



MONROE
MERIT BADGE
COLLEGE
Saturday, December 14th, 2024
Northampton Community College
Monroe Campus, Tannersville, PA

COUNCIL-WIDE FALL CAMPOREE



SURVIVING THE
ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE

2024

FALL CAMPOREE
MINSI TRAILS COUNCIL

Embark on an exhilarating journey to test their survival skills in a simulated post-apocalyptic world infested with zombies. Scouts will navigate challenges ranging from building zombie-proof barricades to mastering essential survival techniques like first aid and fire-building.

Each activity is designed not only to hone practical skills but also to foster teamwork and quick decision-making under pressure.

Register
Today!

LEAVE NO TRACE TRAINING



The Minsi Trails Council will be conducting two Leave No Trace Course October 25-26 at Camp Minsi.

LNT Level 1 Instructor Course (Formally LNT Trainer Course) and Leave No Trace Skills Course for Youth.

More information about both courses can be found at <https://www.scoutingevent.com/502-LNTYouth> and <https://www.scoutingevent.com/502-LNTInstructor>

Cost is \$50 includes food, training materials and recognitions.

Registration deadline is October 18th.

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.

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

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

CHECK OUT YOUR DISTRICT PAGES!

[Carbon-Luzerne District](#)

[Lehigh District](#)

[Monroe District](#)

[Northampton District](#)

[Warren District](#)



INCIDENT REPORTING

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](#)

[Incident Reporting Infographic](#)

Thank you to our Sponsors and their continued support of Scouting and the
Minsi Trails Council!



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