Council Jamboree!
“Hey! Did you try the escape room yet?”

This will most likely be one of many questions you will hear while you attend the Samoset Council Jamboree at the Hodag Festival Grounds in Rhinelander, October 12-13-14, 2018.

Scouts of all ages from around our council and beyond will be having the time of their lives as they learn new skills, try new activities, and make new friends! They will have all day Saturday to try to get to all the different program activities. They can try their luck to solve the puzzle to get out of the escape room, work on new STEM lab experiments, enhance their scout skills, and do many other hands on experiences. With an expected 2,500 scouts attending, how could they not make new friends and have fun?

All of what was listed only scratches the surfaces of the activities that will offered! Other activities include: Obstacle course, Mars landing, robot rovers, pedal cars, paintball, kubb, full-size foosball, and much much more! Fire trucks, National Guard demo, helicopter, history demonstrations and a great evening show... Just join us and find out!

Please contact the Scout Office at 715-355-1450 and we will help you get registered to have fun!
Samoset Council thanks Spectra Print Corporation for their very generous donation of printing *The Samoset Voice*. It is because of this support that Samoset is able to provide such a high quality publication to our Scouting families and supporters.
The Samoset Voice

Council News

Samoset Key 4 Message
A Message to Our Amazing Volunteers

These are historic times for the Boy Scouts of America and Samoset Council. Never has the need been greater for volunteers dedicated to making a difference in the lives of young people. We are amazed by the countless hours volunteer leaders commit to delivering exceptional Scouting programs. In many ways being a volunteer in Scouting is more challenging than ever. Our desire is to provide you with the training, guidance and support needed to ensure the volunteer experience is also more rewarding than ever.

We are working to ensure each unit is assigned a Unit Ambassador (volunteer) and a Unit Serving Executive (staff member) to work directly with the unit leadership and volunteers to provide the highest level of customer service and support. Working together on your behalf, the Unit Ambassador and Unit Serving Executive will help volunteers get answers to any questions they may have. They can also connect your unit volunteers to a wide variety of resources provided by Samoset Council including; training, program planning, activities, and more.

As a volunteer in Samoset Council you are never alone. Your excitement and enthusiasm for Scouting combined with the help and resources available from Samoset Council is the winning combination we need to be the best thing going for youth in our communities. We simply cannot achieve our mission without you, the volunteer leaders in our movement. Thank you for your selfless service on behalf of youth.

We want to hear from you! How can Samoset Council most effectively support the volunteer leaders in your unit? Send us your thoughts via email at Key4@Samoset.org.

Your friends in Scouting:

John Mabry Council President
Rick Radloff Council Commissioner
Thad Brockman VP-Program
Jeff Ottosen Scout Executive

Our council is also blessed with a remarkable customer service team at the Council Service Center in Weston.

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Where Camping Is King
NYLT
JUNE 9-15, 2019 AT HANNA VENTURE BASE

National Youth Leadership Training is an exciting, action-packed program designed to provide youth members with Leadership skills and experience they can use in their home troops and in other situations demanding leadership of self and others.

Junior Leader Training was followed by Northwoods Challenge and finally became NYLT, all of which were a seven-day course. The NYLT course is a BSA National syllabus which concentrates on developing the Leadership potential in every Scout. Skills are developed using the EDGE method of instruction which concentrates the learning on immediate application of the skills being taught. Troop and Patrol teams are developed so that the course provides a similar experience to the home unit of the Scouts within the course, especially the Leadership opportunities during the course. Youth Staff from prior years deliver the course instruction in the best classroom in the area – outside at Crystal Lake Scout Reservation. Numerous instructional times aided by actual practice of the skills enable the Scouts to quickly use and understand the potential of the Leadership Skills. The skills learned can be used in a variety of environments including Scouts, athletics, education, religious, work and team based learning. Scoutmasters, especially those with Woodbadge experience, work very well with Scouts having the NYLT experience as they both have a common knowledge and language to share with others.

The Samoset Council offers the NYLT Course each year in June right after school gets out. Scouts from all 6 of the Districts in Samoset (plus Scouts from other Councils) attend each year. Patrol cooking outdoors over a wood fire, tent camping with up to eight Patrol members, a Geo-cache event, numerous Patrol team-building experiences, Campfire programs, and pioneering events highlight the week of NYLT.

You can find more information about NYLT by visiting www.samoset.org, hover over the “Training” tab along the top of the page and then click on National Youth Leadership Training. Or you can contact Randy Gilray at 715-573-6717 or email to: NYLTsamoset@gmail.com.

DEN LEADER TRAINING
ARE YOU A “LEADER OF THE PACK?”

Maybe you are a new parent and would like to be part of your child’s Den. Would you like to know what to do to have fun packed successful activities with your scouts? Then please attend one of the Cub Scout Leader Training Sessions this October or November. You will find out the best practices and ways to lead the activity, plan it out and turn in those all-important advancement reports so your scouts are recognized for their achievements.

Scouting is fun and easy to do, but only if you get the proper training so you know what to do to make it fun and easy.

Upcoming trainings for Cub Scout leaders:

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INTRO. TO OUTDOOR LEADER SKILLS
NOW OFFERED IN THE FALL!

Attention all Scout Masters, Asst. Scout Masters, Webelos & Arrow of Light Den Leaders, this training is for YOU!

Practice and learn the skills you will need to be officially “TRAINED” as a Boy Scout Leader. See how a Boy Lead Troop should operate. Be Prepared for your role in Scouting.

Details: November 2-3, 2018 at Hanna Venture Base, 5305 Crystal Lake Road, Rhinelander, WI. 5pm Friday till 8pm Saturday. Cost is $23.00 by October 25th, ($28.00 after that).

Register online at http://samoset.org/tools/events.
**Silver Beaver Nominations**

**DUE DECEMBER 31, 2018**

The Silver Beaver Award is the highest recognition a council can bestow on an adult volunteer leader.

The award is presented to those volunteers who have made outstanding contributions to the Scouting program. Nominations are recommended by the local council and approved by the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

To nominate a person for the Silver Beaver Award please fill out the nomination form available on the Samoset website. **The deadline for submission is December 31, 2018.**

Recipients will be presented their award at the Samoset Recognition Evening on February 26, 2018.

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**Hanna Eagle Scholarship**

**DUE DECEMBER 15, 2018**

Only about four percent of the boys who enter Scouting achieve the honor of becoming an Eagle. The requirements are demanding, but fair, requiring perseverance and ability.

This scholarship, established by Al and Chris Hanna, is to provide funding that will help support the education of Eagle Scouts attending college. This is a great way to support our Scouts who are preparing for their future through furthering their education.

The Al and Chris Hanna Eagle Scout Scholarship Award is open to all Eagle Scouts currently registered with Samoset Council and who have demonstrated leadership in Scouting and outside of Scouting. Al’s and Chris’s generosity allowed us to award 13 scholarships last year.

Samoset Council is now accepting applications with a due date of December 15th, 2018.

Please see the council resources (Eagle Scout Related) on the Samoset website to download the appropriate application.
Our fall is busy with the Council Jamboree and we hope all Cubs Scouts, Boy Scouts, and their families will be joining us for the event! After fall, we gear up with a few great events you need to get on the calendar early! With a restructure early in the year, we have made it so that all events are diversified for dates and accessible to all age-appropriate Scouts. That means that you can pick whichever event works best, is most interesting, or is preferred for you!

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| Winter Camping, Snow Sports, Broomball, Snowshoe Making * activities are weather dependent |
| Belt Loop Clinic, 1-2 Belt Loops Earned, 8:30-11:30am $5, includes snack and patch |
The STEM Scouts program will resume this Fall with registration starting in late September through October. The Samoset Council will be adding labs in Merrill, Three Lakes, Weston, and Rhinelander in addition to the 38 labs already running across the council! There will be brand new activities for the youth to enjoy at the three different age levels.

Our elementary labs will make and explore some of the most fun polymers and non-Newtonian substances like: slime, bouncing balls, silly sand, and more! Scouts will learn about endothermic reactions as they experiment with different recipes for making ice cream, and they will get to eat their experiments! The labs will be working with the Edison Robots (the Edison Robot is a new educational robot that was designed to make it easy for youth to learn how to operate and write custom programs)! Scouts will learn how fluids exert forces on moving objects. They will use the STEM Scouts Engineering Design Process to explore and design several different projects using moving air. These are only a few examples of the fun, hands-on activities the elementary level STEM Scouts will in engage in.

The Middle and High School Lab activities include but are not limited to: exploring mBot (the mBot explores how motion, lights, sounds, and sensors are used to control the actions of it) and using the Scratch Blockly programming environment to work collaboratively with their team to solve challenges during each meeting.

Scouts will learn how: to optimize the speed of a racing car, discover what friction is and how it affects the performance of a car, and they will learn about propulsion, acceleration and deceleration, and rocket-powered vehicles. They will design several race courses, and race each other.

Using the SDR receiver, Scouts will learn about radio frequencies and the science behind radio broadcasts, as well as pick up interesting information from a wide variety of bandwidths. Unlike traditional radio receivers, SDR receivers can detect radio signals across an enormous spectrum and can use software to sharpen signals and eliminate disruptive noise. Scouts will experiment with the SDR and its accompanying software platform, SDRSharp, to discover the hidden world of radio broadcasts around them. They’ll listen in to not only FM, but also track airplanes, build a HAM radio, and capture GPS data.

All Youth in grades 3-12 are invited to join STEM Scouts. STEM Scouts is a co-ed program that allows youth to explore STEM topics through hands-on experimentation and teamwork.

To find a lab near you please visit: www.stemscouts.org. If you have any questions please email Amanda Flannery at stemscouts@samoset.org.
Looking at the photograph above helps me recall the nervous excitement and eager anticipation that builds up inside of you like a live wire as you get closer and closer to going out into the Boundary Waters. That sensation is there every time I have lifted the canoe off of the trailer and set it into the water on the first day of a trip. I recall looking around the scene that morning and trying to memorize every detail. I wanted to keep that moment just like a photograph or a snapshot in my mind. I set the actual picture aside and in my mind’s eye I turn to take in the panorama of that quiet morning. I recall it even better in my memory and unlike a snapshot frozen in time the Boundary Waters is absolutely alive and abuzz with energy. I can smell it in the fresh, clean air. Blue and white clouds hang lazily overhead. I can feel it with the wind that blows across the waters creating little white waves. I can sense it beneath my feet. There is a magical energy here... I close my eyes... A sense of calm washes over me.

The one lane bridge frames the rolling hills made up of huge granite boulders to the south across the Island River which will take us eventually to the Isabella River, Bald Eagle Lake and points further west. The water is as blue as I have ever seen it here. It stands in stark contrast to the silver-white boulders that have been exposed by the Pagami Creek fire that swept through this area only years before. We set our yellow Kevlar canoes into the river and get our feet wet so that we can climb into them one by one as we load up our gear. The river is like a magnet pulling me closer and closer to the heart of the Boundary Waters. I cannot wait to feel the water slipping beneath the canoe or the sensation of the water against my face as the paddles dip in and the wind sprays it back. We slide silently into the path that the river has laid before us. The bridge slips away. The stress of work dissipates beneath the babble of the river as it flows over rocks in the shallow stream. All that remains is what I brought here with me. The canoe, family and friends, the call of the wilderness, peace and serenity.

I have gone on eight trips to the Boundary Waters now. Six of those trips have been with groups of Boy Scouts, many of whom have never been in the Boundary Waters, much less been in the untamed wilderness before. I am often asked about the trips, what the Boundary Waters is like, what should people expect, and how to even think about beginning to prepare for such a trip.

The Boundary Waters is unlike any other place that I have ever been. It is a treasured bastion of undisturbed natural wilderness. The Superior National Forest cuts across northern Minnesota from Lake Superior west across the vast expanse of pristine lakes and beautiful rivers. It extends to the Canadian border to the north. The forest covers over one million acres of land, glacial carved landscape, boreal forests and unbroken waterways. It is home to moose, black bears, loons and wolves. The water is pure and untainted. You can drink the unfiltered water directly from the lakes and I have done so on every trip I have ever been on without any problems or concerns.

In the Midwest there is nowhere better to go to be completely removed from modern society. There are no streets, no cars, no high rise apartments, or television. The campsites are rugged and there are no showers or facilities. You are completely removed from every amenity that we have all come to take for granted and essential. You quickly learn that none of the “essentials” are very essential at all.

At night the stars of the Milky Way Galaxy spread out overhead in a sweeping illuminated canvas. Loons cry out as they call to one another across the open water. If you are lucky enough and listen you will hear the wolves howling to one another as the serenity of nature envelops you. The scenery is nothing short of the masterpiece of God’s creation and each turn of the river brings you to more and more breathtaking sites. At dusk the sky is ablaze in breathtaking sunsets.
In the morning the sunrises are nothing short of the most amazing scenes you could ever hope to behold.

For Boy Scouts, the Boundary Waters is the ideal place to put into practice all of the skills and lessons that they learn. I started taking my son Nathan and his friend Evan when they were both ten years old. They have had the opportunity to utilize all of the scout training and the Boundary Waters has helped them on their path towards becoming Eagle Scouts. My nephew Jack is on the same path to becoming an Eagle Scout now. All three boys have earned merit badges including: Fishing, Camping, Cooking, Bird Study, and Astronomy to name a few. But they have done more than earn Merit Badges. They have taken all of the lessons that we try to impart to young scouts and they have been able to live it, develop it and realize what all of it is for. The Boundary Waters takes what you were, pushes you past your self-perceived limitations and brings you back as someone far more capable and self-reliant than you ever would have given yourself credit for. Isn’t that what scouting is all about?

When you go into the Boundary Waters, tell people to leave their watches behind. Cell phones won’t work anyway, but leave those behind as well unless you use them to take photos. Discourage GPS units. Rely on your own skills and foster the sense of the scouts rising to the challenges that face them. Taking a GPS into the Boundary Waters, to me, is like taking a pull behind camper to the forest. You lose touch with what is being offered and the more you stay connected to the conveniences of the modern world the less you appreciate the beauty of nature or the skills that you already have.

When I have taken groups of scouts into the Boundary Waters we have always treated it like a boy-led function to every extent possible. I have the boys help with planning from the onset. The scouts also select which positions they want to take on the trip. For example we have a designated patrol leader, grubmaster, quartermaster and we have added a position for navigator (to help read the maps and plan the course that we will take). Be creative and come up with other positions that the scouts can fill and take charge of. You will be amazed at the growth and the increase in a boy’s maturity level when you give them a sense of responsibility and ownership in the trip that you are taking.

The only thing that should limit any person from going into the Boundary Waters is the limitations that they have already saddled themselves with. I have had people the night before the trip when we are at the bunkhouse and ready to go to sleep come up to me and say that they cannot do it. I have had people after the first portage, when we have already been dropped off and the van is gone, tell me that they aren’t going to do all that crummy work and they want to go home. But, you know what? All of them have made it through the trip. And even better, every one of those people who though that they could not complete the trip have told me that they cannot wait to go back. If you lead a trip into the Boundary Waters know that you will not only need to be the person in charge, you will also need to be the motivator, the listener, the watcher and the person that helps people when they think that they cannot do it.

This experience has reminded me of something that Theodore Roosevelt said:

“Here is your country. Cherish these natural wonders, cherish the natural resources, cherish the history and romance as a sacred heritage, for your children and your children’s children. Do not let selfish men or greedy interests skin your country of its beauty, its riches or its romance.”

Do you have a fun Scouting experience you would like to share? Send your story to Leanna at leanna.holzem@samoset.org.
WINTER CAMP

NORTHWOOD’S WINTER WONDERLAND
GET YOUR BOOTS, HATS, AND MITTENS READY!

Need something to do this winter? Consider the Crystal Lake Scout Reservation as your winter destination, with programs for Scouts of all ages!

Hanna Winter Resort and Polar Cubs provide you and your unit the opportunity for winter activities that your Scouts will truly enjoy. We are extremely excited to bring you another season of winter camping in our Northwood’s winter wonderland.

To check availability, register online, and download program guides for Hanna Winter Resort or Polar Cubs please visit CampingIsKing.com.

Hanna Winter Resort & Polar Cubs

POLAR CUBS
JANUARY- FEBRUARY 2019

Polar Cubs is a unique winter program for Cub Scouts and their families. Campers are grouped into “Super Dens” keeping those from the same Pack together. Super Dens rotate through various activities led by staff members. The program focuses on outdoor winter adventure.

Registration includes a bunk in one of our many heated cabins, indoor showers and restrooms as well as two or three meals prepared for you.

Polar Cubs runs several weekends in January and February with most of the activities on Saturday. Campers have the option of a Friday night or Saturday night stay.

Weekend Cost: Adult: $30 | Youth: $40
Saturday Only Cost: Adult: $20 | Youth: $30

HANNA WINTER RESORT
JANUARY- MARCH 2019

Hanna Winter Resort aims to provide everything Boy Scouts and Venturers need to have an incredible outdoor winter experience. Enjoy the pristine winter northwoods environment around the Base and the freedom to do nearly any winter activity you want whenever you want.

Registration includes a bunk in one of our many heated cabins, indoor showers and restrooms as well as four meals prepared for you. Between meals campers can use our snowshoes, broomball equipment, ice fishing gear, and use the indoor climbing wall. You can also arrange to build a snow shelter to sleep in overnight.

Cost: Adult: $40 | Youth: $50

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**Roundtable Meetings**

**Stay Informed!**

*Where is Roundtable this month? What are they going to talk about? Am I going to have to listen to the same person droning on again about the same topic again? I hope they are organized this time! The announcements go on forever, just give me a handout already! I can never make Roundtable, it’s always on my bowling (church group, work, knitting club, etc) night...*

Does this sound familiar? Well not anymore! You spoke, and we listened! Our goal is to create a more relevant, organized and Scouter focused Roundtable, because, after all, these are your Roundtables!

Beginning in the 2018-19 Scouting year, Samoset Council Roundtables will be distinctly different, and better than ever before. Our new council Roundtable Committee has been working hard through the summer, developing a new format for all of our Roundtables. Among the changes:

- **Five monthly Roundtable meeting locations on four different nights each month.** Meetings will always be held at the same locations and on the same weeknight each month.

- **Consistent meeting agendas so no matter which Roundtable you attend, you will receive the same information and training.**

- **Agendas will be published on the Samoset Council web site so you will always know in advance the subjects which will be discussed.**

- **More participant involvement.** Our goal is to recruit participants to lead presentations and discussions on agenda topics so that we can all learn from each other and hear different perspectives on subjects important to our youth and units.

- **Still listening to you.** Although our agendas are penciled in for the next year, they are not written in stone. We want your feedback about subjects which are important to you. At each meeting there will be a suggestion box where you can suggest topics for future Roundtables. After all, these are your Roundtables. The Roundtable Committee will meet again in December to review your suggestions and if needed, update our meeting plans.

For meeting times, places and meeting agendas, please see the new Roundtable page on the Samoset Council Web site under the “Resources” tab.
Scoutbook Subscriptions will be free starting January 1, 2019

In an effort to drive program consistency and deeper engagement with our youth and leaders, Boy Scouts of America is pleased to announce that effective January 1, 2019, Scoutbook subscriptions will be free to all BSA units.

Scoutbook (https://www.scoutbook.com ) is an online unit management tool that ensures that you never miss a Scouting moment—from tracking advancements to milestone achievements along the Scouting adventure.

When units with a current Scoutbook account need to renew their subscription this fall, they will not pay any renewal fees effective September 1, 2018.

When councils with Scoutbook accounts for their units need to renew these unit subscriptions this fall, they will not pay any renewal fees effective September 1, 2018.

Essentially, units (or councils paying for their units) can renew Scoutbook subscriptions in September, October, November, or December 2018 at no cost.

For units currently without a Scoutbook account, they can begin their free Scoutbook unit subscription on January 1, 2019.

HAPPY Family, HAPPY Campers!

We’ve got the gear to make family camping fun, safe, affordable, and comfortable. Contact the Samoset Scout Shop at 715-355-9680 for details.

Samoset Council, Boy Scouts of America
**Journey to Excellence**

The Journey to Excellence standards are based on what successful units do to continually improve. The fall is a great time for units to review where they stand on their Journey to Excellence scorecards. The items below are more than numbers, they represent an important part of the Scouting program.

**Service Projects:** Every time a youth repeats the Cub Scout Oath, a pledge is renewed to help other people. This is why participation in service projects is required for a number of BSA ranks and awards. Has your unit recorded all of its service hours for this year? If not, please visit the Samoset website for an easy way to let us know about these projects. Thank you in advance for your commitment to teaching the importance of service to others and demonstrating the Scout Slogan - Do A Good Turn Daily.

**Advancement:** Advancement is the method by which we promote and encourage the ongoing involvement and commitment that keeps Scouts coming back for more. It works best when it is built into a unit’s program so that simply participating leads to meaningful achievement and recognition—and to a continually improving readiness for more complex experiences. Samoset Council uses advancement results in local media stories and council reports. This information is also shared with foundations, donors and our United Way partners. Therefore, it is important that we have the most up to date information.

Has your unit submitted advancement records to the council service center?

**Charter Renewal**

It’s hard to believe that we are approaching the end of another great year of Scouting. As we approach the end of 2018 and prepare for 2019, it is time again to complete the charter renewal process. The online renewal process opens October 1, 2018. Units should be starting their pre-charter renewal steps before logging in:

- Inventory your members and collect fees. Collect BSA registration fee & Boys Life subscription fee from each youth and adult that will be continuing their membership. The annual membership fee is $33 per youth and adult. Boys’ Life fees are $12 a year. Your unit committee may choose to pay these fees from funds raised during the year and/or the annual popcorn sale.

- Secure completed membership applications, including required signatures, for all new youth and new adult members. Adult applications must include a signed Disclosure/Authorization Form and include proof of having completed Youth Protection Training. If an adult is changing positions within the unit, a new application is not required during charter renewal.

- Youth Protection Training is required for all BSA registered volunteers. Youth Protection training must be taken every two years. If a volunteer’s Youth Protection training record is not current, the volunteer will not be re-registered and it will cause a delay in your charter renewal. All registered adult members of BSA are required to take the new Youth Protection Training by 10/1/18. For more information on Youth Protection, visit www.samoset.org/training.

Detailed instructions can be found in the Charter Renewal Guide for Unit Leaders at samoset.org/tools/charter-renewal. Call us at 715-355-1450 or email customer.support@samoset.org if you have questions regarding the charter renewal process.
38th Annual Samoset Golf Scramble

Thank you to all who participated this year!

Eagle Sponsors:
**October**

2  Roundtable: Stevens Point
4  Roundtable: Wisconsin Rapids
   Roundtable: Wausau
6  Fall Cub Camp
   Scout Shop Open 9am-noon
7  Fall Cub Camp
8  Collections Merit Badge Clinic
11 Roundtable: Marshfield
12-14 Council Jamboree
21 Popcorn Sales End
24 Popcorn Orders Due
25 Roundtable: Tomahawk
27 Den Chief Training
   Scout Shop Open 9am-noon

**November**

1  Roundtable: Wisconsin Rapids
   Roundtable: Wausau
2-4 Fall Merit Badge Workshop
6  Roundtable: Stevens Point
8  Roundtable: Marshfield
9  District Popcorn Sorting
   Scout Night with Wausau Riverwolves
10 Unit Popcorn Pick-up
   Scout Shop Open 9am-noon
12 Genealogy Merit Badge Clinic
22 Roundtable: Tomahawk
22-23 Thanksgiving Holiday (Center/Shop Closed)

**December**

4  Scout Night with Colossal Fossils
   Roundtable: Stevens Point
6  Roundtable: Wisconsin Rapids
   Roundtable: Wausau
8  Scout Shop Open 9am-noon
13 Roundtable: Marshfield
24-25 Christmas Holiday (Center/Shop Closed)

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**Featured Volunteers**

**Thanks for Your Service to Scouting!**

**Chris Donovan,** from the Marshfield Area, has been a long time Scouting volunteer with Troop 392 as the Scoutmaster. If all of that wasn’t enough Chris was the District Chair for the former Ojibwa District and now sits on the Executive Board as the Activities Committee Chair. Chris shows up to help with enthusiasm, drive, and commitment to making sure the scouting program is delivered with integrity to all of the Samoset Council Scouts. Thanks Chris!

**Ray Knihtila** is a dedicated scouter who has given a tremendous amount of time and energy to his troop and the Council as well. He serves as an Assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 540, Merit Badge Counselor, and Advancement Chair. He recently took on the huge role of Assistant Counselor Commissioner and works with the North team. He has been instrumental in moving the new council service plan forward. He is willing to assist whenever asked and is a true asset to Samoset Council. Thank you, Ray!
The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.