In an emergency, every second counts. Fire hydrants that are blocked, concealed, or difficult to access due to snow or ice will impede emergency fire response. Hydrants covered in snow can be difficult to locate and uncovering them can waste valuable time needed during the a fire fight. That’s where Scouts BSA Troop 513 took action in their hometown of Merrill.

Members of Scouts BSA Troop 513 joined fellow community members this past March for the Merrill Fire Department’s “hydrant Hero” initiative. According to Troop 513’s Scoutmaster, Derek Krzanowski, Scouts volunteered after hearing the department’s request for the community’s assistance in freeing fire hydrants from around the city of deep snow cover. Troop 513 Scouts logged nearly 30 hours of snow removal throughout the weekend, along with an additional 14 hours logged by Scouting parents and siblings. Thank you demonstrating what being a Scout is all about Ethan, Wyatt, Bryce, Mason, Ian, and Austin!

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**Samoset Key 4 Message**

**A Message to Our Amazing Volunteers**

These are exciting times for youth and families in Scouting in Samoset Council! We are so happy to serve with the best volunteers in the Boy Scouts of America. The enthusiasm and commitment of our volunteers was evident at the University of Scouting a few weeks ago. Thank you to the entire University of Scouting leadership team for putting on such a great day of training and fun! Thank you, Samoset volunteers, for your ongoing commitment to serving youth through Scouting programs and activities. As we turn the corner from winter to spring, here are a few highlights we are excited to report:

- We had a great recognition evening in February for volunteers and Eagle Scouts. It was incredible to see so many volunteers, Eagle Scouts and family members brave the winter weather and join us for a remarkable evening. It was great to honor so many of our volunteers, including Council Award of Merit and Silver Beaver recipients. The presentation of 2018 Eagle Scouts, including the highlights from several Eagle projects, was a sight to see! Congratulations to the 94 exceptional young men who achieved Eagle Scout last year.

- Over the past couple months, we have added new Scouts BSA troops for girls to our council. So far troops have started in Wausau, Wisconsin Rapids, Marshfield and Merrill. We anticipate more troops starting in the months ahead as we work to expand the benefits of Scouting to young women in our communities.

- Samoset Council continues to be the place “Where Camping is King!” Our staff and volunteers are gearing up for what is sure to be a historic summer at Crystal Lake Scout Reservation. We are looking forward to opening the season at Camp Tesomas with the dedication of the new Grand Council Ring.

It is fun to be a part of the Scouting movement in the Samoset Council. We recognize the Scouting program in our council is only as strong as each Cub Scout Den. Each Scouts BSA Patrol or Troop. Each Venturing Crew. Each Exploring Post. Each STEM Lab. We are committed to doing all we can to provide our unit volunteers with the training, resources and support needed to deliver amazing Scouting programs to our youth. We would love to hear from you about what more we can do to support you in your role as a volunteer! Send us an email at Key4@Samoset.org.

Thank you for all you do!

Dr. Marjorie Miller    Council President
Rick Radloff          Council Commissioner
Thad Brockman        VP - Program
Jeff Ottosen         Scout Executive

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The fact that a boy is an Eagle Scout has always carried with it a special significance, not only in Scouting but also as he enters higher education, business or industry, and community service. Not every boy who joins a Boy Scout troop earns the Eagle Scout rank; only about 6 percent of all Boy Scouts do so. This represents more than 2 million Boy Scouts who have earned the rank since 1912. Nevertheless, the goals of Scouting—citizenship training, character development, and personal fitness—remain important for all Scouts, whether or not they attain the Eagle Scout rank. Samoset Council would like to congratulate those individuals who achieved the rank of Eagle in 2018. Below are some statistics about this class of Eagles.

- 94 Eagle Scouts for 2018, each completing a community service project
- 6% of Boy Scouts in Samoset Council (comparable with the national average)
- 6,000+ hours of community service (80 average hours per project)
- The financial impact on communities in North Central Wisconsin is estimated to be over $500,000

### 2018 Class of Eagle Scouts

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**Summertime Pack Award**

**Earn an Award for Having Fun!**

Cub Scout packs that have activities over the summer hold onto their Scouts and leaders longer because they keep the fun going all year long. A light schedule of activities over the summer is also a great tool to attract new Scouts. As an incentive for greater attendance at your summer activities try using the National Summertime Pack Award. This award is available for packs, dens, and individual Cub Scouts who do the following:

- Packs – plan and conduct one activity each month (June, July, August).
- Dens – at least half of the den attends these three events.
- Cub Scouts – participate in all three events.

Packs and dens that qualify earn a colorful streamer and Cub Scouts who take part in all three events are eligible for the National Summertime Pack Award pin to wear on their uniform. There is a different color pin for each Cub Scout rank so earning the pin each year has more incentive.

Make your activities fun and simple. Many packs plan family picnics, sports outings, and ice cream parties to keep boys active in between day camps and Akela’s World. Cub Scouts will gain a sense of accomplishment when receiving this award, and will look forward to activities next summer! The award application can be found at www.samoset.org.

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**Resource Guide Release**

**2019-2020 Edition**

Providing a year-round quality Scouting program is the key to unit success. Samoset Council wants to make sure you have the tools and resources to make this happen. The 2019-2020 resource guide will be available in May. We encourage each unit to spend time this summer planning activities for the next Scouting year and building an active outdoor program. Our unit service teams are ready to assist with this process.

**Friends of Scouting**

**Why it Matters**

Through passionate volunteers and committed supporters Samoset Council makes a difference in the lives of youth, families, and communities of North Central Wisconsin. When you make a gift to Samoset Council’s annual FOS campaign you are supporting Samoset Council’s vision to prepare every youth for tomorrow’s challenges. Scouting has so much to teach youth regarding character, service, and leadership and today’s youth need it more than ever before. Through Scouting programs in North Central Wisconsin youth will create lifelong memories, connect with caring adult mentors, and build confidence that will help them succeed in life. Reflect on Scouting’s impact on your life and consider a donation to support local Scouting programs in 2019. Thank you for your support!

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Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS) is designed for all Scoutmasters and their Assistants. This is the hands on experience on how to do all those outdoor skills and planning for great boy lead camping adventures with your troop. This course is needed to complete your 'Trained Leader' requirements.

Course Details:
- $23.00 (by May 9) - includes meals & program materials; $28.00 after May 9.
- Bring your leader handbook, sleeping gear, toiletries, mess kit (washable plate, bowl, and cup), metal knife, fork, and spoon. Also, bring your own tent and camp out on the grounds Friday night! Heated cabins will be available upon request for those without tents on a first reserved, first served basis.

National Youth Leadership Training
June 9-15, 2018

National Youth Leadership Training, often called NYLT, 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. Space is limited, so register early. More information is available on our website. Questions can be directed to NYLTsamoset@gmail.com.

Register for training and events online at www.samoset.org.

Capital Campaign

In 2015, the Samoset Council completed a comprehensive long-range plan for the Crystal Lake Scout Reservation. This plan addresses everything from program enhancements and personnel needs to major capital projects and necessary infrastructure. Four major capital projects have been identified as top priorities in the plan. It is the goal of the Samoset Council to raise $2 million to fully fund these four projects by June 2020! The first two projects are fully funded and completed. The third project is funded and under construction. Fundraising and final plans are being developed for the Business & Technology Center.
Congratulations Silver Beaver Class of 2018

The Silver Beaver Award is one of the most prestigious awards given by the Boy Scouts of America. The award is the highest award that Samoset Council can bestow on a volunteer for rendering outstanding service to Scouting. Samoset Council is proud to present its highest honor, the Silver Beaver Award, to these volunteers in recognition of their distinguished service to youth within the Samoset Council.

Paul Krause: Paul has been involved in Scouting for over 20 years. He became an involved parent and leader when his sons joined Scouts. Paul has served in numerous leadership roles including Den Leader, Scoutmaster, Merit Badge Counselor and camp Construction Crew member. He has been an active member of the activities committee serving on staff for many district and council events. Paul is always ready to lend a helping hand for Scouting.

Roger Dillon: Roger has been involved in Scouting for over 20 years. He has served in various roles including Den Leader, Committee Chair, Scoutmaster, Merit Badge Counselor, and Training Committee Member. Roger is active on the council board and always advocates for the Scouting program. His positive and enthusiastic attitude get youth excited about learning something new.

Mary Boyd: Scouting has always been a part of Mary’s life. Mary has served in numerous leadership roles including Den Leader, Committee Member, District Day Camp Staff and Merit Badge Counselor.

Mary has been instrumental in helping establish outreach units in the southern part of our council. Mary’s energy and imagination for keeping youth active and engaged in Scouting is inspiring. If you need help, Mary will always make time for Scouting.

Gene Pfantz: Gene began his Scouting career like many, serving in various roles as his son progressed. He has served as Den Leader, Scoutmaster, Merit Badge Counselor, and council training staff. Most recently, Gene has been an integral member of the activities committee, serving as the chair for numerous camporees. Gene goes out of his way to ensure Scouting remains Scout led, fun and available to all youth.

Marcia Tepp: Marcia is an active member of the council board where she serves as the VP of Administration. In this role she reviews and recommends policies and procedures to ensure the success of council operations. Marcia leads our risk management committee and is also a member of the national risk management task force. Marcia can always be counted on to get the job done.

Congratulations Silver Beaver Recipients! Thank you for your years of outstanding volunteer work!

(Pictured left to right: Mary Boyd, Paul Krause, Gene Pfantz)
I joined Cub Scouts in Pack 171 when I was in second grade. My parents wanting to make sure that I had a great scouting experience, decided to become leaders in my pack. My father became the Cubmaster and my mother the committee chair. I worked my way through the ranks eventually making my way from the Webelos den and finally joining Troop 111.

To this day, the times at Summer camp at Camp Tesomas remain some of my finest childhood memories. I remember my tapping out ceremony, earning my Conservation Merit Badge after lots of hard work and simply gaining an appreciation for the great north woods of Wisconsin and nature overall. I remember backpacking for a week across Isle Royale with my troop and finding that I could rely on my training to help me survive as well as thrive. Although I did not make it to eagle, I learned skills and made friendships that endure to today.

After graduating high school, I joined the Army for 11 years. I got out and started a family moving back to central Wisconsin. When my son entered first grade he came home with a wrist band on telling me how he wanted to join Cub Scouts, and like my father before me I helped him to do just that. I became his tiger den leader and eventually Cubmaster of Pack 171, once again like my father before me. We helped to grow the pack from two scouts to now over fifty a year. My daughter has now joined Cub Scouts as well. And last year when we needed a lion den leader we talked my wife into becoming the lion den guide.

We have now helped to reinvigorate Troop 171 and have now started a girl troop as well. My son recently moved up to the troop as I am now taking over as Scoutmaster. Scouting has now become the constant in my life that has spanned over 35 years and allows me to give back to the organization that has given me so much. You can most definitely say Scouting has become the family hobby.

- Gregg Gokey
The Samoset Council of the Boy Scouts of America proudly serves more than 6,000 youth annually in 13 counties in North Central Wisconsin.

Our more than 1,700 volunteer mentors are driven to deliver quality Scouting programs that provide young people with adventure, leadership, character development, citizenship, selfless service and much more!

We are looking forward to having you join us to “pull” for Scouting!

Morning and Afternoon Shoots
Pig Roast Lunch
5-Person Teams (space for 32 teams)

For team & sponsorship details
www.Samoset.org - (715) 355-1450

Friday, June 7th, 2019
Wausau Skeet & Trap Club
**Family Adventure Weekend**  
**August 30-September 2, 2019**

Share the thrill of the outdoors with your entire family. We will provide some of your camp favorite activities such as climbing and archery. There will also be plenty of open time for hiking, fishing, and boating.

![Camping scene](image)

**Camp Special Diet Needs**

Please notify us of any special dietary needs or restrictions two weeks before your arrival to summer camp using the form available online.

If you have any questions about our menus, please contact the camping department at 715-365-3111.

**Webelos Fall Adventure**  
**September 20-21**

From the moment Scouts arrive at Tesomas till they depart Sunday afternoon, they will be immersed in a program based solely around the Webelos experience. Campers will experience what awaits them in Boy Scouting. This event is open to Scouts registered as a Webelos in the fall and their parents. More information will be available this summer!

![Webelos group](image)

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**2020 Summer Camp**  
**Opened March 1**

Reservations are now being accepted for 2020. Units are encouraged to reserve space early, as popular weeks fill up quickly. A non-refundable reservation fee of $5 per camper is due with your reservation. These fees will apply toward your camp fees.

Signup online www.CampingIsKing.com

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**For more information and to register for camping go to**  
www.CampingIsKing.com
SUMMER CAMPS 2019

TIGER ATTACK

A day camp for boys and girls in grades K-1 featuring themed activities, Scout skills, and games. Costs $40* per youth, t-shirt included. Program runs 9-4. Bring your own lunch.

- Monday June 24 - Rhinelander
- Monday July 15 - Weston
- Monday July 29 - WI Rapids

*Scholarships available when you register online

AKELA'S WORLD

A 3-day overnight camp for boys and girls in grades 2-5. Enjoy swimming, archery, BB-guns, crafts, nature hikes, and more. Costs $149 per youth which includes all meals and program supplies. Ask your Den Leader or Cubmaster for dates.

STEM DAY CAMP

A day camp for boys and girls in grades 2-5. They'll work in teams, make new friends, and perform experiments that make science, technology, engineering and math come alive. Program runs 9-4. Cost is $50* per youth.

- Tuesday June 18 - Laona
- Tuesday July 16 - WI Rapids
- Tuesday July 23 - Weston
- Tuesday August 6 - Stevens Point

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camp@samoset.org | 715.365.3111
**Youth Protection Training Updates**

**Q.** Do Lion and Tiger Den meetings require two-deep leadership since adult partners are present?
**A.** Yes. A Lion or Tiger adult partner is not considered a registered leader for meeting two-deep leadership requirements. Lion or Tiger partners, as well as other pack leaders, provide a pool of adults who could be registered as an assistant den leader to meet this requirement.

**Q:** The Barriers to Abuse say that there must be two registered adults present for all Scouting activities and meetings. Does that include merit badge counseling? Fund-raising events?
**A.** Yes. However, the parent or legal guardian of the Scout may serve as the second adult. This parent or legal guardian does not have to be a registered leader.

**Q.** If only one leader shows up, does that mean we have to cancel the meeting or activity?
**A.** Yes. This policy is in place to prevent abuse in and out of Scouting. Adults should never be alone with youth who are not their children.

**Q.** Does this mean my son cannot have a sleepover if I am the only adult present?
**A.** Yes, if any of the children other than your own child is a Scout, we strongly encourage all adults to use the Barriers to Abuse in and out of Scouting.

**Tenting:** Separate tenting arrangements must be provided for male and female adults as well as for male and female youth. Youth sharing tents must be no more than two years apart in age. In Cub Scouting, parents and guardians may share a tent with their family. In all other programs, youth and adults tent separately.

**Lodging/Cabin:** Separate cabins or lodging should be provided for male and female adults as well as for male and female youth. If separate accommodations cannot be provided due to group size or limited availability, modifications may be made. Where completely separate accommodations are not available, additional supervision is required.

**Restrooms:** Separate shower and latrine facilities should be provided for male and female adults as well as for male and female youth. If separate facilities are not available, separate times should be scheduled and posted.

**Adult Supervision:** Two registered adult leaders 21+ yrs old are required at all Scouting activities, including meetings. There must be a registered female adult leader 21+ yrs old in every unit serving females. A registered female adult leader 21+ yrs old must be present for any activity involving female youth.

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**Save the Date!**

**Dodgeball Tournament**

Wausau, Wisconsin
Saturday, August 24th

*Get your friends and coworkers together for an exciting round robin dodgeball tournament to support our Scouting youth! Teams consist of 6-8 players (two of which must be female) and are guaranteed to play at least three games.*

*We will have an adult division as well as a youth division (ages 11-17)! Get your team ready and sign up today!*
Last fall, the Samoset Council Service Center underwent a fairly large office expansion. What was added to the building was much needed space for the growing staff. This was a spatial necessity for our council and it wouldn’t have been possible without the help of long-time supporters of scouting, Community Foundation of North Central Wisconsin.

Thank you for your support!
STEM Adventure Camp

You don't have to make kids do science, you just have to let them. Our STEM adventure camp offers unique outdoor STEM programs for boys and girls grades 2-6. They'll work in teams, make new friends and perform experiments that make science, technology, engineering, and math come alive.

July 8-11: Akela's World
Rhineland Wisconsin

- 4-day overnight program.
- Participants check in on Monday at 10:00 and depart at 3:00 PM on Thursday.
- $175 per youth | $90 per adult
- All program supplies, meals and camp T-shirt are included.

Activities at STEM Camp

- Swimming
- Boating
- Fishing
- Robotics
- Chemistry
- Catapult
- Engineering
- Sponge Fight
- Building Challenges
- Virtual Reality Experience
- Outdoor Camping
- Electronics
- Astronomy

*Although a program of the Boy Scouts of America, membership is not required to participate in this STEM Camp.*

Samoset Camping
715-365-3111 or camp@samoset.org

Register Online
www.Samoset.org
April

6-13 Scouting for Food Pick-up/Drop-off
10 Scout Night with the Globetrotters
11 Roundtable: Marshfield
13 Spring Merit Badge Workshop
  Scout Shop open 9 - 12
19 Good Friday (Scout Center/Shop Closed)
25 Roundtable: Tomahawk
26-27 BALOO Training
26-28 Scouts BSA Spring Camporee: Point
  Scouts BSA Triathlon Camporee

May

2 Roundtable: Wisconsin Rapids
  Roundtable: Wausau
3-5 Spring Work Trek
6 Motorboating Merit Badge Clinic (4 classes)
7 Roundtable: Stevens Point
9 Roundtable: Marshfield
10-12 Scouts BSA Spring Camporee: Wausau
11 Scout Shop Open 9 - 12
17-18 Intro. to Outdoor Leader Skills
23 Roundtable: Tomahawk
27 Memorial Day (Scout Center/Shop Closed)
31-2 Cub Scout Camporee

June

9-15 National Youth Leadership Training
13 Scout Night with the Rafters
15 Cub Scout Day Camp: WI Rapids
16-22 Tesomas Scout Camp
18 STEM Day Camp: Laona
21-23 Akela’s World
23-29 Tesomas Scout Camp
28-30 Akela’s World
30-6 Tesomas Scout Camp

Featured Volunteers

Thanks for Your Service to Scouting!

Our Volunteer’s time is one of the most precious commodities for an individual. It is extraordinary when our volunteers give their cherished time to a common cause. Without their dedication, Samoset Council would not continue to thrive.

Gene Pfantz – Although Gene’s children are long out of scouting he continues to give back to the scouting organization. He currently sits at the Chair for the northern area’s spring camporee and has done so for the past 4 years. As part of the spring camporee he works year round to carve beautiful and ornate walking sticks to give each SPL that comes to the camporee. Gene is a huge proponent of boy-led everything and strives to instill that all scouting activities and events he is part of. Gene’s scouting history include: Den Leader, Scoutmaster, Assistant SM, Life to Eagle Coach, MB counselor and Woodbadge Staff. Plus, Gene received the Silver Beaver Award; One of the most prestigious forms of volunteer recognition a Council can give.

Do you know a Scouting volunteer who has went above and beyond? Submit a short summary of them with a picture to leanna.holzem@samoset.org.

Information on events and dates as well as contact information are available on www.samoset.org.
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.