Samoset Council is decorating the hallway to Schuette Hall with wonderful Scouting photography. However, there seems to be a blank spot of the wall... and we want you to fill that blank!

We welcome all higher quality photos of our Scouts in action! Photo submissions must be completed by February 23, 2018 via email. Once the submission time has ended the Samoset Council will review all submissions and will make the final decision. Runner-up photos will also be on display either digitally or placed on the wall in the smaller designated areas.

To submit your photo or if you have questions please contact Leanna at leanna.holzem@samoset.org.

Note: The winner for the Scouts in Action Photo Contest will be required to provide an image resolution of 3700x5600 (or greater).
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Looking for a new career that offers independence and stability all while making a difference in the community? Samoset Council may be the perfect fit for you! For more information please contact Jeff Ottosen via email at jeff.ottosen@samoset.org.

**United Way Partner**

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.
**Samoset Key 4 Message**

**A Message to our Amazing Volunteers**

We are thrilled to be starting a new year of Scouting in Samoset Council. It is wonderful to be a part of the Scouting movement and to serve alongside the best volunteers! Thank you for the remarkable work you do on behalf of youth in Samoset Council.

There has never been a greater need for Scouting. Working together we can meet the needs of today’s youth and build tomorrow’s leaders. As a premier youth-serving organization, Samoset Council is committed to working together with:

Parents – We are excited to provide parents with the kinds of programs they want their children to be involved in. We recognize how vital parent involvement is to the success of our programs.

Volunteers – We have amazing volunteers in Samoset Council. These individuals invest countless hours of time and endless amounts of energy into providing the Scouting program. We are committed to providing our volunteers with the training, resources and guidance needed to be successful in their roles.

Chartering Organizations – We are excited to partner with many organizations across north central Wisconsin. Our chartering organizations are incredible partners for Scouting units. We will do everything in our power to help our chartering organizations implement the Scouting program successfully.

Community Partners – We cannot do it alone. There are many organizations doing great things for youth in our communities. We applaud their effort and actively seek opportunities to work together to serve youth.

Investors – Many individuals and businesses make financial investments in Scouting every year. The stewardship of these funds is an incredible responsibility. We are honored to have the trust of our investors. Scouting would not be possible without the necessary funding.

Youth win in Scouting when we work together. As we look at the youth we are serving in Scouting today, it is easy to be optimistic about the future. Working together we can reach more youth with Scouting and build more of the leaders our communities will depend on.

Thank you again for all you do for youth in Scouting. Please reach out and let us know what more we can do to support you in your volunteer service. We want to know how your experience is going as a volunteer leader. We would love to hear from you. Send us an 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

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**Eagle Scout & Volunteer Recognition Evening**

Samoset Council will honor all 2017 Eagle Scouts and Silver Beaver recipients at its Annual Recognition Banquet on Tuesday, February 20, 2018. The event will be held at St. Andrew Lutheran Church in Rib Mountain. The evening will consist of a social hour, meal and awards program.

All attendees are asked to donate to the St. Andrew food pantry by bringing a non-perishable food item.

Please mark your calendars to join us as we recognize the Silver Beavers and Eagle Scout Class of 2017. More details to follow in the Smiley News.
Scouting For Food

Each year the Boy Scouts of America partners with local food pantries to provide much needed food to the less fortunate. According to the US Government nearly 47 million Americans live in poverty. One in seven households struggle to feed their family. The need has never been greater.

Suggested Nonperishable Items: Soup, dry pasta, dry mixes, canned foods, boxed food, flour and sugar.

Samoset Scouts spend two weekends canvassing their neighborhoods collecting bags of food from the community to help fill the shelves of the local food pantries. Samoset Council partners with over 50 food pantries in 13 Counties and collects 60 tons of food annually. This project helps fill a tremendous need in the community and teaches young people the importance of giving back to their community. We encourage everyone to get involved with this important project, April 9th and April 16th 2018. Remember that you are helping the families of your community who need it the most.

Capital Campaign
$1.75 Million for Crystal Lake Scout Reservation

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 $1.75 million to fully fund these four projects by June 2020 as a celebration of 100 years of Scouting in the Samoset Council!

1. Tesomas Staff Housing – As camp attendance has risen dramatically over the past 15 years, we have hired more camp staff to keep pace. This new facility will provide housing for senior camp staff, relieving the stress of a housing shortage each summer. This project was completed in 2017.

2. Shower Facility - The shower facility on the west side of Camp Tesomas is long overdue to be replaced. Maintenance improvements are no longer a wise investment. Beginning in 2018, Scouts and adult leaders in camp will enjoy the individual restrooms and showers. Built from concrete, this facility will also serve as a storm shelter.

3. Grand Council Ring - The Grand Council Ring has a rich history as one of the most memorable elements of the Tesomas experience. Problems such as rotting timbers, heaving, drainage problems, and ongoing maintenance must be addressed. When completed, this improved area will embody the magic of Scouting and the “Tesomas Experience”. We are excited to permanently reconstruct this area to make it last for another 100 years. We plan to break ground on this project in the fall of 2018.

4. Business & Technology Center - The Business and Technology Center will serve multiple purposes at Camp Tesomas. It will serve as the hub for technology based Scout programs including; computers, robotics, engineering, and much more. A portion of this building will be designated as a camp store (trading post) which is always a popular destination for campers.

We can’t do this work without you. Samoset Council relies on the generosity of charitable donations to support its ongoing operations. Each gift, regardless of size, provides invaluable funding for our programs and facilities.

If you would like to make a contribution toward this campaign please contact Scott Domino at 715-490-2241 or scott@samoset.org.
Scouting programs emphasize the development of leadership, character, citizenship and fitness. To accomplish these goals, young people need the opportunity to push past their comfort zones in real world settings that help them understand who they are and envision who they can become. High adventure programs provide crucial experiences that help young people clarify their values, their goals and their vision for the future.

**Apostle Island Sea Kayaking**
This program will find you paddling among the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore in Lake Superior! Participants spend 5 days on the water and 4 nights on islands. Your trek will begin with an orientation to kayaking skills and include tours of the spectacular sea caves. Visit [www.northwoodshighadventure.com](http://www.northwoodshighadventure.com) to learn more. Reservations for summer 2018 are filling fast.

**Crystal Lake Scuba Adventure**
Scuba Trek is a PADI Open Water Diver course where participants experience the excitement and adventure of our underwater world. This adventure begins with classroom Scuba instruction and continues with several dives in Crystal Lake at Tesomas Scout Camp in Rhinelander. Visit [www.northwoodshighadventure.com](http://www.northwoodshighadventure.com) to learn more. Registration is completed by contacting Samoset Camping at 715-365-3111.

**Tesomas Micro-Trek**
MicroTrek is perfect for those who have already done much of what Tesomas offers, but still want to still experience camp. Each day Scouts will participate in small adventure like mountain biking, climbing, ATV Riding, whitewater rafting, Zip-lining. Registration opens March 1. Visit [www.CampingIsKing.com](http://www.CampingIsKing.com) to learn more.

**Philmont Scout Ranch**
Philmont Scout Ranch provides an unforgettable adventure along its hundreds of miles of rugged, rocky trails. Program features combine the best of the Old West—horseback riding, burro packing, gold panning, chuckwagon dinners, and interpretive history—with exciting challenges for today—rock climbing, burro racing, mountain biking, and rifle shooting—in an unbeatable recipe for fast-moving outdoor fun. Boy Scouts can be a member of the Samoset Council contingent in 2019. Contact Scott Domino at 715-490-2241 to learn more.

**Boundary Waters Canoeing**
Boundary Waters Canoeing - In partnership with Northern Tier, this program will find you paddling in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness. Participants spend 5 days on the water before returning to camp on Friday. Contact Scott Domino at 715-490-2241 to learn more.

For more information and to register for camping go to [www.campingisking.com](http://www.campingisking.com)
Scoutbook 101

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Essential Web App

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How Can My Pack/Troop Get Scoutbook?

1. Unit leaders: Go to www.Scoutbook.com to sign-up for your account.
2. Email your receipt to lanette.lemmer@samoset.org or submit it to the Samoset Council and you will be reimbursed for the subscription expense.
3. Promote the use of Scoutbook with Scouts, volunteers and families!

6th Annual
Sporting Clays
"Pull" for Scouting

Save the date!

Friday, June 8th, 2018
Wausau Skeet & Trap Club
(T196 County Road WW, Wausau)

All proceeds benefit youth in North Central Wisconsin!
STEM Scouts Update

The Samoset Council has started the third year of the STEM Scouts program and it is shaping up to be the best year yet! STEM Scouts is a coed pilot program that is designed to focus on the fun and exciting opportunities for youth in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). Through weekly meetings and four to six week modules that cover a variety of disciplines, STEM Scouts is designed to be fast-paced, thought provoking, and fun. The program will show youth how to apply STEM in their everyday lives and encourage them to develop those experiences into a future career.

The program has expanded into new regions of our council and has added several new labs. There are now 35 STEM Scouts labs serving youth as far north as Rhinelander and going all the way down to Nekoosa. The council has focused on reaching more of our rural areas this year such as Crandon and Rosholt and it has been incredibly popular. Children can join the program when they are in third grade and continue with the program until they graduate from high school.

In STEM Scouts, there are new activities for the kids to do every year! Some of the activities this year for the elementary age include: making magnetic slime, programming and racing robots, creating their own mummy, and space exploration. The middle school youth will get to: race drones, create their own mobile app, and learn how to be an entrepreneur. The high school activities include: exploring Raspberry Pi, going on a simulated mission to the International Space station, programming VEX robotics kits and much more!

STEM Scouts focuses on inspiring the youth in the program to love STEM subjects and enter into STEM professions when they reach adulthood. We accomplish this goal through interaction with STEM Professionals that volunteer for the labs. A few examples of STEM role models currently volunteering for the program are: college professors, surgeons, several types of engineers, medical researchers, and IT professionals. The youth have been able to attend field trips to STEM businesses like Ocean Spray, Prevention Genetics, and Pointe Precision.

The STEM Scouts program continues to start new labs and there are still spots open in existing labs. If you are interested in registering your child please visit: www.stemscouts.org/weston and choose the lab you wish to join. We are always looking for volunteers or STEM businesses that would like to be involved in the program if you are interested please contact Amanda Flannery at stemscouts@samoset.org.
 Whether you are a seasoned Scouter with years of experience or new to Scouting, your participation in training is guaranteed to enrich your level of knowledge. With this knowledge, you can be sure to make the outdoor experience for the boys in your units one that is safe and meaningful. Visit our website for more details.

**BEING A SUCCESSFUL UNIT LEADER**

**So, Now You Are An Adult Leader In Your Unit, Great…But What Do You Do Next?**

- First, take a deep breath and know that there are many resources to guide you along the way to a successful program and year for the Scouts in your charge. Scouting has been around for over 100 years and the planning, training, programs and activities have been well researched and developed to make things easy for you to be the best leader possible. The first thing to do is to make sure you have completed and adult application and Youth Protection Training and you have submitted this to the Samoset Council Scout Office. This will get you registered and create your file for all the trainings and future things you do for Scouting so you have a track record of your accomplishments.

- The next and most essential step, is to take the ‘specific’ training for the role you are filling for your unit. These may be found on the Samoset website under training. Example; you are a new Den Leader for Cub Scouts. Go to the webpage, click on training, then Cub Scout Leaders, and choose the ‘specific’ training course for Den Leaders. These courses take anywhere from 60 to 90 minutes and you have the option to start and stop during the course. Once you complete this, print out your certificate and submit it both to your Unit Committee and to the Samoset Scout Office.

- During these on-line trainings, many resources will be referenced for you. These are available in the Samoset Scout Shop which is inside the Scout Office, 3511 Camp Phillips Road, Weston, WI. Your unit may already have these resources on hand for you as well.

- Attend the monthly Round Table Leaders meetings. These meetings will give you a chance to meet other leaders that are doing the same thing you are but from different units in the area. You will hear for new leaders as well as experiences leaders and what to do and how to handle things.

- As a ‘Trained’ leader you will feel confident in the program you are providing to your Scouts is meeting the promise of the Scouting Experience they are looking for.

**Advanced Training Opportunities**

**Spring 2018**

- April 27-28  Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO) and Outdoor Webelos Leader (OWL) course
- May 18-19   Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS)

BALOO & Owl are for Cub Scout Adult Leaders and IOLS is for Boy Scout Adult Leaders. Both will be held at Camp Phillips in Weston. These are a ‘must’ to get prepared to gain the skills for all the outdoor adventures and fun that you will be experiencing as you move into the outdoor camping season.

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

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*Every Scout Deserves a Trained Leader!*
Adult Square Knots:

So, you are at a Scouting event. You are in your uniform, looking good, when you notice another leader in their uniform and you see that they have a few rows of very colorful square knots over their left pocket. You say to yourself, “What are those?” and you wonder how does someone get them? Well it is quite simple really. Depending on what your role is in your unit, there are specific square knots that you can earn. All you need to do is complete the application for your role and submit it to the Samoset Council Scout Office.

There are two levels for the square knots, Training Awards and Scouter’s Keys. Training Awards requirement are the basic things a leader would do as a Den Leader, Assistant Cub Master or Assistant Scout Master as examples. Scouter’s Keys are for Cub Masters and Scout Masters and Advisors with specific requirements for these top leadership roles.

There are other square knots that are not related to leadership role, but more for achievements you have accomplished, either as a youth or adult. Religious Awards, Eagle Scout Award, Arrow of Light Award and many more.

We are looking forward to seeing you at a scouting event in your uniform and being able to recognize you for all the great things you have done for your unit, youth and families just by seeing some of those crazy colored square knots above your left pocket.

Visit the forms and resources page of the Samoset website for award details. Specifically the Boy Scout and Cub Scout

Ask Smiley

Answers to Your Questions

Can Webelos participate in overnight camping?

A Webelos Scout may participate in overnight den camping when supervised by an adult. In most cases, the Webelos Scout will be under the supervision of his parent or guardian. It is essential that each Webelos Scout be under the supervision of a parent-approved adult. Joint Webelos den/troop campouts are encouraged to strengthen ties between the pack and troop. Den leaders, pack leaders, and parents are expected to accompany the boys on approved trips.

For more questions related to den/pack camping email smiley@samoset.org.

Have a Scouting-related question or topic you would like to know more about? Email us to get the answers you need in an upcoming issue of the Samoset Voice. (Email: smiley@samoset.org)
The 2017 Royal Popcorn Sale was a tremendous success! Samoset Council Scouts sold more than $1,159,000 in popcorn. That is over $380,000 directly to packs and troops for annual program activities. Popcorn sales provide funding for Scouts to participate in outings and activities throughout the year. Selling popcorn helps teach Scouts the value of hard work and a dollar earned. Earning your way to camp just makes the summer camp experience that much more meaningful to a Scout.

A successful popcorn sale is also vital to the keeping Samoset Council a premier Scouting council and we could not do it without the combined effort of our Scouts, their families and unit leaders. Thank you!

**Top Selling Units**

Congratulations to Cub Scout Pack 427 for leading the way in the Royal Popcorn Sale, selling $29,575. That is a lot of popcorn! Joining Pack 427 in the top ten are:

1. Rib Mountain Pack 0427 $29,575.00
2. Mushkodany Pack 0296 $26,630.00
3. Rib Mountain Pack 0439 $24,365.00
4. Ahdawagam Pack 0171 $23,875.00
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**Top Sellers**

Congratulations to our Top Seller, RJ Behrens from Pack 601 who sold more than $4,270 in popcorn. That's incredible! Congratulations to each of our leading Scouts who sold over $2,500.

- Pack 601 RJ Behrens
- Troop 298 Quintin Brezinski
- Pack 548 Anthony Kluck
- Troop 416 Alan Parsons
- Pack 259 Nate Kohnert
- Troop 187 Quinten Abbott
- Troop 392 Ohm-Alex Trivedi-Ziemba
- Troop 439 Matthew Kopplin
- Troop 438 Caleb Tuley
- Pack 298 Gus Olszewski
- Troop 439 Rj Kluck
- Troop 297 Caleb Pinkalla
- Pack 427 Landon Thurs
- Troop 427 Jake Pease
- Pack 337 Issac halama
- Pack 439 Noah Wissbroecker
- Pack 392 Reed Shrader
- Pack 296 KorbinWilliams
- Troop 416 Logan Fike
- Pack 0387 Logan Russ
- Pack 174 Zander Dahl
- Pack 174 Kaden Peper
- Pack 259 Jack Schippers

**Thank you!!**

Samoset Council, Boy Scouts of America
**Welcome Lodge Leadership**

The OA lodge helps the local council provide a quality Scouting program through recognition of Scouting spirit and performance, youth leadership development, adventurous programming, financial support, and enhanced membership tenure. Congratulations to the youth leaders for Tom Kita Chara Lodge who will lead the lodge throughout the year.

- Zach Steinberger - Lodge Chief
- Edward Valliancourt - Vice Chief of Chapters
- Matthew Dondlinger - Vice Chief of Program
- Colton Brochman - Vice Chief of Administration

**Annual Lodge Dues**

Tom Kita Chara, Order of the Arrow lodge dues expire at the end of each year. In accordance with the by-laws of our Lodge, if your dues are not current, you are considered ineligible to wear your lodge flap on your uniform. OA membership dues are $15.00 per year beginning January 1 to December 31. OA members are encouraged to call or stop by the Samoset Scout Shop to pay their dues. Members may also renew their dues on the TKC website.

**Upcoming Events**

- February 11  LEC Meeting
- March 11  LEC Meeting
- April 7  Lodge Lock-in/Brotherhood Clinic
- May 4-5  Spring Work Trek

**Registration and more details can be found on the TKC website:**
http://tkc.samoset.org

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**Friends of Scouting 2018**

**Adventure of Scouting**

Why Invest in Scouting?

What parts of Scouting have impacted your child the most? Scouting provides great adult role models, opportunities for community service projects, awesome outdoor adventures, great friends and a safe place for your child to build confidence and learn character. There are many other ways Scouting impacts your child and what is most important is that the impact continues to happen for your child and others. Your donation to Friends of Scouting does just that. Your child is one of over 6,000 youth served by Samoset Council annually and your support continues to make that possible. As you consider supporting Scouting with a financial gift in 2018 consider what parts of Scouting have impacted your child the most.

**Thank you in advance for your investment in youth!**

*Where Camping Is King*
CAMPERSHIPS

The Tesomas Alumni Camping Trust has been established to assist any Scout or leader with financial need to experience camping. Request must be made using the campership application (available on our website) for each person by April 1.

2019 SUMMER CAMP RESERVATIONS
MARCH 2018

Reservations for 2019 will open March 1, 2018 at 12:00 PM. 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.samoset.org.

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Summer Camp Leadership is planning another amazing program at Akela’s World Cub Scout Camp and Tesomas Scout Camp. Talk with your Den Leader, Cubmaster, Scoutmaster or Advisor to inquire when your group is going to camp. It’s an experience you do not want to miss.

Questions can be directed to Samoset Camping at 715-365-3111 or camp@samoset.org

For more information and to register for camping go to www.campingisking.com

Ask any American what they think of when you say —Boy Scouts and the vast majority will mention camping and the outdoors. It is as American as baseball, hotdogs, or apple pie. While the association of Boy Scouts and the fun of outdoor adventure is a natural one, it is perhaps more important to understand that camping experiences provide more than just fun. Summer camp offers Scouts the opportunity to participate in physically and intellectually challenging activities, introduces them to new and rewarding experiences, and provides them with supportive and caring relationships.

Samoset Council, Boy Scouts of America
**What Is Roundtable?**

Roundtable is supplemental training for volunteers at the unit level. The objectives of roundtables are to provide leaders with program ideas; information on policy and events; and training opportunities. It is a forum for sharing experiences and enjoying fun and fellowship with other Scout leaders. Roundtable experiences inspire, motivate, and enable unit leaders to provide a stronger program for our Scouts.

**Why is it Called “Roundtable?”**

It’s called a roundtable because everyone has an equal say and no one person leads the conversation. This is a good opportunity to share your ideas and concerns about your unit and to hear what other leaders are doing about these same issues.

**Dates & Locations**

There are six Roundtable meetings each month across Samoset Council throughout the year!

To see when the next Roundtable meeting is in your area go to the calendar on www.samoset.org.

**Who Should Attend Roundtable?**

Anyone with involvement in a unit’s program. Scouting is constantly changing and evolving and every leader needs to keep on top of these changes. If you have little experience, then this is the place to learn about how the scout program really works. If you have a lot of experience, then you can share what you know with others. Every unit should be sending at least one leader to the monthly roundtable meeting.

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**2018 Samoset Jamboree**

OCTOBER 12 - 14, 2018
HODAG FESTIVAL GROUNDS, RHINELANDER, WI

Smiley cannot find his crown!

Mark your calendars to attend the 2018 Samoset Jamboree. Watch for more details on how you and your unit can help locate Smiley’s crown.
Ready. Set. Roll!

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Weston, WI 54476
(715) 355-9680

Scout Shop Manager
Kristin Woller
kristin.woller@samoset.org
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**Featured Volunteers**

**Thanks for Your Service to Scouting**

When he’s not a Lab Manager for STEM Scouts, Matt Bronson is an engineer for the Department of Transportation. Matt was one of the first Lab Managers in the country when he started as a STEM Scouts volunteer in 2015. STEM Scouts provided the way for Matt, an Eagle Scout, to participate in Scouting with his daughter, Colleen. Now in his third year in STEM Scouts, Matt is a great mentor for the 15 youth in Lab 2803 at Wisconsin Rapids Middle School (WRAMS), chartered by Ocean Spray Cranberries Inc. STEM Scouts in Lab 2803 have fun, interactive STEM activities including field trips. Thank you, Matt! Your leadership as a Lab Manager is having a positive impact on youth in the STEM Scouts program.

**Dr. Marjorie Miller** was also one of the first Lab Managers in the country when the STEM Scouts pilot program began in 2015. Dr. Miller was instrumental in starting the first STEM Labs in the Samoset Council at Woodside Elementary in 2015. Dr. Miller is now an Associate Lab Manager with Lab 2803 where her daughter, Maribelle, is participating in her third year of STEM Scouts. Dr. Miller also serves on the Executive Board of the Samoset Council where she is part of the STEM Scouts advisory committee. As a general surgeon, Dr. Miller is a great example of the positive contributions women make every day in STEM related fields. STEM Scouts in Lab 2803 are fortunate to have Dr. Miller as a positive role model.
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.