

# Redhawk District



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## Redhawk District Dinner

The Redhawk District will be holding its annual business meeting and recognition dinner on Thursday, March 19th. All unit leaders, unit committee members, and unit commissioners are encouraged to attend. During this time there will be a recognition of the Eagle Scout Class of 2008. The highlight of the evening will be the awarding of the District Award of Merit and recognition of adult leaders for their contributions to Scouting during the past year.

The annual business meeting will also be held at this time. There will be a review of the events of 2008. The election of district members and a district chairman as well as the nomination of a district commissioner will take place.

## Friends of Scouting

We are currently scheduling family Friends of Scouting presentations in all units to be held in January, February, or March. Please contact Ellen Watkins to schedule a time for this presentation at a pack meeting, troop court of honor, or other family activity.

## District Meetings

**January 22nd & February 19th**

**Joe's Pizza - Casey - 6:30pm**

Dinner is at 6:30pm and the meeting will begin at 7:00pm. All Redhawk Scouters are welcome to attend and assist us in better preparing a program for all of our youth.

## Roundtables

**January 8th & February 5th**

**First Christian Church - Casey - 7:00pm**

All Scout leaders are encouraged to attend Roundtable. Bring a leader that has never attended and come enjoy the fun and fellowship.

## District Award of Merit



The District Award of Merit recognition award is presented annually in each district to Scouters who have rendered noteworthy service to youth in Scouting, outside of Scouting, or both. The nature and value of "noteworthy service to youth" may consist of a single plan or decision that contributed vitally to the lives of a large number of youth or it may have been given to a small group over an extended period of time. Nomination forms for this award are available through your District Executive or the Council Service Center. The deadline for submitting nominations is February 1st. All nominations must be submitted to the Council Service Center or to Ellen Watkins, District Executive.

## Introducing Ellen Watkins

We are excited to welcome Ellen Watkins to the Lincoln Trails Council as the new District Executive for the Redhawk District. She is a veteran volunteer in the Redhawk District and will bring years of knowledge and commitment to the position. Ellen has an Associate's Degree from Illinois Central College and a Bachelor's Degree from Eastern Illinois University. She will be responsible for the recruitment, training, motivation and leadership of volunteers in the Redhawk District to grow the Scouting program. Welcome aboard Ellen!

## 2010 National Scout Jamboree

Spots are filling quickly on the Lincoln Trails Council's 2010 National Scout Jamboree contingent. The Jamboree Troop will consist of 36 youth and 4 adults. As of the writing of this article there are still 12 youth spots remaining.

The 2010 Jamboree will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America. This promises to be a great event for all who attend. The Council contingent will be touring Washington, D.C. and Baltimore prior to the Jamboree.

If there are Scouts in your unit who would like to attend please direct them to the council website ([www.lincolntailsCouncil.org](http://www.lincolntailsCouncil.org)) to download the interest form and have them send it along with the \$100 deposit as soon as possible to the Council Service Center. We need to make sure that every youth who would like to attend knows about this event. If you have any questions about the Jamboree, please contact Doug Zaring at 217-620-0772 or Matt Kaufman at 217-429-2326

### Redhawk District Calendar

January	February
1 New Year's Day	5 Roundtable
8 Roundtable	8 Scout Sunday
10 Klondike Derby	19 District Meeting
22 District Meeting	21 CAT Merit Badge Fair