

Buffalo Trace Rendezvous – Borden, IN 2026

Borden Community Park – 100 East Main Street, Borden, IN 47106

October 9th – 11th

Program Agenda

(All times shown are in EDT)

Friday, October 9th -----

11:00 am - 12:30 pm	Check-In
1:00 pm	Rendezvous Opening Ceremony
	• Welcome by David J. Ruckman, PLS
	• Flag-Raising and Pledge of Allegiance by Scouting USA
	• Opening Remarks by David J. Ruckman, PLS
1:30 pm	Seminars Start

	TENT 1 – SURVEY HISTORY		TENT 2 – TECH / SPACE / FUTURE	
Time	Topic	Speaker	Topic	Speaker
1:30 pm – 2:20 pm	Buffalo Trace	David J. Ruckman, PLS	Cruising to the Moon	Fred Cink, Pilot / Astronomer
2:40 pm – 3:30 pm	Conflict Resolution, Part 1	Randy Miller, PLS	Cruising with the Asteroids	Fred Cink, Pilot / Astronomer
3:50 pm – 4:40 pm	Conflict Resolution, Part 2	Randy Miller, PLS	Cruising to the Red Planet	Fred Cink, Pilot / Astronomer

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Dinner
After Dark	Astronomic Observations

Saturday, October 10th -----

8:00 am - 9:00 am	Check-In
9:10 am	Seminars Start

	TENT 1 – SURVEY HISTORY		TENT 2 – TECH / SPACE / FUTURE	
Time	Topic	Speaker	Topic	Speaker
9:20 am – 10:10 am	Amazing Compass	Dr. Richard “Dick” Elgin, PS, PE	From Galileo to the Hubble...The Evolution of the Telescope	Fred Cink, Pilot / Astronomer
10:30 am – 11:20 am	Collecting Instruments	Dr. Richard “Dick” Elgin, PS, PE	Cruising through the Cosmos	Fred Cink, Pilot / Astronomer

11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm	Seminars Resume

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Time	Topic	Speaker	Topic	Speaker
1:00 pm – 1:50 pm	Civil War in Southern Indiana	Captain Zachary Blankenbeker	The Future of Rocketry and Spaceflight	Fred Cink, Pilot / Astronomer
2:10 pm – 3:00 pm	Evolution of Instruments	Dr. Richard “Dick” Elgin, PS, PE	Cruising to the International Space Station	Fred Cink, Pilot / Astronomer
3:20 pm – 4:10 pm	King’s Men, Mason and Dixon	David J. Ruckman, PLS	Surveying in the Illinois Grants	Harold Hart

4:45 pm - 6:00 pm	Dinner
6:15 pm - 7:30 pm	Live Music
After Dark	Campfire Stories

Sunday, October 11th -----

8:30 am - 12:00 pm	Scouts Day
	Address by Dr. Richard “Dick” Elgin, PS, PE
	Prayer by Scout Leader
	Boy Scout Merit Badge by Scout Masters and Surveyors