

## Boy Scout Troop 229 to Visit Texas

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*Winamac, IN* – After weeks of planning by the scout leaders, on Monday, September 15, Boy Scouts from Troop 229 and their parents gathered at the First United Methodist Church in Winamac to be briefed by Scout Master Steve McKinney, Scout Leader Dan Murphy, and others on their adventure to Texas in the summer of 2009 (July 23-August 2). Scouting is an adventure in itself, but this adventure will involve sleeping overnight aboard the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Lexington (and raising its colors the next morning), sleeping overnight at the NASA Johnson Space Center and exploring life-size models of a space shuttle and the International Space Station, exploring the mile-long assembly line of the F-35 stealth fighter jet at Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Headquarters, searching for diamonds at the Crater of Diamonds State Park, and a lot more. This is an adventure into some of the most advanced science and technology centers in the world splashed with a touch of history, bringing into focus many things they might only hear about otherwise.

Sponsorship for this trip comes from many organizations. **Boy Scouts at JSC**, a community outreach program at NASA, supports the overnight stay at NASA Johnson Space Center near Houston, TX. The **Live Aboard** program of the USS Lexington Museum on the Bay supports the overnight stay on the USS Lexington in Corpus Christi, TX. **Space Day in Pulaski County** and **Pam Thompson, Director of Software Engineering for Lockheed Martin's F-35 program**, support the visit to Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Headquarters in Fort Worth, TX. BSA Troop 229 is chartered by the Winamac Kiwanis Club and is a United Fund organization.

The scouts will engage in many fundraising activities over the next year to pay for their trip, and Space Day in Pulaski County has already made a \$200 donation to their effort through the Pulaski County Community Foundation (Space Day funds have come from several community sources, including the First National Bank of Monterey and Edward Jones (Jon Chapman)). If you wish to support our scouts with a donation, such donations may be tax-deductable.

For more on BSA Troop 229 and their activities, including more information on their trip to Texas in the summer of 2009, visit <http://www.bsa229.net>.

USS Lexington, Corpus Christi



National Scouting Museum, Irving

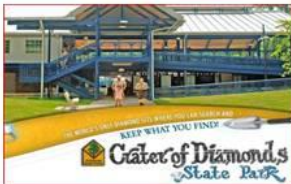


**BSA 229 Trip  
Summer 2009**

NASA Johnson Space Center,  
Houston



Crater of Diamonds,  
Murfreesboro, AR



Lockheed Martin Aeronautics  
HQ, Ft. Worth



The Alamo, San Antonio



*About 20 scouts and 10 scout leaders and parents are expected to enjoy an exciting Adventure in Science and History from July 23 to August 2, 2009. Pictured are some of the sites they will visit - the BSA 229 website at <http://www.bsa229.net> has complete details.*

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*Dr. Rex Allman and Judge Michael Shurn, Scout Leaders of BSA Troop 229, receive a \$200 donation from Wendy Rose, Director of the Pulaski County Community Foundation, which provided the money from the Friends of Space Day in Pulaski County Fund. Richard Conn is the Lead of Space Day in Pulaski County, and the Friends Fund is controlled by a board at the First Christian Church in Winamac.*