

Goose Creek District Newsletter



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The Aims of Scouting

From Scouter Mom | Published: October 14, 2010

It is important to remember why we are doing this.

It is so easy to get distracted by trying to get things organized for the next camp out or den meeting. Or the parent who doesn't understand the difference between Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts. Or those who aren't pitching in. Or the personalities not working well together

Refocusing on the Aims of Scouting will help us push the distractions aside and stay positive in our efforts.

AIMS OF SCOUTING

The Boy Scouts of America enumerates three aims of Scouting – Character, Citizenship, and Fitness.

Character development is probably the most recognized of the three. When the public thinks of a Boy Scout, hopefully they are picturing a young man who is willing to help others and follows the points of the Boy Scout Oath and Law. The same should be true for Venturers and Cub Scouts. Scouting helps young men and women develop confidence, independence, and skills. They adhere to their own religious beliefs while respecting the beliefs of others. They are honest and trustworthy.

Citizenship training benefits our nation and our communities. Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Venturers learn to take pride in our national heritage. They understand how they fit into the larger community. They understand the importance of taking care of the environment for the benefit of everybody. They put others before themselves by organizing and participating in service projects.

The third aim is fitness. This includes mental and physical fitness. This enables them to enjoy full, rich lives. Physical fitness is encouraged through sports and outdoor activities. Scouts also learn about the importance of eating right and taking care of themselves. They promise to stay away from drugs, alcohol, and other substances which can harm themselves or others. They strive to do their best in their studies and be mentally alert. They learn to think before they act so they can make good decisions.

District News

District Website: www.GooseCreekDistrict.org

District Pinewood Derby



The Goose Creek District Pinewood Derby will be held Sat, **March 12, 2011** at Tolbert Elementary School (691 Potomac Station Dr NE, Leesburg 20176) and is **OPEN TO ALL CUB SCOUTS (no matter how they finished in their Pack).**

Registration fee is \$8 and there will be trophies for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place for each rank division and the winners for each division will race to determine the fastest in the district. In addition there will be trophies for the best designs in each rank division. All Scouts will receive a participation patch. All cars must meet the design specifications listed in the district construction rules.

Division	Registration / Inspection	Race Times
Tiger	8:00 am – 9:00 am	9:30 am – 10:45 am
Wolf	9:30 am – 10:30 am	11:00 am – 12:15 pm
Bear	11:00 am – 12:00 pm	12:30 pm – 1:45 pm
Webelos	12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	2:00 pm – 3:15 pm
District Finals		3:30 pm – 4:00 pm

For more information: On the district website click on the 'Cubs' section or contact Dave Carty, david.carty@morganstanley.com

Spring Camporee



150 years ago the bombardment and surrender of Fort Sumter (April 12–13, 1861), near Charleston, South Carolina, was the event that started the American Civil War. Between 1861 and 1865, Americans made war on each other and killed each other in great numbers only to become the kind of country that could no longer conceive of how that was possible. What began as a bitter dispute over Union and States' Rights, ended as a struggle over the meaning of freedom in America. At Gettysburg in 1863, Abraham Lincoln said perhaps more than he knew. The war was about a "new birth of freedom."

As a remembrance of those years the District's camporee this year will be themed "Blue and Grey." Patrols will be assigned to either the "Blue" or the "Grey" army and during the day patrols will proceed along a loop trail of stations. At each station the Scouts will learn about the life of the Civil War soldier as they compete head to head with an "enemy" patrol. Many stations will require your best Scout skills, other will reward Civil War military prowess or athletic ability. Still others will be just-for-fun games.

When: April 29 – May 1, 2011-02-24

Where: Blue Ridge Center for Environmental Stewardship, Neersville, VA

Cost: \$17 per person

For more information: An information/registration is available on the district website or you can email GCCamporee@verizon.net

Cubmobile Derby



What do you have when you make a Pinewood Derby car big enough for a Scout to sit in? A Cubmobile! The district is planning to hold our first Cubmobile Derby on May 7, 2011 with the hope of making this an annual event. We have a nice gentle, paved slope all lined up for the race and now we need dens to build cubmobiles to race.

Dens will race as teams with a minimum of three and a maximum of five Scouts per team. Dens with six or more Scouts participating will need to register as two, or more, teams. Teams from the same den, however, will be allowed to use the same cubmobile if they want to. Every Scout on a team will be given a chance to race their cubmobile down the course.

Derby fee is \$6 per Scout and all teams must pre-register with an \$18 deposit (i.e., the fee for three Scouts). A full information/registration packet and instructions on how to build a cubmobile is available on the district website's Cubs section.

In order to hold this derby we still need some adult volunteers to help in running the event. If you would like to be a volunteer please send an email to GCCubEvent@verizon.net

Required Training for Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters



Starting with our next rechartering (which must be turned in by December 2011) all direct contact leaders (i.e., leaders that work directly with the Scouts) must be fully trained. This means that **ALL** Scoutmasters, **Assistant Scoutmasters**, Team Coaches, Assistant Team Coaches, Venturing Advisors, and Assistant Venturing Advisors that have not already taken Boy Scout Leader Specific training **and** Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS) **will not be allowed to keep their position!** Since one reason that leaders often give for not completing training is that they are too busy we strongly suggest that they start clearing their calendars now in order to attend the appropriate training sessions.

Boy Scout Leader Specific training (formerly SM/ASM Specific Training) is an indoor session that usually takes about 9 hours. District training dates for this are May 7, October 1, and October 14.

Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills (IOLS) is the required outdoor training and does involve an overnighter. The skills taught are based on the outdoor skills found in *The Boy Scout Handbook*. The course focuses on skills that build confidence and competence in leaders conducting outdoor camping experiences. District training dates for this are May 14-15 and Oct 15-16.

For more information: Check the district website for updated training information.

Spring/Summer Join Scouting Night



Thinking of holding a Spring/Summer JSN?

This is not mandatory for you to do, however it could be very helpful in catching some of the boys before they get committed to other activities in the fall. A few Units have decided to hold a spring JSN and if you would like to communicate with one of those Units regarding how it went, lessons learned, etc. just let the District's JSN committee know.

If you are planning to hold such a spring / summer event then you may want to assess what you need. We have packets of documentation for you that will be provided at training, but you may need them sooner if you are holding a spring event.

Keep in mind that all on-school campus events need to be approved by the school Principal and that while there is a BSA District arranged date with the schools for the fall, you still need to touch base with the Principal.

For more information or to request flyers or "pack invitation cards": Contact Chris Goda at chris.goda@yahoo.com

Scouting's Journey to Excellence Program



Scouting's "Journey to Excellence" is the new performance measurement and recognition program that replaces the Centennial Quality program. Its goal is to align performance to maximize results in key performance areas that are directly related to producing a successful, growing, and sustainable Scouting program (such as membership retention, financial strength, camping, and advancement).

One very important thing to do is to **EVUALUATE YOUR UNIT NOW USING THE CRITERIA!!** See where your unit stands now and where you could possibly earn a higher score with a bit of planning. Also you should be aware of some of the specific requirements and/or deadlines in several of the criteria. For instance, check the wording for service projects and you'll find that at least one must be done for your chartering organization. You could do enough service projects during the year to qualify for gold, but if one isn't for the chartering organization you get zero points!

In addition the Journey to Excellence service hour website will replace the Good Turn for America website for recording service hours. If it's not recorded there you can't count the hours.

For more Information on this program:

www.scouting.org/scoutsource/awards/JourneyToExcellence.aspx



Why is it that Scouts think a nylon tent is a soundproof booth?

Goose Creek Day Camp 2011



Join us this summer, July 11-15, at Goose Creek's Day Camp as we explore the excitement, thrills, and history of medieval times! Activities will range from traditional Scouting games and achievement opportunities to archery and BB instruction, crafts, nature study, handicrafts, leatherwork, and camp skills.

Can't get leaders to commit for an entire day? Goose Creek is also running a Twilight Camp, same dates, that will run from 6:30 PM (6:00 PM check-in) until 8:45 PM and will include many of the activities done during the day.

Boys will receive a camp T-shirt, water bottle, craft supplies, and all the goodies needed for a week of fun. One adult is needed for every five boys to escort the adventurers through camp. Tiger Cub adult partners are expected to attend camp with their son.

- Cub Scout Day Camps require registration as a pack or den by a Cub Scout Pack Coordinator.
- Registration may be done either "Online" or "Offline".
- Online registrations require online payments using a credit card at the time of registration. (register a few now and a few later, or all at once).
- To register offline you will need to download the Day Camp Offline Registration Bundle.
- The Pack Coordinator may make additional registrations until the final day of registration to add additional Cub Scouts, Den Walkers, and T-shirt purchases.
- Early Payment Discount: Through April 18, 2011 a discount of \$20.00 will apply to all Cub Scout registrants. (total fee \$160)
- Regular Fee: Registrations made April 19 - May 13, 2011 are \$180.00
- Late Fee: After May 13, 2011 a late fee of \$20.00 will apply to all Cub Scout registrants. (total fee \$200)

For additional information and to register online: On the Council website (Camps → Cub Scout Day Camps).

Fishing Belt Loop & Pin Program



Claude Moore Park in Sterling will be holding a Fishing Belt Loop and Pin program on Sunday March 20 from 1-4 p.m. The program will teach Scouts how safety, baiting your hook and casting, and on making your own fishing pole. Scouts will then be able to fish in the park's pond.

Cost is \$10 per Scout, adults free. Preregistration is required

For additional information or to register: Call 571-258-3700 for information. Go to www.loudoun.gov/webtrac by 5PM on 3/18/11, use activity #361217-01 and receive a \$1.00 discount

News From Our Units



Congratulations to Goose Creek's newest Eagle Scouts:

Seth Berry – 711
Nicholas Pampaloni - 711



Troop 1154 had two Scouts earn their Ad Altare Dei medal and received it at a special Mass presided by Bishop Loverde at the St Thomas More Cathedral on 12 February.

George Birsic
Nathan Pedo

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Council Website: www.BoyScouts-NCAC.org

6th Annual NCAC Orienteering Meet



On Saturday April 2, 2011, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Council will host the 6th Annual NCAC Orienteering meet at Little Bennett Regional Park (off Route 355 near Clarksburg, MD). Morning sessions will include orienteering instruction for Scouts new to the sport, competitions in one of three levels of orienteering, and a map skill-building event. Scouts will be paired up and each pair will have an opportunity to choose two events. Competition will be broken into two age groups: under 14 years of age and 14 years of age and older. After a late lunch (1 p.m. to 2 p.m.) the afternoon event will be a 90 minute orienteering score course.

Competition will be both on the Scout pair level and on the unit level. Each Troop or Crew unit will have a unit score from this event based on the average of the unit's top five pairs from that unit. Registration will be done online (we assume on the Council website under Council Events), from March 3 to March 29, on the unit level and space will be limited to the first 350 Scouts registered. Cost is \$10 per Scout and Scouts will need to bring their own compasses.

Camping will be available on both Friday and Saturday nights. Make reservations with the park after January 2 by calling 301-972-9222. Please make sure you advise them that you are attending the NCAC Orienteering event. Sites A, B, and C will be available to Scout units at \$21 a site, with each site restricted to 10 people and two cars. There is overflow parking available.

For more information and updates contact: James Chaplin at 703-753-4641,
jhchaplin@comcast.net

Camp Snyder Summer Programs



Online registration for Camp Snyder's summer programs is now open on the Council website (Camps → Register for Camp Snyder Programs). Registration can either be done at the pack or individual level.

Pack Registration requires 8 or more Scouts, and the Pack will be able to register the two free "Adult Leaders." The extra adults, "Parents" on the registration page, will be registered at the appropriate cost levels. (With the exception of Adventure Days, where, like Day Camp, Den Walkers do not pay a fee)

Scouts who register as a family/individual will still be grouped together as a Pack in campsite, but they will not be eligible for the two free leader pricing, regardless of whether they bring eight or more Scouts.

Tim Rupert, the Snyder Camp director, will be at our March Roundtable to make a presentation.

Tiger Safari Day – \$20/youth with Tiger Partner

New Tigers get to experience a day at camp with dinner and a closing campfire. Activities will include programs in The Fort, The Big Dig, The Ship, BBs, Archery, Nature and more. This is for all boys that in kindergarten in May of 2011 (boys currently in the Tiger program officially become Wolves on June 1).

- July 9, 1:00-8:30 p.m.

Adventure Days – \$175/youth, \$0/adult (Den Walkers)

Ideal for the new Cub Scout! All sessions are four day long day camps based on the theme "Super Hero Scouts" and offer a large variety of programs at the various theme areas for Scouts to enjoy themselves. The program sessions will include projects, archery, nature, sports, BBs, and exploring the various theme areas such as The Ship, Big Dig, and the Fort. Lunch is included in the program. Cub-age sisters can attend at the same cost as boys and participate in the program.

- June 27-30
- July 11-14
- July 18-21

Cub Resident Camp – \$160/youth, \$70/adult

This is an overnight camp that covers 3 days and 2 nights. Meals and tents (wall tents with cots on a platform) are part of the package. Cub-age sisters can attend at the same cost as boys and participate in the program. For every 8 or more boys that sign up 2 adults will be free (if registered as a pack).

Friday, Saturday & Sunday

- June 24-26
- July 15-17
- Aug 5-7
- Aug 12-14

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday

- Aug 1-3
- Aug 8-10

Webelos Advancement – \$210/youth, \$85/adult

This is an overnight camp that covers 4 days and 3 nights and is open to all Scouts that are currently either a Webelos or a Bear (advance to Webelos on June 1). Meals and tents (wall tents with cots on a platform) are part of the package. For every 8 or more boys that sign up 2 adults will be free (if registered as a pack).

- July 5-8

2011 Goshen Summer Camp Availability

Key: Available Almost Full Full



Camp (as of 2/4/2011)		Week					
		1	2	3	4	5	6
	Bowman (BS Patrol Method/Heater Stack)						
	Marriot (BS Patrol Method/Heater Stack)	LDS Week					
	Olmsted (BS Dining Hall)						
	Lenhok'sin High Adventure						
	PMI (Webelos)						
	Ross (Webelos)						

Week 1, 6/25 or 6/26 to 7/2 Week 4, 7/16 or 7/17 to 7/23
 Week 2, 7/2 or 7/3 to 7/9 Week 5, 7/23 or 7/24 to 7/30
 Week 3, 7/9 or 7/10 to 7/16 Week 6, 7/30 or 7/31 to 8/6

To register: On Council website (Camps → Register for Goshen Scout Reservation)

Important dates to remember:

Hat Incentive Deadline- \$50.00 per person due by Friday, March 18, 2011
 Early Bird Fee Payment Deadline- Friday, April 29, 2011
 Regular Camp Fee Deadline- Friday, June 3, 2011

Cub Scout Day at National Building Museum



Join the National Building Museum on Sunday, April 10th, for an activity day designed especially for Cub Scouts. Boys will be able to explore ideas, like innovation and designing for the future, that were explored at the worlds' fairs featured in the exhibition *Designing Tomorrow: America's World's Fairs of the 1930s*.

Prepaid registration advised, walk-in registration based on availability. Registration fee of \$15 per Scout, adults free, includes entrance to *LEGO® Architecture: Towering Ambition* exhibition.

For more Information: www.go.nbm.org/scouts

Do you have an interesting Scout article to share with the district, a notice about an upcoming event, or just want to tell others about an activity your unit has done or plan to do? If so then submit your information to Newsletter@GooseCreekDistrict.org and we'll see about posting it in the next district newsletter. We take most file formats and even pictures.

Notice: Submissions must be received at least five days prior to the end of the month and may be edited to fit our newsletter format and available space.

National Youth Leadership Training (IMPEESA)



NYLT (Impeesa) is the National Capital Area Council's presentation of the National Youth Leadership Training. The objective of our NYLT program is to equip our young people with leadership skills to help them succeed in their Troops and in LIFE. NYLT brings together boys from all over the Council to learn and practice the leadership techniques in a risk free, scout friendly environment. The Scouts learn and practice leadership skills and styles together.

While it remains the responsibility of the Scoutmaster to train his troops' leaders, this course is designed to supplement the Scoutmaster's role in the training process. NYLT skills build on the fundamental leadership skills presented in the Troop Leadership Training program in their home troops.

NYLT is a six day course taught over two weekends or as a week long course. Scouts are organized by patrols and presented Scouting at its best in an IDEAL outdoor setting. The course will be held at Camp Snyder, Haymarket, Virginia.

The latest NYLT information and an application can be found at on Council web site under the Training menu. You can also contact the course staff at IMPEESANCAC@yahoo.com if you have any other specific questions or need more information

NYLT Weekend Course:

Date: June 17-19, 2011 and June 24-26, 2011 (2 weekends)
Time: 1:00 PM (Friday) - 5:00 PM (Sunday)

NYLT Week Long Course:

Date: July 24 - 30, 2011
Time: 11:00 AM, July 24 - 7:00 PM, July 30

Cost: \$200

Notes: Scoutmaster approval is a must, minimum age for participants is 14 (13 with NYLT Scoutmaster approval)

For the First Aid Kit



A fairly recent development in first aid is the Israeli emergency medical bandage. It combines a sterile dressing, elastic wrap and a pressure bar to make a fast and easy to use trauma bandage. The long tail can be configured in various ways to hold the bandage in place or to immobilize the limb, plus it can be configured into an improvised tourniquet. Applying the bandage is quick and easy, much less finicky than applying and wrapping a traditional dressing. The bandage comes in 4" and 6" for around \$5-\$11.

Originally developed by the Israelis for military use it comes highly recommended from military medics and civilian paramedics.

The bandage is available from www.Amazon.com and www.Chinookmed.com (search for 'Israeli bandage').

SAT/ACT Software Available to Scouts



In alliance with the Boy Scouts of America, eKnowledge is offering SAT and ACT test prep programs valued at \$200, free to Boy Scout families. The eKnowledge Sponsorship Alliance is made up of educationally focused foundations, as well as a group of professional athletes from the National Football League and Major League Baseball that includes Warrick Dunn and Chipper Jones. The eKnowledge Sponsorship Alliance has provided more than 120,000 SAT/ACT prep programs to families all over the United States.

Now in its fourth year, the eKnowledge Sponsorship Alliance has donated more than \$26 million of SAT/ACT test preparation programs. In response to the donation, eKnowledge has received more than 40,000 thank-you letters from those who have benefited from the test preparation programs. The PowerPrep™ program helps prepare students to take the exams and increases student confidence, which can result in higher test scores and thousands of dollars in scholarships.

eKnowledge recently announced the arrival of the new v6x SAT/ACT PowerPrep™ software; v6x was in development for more than two years at a cost of \$1.5 million. It includes more than 20 hours of video instruction, 3,000 files of supplemental test prep material, thousands of interactive diagnostic tools, sample questions, practice tests, and graphic teaching illustrations. The new PowerPrep™ v6x software is Mac- and PC-compatible.

Families interested in obtaining the FREE \$200 v6x SAT/ACT PowerPrep™ Programs may order online at www.eknowledge.com/bsa or by calling 951-256-4076.

There is a fee of \$13.84 (per standard program) which enables eKnowledge to provide technical and customer support, registration, licensure, processing, handling, and worldwide shipping. This nominal fee allows the sponsorship alliance to continue helping thousands of students each year.

For more information, please contact Lori Caputo, ESA Programs, at LoriCaputo@eknowledge.com or 951-256-4076

Philmont 2011 Opportunity



Troop 673 in Great Fall currently has 7 scouts and one adult heading to Philmont for a trek July 12 through the 24th. The current travel plans are to leave the DC area July 8 and return on July 24. They are currently looking for at least 1 adult and a few scouts to fill out a crew of 12.

Contact George Hefner
President

Spectrum, Inc. General Contracting
8460 Tyco Road, Vienna, VA
703.891.7442, ext 106
www.spectrumincgc.com

Share Your Memories with the National Scouting Museum



In 2011 the National Scouting Museum is expanding its efforts to reach people whose lives have been positively influenced by their involvement in the Scouting program. Whether you are a lifetime Scouter or have only been in the program for a short while, we believe you have scouting stories to share! Tell us your stories when and where you like. We'll send you recording equipment...you record your stories and send it back postage paid.

For more Information: Please contact Gail Mayfield, assistant curator, at 800-303-3047 or gail.mayfield@scouting.org for details.

A Question on Lifesaving Merit Badge



Does a Scout have to earn Swimming merit badge before he can go for Lifesaving? (from www.NetCommish.com AskAndy)

For many years Swimming was indeed a prerequisite for Lifesaving and both merit badges were Eagle-required (with no alternatives). But since there are now alternatives to Swimming (just as there are for Lifesaving), this merit badge is no longer mandatory in order to earn Lifesaving merit badge. Lifesaving will, nonetheless, expect that the Scout has completed both the Second and First Class rank swimming requirements (7a-b-c and 9a-b-c, respectively) plus be able to swim 400 continuous yards in a strong manner demonstrating crawl, side, breast, and elementary (resting) back strokes for at least 50 yards each. (Contrary to popular belief, a "CPR card" isn't necessary, although there are several CPR-related requirements.)

On-Line Resource of the Month



Scouts and Scouters will find the Summit's new Internet home (<https://summit.scouting.org/en/Pages/default.aspx>), launched on Feb 9, a great place for up-to-the-minute information about BSA's fourth high-adventure base and the home of the 2013 National Scout Jamboree and 2019 World Jamboree.

Here are some of the site's highlights:

- Registration for the 2013 National Scout Jamboree will open in late spring. The event will be held July 15-24, 2013, and it's open to First Class Scouts (or higher) who are at least 12 by the first day of the Jamboree and haven't turned 18 by the last day.
- Do some Scouts in your unit know their way around a computer? Then suggest that they apply for Patrol Z beginning March 1. Patrol Z is a group of Scouts who will share stories, photos, and videos about Scouting.
- The Shape the Summit Survey is your chance to speak directly to the base's planners.



Training Opportunities

Wood Badge



Wood Badge is designed to meet the advanced leadership needs of all Scouters, in all leadership positions for the BSA. The Wood Badge course incorporates the traditions of over 80 years of Wood Badge, while adding the management and leadership training necessary to become a successful leader in the 21st Century. Wood Badge is more than a classroom; it's entertaining, fun games, hands-on projects, team building, and inspirational events. You will come away with an appreciation of Scouting's heritage, as well as a vision of the role you will play in its future, and the impact you will make on the youth in your own unit, the district and our council. Participation in this course will provide skills to help you achieve success in other aspects of your life or in your career! The course starts with a 2-weekend, fun-filled practical training period where the Scouter lives as a member of a team progressing through Scouting, and learning the skills of leadership. The outdoor experience is followed by a period of up to eighteen months during which the Scouter applies the skills learned during the practical experience in his or her Scouting position – at the unit, district, or council level. Through this period, each Scouter is assigned a counselor who acts as a resource, evaluator, and Scouting mentor to assist the participant in putting into action those points discussed during the course. This is demonstrated by the process known as working your ticket.

Prerequisite Training for Wood Badge:

Complete the basic training courses for your primary Scouting position. Cub Leaders must have completed New Leader Essentials and the position specific training for their position. Boy Scout and Varsity leaders must have completed New Leader Essentials, their position specific training as well as Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills. Venture advisors must complete New Leader Essentials, their position specific training and Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills. Other unit, district, and council leaders must complete New Leader Essentials, plus their position specific training (e.g. Committee, Commissioners, District Chairs, or Council Chairs, ?)

Spring Wood Badge (100th NCAC Wood Badge Course!):

Session 1: 5/6/2011 - 5/8/2011

Session 2: 6/10/2011 - 6/12/2011

Fall Wood Badge:

Session 1: 9/9/2011 - 9/11/2011

Session 2: 10/14/2011 - 10/16/2011

Location: Camp William B. Snyder, Haymarket, VA

Cost: Total cost for Spring & Fall courses is \$250.00 (participants sleep in tents). All registration fees are due at NCAC 45 days prior to the start of each course.

For more Information: On the Council website (Training → Wood Badge).

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and First Aid Training



Dates: March 27, April 17, and May 22, 2011.
 Each class is limited to the first 24 registrants.
 Cost is \$50 per person
 Location - Hylton Training Center at Camp W.B. Snyder

Online registration is required

For more information or to register: On the Council website (Council Events)

NCAC Powderhorn 2011



Scouting leaders want to provide challenging and fun outdoor programs to meet the needs of their older youth members, but may lack the knowledge and/or resources to do so. Powder Horn responds to this problem with an exciting training opportunity that exposes Venturing, Boy Scout, and Varsity adult leaders to a wide range of outdoor, high-adventure activities. Powder Horn provides its participants with valuable resources and contacts to assist leaders in delivering the promise of Scouting's high-adventure experiences to our youth.

Powder Horn is based on the requirements for the prestigious Venturing Ranger Award. This award requires demonstrated proficiency in a challenging set of core and elective topics. During the course, presentations on Ranger topics are made by knowledgeable consultants with demonstrated skills and certifications, as appropriate. They demonstrate the skills required and explain where resources, such as equipment, facilities, guides, instructors, and certifications which can be obtained locally. Most of the presentations involve actual hands-on experience by the participants, including, shooting (pistol, rifle, shotgun), archery, kayaking, canoeing, sailing, fly fishing, mountain biking, SCUBA, land navigation, Leave No Trace, Project COPE, and much, much more.

Many participants report that they picked up a new hobby as a result of a Powder Horn class.

The course is 6-days long over 2 weekends. You must attend both parts to complete the course:

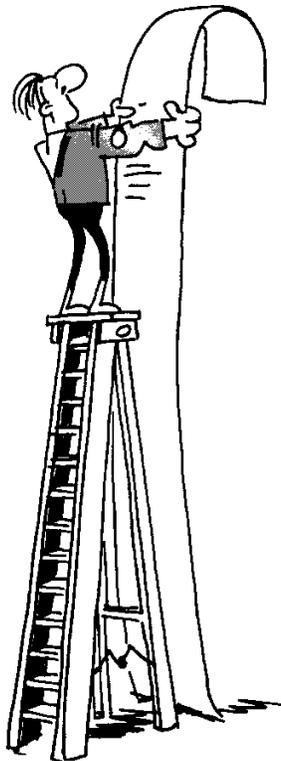
Part 1: August 26 – 28, 2011, at Camp St. Charles; 15375 Stella Maris Drive; Newburg, MD

Part 2: September 16 - 18, 2011 at Camp Snyder, 6100 Antioch Rd., Haymarket, VA.

The fee is \$275 (includes course materials, instruction, meals, recognition items). A \$75 deposit, along with the completed application will reserve your place for the course. The deposit is due by June 1, 2011 with full payment by July 15, 2011.

For more information: On the council website (Training) or contact NCACPowderhorn2011@gmail.com

District Calendar



March

- 3 **Arrow of Light Recognition Ceremony**
- 9 Roundtable
- 10 Commissioner Roundtable
- 12 **District Pinewood Derby**
- 13 Daylight Savings Time starts
- 18-19 Council OA Fellowship
- 18 Goshen Hat Incentive Deadline
- 23 District Committee

April

- 2 **Training - Den Chief**
- 4 School Holiday
- 13 Roundtable
- 14 Commissioner Roundtable
- 18-22 Spring Break
- 27 District Committee – Annual Business Meeting
- 29 Goshen Early Bird Payment Deadline
- 29-30 **Spring Camporee**

May

- 7 **Cubmobile Derby**
- 7 **Training – Boy Scout Leader Specific**
- 8 Mother's Days
- 11 **Program Launch**
- 12 Commissioner Roundtable
- 13 **District Award Banquet**
- 14-15 **Training – IOLS/OLSWL**
- 20-22 **OA Ordeal**
- 25 District Committee
- 30 Memorial Day

June

- 3 Goshen Camp Fee Deadline
- 3-5 OA Conclave
- 4 **Soda Bottle Rocket Derby**
- 8 Roundtable
- 9 Commissioner Roundtable
- 16 Last Day of School
- 19 Father's Day
- 22 District Committee
- 24 Cub World Summer Program begins
- 25 Goshen Week #1

July

- 2 Goshen Week #2
- 4 Independence Day
- 9 Goshen Week #3
- 11-15 **District Day Camp**
- 11-15 **District Twilight Camp**
- 16 Goshen Week #4
- 23 Goshen Week #5
- 30 Goshen Week #6

August

- 5-6 **Training – IOLS/OLSWL**
- 10 Roundtable
- 11 Commissioner Roundtable
- 24 District Committee
- 29 School Starts

September

- 5 Labor Day
- 14 Roundtable
- 15 Commissioner Roundtable
- 24-25 **Webelos-o-ree**
- 28 District Committee

October

- 1 **Training – Boy Scout Leader Specific**
- 10 Columbus Day
- 12 Roundtable
- 13 Commissioner Roundtable
- 14 **Training – Boy Scout Leader Specific**

- 15-16 **Training – IOLS/OLSWL**
- 21-23 **Hike-o-ree (tentative)**
- 26 District Committee
- 29 **Training – Den Chief**

November

- 4-6 NCAC Venturing Hike-o-ree
- 5 **Scouting for Food Bag Distribution**
- 7-8 Student Holiday
- 9 Roundtable
- 10 Commissioner Roundtable
- 12 **Scouting for Food Bag Pickup**
- 16 District Committee
- 19 **PowWow**
- 23-25 Thanksgiving Break

December

- 14 Roundtable
- 15 Commissioner Roundtable
- 22 Winter Break Starts
- 28 District Committee

January 2012

- 11 Roundtable
- 12 Commissioner Roundtable
- 16 MLK Jr. Day
- 23 Moveable School Holiday
- 25 District Committee

February

- 3-5 **Freeze-o-ree**
- 5 Scout Sunday
- 8 Roundtable
- 9 Commissioner Roundtable
- 11 Scout Sabbath
- 20 President's Day
- 22 District Committee
- 25 **University of Scouting**