



Western Shore District

June 2018 Newsletter

June:

- 10:** Trail to Eagle Brief - St. Peter's Church 3320 St. Peters Dr, Waldorf, MD 20601
- 13:** Commissioner Meeting/OA Chapter Meeting - 630pm-730pm Patuxent Presbyterian Church 23421 Kingston Creek Rd California, MD
- 13:** District Roundtable - 730pm-9pm Patuxent Presbyterian Church 23421 Kingston Creek Rd California, MD
- 18-22:** Day Camp St. Mary's County Fairground - 42455 Fairgrounds Rd. Leonardtown, MD
- 25-29:** Day Camp Kings Landing Park - 3255 Kings Landing Rd. Huntingtown, MD
- 27:** District Committee Meeting - 730pm-9pm Southern Community Center 20 Appeal Ln Lusby, MD

July:

No District Events

August:

- 8:** Commissioner Meeting/OA Chapter Meeting - 630pm-730pm Patuxent Presbyterian Church 23421 Kingston Creek Rd California, MD
- 8:** District Roundtable - 730pm-9pm Patuxent Presbyterian Church 23421 Kingston Creek Rd California,
- 10-12:** Webelos Weekend - Long Farm Hollywood, MD
- 29:** District Committee Meeting - 730pm-9pm Southern Community Center 20 Appeal Ln Lusby, MD

September:

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District Chairman's Minute

Summer is here and it's time for some camping. Units from the Western Shore District are headed to a wide variety of summer camping activities, from our District hosted Day Camps in St. Mary's and Calvert Counties; to Council Camps at Goshen Scout Reservation; to the high adventure activities at Philmont, Florida Sea Base, Northern Tier and the Summit Bechtel Reserve. The planning that has taken place over the past year by our leaders and Scouts alike to "Be Prepared" that will ensure that everyone will have a positive experience. It's time to have some serious fun.

Camping is such an integral part of Scouting experience. It disguises the BSA's goals of character development, citizenship, training, and personal fitness with fun, life experiences, and camaraderie. As a reminder, the BSA says:

Organized camping is a creative, educational experience in cooperative group living in the outdoors. It uses the natural surroundings to contribute significantly to physical, mental, spiritual, and social growth.

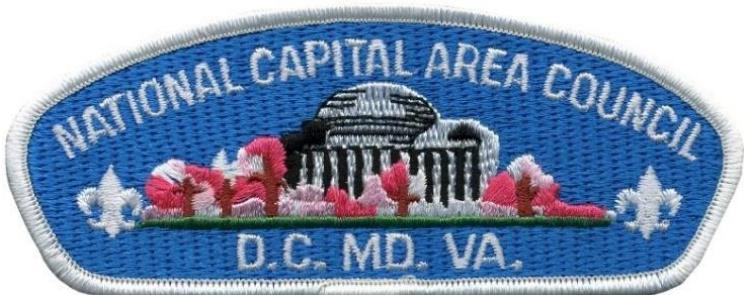
- Camping contributes to good health.
- Camping helps campers develop self-reliance and resourcefulness.
- Camping enhances spiritual growth.
- Camping contributes to social development.
- Camping is an experience in citizenship training.
- Camping at the Cub Scout level introduces boys to the knowledge and skills that they will learn and apply more thoroughly as a Boy Scout.

They seem to left off the fun part—when I was a Scout, I enjoyed every minute camping whether it was on a weekend trip, a camporee, a 50-miler on the Calamus River in Nebraska, a Mid-America Council camp in the summer or hiking to peak of Mt. Phillips at Philmont. It's what keeps our Scouts in scouting and worth our time and effort and it's our best recruiting and retention tools.

Thank you to all our Scouters for their dedication and guidance to our Scouts as they head to their summer adventures and to our many volunteers who have prepared for our day camps this month.

Enjoy your adventures and see you on the trail.

Joe Mortensen
District Chairman
WSDcommitteechair@gmail.com



Meet the two new volunteers on the BSA's National Key 3

By Bryan on Scouting

National Chair: Jim Turley

Jim Turley has been a Scouting volunteer at the local and national levels since 1994. In 2002, he joined the BSA's National Executive Board. Seven years later, in 2009, he received the Silver Buffalo Award — Scouting's highest honor for volunteers.

He also served as president of the Greater St. Louis Area Council from 2016 to 2018.

Turley steps into the role of national chair — the new name for this position previously called national president. He's the 37th person in BSA history to hold this role, which has responsibilities that include serving as chairman of meetings of the National Council and providing oversight to the BSA's strategic plan.

In 2013, Turley retired from a 37-year career at the accounting firm Ernst & Young. He started with the company in Houston and eventually became global chairman and CEO, serving in that role for 12 years.



On his blog, Surbaugh wrote that Turley “consistently has shared a strong vision for the future of the BSA and a deep commitment to providing more families — and all kids — access to the very best character and leadership development program available.”



National Commissioner: Ellie Morrison

Ellie Morrison becomes the 11th national commissioner of the BSA — a position first held by Daniel Carter Beard. She is the first woman to serve in the role.

Like commissioners at all levels of Scouting, the national commissioner is an experienced Scouter who helps chartered organizations and unit leaders achieve the aims of Scouting.

Morrison's impact on Scouting has been felt in many ways.

She chaired the New Unit Task Force — a collaboration of membership and commissioner service. This is the group that wrote the Unit Performance Guide, which is the accepted best way of organizing new units.

Morrison also chaired the team that created the Commissioner Award of Excellence for Unit Service — an honor for commissioners symbolized by a gold square knot on a red background.



Morrison was a key member of the committee that designed Wood Badge for the 21st Century. She also served on staff at the pilot course.

In 2013, Morrison received the Silver Buffalo Award. But she didn't stop there. Her efforts to promote the New Member Coordinator position, including serving as the first chair of the New Member Coordinator Task Force, have helped new Scouting families feel welcomed into Scouting.

Morrison is still active as an assistant Scoutmaster for Troop 308 in Waco and continues to serve as a unit commissioner.

Outside of Scouting, Morrison has served First United Methodist Church in Waco, Texas, in many roles, including director of Christian education and children's ministries.



TRAINING

Scouting

Every Scout Deserves Trained Adult Leaders!



Western Shore District Youth Protection Training (YPT-2)

The new YPT-2 is required for all registered adult volunteers before October 1, 2018 to continue working with Scouting youth. Additionally, starting June 1, 2018, any adult on an outing with a unit that goes over 72 hours needs to be registered and completed the new YPT-2.

YPT-2 is available online at www.my.scouting.org.

We are offering an in class for those who would prefer an instructor led training opportunity. Don't wait until the last minute to take YPT-2.

Location: Patuxent Presbyterian Church, 23421 Kingston Creek Rd, California, MD 20619 (same location as Roundtable)

Date: June 20, 2018

7:15 – 7:30 PM: Registration

7:30 – 9:15 PM: Youth Protection Training (YPT2)

Cost: There is no cost for this training.

Instructor: Nick Adams

Register online at https://scoutingevent.com/082-ws_ypt2

There are no prerequisites to attending this course. Registration is requested by June 17. Walk-ins will be accepted. **Please share this information and encourage all volunteers, parents, and prospective leaders in your unit to attend the face-to-face training or take it online.**



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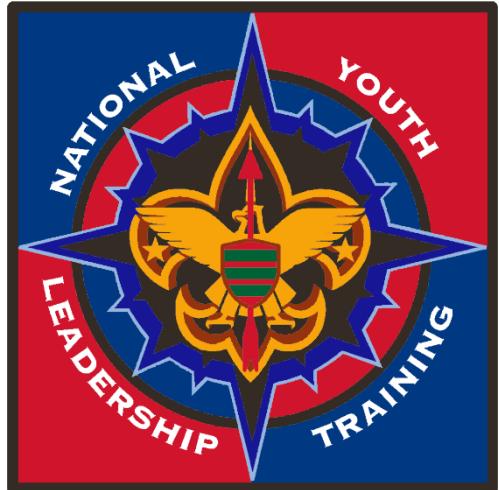
ScTrained

Every Scout Deserves Trained Adult Leaders!

NYLT is an exciting, action-packed program designed for youth to learn and practice the leadership skills that will help them succeed in Scouting and in life! **All interested Scouts, Venturers, or Sea Scouts who would like to attend, please visit <https://scoutingevent.com/082-15963>.**

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Scouts who have completed their unit's introduction to leadership course, have been practicing these skills, and are ready for the next level of training should attend NYLT once they meet all Eligibility Requirements.



NYLT ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Scouts must:

- Complete their home Unit's Introduction to Leadership Skills course*
- Receive approval from your Scoutmaster or Unit leader
- Be at least 14 years of age by course start date. We reserve limited space for 13-year-old participants on each course. **All 13-year-old participants must contact the Course Director listed below before registering to see if slots still exist.**
- Earn First Class rank, if registered in a Troop
- Have current BSA Health Form (Parts A, B, and C)
- Be comfortable camping and cooking outdoors
- Commit to attending the entire six-day course

* *Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops (ILST), Crews (ILSC), and Ships (ILSS) should be offered through a Scout's home unit. Ask your Unit Leader how you can participate in this course.*

WHAT NYLT IS (AND IS NOT)

NYLT is not like summer camp and is not designed for rank advancement or earning merit badges. NYLT is an intense and challenging hands-on leadership training program. It is essential that NYLT participants be physically, emotionally, and mentally prepared to handle the demands of this advanced training. In order to get the most benefit from this unique experience, participants must exhibit emotional maturity, a positive attitude, proficiency in basic camping and outdoor cooking, and have an ambition to serve in leadership roles.

Upcoming Courses

Course	Dates	Location	Course Director
18-2	17-22 Jun 2018	American Legion Cheltenham, MD	Ms. Mary Mayonado
18-3	24-29 Jun 2018	American Legion Cheltenham, MD	Ms. Yong Ho Halt
18-4	29 Jul – 3 Aug 2018	Camp Snyder Haymarket, VA	Mr. John Herbig
18-5	5-10 Aug 2018	Camp Snyder Haymarket, VA	Mr. Chris Geiger
19-1	19-21 Jan 2019 & 16-18 Feb 2019	Camp Snyder Haymarket, VA	Ms. Melanie Anthony

TRAINING



Every Scout Deserves Trained Adult Leaders!

We are striving for 100 percent trained leaders in our Western Shore units. As many of you have heard me say at Roundtable – Every Scout Deserves a Trained Leader

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING UNIT WHO REACHED 100% TRAINED LEADERS

Troop 1780 – Good Shepherd Methodist Church

Which unit will be the next to join Troop 1780 on reaching 100% trained leaders???

We are still looking for someone to take on the position of Cub Scout Training Chair. If you think that person might be you, please contact me at jbaake@md.metrocast.net or 301-994-1706.

Jon Baake
WSD Adult Leader Training Chair
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Western Shore District will be presenting the **Trail to Eagle** Brief on Sunday June 10th from 1:30 - 5:00 PM. The brief will be held at St. Peters School, Waldorf, MD.

In addition to reviewing the Eagle Scout Rank Requirements, the Trail to Eagle Brief provides an explanation of and information on how to:

1. Use / complete the Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook
2. Select a project
3. Develop a proposal
4. Get the proposal approved by the Beneficiary, Troop and District
5. Mature a plan
6. Execute the project
7. Complete the project write up
8. Complete the Eagle Scout Rank Application (Including a review of the process for submission for Troop, District and Council approval)
9. Prepare for the Eagle Board of Review
10. Submit the final paperwork

On-line registration is now available: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-20383>

No cost to attend this course.

Intended audience is Star and Life Scouts and their parents/guardian, and Troop Adult Leadership (including SM, ASM, CC, Eagle Mentor/Advisor/Coach, Advancement Chair).

Participants are encouraged to bring a copy of the current version of the BSA Eagle Scout Rank Application and the Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook.



Western Shore Order of the Arrow Chapter News

Brothers,

We will be holding our annual Chapter Elections at the August Chapter Meeting (August 8th). If you are interested in running for the position of Chapter Chief, Chapter Vice Chief, or Vice Chief of Communications, contact Rob Little at westernshoreOA@yahoo.com. You must be in good standing order with the lodge (dues paid) and have permission from your Scoutmaster

Also keep an eye out for these events:

September 14-16 – Fall Fellowship, Goshen Scout Reservation

End of summer event (TBD Late August or early September)

The Fall Area Ordeal (TBD)

Chapter Meetings are the second Wednesday of the month at Patuxent Presbyterian Church starting at 6:30

Thanks,

Cody J.

Western Shore Chapter Chief



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ORDER OF THE ARROW

The National Order of the Arrow Committee has approved some exciting updates to Scouting's National Honor Society. Beginning February 1, 2019, unit elections will be permitted in Scouts BSA, Venturing and Sea Scout units. The new Order of the Arrow membership requirements include:

OLD:

- OA Mission.
- OA Purpose.
- Be a registered member of the BSA.
- Spend 15 nights camping while registered with a troop or team within the previous two years, including at least one (but no more) long-term camp consisting of at least five consecutive nights of camping (with a maximum of five nights). At least 10 nights must be overnight, weekend, or other short-term camps of, at most, three nights each.
- Youth must be under 21, hold First Class rank or higher and, following approval by the Scoutmaster or Varsity team Coach, be elected by the youth members of their troop or team.
- Registered adults 21 or older who meet the camping requirements may be selected following nomination to the lodge adult selection committee.

NEW:

- *Unchanged.*
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- Spend 15 nights camping while registered with a **troop, crew, or ship** within the two years immediately prior to the election. For Sea Scouts, **ship nights** may be counted as camping. (All other camping requirements remain unchanged.)
- At the time of their election, youth must be under the age of 21, hold the **Scouts BSA First Class rank**, the **Venturing Discovery Award**, or the **Sea Scout Ordinary rank** or higher and, following approval by the Scoutmaster, Crew Advisor, or Sea Scout Skipper, be elected by the youth members of their unit.
- *Unchanged.*

For a full breakdown of changes and answers to frequently asked questions, visit oa-bsa.org



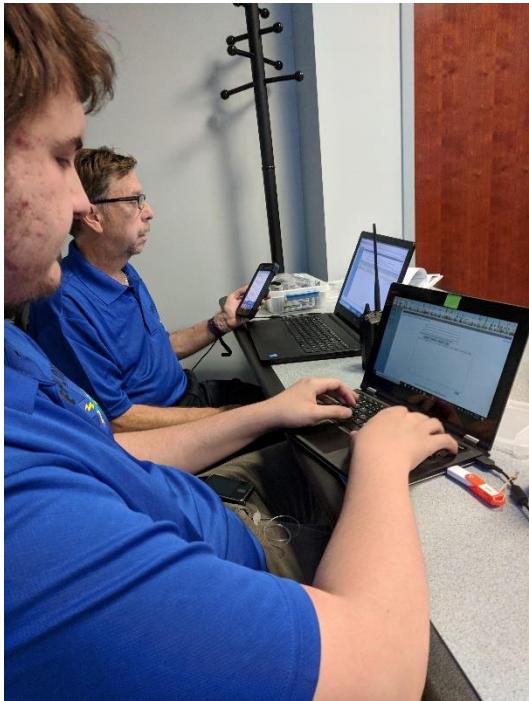
SCHOLARSHIPS for the 2019 WORLD SCOUT JAMBOREE –
Please get the word out that scholarships are still available for the 2019 World Jamboree - but time is running out! Contact the NCAC International Committee to learn more about attending the jamboree and applying for scholarships.

The following article is by Rachel Eddowes, a BSA Young Adult Contingent Leader

In about a year and a half, thousands of Scouts from around the world will gather at the Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve for the 24th World Scout Jamboree. Leadership, adventure, friendship, service, and sustainability—these are the opportunities the host team is working hard to provide during this unforgettable experience.

As part of the U.S. contingent, Boy Scouts, Venturers, Sea Scouts, and adult volunteers will be able to spend 11 days during the summer of 2019 making friends from around the world and making memories to last them a lifetime. Youth who will be between the ages of 14 and 17 by the start of the jamboree (even if not currently registered with the Boy Scouts of America*) are welcome to become participants. Individuals who will be 18 years or older are welcome to serve on jamboree staff as members of the International Service Team or as unit leaders.

We encourage you to refer to and use the resources found on our website, and to share our Facebook page, where updates are regularly posted. Promotional Resources: <http://wsj2019.us/resources/> Facebook: www.facebook.com/WSJ2019USA/ The U.S. contingent is still accepting applications and is eager to give as many individuals as possible from the United States the chance to be a part of the upcoming World Scout Jamboree. World Scout Jamboree dates: July 22–Aug. 2, 2019. Any questions about the U.S. contingent can be sent to uscontingent2019@scouting.org. Youth who are not currently registered with the Boy Scouts of America but will be 14 by the time of the World Scout Jamboree can contact the Scout executive of their BSA local council to learn how to apply for the U.S. contingent.



Operation Epic Collaboration

By Kelly Phipps

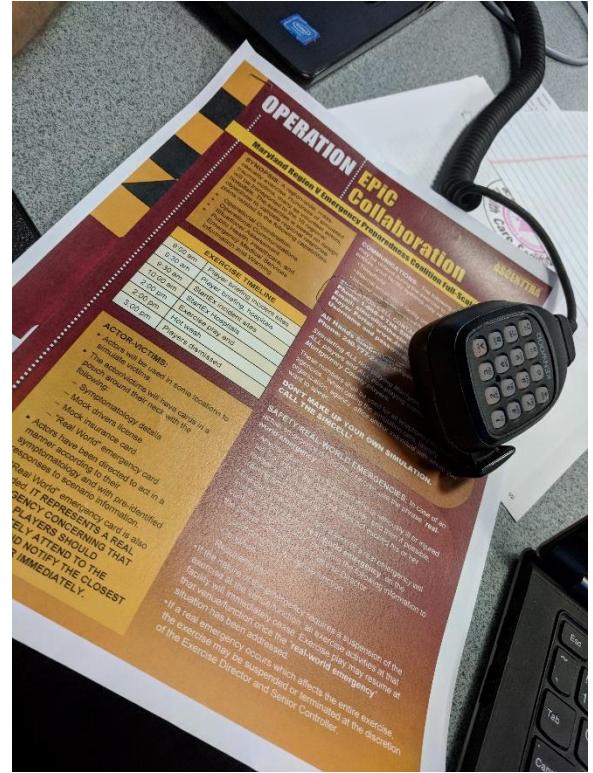
Think of a group project you've been a part of. (For some of you this will be a very fresh memory.) Let's say your group of four members was assigned a problem or a topic, and each member of your group was responsible for some aspect of the project. On some date, your group's final product was presented to the rest of the class. The chances are good that one or more of your group members didn't help in data collection, waited until the last minute to write the report or put together the slide show, or was sick on presentation day. Final group project grade: C+.

Now imagine your group had twelve members, they lived in five different counties, and they only communicated by email or radio. They were also part of another team that was doing a similar but separate project, and all your separate projects tied into one bigger project. With those kinds of conditions, how much planning and

coordination do you think needs to be done? (Hint: a lot.) And what do you think the odds of success are? With enough preparation and communication, those odds are very high.

Members of EMS Explorer Post 60, in cooperation with the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES), took part in Operation Epic Collaboration, a kind of massive group project. This exercise tested the ability of 12 regional hospitals to respond to multiple simultaneous mass-casualty incidents. At each hospital, actors played “victims” of those incidents and Emergency Departments set up overflow triage rooms, prioritizing and treating patients by severity of injury. Each hospital’s Emergency Operations Center (EOC) tracked patients, their locations, and hospital resources. Radio operators provided communications when other channels failed. Periodically, pre-recorded news “updates” were played on TV.

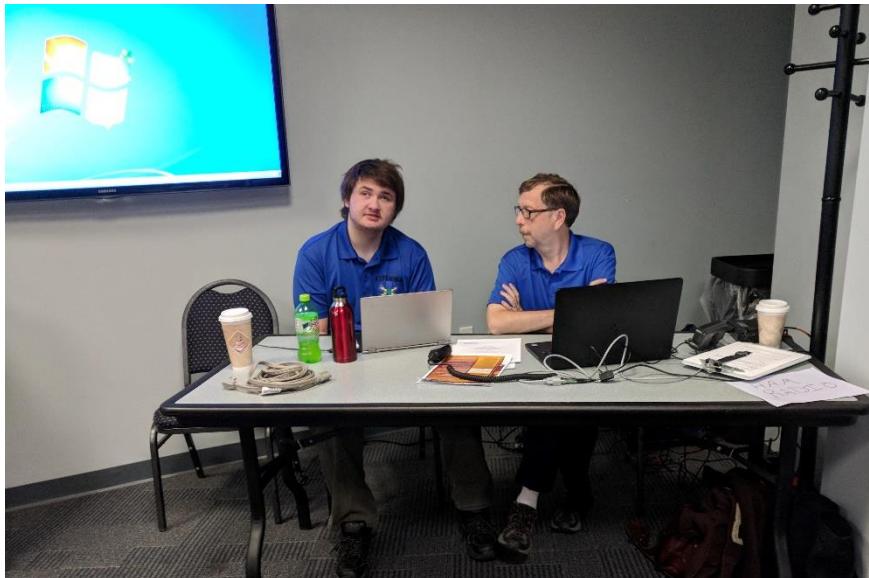
For months before the exercise, at meetings and via email, exercise planners set up scenarios and “injects,” events that required some kind of reaction by exercise participants. Hospital team members were assigned roles, trained, and collected the resources they would need to perform their part of the group project. Calendars were coordinated, supply carts were assembled, and cables were installed. Finally, the exercise commenced, and the group demonstrated their project.



After all the “patients” had been taken care of and the exercise was officially ended, an evaluator sat down with the whole hospital team to grade the group project. Team members identified flaws in the plan and variables that might improve future projects. In the end, Charles Regional Medical Center was commended for their overall performance, teamwork, and organization, and specifically for including amateur radio in their emergency action plan. Final group project grade: A+.

For more information on Explorer Post 60, send email to Kelly Phipps, Post Committee Chair, at micu60explorers@gmail.com

For more information on Amateur Radio, send email to Bob Davidson at kb3kow@arrl.net





STEM IN SCOUTING



Two NEW Cub Scout Nova Awards

Fearful Symmetry

"Tyger Tyger, burning bright, In the forests of the night; What immortal hand or eye, Could frame thy fearful symmetry?" ...so begins the poem "The Tyger" by William Blake. Are your Cub Scouts scared of math? Are they fearful when you suggest earning a Nova in the Math discipline? There is no reason to be afraid. "Fearful Symmetry", the newest Cub Scout Nova Award, will let them explore the mathematical world of symmetry, mirrors and patterns.

Uncovering the Past

Explore the wonders of archaeology! Learn about artifacts, ecofacts, biofacts, and petroglyphs by way of hands-on activities. One of the optional activities encourages Cub Scouts to explore a trash can (with parental permission and gloves) – to differentiate between artifacts and ecofacts, and to guess how old the layers of trash are! Another optional experiment involves preserving a hot dog with baking soda. Scouts are cautioned not to eat the hot dog from the experiment!

Check out the requirements at: <https://bit.ly/2GEBWkh>

STEM Awards

There are 18 Nova Awards and 7 Supernova Awards:

Cub Scout Nova Awards

Science Everywhere!

Swing!

Tech Talk!

1-2-3 Go!

Down and Dirty

Nova WILD

Out of this World!

Fearful Symmetry

Uncovering the Past

Cub Scout Supernova Award

Dr. Luis W. Alvarez

Webelos Supernova Award

Dr. Charles H. Townes

Boy Scout Nova Awards

Shoot!

Start your Engines!

Whoosh!

Designed to Crunch

Let it Grow!

Boy Scout Supernova Award

Dr. Bernard Harris

Thomas Edison

Venture Nova Awards

Launch!

Power Up

Hang on!

Numbers Don't Lie

Venture Supernova Award

Dr. Sally Ride

Wright Brothers

Dr. Albert Einstein

Want to learn more? Visit

www.scouting.org/stem

Questions? Contact:

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Western Shore District Website

<https://www.ncacbsa.org/western-shore/>

Have you visited our District website lately? We are always looking for suggestions or information to share with our members.

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