Upcoming Events (Training Events in RED)

January 2015
19 Inter Troop Sports Event, Basketball, contact shawnyoungberg@comcast.net
21 **Conducting Boards of Review/ Merit Badge Counselor Training**, contact david.place@Scouting-cmd.org
24 Klondike Derby, contact grenierscout@gmail.com
27 District Committee Mtg, 7:30pm, 199 North Place, Frederick, 21701 david.place@Scouting-cmd.org
28 District Eagle Board by appointment only, contact nfeldser@comcast.net

February
7 **Commissioner Basic Training**, contact cmdcommissioner@aol.com
8 BSA Anniversary/ Scout Sunday
10 Roundtable (Boy Scout/Cub Scout/OA) 7:15pm at LDS Stake Center, 199 North Place, Frederick. **Training at RT: CSLST, BSLST, Safe Swim Defense, Safety Afloat, Climb On Safely or Trek Safely**, Training sessions made available by contacting mudrat@erols.com
12 Commissioner’s Meeting, 7:30pm 199 North Place, Frederick contact cmdcommissioner@aol.com
14 Scouters Breakfast at Mountain Gate 8am, contact layman274@gmail.com
15 **BALOO** (Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation) in AT District
16 Inter Troop Sports Event (Dodgeball), contact shawnyoungberg@comcast.net
21 Little Philmont LDS
24 District Committee Mtg, 7:30pm, 199 North Place, Frederick, 21701 david.place@Scouting-cmd.org
25 District Eagle Board by appointment only, contact nfeldser@comcast.net
28 **University of Scouting** in Alexandria, VA

March
7 Super Derby, contact derby@pack1070.org
7 First Aid Meet, contact lewcar@comcast.net
10 Roundtable (Boy Scout/Cub Scout/OA) 7:15pm at LDS Stake Center, 199 North Place, Frederick. **Training at RT: CSLST, BSLST, Safe Swim Defense, Safety Afloat, Climb On Safely or Trek Safely**, Training sessions made available by contacting mudrat@erols.com
12 Commissioner’s Meeting, 7:30pm 199 North Place, Frederick contact cmdcommissioner@aol.com
13 Catoctin Mountain District Film Festival, contact cpaulsmith@verizon.net
20-22 **Wood Badge** Camp Snyder
21 **Spring Super Training**, contact mudrat@erols.com
24 District Committee Mtg, 7:30pm, 199 North Place, Frederick, 21701 david.place@Scouting-cmd.org
25 District Eagle Board by appointment only, contact nfeldser@comcast.net

For a copy of the 2015 District calendar, go to: https://app.box.com/s/12eohww5gcoi7xc23cum3h7fjrantuoj
From the Desk of the Commish:
By Bill Desmond, District Commissioner

CONGRATULATIONS to District units for completing 2015 recharter on time. It was a challenge this year coming during the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons. Three units did not recharter for the coming year; we lost 2 Troops and a Crew. We had good unit participation in the Journey to Excellence (JTE) Program, although as a District we currently have an insufficient number of units which turned in score sheets for us to receive District JTE points in this category. A list of our Bronze, Silver and Gold JTE units will be published in next month’s Blue Blaze.

Several major great Scouting events are coming up over the next two months. They include: the Inter-troop Basketball Tourney, the Klondike Derby, the Scouters Breakfast and the University of Scouting. I encourage your personal and unit participation at these events. Traditionally, our District has been underrepresented at the University of Scouting and that’s a shame. The University of Scouting offers hundreds of 50 minute courses over six class periods in subjects relating to Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Adventure Scouting (Teams, Crews, Ships and Posts), District Operations and several all-day stand-alone courses. The “U” will be held on February 28 at Hayfield Secondary School in Alexandria. On-line registration is available on the NCAC web page.

A major revision to the Cub Scouting program is launching on June 1, 2015 that will be more fun and exciting for boys, and easier to implement for unit leaders. To ensure units are ready to make the transition our Cub Scout Roundtable Commissioner RJ Grenier will devote the Cub Scout breakout session at each Roundtable over the next several months to explain a facet of the changes.

Last month, I told you about the BSA webcasts that are also being used to outline the coming changes, how to prepare, and when resources will be available. The webcasts schedule is:

- Cubmaster Webcasts – Saturday, January 17 8:00 AM (Central), Saturday, January 17 3:00 PM (Central)
- Den Leader Webcasts - Saturday, January 17 9:30 AM (Central), Saturday, January 17 4:30 PM (Central)
- LDS-Specific -Saturday, January 17 11:00 AM (C), Saturday, January 17 6:00 PM (Central)

To participate, go to: http://www.livestream.com/bsanationalcouncil for registration.

In overview, the changes are the most significant in Cub Scouting since the introduction of the current Webelos program in 1967. The desired outcomes are:

- Character development
- Participatory citizenship
- Personal fitness
- Outdoor skills and awareness
- Leadership

As in the current system, a new member begins with the Bobcat badge. He may work simultaneously on the Cub Scout rank appropriate to his age or grade, but must complete the Bobcat badge before being awarded his rank badge. Advancement is one of the seven methods of Cub Scouting. Advancement provides a pathway for learning and fun, and recognizing advancement encourages boys and celebrates their success.
The basic unit of advancement under the new system is “an adventure.” Seven adventures will be required to advance to Tiger, Wolf, Bear, Webelos, and Arrow of Light (notice that Webelos II is eliminated). Adventures can be either required or elective. Belt loops will be used to recognize Tiger, Wolf, and Bear ranks, while pins will be used for Webelos and Arrow of Light ranks. Arrow points currently earned by Wolf and Bear Scouts will be discontinued. New resources for Den and Pack leaders have been developed and will provide information on implementing the programs. I have seen example pages from the new Den Leaders handbook and they contain clearly written, concise, step-by-step meeting plans and other useful material on getting started. Common to the recently instituted Venturing changes, Cub Scouting will start using the Boy Scout Oath and Law. Updates on the changes are available at www.scouting.org/programupdates.

As a reminder as we get into the winter months, Roundtable is cancelled on any day that the Frederick County Public Schools are closed due to inclement weather. Roundtable is also cancelled if schools are closed early due to approaching bad weather.

Welcome to new LDS Unit Commissioners: David Macharsky for the 243 units, Ryan Kigin for the 266 and 662 units, Mark Miller for Troops 274 and 1062, Gary Baird for the 727 units and Troop 168 and Michael Turner for the 622 units. I am still in urgent need of additional Unit Commissioners for non-LDS units. Contact me if you have an interest in service to Scouting as part of our District Commissioner’s Corps.

**New BSA Program – Unit Health Assessments** Submitted by Bill Desmond

BSA has inaugurated a new program effective January 1, 2015 in which the Unit Commissioner and the Unit Key 3 (Unit Leader, Committee Chair, and Charter Organization Representative) of all District Packs, Troops, Teams, Crews and Ships will meet semi-annually to:

- Evaluate the unit’s progress toward achieving the Journey to Excellence Performance Recognition Award,
- Review the unit’s goals, successes, and vision for the coming year, including a succession plan for future unit leaders,
- Identify areas of improvement (over prior assessments) in topical areas such as leadership, program, membership, youth and unit retention, and
- Determine any specific actions needed to be taken to assist with unit improvements and determine who will follow up on those actions.

In the Catoctin Mountain District, these sessions should be scheduled in January and July to coincide with the start and mid-point of the unit program year. The process will start when the Unit Commissioner requests the Unit Key 3 to schedule a mutually convenient time and place to conduct the assessment. Units will be provided a copy of the unit assessment form prior to the meeting in order to accumulate needed information and speed the face-to-face process. It is hoped that with experience and advance gathering of data, these assessments would last about 90 minutes.

**Commissioner Basic Training** - This training, required for all new Commissioners, will be offered in Frederick at the LDS Stake Center on February 7 from 9 AM to 1:00 PM. There is no cost for the training. Anyone who has an interest in joining the Commissioner's Corps should contact Bill Desmond at cmdcommissioner@aol.com for further information. All Scouters are welcome.
So all units will know their Unit Commissioner, District Commissioner, Bill Desmond, has provided the organizational chart above. If you need contact information for your Unit Commissioner, please contact Bill Desmond at cmdcommissioner@aol.com
Catoctin Mountain District
presents
How to Properly Conduct Boards of Review *(Supplemental Training)*
and
Merit Badge Counselor Training *(Required for all Merit Badge Counselors)*

January 21, 2015
7:00 PM - 9:30 PM

Pre-registration required - Email david.place@scouting-cmd.org with the name and BSA ID or EMAIL address that was used to take YPT for each participant. No students will be accepted if David Place cannot access their record in ScoutNet. Full details of the class will be emailed with RSVP.

Last day for registration is January 19, 2015
University of Scouting  
February 28, 2015, 7:30 A.M.—5:00 P.M.  
Hayfield Secondary School  
7630 Telegraph Road, Alexandria, VA  

Tuition: $30.00  
When online registration closes at Mid-night on  
Sunday, February 22, 2015, the Tuition goes up to $45.00

Five colleges support your education and your specific program area:  
1. The College of Cub Scouting  
2. The College of Boy Scouting  
3. The College of Adventure Scouting (Varsity, Sea Scouts, Venturing & Exploring)  
4. The College of Elective Programs (available to all program areas & Colleges)  
5. The College of District Operations  

Registration opens early January - [http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org](http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org) > Training > University of Scouting

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**Wood Badge for the 21st Century** submitted by Billy Noland  
There are three course offerings in 2015:  
- March 20-22 and April 17-19. Scoutmaster: Cliti Shafer  
- April 30-May 2 and May 28-30 (Sunday friendly) Scoutmaster: Doug Brisson  
- September 11-13 and October 10-12 Scoutmaster Jack Culver  


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**Range Safety Officer Certification**- Learn what is required to manage a safe shooting event, and deal with issues arising at the range. BSA requires a currently certified NRA RSO on the range for all firearm handling. This course meets those requirements and we will talk about additional BSA requirements. *Ages 21 and over.* For full details about the course, go to: [https://app.box.com/s/4vctv6jbx2zjn987bycyyswcp8m4hqe1](https://app.box.com/s/4vctv6jbx2zjn987bycyyswcp8m4hqe1)

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**SCOUTER'S BREAKFAST**  
The annual Catoctin Mountain District Scouter's Breakfast will be held at the Mountain Gate Restaurant in Thurmont on February 14 from 8:00 to 10:30 AM. This multi-year tradition event offers an opportunity to spend a couple of warm winter hours with fellow District Scouters. A Council representative has been invited to let us know what's ahead in BSA. Cost is $12.00 (pay at the door) for the breakfast buffet and includes the tip. Please contact Ron Layman, if you have any questions [layman274@gmail.com](mailto:layman274@gmail.com) or 301-788-7496.
Boy Scouts of America
National Capital Area Council
Catoctin Mountain District
Presents

The 1st Annual Inter-Troop DODGEBALL Tournament

When: February 16th, 2015
08:30am check-in; 09:00am Tournament
Estimated finish at 3:00pm

Where: LDS Stake Center
199 North Place
Frederick, Maryland 21701

Why: To have a ton of FUN!!!!!

Cost: $1 to play in tournament
Bring an additional $5 and enjoy tournament
provided pizza and Gatorade® lunch

Details: * Three (3) Courts; three games simulcast in BSA HD 1080p
* DOUBLE elimination format
* Two Age group brackets:
  10-13 and 14-17
* Teams of five (5), i.e. 10 scouts equals two teams
* Substitutions acceptable
* Register team(s) (five (5) players ea.) & Team Name(s)
* Troops to provide adult support for tournament
* Gatorade® available for sale at Tournament
* Your choice to bring water bottle, lunch and/or snacks

PREREgISTRATION REQUIRED: No Later Than 2/10/15
For Questions, Registration and Information, please contact:
Mr. Shawn Youngberg
Tel.: 240-344-7733 or Email: shawnyoungberg@comcast.net

PREREgISTRATION REQUIRED: No Later Than 2/10/15
First Aid Meet

Saturday
March 7
5:30pm

Calvary Assembly of God
8234 Woodsboro Pike
Walkersville, MD

SCOUTERS START GETTING YOUR TROOP PREPARED NOW

REGISTRATION started December 2014
For Applications & Rules go to: https://app.box.com/s/z9lielerqcm6obrk87uhcbllsnrowi5m

Questions? Contact lewcar@comcast.net

Don’t Delay – Limited to 24 Patrol Slots
**Enrich Your Scouting Winter Program** by Fred Broadrup

This is the best snow sports program for your Scouts. Learn to ski and or snowboard with the Night Card Program. This card is good for use at Liberty, White Tail and Roundtop from January 2nd, 2015 until the resorts close next spring. The card can be used every day from 4 pm until closing with unlimited use all season long. Early bird prices with the paperwork turned in by 11-4-14 are:

- Lift Only $179
- Lift/Lesson $224
- Lift/Lesson/Rental $264

These prices are for the whole winter season, a great value. Friends and family members, not just Scouts, can participate in this program. The unit can also use this as a fundraiser. Every 16th card is free. This fee can be written back to your unit by me for unit purposes. I will place a sample application in each unit folder at Roundtable. For applications or questions, contact me, Fred Broadrup, BSA Ship 59 (cell) 301-606-1878

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**Kids Cook Recipe Contest** submitted by Dave Place

This contest will take place over the next two months and could help fulfill some of the Cooking Merit Badge requirements. See details below.

Real Food For Kids, a volunteer parent organization that advocates for better food in schools, is sponsoring a Kids Cook recipe contest for students in grades 4 to 8 in the metro-DC area. Find the entry form, flyer, rules and prize information at [http://www.realfoodforkids.org/](http://www.realfoodforkids.org/) Original recipes are due January 31. The competition will take place in six participating Williams-Sonoma stores in DC and VA with the first round on February 21 and the final competition on February 28. It is free to enter and we welcome all budding food lovers to enter their own delicious, healthful recipes!

Each of the six Williams-Sonoma stores will host a competition among up to four contestants whose recipes have been selected as the best entries. You will see on the entry form that each entrant is asked to choose one of the participating W-S store locations. The winners of those competitions advance to the final round. The prizes are terrific.
Race against other Packs in Catoctin Mountain District’s Super Derby!

The cost is $60 per Pack ($40 for LDS units). The top four cars from every Pack in each of the racing divisions listed below are eligible to participate. If additional Scouts would like to participate the cost is $5 per car.

Super Derby will be held on Saturday, March 8. Registration and race times are:

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*We expect to have two registration tables open. We will be registering Tigers and Cubs first. When one of these groups finishes registration, we will begin registering Webelos.

Super Derby will be held at St. Timothy’s Roman Catholic Church, 8651 Biggs Ford Road in Walkersville. Concessions will be available for purchase, proceeds to support the church’s youth.

Please register your Pack by sending payment (made out to Pack 1070) to Richard Sims, 206 Polaris Dr., Walkersville, MD 21793 by February 20th, 2015.

Super Derby rules and information can be found at superderby.pack1070.org

If you have questions or are interested in assisting with the event, please contact Richard Sims at derby@pack1070.org.
Citizenship Merit Badge Day
The 2015 Citizenship Merit Badge Day will be offered on May 16th at the LDS Chapel in Dearbought near Walkersville. Now is the time to begin working on pre-requisites for Citizenship in the World, Nation and Community.

Registration is now open. Each Troop needs to establish one point of contact (POC) by emailing Mitch at citizenshipbadge@gmail.com. He will provide directions to the POC. The event flyer with information about the registration and pre-requisites is available by clicking https://app.box.com/s/x04xrsj5kgtlatkg1dtc0kj4jo6zdry3. Proper Class A uniform is required along with the blue card and a canned/dry good for a local food bank. Any questions regarding the event should be addressed to me r_golling@yahoo.com. Also, I am looking for several counselors/Scouters (registration, pizza sales) to assist with the day events.

God and Me and God and Family Courses Coming in February
Submitted by Alan Ashley

Pack 271 has made arrangements for two Religious Emblems courses this winter (see article posted on www.pack271.org) which are open to all youth throughout the District, including sisters, brothers, and friends, whether in Scouting or not. These courses are the Religious Emblems curriculum for several Protestant and independent Christian denominations (e.g., AME, Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian, Lutheran, Church of God, CMA, and many others). If you have a different faith tradition, please contact Alan Ashley as noted below for assistance with locating the applicable curriculum.

**God and Me Course (1st to 3rd grades)**
People's Baptist Church is offering the *God and Me* course on Thursday nights beginning February 5 through March 5. For additional information on this course or to register, please contact Alan Ashley at AlanAshley@cedarville.edu or 240-409-6610 (voice or text).

**God and Family Course (4th and 5th grades)**
Brookhill United Methodist Church is offering the *God and Family* course on Tuesday nights beginning February 3 through March 9. For additional information on this course or to register, please contact LeMoyne Fletcher at cubmaster@pack271.org.
Religious Emblems Orientation and Training

**Announcing:** An orientation and training course for counselors, mentors, lay leaders, REC’s and other adults for the *God and Country/PRAY Awards Program*, the religious emblems program used by Protestant and Christian Churches.

Training covers the *God and Country Program/PRAY Awards* series, the roles and responsibilities of program leaders and counselors, & Religious Emblem Coordinators use of the program in churches, schools, Girl Scouts, Cub and Boy Scouts, and Campfire groups. Plus overview of duties of Religious Emblems Coordinators. Participants get a thick notebook of info/resources to take home.

**Who:** Youth ministers, seminarians, lay leaders, volunteer and professional Cub and Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Campfire groups, Trail Life, parents, and religious leaders of Protestant and Christian denominations and faiths. Home School leaders. Unit & District Religious Emblems Coordinators. (Adults only.)

**When:** March 14, 2015: 9:30 am to 3:00 pm. Lunch provided. Check-in: 9-9:20 am. (Assignments to do before class)

**Where:** Groveton Baptist Church, 6511 Richmond Highway, Alexandria, Virginia.

**Directions:** From the Washington Beltway, either before or after the Wilson Bridge, take the Fort Belvoir South Exit, Route 1 South. Proceed south about two miles. The Church is on the left, pass Krispy Krème Donuts and get in left lane, church is across the highway from Target. (Use entrance A at front of church.)

**Cost:** $20.00 per participant. Make checks payable to PCOS – NCAC. *God and Country Program/PRAY* series booklets will be available for review and purchase. Please bring about 20 clear page protector sheets. (If you need morning coffee/tea please bring your own. Nothing provided until lunch.)

**Registration:** Mail the below clip-off registration form and check to arrive by Feb 28, 2015 to: Mary Elizabeth Castles, 3417 Collard Street, Alexandria, Va. 22306-1426

For additional information contact Mary Elizabeth Castles at 703-765-0855 mec Castles@yahoo.com.

Clip and Mail:

(Print carefully) God and Country Orientation and Training

Name: __________________________ Phone: H________________ C________________
Address: ________________________________________________________________

Church Affiliation: __________________________ Name of Church or organization

Scout Unit/Organization: __________________________ Position________________________
-Pack, Troop, Crew, Girl Scouts and Unit Number
-Home Email: __________________________ Scout District________________________

Favorite Pizza: ___Pepperoni, ___Sausage, ___Cheese, ___Veggie

Comments: ____________________________
At Roundtop Mountain Resort we have hosted a multiplicity of events for scouts including field trips, merit badge instruction, parties, and leadership growth

- **Wellness initiatives** – Healthy activities all year long from ski/snowboard/tubing trips, team-building, or zip lines
- **Social activities** – The most unique selection of activities in Central PA for ages 5 to 105! (use Roundtop activities for Order of the Arrow or to bring multiple packs/troops together)
- **Donation request** – We’re always willing to donate to your cause. Visit our website, click on the Contact Us page, and then choose Donation Requests for our online donation request system.
- **Snow sports merit badge** – Roundtop was voted best Family Resort in Mid-Atlantic region and we won the Conversion Cup for most beginner lessons taught – earn your merit badge with us!
- **Field trips** - Roll down the hill inside a giant inflatable ball (1 of only 3 places in the entire United States), try out some zip lines, bumper boats, giant maze, and more
- **Peer mentor, and leadership teams** - Facilitated team-building at the ropes course

**Activities:**
- Zip line canopy tour descending down the side of the mountain – 10 zip lines!
- Ropes Course – facilitated team building
- Mountain Adventures – adventure fun park
- Skiing/Snowboarding
- Snow Tubing – all day tickets

For more information, or pricing, call 717-432-9631 x3723
www.roundtopmountainresort.com
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JUNE 22-26, 2015

YOU MUST BE A YOUNG MAN WHO IS ENTERING THE FIRST GRADE AND NOT THROUGH THE FIFTH GRADE.
NOT A MEMBER OF THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA?
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GO TO WWW.CMDDAYCAMP.ORG TO FIND OUT DETAILS AND STAY CURRENT WITH ALL THE UPCOMING DEVELOPMENTS.

IF YOU NEVER TRY, YOU’LL NEVER SUCCEED!

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Orienteering Classes

Learn to read a map and compass

Sunday, March 15 and 22
Saturday, March 21 and 28
Classes begin at 1:00 PM

Call the Catoctin Mountain Park Visitor Center to register
301-663-9388

Classes are free but space is limited
ADVENTURING BLURB
FREDERICK COUNTY VOA
JANUARY 2015

MEETINGS
Frederick Co. VOA
3rd Tuesday, 6:30-7:15 pm
Frederick Church of the Brethren
Feb 17
Mar 17
Apr 21
May 19
Jun 16
Aug 18
NCAC VOA
1st Tuesday 7-9 pm
NCAC, Bethesda
Feb 3
Mar 3
Apr 7
Frederick Co. Venturing Forum
3rd Tuesday 7:20-8:20 pm
Frederick Church of the Brethren
Feb 10
Apr 14
District Round Table
2nd Tuesday 7 – 9 pm
LDS Stake and Church of the Brethren
Mar 10
Apr 14

ACTIVITIES
February
Feb 6-8: Winterfest!!
www.bearwinterfest.org
The annual Winterfest will take place in Gatlinburg, Tennessee. Various fun activities have been planned for all youth to experience and to explore new fields of interest! Activities and areas of interest include: Law Enforcement, Fire Fighting, Aquatics, Team and Individual Tournaments, and much more! For more information and to register, go online! Don’t miss this great opportunity!!

Feb 28: University of Scouting
www.ncac-hva.org
All youth and adults are encouraged to sign up and attend the Council’s annual University of Scouting! Sign up to take classes that peak your interest, learn about the new changes in the Venturing Program, take and complete needed trainings, and learn new skills and new opportunities for all in the program! Sign up and complete classes for various degrees in the Adventure Program! Go online to the council website to register and choose your classes.

March
Mar. 6-8: Area 2 Dude Ranch Weekend
www.bear4ranch.org
The Area 2 VOA will be hosting its 2nd Annual Dude Ranch Weekend! The event will be held at Malibu Ranch in Milford, Pennsylvania. The cost is $150 per person which includes lodging, food, and taking part in all of the activities. Activities include: horseback riding, swimming, basketball, volleyball, and much more. Register ASAP!!

Mar. 14: BAC University of Scouting
http://www.baltimorebaca.org
The Baltimore Area Council will be having its annual University of Scouting! Sign up and take new classes not offered in the NCAC regarding the Venturing Program!! Take any training that you need, classes that interest you, earn a degree in Venturing, and receive a cool University of Scouting patch from the Baltimore Area Council! Register online via the site listed above!!

April
APR. 10-12: Area VI Phenomenon
www.reikventuring.org
The annual Area VI Venturing Phenomenon will take place on the weekend of 10-12 April!! Stay tuned for more information on the program, location, and cost!! But mark your calendar!!!

APR. 17-19: Area IV Summit
www.reikventuring.org
The Area 4 Summit will take place at Camp Mountain Run near Penfield PAF!! Stay tuned for the theme, cost, and registration information. But mark your calendar!!!

TRAINING
Feb. 15-16: Superb Youth Leadership Training
Lock-In
ellenorthelake@comcast.net
The Frederick County VOA will be hosting its annual Youth Leadership Training for all new youth and Crews within Frederick County. The training will take place at the Faith Baptist Church in Knoxville, Maryland. Starting at 6:00 pm on Sunday and ending around 9:00 pm on Monday. The fee is $100 per person for food and a Trained Patch. The training will include the following courses: Personal Safety Awareness, Crew Officer’s Orientation, Time Management, Goal Setting, and Introduction to Leadership Skills for Crews. All of the trainings allow the youth to complete the necessary Leadership Requirements for the new Venturing and Discovery Awards. For more information and to register, contact Damon Allen via email above.

FRIENDS
All Crew officers are encouraged to join us to plan activities! Contact: Chris Platt, President: chris.platt54@gmail.com (or Damon Allen, Advisor: allenon: thelake@comcast.net)
Frederick County VOA

Superb Youth Leadership Training Lock-In

Training: All Youth Leadership Skills for New Awards
For: Venturing Youth Officers and Crew Members
Venturing Advisors are encouraged to attend!!
Date: February 15-16, 2015
Time: 6:00 PM (Sunday) – 5:00 PM (Monday)
Location: Faith Baptist Church,
2212 Jefferson Pike, Knoxville, MD 21758
Course fee: $10 for Participants. $8 for adults.
Registration Deadline: February 14, 2015

In order to prepare enough materials for each session PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED!
Crew uniform or a BSA ‘recommended’ Venturing uniform is appreciated, but not required.

All Venturing Youth are encouraged, but not required, to complete: Venturing Youth Protection and Crew Officers Orientation before the training.
This is a campout and all crews need to bring their own equipment, food, and water for the weekend. Cracker barrel will be provided.
Advisors, Asst. Advisors and Committees members of Venturing Crews: You are welcome to take part of this training to have an understanding of how to help your crew host its own on the future.
Youth Officers are encouraged to be trained in order to “run” their Crew.

Courses Being Offered:
Personal Safety Awareness
Crew Officer Orientation
Introduction to Leadership Skills for Crews
Time Management
Goal Setting

What to bring? Camping and sleeping Gear, Food for Cracker Barrel, pen, paper, notebook, All Youth are strongly encouraged to bring The Handbook for Venturers (610088) Available online at www.scoutstuff.org.

Upon Registration AND for more information contact:
Chris Platt, FCVOA President at: Chris.platt34@gmail.com Or Damon Allen the AT Venturing Training Chair at: allenonthelake@comcast.net

After emailing please fill out the registration form and bring it with you to the training.

REGISTRATION FORM (Please Print) (check those that apply for this training event) __ Youth __ Adult

Unit #: Ldr Position: BSA ID: District:

Name: Yrs in Scouting:

Address:

City: State: Zip:

Phone: Email:

Cash Preferred, but please make checks payable to NCAC/BSA, please note on bottom of check: AT or CM District Training Cost Center Number 252

Trained
To sign up for The Blue Blaze, go to [http://Scouting-cmd.org/blueblaze](http://Scouting-cmd.org/blueblaze)

Pack 271 in the Frederick News Post
Congratulations to Pack 271 for the great job they did with Scouting for Food. Click on the link below to see the article about the Pack that appeared in the Frederick News Post on 1-16-15.

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