



The Monthly News Source of the Francis Scott Key District, BSA

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The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

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Upcoming Events (Training Events in RED) (Venturing Events in GREEN)

February

- 20 Inter-Troop Sports Table Tennis, contact shawnyoungberg@comcast.net
- 22 District Eagle Board 7-9pm Evan. Luth. Ch., 35 E. Church St. 21701, nfeldser@comcast.net , amc21769@yahoo.com
- 25-26 Camp Airy Interviews, see page 10
- 28 District Committee Mtg, 7:15pm, Trinity UM Church, 703 W. Patrick St. 21701, maliszewskyj@gmail.com

March

- 3-5 Wilderness First Aid, see page 8
- 3-5 Sea Scout Winter Training, see page 7
- 4 First Aid Meet, contact lewcar@comcast.net , see page 5-6
- 10 Swim Meet
- 11 Commissioner College
- 11 District Dinner, Frederick Church of the Brethren, 6pm, \$20 for catered meal, RSVP by 3/8. See pg.7
- 14 Roundtable (Boy Scout/Cub Scout/OA/AdVenturing 7:15pm Frederick Church of the Brethren, 201 Fairview Ave. 21701, fskcommissioner@aol.com
- 16 Commissioner's Meeting, 7:15pm LDS Stake Ctr. 199 North Place, 21701, fskcommissioner@aol.com
- 17 4th Annual District Film Festival, see page 11
- 22 District Eagle Board 7-9pm Evan. Luth. Ch., 35 E. Church St. 21701, nfeldser@comcast.net, amc21769@yahoo.com
- 24-26 Spring OA Fellowship
- 28 District Committee Mtg, 7:15pm, Trinity UM Church, 703 W. Patrick St. 21701, maliszewskyj@gmail.com
- 31 Inter-Troop Sports Dodgeball, contact shawnyoungberg@comcast.net

April

- 7-9 **Venturing Phenomenon** at Camp Snyder
- 8 OA Call Out Campfire
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- 28-30 **Woodbadge** [Register Here](#) [2017 Wood Badge Brochure](#)
- 28-30 OA Spring Ordeal at Camp Greentop

To get a printable 12 month FSK District Calendar, click [HERE](#)

Be sure to check the District calendar online at <http://www.ncacbsa.org/francis-scott-key/calendar/> . The calendars are subject to change so check the online site often.



From the Desk of the Commish:



Looking at the calendar of District and Council events over the next few months, I was amazed at how busy we will be. And, it didn't include all the unit-based activities. It also made me grateful that we have you - dedicated Scouters willing to give your time and talent for our youth. I was also struck the other night at the District Committee meeting as to how many Scouters remain active even after their children have left. I was equally struck by the young adults with families who carve out time to be Scout leaders. I am so proud to be associated with all of you.

Some hot buttons for me are Friends of Scouting (FOS), membership recruiting, youth advancement and summer camping. I am sure that you get tired of the FOS pitch and frankly I would rather talk about something else, but raising operating resources is so critical that FOS cannot be ignored. As to recruiting, Council has challenged each unit to have positive growth in 2017. Let's not wait until fall to recruit new members, think about holding a spring membership drive. It would seem to be axiomatic that our Scouts get more out of the programs when they are advancing. Yet, Advancement Chair Peter Bladen regularly reminds us that we have FSK units where there is little to no advancement. If you need help here, get in touch with your Unit Commissioner. Finally, summer camp is now just months away. This is the best part of the Scout year whether you are going to Goshen or another BSA camp or one of the BSA high adventure sites. Also, don't forget our own BSA Camp Airy when making summer plans. Camp Airy is an inexpensive, close in, extremely well run, fun, resident Scout camp put on by FSK Scouters and junior staff members for FSK Scouts. Did I say that it is also fun?

Congratulations to Nick Maliszewskyj and Rick Rogers for being named as members of the 2017 Ken Davis Class of Silver Beaver honorees. The Court of Honor is scheduled for April 18.

Finally, thanks to Troop 628 for putting on another amazing Klondike Derby. Maybe next year, we will have snow again. Oh, have you seen the latest improvement at the Watershed – a real archery range. Thank you, Ron Layman.

Yours in Commissioner Service,

Bill Desmond

District Commissioner

FSKCommissioner@aol.com

Online Registration for Youth by Bill Desmond

Online Registration of new youth applications will begin on April 1. Training for this new system will be provided starting March 6. This will be an optional, not mandatory, service to units - paper applications will still be accepted. Additional information on this topic can be found at: [Online Registration](#).

Friends of Scouting Thank You by Monica Robyns

Thank you to all of the units who have already hosted or scheduled their Friends of Scouting presentations! We are well on our way to meeting our \$53,000 goal for the year. If you have not already scheduled your presentation, please do so as soon as possible! You can email Jon Miller at jonathan.miller@scouting.org, or Monica Robyns at mmrobyns@hotmail.com. We need to know your presentation date, time and location, as well as if you would like a presenter from the District. Remember, you and your unit families can donate at any time using the link at www.ncacbsa.org/fos. Thanks in advance for your support!

FSK Key Leader Awards

Please submit your nominations by February 28 for the FSK Key Leader Awards which will be announced at the District Awards Dinner on March 11:

We will be presenting certificates at the dinner to FSK “Key Leaders” from each responding unit. The **FSK Key Leader Award** will be presented to the individual (or individuals) in each unit that has (have) done the most for that unit in the past Scouting year. The leaders in each unit decide for themselves who the recipient(s) from their unit will be. The criteria for selection is determined by the unit - whoever is felt to have contributed most to the unit during the past year should be nominated with a short write-up of what they have done. The write-up will be included on the certificate which will be presented and on the dinner program, so be comprehensive but brief. Each nominee submitted for the Key Leadership award will receive a certificate, so units should invite their honorees to the March 11 dinner to be presented with their certificates and be included in a group photo which will run in the FSK Banner.

Nomination for all Key Leader Awards should be submitted by **February 28** to **BOTH** Rich Golling (r_golling@yahoo.com) **AND** to Jim Sundergill (jimsundergill@comcast.net).

Submissions for District Communications

Thanks to our webmaster, Mark Miller, submissions for *Keynote* (weekly newsletter) and *The FSK Banner* (monthly newsletter) can now be made by using the following link: [Submissions](#)

Citizenship Merit Badge Day May 20th

For full details, go to <http://www.ncacbsa.org/francis-scott-key/2017/01/17/citizenship-merit-badge-day/>



Super Derbies submitted by Melissa Udbinac



Super Derbies are scheduled for early March. Information was distributed **DIRECTLY** to each unit. If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Udbinac mludbinac@gmail.com, Rich Sims rich@the-sims-family.net or Scott Crutchley s.crutchley73@comcast.net.

Tonight Our Portions Are Even More Generous

Help raise funds for
BSA Troop 1998
2nd Tuesday of each month (Nov, Dec 2016/Jan-Jun 2017)

Firehouse Subs
1700 Kingfisher Drive
Frederick, Maryland 21701

15% of proceeds to benefit
BSA Troop 1998

Present this flyer at the event to be
counted toward the fundraising efforts.



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FRANCIS SCOTT KEY DISTRICT

FIFTY



SEVENTH

First Aid Meet

**Saturday
March 4
5:30pm**



**Calvary Assembly of
God
8234 Woodsboro Pike
Walkersville, MD**

**SCOUTERS START GETTING YOUR SCOUTS
PREPARED NOW**

REGISTRATION to START December 2016

Applications & Rules will be available Online & at December Roundtable

Don't Delay – Limited to 24 Patrol Slots

Click [HERE](#) for First Aid Meet Instructions

Click [HERE](#) for First Aid Meet Registration

FRANCIS SCOTT KEY DISTRICT

2017

FIFTY SEVENTH



ANNIVERSARY

First Aid Meet

**Saturday
March 4
1730-2100**



**Calvary Assembly
of God
8234 Woodsboro
Pike
Walkersville, MD**

JUDGES NEEDED

For more information please contact:
Lew Raeder: (301) 639-2731 or at lewcar@comcast.net

Click [HERE](#) for the letter to prospective First Aid Meet Judges

Sea Scouts Winter Training by Mark Miller

2017 Details

- **When:** Fri-Sun, March 3-5, 2017
- **Where:** Camp Round Meadow, Catoctin Mountain Park, 14840 Manahan Road, Sabillasville, MD 21780
- **Cost:** \$55 (Full Program) \$35 (Day Program Only)
- **Course Director:** [Todd Skiles](http://www.ncacbsa.org/program/sea-scouts/winter-training/)
<http://www.ncacbsa.org/program/sea-scouts/winter-training/>

Service Opportunity



Vindobona Nursing and Rehabilitation Center is looking for Scouts to create an outdoor space for residents, build picnic tables and a campfire area. They would also love to have Scouts come and interact with the residents by just talking or playing games. Any Scout or unit that needs service hours or perhaps an Eagle project, should contact Jessica Powers 301-371-7160. The Vindobona Nursing and Rehab. Center is located in Braddock Heights, MD.

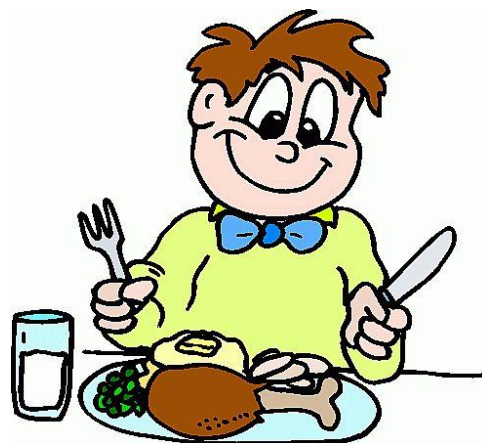
2017 Francis Scott Key District Dinner by Jonathan Miller

- Saturday, March 11th
- Doors/Setup: 6-7pm
- Dinner/Program: 7-9pm
- Frederick Church of the Brethren (201 Fairview Ave, Frederick, MD 21701)
- \$20/person

MUST REGISTER BY MARCH 8TH, 2017

Dinner walk-ins accepted - \$25 (Cash or Check only, made out to NCAC-BSA).

For more details, go to: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-2017FSKDD>
Questions? Please contact Rich Golling (r_golling@yahoo.com) or Ron Layman (layman274@gmail.com)



International Scouting News submitted by Shawn Younberg

Click [HERE](#) for the February issue of *International Scouting News*.



FRANCIS SCOT KEY DISTRICT
NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA COUNCIL - BSA



WILDERNESS FIRST AID & CPR TRAINING

CPR (American Red Cross Certification – good for 2 years)
Adult, Child, and Infant - Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation includes Chest Compressions, Rescue (Mouth to Mouth) Breathing, and use of the Automated External Defibrillation (AED) device. Class size limited to 12.
Saturday, February 18, 2017(8:30 Am to 4:00 PM) Cost \$50.00

Wilderness First Aid (American Red Cross Certification – good for 2 years)
Wilderness and Remote First Aid is a course designed to teach you how to handle situations when help is not readily available. This course fulfills the first aid requirement for BSA High Adventure bases and activities as well as the First Aid core requirement for the Venturing Ranger Award.
Class size limited to 24.
Saturday, March 4 (8:30 AM to 4:00 PM) and Sunday March 5 (1:00 PM to 4:30 PM), 2017 (Requires both days) Cost \$100.00

Prerequisites for Wilderness First Aid:

- ☐ You must have a valid CPR w/ AED Certification
CPR certification includes Chest Compressions and Rescue Breathing.
Hands Only CPR does not meet the requirement.
- ☐ Minimum 14 years of age, be physically fit enough to take this course, and have a current BSA Health Form (Part A) on file with your home unit
- ☐ Adults have appropriate Youth Protection Training (www.myscouting.org)

Courses will be held at:

Faith Baptist Church
2212 Jefferson Pike, Knoxville, MD 21758
(MD. Route 180 between Jefferson and Brunswick – Frederick County, MD.)

Class size is limited and registration is on a first request basis. Registration closes February 3, 2017 for both classes. Classes fill up quickly and you should register as early as possible.

To register: Mail attached form for each participant *with payment* to:
Faith Venturing – Crew 254
c/o Faith Baptist Church
2212 Jefferson Pike
Knoxville, MD 21758

Bring your lunch, drinks, and snacks as desired. Refrigerator available.
BSA Class B uniform or street casual. Class A uniform not advised.
No Refund for Cancellations with less than 1 week notice or for No Shows.



Francis Scot Key District BSA - CPR / WFA Training Student Registration			
<input type="checkbox"/> CPR Course	February 18, 2017		\$50.00
<input type="checkbox"/> WFA Course	March 4 & 5, 2017		\$100.00
Make Checks payable to:		Faith Baptist Church-Venturing Crew 254	Total Paid
Participants Full Name: _____			
Street Address _____			
City, State, Zip Code _____			
E-Mail Address _____			
BSA Unit Number _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Pack <input type="checkbox"/> Troop <input type="checkbox"/> Crew <input type="checkbox"/> Team <input type="checkbox"/> Post <input type="checkbox"/> Ship	
BSA District	<input type="checkbox"/> Francis Scot Key District		Other _____
BSA Council	<input type="checkbox"/> National Capital Area Council		Other _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Youth <input type="checkbox"/> Adult		Adults must have current Youth Protection Training	

Questions – Email Alan Caho at: Crew254@faithsbc.org



Enrich Your 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 2, 2017 until the resorts close in the spring. The card can be used every day from 4 pm until closing with unlimited use all season long. 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. For applications or questions, contact me, Fred Broadrup, BSA Ship 59 (cell) 301-606-1878.

Training Opportunities



If you need basic training, are looking for supplemental training, or want to take a refresher, please contact Willian Lohr wklohr@gmail.com. Willian and his team will even come to your unit and do the training. Training is VERY important to good leadership and a quality program for the youth. If you need training, please contact William Lohr.

Troop 279 tents and propane stoves available to a good home(s).

Our Troop is expanding and has recently acquired 15 new tents and several propane stoves. As such, our older tents and stoves are now available to the highest bidder. Bids will start at \$0.00 and any bids above \$0.00 will go towards the next James E. West award and not our Troop. In other words, all of the equipment is free to any Cub Pack or Troop that needs some or all of them. If anyone knows of a unit starting up within NCAC that could use them, that is fine as well.

We have 7 four-man Eureka Timberline tents (the famous green tents one sees everywhere) and 6 four-man black and yellow Eureka tents. We also have 4 functioning propane stoves of various vintages including one that was won at the AT Cooking camporee at Ft. Frederick years ago. All are clean and dry, but will need ground cloths and a tent stake count check. Please contact Tom Wheatley, Scoutmaster, T279, tmwheatley1981@gmail.com.

Help feed the Camp Airy Hoards by Mike Rickman

CAMP Airy BSA Staff needs adults/parents help to feed the 350 plus campers during the Frederick Co. BSA's Camp Airy week. We provide 3 well balanced meals a day for the week and need your help.



- All cooking skill levels appreciated and training prior to and during camp week will be provided.
- Hours and days are flexible so an entire week commitment is not required.
- Join the tight knit group of dedicated adult volunteers supporting your child's Scouting experience.

Contact Mike Rickman – with any questions and interest/availability. Email rickman_m@yahoo.com or call 301-448-0688 for more details.

Let's keep Airy Scouts the best fed Scouts in America!



CAMP AIRY 2017 by Diane Henson

We're getting ready for camp. Are you?

When: Camper Dates - Mon 8/14 – Sat 8/19

Staff Dates - Mon 8/14 - Sun 8/20

LATEST INFORMATION AND FORMS CAN BE FOUND AT WWW.AIRYBSA.ORG

CAMP AIRY 2017 STAFF EVENT DATES

(The following will be of interest to individuals who are selected as staff for Camp Airy 2017.)

STAFF INTERVIEWS –

When: Saturday, 2/25/17 9:00am-noon

Sunday, 2/26/17 1:00pm-4:00pm

Where: NEW LOCATION FOR US – LINK FOR DIRECTIONS INCLUDED HERE!!

Frederick Country Public Safety Training Facility (Reichs Ford Rd). Here are written directions: <https://frederickcountymd.gov/DocumentCenter/View/279111>

Required: Complete attached staff application (including scoutmaster recommendation) and mail it to Diane Henson. Indicate your preferred session day, but you can attend either date. Come to interviews in full class A BSA uniform. Must be 14 years old by camp. Click [HERE](#) for the Youth Staff Application.

ADULT STAFF OPENINGS – We are looking for additional adult staff members to support our scout campers for the week. Some positions are non-teaching roles. See the attached flyer “Airy Kitchen Staff Needed” from our Food Service Director, as an example. If interested, please complete the Adult Staff Application Form at www.airybsa.org and/or contact Kurt or Nick.

CPR/FIRST AID TRAINING –

When: Saturday, 3/4/17 - cpr morning, first aid afternoon

Where: Calvary Assembly Church, 8234 Woodsboro Pike, Walkersville, Md

Fee: \$5 for Airy staff \$30 for non-staff (fee is for any one of the 4 classes listed below)

Registration: MUST PREREGISTER – NEW PROCESS THIS YEAR!!

Online registration link - <https://www.osmanager4.com/advcustomerlandingv3.aspx?cid=167296&co=1&ct=of>

Choices:

1. CPR and First Aid (all day) “**Basic First Aid/CPR and AED for Adult/Child/Infant**”
2. CPR only (morning) “**CPR and AED for Adult/Child/Infant**”
3. First Aid only (afternoon) “**Basic First Aid**”
4. Basic Life Support (health lodge and aquatics staff only) “**Basic Life Support**”

Under each class choice is a “student signup” button. This will open the registration form for just that particular class. Please complete the information and “submit” the form.

Note the class meeting times on the form. Checkin will open 15 minutes before class begins.

Please be prompt. Certifications are for 2 years through American Safety & Health Institute (ASHI).

Instructor: Jeff Huggins.

We will give staff first chance at registration, but then it will be opened to the District. Don't wait.

Recommended for all staff. Required for some work areas. This is the same day and location as the First Aid Meet that will be held that night.

CAMP DIRECTOR 2017 – Kurt Yankaskas MrNoise1@aol.com

PROGRAM DIRECTOR 2017 - Nick Maliszewskyj mbdoctor@comcast.net

STAFF TRAINING – ALL STAFF

When: Sat June 10 AND Sun June 11 (both days)

Where: NEW LOCATION FOR US Frederick Country Public Safety Training Facility (Reichs Ford Rd)

Here are written directions: <https://frederickcountymd.gov/DocumentCenter/View/279111>

*The Francis Scott Key District of the
Boy Scouts of America presents—*

FOURTH ANNUAL DISTRICT FILM FESTIVAL



Friday, March 17, 2017 at 7pm

at the LDS Church, 199 North Place, Frederick, MD 21701

Join us for a night of entertainment, watching the movies created by Boy Scout Troops, Teams, Crews and individual Scouts in the Francis Scott Key District. Admission is FREE! This will be a great event to promote Scouting and to invite new youth to join Scouting.

Awards will be given for:

**Best Film
Best Actor
Best Script
Best Background Music
Most Original Music
Outstanding Costumes**

**Most Humorous
Best Actress
Best supporting Actor
Best Supporting Actress
Best Editing
And More!!!**

If you are interested in entering a film please contact Jack Bacorn.
at jack@squadcarsupply.com. Movie may be up to 10 minutes in length.

Francis Scott Key District Training Corps



Proudly Presents!

Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills (IOLS)

WHEN: May 19-21, 2017

Course starts Friday evening at 6pm and ends Sunday afternoon at 11pm

Plan to arrive early and stay for the whole weekend. It's packed! I will not waste your time. All of our lives are quite busy, so please do not ask for dispensations for personal reasons.

WHERE: Kemptown Park
3456 - B Kemptown Church Rd.
Monrovia, MD 21770

WHO: Adult, direct contact leaders who are not yet fully TRAINED!
Adult leaders are considered fully TRAINED when they have completed:

- Youth Protection Training (online)
- Scoutmaster / Asst-Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training (Live and in-person)
- And.... **IOLS!**

COST: 25\$ / person

WHAT: Before the weekend of the training, you'll be assigned to a patrol. Together, you'll plan your meals, buy your grub, work out logistics for gear. You'll choose a patrol name and a cheer. Make a flag. And get to know your new patrol mates.

Then when you arrive on Friday, you become a new Scout and go through all the requirements that our Scouts must meet: Fire starting, first aid, flags, knots, knives, animals, tents, cooking, gear, and more!!
What is the best part of IOLS?

Meeting others, like you, who are getting involved in Scouting with their sons.
Meeting instructors who have decades of Scouting experience, leadership experience, first aid experience, and more. They are all here to support you in your new role. We've trained hundreds. Come join us!

SIGN UP: Email William Lohr at wklohr@gmail.com by **April 30, 2017** to register



Klondike After Report by RJ. Grenier

Here's an update of our annual Klondike Derby that happened January 20-22. We had over 238 Scouts attend with 125 registered leaders. We had a total of 35 sleds and a total of 28 units in attendance. We had a news reporter from WHAG channel 25 Hagerstown come out to run a showcase piece on our event. There was an article in *The Frederick News Post (FNP)* as well. To view the *FNP* article, click [HERE](#). Click [HERE](#) for the event scores. Click [HERE](#) for the Final Team Scoring Sheet.

Our Troop had a great support from local Scoutmasters and leaders to help run stations. Also, over the course of last year we sent six of our ASM's and Mr. Ron Layman to get level one archery certified to run our archery ranges. Safety was our number one concern and having enough skilled, qualified personnel. Our first Aid log will reflect that as we had very minimal injuries with minor cuts and scrapes.

With this being a Troop hosted event, I would like to take the time to thank the following members of the District Committee for working with us. Linda Sundergill and Greg Williams for getting the word out. Ron Layman for participating and working through the event along with prep and facilities. Bill Desmond for Roundtable news blurbs. John Huggins for coordinating a health and safety plan, team packet list, and updates with inclement weather alerts. Nick Maliszeweskyi for coming out and showing support. Thank you, all your efforts are much appreciated.

Our Troop takes great pride in hosting the Klondike Derby event for our local area scouts. Any questions please feel free to give me a shout grenierscout@gmail.com.

Happy Trails, RJ Grenier
Scoutmaster Troop 628 Trailblazers

Range & Shooter Supervisory courses by Hal Noer

Range Safety Officer & Chief Range Safety Officer

Inquire with any questions: Hal Noer hnre@xecu.net

- [NRA-CRSO-feb-2017.pdf](#)
- [NRA-RSO-feb-2017.pdf](#)

Accident and Sickness Secondary Insurance

Dear Scout Leaders:

Effective January 2017, all youth and adult members will be charged \$1 at the time they register to help cover the costs for accident and sickness secondary insurance. This fee has historically only been charged during the unit's charter renewal. For those registered through the charter renewal process, nothing will change. For those registering after the charter renewal has been submitted, the \$1 fee will be charged and will cover the individual through the end of the charter year.

To ensure that the youth and adults are covered by this insurance coverage, it is important to submit all new applications to the Marriott Scout Service Center as soon as possible. Holding on to applications for any reason puts our new members at risk. For more information regarding the BSA insurance coverage, and for the policy and claim form, please visit our website at: <http://www.ncacbsa.org/about-ncac/contact/incident-reports/>

Thank you,

Jeffrey S. Berger, CNP Deputy Scout Executive

Francis Scott Key District Day Camps 2017

JOIN OUR TEAM TODAY!

Adult Staff receive a **70% DISCOUNT** for up to **2** Camp Registrations!

- NCAC is awarding each Scouter parent serving as full-time camp staff **up to 2** children's Day Camp registrations for only **\$70 each!** That's less than a 1/3 of the cost to register and up to \$320 in savings if you have 2 Cub Scout children attending.

Junior Staff receive upwards of **40+ SERVICE HOURS** or a \$75 credit towards Goshen!

- Scouts who serve full-time as camp staff will receive a **minimum of 40 Service Hours per week**. If you are at least 14 years of age, NCAC offers the choice of service hours or a \$75 credit toward Goshen Scout Reservation for the 2018 camp season!
This includes Boy Scouts, Ventures, Explorers, & Sea Scouts...Girl Scouts welcome too!

Staff needed for the following camp stations:

- Archery*
- BB Guns*
- Sling Shots*
- Swimming (July Camp ONLY)
- Sports Bugs
- S.T.E.M.
- Scout Skills
- Creation Station
- Wild About Bugs
- Health Officer
- Administration/Photographer
- Trading Post
- Tot Lot
- Den Leaders

*Junior Staff must be at least 16 years of age



Join us for one or both weeks!
Exploring the insect world twice this year...
June 26th - 30th & July 31 - August 4th

Contact: Program Director Lauren Dutrow at fskdaycamp@gmail.com to volunteer today!



Ron Layman, Sr - A Scoutmaster's Scoutmaster

by Bill Desmond

Mr. Ronald L. Layman, Sr., stepped down as Scoutmaster of Troop 274 in Frederick at the Troop's Winter Court of Honor on February 12. Ron served as Scoutmaster on a continuous basis since 1984. From 1981 to 1984, he served as Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 274. The Troop, currently chartered by Trinity United Methodist Church, has also been chartered during Mr. Layman's tenure by St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church and by Evangelical Lutheran Church, both in Frederick.

While serving as Scoutmaster of Troop 274, over 110 youth have attained the rank of Eagle Scout, in addition, there have been thousands of other young men whose lives he has positively influenced.

Ron served as a member of the Francis Scott Key District Committee from 1999 to 2002. He served on the Transition Committee for the formation of the Appalachian Trail and the Catoctin Mountain Districts in Frederick County in 2002. He has served as a member of the Catoctin Mountain District Committee from 2003 to December 2014 when he became District Chairman. He currently serves as the Deputy Chairman of the new Francis Scott Key District.

Ron has been a member of the National Capital Area Council International Scouting Committee and has received the International Scouter Award. He served as the Scoutmaster for contingents of Scouts attending two Canadian Scout Jamborees at Thunder Bay and Prince Edward Island. Troop 274 is well known all over New England due to the many summer resident camps it has attended in Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine and Massachusetts. The Troop would traditionally take the long way home from summer camp and visit many of the sights along the way. Troop 274 prided itself on adherence to the Boy Scout uniform policies.

As a member of the Francis Scott Key and Catoctin Mountain District Committees, Ron has chaired scores of District Camporees, the District Recognition and Awards Banquet, and the annual District Scouter's Breakfast. He has also served on the District Award of Merit Committee and the District Nominating Committee. He was co-chair of the Frederick County 100 Years of Scouting Expo held in Frederick city in September 2010. He has served on several occasions as the chairman of the Frederick County Scouting for Food campaign. He has received:

- Wood Badge
- Silver Beaver
- District Award of Merit
- Brotherhood, Order of the Arrow
- Scoutmaster Award of Merit
- Scoutmaster's Key
- Boy Scout Leader Training
- District Committee Key
- International Scouter Award
- CMD Baden-Powell Award for Excellence in Service to Scouting,
- Various FSK Mountain Peak Awards
- FSK Scouter of the Decade Award, and the
- Religious Award for Adults

Ron has lived his life following the motto of his beloved United States Marine Corps, *Semper Fidelis*. Being

“Always Faithful” has been his touchstone within and outside of the Marine Corps. Mr. Layman served on active duty in the Marine Corps from 1966 to 1969, including 13 months of combat in Viet Nam. He was a member of the Marine Reserves until 1972. He was awarded the following medals and citations during his military service:

- Navy Achievement Medal with Combat V
- National Defense Service Medal
- Viet Nam Service Medal with 3 stars
- Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry
- Republic of Viet Nam Campaign Medal
- Combat Action Medal
- Good Conduct Medal
- Presidential Citation Medal

Over the past ten years, Ron has provided the guiding vision, the muscle and administration of the Walkersville watershed property. He worked diligently with the City of Walkersville, first to obtain their permission for use of the property as a campground and nature area and then to convert the property into a camp ground and outdoor area used by Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and other youth organizations in the area. Ron personally oversees the proper usage of the ground and monitors it for cleanliness and safety.

He has 4 children (Ron Jr, Julie, Meghan and John) and two granddaughters (Samantha and Isabella). Both Ron, Jr, and John are Eagle Scouts.

His successor as Scoutmaster for Troop 274 will be named within a few days. As one would expect, Ron will continue to serve Troop 274 in a new, advisory role.



Congratulations to Our Top Selling Scouts & Units in the FSK District

We would like to thank **All of our hard working Scouts that sold popcorn in 2016.** Not only did they aid in their Unit's success, they also learned and practiced the principles of *earning their own way* through Scouting. Additional CONGRATULATIONS to these Top Sellers in our District. *Way to go Scouts!*

TOP SELLERS

Wyatt Sullivan, Troop 796 sold \$10,642.83*

Ryan Fulmer, Troop 1011 sold \$5,760.00

Jacob Yetter, Troop 796 sold \$4,278.50

Peyton Matejovich, Troop 278 sold \$3,355.00

Zachary Barry, Pack 369 sold \$3,011.00

Cory Matejovich, Pack 278 sold \$2,988.00

Zain Nayeem, Pack 796 sold \$2,580.00

Aidan Dutrow, Pack 278 sold \$2,576.50

* Wyatt Sullivan was also the Top Selling Scout in ALL of NCAC!

Our three **Top Selling Units in 2016**, did an awesome job of organizing and supporting their Scouts. *Thank you for all the behind the scenes work that we know that all Scouting Parents do!*

TOP SELLING UNITS

Pack 278 sold \$33,779.00

Troop 796 sold \$21,090.00

Pack 628 sold \$20,687.00

All Scouts that sold over \$1,000.00 of **Trails-End Popcorn** will be receiving their **Six Flags** tickets soon. Scouts that sold over \$2,500.00 should have already received their **FREE NCAC Camp Letters** in the mail. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Liz Matejovich, FSK District Popcorn Kernel at begreen4u@ymail.com or 240-350-3249.

Full names of youth used with parental permission obtained by Liz Matejovich.



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The Legacy of David Young as Scoutmaster of Troop 1998

Submitted by Mary Sanner

Even though David Young did not pursue Scouting as a youth himself, he did encourage his own two sons David Jr. and Matthew to join Scouting at a young age. While being involved with the Cub Scouts with his boys, David quickly recognized the value of Scouting and the quality of leadership to become a Webelos Den Leader for Pack 792. Initially, after Cub Scouting, the Youngs transferred from the Pack to another Troop, but then found their way to Troop 1998 in 2003. David joined Troop 1998 in February 2003 as an Assistant Scoutmaster. His passion was to spearhead a First Year Scout Program so boys

bridging from Cub Scouting to Boy Scouting would have a dedicated leader to navigate them to First Class. Five years later in January of 2008, David's dedication to Scouting then took him to the role of Scoutmaster for Troop 1998. His enthusiasm for the outdoors and the values of Scouting encouraged many young men to continue their Scouting journey to Eagle. In fact, during David's 9 year tenure as Scoutmaster, 33 Scouts have achieved the Rank of Eagle, including his own two sons.

David's favorite saying is "Scouting without camping is like swimming without water!" Well, David has proven that; he leads by example with over 100 nights of tent and cabin camping himself so far with the Troop. These adventures include camping at Camp Rodney, Goshen, new Scout campouts, freeze-out campouts, Elks Campouts (with the Naval Academy games), OA Ordeal weekends, Shooting Sports campouts, Camp Airy, Webelos campouts, and backpacking along the Appalachian trail. David and the Troop have also attended several High Adventure camps including multiple trips to Haliburton Canada, a trip to Maine, a trek to Philmont in the summer of 2013 with another one coming up for summer 2017.

Beyond these numerous camping expeditions, David has also led Troop 1998 to organize several District Camporees including not just one but two Aviation Camporees, only 5 years apart. Both Aviation Camporees had several hundred Scouts and leaders in attendance and both received high praises from the Scouting community and beyond. David is also firearms certified and repeatedly goes back to Camp Airy as a Shooting Sports Program Instructor. Although David can share many personal experiences with the Troop and the Scouting community his greatest accomplishment to Scouting will be that of leading a very successful "boy-led" Troop. His legacy as Scoutmaster for Troop 1998 will be that the Troop will continue to operate by the boys and for the boys.





Eagle Project by Justin Kunz

Dear Boy Scout Troops of Francis Scott Key District:

My name is Justin Kunz and I am a member of Boy Scout Troop 1998. I am working on my Eagle Project and could use your help. My project is to replace an entrance gate and the fencing on both sides of the gate at the Walkersville Watershed. Anyone who has been there knows how great of a place it is to camp, hike, and other fun activities! I am asking if you would be able to donate \$15 (or any amount) to help defer the cost of the gate for my project. If your Troop would be able to donate, I will be at the next roundtable meeting to collect money. Or you can mail a check to me at 2313 Farmers Court, Adamstown, MD 21710 and make it payable to "Boy Scout Troop 1998". I

appreciate any assistance you can provide. Together we will make the Walkersville Watershed a better place for all Scouts!

Yours in Scouting,

Justin Kunz (*Scout's full name used with parental permission*)

Community Service Opportunity

Rebuilding Together is a leading national nonprofit in safe and healthy housing with more than 40 years of experience. Together, with our corporate and community partners, we transform the lives of low-income homeowners by improving the safety and health of their homes and revitalizing our communities. Rebuilding Together local affiliates and nearly 100,000 volunteers complete about 10,000 rebuild projects nationwide each year.

If you are interested in projects in our local area, contact Scott Speirs 240-415-8728, rebuildingfrederick@gmail.com. You can also visit the website at www.rebuildingtogether.org.

We Have Not Lost Our Way

Scout Executive Mark Turner of Mecklenburg County Council, NC describes the focus of Scouting in relationship to today's controversial political climate. This is a powerful statement about Scouting and its basic tenets.

<http://www.charlotteobserver.com/opinion/article131916064.html>.