



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)

August

- District Eagle Board 7-9pm, Heritage House 9224 Devilbiss Brdg.Rd nfeldser@comcast.net, amc21769@yahoo.com
- 14-19 Camp Airy <u>www.airybsa.org</u>
- District Eagle Board 7-9pm, Heritage House 9224 Devilbiss Brdg.Rd nfeldser@comcast.net, amc21769@yahoo.com
- 17 **JSN Training**, 6:30pm at Frederick Church of the Brethern, contact ashleemason06@gmail.com
- District Committee Mtg, 7:15pm, Trinity UM Church, 703 W. Patrick St. 21701, maliszewskyj@gmail.com
- District Eagle Board 7-9pm, Heritage House 9224 Devilbiss Brdg.Rd nfeldser@comcast.net, amc21769@yahoo.com

September

- 4 District Eagle Bd,7-9pm Heritage House 9224 Devilbiss Brdg. Rd nfeldser@comcast.net, amc21769@yahoo.com
- 9-10 Merit Badges Afloat, contact meritbadgesday@ship37.org
- 11 District Eagle Bd,7-9pm Heritage House 9224 Devilbiss Brdg. Rd nfeldser@comcast.net, amc21769@yahoo.com
- Roundtable (Boy Scout/Cub Scout/OA/FCVOA Huddle Picnic and Council Court of Honor at Walkersville Watershed, contact fskcommissioner@aol.com.
- 13 22nd George Delaplaine Distinguished Citizen Award Dinner
- 14 Commissioner's Meeting, 7:15pm LDS Stake Ctr. 199 North Place, 21701, fskcommissioner@aol.com
- 20 District Eagle Board 7-9pm, Heritage House 9224 Devilbiss Brdg.Rd nfeldser@comcast.net, amc21769@yahoo.com
- 21 District Inter-Troop Shooting Sports Tournament, contact shawnyoungberg@comcast.net
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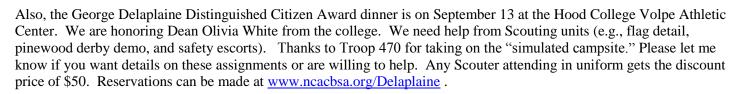
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- 13-15 STEM Fall Camporee, contact Donald.yetter@gmail.com
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From the Desk of the Commish:

We had a great turnout at August Roundtable. The September 12 Roundtable is our annual Picnic at the Walkersville Watershed; this year's Picnic will also include a Council Court of Honor. Cost is \$5 per person and a side dish to share.





Now is a great time to be reviewing leader training and Youth Protection needs. Let's get these updates behind us before we start the dreaded "recharter season."

Finally, I am still in need of a few more Scouters to fill our Commissioners Corps and ensure that every FSK unit has a Unit Commissioner. It really is a good job and only takes an hour a week.

Yours in Commissioner Service, Bill Desmond

District Commissioner

FSK District Radio Scouting - Camporee & JOTA By Joe Durnal



The FSK District Fall STEM Camporee, October 13-15 will include an Amateur Radio component. I'm looking for a few other Amateur Radio Operators to assist in delivering a Radio Merit Badge class & radio demonstration. The following Saturday, October 21 is the Jamboree on the Air. All scouts are invited to return to contact other scouts.

As far as equipment goes: I should have no trouble getting HF on the air but I would like a DSTAR setup as well in case propagation isn't cooperating. I could also use a good surface for projecting slides for the merit badge class.

Contact: Joseph M. Durnal - Joseph.Durnal@gmail.com

See camporee flyer on page 11.

It's Not Too Late to Sign Up!



Trails-End Popcorn Fundraiser Make As Much As You & Your Scouts Want!

Click on the Link below to get signed up, then attend Unit Training:

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Or Go To: www.NCACBSA.org/popcorn

Last Unit Training Sessions:

Date	Time	Service Area	Address
Saturday	9:00am –	All	Marriott Scout Service Center (MSSC)
August 19th	11:00am	***Kid Friendly***	9190 Rockville Pike
			Bethesda, MD 20814
Saturday	9:00am –	All	Marriott Scout Service Center (MSSC)
September 9th	11:00am	***Kid Friendly***	9190 Rockville Pike
			Bethesda, MD 20814

Pop On!

Questions & Suggestions – Liz Matejovich, FSK District Popcorn Kernel 240-350-3249 or email @ Begreen4u@ymail.com

In the Streets and JSN By Rick Millward

Fall Join Scouting is coming up, and Frederick has a large event that can help reach out to potential Scouts of all ages. It is the "Frederick In The Streets" celebration Saturday, September 9. For at least 7 years, a Join Scouting booth has been present in the children's block of the festival. Our mission is to tell our stories of Scouting, talk to parents and kids about Scouting, and to recruit them, if possible. We need some parents and leader volunteers that are enthusiastic about Scouting and are willing to man the booth to talk to those parents and kids about Scouting and to share their positive experiences within Scouting and to give them information to put them in touch with the unit nearest them. We do not handle registration or money or applications there, this is just recruiting and facilitating contacts. The event goes from 11-5, but we start setting up around 9:30. Volunteers can be there the whole day and take breaks if we have enough volunteers, or they can sign up for a certain number of hours. It would be great if we could get some experienced volunteers from the upper levels of Scouting, such as Explorers and Venturing, so that they can reach out to that age group. Scouts are also welcome.

We are also looking for a simple game or activity for younger kids that can fit in a 10' x 10' area to keep young ones occupied and engaged so the parents can talk. Scout guidelines on the games, and no balloons and nothing that travels significant distances in any direction. We have been using a penny pitch for many years, but feel we need a change, as it's getting a little worn and stale. We have the Join Scouting tent from Council and hand out literature and other promotional items as supplied by Council. We also teach the square knot and hand out square knot neckerchief slides to potential and current Scouts. Other activity ideas are sought and welcomed.

Volunteers and people with activity ideas can contact Rick Millward ASAP at 240-675-4037 or ricipmill@comcast.net. Please help support this. It just may result in a new member (or several) for your unit. Thank you in advance for your support.

Wood Badge Fall Course Still Open!

Please join three of your fellow FSK District Scouters (Debbie Crabb, Joe Durnal, and Rick Rogers) at the Fall Wood Badge course!

Our course incorporates the traditions of over 80 years of Wood Badge, while adding the management and leadership training necessary to become a successful leader. 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... like home, or in your career!

The course is held over two three day weekends, September 8-10, and October 7-9. For more information go to: https://www.ncacbsa.org/training/wood-badge/.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Summit Project

benefiting

Montgomery County Parks and Recreation taking place on

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2017

Rain date is Saturday, September 30th

From 8:00am- 3:30pm

Lunch provided!

[PARK LOCATION TBD]

This is a trail project where volunteers will have the unique opportunity to give back to a local park by polishing and preparing a new trail at one of Montgomery County Parks and Recreation's many parks for use by the public. All tools are provided - simply wear long pants/ long sleeves, remember your sun protection and bug spray, and don't forget your refillable water bottle, a sturdy pair of shoes, and some work gloves.

THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS TOO MANY HANDS – SO BRING YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY!

You don't have to be a Venturer- let alone a Scout- to volunteer

IF YOU ARE 13 YEARS OF AGE OR YOUNGER, YOU MUST HAVE A GUARDIAN VOLUNTEER WITH YOU

- » Service hours will be awarded
 - » Free lunch
- » Any volunteer time and effort you can provide is MUCH APPRECIATED-(You don't have to be present for the whole work day!)
- » Please RSVP so you can receive updates about this volunteer opportunity

Questions? RSVPs? Contact:

Emma Anderson

Summit Candidate from FSK's Venture Crew 796

eanderson122199@gmail.com

240-357-4978

SUPER DERBY 2018!!! By Melissa Udbinac

FSK District is looking to recruit a new admin/registrar (read most of work done from home) for the Super Derby in March 2018 for the FSK South Derby.

You will be working with Scott Crutchley who runs and manages the actual event on race day for FSK South. And Joe Scalise for FSK North. We are beginning a dialogue of how to merge the old AT/CM rules into one set for the new FSK District. All letters, forms, backdater calendars, etc. are already crafted. Just need someone to move into the position. Please contact Melissa Udbinac (mludbinac@msn.com) after Labor Day if you are interested.

Outdoor Ethics Patch Design Contest

The National Capital Area Council's Outdoor Ethics Committee is calling on Scouts of all ages to design a patch for the new NCAC Outdoor Ethics Awareness award for Cub Scouts. The winning design will become the Cub Scout-level Outdoor Ethics award for our council.

The patch design must include the following elements:

- Words "Outdoor Ethics"
- Acronym "NCAC"
- · Natural/outdoor elements
- · Fleur-de-lis

The design will be judged on inclusion of the 4 elements above and its theme of Outdoor Ethics. Copyrights and trademarks must be observed and nothing should used without permission.

Send your patch design to Sara Holtz, Outdoor Ethics advocate for Powhatan District, at sh12sh34@gmail.com
Submissions are due August 15. The winner will receive a copy of Leave No Trace in the Outdoors written by Dr. Jeffry Marion, a certificate of appreciation signed by the Chair of the Outdoor Ethics Committee, and mention in the Scouter's Digest.



August 14 - 19, 2017



JOIN US FOR A TRIP TO THE FRONTIER!

Adventurers be prepared for:
First Year Program, Aquatics, Shooting Sports,
STEM and Over 50 merit badges

Class choices due June Roundtable.

Monday

- Arrival between 5 and 7pm

- Opening Campfire

Thursday

- Disaster Drill

Tuesday

- Classes Start

Friday

- Closing Campfire

Wednesday

OA Day and Ice
 Cream Social

Saturday

- Classes end
- Home for dinner!

Camp Airy is proud to offer modern facilities and conveniences for all campers, plus high speed internet for adult leaders. Shuttle service to cars is available for adults who travel from and to the Frederick Area

Forms and details at www.airybsa.org

The Gathering of Eagles is sponsoring a raffle for Scout troops attending Camp Airy BSA in 2017. Troops attending Camp Airy BSA with 8 or more Boy Scouts will be entered into the drawing. The drawing prizes are \$500, \$300 and \$200 for Troop use. The drawing will be held at the September FSK District Roundtable.



Is your Cub Scout Pack ready for Lions,

a Scouting program for kindergarten-age boys?

Do you need training on the Lion Program?

Come and join us and learn what it is all about!



This is training for <u>all</u>
National Capital Area Council Packs

When: Saturday, August 12, 2017

Time: 9:30 am

Where: Our Lady of Mercy Church

9200 Kentsdale Drive

Potomac, MD 20854

Space is limited so we will not be able to accommodate walk-in.

Reserve you place now by emailing your name, your pack number and District to:

Danielle Ballantine at dmballantine@gmail.com or Bill Mayo at William.g.mayo@gmail.com
by August 10, 2017



Boy Scouts of America National Capital Area Council Francis Scott Key District Presents



The 2ND Annual Inter-Troop Shooting Sports Tournament

When: September 21, 2017

Anytime between 9a and 3p

Where: Thurmont Conservation & Sportsman's Club

11617 Hunt Club Rd.

Thurmont, Maryland 21788

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

Cost: \$8 to shoot Archery, Rifle and Shotgun

Details: All Equipment will be provided

DONOTBRING YOUR OWN FIREARMS/ARCHERY EQUIPMENT

- * Shooting could take up to 2 hours for all three ranges, depending on the number of scouts
- * Troops encouraged to arrive and shoot together as Unit
- * Scouts allowed to arrive and shoot individually
- * Two age group brackets: 10-13 and 14-17
- * Total tournament limited to <u>100</u> scouts (sign up now!!!)
- * Rifle score based on # of shots of 10 covered by a U.S quarter (\$0.25)
- * Shotgun score based on number of clays hit out of 10
- * Archery score based on total points from 10 arrows
- * Awards given at October RT for individual & Unit scores

PREREGISTRATION **REQUIRED**: No Later Than **9/12/2017**

For Questions, Registration and Information, please contact:
Mr. Shawn Youngberg

Tel.: 240-344-7733 or Email: shawnyoungberg@comcast.net

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Maryland Football Scouts Night

We are getting closer and closer to the start of the football season here at Maryland which means our Annual Scout night is right around the corner! Tickets for the event will be on sale starting Monday (8/7).

This year, we are partnering with Groupmatics which will allows us to customize a link for you regarding ordering/registration purposes. This option will be available shortly and if you are interested I would be happy to create a personal page for your Troop!

Attached is a flyer that our marketing department has created for the Scouts Night. We will have more information in the coming weeks as well.

Please let me know what interest you and your respected Troops may have ASAP given that we will have limited spaces available this year.

Gregory D Wright gwright1@umd.edu





The

Francis Scott Key District

Proudly presents the

2017 STEM Fall Camporee



Recruit and bring your Webelos to the Camporee
Water Wheels, Hydro Electric Power, Radio and More
When—October 13-15, 2017
Where—Walkersville Watershed

Intro to STEM Merit Badges & Awards

Engineering

Model Design & Building

Radio

Electricity

Archeology

Inventing

NOVA WOOSH

Don't Delay, Register today!!!

Cost: \$20pp early bird Aug 8th - Sep 15th \$25pp Sep 16th - Oct 12th \$15pp Saturday Oct 14th only













- Troops/Crews who sign up by 9/15/17 will be given their "home site" at the Watershed.
- All registrations after 9/15 will be given best available site determined by number of paid attendees.
- Leaders Guide will be published by September 15th with list of any pre-requisites
- Questions or to help with program, contact the camporee chair Don Yetter, <u>Donald.yetter@gmail.com</u>; 717-433-8608
- You may register online www.scoutingevent.com/082-FSKFallCamporee

SAVE THE DATE

Francis Scott Key
District, National
Capital Area Council
Boy Scouts of America

22nd George Delaplaine
Distinguished Citizen
Award Honoree

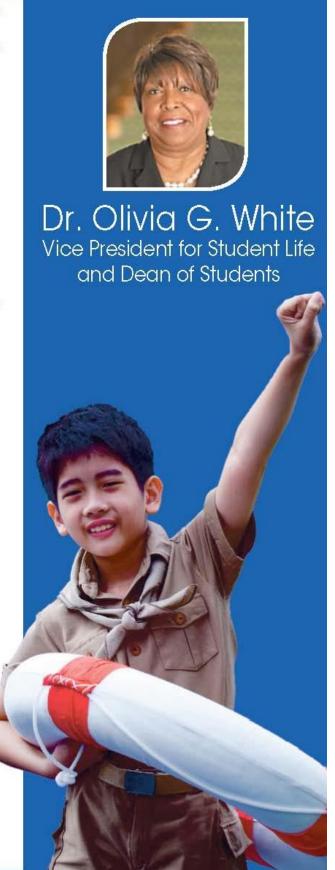
September 13, 2017

HOOD COLLEGE Ronald J. Volpe Athletic Center

Benefitting Boy Scout Programs in Frederick County Mr. Ted Luck–Event Chair







2017 George Delaplaine Distinguished Citizen Award Honoree

By Bill Desmond, FSK District Commissioner

The Francis Scott Key District, Boy Scouts of America, annually presents the George Delaplaine Distinguished Citizen Award to an outstanding Frederick County citizen who has lived their life according to the ideals of the Scout Oath and Law.

The 2017 honoree is Olivia G. White, Ph.D., Vice President for Student Life and Dean of Students at Hood College in Frederick. Dr. White has a lifelong dedication in service to youth and to the betterment of her community. She has been active in the Frederick County and Maryland Chapters of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, a board member of the UNESCO Center for Peace, the Weinberg Center for the Arts, and in the Rotary Club of Carroll Creek, where she is a past president. Dr. White is also the co-director of the Education Ministry at the Beltway Church of Christ. She has served in leadership and advisory roles for the Advocates for Homeless Families, St. John's Catholic Prep, Heartly House, the Frederick Alliance for Youth, the Program Historic Sites Consortium, and the African American Resources-Cultural and Heritage Museum Task Force. She has been an active participant and leader in civil rights discussions in Frederick County, including serving as the co-chair of the 2014 year-long "Realizing the Dream" events at Hood College. Her duties and responsibilities at Hood College have helped bring national attention and recognition to the college.

Dr. White will be presented the 22nd annual George Delaplaine Distinguished Citizen Award at a dinner in her honor on September 13, 2017 at the Ronald J. Volpe Athletic Center at Hood College. Additional information, including table sponsorships and ticket sales can be found at www.ncacbsa.org/delaplaine. The 2017 Event Chair is Mr. Ted Luck of Frederick.

Funds raised through this event benefits the National Capital Area Council, Boy Scouts of America. Approximately 88% of the Council's annual \$10 M budget is spent on direct support for youth programs, which include camp scholarships, uniforms, registration fees for youth who would otherwise be unable to participate, Scout camps and other facilities, youth and leader training, and for professional staff who counsel, guide and inspire volunteer leadership.

There are approximately 2100 youth and 1000 plus adult volunteers who participate in Scouting programs in Frederick County. Boys can begin Scouting at age 5 as Lion Scouts and progress to Boy Scouts at age 11. Venturing, Sea Scouting and Exploring programs are open to young men and women ages 14 to 21. The National Capital Area Council and the Francis Scott Key District are indebted to Mr. George Delaplaine, a Distinguished Eagle Scout, and to Mrs. Marlene Young, President, Delaplaine Foundation, Inc., for their continuing generosity and outstanding support to Scouting.

The cost of attendance for Scouters in uniform is \$50.



Ever sailed a boat? Like water? Would like to learn sailing? Then you're invited to Ship 37's 'Merit Badges Afloat' event!

Sponsored by Sea Scout Ship 37 - Frederick, Md.

When: Saturday AND Sunday September 9th & 10th 2017: 0800 to 1700.

(this is NOT an over-night camp out.)

Where: Final location TBD - we are working to finalize a facility convenient to Frederick.

Cost: \$40 per Scout with tasty lunch provided both days for all participants.

Details: This event is open to any Scout in Frederick County including Girl Scouts (age 12+)

and Boy Scouts (1st Class and age 12+). Those attending the entire event can earn the Smallboat Sailing and Weather Merit Badges. Scouts must attend the full time on both days!! Please do not sign-up for this event if you can't attend the entire event. Space is limited to 30 Scouts: First come, first served. We expect FULL Capacity. Payment is required with registration form. A waiting list will be maintained after registration is full. Refunds may be requested for cancellations received prior to August 28th 2017 - ONLY IF YOUR SPOT IS RE-FILLED from the waiting list. NO REFUNDS for cancellations on or after that date. An e-mail confirmation will be sent to the

Troop leader or parent, once registration has been received.

Bring: Rubber-soled shoes/ sneakers w/ closed toe & heel (NO flip flops or sandals), swimsuit &

towel, rain jacket/ sweatshirt, sunscreen, hat, water bottle, sunglasses. 'Be Prepared' as this is an on-the-water event with breezy days (*especially in the morning*). Wear layers of clothing – this is a rain or shine event! Bring your signed blue cards for both merit badges plus both MB

books. Paper & pen. Scout Spirit!

Prereqs: Thoroughly read in advance and be completely familiar with each MB book. Be prepared to

actively participate both days. Be prepared to discuss SMS #1, #3; proof of BSA Swimmer test

(we do NOT test on site). Weather #6, #9 and #10, #11.

Leaders: Bring current BSA Medical Form A & B PLUS signed permission slip for each Scout

attending (emailed approx. 1-week before the event). You will need to submit a copy at event registration, so be sure to keep the original for your own records. No Scout may participate without these forms on file. We ask that at least one leader or parent from each unit

stay the during the event (this duty may be divided among several adults).

Questions? First read the FAQ section below. If your question is not answered there, please contact Ship

37 at MeritBadgeDay@Ship37.org. Only your received payment reserves your actual sailing

slot.

Merit Badge Afloat FAQ's

1. What if it rains that weekend?

<u>The event will be held rain or shine</u>. If weather conditions are unsafe for sailing, other activities will be done on land until weather conditions improve. *All Guide to Safe Scouting requirements will be followed.* In the unlikely event that the event is cancelled due to severe weather conditions, the payment will be refunded. A rain jacket is a must.

2. Can my Scout come only one day and earn just one of the Merit Badges?

<u>NO</u>. Activities from each of the merit badges are covered on both days, so if a Scout attends just one day, only part of the merit badges will be completed. To best utilize all our sailboats and offer each Scout the best sailing experience, we will have some youth on the water while some are ashore competing land skills.

3. Will my Scout actually sail a boat?

<u>YES</u>, Scouts will spend a great deal of time on the water in one of our small sailboats. There will be a very experienced teen Sea Scout on each boat as Sailing Instructors supervised by very experienced sailing adult leaders, but the Scouts at the event will be allowed, and eventually expected, to handle their boat.

4. Is there a limit to attendance as to the number of Scouts from any one Unit?

<u>YES</u>. A Scout may come as an individual, or a single Troop may sign up <u>five (5) Scouts from any one Unit</u> to attend Merit Badges Afloat.

5. Can the adults attending sail as well?

<u>NO</u>, Unfortunately, we must limit this event to <u>youth only</u> due to the number of sailboats we own and have available for use; but you are more than welcome to stay and take those great picture moments.

6. What are the overall qualifications of the adults-in-charge?

PO Box 742

Our adult leaders have many years of sailing and Scouting experience. They are trained Boys Scouts of America National Aquatics Supervisors plus American Red Cross Waterfront & Pool Lifeguard and Wilderness First Aid certified.

Merit B	adge	s Afloat 2017 Re	gistration		
Troop #:	-	City / Town:			
Leader Name:		Position:	Position:		
Email:		Cell Phone:	Cell Phone:		
Scout's Name:	Age:	Parent's e-mail:	Parent's cell phone #:		
# of Scouts attending		x \$40.00 each = \$	TOTAL DUE		
Mail this Registration Form wi attending) to: Ship	th paym 37 Merit	ent (<u>payable to "<i>Ship 37</i>"</u> fo Badges Afloat Event	or the total number of Scouts c/o Skipper John Wright		

Braddock Heights, Md 21714