



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)

June

26-30 Day Camp at Woodsboro Park, contact fskdaycamp@gmail.com

28 District Eagle Board 7-9pm, Heritage House 9224 Devilbiss Brdg. Rd nfeldser@comcast.net, amc21769@yahoo.com

July

3 District Eagle Board, 7-9pm Heritage House 9224 Devilbiss Brdg. Rd nfeldser@comcast.net,
amc21769@yahoo.com

6 Frederick County Scouting Dance, contact fbroadrup@comcast.net

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31-8/8 Day Camp, 4-H Camp, contact fskdaycamp@gmail.com

August

1-8 Day Camp, 4-H Camp, contact fskdaycamp@gmail.com

7 District Eagle Board, 7-9pm Heritage House 9224 Devilbiss Brdg. Rd nfeldser@comcast.net,
amc21769@yahoo.com

8 Roundtable (Boy Scout/Cub Scout/OA/FCVOA Huddle 7:15pm Frederick Church of the Brethren,
201 Fairview Ave. 21701, fskcommissioner@aol.com

10 Commissioner's Meeting, 7:15pm LDS Stake Ctr. 199 North Place, 21701, fskcommissioner@aol.com

14 District Eagle Board 7-9pm, Heritage House 9224 Devilbiss Brdg. Rd nfeldser@comcast.net, amc21769@yahoo.com

14-19 Camp Airy www.airybsa.org

16 District Eagle Board 7-9pm, Heritage House 9224 Devilbiss Brdg. Rd nfeldser@comcast.net, amc21769@yahoo.com

22 District Committee Mtg, 7:15pm, Trinity UM Church, 703 W. Patrick St. 21701, maliszewskyj@gmail.com

23 District Eagle Board 7-9pm, Heritage House 9224 Devilbiss Brdg. Rd nfeldser@comcast.net, amc21769@yahoo.com

Have fun and be safe while camping this summer.



From the Desk of the Commish:



We welcome Sean McCabe and Shoshana Saffone to the ranks of the Commissioners Corps. Sean is responsible for Troop 1066 and Crew 1210. Shoshanna has been assigned to Troop 274 and Ship 59 .

The following units are without assigned Unit Commissioners:

P, T, C 796 – Ijamsville P 628 and T 628 – New Market P 1628 and T 268 – New Market

In addition, we are in need of a Roundtable Commissioner for the Boy Scout breakout session.

Remember that there is no July Roundtable. We start back up in August at the Church of the Brethren. The September Roundtable is a Picnic/Court of Honor at the Walkersville Watershed.

Enjoy the summer, have fun in the outdoors and be safe.

Yours in Commissioner Service,

Bill Desmond

District Commissioner

Cubmudder 2017

Cubmudder 2017 was a huge success with 350 youth taking part in the many challenges of the course. To see the photos from the event, click [HERE](#). Many thanks to Pack and Troop 1070 for organizing and hosting this great event.

2017 Guide to Advancement submitted by Peter Bladen

<http://www.ncacbsa.org/francis-scott-key/wp-content/uploads/sites/11/2017/06/GUIDE-TO-ADVANCEMENT-2017.pdf>

A Call to Service – July 4th

The National Park Service is seeking volunteers for July 4th, 2017:

Reporting time is 5:30pm at 2700 George Washington Memorial Parkway. (Please carpool!)

Duties complete / released by 10:30pm.

Volunteers for visitors services are needed at:

Arlington Ridge (Netherlands Carillon and USMC War Memorial)

Memorial Circle (Arlington Cemetery Metro and Memorial Bridge)

Columbia Island

Gravelly Pont

We are seeking 4 Scouts and 2 adults per site to work along with NPS staff.

All interested Troops, please contact NPS Volunteer Coordinating at gwmp_volunteer@nps.gov

To allow sufficient planning for all parties, please respond with **initial interest without delay**.

We wish to close off reservations by Sunday night, June 25, 2017

Let Your Scouts Earn Their Own Way!

Fundraise with Trails-End Popcorn

Let us show you how your Pack/Troop/Crew/Ship can fundraise with

No Upfront Costs and Very Low Risk

Click on the link below to Sign Up!



[Sign Up For The 2017 Popcorn Sale!](#)

Join Our Units in FSK That Are Already Signed Up:

**Crew 796 * Pack 1055 * Pack 1069 * Pack 1070 * Pack 1628 * Pack 270 * Pack 278 * Pack 285
Pack 287 * Pack 369 * Pack 371 * Pack 476 * Pack 48 * Pack 628 * Pack 651 * Pack 792 Pack 169 * Pack
1998 * Pack 271 * Pack 277* Pack 796
Troop 1011 * Troop 1023 * Troop 217 * Troop 270 * Troop 278 * Troop 476 * Troop 727 * Troop 796**



Attend Our (LAST LOCAL) Popcorn Kick-Off Popcorn Meeting
July 20th @ 7:00pm
Frederick Latter-Day Saints Stake Center, 199 North Place, Frederick, MD 21701

For more information, contact Liz Matejovich, FSK District Popcorn Kernel @ 240-350-3249
or begreen4u@ymail.com

Pop On!..



DAY CAMP NEEDS YOU!!

UPDATED STAFF LISTING...

JUNE 26TH-30TH @ WOODSBORO PARK:

- (1) ARCHERY Adult Range Officer
- (2) ARCHERY JR Staff (16+ yrs)
- (1) SLING SHOT Adult Range Officer
- (1) SPORTS Station Adult Staff
- (2) ASL Interpreters

JULY 31ST-AUG 4TH @ FREDERICK CO. 4-H:

- (1) ARCHERY Adult Range Officer
- (1) SLING SHOT Adult Range Officer
- (1) SPORTS Station Adult Staff
- (1) SCOUT SKILLS Station Adult Staff
- (1) ADMIN Adult Staff
- (1) TOT LOT Adult Staff
- (2) TOT LOT JR Staff (14+ yrs)

****NOT TRAINED FOR THE RANGES? - THAT'S OK, WE OFFER TRAINING!****

PARENTS & ADULT SCOUTERS:

LIKE DISCOUNTS? Council is offering adults ****up to 2 child registrations for only \$70 each**** for the week you will be serving as a full time staff member. That's 2 registrations for less than the price of 1. WOW! Siblings entering 1st through 6th grade can attend Day Camp this year!

BOY/GIRL SCOUTS, VENTURES, SEA SCOUTS & EXPLORERS:

Build your resume while applying **40+ service hours** per camp week towards rank advancements, school/club requirements, or application processes such as National Honor Society or College. Our Directors are happy to serve as a professional reference.

CONTACT: Program Director Lauren Dutrow at
fskdaycamp@gmail.com for more details!



FACEBOOK EVENT PAGE FOR JUNE 26TH – 30TH CAMP:
WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/EVENTS/406253179714467/

FACEBOOK EVENT PAGE FOR JULY 31ST – AUG 4TH CAMP:
WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/EVENTS/207658963032891/





The National Capital Scout Shop is coming to Frederick County, MD!



Visit our trading post at the FSK District Day Camp!

June 26th through June 30th

Located at Woodsboro Regional Park in Woodsboro, MD 21798

STORE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday:
8:00am to 4:30pm

Friday: 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

** All major credit cards accepted **



Check out our selection of BSA merchandise:

Uniforms, T-shirts, Camping Gear, Literature and MORE!

On-demand orders will be filled to the best of our ability.

Looking for something specific?

E-mail: Jennifer.Fernandez-Ourand@scouting.org with the subject line:

“FSK Day Camp Frederick, MD Pre-Order” by June 19th

And we will bring the merchandise with us to Camp!

We look forward to seeing you there!

Camp Airy BSA

Thurmont, MD



August 14 - 19, 2017

Registration now open

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

Tuesday

- Classes Start

Wednesday

- OA Day and Ice Cream Social

Thursday

- Disaster Drill

Friday

- Closing Campfire

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.





CAMP AIRY BSA 2017- COME EXPLORE THE FRONTIER submitted by Diane Henson

August 14 - 19, 2017 Thurmont, MD

INFORMATION AND FORMS: WWW.AIRYBSA.ORG

GOOD NEWS - WE STILL HAVE SPACE!!

If your Troop hasn't already registered or if your Troop is already coming and you now have a few more Scouts who are eager to participate, just let us know. We will begin making class assignments soon and classes will begin to fill. Check out our new offerings this year, including sustainability, personal fitness, pioneering, safety, skating, and exploration. Our staff is exceptionally well qualified and all of our program offerings are excellent. We have a very strong First Year Camper Program, in case your new Scouts can still benefit from this experience.

YOUR TROOP COULD WIN:

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Free Philmont Conservation & Trail Crew Treks by Dave Garman

Through an inside track with Philmont's Conservation Department (6th-year staff member Alex Smith – 2008 Eagle Scout from Troop 1066 in Jefferson) an appeal arrived indicating their 21 and 14-day backcountry programs have many more openings available this summer than registered participants. To boost attendance the Philmont Staff Association has opened generous scholarship funding to qualified applicants – they just need to cover their travel expenses.

Registered BSA youth age 16 to 20 are invited to contact Philmont's Conversation Department to learn more about these opportunities:

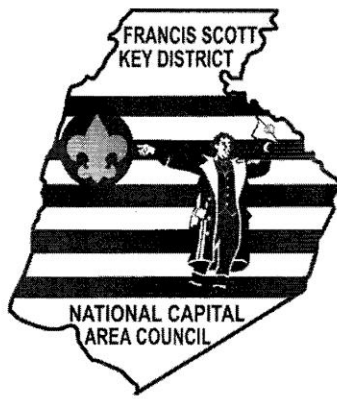
Roving Outdoor Conservation School (ROCS) is a 21-day program (normally \$545) for Scouts and Venturers with an interest in conservation & natural resource management. A wide variety of hands-on activities, special programs, conservation projects, and visits from natural resource professionals give you a behind-the-scenes look at the science driving modern land management and Philmont's sustainability practices. Treks start 16-June, 23-June, 30-June (female session), 7-July, and 14-July.

<http://www.philmontscoutranch.org/rocs.aspx>

Trail Crew Trek (TCT) Spend 14 days living and working in Philmont's high country with the Conservation Department. Master the art and science of trail construction, and learn the ins and outs of conservation project management on this co-ed adventure. Return home with the skills and knowledge to confidently take on the challenges in your local parks and communities. The normal TCT fee is \$300. Treks start: 14-June and 26.

<http://www.philmontscoutranch.org/Camping/IndividualPrograms/TCT.aspx>

Application forms: <http://www.philmontscoutranch.org/filestore/philmont/pdf/specialtrekapps/ROCSApp.pdf>
<http://www.philmontscoutranch.org/filestore/philmont/pdf/specialtrekapps/TCTApp.pdf>



SAVE THE DATE!

FSK 2017 Fall Camporee

October 13 – 15

Walkersville Watershed

- **NOVA MODULE: WHOOSH**
- **BADGES: ENGINEERING, INVENTING, MODEL BUILDING & DESIGN**

More info to come!

Please contact Don Yetter with questions:
717.433.8608 – OR – donald.yetter@gmail.com



Frederick County Scouting Dance Invitation

When: Thursday, July 6, 2017

Who: Scouting youth 14-18 years old and adults 18 and up, suggest you bring a dance partner to ensure equal number of male and female dance partners

Where: Gymnasium at the LDS Stake Center, 199 North Place, Frederick, 21701

Time: 8 - 10:30 pm

Theme: Hawaiian Luau

Attire: Scout uniform, casual or Hawaiian

Cost: None

Sponsor: Frederick County Gathering of Eagles, Inc.

Host: Frederick Maryland LDS Stake

Support: Frederick County Venturing Officers' Association

To accept this invitation, please respond immediately to fbroadrup@comcast.net

Please note if you are bringing a dance partner. We are limited by Fire Code to the # of guests who can attend. First email responders, first served. **The response cut-off date is Thursday June 29, 2017**

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- A casual dance for Scouts, Scouters, Gathering of Eagles Members and LDS Church members.
 - Introductory dance instruction will be provided for the jitterbug, and waltz.
 - All invitees are highly encouraged to participate in the group dance instruction. It will be painless.
 - Modest dress and conduct standards will be observed.
 - Evaluation letters will be distributed.



February 9-11, 2018 Lake Junaluska, N.C.

Scouts will get hands-on experience at nearby Cataloochee Ski Area as they learn about snow safety. In the evenings, workshops will be held at Lake Junaluska to complete requirements for the Snow Sports Merit Badge.

Our package includes overnight lodging, meals, skiing at Cataloochee Ski Area and educational workshops. Choose Lake Junaluska for spectacular beauty in the mountains of Western North Carolina!

For more information, visit www.lakejunaluska.com/boyscouts or call 800-222-4930.

Boy Scouts are also welcome to plan their own ski retreats at Lake Junaluska anytime from December-March. Learn more about our discounted group ski packages by visiting www.lakejunaluska.com/ski-groups.

September Roundtable

The September Roundtable will be a picnic at the Walkersville Watershed. Meat entrée will be provided and each person is asked to bring a dish to share and \$5. The Roundtable meeting will follow dinner and will include a special Court of Honor. More details to follow.

Cub Scout Uniforms Needed

Cub Pack 1998 is in need of some khaki Cub Scout uniforms sizes 12-14. If you have used uniforms laying around that your Cubs or Scouts have outgrown, please contact Reggie Moore, Cubmaster of Pack 1998. His email is rmoore1072@gmail.com and his phone is 301-732-2387.

Scout Vespers

Softly falls the light of day,
While our campfires fade away.
Silently each Scout should ask:
Have I done my daily task?
Have I kept my honor bright?
Can I guiltless sleep tonight?
Have I done and have I dared,
Everything to be prepared?



***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?

The event will be held rain or shine. 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?

NO. 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?

YES. 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?

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

5. Can the adults attending sail as well?

NO. Unfortunately, we must limit this event to youth only 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?

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 Badges Afloat 2017 Registration

Troop #: _____ City / Town: _____

Leader Name: _____ Position: _____

Email: _____ 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 with payment (payable to "Ship 37" for the total number of Scouts attending) to:

Ship 37 Merit Badges Afloat Event
PO Box 742

c/o Skipper John Wright
Braddock Heights, Md 21714