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
Quick Calendar:

- Apr 10 – Roundtable
- Apr 27 – Life to Eagle Seminar
- May 1 – District CoH
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- May 8 – Program Launch
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- Jun 7 – Last Day School
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 Cub Scout Interest

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Goose Creek District Newsletter



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from Michael Surbaugh, the 13th Chief Scout Executive of the Boy Scouts of America
<https://scoutingwire.org/a-scout-is-trustworthy/>

A Scout is Trustworthy

Do you know the story of George Washington and his father's cherry tree? It goes that six-year-old Washington damaged a cherry tree with a hatchet. When he was confronted by his father, George bravely responded, "I cannot tell a lie ... I did cut it with my hatchet." Washington's father's anger at the injury to the tree was replaced by joy that his son was so honest. It's a tale that's been passed down for generations, but ironically was made up by a biographer who was short on information about Washington's early life, but took it as an opportunity to promote good values.

April 30 is National Honesty Day and interestingly, Washington's ethos of honesty is a part of how that date was chosen when the holiday was created in 1990. National Honesty Day was created by M. Hirsh Goldberg, the former press secretary of Maryland, who chose the date of Washington's first inauguration to celebrate. His rationale was two-fold, though, because he also felt April needed to end with a counterbalance to April Fool's Day, which Goldberg felt celebrates deception.

While not a long-standing tradition in this country, National Honesty Day is a nice reminder of something we as Scouts should do every day. It's a part of our law to be trustworthy.

Being trustworthy includes, but goes far beyond, just being honest. It means being dependable, being a person who lives up to their word and acts with integrity in everything they do. This portion of our law is why we can begin the Scout Oath with "On my honor." It's no small thing to lay on the line. Someone's honor is made up of their honesty, integrity, reputation, how they treat others and how they act when no one is looking. It's everything a person is. By giving our word at the outset of the Scout Oath, Scouts are promising to be guided by its ideals and we are measured by how well we live up to that promise.

These values are central to lessons our programs teach. Scouting builds a solid foundation of character, leadership, values and education that stays with a child for a lifetime. Independent studies have shown that our programs successfully develop character in young people, including increasing their trustworthiness. Establishing a strong foundation of values is key to preparing a young person to be a successful, responsible adult and the foundational element of ethical leadership, which we hope to inspire the next generation of leaders. I hope we all will take National Honesty Day as a reminder of the values we all share and an opportunity to reflect on the importance of trustworthiness.

District News

District Website: www.NCACBSA.org/GooseCreek



Gold Level District Journey to Excellence (JTE)



The Best District in the Land of NCAC was awarded the Gold Level JTE Award at the Council Key 3 meeting. District Commissioner John Witek presented the award at the last roundtable! CONGRATS to all Units – YOU earned this!!



Recharter Certificates



2019 Recharter certificates are now available via download. Ask your Unit Commissioner for your Unit's copy to present at your Recharter event or next Court of Honor. Journey to Excellence scorecards are now available too. See your Commissioner for these and many other needs and services.



Day Camp - Adult & Youth Staff Volunteer Station Sign-up



The Goose Creek District will be hosting two summer Cub Scout camps; Day camp & Twilight the week of June 17th. We are asking for both adults and youth volunteers.

There are many reasons for a Troop to send volunteers:

- If the Scout is 14 or older; server for all 5 days; they will receive \$100 credit toward camping at any NCAC Resident camp
- Be awarded Service Hours
- Work on advancement and leadership
- Work on shooting sports skills: BBs, Archery, Sling shots
- Have an enjoyable time and get to know other scouts from across the district
- Do a Good Turn for the Cub Scout program
- Get time in as a Den Chief

The signup listed here is for Day Camp, there will be a separate link for Twilight (evening camp 6:30 to 9 PM):

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0845AFA72EA1FE3-daycamp1/>



Long time GCD Scouter Bob Zottig, 1941-2019



Old Loudoun County Scouters will remember Bob Zottig (Wood Badge 82-65) and his lifelong commitment to Scouting. Bob died on Feb. 23. He was 77 years old. Bob was the founder and first SM of Troop 961. He was also the owner and operator of the Sterling Hardware store for 30 years or more. His son Victor is an Eagle Scout, VMI graduate, and Army vet (as was Bob). He and his wife Paulette moved west to Stephens City, VA years ago after he retired. He stayed active in Scouting out there. Those who knew and remember Bob will recall him as a good man with a deep commitment to Scouting and any community where he lived.

Goose Creek District Court of Honor



It's that time of year — time to recognize those amazing Scouters who've made a huge difference in the lives of young people here in Goose Creek District - NCAC. All Goose Creek Packs, Troops, Crews and Ships are invited to the Goose Creek District Annual Court of Honor on Wednesday, May 1, 2019, at the Leesburg United Methodist Church, 107 W Market Street, Leesburg, VA 20176. Special recipients include the District Award of Merit, District Key 3 Awardees, and the Robin L. Hayes Leadership Award.

We will gather at 7:00pm, open the ceremony at 7:30pm and close with a dessert reception following. Each unit is asked to contribute a dessert to share, preferably cut into single servings.

In addition to recognizing our adult volunteers, we invite all 2018 Eagle Scouts to please come in Full Class A Uniform for a special recognition.

The Boy Scouts of America is a volunteer organization which relies on dedicated volunteers. If you haven't yet recognized that special volunteer from your unit as the Unit Volunteer of the Year, you still have time. Please submit:

- Your name
- The Unit volunteer of the Year's name (one per unit)
- Unit type (Troop, Crew, Pack, Ship) and number (1154)
- A short description of how this leader upholds the ideals of scouting in your unit

Send this to stevewolfson@verizon.net. Please put your unit, number and unit volunteer of the year in the Subject field of the email (ex., Troop 43 Unit Volunteer of the Year or Crew 7070 Unit Volunteer of the Year)

Unit Volunteer of the Year nominations are due April 12, 2019.

In memory of Robin L. Hayes and her dedication to Scouting, the Goose Creek District Committee welcomes your nominations of outstanding Scouters for the Robin L. Hayes Leadership Award. Along with the award, a Campership donation is made to NCAC for a scout to attend the Goshen Reservation for summer camp by the Hayes Family: Tom, Matt and John. In celebration of her leadership and example of service, please send all Robin L. Hayes Leadership Nominations for Scouters to Steve Wolfson at stevewolfson@verizon.net by March 31, 2019. Please include the scouters' name, unit and their amazing scout qualities. List all positions held in their contribution to the unit, district and/or council.

Thank you for all you do for scouting and we look forward to seeing you at the Goose Creek District Court of Honor!.

Day/Twilight Camp 2019



Goose Creek Day Camp and Twilight Camp - June 17-21 at the 4H Fairgrounds in Leesburg.

Cub Scout day camps are organized by the National Capital Area Council, Boy Scouts of America and conducted by volunteers from the local area. Day camps are for registered Cub Scouts entering the 1st-5th grades the following school year. Those entering the 1st grade must be accompanied by an 'adult partner' during their participation. Twilight camps are the same as day camps but held in the evening, as such they have shorter hours and eliminate a few of the activities that occur at day camp.

Day camps are conducted by adult volunteer leadership who were trained and certified at one of the Boy Scouts of America's National Camping Schools. Day camps are also supported by a number of adult and youth staff members. Boy Scout Den Chiefs may also support the day camp program by assisting the Cub Scouts throughout the camp.

Most camps include activities based on STEM, nature, shooting sports, games, and possibly aquatics. Adult volunteers make up the nucleus of the day camp staff by volunteering in positions to lead specific programs, support the general operation, or by managing a den of Cub Scouts throughout their time at camp.

Cost:

- Day Camp
 - On or before Apr 28 - \$195
 - On or before May 19 - \$215
 - After May 19 - \$235
 - Two weeks before start of camp - \$265
- Twilight Camp
 - On or before Apr 28 - \$110
 - On or before May 19 - \$120
 - After May 19 - \$130
 - Two weeks before start of camp - \$150

Registration: www.ncacbsa.org/program/cub-scouts/day-camp/



District Scout Admitted to the Second Century Society



Goose Creek Scouter J. Randall ("Randy") Minchew has been recognized by the National Capital Area Council with admission to the Second Century Society. The recognition was presented by the Council's Chief Scout Executive, Craig Poland, at the Goose Creek District Committee meeting on March 27. Randy is an Eagle Scout, Vigil Honor Order of the Arrow member, and Former Scoutmaster of Leesburg's Troop 998. As a long-time adult Scout leader, he has served the youth of Loudoun County in numerous roles through the years, including service as Goose Creek District Chairman and on the NCAC Executive Board.

The Second Century Society, SCS, is the Boy Scouts of America's national social organization of individuals, families, foundations, and corporations stewarded by key volunteers and implemented by the Boy Scouts of America National Foundation. Established in 2011, SCS, replaces the 1910 Society and Founders Circle as the way to recognize Scouting's major donors at both the local and national levels.

★ Eagle Scout Candidate and His Ashburn Troop Build and Place Mallard Duck Nesting Tubes



Stone Bridge High School sophomore and Eagle Scout candidate Tapp Rhoads is leading Scouts BSA Troop 997 in a conservation effort of consequence for the Ashburn Virginia area. Tapp and a crew of over thirty Troop 997 Scouts recently participated in a project to build and place mallard nesting tubes throughout the Ashburn Farm community.

Overseeing an Eagle Project is the normal pinnacle of a Scouts' journey to its highest rank. Adding on an attempt by Troop 997 to earn a prestigious Hornaday Unit Award only adds to the significance of the project.

Among Scouting's most coveted awards, the Hornaday medals are named to honor William T. Hornaday, noted conservationist who founded the National Zoo in Washington DC and whose wildlife efforts are widely viewed to have helped save the American Bison from extinction. Hornaday medals are given only to individuals who perform projects of major significance in the areas of conservation and environmental awareness. The equally prestigious Hornaday Unit Award can only be earned by a Scout BSA Troop when a very high proportion of the Troop's Scouts participate in an impactful environmental project of substance, that sustainably addresses an environmental or conservation issue, and that includes educational elements for both the Scouts and the public at large.

Terry Kolb, Scouts BSA Troop 997's Scout Master, and Paul Lynch, the Troop's Senior Patrol Leader, are working with Tapp to integrate the Hornaday Unit Award requirements with his Eagle project. "We are excited about helping Tapp see his Eagle project to its conclusion, and about his willingness to combine his efforts with the attempt by our Troop to earn the Hornaday Unit Award," said Scout Master Kolb. "This has been a rare undertaking, and I'm proud of the massive support we've seen by Troop 997 Scouts," added SPL Paul Lynch.

Webelos-o-ree 2019



The date for the Goose Creek's annual Webelos-o-ree is set for October 12-13, 2019 at Camp Snyder. This event is open to all Webelos so mark the date down on your calendar now. Note: Those that are currently Bears will be Webelos this fall and are eligible to attend.

This camping event is designed to show Webelos and their parents what a Scouts BSA troop is all about. The activities will be run by our own troops and can include such things as: Fire building, cooking, monkey bridge, BB shooting and/or archery, first aid, and knife safety. We provide dinner and in the evening there is a campfire run by the Order of the Arrow. For the adults we'll provide plenty of Scout leaders to answer questions about camping, joining a troop, and camping equipment. We will also hold a Webelos to Scout orientation for Arrow of Light Scouts.

The Webelos-o-ree starts off with an opening ceremony Saturday morning and wraps up Sunday after chapel services. For those who don't want to camp over, there are also registration options for staying just for the activity periods and for joining us for dinner and the campfire before going home.



2019 Goose Creek District Pinewood Derby



With hundreds attending the event, the 2019 Derby was represented by 27 packs from all over the Goose Creek District with 18 packs represented in the Grand Finale. With the new Outstanding Design award, scouts were recognized for their creativity within each class. Even with a few slow downs midday, the races were fast, fair and thrilling. The cars were so evenly matched that it left the top rounds a mystery to which would come out on top. The event ended with a grand finale that set new track records on the day and a deserving class of winners. Overall the event was a big success with a special thanks to everyone who attended.

Pack 1154 is looking forward to next year's 2020 race, scheduled for March 7. Next year will introduce a new Outlaw MOD class that should deliver some crazy speeds! More details and rules coming later this year.

District Derby Top Finishers - Grand Finale	
1--AJ S (Pack 1151) Black Gold 2--Braedon C (Pack 1500) Glow 3--Santiago S (Pack 1500) Alolae 4--Sean R (Pack 2013) Blink 5--Declan S (Pack 982) The Bomb	
Top Finishers - Lions 1--Ella M (Pack 1154) 2--Jayce B (Pack 997) 3--Austin E (Pack 1158) 4--Rutledge H (Pack 961) 5--Thomas S (Pack 997)	Top Finishers - Webelos 1--Brayden P (Pack 962) 2--Graisen E (Pack 1158) 3--Ayaan S (Pack 1576) 4--Aaron W (Pack 1154) 5--Ryan V (Pack 962)
Top Finishers - Tigers 1--Sebastian F (Pack 1666) 2--Luke R (Pack 1831) 3--Jackson O (Pack 1483) 4--Caleb L (Pack 1500) 5--William W (Pack 965)	Top Finishers - Arrow of Light 1--AJ S (Pack 1151) 2--Braedon C (Pack 1500) 3--Christopher B (Pack 905) 4--Matthew K (Pack 997) 5--Abram D (Pack 1151)
Top Finishers - Wolves 1--Santiago S (Pack 1500) 2--Xander S (Pack 982) 3--Declan S (Pack 982) 4--Reid A (Pack 1737) 5--Ishaan S (Pack 1483)	Top Finishers - Open 1--Bryce A (Pack 1737) 2--Sydney H (Pack 1154) 3--Layla F (Pack 1666) 4--Madeline M (Pack 1158) 5--Eleanor S (Pack 997)
Top Finishers - Bears 1--Sean R (Pack 2013) 2--Brady M (Pack 1483) 3--Dylan M (Pack 1148) 4--Sawyer A (Pack 1500) 5--Grayson W (Pack 704)	Outstanding Design AoL--Matthew K (Pack 997) Webelos--Jackson B (Pack 2010) Bears--Will P (Pack 910) Wolves--Michael M (Pack 965) Tigers--Erik L (Pack 1500) Lions--Austin E (Pack 1158)

The entire listing (with times) for all races can be found at:
www.pack1154.org/goosecreekderby-2019results



Thank You to Those Who Supported the 2018 Merit Badge Event



Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help with the Goose Creek District Merit Badge Event 2018 that was held at Riverside High School this past February. We had close to 400 BSA Scouts female and male participate from not just our district, but other districts as well. We had volunteer parents help out in the cafeteria, we had scout leaders and merit badge counselors volunteer in our merit badge rooms, we had our own local Law Enforcement Explorer Post 1041 assisting us.

Another big thank you to our two anonymous donors who donated \$400 together, so we could offer this event to our BSA Scouts for FREE! It cost \$400 to use Riverside High School for this event. This is outstanding for Loudoun County to offer a BSA Scouts event for FREE! We also had snacks for the BSA Scouts and pizza for our adult volunteers donated as well by our local LDS stakes. I heard from some government workers that this event being free was a very welcomed blessing for their BSA Scouts.

Deli Italiano in Lansdowne gave us a big scout discount on the pizza for our adult volunteers. Please feel free to patronize Deli Italiano and give them a big thank you for supporting us.

We are hoping to make this merit badge event an annual event and we are hoping for the same great location. We did have room for more merit badges this past yea, so if you are interested in some merit badges that were not offered in 2019 how about becoming a merit badge counselor to offer it in 2020? It can be an Eagle required merit badge or a non Eagle Scout merit badge such as Music, Art, Movie Making, Railroading, Theater, Programming, Game Design, Robotics, Radio, Photography and more...

If you would you like to be on this committee to plan and to assist for 2020 then please e-mail Troop 1154 Assistant Scoutmaster Elizabeth Esper at ElizabethEsper@yahoo.com. Planning meetings for this event will most likely start in the month of October 2019.

Scouting for Bricks™



Scouting for Bricks™ is a family-oriented LEGO® Fan Event conducted as a fundraiser for Boy Scout Troop 39 out of Purcellville, Virginia. At Scouting for Bricks™ 2019 we will have over 20,000 square feet of exhibit space, multiple interactive activities and a dedicated build area where kids can build with over 100,000 LEGO and DUPLO bricks. We will once again welcome members of the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Area LEGO® Train Club (WamaLTC), BioniLUG, 501st Legion, and additional LEGO User Group members from around the area.

When: May 4-5, 2019~ 11 AM – 5 PM

Where: Woodgrove High School, Purcellville

Website: www.scoutingforbricks.com

Scouting for Bricks™ is NOT affiliated with the LEGO® Group.

Scouts BSA Female Troops in Goose Creek



Scouts BSA female troops are already getting formed in Goose Creek.

TROOP	LOCATION	INITIAL POINT OF CONTACT
Linked Troop 163	Purcelleville	Michael Bills (CC), Mikebills02@gmail.com
Linked Troop 998	Leesburg	Jennifer Swain (CC), swainjen@gmail.com
Linked Troop 1148	South Riding	Stacey Capell (SM-G), scoutsbsagirls@gmail.com
Linked Troop 1158	Ashburn	Lynda Clarkson (SM-G), scoutsbsafemale@gmail.com
Linked Troop 1550	Leesburg	Jim Sheaffer (CC) Jim@sheaffer.org
Linked Troop 2970	Ashburn	Karen Rollison (SM-G), karen.rollason@gmail.com ; Shawn Carroll (ASM-B), shawn.carroll@yahoo.com

If anyone has updates to this list please contact david@weitzel.com and/or Todd.Bolick@scouting.org



Scouts BSA Girl Troop 998 Invitation



Scouts BSA Girl Troop 998 was chartered by Leesburg United Methodist Church in February and has been meeting on Monday nights at 7:15 pm since then. The founding group of Scouts has been busy doing what all Troops do - electing leaders, planning upcoming activities and summer camp, naming their patrol and working on both rank advancement requirements and merit badges.

Any girl 11-18 is welcome to visit and/or join the Troop, and we're especially welcoming of girls who have already begun their scouting career in Cub Scouting and are crossing over. The Boy Troop 998 meets on the same night and venue, so this is an ideal situation for families looking how to accommodate both sons and daughters. Please consider stopping by for a visit - if you can, please let Scoutmaster Sue Breen (at suebreen@verizon.net) or Committee Chair Jennifer Swain (at swainjen@gmail.com) know if you're coming so we can keep an eye out for you. All are welcome!

Pack Needs Troops Help



Pack 961 (Round Hill) needs Scouts to make outdoor-oriented presentations:

Earth Day Festival – April 28, 2019 1-5 pm. Need Scouts to talk about the importance of the Earth, how to respect the Earth, ways to help the Earth, maybe hand out Free trees/plants, and options are really unlimited, as long as it's about the Earth.

Appalachian Trail Festival – June 15, 2019. Need Scouts to talk about camping, hiking, what to pack in a day pack, help show how to set up and take down tents, what to pack in first aid, etc. Again, they are welcome to come up with their own ideas, but it must be to support the AT. They can help find speakers to come out.

Please contact Kathi Hottinger at kathibabygrl@yahoo.com or 540-323-3131

“Onward and Upward”

On the Advancement Trail



New Eagles



Congratulations to Goose Creek's newest Eagles:

Ryan Breen – Troop 998

Jonathan Carty – Troop 969

Thomas Davis – Troop 1907

Michael DiStefano – Troop 969

William Gutshall – Troop 163

Alex Owen – Troop 39

Srikar Rao – Troop 761

Daniel Swanchara – Troop 982

Kevin Tanler – Troop 997

Life-to-Eagle Seminar



Mark your calendars for April 27th for the next 2019 offering of the Life-to-Eagle (L2E) Training for Goose Creek.

These training conferences are primarily targeted for the Life-to-Eagle Advisers & Coordinators at the unit level – but are by no means limited to same. Life Scouts and their parents are strongly encouraged to attend as well. The key goal is to get each of the unit Eagle Advisers up to speed on changes to the process, and some of the district-level mechanics of same. That way, they can help share the message to the Life Scouts in their units on a more frequent basis.

Date: April 27, 2019

Time: 10:30 – 2:00

Place: Gum Spring Library

Other L2E Seminars scheduled for 2019 are being targeted for July/Aug and Nov (all mid-month).

Also, if you ARE a Life-to-Eagle Adviser or Advancement Chair for your Unit, and have not attended one of these in Goose Creek within the last 2 years, you really should make an attempt to do so. Lots of things have changed over the years, and even the long-standing and experienced L2E Advisers will learn something new.



2019 Merit Badge Requirement Changes



Merit badge requirement updates from *2019 Scouts BSA Requirements*:

- American Business (completely revised)
- American Labor (1)
- Archery (3b; for 5, option A: f1[d], f3; for 5, option B: f1[d], f3; deleted 4f)
- Bird Study (1, 3, 3a; added 3d; new 6; renumbered existing 6, 7, 8; added 10, 11)
- **Communication** (1d)
 - Added social media as a way to communicate
- **First Aid** (1, 5, 8)
 - 1. Changed 'Satisfy' to 'Demonstrate'
 - 5. Added another requirement to inspect the troop's first aid kit
 - 8. Updated to show the steps based on whether a large wound is, or is not, bleeding severely.
- Fly-Fishing (3, 9, 10; added 11)
- Forestry (2c)
- Geocaching (7, 8c; deleted 5c, 5d)
- Golf (1, 7b)
- Law (11d)
- **Lifesaving** (Second Class requirements 5c and 5d)
 - Took part of old requirement 5c and made it 5d
- Motorboating (5, 5e, 5f, 5g; added 4h, 4i; deleted 6)
- **Personal Management** (2a, 2b, 4b, 4c, 5, 6, 8d, 10a, 10b; added 2c, 2d, 4d, 4e)
 - 2a-b. Reworded. Part taken out and reset into requirement 2b.
 - 4. Reworded and added concepts of diversification and investment for retirement
 - 5. Revised from following 5 publicly traded stocks to explaining about types of investments
 - 6. Changed from pretending to invest \$1,000 to explaining types of insurance
 - 8d. Reworded
 - 10a. Revised to incorporate old requirement 10b
 - 10b. Discuss associated costs related to the career chosen and how to prepare for them.
- Railroading (added 8a[8])
- Reptile and Amphibian Study (8a, 8b)
- Rifle Shooting (1f; added 1f[1] and 1f[2; for 2, option C: b, h)
- Rowing (2)
- Scouting Heritage (2a)
- Soil and Water Conservation (added 4e)
- Woodwork (5, 6)

If a Scout has already started working on a merit badge when a new edition of the pamphlet is introduced, they may continue to use the same pamphlet and fulfill the requirements therein to earn the badge. They need not start over again with the new pamphlet and revised requirements.

Scouts who are beginning a merit badge must use only the new requirements.

There is no time limit for starting and completing a merit badge, but all work must be completed by the time a Scout turns 18.

2019 Guide to Advancement



The *Guide to Advancement* (GTA) is updated periodically in response to changes to programs, requirements, and policies, as well as comments and recommendations received by the National Advancement Program Team. The *Guide to Advancement 2019* is now the “current edition.” It can be found online at www.scouting.org/advancement in both HTML and PDF format. Printed copies will soon be available in your local Scout shop for purchase, if they are not already there, but when shopping note that the SKU is 648216, and the publication number, 33088, has not changed, so be sure to ask for the *Guide to Advancement 2019*.

The 2019 edition replaces all previous editions of the *GTA* and any other advancement manuals. It is the source for all advancement policies and procedures and, unless specifically exempted, it supersedes any BSA publications that may conflict with it. Every section of the 2019 guide has received some minor revisions since the last printed edition, primarily to reflect the addition of female youth to Cub Scouting and Scouts BSA.

In general, revisions have been made throughout this guide to make clear that all guidance and requirements of the rank advancement and awards programs apply equally to male and female Scouts. All references to the Varsity program have been removed, except when past participation in a Varsity team could be relevant, such as service in a position of responsibility. To reflect the Bylaws of the Boy Scouts of America, the objectives of Scouting, otherwise known as the aims, have been modified wherever they appear to include character development, citizenship training, leadership, and mental and physical fitness. When used throughout this guide, *Scouts BSA Handbook* refers to both the *Scouts BSA Handbook for Boys* and the *Scouts BSA Handbook for Girls*.

In this day and age of a broader international community, more frequent global travel, and multi-national job reassignments to include military and other government-related personnel movements, it is not uncommon to have Scouts from another country joining a new or transferring into a BSA unit. In the case of Scouts who have earned rank advancements in another country's Scouting program and wish to have them credited into an equivalent BSA rank, BSA has established rules and requirements to be followed, which can be found in *Guide To Advancement 2019* topic 5.0.4.0 (Youth from Other Countries).

This section provides guidance as to which youth are involved, registration procedures, and other specific details for determining the equivalency and/or applicability of requirements for determination of a BSA rank. For example, the procedures laid out in the topic apply to all ranks except Eagle Scout, which is not considered equivalent to any other Scouting association's rank.



A Scout Leader noticed that his new Scouts were having difficulty getting organized for their first cook-out. He asked if they had forgotten any essential equipment.

"Yes, " one boy replied. "My mother."

Scuba Certification and Scuba Diving Merit Badge



What: PADI open water scuba certification and the BSA Scuba Diving merit badge.

Who: For any Scouts BSA-aged youth or adult leader.

Where: Camp Snyder & local quarry

When: Aug 4 1-3pm; Aug 17 & 18 9am-5pm, Aug 24 & 25 9am-1pm

Cost: \$600 (includes all equipment); Aug 25 Scuba diving merit badge session only - \$5

Registration deadline: July 29

Registration: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-25415>

Scuba BSA



What: This is an introductory/try-it scuba experience.

Who: Any Scouts BSA-aged youth or adult. Maximum 8 participants per session

Where: Camp Snyder pool

When: May 25. 1.5 hour sessions at 1, 2:30, and 4pm

Cost: \$25 (includes all equipment)

Registration deadline: May 20

Registration: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-25414>.

Sons of the American Revolution Eagle Recognition



The Colonel James Wood II Chapter of the Virginia Society, Sons of the American Revolution serving Northwestern Virginia invites you to recognize your Eagle Scout with a letter and certificate of recognition for their Court of Honor. Application is easy but can take 4-6 weeks for delivery due to the approval process.

Please provide the following information when ordering a letter and certificate:

1. Scout's Full Name:
2. Scouts' Troop Number:
3. Date for Court of Honor (if known):
4. Name/position of person requesting letter and certificate (for accounting purposes):
5. Address for mailing letter and certificate:

You may address all requests and inquiries to:

Robert Fagan
Colonel, U.S. Army (Ret)
Chapter Chairman, SAR Scouting Activities
Email: rjfm1f99@hotmail.com

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Council Website: www.NCACBSA.org



How to visit the 2019 World Scout Jamboree: Day Passes, Dates and Details



This summer, get a taste of the worldwide fellowship of Scouting without even leaving the country.

Day passes for the 2019 World Scout Jamboree are now available, giving everyone a chance to experience this summer's global gathering of Scouts.

If your summer plans don't involve attending the World Scout Jamboree or serving on staff (known as the International Service Team), point your compass to the Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia.

Jamboree visitors can sample unique food, learn about other cultures and meet Scouts from the more than 150 countries represented. They'll also be part of a World Scouting tradition that began in 1920 with the first World Scout Jamboree.

This summer's big event is just the 24th World Scout Jamboree in history and only the second in the United States. (The other was in 1967 at Farragut State Park in Idaho.)

Here's everything you need to Be Prepared for this once-in-a-lifetime event:

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2019/03/21/how-to-visit-the-2019-world-scout-jamboree-day-passes-dates-and-details/>

BSA & American Red Cross Lifeguard Training



What: BSA Lifeguard is professional level training that meets the requirements of government agencies for professional lifeguards at regulated swimming activities. The course includes American Red Cross Lifeguarding certification in addition to BSA Lifeguard certification. Those who want to work the waterfront at BSA summer camp need this training.

Who: The program is open to all registered adults and older youth (minimum age 15). Strong swimming skills are required. The course includes 7 ½ hours of online pre-work that must be completed before the first class session on May 18.

How: This course includes the Red Cross blended-learning Lifeguarding course. This requires participants to complete 7 1/2 hours of online training at their convenience before the May 18 session. The online training allows us to minimize the classroom lecture time.

When/Where: April 28; 1pm-3pm – pre requisite swim test and course orientation at local pool. May 18, 19, 25; 9am-5pm – course dates at Camp Snyder, Haymarket VA. You must attend all sessions to complete the course!

Cost: \$150

Registration deadline: April 26

Registration: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-25405> -limited to 16 registrants



Summer Camp Season's Almost Here, So It's Time for That Annual Physical



We're mere months away from the summer, aka the Greatest Scouting Season. And while it's too early to pack your bags and load the trailer, the time is right for one essential step in summer Scouting preparation. It's time to get your physical.

As noted on the Annual Health and Medical Record website, a pre-participation physical is needed for resident campers (at summer or winter camps) and for Scouts and adult leaders attending events that last 72 hours or more.

That means it's required for every participant at summer camp, any of the four BSA high-adventure bases and the 2019 World Scout Jamboree.

What are the different parts of the Annual Health and Medical Record?

The Annual Health and Medical Record (AHMR) comes in three parts:

- Part A is an informed consent, release agreement and authorization that needs to be signed by every participant (or a parent and/or legal guardian for all youth under 18).
- Part B is general information and a health history.
- Part C is your pre-participation physical certification completed by a certified and licensed physician.

Which part of the AHMR must I (or my Scout) complete?

- For all Scouting events: Part A and B. Give the completed forms to your unit leader. This applies to all activities, day camps, local tours and weekend camping trips less than 72 hours.
- For camp: Part A, B and C. A pre-participation physical is needed for resident, tour, or trek camps or for a Scouting event of more than 72 hours, such as Wood Badge and NYLT. The exam needs to be completed by a certified and licensed physician, nurse practitioner or physician assistant. If your camp has provided you with any supplemental risk information, or if your plans include attending one of the four national high-adventure bases, share the venue's risk advisory with your medical provider when you are having your physical exam.
- For high-adventure trips: Part A, B and C. Plus, each of the four national high-adventure bases (Florida Sea Base, Northern Tier, Philmont and the Summit Bechtel Reserve) has provided a supplemental risk advisory that explains in greater detail some of the risks inherent in that program. Some Scouts arrive at a high-adventure base without discussing that base's risk factors with their health care provider, meaning they have missing info at check-in that can slow down the process.

What is meant by "annual"?

Your AHMR is valid through the end of the 12th month after the date it was administered by your medical provider.

Where can I find the proper, most up-to-date form?

Right here: www.scouting.org/scoutsource/HealthandSafety/ahmr.aspx.

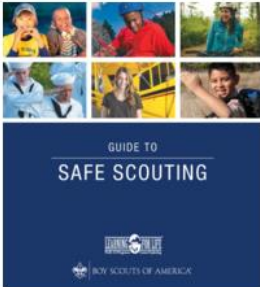
What about digitizing records?

Please don't, the BSA says. These records must be secure, and so "records are NOT to be digitized, scanned, sent by email, or stored electronically by unit leaders."

What if I have more questions?

Consult these FAQs: www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/resources/medical-formfaqs/

Guide to Safe Scouting Updated for 2019



Scouting safety is important enough that the guideposts we must follow are continuously reviewed and updated. The Boy Scouts of America maintains the latest version of the *Guide to Safe Scouting* online and provides a new printed version every year or so: www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/gss/toc/

This year's *Guide* includes several changes and updates. Some, as usual, are cosmetic or represent wording changes and clarifications. Others revise sections or an entire chapter.

Here's a summary:

- **Scouts BSA:** With the change in the program name from Boy Scouts to Scouts BSA, editorial changes have been made to revise the wording. Wherever there were references to *Boy Scouts* or *Boy Scouting*, they now refer to *Scouts BSA*. In other areas, references to *Scouts* have been replaced with *youth* instead. And any mention of the *Boy Scout Handbook* now lists the *Scouts BSA Handbook* instead.
- **Adult supervision:** There's no change to the requirement that a female registered leader must be present when female youth members are participating in Scouting activities, but the wording on age has been clarified to specify *21 years of age or over* rather than just over 21.
- **Tenting:** Previously, it was advised that youth sharing tents be no more than two years apart in age. Now, the word *should* has been changed to *must*, making it a requirement.
- **Webelos camping:** Wording outlining parental supervision of Webelos Scouts on overnight den campouts was removed. Existing language stipulating that Webelos Den Leaders and parents are *expected* to accompany the youth on overnight trips is still in effect.
- **Campout site approval form:** The URL for the downloadable version is included in the text along with the BSA bin number.
- **References to online resources** have changed in many instances, and the new publication reflects the current URL of those forms and documents.
- **The chapter on Animal and Insect Hazards** was rewritten in its entirety. Previously, the chapter covered four major hazards: hantavirus, rabies, Lyme disease, and mosquito-borne illnesses. The new chapter has more general advice on being aware of all such hazards (not just those listed specifically), being prepared to encounter them, and a list of resources found online from the US Centers for Disease Control on mosquito, tick, wildlife, rodent, and rabies hazards. These are likely more comprehensive and current than what could be published in the *Guide*.
- **Incident reporting:** There is now a URL for the online incident reporting form, and it's listed in the *Guide*.
- **Event safety checklist:** The multi-page, multi-purpose checklist has been entirely revised. The new form has check boxes for the various areas and items, and is organized in a more logical manner to help facilitate event planning. Many new areas of concern have been added.

A side-by-side comparison of the previous (2018) and current Guide is available online: <https://draftable.com/compare/CsvEWQrmZNFZ>

Every Scouter is expected to be familiar with what's in the *Guide to Safe Scouting* as a way of keeping youth safe while in our care. Bookmark or download the latest version, or purchase a copy at your Scout Shop, and keep it nearby any time you're with our youth.



Clearing Up Common Questions About What We Wear



Scouting founder Robert Baden-Powell was a stickler for correct uniforming. In *Aids to Scoutmastership*, he explained why: “Smartness in uniform and correctness in detail may seem a small matter, but has its value in the development of self-respect and means an immense deal to the reputation of the movement among outsiders who judge by what they see.”

These days, many packs, troops and crews have a more relaxed stance on uniforms. No Scout is turned away or publicly admonished because he or she isn’t wearing the right thing. But in an effort to keep the uniform, well, uniform, we present these common conundrums.

What’s the field uniform?

It’s what most people think of as the Scout uniform. It includes the uniform shirt; switchback pants, shorts, girls’ skort or girls’ roll-up pants; belt; socks; and, depending on your program, cap and neckerchief. (For Lions, the official uniform is a T-shirt and optional cap.)

What’s the activity uniform?

It’s appropriate for informal occasions. It’s the same as the field uniform, with a Scouting T-shirt or polo shirt replacing the uniform shirt and neckerchief. (Sometimes you’ll hear this unofficially called “Class B” and the field uniform called “Class A.”)

Can neckerchiefs be worn with the activity uniform?

Yes — and also with nonuniform clothing. That change was made to bring the BSA in line with other Scout associations around the world.

What are the pant options for girl Cub Scouts?

Tigers, Wolves, Bears and Webelos who wear the blue Cub Scout uniform can choose from switchback pants, shorts, roll-up pants and skorts. Webelos who wear the khaki uniform can choose from pants and shorts. (Additional uniform options for girls in the khaki uniform are expected to be available in 2019.)

How can girls with ponytails wear Cub Scout caps?

All current Cub Scout rank caps, with the exception of Webelos, are adjustable to allow for a ponytail. The Supply Group is planning to release similar caps for Webelos soon.

Where can I learn more about the placement of patches?

Check the *Guide to Awards and Insignia* at www.scouting.org/resources/info-center/insignia-guide/. You can also put your uniform together at www.scoutshop.org/uniform_builder.



World Jamboree Scholarships





The National Capital Area Council (NCAC) International Committee will provide four \$500 scholarships for youth participants to attend the 23rd World Scout Jamboree (WSJ). The competitive awards will be selected on the merits of a written proposal for presenting a “cultural exhibit” that will best showcase the heritage and accomplishments of the United States. The exhibit will be loosely defined as any presentation including static displays, show-and-tell demonstrations, or interactive exchange of information. Preferably, the exhibit could be presented at the contingent’s campsite, sub-camp, or the World Cultural Center — with prior approval. The staging of the exhibit could be multi-days and/or as part of the World Culture Day program. Applications are available at <https://www.ncacbsa.org/council-committees/program-impact/international/jamboree2019/> and should be emailed to ir.ncac.je@gmail.com by April 30, 2019.

2019 Goshen Summer Camp Availability



Key: Available Almost Full Full

Camp (as of 03/25/2015)		Week					
		1	2	3	4	5	6
	Bowman (Patrol Cooking)						
	Marriott (Patrol Cooking & Heater Stack)	LDS Week					
	Olmsted (BS Dining Hall)						
	Lenhok'sin High Adventure						
	PMI (Dining Hall)						
	Ross (Dining Hall)						

Week 1 – 6/23 to 6/29

Week 3 – 7/7 to 7/13

Week 5 – 7/21 to 7/27

Week 2 – 6/30 to 7/6

Week 4 – 7/14 to 7/20

Week 6 – 7/28 to 8/3

Fees:

If paid by April 12: Youth \$375, Adults \$225

If paid by May 17: Youth \$415, Adults \$265

After May 17: Youth \$455, Adults \$305

- All units will receive two free adult leaders!

Registration: www.gotogoshen.org/registration/#schedule

Pre-camp Swim Classification Tests



What: This is an opportunity for your unit to have your annual BSA swim classification check done under the supervision of NCAC-approved aquatics personnel.

Who: Any NCAC unit (Pack, Troops and Crews).

Up to 20 tests per 30 minute session

Where: Camp Snyder pool, Haymarket VA

When: May 19. 30 min blocks starting at 1pm, last session starting at 4pm Cost: \$3 per participant

Registration deadline: May 13

Registration: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-25403>.

Note: Out of Council camps may still require your unit to be tested there. Please check with them before signing up for the pre-camp tests.

Cub Scout Day Camp at Camp Snyder, Haymarket VA



Cub Scout Day Camp is a great means for all Scouts from Tiger through Webelos and their siblings to experience Camp Snyder without the overnight sleeping. Each day will begin at 9:00 am and conclude at 4:00 pm with lunch included in the cost of camp.

Sessions run from Monday – Thursday, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. Day Only / Lunch Included.

Session 1: July 8-11
Session 2: July 29-Aug 1

Cost: \$230 – register by April 12
\$255 – register by May 16
\$280 – register after May 16
\$50 – one adult for a week
(may be a different adult each day)

To register: www.ncacbsa.org/outdoors/camp-william-b-snyder/summer-programs/

Cub Scout STEM Day Camp at Camp Snyder, Haymarket VA



The NCAC STEM Program is coming to Camp Snyder for one week only (July 24-27). Spaces are limited so sign up early for this unique blend of BBs, Archery, Swimming and STEM! Each day will begin at 9:00 am and conclude at 4:00 pm with lunch included in the cost of camp.

July 15 - 19

Cost: \$255 – register by April 12
\$280 – register by May 16
\$305 – register after May 16
\$50 – adults

To register: www.ncacbsa.org/outdoors/camp-william-b-snyder/summer-programs/

2019 STEM University



The NCAC STEM Committee is hosting the 4th annual STEM University on June 15, 2019 for all youth and adults! Youth are invited to display their Supernova projects at our Einstein's Science Fair, or attend the hands-on activities rotations. Adults may select from several of the following classes: Nova Counselor & Supernova Mentor Training, BSA STEM Roadmap to Success, Cub Scouts Science, and how to organize a large STEM event.

When: Saturday June 15, 2019

Where: Microsoft Technology Center in Reston, VA

Registration: Not yet online

Cub Scout STEM Weekend Resident Camp at Camp Snyder, Haymarket VA



Everything that you love about our Resident Weekend program + Science Technology Engineering Math. What's not to like?

Sessions run from Friday at 9:00am to Sunday at 9:00am, and feature 2 nights of overnight camping.

Meals are provided starting with Friday lunch through Sunday continental breakfast.

July 26-28

Cost: \$260 – register by April 12
 \$290 – register by May 16
 \$315 – register after May 16
 \$80 – adults (2 leaders free)

To register: www.ncacbsa.org/outdoors/camp-william-b-snyder/summer-programs/

Cub Scout Weekend Resident Camp at Camp Snyder, Haymarket VA



Cub Resident Camp is your bite sized introduction to a Boy Scout summer camp program. All registered Cubs, Tigers – Webelos and their adult leaders/parents sleep on cots in 4-person BSA wall tents that sit on raised platforms, eat in the camp dining hall and experience a whole day into the night program. The program at camp includes opportunities for Scouts to earn Adventure Loops, and several just-for-fun activities. The importance of Cub Resident camp to a registered Cub Scout and their family is tremendous! Resident Camp will develop your son's or dens' self-reliance and resourcefulness by providing learning experiences in which campers acquire knowledge, skills, and attitudes essential to their well-being.

Sessions run from Friday at 9:00am to Sunday at 9:00am, and feature 2 nights of overnight camping. Meals are provided starting with Friday lunch through Sunday continental breakfast.

Session 1: July 5-7
 Session 2: July 12-14
 Session 3: Aug 2-4

Cost: \$235 – register by April 12
 \$265 – register by May 16
 \$290 – register after May 16
 \$80 – adults (2 leaders free)

To register: www.ncacbsa.org/outdoors/camp-william-b-snyder/summer-programs/

Bullseye Family Camping 2019



The NCAC Shooting Sports Committee is planning two different weekends of BB gun shooting, archery, slingshots and more at Camp Snyder! After a fun day on the ranges Scouts and their families will gather for an evening campfire program and then camp overnight.

Weekend 1: April 27-28 - <https://scoutingevent.com/082-22625>

Weenend 2: May 25-26 - <https://scoutingevent.com/082-22626>

Cost: Cub Scout Youth - \$30
5 and under years of age - \$5
Adult - \$10
Boy Scout age sibling - \$10

2019 Goshen Family Camp



Come on down and enjoy some family fun at Goshen Scout Reservation over a long weekend. We will have the Waterfront, Shooting range, COPE course, and Handicraft areas open. All are welcome, not just registered scouts. Closing Campfire is on Sunday night so have some fun skits, songs, and cheers prepared!

When: Memorial Day weekend – May 24-27

Labor Day weekend – Aug 30 – Sept 2

To register go to <https://scoutingevent.com/082-goshenfc2019>

Cost: \$20 per person. Children under 5 are free. Bring your own food and tents.

Cub Scout Resident Camp Week at Camp Snyder, Haymarket VA



Is family scouting your thing? Do you want an opportunity to camp overnight but, to be able to do it with more than one of your scouts? Cub Scout Resident camp is for YOU! Does your Tiger, Wolf or Bear like to camp just as much as your Webelos? Now they can! Cub resident week is a full summer camp experience for all ages. This program is a four-night overnight program open to all levels of Cubs from Tiger up. (Tigers must have their Tiger partner accompany them to camp). Daytime activities are for all ages and evening activities are customized to provide rank specific activities for each age group in attendance.

Monday 9:00am – Friday 9:00 am, Overnight / Meals are provided from Monday lunch – Friday continental breakfast

Aug 5-9

Cost: \$275– register by April 12
\$300 – register by May 16
\$325 – register after May 16
\$125 – adults (2 free)

To register: www.ncacbsa.org/outdoors/camp-william-b-snyder/summer-programs/

Webelos Resident Camp Week at Camp Snyder, Haymarket VA



Webelos camp is a big step for the Webelos I or II working on rank adventures. Scouts will camp overnight just like when they become Boy Scouts to get the full summer camp experience in a shorter setting. Most of your time will be spent working towards advancing in your Webelos trail on the way to becoming a Boy Scout. There's plenty of other fun activities to fill your week including trips to the pool and more.

Monday 9:00am – Friday 9:00 am, Overnight / Meals are provided from Monday lunch – Friday continental breakfast

July 16-20

Cost: \$280– register by April 12
 \$305 – register by May 16
 \$330 – register after May 16
 \$130 – adults (2 free)

To register: www.ncacbsa.org/outdoors/camp-william-b-snyder/summer-programs/

Podcasts



April 2019 – Scouts with Special Needs



Special needs can mean anything from a learning disability like dyslexia to hearing loss to a physical disability like cerebral palsy. Even if you don't have any special needs youth in your den or pack, you're sure to find this discussion with Warren Weener, the chair-elect of the National Disabilities Awareness Committee, very enlightening.

Podcast: <https://podcast.scouting.org/cubcast/2019/cubcast-april-2019-scouts-with-special-needs/>



April 2019 – Scouts with Special Needs



Last December there was a post on the Bryan on Scouting blog about Benjamin Waggoner, a Scout who has spina bifida and is Eagle Scout No. 527 in Troop 890 in Dallas, Texas. So, we invited Benjamin and his dad, Chip Waggoner, to chat with us about Scouts with special needs from the perspectives of a Scout and a parent.

Podcast: <https://podcast.scouting.org/scoutcast/2019/scoutcast-april-2019-scouts-with-special-needs/>

Training Opportunities



Upcoming IOLS Training in May 4-5, 2019



Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Training will be presented by Goose Creek District at Camp Highroad on May 4-5, 2019.

Outdoor skills are critical to the success of any Scouting program. IOLS provides leaders with the basic outdoor skills needed to start a program right and keep it going.

IOLS is the required outdoor training for all Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters. The course is also ideal for Venturing leaders because it focuses on building confidence and competence in Leaders conducting outdoor camping experiences.

All Leaders should wear their Class A Scout Leader Uniform.

Please bring a chair and a water bottle for class sessions.

Also bring full camping gear for an overnight stay; camping overnight is part of the course.

Meals will be provided. Please provide any dietary restrictions.

There is a \$40 fee for this class.

Please Register online: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-26941>

If you need additional information, please email
walt.johnson@goosecreekdistrict.org

The Learn Center: Home of Improved Online Training for Cub Scout Volunteers



Wow! Go to My.Scouting.Org and click on the Learn Center. You'll see an updated catalog of, simplified, succinct, topic-specific training modules for Cub Scout volunteers. In all, there are approximately 20 modules, and more may be added later.

Volunteers can now complete their training at a time and location (at home!) that is most convenient for them. The courses themselves are separated into tracks: one for den leaders and assistants; one for Cubmasters; and one for pack committee members. The modules are of varying lengths, some taking only a few minutes to complete. They can be taken individually, or, time permitting, one right after another. They can be accessed via computer or mobile device, including a smartphone. Completion of the required modules in each track will be recorded in the training record of each volunteer within the Learn Center. Completion of the track will qualify the volunteer to wear the "Trained" patch for their volunteer position.

Here is an example scenario: A new den leader or assistant who wants to know what to do before that allimportant first meeting can click on Before the First Meeting. There they will see several training modules that will be helpful, including How to Conduct a Cub Scout Den Meeting. Subsequent modules pertain to den management, how to involve adults to assist in Cub Scouting, childhood development, Cub Scout pack finances, keeping Cub Scouting safe, how to conduct a Cub Scout pack meeting, and many more.

Wood Badge



Wood Badge is advanced Scout leader training that began in 1919 by Lord Baden-Powell, founder of Scouting and Wood Badge's first director. It came to America in 1948 and has been updated to reflect current BSA policies and programs. Incorporating the best techniques available, Wood Badge has become the most advanced leadership training course in Scouting!

Wood Badge is the highest level of Scout leadership training and provides you with the tools to be a superior leader. The leadership skills taught are for leaders from all Scouting areas including Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Venturing and the district and council. The 1st half of the course utilizes a classroom environment and practical exercises to teach the essentials of leadership. You'll learn what makes leadership work for you in Scouting and your personal life. The 2nd half offers classroom and outdoor experiences to help you learn the application of leadership skills. Finally, you will write and complete a "Ticket". The "Ticket" consists of five written goals. These goals connect your new leadership knowledge to your role in Scouting.

Any Scouter who has attended basic training for their registered position and serves in a leadership role in Scouting or in a position that directly supports a unit can attend.

This spring's course will be held on May 3 – 5 & May 31 – June 2 at Camp Snyder. Both sessions must be attended.

To register go to: www.ncacbsa.org/training/wood-badge/

Swimming and Water Rescue (SWR)



What: This is the hands-on in-water training that is recommended in Safe Swim Defense guidelines for anyone who supervises Scout swimming activities. This course certifies leaders to conduct BSA swim classification tests and gives leaders the confidence in their water rescue capabilities needed to safely conduct swimming activities. This course replaced BSA Lifeguard as the training for unit leader s supervising unit swimming activities. This training is available at Camp Snyder and at Goshen Scout Reservation camp waterfronts during 2019 summer camp season.

Prerequisites: Safe Swim Defense (available online at <https://myscouting.scouting.org/>)

Fee: \$60 (includes the required course text – Aquatics Supervision No. 34737) \$30 if you already have the book.

Who: Older youth (min. 15 years old) and adult leaders.

Where: Camp Snyder.

Dates:

- June 1, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, registration deadline is May 27
- August 10, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, registration deadline is Aug 5

Registration: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-25404>.

Aquatics Supervision Training: Paddle Craft Safety (PCS)



What: This is the hands-on training that is recommended in Safety Afloat guidelines for anyone conducting Scout boating activities. Two versions of the course are offered: The Basic course covers flat water introductory boating skills and basic trip planning. The River course includes skills and knowledge development that are required for conducting trips on moving water. The Basic course is a prerequisite for the moving water course.

These courses are required for any NCAC Scouters who are leading James River Canoe Treks out of the Lenhok'sin High Adventure Camp.

Who: Older youth (min. 15 years old) and adult leaders.

Where/When:

- Basic sessions.
 - May 4, 2019, 9am-5pm Camp William B. Snyder. Registration deadline: April 29
 - September 21, 2019, 9am-5pm Camp William B. Snyder. Registration deadline: Sept 16

Cost: \$30 + \$30 for the required textbook: BSA's Aquatics Supervision

- River sessions.
 - May 5, 2019, 9am-5pm Potomac River. Registration deadline: April 29
 - September 22, 2019, 9am-5pm Potomac River. Registration deadline: Sept 16

Cost: \$50

Registration:

- basic - <https://scoutingevent.com/082-25420>
- river - <https://scoutingevent.com/082-25419>

NCAC Camps' OPI: Wilderness First Aid



Presented by the NCAC Camps, the Outdoor Preparedness Initiative (OPI) offers Wilderness First Aid certification with CPR/AED. OPI aims to prepare Scouts, Scouters, and outdoor enthusiasts for high adventure activities and other outdoor adventures. Certification is provided through the American Red Cross.

Courses are offered at Camp Snyder in Haymarket

- Apr 26 (6 PM) - Apr 28 (12 PM)
- May 10 (6 PM) - May 12 (12 PM)

Cost: \$160

Register at: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-24507>

Powder Horn 2019



What is Powder Horn?

In Scouting, Powder Horn is the vessel to sustain the spirit of the outdoors in our youth today. Along with the spirit of the outdoors, you will also gather knowledge to share, motivate and direct youth. Powder Horn will give you the necessary skills to oversee a high adventure program. It will also help you identify local resources for your group's program.

What do I need to do before the course?

Complete the following on-line trainings at My.Scouting.org:

- Youth Protection: Boy Scout or Venturing
- Safety Afloat
- Safe Swim Defense
- Weather Hazard
- Climb on Safely
- Trek Safely

What will we do?

Powder Horn is organized around the Venturing Program's High Adventure elements and Boy Scouting's High Adventure Merit badge elements. It is intended to help adult leaders get started finding and using the resources for high-adventure programs.

Who can attend Powder Horn?

All registered adult leaders and youth (14 and up) are welcome. All participants must be registered members of the Boy Scouts of America. Adults must have completed Leader Specific Training for your registered position.

Youth participants will be provided a Personal Resource Questionnaire which must be completed by the applicant; a letter of recommendation from their Scoutmaster or Advisor is also required.

When: 24 – 26 August 2019 (Saturday – Monday)

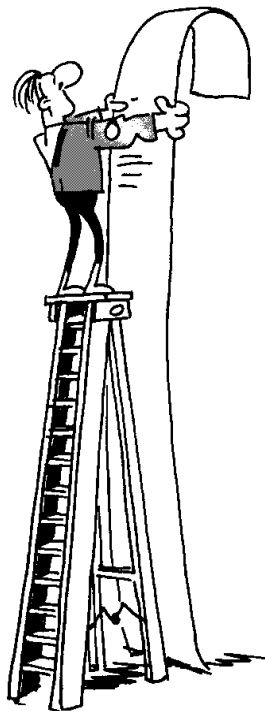
Where: Camp St Charles, 15375 Stella Maris Dr Newberg, MD 20664

Registration: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-24637>

Cost: \$300, \$350 if registered after May 5, 2019



District Calendar



April 2019

1 Student Holiday
10 Roundtable
10 OA Chapter Meeting
15-19 Spring Break
24 District Committee
27 **Life to Eagle Seminar**

May 2019

1 **District Court of Honor**
4-5 **IOLS Training**
8 **Program Launch**
8 OA Chapter Meeting
10-12 **OA Spring Ordeal**
22 District Committee
27 Memorial Day

June 2019

7 Last Day of School
12 Roundtable
12 OA Chapter Meeting
17-21 **Goose Creek Day Camp**
17-20 **Goose Creek Twilight Camp**
26 District Committee

July 2019

4 Independence Day

August 2019

14 Roundtable
14 OA Chapter Meeting
22 First Day of School
28 District Committee

September 2019

2 Labor Day
11 Roundtable
11 OA Chapter Meeting
25 District Committee

October 2019

9 Roundtable
9 OA Chapter Meeting
12-13 **Webelos-o-ree**
14 Columbus Day
23 District Committee
28 Student Holiday

November 2019

2 **SFF Post-it Note Distribution**
9 **SFF Food Pickup**
13 Roundtable
13 OA Chapter Meeting
27 District Committee
27-29 School Holiday
30 **Final Date for Recharter Turn In**

December 2019

11 Roundtable
11 OA Chapter Meeting
18 **Annual District Business Meeting**
23-31 Winter Break

January 2020

1 Holiday
8 Roundtable
8 OA Chapter Meeting
20 MLK Jr. Day
21 Moveable School Holiday
22 District Committee

February 2020

7 Scout Jumuah
8 Scout Sabbath
9 Scout Sunday
12 Roundtable
12 OA Chapter Meeting
17 President's Day
26 District Committee

March 2020

2 School Holiday
7 **District Pinewood Derby**
11 Roundtable
11 OA Chapter Meeting
25 District Committee
27 School Holiday