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Learning to lead

While some people seem to be natural leaders, it's generally held that leadership is something that can be learned. The esteemed football coach Vince Lombardi believed that

Leaders are made, they are not born. They are made by hard effort, which is the price which all of us must pay to achieve any goal that is worthwhile.

Our Scouts, most likely, are not great leaders. In fact, they probably don't know the first thing about leadership when they take on their first leadership position of responsibility – most often as a patrol leader. It is through Scouting that they begin the process of learning about leadership. During their time as a Scout, they most likely won't become accomplished leaders – even those who serve in multiple positions of responsibility or as senior patrol leader – but they will develop many leadership traits through their Scouting experience that will give them an advantage outside Scouting and later in college and adult life.

What are some of the ways we can see if good leadership traits are taking hold?

We can begin by examining some of the qualities that a great leader possesses. Leadership consultant Lolly Daskal provides us with a test of leadership skills. Here are some of Daskal's test questions, along with ways that we can help our youth leaders grow into leadership:

- **Have you identified your role and responsibilities?** Daskal says that too many roles are ill-defined and lead to confusion. In our Scouts' case, this can lead to frustration if the youth leader doesn't know what is expected of him. The roles of responsibility are laid out fairly clearly in the Scout Handbook, but the Scoutmaster should make sure that the Scout knows what's expected of him and the results he should be looking for.
- **Do you communicate often and with clarity?** It's especially important for youth leaders to learn to communicate – with each other, and with those they lead. The senior patrol leader needs to learn how to convey a message to the patrol leaders' council members and to the troop generally, and patrol leaders need to pass the word along to their patrols. In addition, leadership involves as much listening as it does talking, so good leaders listen to those they are leading to obtain valuable feedback on how the mission is being carried out. A good leader, says Daskal, uses words to inspire and to support others.
- **Do you treat failure as a teacher?** If there's one thing that nearly all boys of Scouting age share, it's that they have failed at something. In fact, many will have failed more often than they succeeded. With rare exceptions, there is nothing wrong with failure, as long as something is learned from it and the experience is used to improve performance. By learning what doesn't work Scouts move closer to finding out what does. As Daskal puts it, failure "doesn't mean the game is over – it means it's time to try again". And as Tom Peters is fond of saying: Fail! Fail again! Fail better!
- **Do you show appreciation to others?** Appreciation is the best way of bringing out excellence in others, Daskal reminds us. While some may feel a leader's job is to find what's wrong and correct it, a good leader is on the lookout for the things that go right and calls attention to them. By recognizing those who do a good job, or find a better way to achieve a goal, good leaders encourage higher performance in others.

Daskal offers several more things to look for in good leaders, many of which could also be applied to our Scouts. But the bottom line is that each and every one of our Scouts is a potential leader – and we need to not only give them an opportunity to experience leadership but help them learn leadership in a positive and uplifting environment. By doing so, we will be giving them a rare gift – something that will help boost their future success.

District News

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Webelos-o-ree 2016!

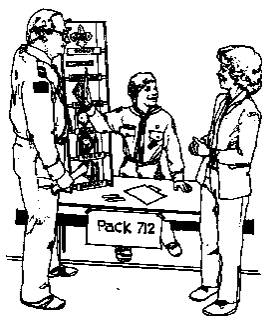


Goose Creek's annual Webelos-o-ree will be held October 22-23 at Camp Snyder. This camping event is designed to introduce Webelos and their parents to the fun Scouting adventures ahead and to help make the transition into Boy Scouts exciting.

The Webelos-o-ree starts off with an opening ceremony Saturday morning and wraps up Sunday after chapel services. Activities will be run by our own Boy Scout troops and can include such things as: Fire building, cooking, Monkey Bridge, BB shooting and/or archery, a campfire run by the Boy Scout Order of the Arrow, and much more. For the adults we will provide plenty of Scout leaders to answer questions about camping, joining Boy Scouts, and camping equipment. We will also hold a Webelos to Scout orientation for Arrow of Light Scouts and an Introduction to Webelos meeting for the new Webelos (this year's Bears) and their parents.

The registration information will be up on the district website by the beginning of September. This year we will be doing online registration. Requests for the packet can also be emailed to Webelosoree@GooseCreekDistrict.org

Join Scouting Night 2016



JSN night this year will be held Wednesday, Sept 21, 2016. To turn in your new applications our District Membership Vice-Chair, Stacy Noll (Stacey.Noll@GooseCreekDistrict.org) has arranged for six pickup sites that will be manned by our commissioners on Sept 22 from 7 – 9 pm. These sites are:

- Purcellville – Chick-fil-a, 165 Purcellville Gateway Dr.
- Leesburg – Wegman's, 101 Crosstrail Blvd., SE
- Ashburn – Harris Teeter, 42780 Creek View Plaza
- Ashburn – Brambleton Shopping Center, 42415 Ryan Rd.
- Aldie – Harris Teeter, 42015 Village Center Plaza #110
- Chantilly – Harris Teeter, 25401 Eastern Marketplace Plaza Suite 150

Report Those High Adventure Treks



If your troop had a crew or two do one of the BSA high adventure camps this summer we would like to post of a photo of the crew in the newsletter. Just send a photo of the crew and tell us which trek they did to GCProgram@verizon.net. This way everyone can see what great fun your Scouts are having and wonder why they aren't doing the same. Think of it as bragging rights.

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Scouting for Food 2016



Another season of Scouting for Food (SFF) is rapidly approaching. Please mark your calendars with the following dates for the 2016 SFF campaign.

- Saturday, November 5th – Bag Distribution
- Saturday, November 12th – Food Collection

To ensure that we have Goose Creek Territories properly covered, please respond directly to our district's SFF Campaign Coordinator, Brad Scales at MSVA_Tenor@yahoo.com, with the POC for your unit. In your response you should include the following information:

Unit Type (Pack, Troop, Crew) & Number:

POC Name:

POC Email:

POC Cell Phone #:

Confirmation of HOW your unit plans on participating (choosing one of the below):

- ☐ Our Unit will distribute bags (11/5) and collect food (11/12) this year ...
- ☐ Our Unit will provide support at one of the Collection Sites this year ...
- ☐ Our Unit will distribute bags, collect food, AND work at a collection site this year ...
- ☐ I'm sorry, our Unit will be unable to assist with SFF this year ...

As soon as the training/bag pick-up dates have been identified Brad will send an email.

Also, the territory maps will be posted at a later date and an email will be sent when they are available for viewing, so please be sure to respond quickly ... and get the word out within your units to drum up excitement. It's SO rewarding at the end of Collection Day to see how much food we've been able to collect to help those in our communities who are experiencing less fortunate times. (Last year, we exceeded 100,000 pounds of food; let's do that again!!)

As always, you are reminded that you should be reporting service hours (which includes bag distribution, bag pickup, and any hours you may spend at one of the collection sites) on the Journey to Excellence (JTE) website (<https://servicehours.scouting.org>), using the same unit account that you use to report advancement. Not only is it required for unit, district and council JTE results, but it is important to the council that we be able to demonstrate our community contributions. Reporting is easier than ever: there is a report button at the bottom of the front page of the council website that leads directly to the online form.

Race Director Wanted



The Goose Creek Championship Pinewood Derby is looking for a new Race Director. Responsibilities include promoting event, working with sponsors and volunteers, coordinating Derby Diner, and running the event, including registration and tech inspection. Benefits include hundreds of smiles from hundreds of Cub Scouts watching their cars fly down the track. Can also be used as a fundraiser for the right unit, Pack, Troop or Crew. Turnkey operation, proven successful methods and plenty of support. Interested parties please contact Vice Chair of Programing at stevewolfson@verizon.net.

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Rechartering 2017



Goose Creek District will recharter from **1 October to 30 November 2016**.

Rechartering is the act of re-establishing your unit for the next 12 months (Jan-Dec 2017). If the unit is not rechartered, the unit is **dropped from the rolls** effective 1 Jan 2017.

This year, unit recharter packets will be mailed on 22 September to the currently registered Unit Committee Chairman. If you have had a change in personnel and have not reported this change, please make sure that you coordinate with the past chairman, in order to receive your packet.

If you are prepared, your unit can start the recharter process on 1 October.

The biggest obstacle in rechartering is making sure that all of your registered adult volunteers are Youth Protection Trained (YPT) current. YPT is good for two years. You can check your status by going to www.My.scouting.org and looking at your unit's training stats. If necessary, the YPT training can be taken on line (same URL as above). It only takes about 30 minutes. Don't forget to print out your training card.

The other issue is making sure that all applications for Scouts and adults are submitted to our DE and DD. **DON'T HOLD ON TO APPLICATIONS UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE.**

Our upcoming new District Commissioner, Dave Carty, will be honchoing our recharter efforts for this year.

As we have done in the past, units must turn in the completed recharter packets to their Unit Commissioner. We will not receive them at Roundtable. It causes too much disruption.

Lastly, we are calling 30 November as our drop-dead date for recharter turn in. No one wants to work recharter over the Christmas holidays, and getting your chartering organizations signature while they are away for the holidays can be very trying. For that matter, turn it in prior to Thanksgiving and then enjoy your Thanksgiving dinner too.

Young Entrepreneurs Academy



The Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce and Loudoun Economic Development Authority are starting a local entrepreneurship training program that will match local business owners/leaders with high school aged students to help them formulate, develop and launch their own business or nonprofit organization.

The Young Entrepreneurs Academy (YEA!) is a proven national program that partners with more than 110 local Chambers of Commerce in 39 states to provide hands on entrepreneurial training to students between grades 6 through 12.

The Loudoun chapter of YEA! will begin this October at the Mason Enterprise Center in Leesburg. YEA! Is a 30-week program with weekly classes, field trips guest speakers, a trade show and a Pitch Event where the student entrepreneurs pitch their business plan to an Investment Panel for seed funding. At the end of the YEA! Program the students will have a legally registered business.

For more information, visit: <http://www.loudounchamber.org/YEA>

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Rocket into Scouting Launch Days



To make sure this year is a "BLAST", every new Scout that submits a paid application by October 31 will receive a free model rocket! This will help both their Scouting career and a lifelong love of STEM "take off". Launch Day events are being planned at multiple sites around the Council.

The event will also have additional fun events including a rocket building station, agility course, punt/pass/kick, fish casting practice, a scavenger hunt, and more!

Each NEW Scout will receive a free launch engine and additional engines can be purchased (\$3) as desired.

Each person, youth and adult, attending is \$5 to help us offset the cost of the event and materials. The entire family and current Scouts are welcome, and additional rockets kits can be purchased online (\$8) and built at the event.

Launch sites in our area are:

- One Loudoun, Ashburn, Saturday Oct 22, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM (the Barn at One Loudoun, 20405 Savin Hill Drive, Ashburn, VA 20147)
- Camp Snyder, Saturday Nov 12, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

To find additional locations/dates, go to <https://scoutingevent.com/082-9194>

Troop Participation in the Webelos-o-ree



Over the years we have heard from several troops that one reason that they don't participate in the Webelos-o-ree (Oct 22-23 at Camp Snyder) is that they already have enough Webelos joining their troop and don't need to do another recruiting event. What the troops who do participate, and keep coming back, found is that this is not a recruiting event; it's a chance for their Scouts to teach skills to others. Teaching others is the best way to really acquire deep knowledge of an area. By sharing their skills, Scouts retain their knowledge better and provide service to others.

At the Webelos-o-ree each troop selects a different activity/skill that their Scouts teach the Webelos and their parents during a morning and afternoon session. And the cost? Nothing! There is no registration fee for Boy Scouts, even if they camp. The only thing required is a service project to help keep the event running (starting cooking fires, cleanup, food prep, etc.).

If your troop is interested in participating in this year's Webelos-o-ree, even if you were at last year's, please contact Webelosoree@GooseCreekDistrict.org so we can coordinate the activities being run.

We are also looking for 4-5 Scouts, age 13 and older, who would like to be part of the Webelos-o-ree staff. The service would include helping with the flag ceremonies, running the Webelos challenge event, working the food line for supper, assistance with the campfire, and general "go to" jobs during the day. Meals and work all provided free.

This Year's High Adventure Treks



Troop 1154 sent three crews to BSA Sea Base Keys Adventure 10 – 16 July. An outstanding time was had by all and every Scout got to conquer a new challenge they never tried before, whether snorkeling, deep sea fishing, sailing, kayaking, paddle boarding,...

Scout Attendees:

Jason Birsic
Liam McGrail
Sammy Boehm
Sam Fremin
Ben Fuller
Ethan Jones

Joshua Golden
Alex Pierce
Jackson Cramer
Andrew Fuerst
Will Brandt
Ben Mayer

Maxwell Hughes
Mathew Souza
Dominic Fonatora
Kyle Merrill
Ben Hawkins
Ryan Costanzo

Adults Attendees

Jack Golden
Debi Merrill

Alison Birsic
Jim Hawkins

Ron Fornatora
Dave Mayer



BSA is considering adding four new troop Scout leaderships positions that can be used for advancement:

AppMaster – responsible for ensuring that all Scouts have the correct apps on their phones for the upcoming campout.

Gym Leader – responsible for overseeing all Pokémon battles from creatures captured during the campout.

Tweet Guide – responsible for sending out tweets from troop meetings, campouts, service projects, and hikes so that the troop's followers are kept informed.

Interpreter – not to be confused with a Scout earning an Interpreter strip, this Scout is responsible for explaining to **older** Scouters what apps, Pokémon, and tweets are and why they are important to the Scouts.

P.S. – if you don't understand any of these positions, speak to your troop's Interpreter.



“Cheerful Service Chatter”

Chapter News for our Arrowmen
Lodge Website: www.ncacbsa.org/group/OA

Fall Fellowship



On September 16th-18th, Amangamek-Wipit Lodge 470 will be holding their annual Fall Fellowship. This year's theme is “Honoring our Heritage and Traditions”. This theme is designed to emphasize and celebrate the history and traditions of Native Americans in the French and Indian War period through drumming, dancing, singing, and crafts.

Register at <https://www.scoutingevent.com/082-FallFellowship2016>. You will need your BSA and OALM ID to register. They can be found on your membership card, your copy of the Shark's Tooth on the address label, or contact your chapter adviser.

There will be high adventure games and contests, along with an incredible “Suiting Up for Ceremonies” seminar, which will be the same presentation taught at NOAC 2015. The crafts will include many types of Indian Regalia making (Chokers / Beadwork), along with teaching the history of the Native Americans who used the types of regalia.

This Fall Fellowship will include: dancing (to prepare for NOAC 2018), black powder rifle, tomahawk tossing, military drill, a living history display, deer toe pulling, branding, and a real live pow-wow! All ceremonies teams are highly encouraged to come and participate during the ceremonies evaluations in Pre-Ordeal, Brotherhood, and Vigil ceremonies. The Friday night Cracker Barrel will be composed of various wild game foods, followed by a delicious Saturday night dinner composed of Bison Steak (chicken and hamburgers are options). The option to order a Bison Steak requires registration no later than September 6th.

Please come out to Camp William B. Snyder on September 16-18, 2016 for a weekend of fun, adventure, and thrills! Registration costs are \$40 until September 6th for early bird registration and \$50 until September 14th. For first-time Arrowmen (did Ordeal in 2016) attending a Lodge event, there is a special incentive rate of \$15!

We hope to see each and every one of our fellow Arrowmen from Amangamek-Wipit there!

"Onward and Upward"

On the Advancement Trail

New Eagles



Congratulations to Goose Creek's newest Eagles:

Ryan Basinger – Troop 2950

Matthew Newcomer – Troop 982

Zachary Reynolds – Troop 39

Heath Yancey – Troop 1159

Pre 2016 Advancement Requirements Ending



Just a reminder that starting January 1, 2017 **ALL** Boy Scouts must use the new 2016 advancement requirements, even for the rank that they are currently working on. Our grace period year to transition is coming to an end.

This means that even if a Scout has done everything under the old requirements but has his Board of Review scheduled in January, he has to go back and add in all the new requirements that weren't listed previously before the Board of Review can occur.

Eagle Project



Matthew Newcomer's project for Troop 982 was to build 8 wood stands for the Izaak Walton League in Leesburg VA on 5/7/2016. The day of the build went just as planned. He had over 21 Scouts and 10 adults attend, a banner turnout. The stands were placed at different camp sites and are being utilized to store firewood and keep it off the ground.



Outdoor Ethics Awards Discontinued for Cub Scouts



The June 2015 launch of the new Cub Scouting program fundamentally changed Cub Scout advancement requirements. The knowledge, skills, and attributes acquired through the Cub Scout Outdoor Ethics Awareness and Action Awards have been incorporated into, and made an integral part of, the new Cub Scout adventures.

To avoid redundancy, the Cub Scout Outdoor Ethics Awareness and Action Awards have been retired and will no longer be available for Cub Scouts and Cub Scout leaders to earn. The adult content will be incorporated into the revisions being made to BALOO training and will be released soon.

Council / National News

Council Website: www.NCACBSA.org

NCAC-VOA Barbecue



Come join Venturers from around our entire council for food and fun at our Venturing Potluck Barbecue and Field Day!

Who: You and your crew! Open to all Venturers, Leaders and Friends!

When: Saturday, September 24th 2016, 1:00pm - 8:00pm

Where: Camp William B. Snyder, 6100 Antioch Road, Haymarket, VA 20169

What (to bring?): Nut-free side dish and/or dessert, enough to share with your Crew and others

What (to wear?): Casual, uniform optional

Why?: How often do we get a chance to get Venturers together?

How (much does it cost?): \$10.00 per person.

How (to RSVP): Register via this page: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-cvoabbq2016>, AND please also email cvoa@ncacbsa.org with what side dish or desert you will be bringing

This event is being hosted by the National Capital Area Council Venturing Officers Association and is open to all Venturers, and Leaders. (Only one or two people from your crew can attend? That's OK we still want you to show up!)

We'll be providing the main dish: hamburgers, hot dogs, all paper products and utensils, drinks, etc. (Can't eat meat? That's ok, bring along a non-meat burger or dog, and we'll be happy cook it up on the grille for you!)

We are asking each Crew to bring a side dish to share. (Enough for your group and a few others.)

There is a suggested list of side dishes and desserts to bring attached to the registration webpage. If you have a favorite dish not listed, please bring that instead.

Please remember that some people are allergic to nuts and we ask that you do not include them or bring them to the picnic so that we can maintain a safe environment for those severely allergic.

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2016 Jamboree-on-the-Air, Jamboree-on-the-Internet Dates Set



On the third weekend in October, 1 million Scouts from 150 different countries will unite to celebrate the global power of Scouting. And they'll do it without leaving the neighborhood.

Join the fun by involving your pack, troop, team, post, ship or crew in the 2016 Jamboree-on-the-Air and Jamboree-on-the-Internet — held concurrently Oct. 14 to 16, 2016.

This year's theme — "Discover Our World" — challenges young men and young women to reach out to their fellow Scouts and learn about the differences and similarities that unite us as members of World Scouting.

The conversation topics are limitless: What's the Eagle Scout equivalent in Ecuador? Where do Scouts from Helsinki hike? Do Dutch Scouts ever use Dutch ovens?

The 59-year-old Jamboree-on-the-Air uses amateur radio to enable the exchange of questions like those. To participate, most units visit an amateur radio operator's ham shack or ask the radio operator to set up at a local park.

The smaller Jamboree-on-the-Internet is 20 years old and requires less setup. Scouts or Venturers use any internet-enabled device — computer, laptop, tablet or smartphone — to talk to Scouts from far-off places.

In addition to being incredibly fun, JOTA and JOTI count toward Scouting requirements:

- For Tigers, this meets requirements for the elective adventure Family Stories.
- For Webelos, it counts toward the Arrow of Light adventure Building a Better World.
- Boy Scouts can check off a requirement for the Citizenship in the World merit badge.
- All Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Varsity Scouts, Venturers and adult leaders can count the event toward the requirements for the International Spirit Award (<http://scoutingmagazine.org/2016/01/how-to-earn-the-international-spirit-award/>).

Visit the BSA's JOTA website (www.scouting.org/jota.aspx) or JOTI website (www.scouting.org/joti.aspx) for more details, participation certificates and info on ordering the 2016 patches.

Recognize an Outstanding Eagle Scout



Every year, NESAC DC recognizes outstanding Eagles in our community with the NESAC Outstanding Eagle Scout Award (NOESA). This prestigious recognition is for Eagle Scouts who have demonstrated outstanding achievement in their profession, avocation and community, having notable achievements both inside and outside of Scouting. If you know an outstanding Eagle Scout deserving of recognition, visit this page, www.ncacbsa.org/about-ncac/nesa/nesa-outstanding-eagle-scout-award/, for more information and the nomination form. All nominations are due by September 30.

Window for 2017 Eagle Scout Scholarships Open till Oct. 31, 2016



The National Eagle Scout Association wants to make college more affordable for more than 100 worthy Eagle Scouts across the country.

The window for 2017 Eagle Scout scholarships (www.nesa.org/scholarships.html) opened Aug. 1, 2016, and will slam shut on Oct. 31, 2016.

In the 2015-2016 window, the National Eagle Scout Association (NESA) awarded \$640,000 in scholarships to 140 Eagle Scouts.

For the 2016-2017 window, the goal is to increase the number of recipients to 150. That includes scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$50,000.

Despite some online rumors about these scholarships, NESA doesn't have the funds to offer money to each of the more than 5,000 applicants. Less than 3 percent of those who apply will receive scholarships.

In the past, NESA scholarships were available only to Scouts attending four-year universities. Now Scouts attending vocational trade schools and other approved programs may apply.

Academic scholarships

- Academic scholarships weigh school and Scouting participation, academic performance, and financial need.
- Academic scholarships include a range of scholarships, up to four \$25,000 scholarships (payable at \$6,250 per year for four years) and one \$48,000 scholarship (payable at up to \$12,000 per year for four years).
- Academic scholarships also include NESA's largest scholarship: the \$50,000 NESA STEM scholarship for an Eagle Scout planning to major in a science, technology, engineering or math field.
- Applicants must score a minimum 1800 SAT (if taken before January 2016) or 1290 (if taken after March 2016) — or an ACT score of at least 28 to apply.
- Applicants must be Eagle Scouts applying during their senior year of high school. Exception: Scouts whose Eagle Scout boards of review are held after Oct. 31 of their senior year may apply during the next scholarship cycle in the following year — even though they may be in college by this time.
- Winners may receive an academic scholarship one time only.
- Recipients will be notified by mail on July 15, 2017.

Merit scholarships

- Merit scholarships weigh school and Scouting participation and community service.
- These awards cover the \$2,000 and \$4,000 Bailey scholarships, the \$2,500 Robert and Rebecca Palmer scholarships, and the \$5,000 Hall/McElwain merit scholarships.
- NESA merit scholarship applicants must be Eagle Scouts graduating high school or undergraduate college students no farther than completion of the junior year.
- Winners may receive a merit scholarship one time only.
- Recipients will be notified by mail on July 15, 2017.

NESA has posted this list of helpful FAQs

(www.nesa.org/scholarship_faq.html). Good luck!

2017 National Jamboree



The 2017 National Jamboree is rock climbing, rappelling, zip lines, mountain biking, canopy tours, shooting sports, BMX racing, skateboarding, kayaking, merit badge skills, make new friends and more. Enjoy arena shows with 30,000 of your closest friends from across the country. Jamborees are held about every four years; you only get one or two opportunities to attend as a youth member.

Where: Summit Bechtel Reserve, New Hope, West Virginia

When: July 19-28, 2017

Requirements: Scouts must have your leader's approval. Venturing members must be at least 14 years of age by July 19, 2017. Scouts must be First Class and at least 12 years of age by July 19, 2017.

How Much: \$1250 fee per Scout or Crew Member. Fees include all food, cooking equipment, stoves and fuel, as well as the use of a tent, cot, and dining shelters. The fee also includes bus transportation to and from the Summit. No major additional costs. A deposit of \$225 is due to complete the initial registration with NCAC; a more detailed payment schedule is at the NCAC Jamboree website: www.ncacbsa.org/Jamboree.

Camperships are currently available to help offset the cost. This form is listed at the bottom of the Jamboree website.

Register Now – Limited Spaces are Going Fast!

V3 HIKE-O-REE



The 27th Annual V3 (Venturing, Varsity, and Venture) Hike-o-ree will be held October 28-30, 2016, at the Northern Virginia 4-H Educational Center, Front Royal, VA. Registration is limited to trail capacities of the fifteen trails. The Hike-o-ree is open to all Scout units including Venturing Crews, Sea Scout Ships, Varsity Teams, Boy Scout Troops, and Girl Scout Troops.

Units are encouraged to form trail crews consisting of no more than twelve members, including at least two adults. Participation minimum age for Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts is 13 years old as of January 1, 2017.

Registration on a FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS begins on September 1, 2016, on the BSA National Capital Area Council website.

2018 VenturingFest will Celebrate the Program's 20th Anniversary



Venturing turns 20 in 2018, and you and your crew are invited to the party. The BSA's high-adventure program for young men and young women has announced that the next VenturingFest, celebrating the program's 20th anniversary, will take place July 1 to 6, 2018, at the Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia.

As always, the best place to get Venturing news first is on the Venturing Facebook page (www.facebook.com/BSAVenturing/). Be sure you're following the updates there.

Philmont Advisor Skills School



Hiking around your neighborhood wearing a brick-filled backpack is a good way to get your body in shape for Philmont. But what about your mind? That's where the Philmont Advisor Skills School and Philmont Advisor Workshop really shine.

These courses — offered both at Philmont and in a city near you — are designed for adult advisors signed up to take a Philmont trek in 2017 or 2018. But, really, anyone interested in learning more about Philmont is invited. Last year, more than 1,100 people attended. This year, that number will be even higher.

If you're committed to making your Philmont trek a great experience for the guys and girls in your troop or crew, you really should make plans to attend. Successful Philmont crews begin regular planning meetings and practice hikes more than a year before their trek, and these courses focus your efforts with information straight from the source.

Philmont Advisor Workshop (PAW):

<http://philmontscoutranch.org/TrekPreparation/PASS/PAW.aspx>

PAW courses will be two hour evening workshops (typically 7:00pm-9:00pm) and will cover skills such as what kind of gear to take on your trek, tips and tricks for getting into the proper physical condition for a Philmont trek, and a rundown of the different leadership positions within your crew and how you can better prepare the youth for their leadership role.

Cost: \$10 and covers PAW materials including the PAW Patch.

When (in Washington area):

- Thursday, October 20 – Baltimore, MD
- Wednesday, October 26 – Richmond, VA

Philmont Advisor Skills School in the Field (Field-PASS):

<http://philmontscoutranch.org/TrekPreparation/PASS/Field.aspx>

Field-PASS courses will begin at 9:00am and usually take place in council scout offices. Experienced members from the Ranger and Backcountry Departments will lead you in the backcountry and logistical fundamentals of Philmont over the course of the day. Participants will enjoy a trail lunch and dinner in between training sessions. At the conclusion of the course, advisors will receive PASS materials to share with crew members. Courses end around 5:00pm.

Cost: \$40 and covers a Philmont-style trail meal lunch, dinner, and PASS materials including the PASS Patch.

When (in Washington area):

- Saturday, October 22 – Washington D.C.
- Sunday, October 23 – Washington D.C.

Philmont Advisor Skills School at Philmont (PSR-PASS):

<http://philmontscoutranch.org/TrekPreparation/PASS/PSR.aspx>

Four-day, three-night courses offering the ultimate guide to a Philmont trek. Because people learn best by doing, participants at PSR-PASS head into the Philmont backcountry for an overnight experience that will prepare them for their actual trek.

PASS and PAW video

Prefer your information in video form? Philmont has you covered:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=npgVVI9kr4Y&feature=youtu.be>

Cub Scout Fall Expo



Come enjoy the fun and games! Cubs will take part in Jamboree on the Air, climb the Scouterhorn, play Gaga Ball, BB and Archery ranges will be open and so much more! There will be a wide variety of vendors, organizations, demonstrations on hand and food available for purchase that day.

When: Oct 15, 12 – 5 pm

Where: Camp Snyder(6100 Antioch Road, Haymarket, VA).\

Cost: \$5 per person

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

Family Camping at Cub Scout Fall Expo



Come for the Expo, stay for the night! This promises to be a fantastically fun filled weekend for Cubs to enjoy the crisp fall air while camping with family and scouting friends. Even better, the event fee includes all access to the Cub Scout Fall Expo!

Scouts/Cub Scout age youth: \$30 Adults: \$10 Siblings age 5 and under are free

Optional meal plan: \$15 per person (lunch/dinner/continental breakfast), Siblings age 5 and under eat free

TIMES:

Check-in: Saturday 8 - 10am

Opening Ceremony 10:45am

Lunch 11am

Program Areas Open 12pm—5pm

Dinner 6pm

Campfire: Dusk

Lights out 9pm

Check-out: Sunday 9am

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

STEM Family Camping



The NCAC STEM Program is planning an exciting day of Rockets, Robotics, Small Circuits and more! After a fun day of discovery Scouts and their families will gather for an evening campfire program and then camp overnight

When: September 24-25

Where: Camp Snyder(6100 Antioch Road, Haymarket, VA).\

Event Flyer:

https://scoutingevent.com/attachment/BSA082/document_14693965910_2499.pdf

Register at: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-STEMFamilyCamping> (Note: Late registration fees start Sep 9, registration ends Sep 16).

Great Outdoors!



When: Nov 19, 10 - 3 pm

Where: Camp Snyder(6100 Antioch Road, Haymarket, VA).\

Activities include Air Gun Shooting ranges, Archery, Tomahawk throw, rock wall climbing and elements from the COPE Challenge Course.

Food Trucks will be on hand and there will be vendors from around the area showcasing recreational activities of all different types. Learn about kayaking, canoeing, skiing, white water rafting, rock climbing, shooting, archery, hiking, and backpacking, along with representatives from the nearby county, state and federal parks. Meet staff from area stores that carry everything to meet your outdoor adventure needs.

Don't miss out on the exciting door prizes, games and food throughout the day!

Boy Scout Troops, Venture Crews, Sea Scout Ships and Explorer Posts are encouraged to camp with us Friday and Saturday night to take full advantage of all that the Great Outdoors! event has to offer. As a special bonus campers will gather together at the end of the day for a group campfire program.

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

Maryland Orienteering Day



The 40th annual Maryland Scout Orienteering Day is on Saturday, Oct. 29, 2016. Virginia troops (and Venture units) are also eligible, and a large number always attend and do well. Self-guided instruction and courses are designed for beginners to this forest navigation map sport, plus intermediate and advanced levels, all on a clear, professional color orienteering maps (two per Scout.) Last year a new morning instructional activity was a big hit.

This year we're at Patuxent River Park near Upper Marlboro in southern Prince George's County. Field camping is within a hundred yards of our event center and parking. Of the 900 Scouts and Scouters present for this day event last year, 350 camped Friday night and 175 camped Saturday night. Cost is \$4.00 per participant, plus, if camping, an extra \$2 per person per night. Over 100 awards (unique patches) will be presented.

Some of the tougher orienteering merit badge requirements can be met; this event does not focus on GPS or on the Geocaching or Search & Rescue merit badges.

On-line or surface mail registration, Oct. 17 deadline:

www.BaltimoreBSA.org/orienteering , or the contact event chair DaveLinthicum@earthlink.net .

Small troops can combine with other small troops to be eligible for the "premier" troop category (10+ youth.) Venture units, Girl Scouts (age 10.5 or above) also welcome; no Cubs, no Webelos. A minimum of two Scouts from every unit is required.

More local orienteering info may be found at <http://qocweb.org>, the public club based in the DC area. Whether or not you can join us Oct. 29, don't forget the spring 2017 12th Annual National Capital Area Council Scout Orienteering Day.

Have Scouts Who Take Medications? Read These Instructions, Too



Plan ahead. Talk to the Scout's parents. Be smart about storage and labeling.

Taking these steps and others when dealing with a youth member's medication is a vital part of keeping our Scouts and Venturers safe and healthy.

Here's the latest: The July 2016 update to the *Guide to Safe Scouting* (www.scouting.org/scoutsource/HealthandSafety/GSS/toc.aspx) includes some new guidance on medication use in Scouting. It's all covered in this PDF: www.scouting.org/filestore/HealthSafety/pdf/SAFE_USE_OF_MEDICATION_IN_SCOUTING.pdf, and here are some of the highlights from the BSA's Health and Safety team.

8 elements of safe medication use

1. **Annual Health and Medical Record:** Using the Annual Health and Medical Record and listing all medications in the "Health History" section is how information is documented.
2. **Plan:** Having a plan affirmed by the youth, his or her parents and the leader is a huge help — especially with medication that is self-administered or kept by the youth member. A "drug holiday," where parents let their Scout take a break from medications for the weekend, isn't a good plan.
3. **Supervision:** Based on agreement and capacity for self-care, a decision is made on who is responsible for supervision of the medication administration.
4. **Labeling:** If you have ever been handed or had to keep up with medication for 10 to 100 Scouts, you will probably appreciate this guidance: Medication sent on an outing should generally be in the original container and labeled with the name of the participant, medication, dose and strength, prescribing health care provider's name, date of prescription, current instructions for use, special storage, etc. Pharmacies will print out labels on small bottles for such use.
5. **Storage:** Tips — but not prescriptive advice — for securely storing medications include keeping it under "lock and key" (like a locking bank bag) or direct observation. This is especially important for substances that might be subject to theft or abuse.
6. **Emergency medication:** Those inhalers or epi-pens don't do much good locked up. In addition, a buddy may need to help administer in an emergency. It's also critical to make sure everyone understands what happens if emergency use is needed. In many cases this may require evacuation vs. stay and play.
7. **Nonprescription (over-the-counter) medication:** It's not uncommon for such things as Benadryl or ibuprofen to be carried along, and the same planning process described above can apply.
8. **Accountability:** The larger the group, the more complex the plan. Having a system to document when medications were delivered or administered may be needed to keep track of medication.

Goshen@50 Camporee



NCAC is commemorating the opening of the Goshen Scout Reservation in 1967 with a council-wide celebration! Mark your calendars for this one of a kind camporee on Memorial Day Weekend 2017.

The Camporee will be a great event for Scouts (of all ages and program levels) and their families. Activities will include waterfront, shooting sports, COPE and climbing courses, as well as a special arena show, campfires and Scouting skill competitions. There will also be Alumni events honoring key contributors to Goshen's history.

Be on Staff for Goshen Camporee 2017



2017 marks the 50th anniversary of Goshen Scout Reservation, and to celebrate, Council is throwing a huge party with a council-wide camporee! Volunteers of all different skills are needed to be part of the team. If you are interested in helping out, send an email to camporee@ncacbsa.org.

Note: There will be no District Spring Camporee in 2017

Scout Shop Update



In order to better serve our customers during our busiest season, the National Capital Scout Shop is expanding our hours on Fridays and Saturdays from September 1 through October 15!

New hours will be:

- Friday: 9am – 6:00pm
- Saturday: 10am – 5pm

Additionally, starting August 8 through October 31 any customer who buys a complete Cub Scout uniform in either the National Capital or Northern Virginia Scout Shop will receive the following special offers:

- 25% off their Cub Scout switchback pants
- AND a free NCAC t-shirt (while supplies last)!

What's Your Summer 2016 #ScoutStory?



As we prepare for another school year, we also prepare to welcome new families into Scouting. Help give your friends the opportunity to join by sharing your #ScoutStory on social media (and face-to-face) so they can see how big an impact Scouting has had on your life. To get you started, our new photo contest is launching on our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/NCACBSA/! Share your best pictures from this summer, have your friends vote for it before September 15, and the winner will receive 4 tickets to Medieval Times! (Told you it would be a KNIGHT to remember!)

International Scouting Day



The mandate of the International Committee of the National Capital Area Council is to help local Scouts learn more about Scouting overseas, and to help Scouts from abroad learn more about the BSA. Every year the International Committee works with the diplomatic community in our nation's capital to fulfil this mandate through an International Scouting Day at a local embassy.

This year the Embassy of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia will host an International Scouting Day on Saturday, October 15th. Troops and Crews from across the Council will welcome to send a contingent to learn more about the Saudi people, their culture and Scouting on the Arabian peninsula. For more information

contact Mike.Sierra@GooseCreekDistrict.Org or look to

<http://www.ncacbsa.org/council-committees/program-impact/international/>

On-Line Resource of the Month



ScienceNetLinks

Science NetLinks, <http://ScienceNetLinks.com>, is a K-12 science education resource for teachers, students, and families that is produced by the American Association for the Advancement of Science. All of the resources are Internet based and free to everyone. Lessons and activities can be printed or used online. Many of the interactives, esheets, and tools work great on an interactive white board or in a computer lab. All of the resources are designed to be delivered in a variety of formats and classroom settings.

At the heart of Science NetLinks are standards-based lesson plans that incorporate reviewed Internet resources, and can be selected according to specific learning goals and grade ranges. Each lesson is tied to at least one learning goal and uses research-based instructional strategies that support student learning. The lessons are written for the teacher, but include student-ready materials such as student sheets (student reproducibles) or esheets (online worksheets that enable students to engage directly in Internet activities).



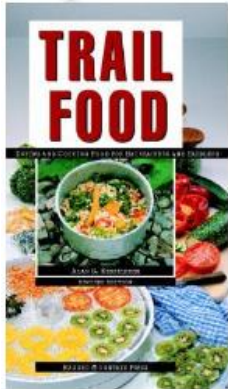
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Roundtable Facebook: www.facebook.com/pages/Goose-Creek-District-Cub-Scout-Roundtable/122441441115224

Books

Trail Food: Drying and Cooking Food for Backpacking and Paddling



Life in the outdoors revolves around food--cooking it, eating it, packing it, carrying it. We even fantasize about it, especially after a week of eating store-bought provisions. This book is all about fulfilling those food fantasies and avoiding those expensive disappointments. *Trail Food* tells you how to remove water from food, to make it lighter and longer-lasting, without removing its taste. Learn to plan menus and prepare meals just like the ones you left behind, using fresh foods from your garden or market, prepared and seasoned the way you like them.

The emphasis of this book is on drying individual ingredients and then rehydrating and combining them at meal time. This allows you to be more flexible in your meals, but takes a little longer at meal time. However, it also tells you how to use your own recipes to prepare a complete meal and then dehydrate it. Precooked spaghetti, rice or beans rehydrate and cook faster in the field. The book recommends having both types of meals with you for variety and flexibility. You can also dehydrate canned foods like vegetables or canned chicken, tuna or salmon and use them in your recipes.

Paperback, around \$7.

Equipment / Gear / Tips

How to Recycle Flashlight Batteries



Batteries should never be simply thrown away. When batteries are thrown in the trash, they end up in a landfill. The chemicals and metals in batteries can be damaging to the environment and can contaminate natural resources, according to Mother Nature Network. The best thing to do with any type of battery is to recycle it. Flashlight batteries, for example, are usually ordinary batteries that you can purchase in any general store. Recycling this type of battery is not difficult as long as you know where to go and what to do.

Have a special place among your recyclable materials to place used batteries. Don't throw them in the trash, and don't mix them with other recyclables, such as glass bottles, plastic jugs or newspapers.

Understand what type of battery you need to recycle. Flashlight batteries are typically in the category of dry-cell batteries. This type of battery is commonly used for ordinary household products. Some types of dry-cell batteries include 9-volt, AA, AAA, D and C.

Do your homework. After you learn about the type of battery you have, you can find out where you can take the batteries to be recycled. Call your local recycling center or municipality to find out where you can recycle your flashlight batteries. All cities are different, but you should be able to find somewhere nearby. Check with large electronic stores as well. These stores sometimes have areas within the store where you can drop off batteries to be recycled.

Best Way to Store Flashlight Batteries



Anyone who has ever reached for a flashlight in an emergency knows the frustration that develops when you realize that the batteries inside are dead. No battery life, no light. But this scenario can easily be avoided by storing the batteries in a designated area, outside the flashlight itself. Not only is it better for the batteries to remain in their original packaging until they are ready to be used, it is also better for the flashlight. Over time, batteries that are left inside a flashlight can corrode and destroy the metal contacts, rendering the flashlight unusable.

If you do not intend to use your flashlight in the near future, remove the batteries. Storing batteries inside any electronic device is never a good idea, because it increases the chances of corrosion.

Place the flashlight batteries in a spot where they will be easily accessible in case of emergency. Storing the flashlight in the same cabinet or drawer as the batteries will ensure that both can be found quickly when needed.

Use a Ziploc bag to keep your batteries fresh. Just pop them into the baggie and zip; store them next to the flashlight for easy access. This will also ensure that they are not just floating around loose in the drawer.

Keep the flashlight batteries in their original packaging whenever possible. Storing them in this manner until they are needed will keep them fresh, and ensure that you have working batteries when you need them.

Store your flashlight batteries by themselves, not with a bunch of other loose batteries. A drawer full of batteries—some used, some half used and some questionable—will cause frustration when you reach for your flashlight and the batteries to power it on.

Do not store your flashlight batteries in the refrigerator. Contrary to popular belief, this does not make them last longer. As a matter of fact, cold temperatures have an adverse reaction on batteries and will actually drain them even faster. Instead battery companies recommend storing batteries between 68 and 78 degrees F at 35 to 65 percent humidity. Under those conditions, alkalines should last between five and seven years, carbon zinc for three to five years, and lithium cells for 10 to 15 years on the shelf.



Training Opportunities

BALOO Training



Are you a Pack parent? Does your family like to go camping? Do you want your unit to be in compliance with BSA policies AND benefit for liability coverage in case of accident for approved activities? Then Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO) is the course for you!

The Boy Scouts of America offers a day long course in all things camping, from site selection, to program, menu, campfire and more. BALOO certification of at least one adult is required for every Pack campout, and BALOO never expires.

BALOO training will be offered for any parent who wishes to attend. The training will be held at St. James Episcopal Church in Leesburg, VA (14 Cornwall Street NW, Leesburg, VA 20176) on September 17th from 9AM – 4PM. The event is free but registration is required. Sign up at <https://scoutingevent.com/082-9408> For additional information, contact Mike.Sierra@GooseCreekDistrict.org.

Back Country Outdoor Leader Skills (BCOLS)



This course is aimed at all adults working with older youth regardless of program (Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, Venturer, or Explorer). This training IS NOT recommended for Cub Scout leaders. All participants must have completed Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills, as well as the position-specific training for their program area (Venturing or, Varsity or, Boy Scout) prior to attending this course and be able to meet physical requirements of the BSA Annual Health & Medical Record.

The target audience are leaders planning High Adventure treks at backcountry venues not supported by BSA infrastructure; however, units planning to attend High Adventure bases supported by BSA will find this course useful, inasmuch as unit shakedown will, most likely, take place in venues not supported by BSA infrastructure. Back Country Outdoor Leader Skills is offered by the Council Training Committee as an optional follow-on to the basic course, Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills.

Classroom: Sat. 9/24 from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM at Aldersgate United Methodist Church 1301 Collingwood Road Alexandria, VA

Overnight: Sat. 10/22, 7:30 AM thru Sun. 10/23, 1:30 PM Camp William B. Snyder 6100 Antioch Road Haymarket, VA

The registration for the course is now open. Details can be found at: <http://www.ncacbsa.org/training/back-country-leadership-skills/>

Pow Wow 2016



There's no information up yet on the Council website about Pow Wow 2016 but it is scheduled for Nov 19. If you did not attend last year's Cub Scout Leader Pow Wow, you missed one of the most exciting, fun-filled Cub Scout Leader training events in the nation.

Scoutmaster Specific and Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills



Sully District is offering a combined Scoutmaster Specific Training (SST) and Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills (IOLS) class, get fully trained all in one weeknight and one weekend. (not the usual 2!).

Scoutmaster Specific Training (Boy Scout Leader Specific Training, Scoutmaster/Assistant Scoutmaster Training): For Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters. Teaches you the basics of Troop operations like how to use the patrol method and troop program planning.

IOLS (Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills): Instructors will help you learn how to set up camp, cook, and work with woods tools, and about ropes, first aid, planning campfire programs, map reading and compass skills, hiking and packing techniques, nature identification, and Leave No Trace. Each outdoor session will bring to life the pages of the Boy Scout Handbook to help you deliver the promise of Scouting to yourself and the youth you serve. It will increase your comfort level and give you confidence as a trained, skilled leader. The program will also give you the opportunity to work with other Scout leaders from your area, meet new friends, and reinforce skill techniques with fellow unit leaders.

Tuesday Sept. 13 7 to 10 PM at Saint Andrew Lutheran Church (14640 Soucy Pl, Centreville, VA 2015)

and

Friday Sept 16th, 5:00 PM to Saturday Sept 17nd 10:00 PM at Camp Snyder (Scouters are invited to camp Saturday night)

Fee: \$30

Register at: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-9204>

Canoeing Merit Badge Counselor Training



Are you a BSA canoeing merit badge counselor who must find a certificated helper to supervise your canoeing activities? The NCAC Aquatics Committee in cooperation with the NCAC Advancement and Recognition Committee (ARC) is offering training sessions conducted by a BSA Aquatics Instructor where you will learn and can demonstrate your canoeing and instructional competence so you won't have to look for that additional help any longer. This training meets the requirements for Canoeing Merit Badge Counselors listed in BSA's Guide to Advancement.

The cost for the course is \$10.00 which includes use of all paddling equipment. This training is held as an extension to BSA's Paddle Craft Safety course. The water session starts about 1pm and runs until about 5 pm. Wear clothes and shoes that can (and will) get wet, a towel and change of clothes, sunscreen, hat, sunglasses, water bottle, and lunch. Dress for the weather –bring rain gear if necessary.

When: Oct 1: 1-5 PM

Where: Camp Snyder

Please use this link to register as part of the Paddle Craft Safety course:

https://scoutingevent.com?PCS_10_1_2016

Leave No Trace Trainer Classes – BSA Outdoor Ethics



What is the purpose of this class? The Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, Venturing, and Sea Scout programs all include outdoor stewardship, care for the environment, and Leave No Trace as part of their programs. This course is offered to train adults and youth aged 14+ to serve their units and districts as Leave No Trace Trainers and as Outdoor Ethics Trainers. Every Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, Venturing, and Sea Scout unit should have at least one Leave No Trace/Outdoor Ethics Trainer. A Boy Scout must complete this course before he can serve in the Troop Leave No Trace Trainer position.

Who should attend? Venturers, Sea Scouts, Varsity Scouts, and Boy Scouts aged 14+; adult Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity, Venturing, and Sea Scout leaders; and District and Council leaders and trainers.

What will I learn? This course is designed to enhance your understanding of Leave No Trace practices and outdoor ethics, and to increase your level of expertise and confidence in teaching Leave No Trace skills.

This class is both active and highly interactive. You will be introduced to concepts and methods that will advance your knowledge of Leave No Trace issues in both developed and high adventure environments, expand your repertoire of low-impact skills, and increase your effectiveness in teaching these important skills to others.

On completion of this course, participants will be registered as Leave No Trace Trainers with the Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics and with the BSA. Students will receive Leave No Trace teaching materials, a certificate of course completion, a Leave No Trace Trainer lapel pin, and a BSA Leave No Trace Trainer card.

This course is instructed by nationally designated Leave No Trace Master Educators and Trainers. Attendance for the entire duration of the training is required.

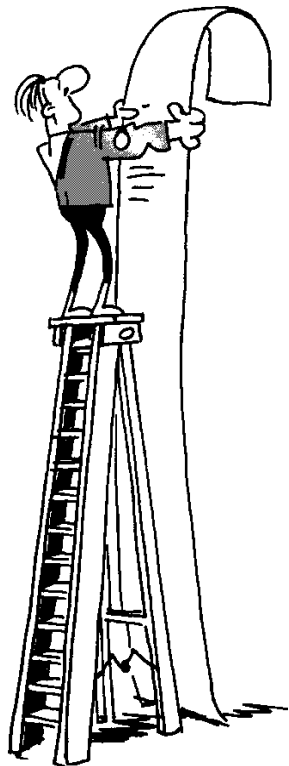
When: (both of these are a separate class, you do not need to do both)

- Sep 23 (5pm) – Sep 25 (10am)
- Mar 31, 2017 (5pm) – Apr 2 (10am)

Cost: \$75, non-refundable, which includes fees and materials. Meals are included. Registration for all courses is via the NCAC website
www.ncacbsa.org/training/outdoor-ethics/

Where: Northern Virginia (Editor Note: their site and flyer doesn't give the full address, please contact Victor Bieniek at vbieniek@gmail.com or 703-855-8428 (cell))

District Calendar



SEPTEMBER 2016

5 Labor Day
14 Roundtable
14 OA Chapter Meeting
28 District Committee

OCTOBER 2016

8 **Den Chief Training**
10 Columbus Day
12 Roundtable
12 OA Chapter Meeting
14-16 JOTA/JOTI
15 **Life to Eagle Seminar**
17-18 **Intro to Outdoor Leader Skills**
22-23 **Webelos-o-ree**
26 District Committee

NOVEMBER 2016

5 **SFF Bag Distribution**
7-8 Student Holiday
9 Roundtable
9 OA Chapter Meeting
12 **SFF Food Pickup**
16 District Committee
19 **PowWow**
23-25 School Holiday
30 **Final Date for Recharter Turn In**

December 2016

14 Roundtable
14 OA Chapter Meeting
15 **Annual District Business Meeting**
22 Winter Break Starts

JANUARY 2017

2 Winter Break Ends
11 Roundtable
11 OA Chapter Meeting
16 MLK Jr. Day
25 District Committee
27 Moveable School Holiday

FEBRUARY 2017

5 Scout Sunday
8 Roundtable
8 OA Chapter Meeting
11 Scout Sabbath
18 **University of Scouting**
20 President's Day
22 District Committee

MARCH 2017

2 **AOL Recognition Ceremony**
8 Roundtable
8 OA Chapter Meeting
22 District Committee

APRIL 2017

7 Student Holiday
10-14 Spring Break
12 Roundtable
12 OA Chapter Meeting
15 Student Holiday
26 District Committee

MAY 2017

10 **Program Launch**
10 OA Chapter Meeting
24 District Committee
29 Memorial Day

June 2017

3 **Soda Bottle Rocket Derby**
7 Roundtable
7 OA Chapter Meeting
9 Last Day of School
21 District Committee

JULY 2017

4 Independence Day

AUGUST 2017

9 Roundtable
9 OA Chapter Meeting
24 District Committee