



Goose Creek District Newsletter



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 New Article

From [Bobwhite Blather, Nov 2020](#)

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion merit badge



You may have heard that the Boy Scouts of America are planning to update their portfolio of Scouts BSA merit badges to include a new one on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.

With the renewed attention being paid to the plight of minorities in America and around the world, brought to the forefront by the myriad cases of violence and brutality against people of color and the rise of the Black Lives Matter movement, it's only natural that the premier organization devoted to the furtherance of ethics among our youth should incorporate an element of tolerance and understanding toward others.

In June, the BSA announced its commitment to combat racial injustice. Within the letter to stakeholders was included a mention of a new merit badge on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion to be required for the rank of Eagle Scout. At the time of the letter, few specifics were available.

We are now being told that the requirements have been completed and approved, are coming out December 1, and that the badge will be available for Scouts to earn as of January 1, 2021. And effective with Eagle boards of review held on or after May 1, 2021, the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion merit badge will be required to earn the rank. It'll become the 14th Eagle-required merit badge, displacing one of the electives.

Education in diversity and inclusion isn't just for the Scouts. Training for BSA's professional employees was rolled out over the summer, and a course for adult volunteers is on the way. It's not on the Online Learning Center just yet, but watch for an announcement soon.

The BSA's action to further diversity and inclusion is not alone. The World Organization of the Scouting Movement, the global organization that supports Scouting around the world, has included a diversity and inclusion initiative in the triennial plan from 2014, and it's a pillar of the WOSM's Vision 2023 strategic plan.

Diversity is really one of the bedrocks of our movement. Any youth can be a Scout, regardless of social status or financial ability. Our doors are open to all. The Scouts in the troop I served for many years represent a wonderful farrago of national origins – Black, Latino, Asian, Indian, and European – all functioning together in patrols and sharing each other's culture. The Scout Oath and Scout Law have the same relevance whether one was born and raised in our town or made the migration from halfway around the world to our shores.

The concept of diversity encompasses recognizing people as individuals, understanding that each one of us is unique, and respecting our individual differences. Recognizing diversity in Scouting involves valuing and having regard for everyone, and using those differences to create cohesive and diverse local, national and world communities. The WOSM reminds us that recognizing and encouraging diversity within Scouting is important as it brings different and unique opinions and thus strengthens the capacity of the Scouting movement. The step forward in offering the Diversity and Inclusion merit badge is a good one for our youth.

District News

District Website: www.NCACBSA.org/GooseCreek



Welcome to our New District Director



We are pleased to announce that Barb Perez has joined Goose Creek as our new District Director.

Barb Perez began her Scouting career as a Tiger Mom back in 2000, she has served as a volunteer; den leader, cubmaster, and committee member. Adding to her volunteer work she has served as day camp director, and served on National Camp Staff. She has been a troop guide for Wood Badge and is a member of the OA, and has earned her Brotherhood. She received her Silver Beaver in 2013. She is the mom to two Eagle Scouts, and a very active Webelos Scout.

Professionally she began her Scouting Career in Washington state as the Registrar for Pacific Harbors Council and eventually moved to Field Service Staff, where she served as a District Executive, and District Director in Southwestern Washington. In 2019, she moved across the country to join NCAC's Development team where she has worked as the Development Director. She is eager and excited to be back in the field, and is ready to hit the ground running in the Goose Creek District as our new District Director

Barb earned her Master's degree from Liberty University. Barb's husband Lee is (happily) retired Active Duty Army, together they have 6 children, two still at home Jacob – 16, Eagle Scout, and Marlee – 9, Webelos. They are the proud grandparents of 3 beautiful girls. She is very excited to work with everyone in Goose Creek.

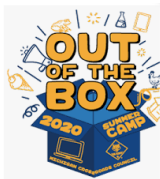
Her contact information is Barb.Perez@Scouting.org her cell phone is 757-570-5067.

Goose Creek Uniform Closet



Goose Creek now has a Uniform Closet! We held a Uniform Drive in June, and were able to acquire a bin full of Pack uniform pieces, as well as a loaded bin of Troop pieces! Many thanks to all of the units and families that made donations that week. Your donations are very much appreciated. We now have a functioning closet, so please reach out to Shannon Klee at goosecreekcubcamp@gmail.com if you know of a Scout or adult leader that needs some help with their uniform, or if you would like to donate to the closet.

Goose Creek Day Camp and Twilight Camp



Goose Creek Day and Twilight Camp have been officially scheduled, so plan accordingly! Camp 2021 will be held once again at the Loudoun County Fairgrounds, from June 28-July 2 (Day Camp) and June 28-July 1 (Twilight Camp). Watch for updates as we move closer to the season! Contact Shannon Klee at goosecreekcubcamp@gmail.com with questions.



Open House



Troop 1154 is having a virtual open house for all Arrow of Light Scouts on Thursday December 10 at 7:30 pm. At the meeting, the scouts will be able to participate in fun interactive activities and parents will gain an understanding of what Troop 1154 is all about.

The meeting information is as follows:

Date: Thursday, December 10, 2020

Time: 7:30 PM

To RSVP, please to go to

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4BA5A72AAAF49-troop> or mail us at info1154@trooptrack.com.

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Goose Creek Help Wanted (actually, Help Desperately Needed)



Does your Pack rely on a strong JSN to keep your unit healthy? Does your Troop rely on District Events such as the Camporee, Freeze-o-ree and others to help deliver the best possible program to your Scouts? In order for this to continue to happen, the Goose Creek District Committee is in need of your help to grow. Work directly with the Vice Chairs and other committee members to help strengthen and grow Scouting in Goose Creek. Experienced and novice Scouters all have the ability to contribute and many hands will make light work. Please consider helping the Goose Creek Committee today!

Any questions, contact our District Committee Chair Jim Bonfils at

JimBonfils@icloud.com

“Onward and Upward”

On the Advancement Trail



New Eagles



Congratulations to Goose Creek’s newest Eagles:

Caleb James – Troop 956

Joseph Jovene – Troop 969

Christian Kirkwood – Troop 712

Scott Lesho – Troop 1910

Andrew Morrison – Troop 910

Chase Shamp – Troop 956

William Weitzel – Troop 1159

Ben Willoughby – Troop 956

Aden Vinnacombe – Troop 956



Does Virtual Camping Count Toward Camping Merit Badge and Order of the Arrow Nights Camping?



Virtual camping (i.e., backyard or solo camping) may be counted toward the required nights of camping for the Camping merit Badge and OA election eligibility if all the following stipulations are met:

- To be counted, all virtual camping nights should be a direct result of COVID-19 pandemic restrictions and be part of a BSA unit-organized unit camping event (i.e., multiple members of the unit are involved and camping simultaneously at remote locations).
- Some form of unit-organized communications should occur either during or immediately following the event.
- All existing youth protection policies and digital safety guidelines must be followed.
- No more than 3 nights of virtual camping are to be credited in any month in which government- or council-imposed COVID-19 restrictions are in place.

This change is in effect until further notice. Please see <https://oa-bsa.org/coronavirus/temporary-camping-night-policy-due-covid-19> for further details.



Eagle-Required Merit Badges: Difficulty Rankings



It’s no secret, some Eagle-required merit badges are harder to earn than others. If you’re interested in difficulty rankings and recommendations of when to complete each Eagle-required merit badge, check this [website!](#)



Scoutbook Domain Change



The BSA IT team has completed an update to the Scoutbook domain and web address that you login to Scoutbook. This update has created an issue for some users trying to access Scoutbook, and while BSA IT works to resolve the issue at a system level, details about this issue and how to resolve it locally are copied below. In addition, you can read the complete update here >>

[November 23, 2020 Scoutbook Updates](#)

- Scoutbook has been moved to <https://scoutbook.scouting.org>. A redirect form <https://www.scoutbook.com> has been put in place. If you have Scoutbook pages bookmarked, please update them. Users of the volunteer written and supported Feature Assistant Extension for Scoutbook for Chrome and Firefox may get a pop-up asking for permission to run the extension on the new domain. The URL for the sandbox is now <https://scoutbookpp.scouting.org>.

This change will make Single Sign On and reports more reliable because they are all running on the same domain.

- BSA IT is currently working to fix an issue that is directing users to Internet Advancement instead of Scoutbook. There are 2 workarounds:
 - Use an Incognito or Private window. See [Finding Your Browser's Private Browsing Mode](#) if you need help.
 - Clear your cache and scoutbook.scouting.org cookies in your browser. Note clearing all cookies, not just the scoutbook.scouting.org cookies will affect other web sites you visit.

Life-to-Eagle Training



Due to the year's pandemic situation, the Life to Eagle Seminars for 2020 have had to be postponed. The only safe option for conducting it would be virtual, and quite frankly, no one wants to sit in on a virtual training that lasts 3-4 hours. We had been holding out hope that things would have relaxed in late summer or early fall, but the strongly-preferred option - one of the county's public libraries - hasn't availed itself. While some of them are open, recent communications from the Loudoun County Public Library system have confirmed that the meeting rooms are not open. Looking forward, they've shared, "we don't know when we'll be opening meeting rooms again, but we expect it will be quite some time."

In light of the unfortunate loss of L2E Training opportunities this year, the Advancement Committee is willing to share the slides by sending a PDF set of those materials directly to the Advancement Chairs and L2E Guides within each of the Troops in the district. To request a copy, we simply ask that you send an email to us (at MSVA_Tenor@yahoo.com) and in that email, provide the below information. It's important to note that the slides alone are insufficient as a standalone document for conveying the necessary information, and are heavily dependent upon the voice-track that accompanies it in the L2E sessions. The information below will help us stay in touch with the key advancement personnel in the individual units themselves.

- Unit Type & Number and email for the recipient
- Name of L2E Training materials recipient
- Actual position the recipient holds (Adv Chair, L2E Guide, etc)

★ Glenn A. and Melinda W. Adams National Eagle Scout Service Project of the Year Award



The National Eagle Scout Association has established the Glenn A. and Melinda W. Adams National Eagle Scout Service Project of the Year Award to recognize valuable service of an exceptional nature by a Scout to a religious institution, a school, community, or other entity. The award recognizes the Scout for his Eagle Scout leadership service project. Each year, local councils select a council-level winner, and from that pool, each region selects a region-level winner. A national winner is then selected from the four regional finalists.

Council Eagle Scout Service Project of the Year Award. On or before January 21 of each year, an Eagle Scout, his/her parents, or any registered BSA volunteer (with the Eagle Scout's permission) may submit his Eagle Scout service project for consideration. The Scout must have passed his Eagle board of review in the prior calendar year (January 1 to December 31). Each council NESA committee will choose one winner from among the council nominees. The winner will receive a certificate and a bronze device for the Eagle Scout embroidered knot from the National Eagle Scout Association. In addition, it is recommended that each winner's name be added to a perpetual plaque located in the council service center or other prominent local council facility, and provided by the council. All council winners will be considered for the Regional Eagle Scout Project of the Year Award. Council winners are encouraged to submit a link to an HD video about their project to the national NESA office.

Submission Guidelines

The nomination shall be submitted to the NESA committee of the council in which the service project was completed on or before January 21 of each year. The submission must include the application (found on www.nesa.org), a name and summary of the project, and the Eagle Scout's contact information. A complete duplicate copy of his Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook (previously submitted by the Scout to his Eagle board of review committee) must be attached to the application.

Evaluation Criteria

- Project planning required
- Effort to develop the project
- Extent and character of the leadership provided by the Scout
- Extent of achievement of the planned result, including
- changes or modifications required to complete the project
- Project's impact on the beneficiary and/or on the community at large
- Originality of the project
- Scope of the work
- Time and materials contributed
- Level of skill employed to complete the project

Email applications to adamsaward@scouting.org.

BSA Unveils Distinguished Conservation Service Award



For more than a century, the BSA has encouraged and honored conservation work with an award that recognizes youth, adults and organizations who have demonstrated tremendous effort and commitment to the environment. **This award, which until now had been known as the William T. Hornaday Award, is being discontinued**, and the new BSA Distinguished Conservation Service Award is being introduced to underscore the importance of encouraging everyone to participate in environmental stewardship.

The new BSA Distinguished Conservation Service Award will continue to recognize the conservation efforts of Scouts, Venturers, Sea Scouts, adult volunteers, and other individuals, corporations, and institutions that contribute significantly to natural resource conservation and environmental protection. It has been streamlined and modernized to build on the extraordinary contributions made by all the dedicated award recipients to date, and we believe the changes will help make these important efforts even more accessible for today's members.

The BSA continuously looks for opportunities to improve our programs and awards as part of our efforts to strengthen the Scouting experience for all. As part of the BSA's commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion, we are in the process of reviewing our programs, names of camps, awards and other aspects to ensure each component models our commitment because there is no place for racism or discrimination – not in Scouting and not in our communities. As we reviewed the William T. Hornaday Award, the BSA uncovered issues with Dr. Hornaday that go against the BSA's values, and we determined that, given this information, the conservation award should no longer bear his name in order to uphold our commitment against racism and discrimination.

Effective immediately, the Boy Scouts of America is transitioning conservation recognition to the new BSA Distinguished Conservation Service Award. The change in the award going forward does not in any way diminish the impactful conservation efforts taken on by Scouts, volunteers, and organizations over many years as part of the previous awards program. Their efforts have made important and positive differences in their communities and remain among the proudest bodies of work in Scouting.

For those who have earned a Hornaday award prior to this change, the legacy award can now be referred to as the BSA Distinguished Conservation Service Award. Although we are unable to replace medals or badges earned by previous award recipients, replacement certificates can be requested.

For those that have submitted or are currently working on a Hornaday award or project, the new award program outlines a path to transition to the BSA Distinguished Conservation Service Award. Bronze or Silver award distinctions will be used temporarily for individuals whose efforts were already submitted or underway under the previous award program.

For all others, the BSA Distinguished Conservation Service Award will stand on its own as the organization's highest award for conservation and environmental service.

More information on the new awards program, including details about how you can participate is available [here](#).

Seeking Scoutmasters for Camp Snyder Merit Badge Week 2021



Scouters, we're looking for adult leaders with Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster experience to fill 10 positions, to guide up to 100 provisional overnight camping and 50 day camper Scouts BSA during the Camp Snyder Merit Badge Week of July 18-24, 2021. This summer camp will be conducted with NCAC approved COVID-19 virus transmission precautions.

As a temporary Scoutmaster, you will monitor and guide small provisional groups of Scouts BSA during the day and/or overnight. We need male and female Scoutmasters for the expected male and female mix of Scouts BSA who will be participating. Oversight in monitoring compliance with the camp's COVID-19 virus transmission precautions will be particularly important.

During the day there will be adult-led Merit Badge classes. Outside of the classroom, Scoutmasters will need to oversee dining inside and outside of the Marriott Dining Hall, as well as the fun activities, like the swimming pool and night-time campfires. Overnight Scoutmasters will camp with their provisional units in the Camp Snyder campsites.

This is an opportunity for former or current Scoutmasters or Assistants with a flexible schedule to serve our youth in a time of need! We desire Scoutmasters who can spend part or all of the week during the day and overnight but will certainly welcome those that can only serve during the day or overnight to fill these 10 around-the-clock positions.

If you are interested, please contact Rick Ferry, rt.ferry72@gmail.com or Dave Seitz, dbseitz@gmail.com.

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. Scout's 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: rjfmf99@hotmail.com

Merit Badge Counselor Corner



NCAC MeritBadges@Home program



NCAC will be hosting a January Session of the NCAC MeritBadges@Home program soon and we are looking for Merit Badge Counselors.

The event will take place online between Monday, January 11 and Sunday, January 31.

If you are available during this timeframe and you'd like to help a group of Scouts earn Merit Badges in online courses, please follow the link below to sign up:

[COUNSELOR SIGN UP FORM - January 2021 NCAC MB@Home](#)

Please sign up by Wednesday, December 30.

If you'd like to host more than one Merit Badge, fill out this form multiple times, once for each badge.

NCAC will handle Scout registration, provide a video conferencing platform (Zoom), and a YPT-compliant collaboration platform (Basecamp). If you have not participated in the NCAC MeritBadges@Home program before, then we will help onboard you before your first session.

Click [here](#) view the live event schedule and see who has already signed up as a counselor.

Don't worry if your preferred badge or preferred time slot has already been reserved. We are happy to host multiple sessions of the same Merit Badge. We have access to multiple Zoom rooms, so we can have multiple sessions operating at the same time.

If you have any questions about this event or how to sign up as a counselor, please contact Event Shepherd Bill Pzedpelski at bill.pzedpelski@gmail.com or Ping @Bill Pzedpelski on the NCAC Basecamp.



The loaded mini-van pulled into the only remaining campsite. Four Scouts leapt from the vehicle and began feverishly unloading gear and setting up the tents and tarp. Then two of the Scouts rushed to gather firewood, while the others set up the camp stove and cooking utensils.

A nearby camper marveled to the Scoutmaster, "That, sir, is some display of teamwork."

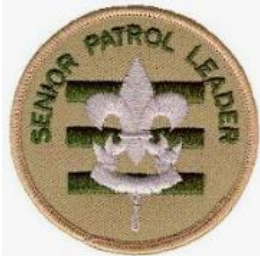
The Scoutmaster replied, "I have a system — no one goes to the bathroom until the camp is set up."

Council / National News

Council Website: www.NCACBSA.org



Troop Elections and Ranked-Choice Voting



When you switch to ranked-choice voting in the next election for senior patrol leader, Venturing crew president or Sea Scout ship boatswain, you'll get the most-preferred candidate in the least time, teach young people a fascinating lesson about elections, and do something courteous and kind by sparing the feelings of Scouts who get few or no votes.

In ranked-choice voting, instead of selecting just one person to win, voters privately rank every candidate on the ballot. The ballots are then tabulated round by round without the need for runoffs. That's why you'll also see ranked-choice voting called "instant-runoff voting."

In each round of tabulation, the candidate with the fewest votes is eliminated. Each voter who ranked that candidate at the top of their list has their vote reassigned to their next-highest pick. This process is repeated until one candidate has received a majority of the votes.

To see a practical example of this go to this [Bryan on Scouting article](#).

Whatever election format you choose, be sure to check out [Bryan on Scouting's tips](#) for running safe and efficient unit elections online.



Michael's Woodshop



Michael's Woodshop (located at Camp Snyder) restarted operations over the summer and has operated throughout the fall following our Covid-19 Safety Guidelines. We are looking forward to our upcoming Pinewood Derby Days sessions starting in December. Under our Safety Guidelines, our PWD sessions this winter will be operating at 50% of normal capacity to limit group sizes, provide room for distancing and to allow time for sanitizing tools and surfaces throughout the sessions.

Here is a link to [Michael's Woodshop News](#), Winter 2020-21 which was just posted to the Camp Snyder website.



How to Host a Pinewood Derby Event Safely this Year



A lot of things have been cancelled, pared down and changed because of the COVID-19 pandemic, but your pack's Pinewood Derby season can totally still happen.

There are a couple of ways to make this favorite Cub Scout event happen. First and foremost, be sure to follow your local government's rules and regulations, along with [CDC guidelines](#). Those policies will help you in choosing how to run your event and allow you to stay safe and have a really successful race day!

For more information check this [Bryan on Scouting article](#).



NCAC to Participate in the Virtual Peace Light Ceremony



A Peace Light Ceremony has been hosted by the National Capital Area Council (NCAC) International Committee since 2017. It has been held at the Marriott Scout Service Center on the second Saturday of December since 2018. Each year the scout lead ceremony has grown in participation. Plans for a December 12, 2020 ceremony have been cancelled however due to the COVID-19 concern.

A virtual Peace Light Ceremony will take place on Sunday December 6, 2020 at 9 pm EST. It will be hosted by Peace Light North America. The website is <https://www.peacelightnorthamerica.org/virtual.php>. The website provides a variety of information including additional history, online registration, resources and FAQs.

The direct link to view the live broadcast will be on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qr5Yjb1tCT0>.

Though our local formal gathering will not take place, light or flame transfer stations have been set-up to provide access to those who may still wish to receive the Peace Light this year. The preliminary list of persons who are available to share the light are the following:

Elizabeth Esper – elizabethesper@yahoo.com

Jeff Lepak – star.surfer8@gmail.com

Jay Eidson – ir.ncac.je@gmail.com

Anthony Malone – travitaly4@gmail.com

In 2021, the ceremony is expected to return to the scout center.

Peace Light Overview and History

The Peace Light, symbolic of the Light of Christ especially evident at Christmas, is meant to promote peace, harmony and unity among all people of the world regardless of race, ethnicity or creed. Many churches, Scouting, and associated community organizations use the Peace Light in Advent worship services, parish tree lighting events, and other special ceremonies. Some groups even maintain the Peace Light year-round using the flame to ignite their Sanctuary Lights, Baptismal Candles, and Votive Lamps.

The Peace Light from Bethlehem campaign was originally organized in 1986 by the Austrian Broadcasting Company as part of a large charitable relief mission Light into Darkness, for children in need in Austria and abroad. Since 1986, and especially after the fall of Communism in Eastern Europe in 1989, there has been a growing cooperation between Scouts in many countries allowing the light to travel throughout 30 European nations.

Each year in late November, a child from Austria lights a lantern from the continuously burning candle in the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem, the site of Jesus birth. The light, known as the Peace Light, stored in special explosion-proof lanterns, is then flown with a safety adviser back to Vienna, Austria, where it is shared with delegations from across Europe who distribute it with a message of Peace to their own countries for use at ecumenical services. Scouting organizations then take the light to houses of worship, hospitals, homeless shelters, nursing homes, and places of public, cultural and political importance – to anyone who appreciates the significance of the “gift”.

In early December, Austrian Airlines representatives transport the Peace Light from Austria to New York City’s John F. Kennedy International Airport. A distribution ceremony of about 150 adults and children gather at the airport’s Our Lady of the Skies Chapel to welcome the light of peace and kindle their own flames.

The light’s pilgrimage across the U.S. begins from New York City via volunteers, many of whom are Scouts and Scouters associated with the Boy Scouts of America and Girl Scouts of the USA, transferring and sharing it in their communities. Many other dedicated volunteers meet, share, and move the Light across North America, person-to-person, coast-to-coast. The Peace Light is a sign of hope. It has expanded from a small flame to a sea of lights in a few years and shines with its message to millions of people worldwide.

How to Include 'Eagle Scout' on an Application



We know that applicants should include their Eagle Scout Award on a college application, but what's the best place for that information?

Admissions professionals say you have several options, including your résumé, application or personal essay. The bottom line is this: Don't just include the words "Earned Eagle Scout in 2019." Provide the context, too.

"We recommend that Eagle Scouts not simply list the achievement on the application," says Mark Cortez, director of outreach and recruitment at The Ohio State University. "For example, their project management, organization and leadership development could be highlighted in their activity description or in their essay."

When doing so, remember that application readers might not know Scouting terminology like "senior patrol leader" or "Eagle project." Include the context there, too.

You might want to do one or more of the following:

- Briefly outline the process for earning the Eagle Scout Award
- Share how many hours of volunteer time you completed as a Scout
- Explain the leadership opportunities you experienced ("As the top elected youth member of my Scout troop, I led 30 Scouts over the course of six months.")
- Talk about how you planned, developed and gave leadership to others for your Eagle project

Describe a memorable Scouting trip, especially one where you overcame difficult circumstances to have an enjoyable experience

New High-Adventure Base 'Find Your Adventure' Portal Launches



The BSA's Outdoor Adventures team is gearing up to welcome Scouts and Scouters to high-adventure bases for the 2021-2022 seasons. To help you manage registering for these life-changing experiences, you can log on to a new [Find Your Adventure info portal](#).

Registration for 2022 opens during the last week of October at Philmont Scout Ranch, Florida Sea Base, Northern Tier and the Summit Bechtel Reserve.

Through the new portal, you can review and register for any of the BSA's high-adventure bases all from one site. Different from the previous system, you will be required to log in with your My.Scouting credentials.

Reservations are finalized in the order they are received, so log in to your My.Scouting account to confirm your username and password, and that all your information is current. Your reservation will be populated from the information in your My.Scouting account. To help you Be Prepared, review this [checklist](#).

By confirming you can log in, or resetting your information if needed ahead of time, you will have a smoother registration process. If you need help resetting your password, check out these [instructions](#).

Save the Dates for Summer Camp 2021 at Goshen Scout Reservation



Next summer, we'll be offering five weeks of summer camp at all our Webelos and Scouts BSA/Venturing resident camps and four weeks of backpacking program and river trekking program at Lenhok'sin High Adventure.

Week 1: June 27 – July 3, 2021

Week 2: July 4 – July 10, 2021

Week 3: July 11 – July 17, 2021

Week 4: July 18 – July 24, 2021

Week 5: July 25 – July 31, 2021

Due to COVID-19, all Goshen camps will be in deposit phase until March 1, 2021. To reserve your unit's spot, you'll need to register and pay for one youth. Spaces for your unit will be reserved based on the number of spots you request during registration. Beginning March 1, units will be able to add and pay for their other youth and adult campers. Provisional scouts – individual Scouts BSA and Venturers (not Webelos) attending without their unit as part of the Provisional Camp program – will also be able to sign up beginning March 1, 2021.

Learn more about Goshen's Webelos camps, Scouts BSA/Venturing camps, Lenhok'sin High Adventure, the Provisional Camp program, and Summer Camp 2021 at www.gotogoshen.org

Training Opportunities

Pow Wow Weekly Webinar – Fall Funstravaganza



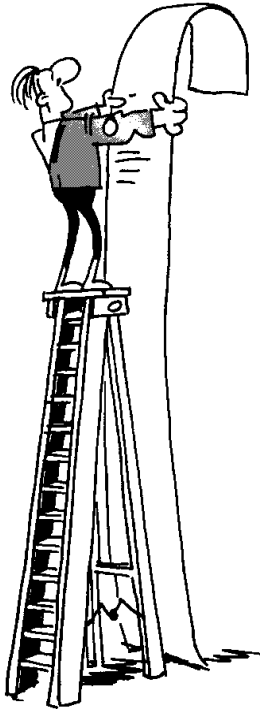
If you weren't able to join us for the first installment of our Pow Wow weekly webinars – We had a blast!

Talking about the resources and ideas for safe Cub Scout events and having fun to keep Scouts involved in the program is both crucial and challenging.

Here is the [site](#) where they are posting their resource links. They plan to update this site weekly with additional content.:



District Calendar



December 2020

9 Roundtable
 9 OA Chapter Meeting
 10 Commissioner Mtg
 16 District Committee
 23-31 Winter Break

January 2021

1 Holiday
 13 Roundtable
 13 OA Chapter Meeting
 14 Commissioner Mtg
 18 MLK Jr. Day
 19 Moveable School
 Holiday
 20 School Holiday
 (Inauguration)
 27 District Committee

February 2021

5 Scout Jumuah
 6 **Freezeoree (Virtual)**
 6 Scout Sabbath
 7 Scout Sunday
 10 Roundtable
 10 OA Chapter Meeting
 11 Commissioner Mtg
 15 President's Day
 16 District Committee

March 2021

2 School Holiday
 6 **District Pinewood
 Derby**
 10 Roundtable
 10 OA Chapter Meeting
 11 Commissioner Mtg
 24 District Committee
 29-31 Spring Break

April 2021

12 School Holiday
 14 Roundtable
 14 OA Chapter Meeting
 15 Commissioner Mtg
 28 District Committee

May 2021

12 Roundtable
 12 OA Chapter Meeting
 13 Commissioner Mtg
 26 District Committee
 31 Memorial Day

June 2021

9 Roundtable
 9 OA Chapter Meeting
 10 Commissioner Mtg
 23 District Committee
 28 **Day Camp Starts**

July 2021

4 Fourth of July

August 2021

11 Roundtable
 11 OA Chapter Meeting
 12 Commissioner Mtg
 25 District Committee

September 2021

6 Labor Day
 8 Roundtable
 8 OA Chapter Meeting
 9 Commissioner Mtg
 22 District Committee

October 2021

11 Columbus Day
 13 Roundtable
 13 OA Chapter Meeting
 14 Commissioner Mtg
 27 District Committee

November 2021

10 Roundtable
 10 OA Chapter Meeting
 11 Commissioner Mtg
 17 District Committee &
**Annual District
 Business Meeting**
 30 **Final Date for
 Recharter Turn In**