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For Everyone

Goose Creek District Newsletter



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from Scoutmaster Clarke Green, <https://scoutmastercg.com/scoutings-ulterior-motive/>

Scouting's Ulterior Motive

Keep before your mind in all your teaching that the whole ulterior motive of this scheme is to form character

Baden-Powell

Scouting's ulterior motive, our goal as Scouters, is forming character.

The methods of Scouting, (the patrol system, outdoor adventure, etc.), are the tools of character development. We track this development using reflection, counselling, mentoring and coaching.

If our work is invested in developing an individual's mental and moral qualities, what milestones indicate we've succeeded? What direction do we want to see this formation take?

The Scout Oath and Law define the ideal character we aim to develop; the ability to resolve conflicts, solve problems, empathize with others, persevere through difficulties, control impulses, communicate clearly, make thoughtful decisions, and work cooperatively with others.

As we observe our Scouts we are looking for these indicators of character development:

- A sense of curiosity – the drive to collect information and expand knowledge.
- Ability to solve problems by analyzing choices ethically
- A capacity for recognizing, reasoning with, understanding, and managing emotions in others and in themselves
- Adaptability to different situations, capacity for thought, innovation and adventure.
- Understand the value of ethics and morals as ways to understand and help people, society and the world.
- True concern for others expressed in empathy and compassion.

Scouts with strong character have internalized the Scout Oath and Law and measure themselves against this internal standard; they judge their own actions based on self-knowledge and self-motivation. They learn to appreciate and nurture themselves. They realize that their physical, mental, and spiritual well-being not only benefits themselves but keeps them prepared for service.

We've succeeded when Scouts begin to see beyond their own welfare to the interests of others, understand the importance of teamwork, engagement, commitment and working together towards common goals.



New Article
/Updated
Information

District News

District Website: www.NCACBSA.org/GooseCreek

★ Goose Creek District Freeze-O-Ree, February 18-20, 2022 at Camp Snyder



Scouting Arctic Expedition:

The Arrowmen of Amangamek-Wipit embody the motto “Be Prepared” and believe the recent balmy temperatures of late are lulling us collectively into a false sense of security. Winter is coming! We anticipate the conditions for a record setting blizzard will align in early February. Howling winds, perilous snowfall, marauding packs of wolves roaming the tundra, etc.

With that in mind we are planning a campout to end all campouts - an Arctic gathering of Goose Creek Troops on the permafrost of Camp Snyder. Only the most hardy and well caparisoned Scouts should attend. We will provide all the necessities (ice axes, snowshoes, crampons and polar bear repellent) but the Troops should be mentally prepared for competition there at the glacier's edge. We will have games, songs and challenges to celebrate our collective readiness for the new ice age! And if the forecasts are not entirely accurate, and we don't lose at least a half a dozen to frostbite and penguin mauling, we will still have a grand time.

Sign up early.- The last unit to register will have to camp among the leopard seals and fight the walruses for food.

Registration is open - deadline is midnight February 16. Participant Guide and COVID Prescreening Checklist are on the registration page:

<https://scoutingevent.com/082-54828>

★ Spring Camporee 2022



Attention Goose Creek! By popular demand our District will host another Spring Camporee at Camp Highroad during the weekend of March 25-27, 2022.

The program will include half a day of optional high adventure activities. Scouts and adult leaders will be able to select from High Ropes, Zip Line, Team Challenges, Mountain Boarding, Monkey Bridge and Rock Wall Climbing.

The other half day will consist of patrol challenges designed around a theme of “To Catch A Spy.” The intent is for patrols to compete with each other for best achievement at each round robin station. Prizes will be awarded to the winning patrols.

When: March 25-27, 2022

Where: Camp Highroad in Middleburg, VA

Who: Troops, Venturing Crews

Cost: \$29 per person

Register: (site is under construction)

Please contact Camporee Director Charles Thornton at

scouterchalis@gmail.com or 571-420-1035 for more information



Goose Creek Certified Range Masters



Are you interested?? Goose Creek District needs Certified Range-masters to run shooting events in upcoming Scouting Year 2022. All that is needed is to complete this course either sponsored by NRA or NCAC certified instructors. Here is an upcoming class for FY2022:

NRA Basic Range Safety Officer Course

This an 8-hour RSO course. You must be 21 years old to take this course. NRA Range Safety Officer candidates should be experienced shooters, involved in many aspects of target shooting, training and range supervision. The NRA encourages active shooters to learn more and become responsible for the safety of fellow shooters through this program.

When: 19 February 2022

Where: Frederick, MD Click link below for details.

Range Safety Officer Course

Completion of NRO Range Safety Officer course qualifies Goose Creek District Scouters to serve as a Range master for BB-Gun and Slingshot shooting sport events commonly held at Cub Scout Summer Camps and Webelos-O-Ree events. This certification is good for 2-years and must be renewed if interested in continuing as a GCD Range master

If you're interested in applying for a Shooting Sports event download and fill out the [Shooting Sports Event Request](#).



District Pinewood Derby 2022



2022 Goose Creek District Pinewood Derby Championships hosted by Pack 1154 of Ashburn, VA will be held on March 11-12, 2022.

Traditionally, the top five cars of each den/rank from each pack is allowed to enter. If your unit did not run a race or have scouts who could not participate in a 2022 derby, please join us. We want everyone to experience the fun of the pinewood derby. The event awards both speed & design for each rank, a giant open class (where anyone can enter), a less rules/outlaw race and a grand championship.

The race will be in-person and the grand championship and special races will be streamed online. We have a new soon to be announced venue that will bring some new excitement to the event. Each \$10 entry will receive a patch and entered into a drawing for prizes. Pre-registration will open February 11, 2022 and will be required to enter the event.

Direct any questions to the Event Managers, Jason Beshore & Rob Winter at goosecreekderby@pack1154.org. For the latest details go to <https://www.pack1154.org/goosecreekpinewood>



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



OA Elections and Unit Visits



Unit Leaders - the OA election season is open. Election scheduling is on a first come-first serve basis, so we recommend you contact us ASAP at OAelections@goosecreekdistrict.org to schedule for your Unit. Qualification requirements for both youth and adult remain unchanged, and can be found at oa-bsa.org/about/membership. The Goose Creek Spring Ordeal is currently scheduled for May 6-8, 2022.

Even if you have no Scouts qualifying for election, we'd like to pay your Unit a visit, to explain the purpose and mission of the Order, as well as talk about all that's available at Council camp facilities. Scheduling for those Troop Relations visits are also completed via the email address above. Please direct any questions to Vice Chief Sterett P. or Andrew W. at the email address above, or our Chapter Chief Emmitt P. at ChapterChief@GooseCreekDistrict.org.

"Onward and Upward"

On the Advancement Trail



New Eagles



Congratulations to Goose Creek's newest Eagles:
Anthony German – Troop 961



End of Temporary COVID Advancement Requirement Changes



The BSA just announced that on March 1st this year all temporary changes made to Scouts BSA advancement requirements to address the COVID-19 pandemic will expire, and the standard rules for Scouts BSA advancement will return on the March 1st date.

This will include the temporary deferment of some swimming requirements for Second Class and First Class, the virtual activities temporarily substituted for Tenderfoot, Second Class and First Class ranks, and requirement 9b for the Camping merit badge; in all of these instances the regular requirements will return on March 1st, 2022. The GUIDE TO ADVANCEMENT, Section 10.2.2.0, states: "(Youth) members must meet current advancement requirements as written for merit badges, all ranks, and Eagle Palms—no more and no less—and they are to do exactly what is stated."



New Process for ESRA Verifications and Submittals

We have a new process for Eagle Scout Rank Applications (ESRAs) approvals that is going into IMMEDIATE EFFECT. The reason for this is at the end of this message.

ESRA Verification for Approval to hold an Eagle Scout Board of Review (EBoR)

1. Whereas before the District Eagle Representatives (DER) would review the ESRA and initial it before you sent it in to Council, now they will be the ones signing the ESRA for the Council.
2. If they find no problems with the ESRA the unit can then set up the EBoR.
3. No notification to Council needs to be done. Council will not be responding to any ESRA verification requests.

District DERs:

Alan Steiner
Brad Scales
Bobbie Scales
Kurt Struder
Ed Thiede
Mark Keefe

Note: If you already have a Council approved ESRA you are still good to go and don't need the DER to sign it.

After the EBoR:

1. All ESRAs are to be emailed in to council at 082NCAC_EagleCert@scouting.org. No exceptions.
2. Only the ESRA is required. The Statement of Life Ambitions, project workbook, blue cards, etc are not to be sent in. Note: Approved Time Extensions should still be included.
3. Council will no longer be accepting hardcopy dropoffs at the office.

Why, why, why:

With the change from ScoutNet to Akela for Council use, the BSA broke a number of tools on ScoutNet and has been unable to rebuild them on Akela; one of those tools was ESRA Verification. Which means that all ESRA now have to be manually reviewed, and with over 1,300 ESRAs going in to Council annually, and one person there to verify them, it has become impossible to do in any timely manner. So the districts will now be taking up the slack to verify the ESRAs. There is no short-term fix for Akela so this will be our new process for quite some time.



2022 Eagle Scout Rank Application (ESRA)

BSA recently posted the 2022 version of the ESRA on <https://www.scouting.org/advancement>. There were only two changes - under Age Requirement Eligibility, the board of review information was updated to 24 months which reflects the Guide to Advancement 2021 change and the 3rd page was removed regarding NESA's request for supplemental information. Scout's DO NOT need to reaccomplish the ESRA as a result of these changes. The NCAC Eagle Scout Information page link connects you to the new version.



Citizenship in Society, the BSA's Newest Merit Badge



The first group of merit badge counselors for this new badge have been trained and approved by the NCAC Merit Badge Dean. Remember, while Citizenship in Society will be Eagle-required after June 30, 2022, it's available today for any Scout to pursue.

Goose Creek currently has four approved counselors - contact info will be posted on the password-protected MBC list maintained on the Goose Creek website in early February (<https://www.ncacbsa.org/goose-creek/district-resources/>).

There are about 40 approved counselors across the NCAC territory - if you need more information, please contact Rich Pender, Goose Creek District Merit Badge Dean at meritbadgedean@goosecreekdistrict.org.



Adding Merit Badge Resources to The Scouting App



We shared a new way designed to help Scouts with their merit badge work. It's now available through Google Play or the Apple App Store: the Merit Badge Helpfuls section of the Scouting app.

This section is intended for Scouts and Scouters to post resources and links — called Helpfuls — all in one place that other Scouts and Scouters can easily find.

"We've created a section in the Scouting app where Scouts can pass along the online resources they've found," says Will Woodard of the BSA's national marketing department. "Maybe it's a YouTube video. Or a TikTok. Even resources they've created themselves."

How to use it

To use the Helpfuls section, follow these steps:

1. Open the Scouting app
2. Click on the Troop button under your Scout's name
3. Go to Advancements/Merit Badges/See All
4. Click on a merit badge
5. Click on the three lines in the top right of the screen
6. Click the Helpfuls button

This link takes you to a page where you can fill in all the information needed to share your resource with others. Your submitted Helpful will be vetted for appropriate content, and after approval will be added to the Helpfuls list for that requirement.

If you don't have a login to the Scouting app, you can still add Helpfuls. For an in-depth tutorial, watch this [video](#).



Life-to-Eagle Seminar



The next L2E Seminar for 2022 is tentatively scheduled for.

Date: Saturday, April 23, 2022

Time: TBD

Place: A Loudoun County Public Library (actual one pending confirmation)

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

If you are a Life-to-Eagle Adviser or Advancement Chair for your Unit and have not attended one of these in Goose Creek within the last 2 years, you really should make an attempt to do so.

Any questions about Life-to-Eagle training can be directed to Brad Scales ...
MSVA_Tenor@yahoo.com; or 703-850-6679.

Council / National News

Council Website: www.NCACBSA.org



Scouts Trash the Trash Day



Scouts Trash the Trash Day is an international Messengers of Peace project for Scouts around the world, where each Scout is challenged to bring a friend or family member along and pick up at least one Kilo (2.2 pounds) of trash each on the first Saturday in May.

The idea for Scouts Trash the Trash Day came from the scouts of Troop 1206 in Helena, Montana after realizing that there are several days throughout the year that Scouts get together and do the same thing on the same day. Days like Jamboree on the Air and Internet, Jamboree on the Trail, Trees for the World, World Neckerchief Day, but there was not a day for Scouts to all get together and clean up their communities. Thus Scouts Trash the Trash Day was started. Scouts are asked to bring a non-scout with them on this day of service in order to double the impact of their trash cleaning effort.

Scouts Trash the Trash Day is about more than just cleaning our planet, it is a day to show the world what Scouting is about, educate individuals about Scouting and recruit new boys, girls and adults into the Scouting movement..

For more information go to [Scouts Trash the Trash Day](#)



Scout Sunday, Scout Sabbath, and Scout Jumuah



Scouts try their best to live by the 12 points of the Scout Law seven days a week, 365 days a year. But each February, around the time of the BSA's birthday, we ask our Scouts to pause and pay extra attention to the Scout Law's finishing touch: reverent.

Through the celebrations known as Scout Sunday, Scout Sabbath and Scout Jumuah, Scouts take a moment to reflect on their faith. Every unit can celebrate Scout Sunday, Scout Sabbath and/or Scout Jumuah as they choose. But the occasions are especially important for Scout units supported by faith-based chartered organizations.



In those units, the celebrations offer a great opportunity to give back in a public way. That could mean wearing the full field uniform to worship services, where the worship leader presents religious awards to Scouts and Scouters. It could mean participating in the service by distributing programs, greeting guests, or leading a song or prayer. Or it could mean a daylong pack, troop, ship or crew service project that benefits the religious organization.

When is Scout Sunday 2022?

Scout Sunday 2022 is Feb. 6, 2022, according to the BSA's Calendar of Religious Observances, which stipulates that Scout Sunday should fall on the Sunday before the BSA's birthday on Feb. 8. But units and chartered organizations are free to schedule Scout Sunday on any Sunday in February. In the United Methodist Church, for example, this year's Scout Sunday will take place on Feb. 13. That's completely fine, according to the BSA's official guidelines, which say that a local church can "celebrate on the Sunday most acceptable to the pastor and congregation."

You can buy the Scout Sunday 2022 patch, at ScoutShop.org.



When is Scout Sabbath 2022?

Scout Sabbath 2022 is Feb. 4 and 5, 2022, according to the BSA's Calendar of Religious Observances and the National Jewish Committee on Scouting. Scout Sabbath (also called Scout Shabbat) is the Jewish observance of the significance of religion in Scouting. It begins at sundown on Friday, Feb. 4, and continues into the next day, Saturday, Feb. 5.

If local COVID regulations permit, Jewish Scouts are invited to attend their local Jewish Committee on Scouting-sponsored Scout Sabbath or their regular worship services in their field uniforms. If Scouts have earned any religious emblems, they should wear them to the service.

Though the National Jewish Committee on Scouting has designated Feb. 4–5 as Scout Sabbath for 2022, some councils or units will celebrate the occasion on other days. Be sure to check with your council or local Jewish Committee on Scouting to verify the date.

When is Scout Jumuah 2022?

Scout Jumuah 2022 is Feb. 4, 2022, but units may adjust this date to best meet their needs. Scout Jumuah (sometimes stylized as Scout Jumu'ah) is the Islamic observance of the significance of religion in Scouting. It lasts from sundown on Thursday, Feb. 3, to sundown on Friday, Feb. 4. Scout Jumuah offers a chance to recognize the contributions of young people and adults to Scouting within the Muslim community.

Michael's Woodshop – Pinewood Derby Days



Michael's Woodshop has a great process to guide Cub Scouts through the Pinewood Derby Car creation process. Each Cub Scout will leave with a paint-ready car. There are several ways to participate in the fun:

Open Registration.

Individuals or small groups can sign up for one of our open registration sessions. (Registration is now open)

Pack or Den Events

Packs or Dens may reserve Michael's Woodshop to hold their own pinewood derby event. (Remaining dates are limited – inquire soon)



Climbing in National Capital Area



Become a climbing mentor for your unit and give Scouts the adventure of climbing on nearby natural rock. The NCAC Climbing Committee will offer April 2022 Climbing Level I Instructor training on Saturday, 4/30 and Sunday, 5/1 at the Devil's Kitchen climbing area on Maryland's ***Sugarloaf Mountain***. We will meet each day at 8:15 am near the East View Parking Area and conclude by 6:00 pm. Details are available in our ***logistics memo***. Contact the Course Director at ***ncac.climbing@gmail.com*** to register for the event.

Registration now Open for 2023 World Scout Jamboree in South Korea



In just a year and a half from now, you could be living it up with 50,000 of your closest friends from 170 different countries.

Registration is now open to join the BSA contingent at the 2023 World Scout Jamboree, set to kick off on Aug. 1, 2023, in Saemangeum, South Korea.

World Scout Jamborees are the signature event of world Scouting. Every four years since 1920, Scouts from around the world have gathered in a spirit of fellowship, fun and peace.

The BSA will send a contingent of about 500 youth participants (ages 14 to 18) to the 2023 World Scout Jamboree.

With 50,000 people expected, that means Scouts from the BSA will comprise just 1% of the Jamboree population. Translation: If a Scout meets 100 people in a day, about 99 of them will be from a country that isn't their own.

BSA Scouts will form Jamboree troops of 36 youth and four adults, with separate units for male and female Scouts. To better facilitate pre-Jamboree meetings, units will be organized by geographic region.

As of this writing, about 30% of the BSA contingent's capacity has been filled, meaning families with interested Scouts should start planning now.



For additional information go to: see this ***Bryan on Scouting article***.



2022 Goshen Summer Camp Availability



Key: Available Almost Full Full

Camp		Week				
		1	2	3	4	5
	Bowman (Patrol Cooking)					
	Marriott (Patrol Cooking & Heater Stack)					
	Olmsted (BS Dining Hall)					
	Lenhok'sin High Adventure					
	Ross (Dining Hall)					

Week 1 – 6/26 to 7/2

Week 3 – 7/10 to 7/16

Week 5 – 7/24 to 7/30

Week 2 – 7/2 to 7/9

Week 4 – 7/17 to 7/23

Week 6 – 7/28 to 8/1

Fees:

If paid by April 15: Youth \$420, Adults \$225

After April 15: Youth \$450, Adults \$265

- All units will receive two free adult leaders!

Registration: www.gotogoshen.org/registration/

Note: There may be additional fees for bus transportation, Shotgun MB, etc.



The BSA is coming up with some fresh ideas for movies that could help audiences understand some of the nuances of just what Scouting's all about...

WHO'S AFRAID OF VIRGINIA WOOLF or "Our New Den Leader"

THE AGONY AND THE ECSTASY or "My Eagle Project"

MASTER AND COMMANDER or "I Just Got Elected SPL!"

TWELVE ANGRY MEN or "Your Troop Committee at Work"

ANIMAL HOUSE or "Our New Venturing Crew"

THE EMPIRE STRIKES BACK or "Boy-Led? Not A Chance!"

THELMA AND LOUISE or "When Den Leaders Go Bad"

BRAVEHEART or "We Just Elected You Popcorn Chair"

NIGHT OF THE LIVING DEAD or "Cub Scout Family Camping"

PSYCHO or "Meet Your Camp Ranger"

THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND THE UGLY or "Your Council's Key 3"

JUDGMENT AT NUREMBURG or "My Favorite Board of Review"

CADDYSHACK or "Camp Staff After Hours"

THE MAN WHO WOULD BE KING or "So Ya Wanna Be a Scoutmaster"

High Adventure News



2022 NCAC High Adventure Expeditions!

- Philmont 12-day Backpacking: July 10-24! (4 crews)
Registration: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-50158>
- Sea Base St Thomas STEM Eco Sailing: Aug 09-15! (2 crews)
Registration: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-50854>
- Northern Tier Wilderness Canoeing – August 09-19! (1 crew)
Lenhok'sin: James River Canoeing – July 17-23! (1 crew)

NCAC High Adventure Vacancies List

- Lists vacancies in HA crews throughout NCAC
- Crews needing additional members – or –
- Individuals seeking opportunities in crews with openings
- <https://public.3.basecamp.com/p/xWpkdrKHKA9pCzwmHMNdbWb>

NCAC HAC Philmont Training Session I

- TOPICS: Expectations, med forms, physical prep, gear, program, treks
- Sunday, November 21st – 1:00 to 5:00 pm
- Mt Olivet UMC, 1500 N. Glebe Rd., Arlington VA 22207
- ALL 2022 PHILMONT-BOUND CREWS INVITED (limit: 2 per crew)

NEW NCAC High Adventure Sourcebook

Two-volume set extensively details HA opportunities in US & worldwide

Volume 1: current information on BSA and Council HA bases and camps

<https://public.3.basecamp.com/p/gPPyixZdGr1FLP5M2C8yuAt1>

Volume 2: Treks Prep Hikes and Overnights in the Mid-Atlantic Region

<https://public.3.basecamp.com/p/UEH3o3JD9c1XtSYRFmr9nFKS>

NCAC HAC Philmont Camperships

- AVAILABLE TO ALL 2022 PHILMONT- BOUND PARTICIPANTS
- NOTE: Philmont also makes scholarships available directly for each crew; you cannot receive both...
- <https://public.3.basecamp.com/p/pvxerCxKKwU6GCiVhWDHBQz2>

John Blackwell, HAC Chair: john.blackwell@goosecreekdistrict.org

HAC web page: www.ncacbsa.org/high-adventure

All Leaders Should Use the Four Points of S.A.F.E. When Delivering the Program



Use this [checklist](#) of key safety elements to help ensure all participants of Scouting can enjoy the program safely.

Cub Scout Day Camp at Camp Snyder, Haymarket VA



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

Sessions run from Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm.

Session 1: June 27 – July 1

Session 2: July 11-15

Early Bird Registration (up to Apr 16):	\$220 – Scout, \$50 – Adult
On Time Registration (up to May 14)	\$240 – Scout, \$55 – Adult
Late Registration (after May 14)	\$260 – Scout, \$60 – Adult

Each unit can make only one registration per camp session. Only one person, the Unit Registrar, should manage the registration, enter information, and make payments on behalf of the unit. (Parents should contact their unit registrar to register their youth to go to camp.)

For more information and to register: <https://www.gotosnyder.org/summer-camp/day-camp/>

Scouts BSA Merit Badge Week at Camp Snyder



Camp Snyder has some amazing facilities. Among those are our Woodshop and our STEM facility. We have created a Scouts BSA Specialty week designed to showcase the activities we can provide for all of our Scouts. Want to earn your Woodworking or Woodcarving Merit Badge? Want to learn about Drones and spend some time in our STEM lab. Come out and spend a week of your summer with us.

Combine your interest in merit badges with camping, dining, swimming, boating, and many other summer camp favorites.

There are two attendance options: 1) You can stay at Camp Snyder all week and camp overnight or 2) You can choose to be a day-only participant and just stay for the merit badges.

When: July 17 - 23

Early Bird Registration (up to Apr 16):	\$210 – Scout, \$165 – Adult
On Time Registration (up to May 14)	\$230 – Scout, \$185 – Adult
Late Registration (after May 14)	\$250 – Scout, \$205 – Adult

1 Leader is FREE with your Troop registration of 5 or more Scouts. Units who plan to send 5 or more scouts must provide a minimum of 1 adult leader per 5 scouts.

Each unit can make only one registration per camp session. Only one person, the Unit Registrar, should manage the registration, enter information, and make payments on behalf of the unit. (Parents should contact their unit registrar to register their youth to go to camp.)

For more information and to register: <https://www.gotosnyder.org/summer-camp/specialty-week/>

Cub Scout Weekend Resident Camp at Camp Snyder, Haymarket VA



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

Sessions run from Friday at 9:00am to Sunday at 9:00am, and feature 2 nights of overnight camping. Meals are provided starting with Friday lunch through Sunday continental breakfast. New for 2022 is a Thursday night check in for all 3 weekend programs! Come in on Thursday night, get your campsite set up and your swim tests out of the way to make more time for Friday fun!

Session 1: June 23 – June 26

Session 2: June 30 – July 3

Session 3: July 5-7

Session 4: July 7-10

Early Bird Registration (up to Apr 16):	\$215 – Scout, \$80 – Adult
On Time Registration (up to May 14)	\$235 – Scout, \$105 – Adult
Late Registration (after May 14)	\$255 – Scout, \$130 – Adult

2 Leaders FREE per Pack with your unit's Resident Weekend registration

Each unit can make only one registration per camp session. Only one person, the Unit Registrar, should manage the registration, enter information, and make payments on behalf of the unit. (Parents should contact their unit registrar to register their youth to go to camp.)

For more information and to register: <https://www.gotosnyder.org/summer-camp/resident-weekends/>

The Akela Chess Classic Cub Scout Tournament



Take on the fun and challenge of playing chess! The Akela Chess Classic is a five-round chess tournament open to all Cub Scouts from Lions through Arrow of Light. Tournament play is in two brackets: Lions/Tigers/Wolves and Bears/Webelos/Arrow of Light.

When: February 5, check in at 8:30 AM. Rounds are at 9 AM, 10 AM, 11 AM, 1 PM and 2 PM. Awards at 3:30 PM.

Where: Microsoft Technology Center, 12012 Sunset Hills Road, Reston, VA 20190

Fees: The cost is \$25.00 per Scout.

Awards: Each participating Scout receives a custom tournament patch and year rocker. Trophies/medals will be awarded to first, second, and third place by rank for each of the Cub Scout ranks. Multiple awards will be issued for ties.

Registration: Registration is open at <https://scoutingevent.com/082-ChessCubs>

The Akela Chess Classic BSA Tournament



Take on the fun and challenge of playing chess! The Akela Chess Classic is a five-round chess tournament open to all Scouts BSA, Venturers, and Sea Scouts from age 10 to 20. Tournament play is in three brackets: age 10-12, age 13-15, and age 16 and up.

When: February 12, check in at 8:30 AM. Rounds are at 9 AM, 10 AM, 11 AM, 1 PM and 2 PM. Awards at 3:30 PM.

Where: Microsoft Technology Center, 12012 Sunset Hills Road, Reston, VA 20190

Fees: The cost is \$25.00 per Scout.

Awards: Each participating Scout receives a custom tournament patch and year rocker. Trophies/medals will be awarded to first, second, and third place by rank for each of the Cub Scout ranks. Multiple awards will be issued for ties.

Registration: Registration is open at <https://scoutingevent.com/082-ChessClassic>

Michael's Woodshop – Camp Snyder



Monthly Classes: Michael's Woodshop offers a variety of monthly classes including merit badge classes and specialty classes. Registration for 2022 classes opens in January. Use the Upcoming Events link to learn more.

Schedule Your Own Event: Michael's Woodshop may be reserved by Scouts or Units for a wide range of activities including Eagle Scout projects, Baloo the Builder and Build It Workshops and other fun unit activities. Our Shop Stewards are available to help plan your event. Pick a project from our [Project Idea List](#) or propose your own.

Visit our webpage for information about reserving the shop. 2022 Unit reservations have already begun!

[Upcoming Events and Shop Calendar](#)

View our [Activity Slideshows](#)

Click here to see [Youth Shop Use Measures](#).





2022 Goshen Family Camps



Come on down and enjoy some family fun at Goshen Scout Reservation over the Memorial Day (5/27-30) or Labor Day (9/2-5) long weekend. We will have the Waterfront, Shooting range, and Handicraft areas open. All are welcome, not just registered scouts.

Cost is \$30 per person (over 5 years of age). For more about these events and to register go to: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-51073#>

Our Philmont Preparedness Seminars are back!



Philmont will be hosting monthly broadcasts to help offer you and your crew supplemental information to best be prepared for your upcoming trek. The seminars will be approximately one hour in length and be hosted live on our Facebook page. The following day, all content will also be uploaded to our website so there is no live commitment required! All live sessions will also host a Q&A.

Seminar Release Schedule:

- March 16th, Base Camp Procedures
- April 20th: Recap and Updates

All sessions can be viewed live on the corresponding dates at 6:30 P.M. Mountain Time.

Live broadcasts on Facebook can be found at this [link](#).

All information can be found the following day on our [website](#).

American Legion Eagle Scout of the Year



How much: \$10,000 for the winner and \$2,500 apiece for three runners-up

Who's eligible: Eagle Scouts who are at least 15 and registered, active members of a Boy Scout Troop, Varsity Scout Team, or Venturing Crew chartered to an American Legion post, American Legion Auxiliary unit or Sons of The American Legion squadron — or Eagle Scouts who are registered, active members of a chartered Boy Scout Troop, Varsity Scout Team, or Venturing Crew, and the son or grandson of a Legionnaire, Sons of The American Legion or Auxiliary member,

Nomination Window: Nov 1 - March 1

What's required: Application, photograph, school participation record, Scouting record, community service record, religious award record and four letters of recommendation.

Link: www.legion.org/scholarships/eaglescout

Questions: Email scouting@legion.org

Training Opportunities

Wood Badge



Wood Badge is the Boy Scouts of America's ultimate leadership training designed to meet the advanced leadership needs of Scouters in all aspects of the BSA, whether unit, district, or council level – from assistant den leaders to Scoutmasters, from Cubmasters to Venturing Advisors, from committee members to commissioners. It is a fun, energetic, and inspiring course guaranteed to infuse your unit with fun and meaning – all designed to fulfill the mission of the BSA, and ensure our youth is getting everything they are promised from the program.

Reflecting the best of nearly a century of Scouting experience, Wood Badge draws upon the most current leadership models used by corporate America, academic circles, and successful organizations throughout the country. Participants can expect to develop skills in many areas, including leadership theory, team building, problem-solving, communication, project planning and more. These skills can be taken back to packs, troops, crews, and ships to help leaders guide youth in dynamic Scouting programs. Scouters will find these skills invaluable in their business and personal lives as well.

Wood Badge consists of two parts:

- The first five full days is the initial group training, usually held over two weekends – the first weekend Friday through Sunday, and the second Saturday and Sunday.
- The second part requires participants to apply the skills they learned by completing a 5-part plan (called a “ticket”) over the following 18 months, leading towards the individual participant's vision of a better Scouting future.

Requirements for attending Wood Badge:

1. Be registered members of the Boy Scouts of America and age 18 or older.
2. Have completed the basic position-specific training courses for their Scouting role.
3. Be capable of functioning safely in an outdoor environment. All participants are required to complete the Annual Health and Medical Record. Parts A, B, and C are required which includes a physical. Part C is required for everyone, including people who are not present for more than 72 hours.

A minimum (non-refundable) deposit is due with registration, and then full payment is due 45 days before the start of the course. Each Wood Badge course is limited to 48 participants. Per national guidelines, any course not having 30 fully paid participants 30 days prior to the start of the course is subject to cancellation.

QUESTIONS?

For information about specific courses, contact the Course Director listed on the [registration page](#).

**NCAC Camp's OPI: Wilderness First Aid Winter / Spring 2022**

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

This 2 day course will offer day only instruction Saturday from 0730 - 2000 and Sunday from 0730 - 1600. There will not be an overnight stay involved. Participants should bring their own lunch / snacks. If a participant needs a place for an overnight stay they may contact the main camp office.

Dates:

- Feb 12
- Mar 12
- Apr 9

Cost: \$200

To register go to: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-53087>

COVID 19 Virus Precautions: Spring WFA will be limited to 20 participants per session to allow for proper social distancing. The class space will be disinfected daily per CDC guidelines. Each attendee will certify they performed virus temperature and symptoms checks the day of arrival. Each attendee and staff member must wear a mask indoors and at any time physical distancing cannot be maintained from others. Hand sanitizer or soap and water is available for personal hygiene. These procedures were used successfully for previous sessions of this course.

Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills (IOLS) and Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation (BALOO)

BALOO

Are you interested in adding a camping component to your Pack activities? BALOO training is a one-and-a-half day introduction to the Cub Scout outdoor program. You will complete the online prerequisite component, and then an overnight practical camp to use your new skills. We'll review BSA's Cub Scout level camping policies, and provide the necessary tools to help your unit carry out a successful camping experience.

BALOO participants must complete the online prerequisites course before attending the overnight practical.

It is mandatory for a MINIMUM OF ONE adult on a Pack overnighter to have taken this course. Best practice has a minimum of three on any Cub campout.

Bonus: You are welcome to attend one of the IOLS prerequisite classes. If you elect to do so - You will be given credit for both BALOO and IOLS, with no extra cost.

When: March 19-20

Where: American Legion Youth Camp - 9201 Surratts Rd, Cheltenham, MD 20623

Cost: \$35

Registration: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-PAXIOLSSPRING2022>

Back Country Outdoor Leader Skills (BCOLS)



Back Country Outdoor Leader Skills (BCOLS) is an optional course offered to adult leaders who have completed the required training in their Scouting program. This course assists Scouters working with youth in the backcountry by providing the skills necessary to conduct a safe and risk-managed high adventure program in venues outside those supported by BSA infrastructure. It has been continuously designed to address new and emerging issues, techniques, and gear.

BCOLS has three key goals:

- Provide adult leaders with an understanding of safety and risk management issues in the back country environment.
- Expose adult leaders to interpersonal, small group dynamics, and leadership models consistent with National syllabi and curricula.
- Familiarize adult leaders with the planning processes, skills, and equipment necessary to a successful back country adventure.

BCOLS consists of two parts:

- One day-long classroom session

Working Together — covers needs and characteristics of the age group; discusses group dynamics and the interpersonal skills needed to build and maintain a high-performance team.

Trek Planning and Preparation — covers the detailed preparation and planning that is necessary to a successful Trek and includes risk management, Leave No Trace principles, and discussion and displays of the personal and crew equipment used for Trekking, as well as other Trek tools.

- Two-day weekend outdoor session provides a mix of skill presentations and hands-on practice. Activities include Leave No Trace camping skills, problem solving through initiative games, the use of bear bags/canisters, equipment maintenance, stove maintenance, water treatment, menu planning and trail cooking (and clean-up), terrain awareness, health and safety and personal hygiene issues, hands-on land navigation, and trail meditations.

Requirements for attending BCOLS:

- Be registered members of the Boy Scouts of America and age 18 or older.
- Have completed the basic position-specific training courses for their Scouting role.
- Be capable of functioning safely in an outdoor environment. All participants are required to complete the Annual Health and Medical Record. Parts A, B, and C are required which includes a physical.

Both Session Must be Attended to get credit for the Course.

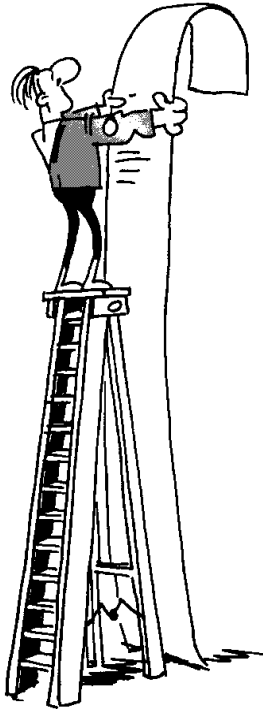
Class Room Session: Saturday March 5, 2022 at Huntingtown UMC, 4020 Hunting Creek Rd, Huntingtown, MD

Weekend Session : Saturday April 23 thru Sunday April 24, 2022 at American Chestnut Land Trust, 2650 Scientists Cliff Road, Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Registrataion: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-53132>

Cost: \$65

District Calendar



February 2022

4 Scout Jumuah
5 Scout Sabbath
6 Scout Sunday
9 Roundtable
9 OA Chapter Meeting
10 Commissioner Mtg
18-20 **Freeze-o-ree**
21 President's Day
24 District Committee

March 2022

9 Roundtable
9 OA Chapter Meeting
10 Commissioner Mtg
11-12 **District Pinewood Derby**
24 District Committee
25-27 **Spring Camporee**

April 2022

13 Roundtable
13 OA Chapter Meeting
14 Commissioner Mtg
23 **Life to Eagle Training**
27 District Committee

May 2022

5-6 **OA Ordeal**
11 **Program Launch**
11 OA Chapter Meeting
12 Commissioner Mtg
26 District Committee
30 Memorial Day

June 2022

8 Roundtable
8 OA Chapter Meeting
9 Commissioner Mtg
20-24 **District Day Camp**
23 District Committee

July 2022

4 Fourth of July

August 2022

10 Roundtable
10 OA Chapter Meeting
11 Commissioner Mtg
20 **Life to Eagle Training**
25 First Day of School
25 District Committee

September 2022

5 Labor Day
14 Roundtable
14 OA Chapter Meeting
15 Commissioner Mtg
26 Student Holiday
29 District Committee

October 2022

5 School Holiday
10 School Holiday
12 Roundtable
12 OA Chapter Meeting
13 Commissioner Mtg
24 School Holiday
26 District Committee
31 School Holiday

November 2022

1 School Holiday
5 Scouting for Food Notice Distribution
8 School Holiday
9 Roundtable
9 OA Chapter Meeting
10 Commissioner Mtg
12 Scouting for Food Pickup
19 **Life to Eagle Training**

December 2022

14 Roundtable
14 OA Chapter Meeting
15 Commissioner Mtg
19 School Break Starts
29 District Committee

January 2023

11 Roundtable
11 OA Chapter Meeting
12 Commissioner Mtg
16 MLK Jr. Day
23-24 School Holidays
26 District Committee