From the District Chairman:

Summer is here, pools are starting to open, and before we know it schools will be out for the summer. So much to do! Cub Scout Day Camp, summer camp, family vacations; should be a great summer.

To make this summer even greater we need to make sure that the activities we have are well-planned and well-manned. At the Patriot District we have the well-planned down to a fine art, but are still lagging a little on well-manned. This is my appeal to all of you: WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!!!

We have 180 Scouts registered for Cub Scout Day camp (week 10 – 14 July), and as of this printing, we have eight (8) volunteers but need 20. We also need about 20 Boy Scouts to help as well. Please reach out to your units and your families and ask them to help. We do not need the same people all week. Even volunteering for one day would help. Please contact Justin Day if you can assist!

Next we will be manning a Scout booth at Celebrate Fairfax (9-10 June). This booth will be used to highlight Scouting and promote recruitment. If you can give a few hours, please contact Kyle Moldene.

Looking forward to September we have the 8th Annual (hard to believe it has been that many already!) Patriot District Golf Outing. New this year are Hole-in-One prizes to include a Harley Davidson Roadster!!! Only $100 to register and all proceeds go to scouting.

So enjoy the graduation season, you know Tiger to Bear, Bear to Webelos and maybe a High School or College graduation thrown in just for fun…and be sure and keep the “Outing in Scouting”.

Yours in Scouting,

Steve Smith, Patriot District Chairman

There is no development physically or intellectually without effort, and effort means work.

~ Calvin Coolidge (b. July 4, 1872)
From the District Commissioner

School will be out in a couple weeks and our summertime activities will begin. Camping and Advancement are important aspects of our unit programs and there is no better time than summer to participate in both. Preparing for your summer activities is also a great opportunity to take a look at your Journey to Excellence score sheet to look for areas in which you might help your unit. Camping and Advancement are two areas where knowing the thresholds for the next higher level may help you get there. These are also two areas in which the district is scored so helping your unit also helps the district. Please keep track of the number of scouts that attend a long term camp as the district will need to know this. For our Packs, think about earning your National Summertime Pack Award. Earning this award guarantees an active, fun summer with your dens.

Online registration is here now and we’ve begun to have applications submitted and additional information requested. The unit Key 3 are supposed to be notified by email on Tuesdays and Thursdays if there is an application or request for information that requires action. I’m not convinced this is working as advertised, but the Key 3 can log into my.scouting.org and see if they have any notifications by looking to see if a number is in the alert bell at the top right of screen where you sign out. If there is a number there, click on it and it will take you to what needs attention. Also we’ve had some issues with the email on file with the BSA being different from what is currently used. Everyone should insure your profile has the correct email address. As far as any training for the use of online registration, there are training videos, how to files, and preparation checklists at www.scouting.org/onlineregistration.

Kids and adults alike now carry cell phones. Taking and posting pictures online of the fun activities being done by our scouts this summer is a good way to share experiences with other scouts in the district. Anyone who wants to share summer activity photos with the district, can send them to patriotsocialmedia@yahoo.com for posting on the Patriot District Facebook page. Cell phone cameras in camp can also unfortunately present some opportunities for misuse. Adults should be alert for any misuse of these cameras. Youth Protection Training discusses this. Speaking of YPT, there is always an issue at recharter time of a few volunteers not being current. Get online this summer and renew your YPT and you need not worry about it for another two years. This will help you unit immensely in getting their recharter done on time. It’s my understanding the YPT course will change later this year.

Everyone have a fun Scouting summer!!!

Dave Astle
District Commissioner

“
A government big enough to give you everything you want is a government big enough to take from you everything you have.”

~Gerald R. Ford (b. July 14, 1913)
Patriot District Events

Web Calendar: www.ncaebsa.org/patriot

**June 2017**
- 2-3  IOLS (Camp Snyder)
- 2-4  Wood Badge (weekend #2)
- 8    Roundtable
- 8    OA Chapter Meeting
- 10   STEM University (Camp Snyder)
- 17   OA Chapter banquet
- 13   Commissioner Meeting
- 18-23 NYLT (complete session)
- 25-30 NYLT (complete session)
- 27   PD Committee Meeting

**July 2017**
- 4    Independence Day
- 10-14 Cub Scout Day Camp
- 19-28 National Jamboree
- 30   Patriot Press Deadline – August
- 31 to 5 Aug NYLT (complete session)

**August 2017**
- TBD  OA Chapter Cook-Out/Social
- 4    First Popcorn Order Due
- 8    Commissioner Meeting
- 10   Roundtable
- 10   JSN Training (at/prior to Roundtable)
- 19   First Popcorn Distribution
- 22   PD Committee Meeting

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CUB SCOUT ROUNTABLE!

All Cub Scout Leaders, Come Out and Join us for Fun & Fellowship and to Pick-Up some New Ideas for your Pack and Den Programs!

The Purpose of the Roundtable:
To provide the skill to do – skills, techniques, information, program ideas – and the know-how that makes for successful unit operation.

To provide unit leadership with the will to do – the morale, enthusiasm, inspiration, and vision that periodically renew the desire to serve youth.

When: Thursday, June 8th, 2017
Where: Saint Stephen's United Methodist Church, 9203 Braddock Road
Midway: 7:30 – 8 PM
Roundtable: 8 – 9 PM

Brian Behlke, Cub Scout Roundtable Commissioner
bbehlke@hotmail.com, 662-812-3496

Boy Scout Roundtable
Not just for Scoutmasters
Patriot District Boy Scout Roundtable
Thursday, June 8th, 2017
Saint Stephen's United Methodist Church, 9203 Braddock Road, Burke
Midway: 7:30 - Pre-Opening: 7:40 – Roundtable: 8:00 to 9:00

Topics: Roundtable Review and New-Year Planning
(High-end door prize! Help keep next year’s program value-added)

Randy Witter, Boy Scout Roundtable Commissioner
703-323-5220, Randy.Witter@gmail.com
Steve Polchek: 703-978-1309, sapolchek@verizon.net
JSN and New Pack Membership & Marketing Position

Start planning for your Fall Join Scouting Night (JSN) events now to ensure that you have quality events and the word gets out to prospective new members. Let your unit’s fun-filled activities and the excitement of your members show on their faces to your visitors and their parents. Ensure that you let your Unit Commissioner know your JSN event date(s).

On a related note, NCAC has created a new adult position for Packs called the Pack Membership Chair. The “Key Responsibilities” for this position follow:

1) Meet with unit leaders and committee quarterly to discuss membership goals and objectives.
   a) Are more than 10% of the available youth in our area getting Scouting? (Some info available from district on local Market size. Check with your DE and/or your public school’s website.)
   b) How do we let the community know the great things our youth are doing?
   c) Do we have a working relationship with all the schools and youth institutions in our area?
2) Establish and maintain unit web presence (e.g., BeAScout pin, unit website, link from district website or Facebook, unit Facebook, other newer media possibilities)
3) Use, or evaluate, BSA’s new Online Registration System – including Invitation Manager
4) Run at least 2 recruitment/Scouting promotion events per year to insure unit growth (e.g., school fairs, back-to-school picnics, back-to-school nights, PTA newsletters, science fairs)
5) Distribute membership flyers to schools or faith-based organizations
6) Establish relationships with all the faith-based organizations in your area:
   a) Posting information about Unit on their bulletin board, website
   b) Requesting presence in their service literature
   c) Connecting them with unit leaders for service project opportunities
7) Conduct Scouting Rallies In schools, leveraging council support when needed
8) Attend a membership chairperson training session or annual best practices seminar
9) Track the membership of your unit to insure growth
10) Adopt a school or faith community and conduct one community service project for them at least once a year
11) Insure That new youth and adult applications are turned into the council service center in a timely manner – 1 week after receipt of applications is ideal
12) Ensure unit achieves JTE Gold status in membership
13) Prepare press releases for “good deeds”, events, and achievements

I don’t know what you could say about a day in which you have seen four beautiful sunsets.

~ John H Glenn Jr (b. July 18, 1921)
Patriot District Day Camp: July 10-14

Calling all day campers! Registration for the 2017 Patriot District Day Camp is now open. This year, the Patriot District Day Camp will again be held at Gesher Jewish Day School located on Mattie May Ct. off Shirley Gate Road in Fairfax. The camp will run from July 10 – 14. Planned activities include BB shooting, archery, slingshots, sports, Scout crafts, and – back by popular demand – the climbing wall. The theme for this year is bug hunters. Early bird pricing is $190 per Scout. The camp directors held two question and answer sessions for parents, coordinators, and interested staff at Fairview elementary school in March. If you were unable to attend one of those session, or if you have any questions regarding day camp, would like to schedule the camp directors to come out and talk to your pack, or are interested in volunteering as a member of the staff, please contact either Niko Brown, nikobrown@gmail.com, or Justin Day, kappasighacksaw@yahoo.com.

Registration information can be found at: www.gotodaycamp.org

Adult Volunteers Needed

As some of you have heard, we are in urgent need of adults to volunteer to help out with Day Camp this year. As things currently stand, we would be unable to hold the camp due to a lack of staff. We have over 110 Scouts already registered and are expecting at least 20 to 30 more by the time camp begins. So I am reaching out to all of you to ask you to consider volunteering for the camp. We can use help for as much as you are willing to give, whether it's for one day or the entire week. We currently need help at almost all of our stations, including: scouting skills, climbing wall, arts/crafts, sports, archery, and slingshots. While we cannot offer payment for your service, lunch is provided each day and we are working on being able to offer a campership for those who already have a scout registered to attend the camp. The camp is located at Gesher Jewish Day School (off of Shirley Gate Rd and Braddock) and the hours are from 8-4 each day. The dates are from July 10 - 14.

Additionally, we need at least 20 Boy Scouts to help out during the week. The Scouts should be at least 14 years of age or First Class and a demonstrated maturity to work with younger Cub Scouts. They will be able to rotate through the stations during the week and will also be provided with lunch each day.

If you are willing to help, know someone else who might, or have Boy Scouts in your unit, please sign up at our signup genius located at the following URL:

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084aa5a628a64-2017

Thank you for your consideration and for helping to spread the word on our need for help.

Justin Day, Patriot District Day Camp Program Director
Calling all AoL Scouts and their Parents!

Learn what Boy Scouting is all about! Meet area Troops and Boy Scouts!

**WHAT:** Patriot District “Road to Scouting”  
(Webelos to Boy Scout Transition Seminar)

**WHEN:** Sunday, September 17, 3:00 pm– 4:30 pm

**WHERE:** Redeeming Grace Church  
5200 Ox Rd, Fairfax, VA 22030

**WHY:** Arrow of Light Scouts are almost ready to graduate from Cub Scouting. Boy Scouting is the next fantastic step on the Scouting trail. Come learn about the fun of Boy Scouting, how it’s different from Cub Scouting, and how to go about finding a Troop that is a good fit for each boy.

Questions? Contact Ken Gaul, kgaul@verizon.net, or  
John R. Stewart, john.r.stewart.civ@mail.mil, 571-318-0549

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We need YOUR Troop for “The Road to Scouting”

Help recruit your Troop’s next generation of Boy Scouts from the Patriot District’s Cub Scout Packs!

**WHAT:** Road to Scouting (Webelos to Boy Scout Transition)

**WHEN:** Sunday, September 17, 3:00 – 4:30 pm (setup begin at 2:15 pm)

**WHERE:** Redeeming Grace Church, 5200 Ox Rd. Fairfax, VA 22030

**WHY:** In the fall Webelos II/Arrow of Light Scouts begin the process of searching for Troops to join. This is a chance for your Troop to get early exposure to area Webelos, advertise your upcoming recruiting events, and give our Webelos a sense of the adventure that awaits them in Boy Scouting! Bring a display of what you do! Bring written materials to hand out! Bring an activity. Bring Boy Scouts to talk to Webelos!

Reserve your space? Questions?

**CONTACT:** John Stewart, john.r.stewart.civ@mail.mil, Ken Gaul, kgaul@verizon.net
Minute Man Sam and his Uncle Need You!!

Patriot District is in need of a Popcorn Kernel. Who wouldn’t want a cool title like that?? As the Patriot District Popcorn Kernel you serve as the principal Point of Contact between the Patriot units and the NCAC Popcorn Team, which is led by the NCAC Popcorn Kernel. Your mission includes verifying unit orders in September, October, November, and December.

You also support the unit kernels by (1) answering their questions, which you can pass along to the Council Popcorn Kernel for an answer, and (2) arranging for show and sales at various local stores and creating an online signup process for the Patriot units. We’ve used sign-up genius in the past. Other responsibilities include promoting the popcorn initiative throughout the District – for example, setting up a popcorn table at the monthly Roundtables from 7:30 pm - 8:00 pm on the second Thursday of each month.

Other Patriot District volunteers will help you distribute the orders to units at the pickup location. There will be four pickup dates in the middle of the following months: September, October, November, and December. It involves three hours of service to Scouting on a Saturday morning. You also get to provide a brief popcorn update for the monthly Patriot Press.

There is no formal training to be our Popcorn Kernel. But you don’t have to do this on your own!! You learn from information provided at the Council Popcorn Kickoffs, asking the Council Popcorn Kernel, asking the prior Popcorn Kernel, and from the online manual. Our District Executive, Kyle Molldene, and last year’s Kernel (Pat Ring) will assist and be on hand to assist and sub for the Patriot Kernel on an ad hoc basis.

If you would like to volunteer or have any questions, please contact the Vice Chair for Finance, Mark Greer, at mfgreer@verizon.net or 703-300-4876.

Venturing Hike-o-Ree 2017

The 28th Annual V3 (Venturing, Varsity, and Venture) Hike-o-ree will be held October 27-29, 2017, 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, 2018.

Registration on a FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS begins on September 1, 2017, on the BSA National Capital Area Council website.

An initial unit deposit is required to reserve a particular hike not later than October 6, 2017. After you register for a hike and pay your deposit, you will be sent a confirmation email with the leader’s package and detailed information about the hike you have selected.

The cost of the Hike-o-ree is $18.00 ($20.00 for extra extra large shirts) per participant.

For more information and to register: https://scoutingevent.com/082-Hikeoree2017
Announcing New Cyber Chip

Cyber Chip is a brand new 21st safety tool for every Scout to earn.

Did you know the U.S. Congress designated June as the National Internet Safety Month?

The Internet has become an essential tool for daily use. According to a study by the Kaiser Family Foundation, kids of Generation M2, Multimedia Teens age 8 to 18 years old spend about one third of their time daily using electronic devices to get online for access to education, research, socializing, and entertainment.

In addition to safety tools to promote safe use of pocket knives and build campfires, the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) introduced the new Cyber Chip in an effort to keep kids safe while online. Recognizing that access to the Internet is necessary and at the same time can be danger to children if not properly used, the BSA partnered with NetSmartz to help educate Scouts about being safer online and to assist them in promoting community awareness of Internet safety issues: the danger of Cyber Bullying, and how Scouts can recognize and handle the situation while online.

Joining its cousins Whittling Chip, Totin’ Chip, and Firem’n Chit, the Cyber Chip is the latest necessary safety tool for the 21st century. Under the new program, which rolled out in 2016, the Cyber Chip is mandated for all Scouts, including Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Venturers. The Cyber Chip requirements are grouped by school grades and can be related to Scout rank advancements as follows:

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Cyber Chip program details can be found by clicking http://www.scouting.org/cyberchip.aspx.

Scouts will graduate to new topics each year by recharging their Cyber Chip and broaden their knowledge while staying current with today’s technology. Parents and leaders now have a resource that educates when and how electronics may be used for Scouting activities while also allowing each unit to set their own standards.

Scouts are encouraged to earn their Cyber Chip during the month of June, the National Internet Safety Month Awareness. It is fun and interactive and does not take much away from our outdoor experience of Scouting as we find ourselves spending more time online.
STEM Corner

Mark your calendar for:

What: STEM University
When: June 10, 2017 Noon to 4 pm
Where: Camp Snyder
       6100 Antioch Road, Haymarket, VA 20169
Why: To have fun

For Youth:
- NCAC Inaugural Einstein’s Science Fair
- Be prepared to bring and present your science project! This activity also supports the requirement in many Supernovas to participate in a science fair.
- Supernova recipients presentation
- Hands-on STEM Activities at Sally’s STEM Shack

For Adults:
- Supernova Mentor and Nova Counselor training
- Hands-on STEM activities for Cubs, Boy Scouts, and Venturing Scouts
- STEM-in-a-box to take back to your unit
VFW: Scholarships for Scout-aged Youth

In achieving the mission and vision of the VFW, the VFW is the Chartering Organization to more than 1,000 Packs, Troops and Crews nationwide. Several, annual scholarship awards recognize outstanding youth and adults.

VFW Wood Badge Scholarship Program

http://bsaseabase.org/home/media/relationships/vfwwoodbadgescholarship.aspx

Through a cooperative effort with the Boy Scouts of America, the VFW national headquarters offers Wood Badge scholarships to assist selected chapter members in acquiring skills that will better equip them to serve the youth of their communities.

The following youth opportunities must be submitted through a local VFW Post: (Use the links to get full details about, obtain an application, and in some cases review previous winning entries.)

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<td><a href="http://www.vfw.org/VOD/">http://www.vfw.org/VOD/</a> The premier youth scholarship program of the VFW. It gives students a chance to extol the virtues of democracy and experiment with the technologies of radio broadcasting. The first-place winner receives a $30,000 scholarship</td>
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Except for the Wood Badge adult scholarship, VFW membership by a parent is NOT required for youth application to a scholarship program.

If you’ll not settle for anything less than your best, you will be amazed at what you can accomplish in your lives.

―Vince Lombardi, Silver Beaver (b. 11 June 1913)
2017-2018 Update From the Lion Den!

Please make sure all Lion families know we want them to enjoy the benefits of Cub Scouting. Scouting is a lifelong process, not a one-time try it and done mentality like other activities. Scouting builds character, and the longer a youth is involved in Scouting, the greater the benefit…and of course, it provides more time for fun, too!

**Online registration System now works for Lions!! Incoming Lions can be registered now!!**

**There will be a Rocket into Scouting event again this Fall; launch date is TBD. As for the prior such event, a free model rocket kit will be provided to all new Scouts.**

**Cub Rally Ribbons are coming…register five new Scouts and an Adult Leader and earn your Rally Ribbon before June 30th!**

Special Tiger Den Leader epaulettes are coming. Packs can pick theirs up at the June Round Table from our DE, Kyle Molldene, or our Membership Vice Chair, John Stewart.

**Changes for Lion Program for the 2017-2018 school year:**

The national BSA organization listened to input from the field and has changed several elements to make the Lion Pilot better. Even with these changes, it is still considered a national pilot and evaluation will continue throughout the next school year.

**Registration age wording change:** To make sure the Lion pilot is more consistent with the joining wording of other Scouting program areas, and to clarify things, we have changed the joining requirements for the Lion Pilot to say: *To join: A boy who is 5 years old or the year before first grade.*

**Pinewood Derby (PWD)—appropriate alternatives:** An area of interest to many units is Lion participation in Pinewood Derby (PWD). Previously, as stated in the Lion Pilot FAQs, it is stated that Lions should not participate in PWD. The reasoning behind this was that the building of the car is not 5-year-old age appropriate and sets up the bad precedent of adults building cars with little to no participation by Lion youth. Many Packs and Districts have strict rules around their boys building the cars themselves. We know the field loves PWD and wants the Lions to join in the fun, so we are offering an alternative for you to consider.

Beginning in the 2017-2018 school year, we’d like to suggest two alternatives to the traditional PWD. Option 1 is to include Lion youth in your traditional PWD, but have youth use the wedge car available via the Scout Shop. Option 2 is to offer a Veggie Car Derby.

**Option 1 - Wedge Car.** This solution provides all the benefits: inclusion, fun, no pre-building necessary, and age appropriateness. The Lion youth just attaches the wheels and decorates. Then they are good to race!

**Option 2 - Veggie Car Derby.** The event is designed to be a fun activity to integrate with your Pack or unit, and is kid-tested and kid-approved!
A flyer explaining the Veggie Car Derby concept is currently available online at www.scouting.org/lion. A template with instructions on how to run a Veggie Car Derby will be posted by May. We hope this helps your Lion youth and families feel more included and experience age-appropriate fun.

**New merchandise:**

New Lion merchandise was requested by the field and is now available. See www.scouting.org/lion for the flyer. Feel free to share this with your units.

**Lion transition:**

Remember the Lion program begins with the school year in August-September and goes through the following May.

**Safety and other activities outside of the Lion program material:**

During development of the program an enterprise risk management review was conducted. By design, Lions are excluded from activities such as the shooting sports, climbing, camping, aquatics, and many of the activities that are considered appropriate for Cub Scouts in a Den or Pack environment. Please stick to the program guide for the boundaries of the Lion Pilot and let’s not put our participants at risk.

As always please refer to the Guide to Safe Scouting for age appropriate activities. Lion youth are not included in the Guide to Safe Scouting at this time (it's a pilot). If a Lion Scout is included in a family with other Cub Scout siblings, their participation in Pack Family camping with an older sibling and parents is not prohibited. As always, thoughtful selection of a Lion Guide who knows and follows the program as designed is a key to success.

*John Stewart, Patriot District Lion Coordinator and Vice Chair for Membership*  
john.r.stewart.civ@mail.mil

**BSA NATIONAL LION PILOT GUIDELINES:**

The pack must follow the BSA National Lion program (Lion Adventure Guide, Lion Parent and Leader Guidebook, at Scout Shop).

The den meeting/outing leadership must be shared.

The Lion Guide is not considered a Den Leader but nonetheless must be an experienced Scouter. He/she is the den's liaison with the pack and with the broader scouting community. He/she needs to work with the pack and the District and must understand the current and forward-looking intent of the Lion program in Cub Scouting. NCAC has a special position patch for this position.

The Lion Guide must take the Orientation Training at www.scouting.org/Lion (and of course be registered and have YPT).
Brief Review of The Lion Pilot

Boys must be of kindergarten age: Five years old or the year before they are in First Grade to become Lion Scouts.

Program format consistent with the current Cub Scout program and themes, but at an age-and-stage-appropriate level.

Advancement requires completion of five specified adventures out of the twelve adventures in the Lion Adventure Guide. The Lion Adventure Guides are available in the Scout Shop in a “package”. The “Lion Parent and Leader Guidebook” comes as part of this “package”.

Den meetings and outings are facilitated by a Lion Guide.
Participation is by Lion and Lion Parent Partner as a team.
Meeting and outing leadership is a shared responsibility rotated among the Parent Partners.
Two meetings/outings per month. Meetings are limited to 45 minutes long.
Participation in pack meetings is not required, though up to two den events may consist of pack meeting participation. Lion Scout bedtimes are not to be violated.

The Lion uniform is the Lion T-shirt and cap.
Completion of an adventure earns a sticker to affix in the Lion Adventure Guide.

Advancement earns the Lion Badge. Placement of the Lion badge on the Cub Scout uniform may be either suspended by the badge's loop from the left pocket button, or sewn on the left pocket in the Bobcat position (top) within the rank cluster.
8TH ANNUAL GOLF OUTING TO SUPPORT SCOUTING

Prince William Golf Course
14631 Vint Hill Rd.
Nokesville, VA 20181
www.NCACSBSA.org/PatriotGolf

Monday
September 18, 2017
Registration 8:00 AM
Shotgun Start 9:00 AM

- Various contests and challenges
- First and second place foursome
- Prizes and raffles
- Silent auction

The Honorable David Bulova
Honorary Event Co-Chair
Virginia Delegate for the 37th District

The Honorable Pat Herrity
Honorary Event Co-Chair
Fauquier County Supervisor, Springfield District

Hole In One Contest
New for 2017: Claim your chance at winning one of 4 prizes, including a Harley Davidson Sportster™ or a vacation package for Las Vegas® or a French Lick Golf Package or a Treetops Resort Package for 2.

Raffle/Silent Auction/Goodie Bag Donations
We welcome any gift certificates, discount coupons, partial auction items or other fun items. Receive recognition as the donor for your donated item.

Please register your foursome by going to: NCACSBSA.ORG/PATRIOTGOLF
Registration closes September 14, 2017
or mail or email:

Kylie Molldene - 9190 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20814
Tel: 301-214-9132 | Kylie.Molldene@scouting.org

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JOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA COUNCIL
Accidents are quite rare in Scouting. But when one does occur, it probably didn’t happen while camping. It likely didn’t involve backpacking, canoeing or climbing, either. The majority of Scouting accidents happen on the way to or from Scouting activities. They happen on the road.

As a Scout leader responsible for driving Scouts or Venturers to Scouting activities, you should do all you can to be a safe driver. That means requiring seat belt use, never texting while driving and obeying local traffic laws.

The latest step in that preparation is The Hartford Driver Improvement Program, which can be found on the BSA Learn Center. The course is free, requires no advance registration, and can be completed online in about 35 minutes. Once you finish, you’ll get a completion certificate and your official BSA training record will be updated.

**Why should I take this training?**
Because you care about the safety of Scouts. And if it’s been a few years since driver’s ed. A quick refresher is a good idea. You’ll learn how to drive defensively, recognize hazards and prevent collisions.

**How do I take this training?**
To complete The Hartford Driver Improvement Program, do the following:

1. Log in to [https://my.scouting.org/](https://my.scouting.org/)
2. Click the red BSA Learn Center box on the right.
3. Scroll to the heading “Expanded Learning.”
4. Click the box marked “Program Safety.”
5. Look for “Program Safety” again and click “+Add Plan.”
6. Click the “Program Safety” link, then click the “Drive Safely” link.
7. Begin the training.