



The Patriot Press

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**Patriot District
Life to Eagle
Seminar & Discussion Roundtable
For Life Scouts and Parents**



**Saturday, October 13, 2018
9 AM – 11:00 AM
Living Savior Lutheran Church
In the Multi-Purpose Room just inside the main entrance
5500 Ox Rd, Fairfax Station, VA 22039**

Hosted by
Former Patriot District Scoutmasters
And Featuring a Cast of Eagle Scouts and Adults
Ready to Answer All Your Questions!



What are the requirements? What counts as a position of responsibility? Where do I get a project idea? How do I get my project approved? How long is this going to take? How do I get the money for my project? What is a life purpose statement? How do I fill out the application? What role does the Council play? Where do I get more information? What are letters of reference? Who's on my Board of Review?



From the District Chairman

Scouts and Scouters of the Patriot District,

We've got so much happening in the next couple of weeks. There are so many things that your units can do: Scouting for Food, Fall Camporee, and just plain FUN! It is the best time of the year for camping!

Fall Camporee. The old George Washington District was divided into three Districts 20 years ago and the camporee will be a celebration as units from Patriot, Old Dominion and Colonial District will all come together at Gunston Hall for a great weekend.

Scouting for Food Changes this year -- No More Bags! This year we will use stickers to remind everyone to put out food the next weekend. More details at Roundtable

RECHARTERING is coming! It's really close! Be sure you are comfortable with the process!

Do you have volunteers in your units that would be interested in helping out at the District level? Please ask them to contact Dave Astle or me. We would love to talk with them and share opportunities at the District level.

As always, this is for you! Thank you for what you do for our Scouting movement. And thank you for your support to Patriot District's program.

Yours in Scouting,

Steve



Oh, those registration form *COPIES*

An adult registration form set has six or seven sheets, depending on which edition is used. To register an adult in a unit, only two of those sheets, plus a YPT certificate, are needed. The Council copy of the registration form and the background check/disclosure must be submitted. The other pages should be retained by the unit or the registrant, as applicable.

Only one page for a youth registration needs to be submitted – the Council copy of the registration form. The copy should be kept by the unit.

Merit badge counselors are a District, not unit, position. In addition to the registration and background check/disclosure forms and the YPT certificate, one additional form is required, the merit badge counselor information sheet.





From the District Commissioner

September is now behind us, as are our Join Scouting Nights. Our Packs' efforts to recruit new youth succeeded in bringing a lot of new boys *and girls* into the Scouting family. A lot of these new members were registered with a paper application, but online registration is another method of joining. Our units have accepted 80 online applications since September 1st, and we currently have an additional 20 awaiting acceptance by the units. Congratulations on a JOB WELL DONE!!

October, however, brings us the Youth Protection Training (YPT) expiration of any adult who has not completed the new YPT course. Patriot District currently has 498 adults who have not completed this training. While some of them may have moved on from Scouting or moved from the area, we're still left with a significant number of adults who cannot be rechartered/reregistered for 2019 until YPT is completed.

October 1st also brings us the start date of a new guidance in the Guide to Safe Scouting (May 2018 edition): **“Two registered adult leaders 21 years of age or over are required at all Scouting activities, including meetings. There must be a registered female adult leader over 21 in every unit serving females. A registered female adult leader over 21 must be present for any activity involving female youth. Notwithstanding the minimum leader requirements, age- and program-appropriate supervision must always be provided.”**

The first sentence in this guidance has generated lots of questions such as must we have a second “registered” adult at a Tiger den meeting when each Tiger has a parent with them? Do we need a second “registered” adult at a group of Scouts meeting with a merit badge counselor? These and other similar questions have been posed to National, which is currently working on a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) handout. The release of it is unknown, but we'll get the word out as soon as it becomes available.

October is also Camporee month, and this one will be quite special. 20 years ago, George Washington District was divided into Colonial, Old Dominion and Patriot. This camporee is a 20th anniversary and will include all three districts. Troops need to sign up for this camporee on the Council website, and we only have one unit registered at the moment. The guidance I've been given is units not registering by October 14 **will NOT** be allowed to participate so please don't put this off. Registration requires an approximate head count of your Scouts and Scouters and payment. If the estimate is low, you can pay for the additional Scouts at the Camporee. If the estimate is high, you run the risk of not getting a full refund.

David Astle, District Commissioner



I do not believe that any political campaign justifies the declaration of a moratorium on ordinary common sense.

~ Dwight Eisenhower (b. October 14, 1890)

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Patriot District Events

Web Calendar: www.ncacbsa.org/patriot

October 2018

- 5 October Popcorn Orders Due
- 5-7 OA Fall Ordeal
- 6 CPST (+ Den Leader)
- 8 Columbus Day
- 9 Commissioner Meeting
- 9 BALOO
- 11 Roundtable
- 11 OA Chapter Meeting
- 12-13 IOLS
- 12-14 Wood Badge (weekend 2)
- 13 Life-to-Eagle Seminar
- 13-14 BCOLS (overnight session)
- 13-14 BALOO
- 19-21 Patriot District Fall Camporee
- 20 October Popcorn Distribution
- 23 PD Committee Meeting
- 26-28 V3 Hike-o-Ree
- 27 Pow Wow
- 28 Patriot Press Deadline – November



November 2018

- 2 November popcorn orders due
- 3 Scouting for Food – bag distribution
- 4 NCAC Interfaith Prayer Brunch, Camp Snyder
- 8 Roundtable
- 8 OA Chapter Meeting
- 10 Scouting for Food – pickup
- 13 Commissioner Meeting
- 17 November popcorn distribution
- 17 SPST

December 2018

- 2 Patriot Press Deadline – December
- 2 Hanukkah begins (sundown)
- 11 Joint Committee/Commissioner Meeting
- 13 Roundtable
- 13 OA Chapter Meeting
- 25 Christmas
- 30 Patriot Press Deadline – January

BALOO	Basic Adult Leader Outdoor Orientation	NYLT	National Youth Leadership Training
BCOLS	Back Country Outdoor Leader Skills	OA	Order of the Arrow
CPST	Cubmaster Position-Specific Training	SPST	Scoutmaster Position-Specific Training
IOLS	Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills	VAPST	Venture Advisor Position-Specific Training
JSN	Join Scouting Night	VCPST	Varsity Coach Position-Specific Training
NLE	New Leader Essentials	VOA	Venturing Officers Association

Cub Scout Roundtable!



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: October 11th, 2018

Where: Saint Stephen's United Methodist Church, 9203 Braddock Road

Midway: 7:30 – 8 PM

Roundtable: 8 – 9 PM

Cory Okouchi, Cub Scout Roundtable Commissioner
cweskrige@gmail.com



Boy Scout Roundtable

Not just for Scoutmasters

Patriot District Boy Scout Roundtable

Thursday, October 11th, 2018

Saint Stephen's United Methodist Church, 9203 Braddock Road, Burke

Topics: Recruiting, New Incident Reporting, New Member Coordinator

Midway: 7:30 PM – **Pre-Opening:** 7:40 PM – **Roundtable:** 8:00 to 9:00 PM

Randy Witter, Boy Scout Roundtable Commissioner
703-323-5220, Randy.Witter@gmail.com

Asst. Boy Scout RT Commissioners: Steve Polchek, Joe Margraf, Rick Priest



It's Scouting for Food time again! Please be sure your Troop or Pack participates in this crucial event, which provides food for hundreds of our neighbors in the Northern Virginia and Washington area.

One big change - this year we will be distributing stickers rather than plastic bags. This is because the plastic bags were difficult to handle and many of them would be swept away by the wind and end up stuck in a tree or a storm drain. People who want to make a contribution will place food into a bag they provide and leave that near their front door. Stickers will be distributed at the October 11 Roundtable. Please be sure you have someone pick them up if your Troop or Pack normally distributes.

Otherwise, things will be the same. Sticker drop off will be Saturday, November 3, and food collection will be Saturday, November 10. Collected food will be brought to the Safeway on Burke Centre Parkway (same location as previous years). If you have any questions, please contact Tim Ryder at timryder81@gmail.com.



Applications are now being accepted for our 2018 NATIONAL OUTSTANDING EAGLE SCOUT

Honoring our community's

Outstanding Eagle Scouts & their career accomplishments within the National Capital Area Community. Applications are due into NCAC by Wednesday, October 31, 2018

Do You Know an Outstanding Eagle?

Self-nominations are not accepted. Please review the NOESA Judging Criteria. Every year, the National Eagle Scout Association (NESA) recognizes outstanding Eagles across America with the NESA Outstanding Eagle Scout Award (NOESA). This prestigious recognition is for Eagle Scouts who have demonstrated outstanding achievement in their profession, vocation, and community, having notable achievements both inside and outside of Scouting. While the selection of NOESA recipients is a local Council function, the nominees are confirmed by NESA.

To nominate a deserving Eagle Scout, download the application, complete sections 1-3, attach two pages of vocational/avocational info on the candidate, and email it to GOEawards@Scouting.org or mail to:

NOESA Committee
National Capital Area Council, BSA
9190 Rockville Pike
Bethesda, MD 20814-3812

For forms and more information, visit:

http://www.nesa.org/site/c.9oIFJMPsGgIWF/b.9538059/k.3737/Outstanding_Eagle_Scout_Award.htm

District Nominating Committee –

There are many important positions we need to fill to keep Patriot District moving ahead and able to continue providing terrific program and opportunities for our Scouts. We need many talents and skills, and this may be the time to learn how you can assist our District. Come along to a District Committee meeting on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7.30 PM, St Stephen's United Methodist Church, 9204 Braddock Road, Burke, 22015. The Nominating Committee Chair, Don Northcutt, will be happy to talk with you, 571-232-6076 DonaldNorthcutt@gmail.com. Our next meeting is Tuesday, October 23rd.

Veterans Day in the City Of Fairfax –

The annual Veterans Day Observance in the City of Fairfax will be Sunday, November 11 at 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM at Fairfax City Hall, 10455 Armstrong Street, Fairfax 22030. This event is a joint effort of VFW Post 8469, American Legion Post 177, and the City of Fairfax. This year marks the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War, 11/11/1918 at 11:00 AM. All Scouts are invited to attend.

2019 Scout of the Year, VFW

Each year Veterans of Foreign Wars VFW Posts nationwide accept applications for SCOUT OF THE YEAR from Eagle Scouts, Girl Scouts Gold Award recipients, Venture Summit Award Recipients, and Sea Scout Quartermasters. Nationally, three Scouts are selected to receive a share of \$10,000 scholarship money. The first step is to get complete information at vfw.org/community/youth-and-education/scout-of-the-year, and the second step is to contact a local VFW Post at FairfaxVet@Gmail.com. The deadline for submitting an application to a local VFW Post is **March 1, 2019**.

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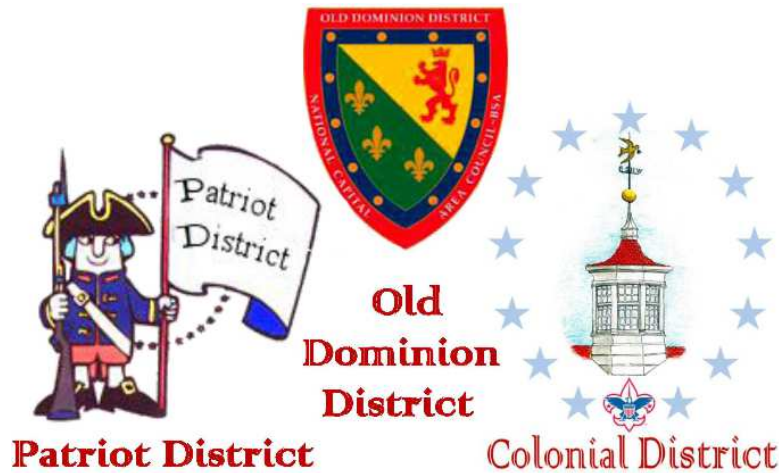
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Deadline for copy inclusion in *The Patriot Press* is the two Sundays prior to Roundtable. Using MS Word, articles may be emailed to the editor at joe.osborne@cox.net.

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Colonial/Old Dominion/Patriot Districts



20th Anniversary Celebration Camporee

Friday, October 19-Sunday, October 21
Gunston Hall
10709 Gunston Rd, Lorton, VA22079
October 19-21, 2018

The three districts that were once the great George Washington District will once again come together to celebrate their heritage with a combined fall camporee at Gunston Hall.

Come join your fellow Webelos, Scouts, Venturers, and Scouters at Gunston Hall for a weekend of events and Scout spirit. Scheduled activities include a festival field with archery, bb gun shooting, tomahawk throwing, gaga ball, horse shoes, marbles, lashing, dodge ball, surveying, massive "Boot Camp" inflatable obstacle course, climbing wall, and STEM activities. All of the events will culminate with a grand campfire on Saturday evening.

Troops will also be in competition with each other with their campsite gateways dedicated to colonial times, the old dominion, patriots, George Washington, or our nation's founding fathers, so start brainstorming now on what theme your troop may wish to construct.

The registration fee for this combined camporee is \$25 per person for Boy Scout troops, Venturing Crews, Sea Scouts Ships, and Camporee staff.

Webelos and Webelos leaders are invited to attend the Camporee for the day and evening on Saturday, October 20th. The fee for Webelos is \$15. Note that Webelos and their leaders are not able to camp overnight at this Camporee.

Questions may be directed to Camporee Staff Advisor Todd Bolick or your District's Camporee Representative who is listed below.

The Camporee Guide with full details about the Camporee and a promotional poster may be downloaded from <https://scoutingevent.com/082-20yrcamporee>

There are two types of education... One should teach us how to make a living, and the other how to live.

~ John Adams (b. October 30, 1735)

POW WOW 2018

**Take a Hike on the Training Trail at
NCAC's Cub Scout Leader Pow Wow!**

What is Pow Wow? Pow Wow is a supplemental, action-packed training event for adult Cub Scout Leaders, Pack Committee Members, Charter Organization Representatives, parents of Cub Scouts, and Cub Scout-interested persons. You'll spend the day learning new ideas, concepts and having hands-on experiences that will enhance your ability to deliver and support a fun-filled, exciting program to Cub Scouts.

When is Pow Wow? Pow Wow is Saturday, October 27, 2018. Doors open at 7:30 am with 8:00 am for walk-in registration (please, no early arrivals) and pre-registered package pick-up in the cafeteria. Opening ceremony begins at 8:25 am. The first training session starts at 9:00 am.

Where is Pow Wow? At James Madison High School, 2500 James Madison Drive Vienna, Virginia. Registration and check-in is in the cafeteria.

What if I have question about Pow Wow? Send an e-mail to Bill Mayo at: NCAC.PowWow@gmail.com.

<https://scoutingevent.com/082-20463>



Boy Scout Troop 1131
Burke, Virginia
Scouting since 1970

Halloween Ghost Tour in Old Town Alexandria

- When:** 6:30 PM, Friday, 26 October 2018
- Where:** Meet in Old Town Alexandria-Market Square
(Corner of King Street and N. Fairfax Street)
Park on side streets or Parking Garage in City Hall
- Who:** Scouts, Siblings, Parents and Friends
Webelos and AOL Scouts Invited to Join Us
- What:** Follow an 18th century costumed guide by lantern light through the streets of Alexandria's historic district known as Old Town to hear ghost stories, legends and folklore. Learn about unsolved mysteries, tales of romance and angry ghosts looking for revenge.
- Cost:** \$10 per person for tour due Wednesday, 17 Oct 2018
- Sign-Up:** On-line sign-up or sign-up sheet at Troop meeting.
Webelos and AOL: Please email with list of attendees.
- Contact:** Philip Sternberg <phil.sternberg@gmail.com>
703-960-0205 (cell-leave a voice mail)



Patriot - Fall Scoutmaster Specific Training

Are you a new Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster? Are you helping to set up a new female troop? Then this is the opportunity for you! The Patriot District will be offering scoutmaster training to help you get prepared to work directly with the youth. Topics will include items like the patrol method, scoutmaster conferences, program planning, youth led troops.

Date: Saturday November 17

Time: 8am - 1pm

Location: Commons Community Center (5701 Roberts Pkwy, Burke, VA 22015)

We will provide coffee and donuts (donations to help cover cost are appreciated)

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



The Trainers EDGE

When: Saturday December 1, 2018 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Where: St Thomas a' Beckett Catholic Church, 1421 Wiehle Ave, Reston, VA 20190

Do you train Leaders? Parents? Scouts? Are you someone who has thought about training but you don't know where to begin? Or maybe you have years of experience in training but want to add some pizzazz to it?

The Trainer's EDGE is for anyone interested in different training methods. It will equip you with ideas, techniques, and materials for improving presentations by enabling you to select approaches that will communicate your messages most successfully, and with PIZZAZZ!!

The Trainer's EDGE emphasizes the importance of "experiential learning," or learning by doing, as well as numerous other contemporary training strategies. These strategies can then be applied to a wide range of training programs.

<https://scoutingevent.com/082-20464>



Goshen 2019 Registration Is Now Open!



Snyder.

Get ready for Summer, 2019! Goshen registration opens October 1st. Check out the updated dates, fees, and all the new information on the Goshen website, <https://www.gotogoshen.org/>. Forming a new girls troop in 2019 and want to reserve space on 10/1? No problem! Reach out directly, and we'll help you get started. Can't wait for next summer? Neither can we. Check out upcoming events in your own backyard at Camp William B.

Recall Alert

Council received the following notice from the Scout Shop regarding a recall of a limited number of neckerchief slides. Please read below for details and follow the links for more information.

Dear Valued Customers,

On September 27, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with the Boy Scouts of America, announced a voluntary recall of certain units of the Wolf, Bear, Lion, and Webelos neckerchief slides sold between February 2018 and August 2018. The only neckerchief slides affected by this recall are those associated with the following PO numbers, which are listed on a tag attached to the back of the slide.

- PO#200233281
- PO#200236630
- PO#200228276
- PO#200231755

Click [https://mediafiles.scoutshop.org/m2pdf/2018-09-19_Customer_Service_FAQ\(Final\).PDF](https://mediafiles.scoutshop.org/m2pdf/2018-09-19_Customer_Service_FAQ(Final).PDF) for the notice by the Consumer Product Safety Commission. Click <https://www.scoutshop.org/returns> for NCAC FAQs.



BP Note

Baden Powell with Ernest Thompson Seton and Daniel Carter Beard:



In 1906, Seton sent Baden-Powell a copy of his group’s handbook, *The Birch-Bark Roll of the Woodcraft Indians*, to review. Later that year, the two men met in London. Soon after the BSA’s founding, Seton signed on as the first Chief Scout of the BSA. He cobbled together a provisional handbook from Baden-Powell’s *Scouting for Boys* and the *Birch-Bark Roll* and in the preface took credit for starting Scouting. In 1905, Beard created a loosely organized boys’ program he called the Sons of Daniel Boone. Beard later renamed the group the Boy Pioneers of America and published its first handbook. With the advent of the BSA, Beard shut down his nascent organization and joined the BSA as one of the first national commissioners.

From “Scouting Around the World”, October 2018



...the man who really counts in the world is the doer, not the mere critic-the man who actually does the work, even if roughly and imperfectly, not the man who only talks or writes about how it ought to be done.

~ Theodore Roosevelt (b. October 27, 1858)



**National Capital Area Council, BSA
Interfaith Prayer Brunch**

Registration is Open!

Sunday November 4, 2018
12 p.m. to 2 p.m.
Camp William B. Snyder
6100 Antioch Road
Haymarket, VA 20169

Join us to Celebrate Scouting!

"Duty to God and Country: A Scout is Reverent"
complimentary fellowship brunch in the Dining Hall,
our Keynote speaker, Rabbi Peter E. Hyman,
and a Q&A session with NCAC Faith Leaders
Brunch is free of charge but will require
registration for planning purposes.
Sponsored by the NCAC Endowment Committee and
Order of the Arrow Amangamek-Wipit Lodge 470

Register Online at <https://www.ncacbsa.org/PrayerBrunch>

