“”One finger cannot lift a pebble.” = Hopi =

**White Oak District Scout Round Table News**

***Round Table*** *… Mark your calendars :*

WHEN: Second Wednesday, commencing 7:00pm for GATHERING, *Official* Stuff at 7:30pm.

 WHERE: The Peoples Community Baptist Church, 31 Norwood Rd. Silver Spring MD

 about 1/4 mile WEST of New Hampshire Ave***.***

After all, **"the work is done by whoever shows up”**

**WHO** will show up from **YOUR** Pack? **YOUR** Troop? **YOUR** Crew?

***Go to***  copy and paste to your brwzr… <https://www.ncacbsa.org/white-oak/>

*“Favorite” mark this one now!* Updating and corrections ongoing!

AND on FACEBOOK!!

<https://www.facebook.com/WhiteOakDistrict/?fref=ts&ref=br_tf>

**Where Can We Hike, Camp? Where are the GOOD places? Who’s been there, done that?**

 **We have ! ! The OA Outdoor Guide . . .**

<https://www.ncacbsa.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/05/Where-to-Go-Camping-Guide-.pdf>

*TRAINING* ? Start here: <https://www.ncacbsa.org/white-oak/wp-content/uploads/sites/9/2018/04/Montgomery-County-Service-Area-promotion-schedule-flier-2018-2019-as-of-4-26-18-doc.pdf>

\* \* SEE (newly updated) 2018 Program Launch Calendar for alotta details. <https://www.ncacbsa.org/white-oak/wp-content/uploads/sites/9/2015/10/2017-18-Program-Launch-Packet-White-Oak-District.pdf>

))))))) Need more Scout connection? Ask for the **Potomac District Newsflash** :

potomacdistrictnewsflash@gmail.com

 And the **Seneca District ScoutPost**:

Seneca.NewsFlash@ncacbsa.org

 **Next Up:**

**10 April : : Messengers of Peace ? Bring your ideas ?**

 **We will enjoy presentations from two organizations that could**

**support a Scout MoP project…**

**8 May PROGRAM LAUNCH ! !**

 **All Three Munky County Districts….**

**Exhibits, Demonstrations, Vendors, snacks,**

**comraderee… Y’all come !**

 **Getting Personal…. Yeah, yeah, I know , it’s always personal. Everything is, you know…**

First, I feel I owe you an apology. This WODSRTNews is really late, despite having lots of stuff to put in it. Home construction, work around the Meeting, and a hole in a tooth. I discover my usual dentist (a really nice, skilled fellow) was out having quadruple bypass surgery (!!) . This is a very fit man, he scuba dives, jogs, wow… His wife and dental practice partner said he was recuperating fine and she’d take care of my problem. Made me pause and consider my own mortality… And with tooth fixed (subconscious pain ! Gone !) I can get back to the News.

Scouting has to be personal. Why else spend so much time on it? You get labeled. “James can do that, he’s a Scout person.”

 I was a sub teacher/bus driver for awhile. We had big field trip coming up, to a nature study camp on the eastern shore . On the morning of departure, I parked the bus by the curb, which was piled with sleeping bags, duffles, boxes and such. It was obvious to me that many of these middle schoolers had never been out of eyeshot of their parents before and this was true adventure for some of them. The kids were milling around, the teachers were milling around, the parents were hugging their kids. I stood up and called out “ do I have any Scouts here?” a half dozen hands went up, one even had a Scout t-shirt on I noticed. “Hey, let’s get this bus loaded !” and in minutes, these Scouts had I had the gear stowed under, around the seats, with room for all the students and adults. Could it have been done just by the students in general? Sure, but these Scouts worked together at once, without much prompting from anyone else. The formed a pass line and sorted out heavy from light stuff and mostly without any outside direction. The rest of the school just stood there and watched.

We know each other, even out of uniform. The skills, confidence, integrity gained thru Scouting is always in demand and valued when it is needed.

To modify a metaphor from another context, let me ask you a question: **If Scouting were a crime, and you were arrested for “Being a Scout”, would they have enough evidence to convict you?**

**See you on the trail….**

<< >> << >> << CSDC NEEDS YOU June 17 – 21 June ! !

 **>> Adult Staff :: Scouty stuff, administration stuff,**

 **>> Scout Den Chiefs :: Corral them Cubs, teach’em how to be Scouts !**

 **>> Scout Staff :: Scouty stuff of all types….**

 **>> First Aid Trained Folks :: see below….**

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**NOTE:** If you are not working the White Oak/Potomac Cub Scout Day Camp, you may still register for the class, but you will not be eligible for reimbursement.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

**Theresa Garcia-Parks CSDC Director Emeritus White Oak District
National Capital Area Council Scouting, BSA
H: 301-603-8810 C: 202-716-2199**

**The WFA & CPR/AED certification class (a 2-day class):**

**When:** 4/17-4/18 (Wed. and Thur.) 9am-6pm

**Where:** Elks Lodge @ 5 Taft Ct., Rockville, MD

**Who can attend:** Adults, > 14yrs (if not First Class rank yet) **OR** 13 and First class

**Price:** $80 for WFA and $20 for CPR/AED

**Discount coupon code at the checkout**: **Scouts**

 **Sign Up Today ! !** [https://campaignpayitforward.com/booking/courseDetail.php?course=101](https://nam01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fcampaignpayitforward.com%2Fbooking%2FcourseDetail.php%3Fcourse%3D101&data=02%7C01%7Ccharles.w.mckee%40sprint.com%7C9942a9ee80ed4ee0bdd108d6b83bcd2c%7C4f8bc0acbd784bf5b55f1b31301d9adf%7C0%7C0%7C636898964319377848&sdata=iqyxd9Kv66NcaamRONNOOZEB6bK61rQNbrWZISIzNFE%3D&reserved=0)

>> >> >> >> >> Camporee ! STEM ! Patrol Challenge ! !

 **What:** White Oak Camporee

 **When:** Friday- Sunday 26 April – April 28

 **Where:** Camp Bennett 20501 Georgia Ave, Brookeville, MD 20833

 **Who:** Scouts, Patrols, Troops. Webelos may attend with Troops. See Instructions.

 **More What:** STEM Challenges… Physics mostly… “You can’t push a rope”

cataleptic catatonic cacophonic catapults.

 **Here & There :** <https://scoutingevent.com/082-WOD2019STEMCamporee>

<< >> << >> << >> Maryland Governor’s Service Awards

 **Awarded each year to worthy individuals who help, serve others, better their communities each day. Many categories, one can be from any “walk of life” , of any age or background. If someone you know needs a REALLY big “thank you”, here it could be. Review the qualifications:::**

<https://gosv.maryland.gov/governors-service-awards/>

((I believe I could think of some Scouters who would qualify in a couple of those

 categories. How about you?))

 ***Closer to home….***

 >>> <<< >>> <<< Scouter Awards

**The Annual White Oak Awards Dinner** It is always appropriate and enjoyable to break bread with fellow Scout people. AND give them that deserve it a pat on the back…

 **When:** Tuesday 28 May, 6p to 9p

 **Where:** The Church of Christ at Manor Woods , 5300 Norbeck Rd. Rockville MD

 **Who:** Scouters, family, friends and Scouts (of various sizes )

 **How:** Registration will soon be online: Be patient.

**>>** **IN THE MEAN TIME< <** Consider who is deserving of your accolades::: Nominations for the following awards should be sent to **John Wnek** , [www.WhiteOakAdv@aol.com](http://www.WhiteOakAdv@aol.com) Put AWARDS in the subject line. Please send a SEPERATE email for each nomination….

**ANY NOMINATIONS** should (must !) include COMPLETE information. The nominee’s name, Unit number, their position in Scouting, and a COMPLETE story as to why this person is worthy of that award…

The Unit Key Three may nominate Scouts and Scouters FROM YOUR UNIT as follows:

 \*\***Outstanding Unit Scouter** (**the Bowline**) : the Unit Key Three may select one or two of their registered Scouters OTHER than the Committee Chair, Scoutmaster, Crew Advisor or Cub Master. These Scouters may receive this award ONCE in their scouting career.

 **\*\* Acorn Award ::** nominated by the Unit Key Three, (please, not by the parents) presented to ayouth Scout (Cub, Boy, Venturer), who has demonstrated outstanding compliance with the Scout Promise and Law thruout the past year.

 **Other Awards will be presented:**

 \*\* **Oak Tree** :: “… from little acorns grow…” Awarded to the **Units** that have shown exemplary support and participation in WOD activities .

 **\*\*Spark Plug ::** selected by the District Committee to Scouters whose energy and dedication to the spirit and ideals of Scouting has helped make the District Program a success.

 **\*\*White Oak Key Three Award : :**  to one individual for outstanding work in the District.

 **\*\* Distinguished Scouter Award ::** A unique award to one individual, selected by the WOD K3 and Awards Committee in recognition of their years of service and unselfish dedication to Scouting.

 **\*\*Scouter of the Year ::** recognizing outstanding effort and success in one or more events in the past year. Selected by the WOD Committee.

 **BUT WAIT**… There are **MORE** awards… At the WOD Dinner, we will also acknowledge the **Silver Beaver** recipients (this is a Council Award !) , the **District Award of Merit** and the **Sheet Bend** for outstanding Commissioner performance.

 **\*\*\*\* Again,** Unit Awards MUST be nominated by the Unit Key Three, (ComChair, Unit Head, COR) . You may nominate folks for the other awards also to the appropriate group.

**>>> Send ALL nominations to Advancement Chair, John Wnek** **WhiteOakadv@aol.com****, Questions? Wake John up at 301.607.8770. Cell: 301.728.2858 … Thank You !**

<< >> << >> World Wide Trash The Trash Day….

**Conservation project, a patch, pride,,,,**

 **“If God didn’t put it there, pick it up !”**

[www.scoutstrashthetrashday.org/](http://www.scoutstrashthetrashday.org/)?

>> >> >> >> DC Merit Badge University: Check Out The Catalogue: <https://app.box.com/s/2d7i6xw8zbbxd4z9qldtu3ytzdlktv2t> Many Badges, Register soon !

 **April 13 & 14, 2019 | 6:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. both days**

**>> >> >> >> Horsemanship MB Verbatim::**

The program consists of two components: earning the Horsemanship Merit Badge and doing a backcountry horse cavalcade in Saskatchewan, Canada in Summer 2020 called the Canada Cavalcade. Both programs are open to both boys and girls. All YPT and Guidelines for Safe Scouting procedures will be strictly adhered to for mixed gender programs.

I will be offering the Horsemanship merit badge on May 6; May 11-12. It is limited to ten scouts. If there is enough interest I will offer it again in Fall 2019.

I am actively recruiting Scouts and adults for the Canada Cavalcade.  The crew will be limited to a maximum of 12 people (4 Scouters and 8 Scouts). At the moment, we are just in the expression of interest stage, but we will begin work ups an shake down events starting in September 2019.

You can find full information, as well as registration, at the following website:

<https://sites.google.com/view/cbdhorsemanship/home>

As I mentioned, though this program will be offered in the first instance to Scouts within the Chain Bridge District (Virginina) it is open to Scouts across the NCAC as well. I have briefed it the NCAC High Adventure Committee as well as the CBD Key 3 and I have the full support of all involved.

I would be grateful for your assistance in spreading the word across your district. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at rbrigety@gmail.com

Yours in Scouting,

Reuben Brigety

BT/GT 128 Committee Chair

Horsemanship  Merit Badge Instructor

 >> >> >> >> Wilderness First Aid Training . . . “What if….”

 **What:** Advanced FA Training required for High Adventure, ***Really*** back country treks..

**When :** Several possibilities, see website:

<https://www.ncacbsa.org/blog/2019/01/11/outdoor-preparedness-initiative/>

 **Who:** Adult Scouters, senior Scouts, Venturers, Sea Scouts.

 **Where:** See the webpage….

 **Why:** “Be (really) Prepared”

 **NB:::** Some other courses touted as “BSA Certified” might not be.

Ask questions, be sure <https://www.redcross.org/take-a-class/digital-certificate>

 **How Do & How Much:** Pricey, perhaps, but worthy training over a long period.

See the webpage…

< < < < <  **DEN LEADERS TAKE NOTE !**

 **Think you need some help corralling them Cubs?**

**DC** isone of the best most fun POR for a Scout. Ask your neighborhood CM or SM for a recommendation.

**>> >> >> >> Den Chief Training ::**

 The Cub Den the Scout or Venturer or Seascout serves benefits and the Scout gains confidence. The Scout needs the approval of the Cubmaster and Den Leader and his/her Scoutmaster. Take this training:

**When:** Saturday 19 May, 2pm thru 4:30pm.

**Where:** National Isaac Walton League HQ, 707 Conservation Ln, Gaithersburg MD

**Who:** ScoutsBSA, First Class (equivalent) and up, with SM and CM and DL approval.

**How & How Much:** $20. Scouts must be accompanied by an adult (free, but register to

attend) from the Troop or Crew or Pack involved. Online registration ONLY thru 16 May. No “Walk Ins” please. Details and Register here:

<https://scoutingevent.com/082-26942>

 **Questions? Answers !:** **Bill Majurski** Den Chief Trainer oldman99@comcast.net

>> >> >> >> Constitution Day 17 September 2019

 **You have some time yet…** <https://www.constitutionday.com/>

>> >> >> >> U.S. Constitution , a copy for yer pocket,

 **Because ya never know when ya might need to know…**

 **Citizenship Merit Badge ?**

**10 for $12, reasonable….** <https://shop.aclu.org/search.php?search_query=Constitution&section=product>

> > > > > > Scout Led? ABSOLUTELY !

National Youth Leadership Training :

 <https://www.ncacbsa.org/training/national-youth-leadership-training/>

 **This is the ultimate Scout training around. Two heavy duty weekends. Your SPLs and Troop Guides and Instructors and PLs and APLs …. any Scout aspiring to greatness should consider it. Ideas for the Troop when they return? Resume for school? Apply to life? I should hope so. Excuse for camping? Of course. Make new friends? Added plus !**

**(Hint: They need a Bugler)**

 >> \*\* << \*\* >> \*\* << Wood Badge, the Phd of Scouting….

 **“Every Scout Deserves a Trained Leader…”**

The cap to my Scout training, A challenge, a mind opener, a great pile of information, a reminder of what Scouting is all about, “just what I needed” , met and made new friends, “any excuse to go camping”…. Just a few of the comments we’ve had about **Wood Badge** training… Yes, there have been negative comments, we take those and use them to improve the next course…. Start here::: <https://www.ncacbsa.org/training/wood-badge/> Two long weekends, a year and a half of dedicated projects, recognized by many schools for academic credit in Management Theory (!), **Wood Badge** tradition dates back to Baden Powell himself. Time requirements? Can’t avoid that. Money, fees? Yep, scholarships available thru NCAC, perhaps your CO, your AFL/CIO union, many service clubs… . Faith concerns? A “Sabbath” sensitive course is available.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Uy3R7Rkear4>

 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UbfeJxid7lc>

 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=znz6JPSxSHM>

 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7SPo786g0pM&t=136s>

“If not you, then who?” If not soon, when?

**Past issues of the WODSRTNews now archived and available** (thanks, Donna**):**

 <https://www.ncacbsa.org/white-oak/roundtable/boy-scout-roundtable/jim-lehman-newsletter/>

**>>>>>> Scouter Classifieds<<<<<<**

\*\* Flag Pole Materials \*\* 20 feet tall, several poles available, ex-CSDC flagpoles. Straight, seasoned, stored off ground. Need to find a new home. Contact James, lehmaj@verizon.net

\*\* Flag Pole rope rigging sets\*\* Everything one needs to rig a 20 foot flag pole. Cap pulley, hoist rope, bracing ropes (three), extra lashings, full easy rigging directions .

(Pioneering MB Scout can do it…) James. 301.275.1708

\*\* Flag sets\*\* US, MD, Montgomery County all together… all approx.. 4x6 feet. Clips too.

\*\*Future Flag Poles \*\* A woodlot is being cleared. Many straight saplings available, spring time, no leaves to block view. Come and pick out your choice. Oak, poplar, ash, hickory,,,, Free . See Jim, as above, or James, as above….

\*\* Canoe\*\* Grumman, Aluminum, 17 feet, rigged for a mast (believe it or not), lots of “character” and “experience” from White Horse, Bull falls, Mill Run, James, Rappahanock, Monacacy, etc. but still good to go. Call for “price”. James 301.774.7561.

\*\* Basketball Backboard, ring, net, 10’ steel pole \*\* Free, help me move it. Call Jimmy, 301.774.7561….

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 **Everything About the Scout Year** (the **EASY** Chair?): *Oh, so very vacant*

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