**Roundtable**

  August 12, 2021

1. **Join Scouting /John K; Kathy H**
   * *2021 BSA National Membership Fees*
     + $72/year for youth (Cub, Scout, Venturer, Sea scout)
     + $45/year for Exploring (age 10-20)
     + $45/year for Registered Adult
     + $25 (one time) for new member
     + $75/year for Unit Recharter Fee
   * *Membership Training Part Deux (Webinar)*
     + August 16, 7pm – 9pm
     + [Register in advance](https://ncacbsa-org.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcucO2prj8oEtCBy-Q_MtGBKUPOQeUbxDcm)
   * *Membership Resource Request Timeline*
   * At least three (3) weeks’ Prior to Unit’s Join Scouting Night / Event:
     + Requested Facebook Geofenced Advertising (date, location, time, & contact
     + info)
     + Requested PeachJar Advertisements (Flyer, Schools, additional info)
   * At least two (2) weeks’ Prior to Unit’s Join Scouting Night / Event:
   * Submitted Physical Flyer Requests (Color: 10 cents per page)
   * Submitted Peer-to-Peer Cards Requests
   * Requested Council Recruitment Banners (While resources are available)
   * Requested Council Projectors (While resources are available)
   * Requested Council Pop-Up Tents (While resources are available)
   * At least one (1) week Prior to Unit’s Join Scouting Night / Event
   * Requested Yard Signs
   * Requested Parents’ Guides
   * Requested Paper Applications
   * Requested Printed “How-To” Social Media templates
   * Requested Pens/Pencils
   * *Cub Scout Relaunch* [Web Page](https://www.ncacbsa.org/cub-scout-relaunch/)
   * *Possible Public Event to Advertise* – Chillin’ on Church Street (in Vienna)
   * *Best Recruiters* – Cub scouts, volunteers, and you – you all know families with youth/adults that are not in scouting. Make the effort to invite them to JSN!
   * *Additional JSN Resources*
     + National Membership Kickoff [Webinar](https://vimeo.com/580145440)
     + Tell the benefits – leadership, normal friend activities, scholarship
     + Lead with Volunteers – have the Committee Members/parents pitch Scouting
     + Get the commitment – have on-line registration and payment
     + Cub Scouts – Videos at [brand center](https://scouting.webdamdb.com/bp/); sample Scout Life Magazine
     + [Recruitment Kit](https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2021/07/29/use-this-new-recruitment-kit-to-help-spread-the-word-about-scouting/?utm_source=scoutingwire&utm_campaign=swvolunteer842021&utm_medium=email&utm_content=) – online resources available
     + Update your PIN at BeAScout.org
     + Council Resources (allow two weeks) – [jose.calil@scouting.org](mailto:jose.calil@scouting.org)
     + Flyers, yard signs
     + Geofencing for Facebook
     + Marketing Materials (email at 5pm today)
2. **Council Update /Hector U**
   * Last year, the recharter process was very flexible due to COVID
   * This year, we would like Units to submit by November 1
   * There will be a new Charter Renewal system online by September 15. Training will be provided. To prepare:
     + August 1 – Oct 14 – Membership inventory, add members, get annual agreement signed
     + Oct 15 – Oct 31 – Data input; Review
     + Nov 1 – Submit Charter
   * *Get Ready Now!*
     + Designate a Charter Renewal Coordinator - This person will keep you on track
     + Membership Inventory - Who is in My.Scouting.Org and who is in my local roster
     + Clean the Roster - Add new members through online registration for faster results
     + Get the Annual Charter Agreement signed - Get your IH to sign it now – don’t wait!
     + Stay close to your Unit Commissioner - You are not alone! Your UC will help you through the process
3. **Big Rock /Rus P**
   * Unit activities over the summer
     + Hike Theodore Roosevelt Island
     + Camp Olmsted – first female scouts; enjoyed canoeing; had bear in camp one night
     + Camp Bowman – first week; some kinks
     + Goshen – Week 1 – Industry MB was a hit; worked on camp site improvement
     + Summit – white water rafting; good trip; individual kayaks then 8-person raft in white water
     + Northern Tier – Canadian side was closed due to Covid
     + Philmont – two boys crews; girl troop scheduled next year
     + Seabase – going next week
     + Out of Council Camps – Pennsylvania, Delaware
     + Rafting on the James River (camped at the Heart of VA Council Camp Albright)
     + Biking Campout – Fairfax City to Burke Lake
     + Many Eagle Scout projects
4. **Program / Matt B**
   * Current 2021 GM Calendar
   * September 25, 2021 – Life to Eagle Seminar
   * October 15-17, 2021 – GM District STEM Camporee
   * October 16, 2021 – Jamboree on the Internet/ Jamboree on the Air
   * November 6, 2021 – Scouting for Food Tag Distribution
   * November 7, 2021 – Veterans Day Flags In
   * November 13, 2021 – Scouting for Food Pick Up
   * Civic and Related Activities of Interest to Scouts
   * National Park Service Birthday – August 25 – Great Falls National Park - Free admission so visitors can enjoy all national parks during this celebration of the National Park Service Birthday.
   * Fairfax City Labor Day Car Show – September 6 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
   * National Public Lands Day – September 25 – Great Falls National Park – Free admission so visitors can enjoy national parks during this celebration of the National Public Lands Day.
   * Falls Church Fall Community Clean Up – Date TBD – Another service project opportunity benefitting the community.
   * Falls Church Halloween Carnival – Saturday, October 30 – For youth, 11 and under at the Community Center.
   * Falls Church – A Very Victorian Christmas – Visit the Cherry Hill Farmhouse to see how Christmas was celebrated in the 1860s.
   * Fairfax City Festival of Lights and Carols – December 4 from 12 to 6 p.m. in Old Town Square, 10415 North Street
   * X-Wing Starfighter from “Star Wars” – On display through Jan 1, 2022, at National Air and Space Museum, Udvar-Hazy Center, Dulles
   * Vienna Halloween Parade – October 27, 2021, at 7 p.m. See website for registration.
   * Vienna Town Clean Up Days – August, November, and April – A great opportunity for units of all ages to conduct a service project and for youth to earn service hours.
   * Veterans Day at Great Falls – November 11 - Free admission so visitors can remember our veterans by visiting a national park.
   * Flags In (Veterans Day – November 7, 2021)
   * Social distancing – bring a mask.
   * National Memorial Park, 7482 Lee Highway, Falls Church
   * All Scouts, including Girl Scouts, are welcome.
   * Class A Uniforms
   * For more info, contact Russell Pittman at [ruspittman@gmail.com](mailto:ruspittman@gmail.com)
   * District Life to Eagle Seminar (Virtual)
     + Saturday, 25 September 2021 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
     + Registration: <https://site.corsizio.com/c/60eefcdba647dcba68c93d8e>
     + Who should attend:
     + Life Scouts or advanced Star Scouts who want to pursue the Eagle Rank
     + Eagle advisors, coaches or unit leaders that haven’t attended a seminar in two years
     + Parents of Scouts working on Eagle or other adults interested in Scouting
     + Registration - will be done online and must be received by 23 September 2021 to get the Zoom link.
     + Any questions contact Jack Lundin at 703-938-0369.
   * Fall 2021 District Camporee
     + District will hold its next Camporee on October 15-17, 2021.
     + Location – 4H in Front Royal
     + Theme - STEM
   * Online registration available [here](https://scoutingevent.com/082-49459)
   * Leader Guide available on registration site.
   * Need unit volunteers to help run event.
   * Camporee Director Andrew Zaso, (703) 434-2907 - AndrewZaso@gmail.com
   * Future Camporees
   * George Mason Spring 2022 Camporee – April 29 – May 1 – Theme/Site TBD
   * George Mason Fall 2022 Camporee – October 21 – 23, 2022 – Theme/Site TBD
   * Scouting for Food
   * November 6 (Tag Distribution) and November 13, 2021 (Food Collection)
   * Council can provide tags without a date for those Units that cannot do a Saturday distribution
   * Scott Willey is 2021 District Coordinator
   * Training /Roy D

* *Unit Training*– For position-specific training at your unit, contact Roy De Lauder at [EagleScout.Roy@cox.net](mailto:EagleScout.Roy@cox.net) or go to Training Opportunities page on GM Web Site.
  + - * *Scouts BSA Training:*
* 08/27/21 - [Powderhorn](https://scoutingevent.com/082-45834), Newburg, MD
* 08/28/21 - [Paddle Craft Safety](https://scoutingevent.com/082-48015), Riley's Lock, C&O Canal
* 09/18/21 - [SM/ASM Position Specific Training](https://scoutingevent.com/082-SPSTSept2021), Bethesda, MD
* 09/25/21 - [Back Country Outdoor Leadership School (BCOLS)](https://scoutingevent.com/082-47562), Alexandria, VA
  + - * *Cub Scout Training:*
* 08/14/21 - [IOLS/BALOO](https://scoutingevent.com/082-wsdiolsbaloo), Hollywood, MD
* 08/28/21 - [Cub Scout Leader Specific Training](https://scoutingevent.com/082-47852) (CM/ACM, Den Leader, Committee Member), Stafford, VA
* 09/18/21 – In-Person Cub Leader specific training, 11 to 3 p.m. at St. Marks in Vienna
* 09/25/21 - [Cub Scout Leader Specific Training](https://scoutingevent.com/082-48855) (CM/ACM, Den Leader, Committee Members), Herndon, VA
* 10/16/21 - [BALOO Training](https://scoutingevent.com/082-powhatanbaloo2021), Reston, VA
  + Wood Badge Registration (Now Open)
  + Fall Course - *Registration Open 1 May 2021*
  + Weekend #1: 10 - 12 September; Weekend #2: 9 - 10 October
  + *Course Director: Mrs. Alexandria Keenan,* [*ADLKeenan@gmail.com*](about:blank)
  + Shooting Sports /Brian S
  + Requests for Shooting Events – Lead Time! (Contact [brian.summers@verizon.net](mailto:brian.summers@verizon.net))
  + 50+ scouts - 6mos
  + Less than 50 scouts - 3mos
  + Shooting on private land?
  + Requirements need to be followed
  + Permissions/protocols to be followed
  + Shooting Sports [web page](https://www.scouting.org/outdoor-programs/shooting-sports/)
  + Shooting Sports Instructor Classes:
  + [Rifle/Shotgun](https://www.ncacbsa.org/george-mason/district-resources/merit-badges/rifle-shotgun-training/)
  + [Archery](https://www.ncacbsa.org/george-mason/district-resources/merit-badges/archery-training/) (Virtual classes available)
  + COPE and Climbing
    - Don’t forget the District’s various COPE and Climbing Opportunities!
    - Where CUB Scouts learn about teamwork by playing Games with a Purpose
    - Boy and Girl Scouts learn how to lead their peers while playing these games.
    - And our more senior Scouts, Venturers, and Scouter’s practice and refine their skills through Challenge Outdoor Fun-Filled Family Engaged Experiences & Team Enhancing Activities (a.k.a. COFFFEE & TEA)
    - Level 1 & Level 2 training in COPE & Climbing programs need to be coordinated with COPE & Climbing committee chair: Tony Waisanen ([ncac.cope@gmail.com](mailto:ncac.cope@gmail.com))
    - Interested in obtaining a deck of COFFFEE & TEA game cards, E-mail [JohnLesko57@gmail.com](mailto:JohnLesko57@gmail.com)
  + Merit Badges
  + Every merit badge counselor needs to be on the District Charter.  The time for action is NOW!
  + The online Merit Badge Counselor [registration](https://my.scouting.org/VES/OnlineReg/1.0.0/?tu=UF-MB-082gm23) works for all Scouters who do not already hold another District position.
  + Be sure the counselor uses his/her legal name – no nicknames.
  + Merit Badge Counselors, or the unit Dean/Leader, also need to scan and send Margee the Merit Badge application form listing the badges the counselor is applying to teach and providing a justification of his/her qualifications.
  + Youth Protection Training is the essential first step.  Do not hit “send” on the application without it!
  + Contact Margee if you have questions at [GM.MB.Dean@hotmail.com](about:blank).

1. **District Executive Minute /Jose Calil**
   * Thank you for all you do.
   * Be sure to check Basecamp for updates. Will be establishing groups to support SFF and Flags In. Will be adding JSN to the Scouting Tracker.
   * Please let me know of anything I can do to assist your Units.
2. **District Chair /John K**

* This is a new scouting year/season. Looking back over the last year, you all should be proud of your efforts and give your self a pat on the back. A lot of youth achieved their dream of what Scouting could be due to your efforts. Good job. Thank you.
* FOS is wrapping up. We are within $410 of our goal.
* NCAC is now the largest Council – with more than 26,000 youth
* BSA has reached a settlement agreement.
* I appreciate that you all work together to deliver the promise of scouting.

1. **District Commissioner Minute /Hector U**
   * Glad to hear of all the Unit activity this summer. Sounds like Packs and Troops had a great time.
   * Behind every activity are the volunteers putting in the time to make it successful.
   * Thank you for what you to do.
   * As we move into JSN, be sure to invite others to volunteer.
2. **Minutes and Slides** – Will be available on the GMD Web Site (District Resources, Roundtable).
3. **Next meeting** – September 09, 2021, at 7:30pm