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
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Using Scout Uniforming in Your Scouting Program

Every Scouting activity motivates our youth toward our basic aims of character development, citizenship training, leadership, and mental and physical fitness. We achieve these aims, i.e., mission fulfillment, using eight methods: Scouting's ideals; patrols and the patrol method; the outdoors; advancement; personal growth; adult association; leadership development; and the uniform. As important as those of us involved in advancement think that method is, we must remember that none of these methods—not even advancement—is a goal in itself. Each is merely a “tool” that we use to achieve Scouting's basic aims. All of them work together, each reinforcing and enhancing one another.

For example, when Scouts and Scouters meet, they almost instinctively “read” each other's uniform: “Are you in Cub Scouting or Scouts BSA? What is your council, your hometown, your unit? How long have you been in Scouts, what's your rank, and what awards have you earned along the way?” Subconsciously, based on the other's appearance, they even may be asking: “How's your Scout Spirit”?

When our youth members wear the correct uniform at a Scouting function, the answer to that last question is “Strong!” They are showing others—and reminding themselves—of their commitment to the ideals of Scouting: The Oath, the Law, duty to God and loyalty to country, and promise to help others at all times. Simply stated, their uniform not only lets them show the world how they have advanced in Scouting, it displays their Scout spirit and commitment to Scouting for all to see.

Of course, there are times when it is inappropriate to wear a full uniform with patches, merit badge sash, etc. For example, the rugged uniform designed for active outdoor activities reminds us that everyone is equal in Scouting. When everyone is dressed the same, there is no way to label individuals by the richness or style of their clothing. Nevertheless, a well kempt Scout, even without badges and patches, clearly conveys his or her commitment to the Scout Law by being “Clean.”

By making sure your Scouts take pride in their appearance, whether in full uniform at a court of honor or around the campfire at summer camp, you will be encouraging their advancement, and, hopefully, will be keeping them in Scouting longer. Now isn't that what we're all about.

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District Website: www.NCACBSA.org/GooseCreek



2019 Spring Camporee – A Review



The 2019 Spring Camporee was held at Camp Highroad the weekend of March 29th. The event was organized by John Blackwell and executed by Bob Kellogg and a number of high quality Scout leaders led by Charles Thornton. Heavy support was provided by Troop 163 and Troop 962. Through emphasis on the Patrol method this event developed scouting teamwork and skillsets in a number of high adventure areas.

Scouts competed with each other to build fires in a hurry, tie effective knots and lashes, and saw through thick logs. They even threw tomahawks at targets! As practice for high adventure scouting they also competed to haul canoes through an obstacle course and properly secure bear bags. Winners of the patrol challenge were the All Star patrol from Troop 1430 with first place, the Challenge Accepted patrol from Troop 1430 taking second place and the Baboon patrol from Troop 1576 taking third. Each of these patrols took home ribbons to hang from their troop flags.

Scouts also had a number of high adventure activities to choose from including archery, zipline, high ropes course, team building exercises, and a rockwall. The mountain biking course was particularly exhausting and a lot of scouts enjoyed the mountain boarding activities.

The highlight of the camporee was the campfire on Saturday night. Order of the Arrow Amangamek-Wippit Lodge 470 kindly and cheerfully set up a beautiful campfire on Saturday night. After a dozen patrols offered skits and songs the campfire concluded with an Order of the Arrow call-out and vespers.

We are already looking ahead to Spring 2020 Camporee tentatively scheduled for March 27-29. Stay tuned for updates and we will see you on the scouting trail!





2019 Program Launch



What's a "Program Launch"? Are we sending Scouts into orbit? Not quite, but it is time to start planning your unit program for next year.

Program Launch is run by the District Committee and is when Council provides us the Council Planning Calendar for the next program year. At the event the various district committees will be on hand to discuss what resources/events they have for you, and local vendors are invited to show what they can do to enhance your program.

Program Launch will be held in place of the usual May Roundtable, same place (Leesburg United Methodist Church), same time (May 8th, 7:30 - 9).

Day/Twilight Camp 2019



Goose Creek Day Camp and Twilight Camp - June 17-21 at the 4H Fairgrounds in Leesburg.

Cub Scout day camps are organized by the National Capital Area Council, Boy Scouts of America and conducted by volunteers from the local area. Day camps are for registered Cub Scouts entering the 1st-5th grades the following school year. Those entering the 1st grade must be accompanied by an 'adult partner' during their participation. Twilight camps are the same as day camps but held in the evening, as such they have shorter hours and eliminate a few of the activities that occur at day camp.

Day camps are conducted by adult volunteer leadership who were trained and certified at one of the Boy Scouts of America's National Camping Schools. Day camps are also supported by a number of adult and youth staff members. Boy Scout Den Chiefs may also support the day camp program by assisting the Cub Scouts throughout the camp.

Most camps include activities based on STEM, nature, shooting sports, games, and possibly aquatics. Adult volunteers make up the nucleus of the day camp staff by volunteering in positions to lead specific programs, support the general operation, or by managing a den of Cub Scouts throughout their time at camp.

Cost:

- Day Camp
 - On or before May 19 - \$215
 - After May 19 - \$235
 - Two weeks before start of camp - \$265
- Twilight Camp
 - On or before May 19 - \$120
 - After May 19 - \$130
 - Two weeks before start of camp - \$150

Registration: www.ncacbsa.org/program/cub-scouts/day-camp/



Loudoun Cares 2019 Outstanding Volunteer Award



On April 19th Loudoun Cares recognized Elizabeth Esper, Assistant Scoutmaster to Troop 1154 (Ashburn, VA) the Loudoun Cares Broad Run District recognition award at the Loudoun Cares 2019 Outstanding Volunteer Awards. presented by Loudoun Cares. Broad Run Supervisor, Meyers nominated Elizabeth Esper for her amazing work with the Scouts programs in the district to recognize her for her hard work and dedication.

Unfortunately, Neither Elizabeth nor Ron could make the event. Our Goose Creek District Chairman, Jon Bonfils, represented Elizabeth and presented her comments. "Thank you for this honor to be the Broad Run District 2019 Outstanding Volunteer. Our BSA Scouts and Eastern Loudoun 4-H youth are very hard working and they are a blessing to Loudoun County. They are the best of Loudoun County. We say in 4-H, 'making the best better' and we say in BSA Scouts, 'do a good turn daily.' It is my honor and it is my privilege to work with these youths and I look forward to continuing to serve them in the future. I enjoy working with our next generations of citizens and I cannot think of a more important job than working with youth. I enjoy seeing how the 4-H'ers work hard to bring the Loudoun County community together at the Loudoun County Fair every summer and I am very proud of how many tons of food the BSA Scouts have collected over these many years for the food pantries in Loudoun County. Both BSA Scouts and 4-H youth have dedicated an amazing amount of service hours to Loudoun County. From outstanding Eagle projects to 4-H Community Service Days, Loudoun County should be very proud of these outstanding youths. They are all brilliant gems and they are priceless. I consider this award, not just my personal award, but an award to all these amazing youth. I am honored to help shape the next generations of Loudoun County."

Webelos-o-ree 2019



The date for the Goose Creek's annual Webelos-o-ree is set for October 12-13, 2019 at Camp Snyder. This event is open to all Webelos so mark the date down on your calendar now. Note: Those that are currently Bears will be Webelos this fall and are eligible to attend.

This camping event is designed to show Webelos and their parents what a Scouts BSA troop is all about. The activities will be run by our own troops and can include such things as: Fire building, cooking, monkey bridge, BB shooting and/or archery, first aid, and knife safety. We provide dinner and in the evening there is a campfire run by the Order of the Arrow. For the adults we'll provide plenty of Scout leaders to answer questions about camping, joining a troop, and camping equipment. We will also hold a Webelos to Scout orientation for Arrow of Light Scouts.

The Webelos-o-ree starts off with an opening ceremony Saturday morning and wraps up Sunday after chapel services. For those who don't want to camp over, there are also registration options for staying just for the activity periods and for joining us for dinner and the campfire before going home.



Commissioners Needed in Goose Creek District



Is your scout aging out of the Boy Scout program? If so, and if you're interested in staying in the Boy Scouts and willing to help other adults keep their units thriving, then we have a position for you!

The Goose Creek District currently has a shortage of Unit Commissioners to effectively provide quality commissioning service to our units. Our ratio of Units to UCs is too high at this time and we need to get it closer to the ideal ratio of 3:1. Now that BSA is adding young ladies to the program, we need both men and women to help our units through the transition.

So, what is a Unit Commissioner?

A Unit Commissioner (UC) is a volunteer position that serves as a friend to their unit(s), and as a link between the unit and district to ensure Scouts are receiving a quality experience. A UC helps by ...

- Supporting unit growth and retention through the Journey to Excellence program
- Contacting units and capturing their strengths and needs in an on-line tool, and helps their unit develop a Unit Service Plan that enables continuing improvement.
- Linking unit needs to District Operating Committees and other resources
- Supporting timely unit, district and council charter renewals.
- Attending meetings and activities they'd like

But I've never been a Commissioner; how can I help?

Fear not, training is available, both on-line and/or in-classroom. And what's probably more important is that you simply need a desire to help, and the willingness to find the right resource ... you don't need to know all the answers.

For more information, please visit <https://www.scouting.org/commissioners/> For more details on how to become a Unit Commissioner, contact John Witek @ john.witek@goosecreekdistrict.org or call: 571.354.9904.

Scouting for Bricks™



Scouting for Bricks™ is a family-oriented LEGO® Fan Event conducted as a fundraiser for Boy Scout Troop 39 out of Purcellville, Virginia. At Scouting for Bricks™ 2019 we will have over 20,000 square feet of exhibit space, multiple interactive activities and a dedicated build area where kids can build with over 100,000 LEGO and DUPLO bricks. We will once again welcome members of the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Area LEGO® Train Club (WamaLTC), BioniLUG, 501st Legion, and additional LEGO User Group members from around the area.

When: May 4-5, 2019~ 11 AM – 5 PM

Where: Woodgrove High School, Purcellville

Website: www.scoutingforbricks.com

Scouting for Bricks™ is NOT affiliated with the LEGO® Group.



Troop Participation in the Webelos-o-ree



At the Webelos-o-ree each troop selects an activity/skill that their Scouts teach the Webelos and their parents during a morning and afternoon session. And the cost? Nothing! There is no registration fee for Boy Scouts, even if they camp. The only thing required is a service project to help keep the event running (starting cooking fires, cleanup, food prep, etc.).

If your troop is interested in participating in this year's Webelos-o-ree, even if you were at last year's, please contact Webelosoree@GooseCreekDistrict.org so we can coordinate the activities to be run. We have space for seven troops to camp over and, as always, there is no fee for troops to attend. They just have to supply their own food.

For the past few years we have tried to keep certain activities reserved for the troops that have done them in the past, this has often had us scrambling to fill them in when we finally heard that a troop doing one could not come that year. **This year all activity slots are open and will be given to the first troop that requests them.**

We are also looking for 4-5 Scouts, age 13 and older, and some additional adults who would like to be part of the Webelos-o-ree staff. The service would include helping with the flag ceremonies, running the Webelos challenge event, working the food line for supper, assistance with the campfire, and general "go to" jobs during the day. Meals and work all provided free.

Day Camp - Adult & Youth Staff Volunteer Station Sign-up



The Goose Creek District will be hosting two summer Cub Scout camps; Day camp & Twilight the week of June 17th. We are asking for both adults and youth volunteers.

There are many reasons for a Troop to send volunteers:

- If the Scout is 14 or older and serves for all 5 days, they will receive \$100 credit toward camping at any NCAC Resident camp
- Be awarded Service Hours
- Work on advancement and leadership
- Work on shooting sports skills: BBs, Archery, Sling shots
- Have an enjoyable time and get to know other scouts from across the district
- Do a Good Turn for the Cub Scout program
- Get time in as a Den Chief

The signup listed here is for Day Camp, there will be a separate link for Twilight (evening camp 6:30 to 9 PM):

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0845AFA72EA1FE3-daycamp1/>



“Cheerful Service Chatter”

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

★ Order of the Arrow – Upcoming Ordeal for Membership Candidates



The Order of the Arrow is Scouting’s National Honor Society. Its activities are fun and educational, and they provide opportunities for leadership and service.

Each Scout Troop, Venture Team, Explorer Post, and Sea Scout Ship may elect candidates for membership in the Order of the Arrow. However, election does not confer membership. Each candidate must complete a series of tests known as an “Ordeal.” The tests help candidates learn more about themselves. After meeting the tests of the ordeal, each new member makes a pledge of cheerful service to others.

The Ordeal (like all Order of the Arrow activities) is planned and executed by youth leaders, with the assistance of an adult advisor. The Goose Creek Ordeal will be held May 10-12 at the Loudoun County Izaak Walton facility. All members of the Chapter have been notified of the opportunity to register for the event. The elected candidates for membership have received instructions for registration and participating in the ordeal. Registration is at <https://www.scoutingevent.com/082-GooseCreekSpringOrdeal2019>

Candidates who have conflicts with this date may arrange an ordeal on another date with a different Order of the Arrow chapter.

The Order of the Arrow Chapter’s youth leaders plan and run the Ordeal, as well as all other chapter events. One of the purposes of the Order of the Arrow is to “Recognize those who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives ...” By meeting the tests of the Ordeal, the candidates will be recognized by membership in the Order of the Arrow.

Another purpose is to “Crystallize the Scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others.” The chapter, its members, and the candidates for membership will perform cheerful service at the Izaak Walton facility.



“Onward and Upward”

On the Advancement Trail



New Eagles



Congratulations to Goose Creek’s newest Eagles:

Aidan Bashore – Troop 2970

Matthew Cooper – Troop 997

John Damm – Troop 2970

Peter Deer – Troop 1158

Mickaeel Martinez Jaka – Troop 2019.

Michael McMahan – Troop 982

Jonathan Lowman – Troop 1158

Nicholas Ryan Marsh – Troop 2970

Andras Oehler – Troop 1941

Krishan Patel – Troop 1154

Addison Stuck – Troop 1941

Mason Stuck – Troop 1941

Jacob Wolfson – Troop 998



Aquatics Merit Badge Completion Day



If you end up with partial aquatics merit badges (swimming or lifesaving) at camp this summer then you’ll probably want to go to Camp Snyder on Saturday August 17 to complete those requirements. They will have trained BSA aquatics instructors there to work with you on your remaining requirements.

Registration deadline is August 12. Cost is \$10 per person.

Registration: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-25418>



Be Prepared to Earn Awards this Summer



You and your Scout might already be looking forward to summertime fun. It’s a great time to get outdoors, earn some awards a little more conducive to the season and make lifelong memories. But to ensure maximum enjoyment, you should make sure you’re in shape to accomplish your goals.

As Scouting magazine columnist Jeff Csatari points out in the latest issue, now is the time to get physically fit for the summer. His column on the Mile Swim BSA award (<https://scoutingmagazine.org/2019/04/go-the-extra-mile-for-the-mile-swim-bsa-award/>) breaks down how you can gradually train for the challenging award. The Boy Scouts of America offers many awards, some perfect to do during the summer, like hiking, conservation and, especially, aquatics.

To see a list of most of the awards that can be worked on over the summer by Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Sea Scouts, Venturers, and adults go to Bryan on Scouting's post at: <https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2019/04/25/be-prepared-to-earn-awards-this-summer/>



NCAC Canoe Clinic - Canoeing Class



What: This class includes material from both the Canoeing merit badge and the ACA Level 1: Introduction to Canoeing course, and successful completion earns the Scout the Canoeing merit badge. It is intended to teach effective and efficient paddling skills, for future use in canoe touring or canoe tripping. It is the prerequisite to the canoe-tripping class.

Where/When:

- June 14-16, 2019, Camp William B. Snyder. Registration deadline: June 1.
- September 13-15 2019, Camp William B. Snyder. Registration deadline: Sept 1.

Class Hours: Friday 7pm-10pm, Saturday 8am-5pm, Sunday 8am-5pm.

Cost: \$35, which includes the Canoeing merit badge pamphlet.

Registration: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-27548>

Scuba Certification and Scuba Diving Merit Badge



What: PADI open water scuba certification and the BSA Scuba Diving merit badge.

Who: For any Scouts BSA-aged youth or adult leader.

Where: Camp Snyder & local quarry

When: Aug 4, 1-3pm; Aug 17 & 18 9am-5pm; Aug 24 & 25, 9am-1pm

Cost: \$600 (includes all equipment); Aug 25 Scuba diving merit badge session only - \$5

Registration deadline: July 29

Registration: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-25415>



Make Easy Cub Scout First Aid Kits



The required Webelos First Responder adventure helps Cub Scouts learn quite a bit about first aid. It includes information about minor first aid situations such as cuts, blisters, and tick bites as well as major “hurry cases” such as heart attacks, not breathing, and strokes.

While they’re learning these things, the Scouts also need to put together a simple Cub Scout first aid kit. This post (<https://cubscoutideas.com/12203/cub-scout-first-aid-kits/>) will give you ideas for making a mini first aid kit using one of three different types of containers

2019 Merit Badge Requirement Changes



Merit badge requirement updates from *2019 Scouts BSA Requirements*:

- American Business (completely revised)
- American Labor (1)
- Archery (3b; for 5, option A: f1[d], f3; for 5, option B: f1[d], f3; deleted 4f)
- Bird Study (1, 3, 3a; added 3d; new 6; renumbered existing 6, 7, 8; added 10, 11)
- **Communication** (1d)
 - Added social media as a way to communicate
- **First Aid** (1, 5, 8)
 - 1. Changed 'Satisfy' to 'Demonstrate'
 - 5. Added another requirement to inspect the troop's first aid kit
 - 8. Updated to show the steps based on whether a large wound is, or is not, bleeding severely.
- Fly-Fishing (3, 9, 10; added 11)
- Forestry (2c)
- Geocaching (7, 8c; deleted 5c, 5d)
- Golf (1, 7b)
- Law (11d)
- **Lifesaving** (Second Class requirements 5c and 5d)
 - Took part of old requirement 5c and made it 5d
- Motorboating (5, 5e, 5f, 5g; added 4h, 4i; deleted 6)
- **Personal Management** (2a, 2b, 4b, 4c, 5, 6, 8d, 10a, 10b; added 2c, 2d, 4d, 4e)
 - 2a-b. Reworded. Part taken out and reset into requirement 2b.
 - 4. Reworded and added concepts of diversification and investment for retirement
 - 5. Revised from following 5 publicly traded stocks to explaining about types of investments
 - 6. Changed from pretending to invest \$1,000 to explaining types of insurance
 - 8d. Reworded
 - 10a. Revised to incorporate old requirement 10b
 - 10b. Discuss associated costs related to the career chosen and how to prepare for them.
- Railroading (added 8a[8])
- Reptile and Amphibian Study (8a, 8b)
- Rifle Shooting (1f; added 1f[1] and 1f[2]; for 2, option C: b, h)
- Rowing (2)
- Scouting Heritage (2a)
- Soil and Water Conservation (added 4e)
- Woodwork (5, 6)

If a Scout has already started working on a merit badge when a new edition of the pamphlet is introduced, they may continue to use the same pamphlet and fulfill the requirements therein to earn the badge. They need not start over again with the new pamphlet and revised requirements.

Scouts who are beginning a merit badge must use only the new requirements.

There is no time limit for starting and completing a merit badge, but all work must be completed by the time a Scout turns 18.



Life-to-Eagle Seminar



Keep your eyes open for an announcement of our next 2019 offering of the Life-to-Eagle (L2E) Training for Goose Creek.

These training conferences are primarily targeted for the Life-to-Eagle Advisers & Coordinators at the unit level – 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.

Date: TBD – either mid-July or mid-Aug 2019

Time: TBD – (typically 10:30-2:30)

Place: TBD – (typically a Loudoun County Library meeting room)

Then, the last L2E Seminar for 2019 is targeted for mid-November

Also, 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. Lots of things have changed over the years, and even the long-standing and experienced L2E Advisers will learn something new.

Sons of the American Revolution Eagle Recognition



The Colonel James Wood II Chapter of the Virginia Society, Sons of the American Revolution serving Northwestern Virginia invites you to recognize your Eagle Scout with a letter and certificate of recognition for their Court of Honor. Application is easy but can take 4-6 weeks for delivery due to the approval process.

Please provide the following information when ordering a letter and certificate:

1. Scout's Full Name:
2. Scouts' Troop Number:
3. Date for Court of Honor (if known):
4. Name/position of person requesting letter and certificate (for accounting purposes):
5. Address for mailing letter and certificate:

You may address all requests and inquiries to:

Robert Fagan
 Colonel, U.S. Army (Ret)
 Chapter Chairman, SAR Scouting Activities
 Email: rjfm1f99@hotmail.com

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Council Website: www.NCACBSA.org



When do You Cancel an Event Because of Weather?



You check the weather forecast a day before the troop's campout this weekend: A 60 percent chance of thunderstorms with possible wind gusts of 30 mph. Should the campout be postponed until a weekend with more fair weather?

It can be a tough call, and there are many factors to consider — what is the terrain where the campout will be? Will you be camping in a place susceptible to flash flooding or lightning strikes? What activities are planned? Would bad weather make those activities dangerous to do? What are the typical weather patterns for the area and that time of year? Are there permanent shelters available near the campsite? What are the capabilities and experiences of your unit?

You can find the BSA's free online Hazardous Weather Training, available through the BSA Learn Center at my.scouting.org. The course teaches the essentials and should be renewed every two years.

You can also find severe weather safety tips at the BSA's weather-related safety moments page (www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/safety-moments/weather-related-safety/) and safety alerts page (www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/alerts/hazardous-weather-training/)

Safety and common sense should dictate whether or not you cancel or postpone an event. Check the forecast right before the event, and because there's a little precipitation expected doesn't mean you have to hit the brakes on everything. Here are some tips for camping in wet weather:

- Start a fire in the rain: <https://scoutingmagazine.org/2011/01/ground-rules-rainy-day-wisdom/>
- Choose rain gear to stay dry: <https://scoutingmagazine.org/2014/12/choose-best-rain-gear-stay-dry-stormy-weather/>
- How to disaster-proof your campsite: <https://scoutingmagazine.org/2010/03/ground-rules-storm-hero/>
- Tips for reading the clouds: <https://scoutingmagazine.org/2018/02/keep-head-clouds/>

If you want to test your severe weather knowledge, you can take this Scouting Safety Quiz: <https://scoutingmagazine.org/2019/03/safetyquiz/>



Mount Vernon Celebrates Scouting



In celebration of the World Scout Jamboree in West Virginia, Mount Vernon is offering a special program for scouts July 15 - August 9. On these days, scout troops can visit the Ford Orientation for a greeting and orientation, participate in a flag raising, and participate in activities to earn badges.

Discounts: Special admission price for scouts \$8.

To make a reservation or find out more about the type of activities go to: www.mountvernon.org/plan-your-visit/group-reservations/student-groups/boys-girls-scouts/



2020 NCAC Philmont Trips Available!



Are you yearning for a High Adventure Expedition to Philmont Scout Ranch in 2020 but thought there were no openings left? NCAC's High Adventure Committee (HAC) now has an allocation of 2020 Philmont treks available for units or individuals!

Logistics for these trips are totally handled by the HAC, freeing you to focus on your crew's physical and mental preparation. This opportunity is particularly beneficial if your unit hasn't planned a High Adventure trip in a while, or if you are newly-formed like the Girl Troops being created thru-out Goose Creek. Philmont contains over 140,000 acres of mountain terrain, making it the largest organized youth camp in the world. You and your buddies can make this trip of a lifetime come true next year!

Three trip dates are available:

- Arriving Philmont Monday, June 22, 2020 and returning home Saturday, July 4, 2020
- Arriving Philmont Tuesday, July 14, 2020 and returning home Sunday, July 26, 2020
- Arriving Philmont Monday, July 20, 2020 and returning home Saturday, August 1, 2020

Total cost is estimated at \$2550 and includes all air and ground transportation, lodging, meals, sightseeing activities (whitewater rafting and other local outdoor tours) and the Philmont base fee. Two other lower-cost options are available at \$2350 or \$2200, without the tours and sightseeing.

These trips will go fast! Reserve your spot today by completing the 2020 Philmont application found at: <https://www.ncacbsa.org/council-committees/outdoor-adventuring/high-adventure/>

and securing it with a \$100 deposit. Contact HAC Chair John Blackwell at 301-346-0551 or john.blackwell@goosecreekdistrict.org as needed.

With decades of collective experience developing and leading High Adventure programs, the HAC is also

a resource for experienced crews planning their own excursions. We provide comprehensive Philmont and Northern Tier training sessions which are open to all participants, not just those on NCAC trips. You can also book a HAC'er to deliver a custom HA presentation directly to your unit. For example, a new session just created this Spring, "Oh, the Places You'll Go!" introduces Arrow of Light Cub Scouts to the High Adventures that await them in the Troop they'll soon join.

The HAC maintains a cache of information on the three other BSA National High Adventure Bases (Northern Tier, Sea Base, and Summit Reserve), plus data on even more adventures at locally-operated bases such as Lenhok'sin (Goshen), Maine, Adirondacks, Louisiana Bayou country, Montana and Utah.

★ Features that make the GoPro HERO7 Black a Game-changer for Troops and Crews



Scouts and Venturers don't sit still for long. All that moving around — hiking, biking, canoeing, kayaking, climbing and more — is a big reason why young people join Scouting and invite their friends along. But that constant motion comes with one downside: It's tough to capture on video without motion-sickness-inducing shakiness.

GoPro is here to help. With its new HERO7 Black, the first name in first-person video says it has eradicated shaky videos forever. That's big news for Scouts who want to document their adventures in crisp, smooth video. Better video makes it easier to recruit new Scouts, too. Here are some of its features:

1. Smooth video makes Scouting activities look better.

When bumping down a mountain bike trail or over whitewater rapids, there's a whole lot of shaking going on. Through some sort of magic GoPro calls "HyperSmooth Video," the HERO7 Black eliminates those micromovements that can ruin an otherwise epic video.

2. The GoPro survives drops and dunks.

Tent poles get broken, hiking boots fall apart and zippers break. But the GoPro is one piece of gear that'll survive the worst your Scouts — or Mother Nature — throw at it. The HERO7 Black, like many of the newest GoPro cameras, is waterproof without a housing. GoPro says you can take it down to 33 feet without issue.

3. It offers live streaming.

For Scouts and Venturers, Mondays are for show and tell. They tell classmates about all the awesome adventures they had over the weekend and show them video proof. But what if those "wish-I-was-there" moments were streamed live on YouTube, Twitch or Facebook? With the GoPro HERO7 Black and their phone, Scouts can stream directly to those platforms and more. This could be used for high-adventure outings, weekend trips or even troop meetings, when one or more Scouts can't make it in person.

4. It gets time lapse right.

You can shoot a quality time-lapse video on most newer phones, assuming the camera is stationary. The phone will automatically take one photo every 2 to 10 seconds. But if you shoot this time lapse while moving the camera, the resulting video is choppy.

GoPro's TimeWarp Video mode changes all that. It allows smooth, stabilized time-lapse video even when you're moving. That makes this a game-changer for any linear Scouting adventure — a hike down a trail or paddle down a river, perhaps.

5. You can slow things down — way down.

Sometimes you want to speed things up, and sometimes you want the opposite. The HERO7 Black can shoot 1080p video at 240 frames per second, which lets you slow things down — way down. That means you can relive those "it-only-happens-in-Scouting" moments at one-eighth their original speed.



Two Essential Scouts BSA Resources for New and Longtime Leaders



The BSA has refreshed and retooled a pair of online resources for Scouts BSA volunteers.

The first is the **Program Resources** page. Think of it as your quick-start guide to Scouts BSA. Here, you'll find a collection of links for starting a Scouts BSA troop, helping Scouts earn merit badges, guiding youth leaders toward more effective troop meetings and more.

- Link: <https://www.scouting.org/programs/scouts-bsa/resources/>
- Who it's for: Adult volunteers, parents and Scouts
- Why it's useful: It's a list of official resources to help your Scouts BSA troop be the best it can be.
- What's there:
 - A checklist for a new Scoutmaster who might be unfamiliar with Scouts BSA
 - The main page for family Scouting, which is the BSA's initiative to welcome all members of the family into all Scouting programs
 - A one-page, customizable document you can use at parent orientation
 - A troop resource survey, which lets you learn the skills of each troop parent to identify potential merit badge counselors and volunteers
 - The latest requirements for every merit badge
 - The complete script for an orientation for new Scout parents
 - Resources to help you plan better troop meetings
 - Information on the National Eagle Scout Association, which is essentially an alumni group of those who have earned Scouting's highest honor

The second is the **Program Updates** page. This one's for both newcomers and veterans, and it's where the National Scouts BSA Committee posts the latest information on any changes to the program. If there's a new program initiative, updated requirement or any change to Scouts BSA printed material, you'll find it there first.

- Link: <https://www.scouting.org/programs/scouts-bsa/program-updates/>
- Who it's for: Adult volunteers, parents and Scouts
- Why it's useful: It's a single place where you'll find the latest updates or changes to Scouts BSA materials.
- What's there:
 - New or updated language for Scouts BSA printed materials, such as the Scouts BSA Handbook, Scouts BSA Requirements book or a merit badge pamphlet
 - Updated requirements for merit badges or ranks
 - Information on new Scouts BSA initiatives or opportunities



How to Join the BSA Contingent at Scouting Events in Brazil or Poland in 2020



The signature event of international Scouting is the World Scout Jamboree, held every four years. This summer's World Scout Jamboree at the Summit Bechtel Reserve will be the first on U.S. soil since 1967.

But the excitement, camaraderie and unity of world Scouting doesn't end when the tents come down in West Virginia. In 2020, the BSA will send a contingent of Scouts and adult leaders to international Scouting events in Brazil and Poland. Registered BSA members who meet the age requirements are invited to attend as participants or unit leaders. They also may apply to serve on staff, known in world Scouting parlance as the International Service Team.

For each event, the cost for youth and adult participants includes event registration, round-trip travel, custom contingent swag and event-specific insurance.



JamCam 2020

- What: The Interamerican Region JamCam, bringing together Scouts and leaders from all over North America, Central America, South America and the Caribbean. It's a weeklong jamboree/camporee (hence the name JamCam) that aims to strengthen the bonds of Scout values.
- When: Jan. 4 to 10, 2020
- Where: Foz do Iguaçu, Brazil, the main base for visiting the famous Iguaçu Waterfalls
- Age requirements (youth): Boys or girls must be age 15 to 17 (with birthdays between Jan. 11, 2002, and Jan. 3, 2005)
- Age requirements (adults): Unit Leaders must be age 21 or older (birthday before Jan. 4, 1999); members of the International Service must be 18 or older (birthday before Jan. 4, 2002)
- Cost: \$4,400 for youth participants or adult until leaders, \$780 for members of the International Service Team (IST fee does not include travel)
- Learn more at www.scouting.org/international/events/jamcam-2020/

European Jamboree 2020

- What: The European Jamboree, the first such event since 2005. Participants will use their Scouting skills to make new friends and learn how to make a difference in the world.
- When: July 27 to Aug. 6, 2020
- Where: Gdańsk, Poland
- Age requirements (youth): Boys or girls must be age 14 to 17 (with birthdays between Aug. 6, 2002, and July 26, 2006)
- Age requirements (adults): Unit Leaders must be age 21 or older (birthday before July 27, 1999); members of the International Service must be 18 or older (birthday before July 27, 2002)
- Cost: \$3,300 for youth participants or adult until leaders, \$650 for members of the International Service Team (IST fee does not include travel)
- Learn more at www.scouting.org/international/events/european-jamboree-2020/



8 Awesome Hiking Games for Cub Scouts



Cub Scouts have requirements or electives for hiking at almost all of the ranks. Sometimes, however, if you tell an elementary school-aged kid that you're going for a long walk, you might hear whining. But tell them you're going on an ABC hike or a scavenger hunt hike or a penny hike, and you just might pique their interest.

Playing hiking games can add an element of excitement. Often, they can be done with few (if any) supplies. CubScoutIdeas.com has a listing of 8 awesome hiking games for Cub Scouts: <https://cubscoutideas.com/2476/hiking/>

Don't forget that your Scouts will need the Cub Scout 6 essentials for hiking (<https://cubscoutideas.com/4609/cub-scout-six-essentials-for-hiking/>).



Potomac Nationals Scout Nights



Bring your troop, pack, or den out to Northwest Federal Field at Pfitzner Stadium for one of our scout nights during the 2019 season. The three dates for 2019 are: Saturday, June 22nd; Saturday, July 20th and Saturday, August 10th. Along with a great baseball game, scouts will have the opportunity to spend the night in the outfield and walk the warning track in the pre-game Scout Parade. Plus, all scouts will leave with a commemorative patch.

Package includes:

- Pre-game parade on the warning track
- Post-game kids run the bases
- Camp out in the outfield post-game
- P-Nats Scout Patch given to all campers
- Ask about your pack presenting the colors before the game

For pricing and additional information go to:

www.milb.com/potomac/tickets/scout-nights

Pre-camp Swim Classification Tests



What: This is an opportunity for your unit to have your annual BSA swim classification check done under the supervision of NCAC-approved aquatics personnel.

Who: Any NCAC unit (Pack, Troops and Crews).
Up to 20 tests per 30 minute session

Where: Camp Snyder pool, Haymarket VA

When: May 19. 30 min blocks starting at 1pm, last session starting at 4pm Cost: \$3 per participant

Registration deadline: May 13

Registration: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-25403>.

Note: Out of Council camps may still require your unit to be tested there. Please check with them before signing up for the pre-camp tests.



Two Things You (probably) Didn't Think About Taking to Summer Camp

Excerpted from Scoutmaster Clarke Green, May 28 2014., <http://scoutmastercg.com/>

Two humble things find a number of uses at summer camp; clothespins and index cards.

I usually have a pocket full of index cards, and use them all day long to take notes, leave messages, and post reminders or notices for youth leaders. With clothespins or thumbtacks I can clip them to a tent flap, a branch, or pin them to our bulletin board.



Here are some ideas that you may find useful and fun:

1. Simple “where is” board.

Someone is usually trying to find me at camp, or I am looking for someone else. A simple “where is” note can help folks figure out where to look first.

2. Summer Camp Chore Chart

Here's one idea your Senior Patrol Leader can use to assign patrol tasks for the day.



3. Notes and Notices

I can be reasonably sure a Scout will find a note clipped to his tent flap. I can use the same method to distribute mail from home or other information a particular Scout or youth leader needs.

4. Clothespin Obstacle Course

Two Scouts use 5 clothespins to attach themselves together and follow an obstacle course. The team who completes the course with the most pins still attached wins.

5. Clothespin Endurance Champion

Each Scout holds a clothespin pinched open between two fingers with their arm fully extended and elbow straight at shoulder level. The last Scout to hold this position wins.



6. Clothespin Hunt

A number of marked or colored clothespins are hidden around the campsite. The patrol who finds the most in a given time wins.

7. Clothespin Challenge

Which Scout or Patrol, in the opinion of their fellow Scouts, can create the best animal, gadget, or inventive use for clothespins by the end of the week? Whittling, a couple of Popsicle sticks from the trading post, some glue, lashings or the addition of other found objects – amazing things can be made from clothespins.

8. Hanging Clothes

Goes without saying, but I'll say it anyway.



How to Make a Camp Washing Machine using a Paint Bucket and Plunger



Showers are a regular amenity at most Scout summer camps. Washing machines are not.

So why not create your own camp washing machine? With just five minutes and a couple of items available at your local hardware store, you can make a device that'll leave your clothes smelling gloriously fresh. You'll gain confidence, respect and the undying gratitude of your parents (and your tentmate).

What you need

- A clean 5-gallon plastic paint bucket with lid
- A new, clean plunger
- Drill with properly sized drill bit OR sharp knife
- Laundry detergent
- Dirty clothes

Step 1: Drill or cut hole in the lid

The hole should be centered in the lid. Make it just big enough for the plunger to fit through. The goal: Some wiggle room but not so much that water splashes out at you.

Start small and gradually widen if needed. It's much easier to make the hole larger than to make it smaller.

To cut the hole, use a hole saw bit, spade bit or a sharp knife.

Step 2: Drill or cut holes in the plunger

It's an important and often overlooked step when making a DIY washing machine: Cut holes in the top of the plunger.

By drilling or cutting six to 12 holes, agitation — the plunging process that gets your clothes clean — becomes much easier. That's because the holes allow water to flow freely and keep the plunger from buckling. The holes only need to be a ½ inch in width.

Step 3: Add water, clothes, laundry detergent

Fill the bucket with water, toss in those dirty clothes and add some laundry detergent. Powdered detergent works best, and with such a small washing machine you won't need much.

Step 4: Close the lid, and plunge

Agitate — plunge up and down — for several minutes.



Step 5: Rinse clothes and hang to dry

Be sure to wash out that detergent. Then find a place for your clothes to air dry — clothesline, tree branch, tent line.

2019 Goshen Summer Camp Availability



Key: Available Almost Full Full

Camp (as of 03/25/2015)		Week					
		1	2	3	4	5	6
	Bowman (Patrol Cooking)						
	Marriott (Patrol Cooking & Heater Stack)	LDS Week					
	Olmsted (BS Dining Hall)						
	Lenhok'sin High Adventure						
	PMI (Dining Hall)						
	Ross (Dining Hall)						

Week 1 – 6/23 to 6/29

Week 3 – 7/7 to 7/13

Week 5 – 7/21 to 7/27

Week 2 – 6/30 to 7/6

Week 4 – 7/14 to 7/20

Week 6 – 7/28 to 8/3

Fees:

If paid by April 12: Youth \$375, Adults \$225

If paid by May 17: Youth \$415, Adults \$265

After May 17: Youth \$455, Adults \$305

- All units will receive two free adult leaders!

Registration: www.gotogoshen.org/registration/#schedule

How to visit the 2019 World Scout Jamboree: Day Passes, Dates and Details



This summer, get a taste of the worldwide fellowship of Scouting without even leaving the country.

Day passes for the 2019 World Scout Jamboree are now available, giving everyone a chance to experience this summer's global gathering of Scouts.

If your summer plans don't involve attending the World Scout Jamboree or serving on staff (known as the International Service Team), point your compass to the Summit Bechtel Reserve in West Virginia.

Jamboree visitors can sample unique food, learn about other cultures and meet Scouts from the more than 150 countries represented. They'll also be part of a World Scouting tradition that began in 1920 with the first World Scout Jamboree.

This summer's big event is just the 24th World Scout Jamboree in history and only the second in the United States. (The other was in 1967 at Farragut State Park in Idaho.)

Here's everything you need to Be Prepared for this once-in-a-lifetime event:

<https://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/2019/03/21/how-to-visit-the-2019-world-scout-jamboree-day-passes-dates-and-details/>

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 – Thursday, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. Day Only / Lunch Included.

Session 1: July 8-11
Session 2: July 29-Aug 1

Cost: \$255 – register by May 16
\$280 – register after May 16
\$50 – one adult for a week
(may be a different adult each day)

To register: www.ncacbsa.org/outdoors/camp-william-b-snyder/summer-programs/

Cub Scout STEM Day Camp at Camp Snyder, Haymarket VA



The NCAC STEM Program is coming to Camp Snyder for one week only (July 24-27). Spaces are limited so sign up early for this unique blend of BBs, Archery, Swimming and STEM! Each day will begin at 9:00 am and conclude at 4:00 pm with lunch included in the cost of camp.

July 15 - 19
\$280 – register by May 16

Cost: \$305 – register after May 16
\$50 – adults

To register: www.ncacbsa.org/outdoors/camp-william-b-snyder/summer-programs/

Cub Scout STEM Weekend Resident Camp at Camp Snyder, Haymarket VA



Everything that you love about our Resident Weekend program + Science Technology Engineering Math. What's not to like?

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.

July 26-28

Cost: \$290 – register by May 16
\$315 – register after May 16
\$80 – adults (2 leaders free)

To register: www.ncacbsa.org/outdoors/camp-william-b-snyder/summer-programs/

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.

Session 1: July 5-7

Session 2: July 12-14

Session 3: Aug 2-4

Cost: \$265 – register by May 16

\$290 – register after May 16

\$80 – adults (2 leaders free)

To register: www.ncacbsa.org/outdoors/camp-william-b-snyder/summer-programs/

Cub Scout Resident Camp Week at Camp Snyder, Haymarket VA



Is family scouting your thing? Do you want an opportunity to camp overnight but, to be able to do it with more than one of your scouts? Cub Scout Resident camp is for YOU! Does your Tiger, Wolf or Bear like to camp just as much as your Webelos? Now they can! Cub resident week is a full summer camp experience for all ages. This program is a four-night overnight program open to all levels of Cubs from Tiger up. (Tigers must have their Tiger partner accompany them to camp). Daytime activities are for all ages and evening activities are customized to provide rank specific activities for each age group in attendance.

Monday 9:00am – Friday 9:00 am, Overnight / Meals are provided from Monday lunch – Friday continental breakfast

Aug 5-9

Cost: \$300 – register by May 16

\$325 – register after May 16

\$125 – adults (2 free)

To register: www.ncacbsa.org/outdoors/camp-william-b-snyder/summer-programs/



The loaded mini-van pulled into the only remaining campsite. Four Scouts leapt from the vehicle and began feverishly unloading gear and setting up the tents and tarp. Then two of the Scouts rushed to gather firewood, while the others set up the camp stove and cooking utensils.

A nearby camper marveled to the Scoutmaster, "That, sir, is some display of teamwork."

The Scoutmaster replied, "I have a system — no one goes to the bathroom until the camp is set up."

2019 STEM University



The NCAC STEM Committee is hosting the 4th annual STEM University on June 15, 2019 for all youth and adults! Youth are invited to display their Supernova projects at our Einstein's Science Fair, or attend the hands-on activities rotations. Adults may select from several of the following classes: Nova Counselor & Supernova Mentor Training, BSA STEM Roadmap to Success, Cub Scouts Science, and how to organize a large STEM event.

When: Saturday June 15, 2019

Where: Microsoft Technology Center in Reston, VA

Registration: Not yet online

Webelos Resident Camp Week at Camp Snyder, Haymarket VA



Webelos camp is a big step for the Webelos I or II working on rank adventures. Scouts will camp overnight just like when they become Boy Scouts to get the full summer camp experience in a shorter setting. Most of your time will be spent working towards advancing in your Webelos trail on the way to becoming a Boy Scout. There's plenty of other fun activities to fill your week including trips to the pool and more.

Monday 9:00am – Friday 9:00 am, Overnight / Meals are provided from Monday lunch – Friday continental breakfast

July 16-20

Cost: \$305 – register by May 16
\$330 – register after May 16
\$130 – adults (2 free)

To register: www.ncacbsa.org/outdoors/camp-william-b-snyder/summer-programs/

Podcasts



May 2019 – Training: Why You Need It and How to Get It



This episode is all about training: why it's important, how to get trained, and everything you need to know about training. Longtime volunteer Grace Davidson wrote the scripts and provided content for the new e-learning training modules. Whether you're new to Scouting or have been around the Scouting block a time or two, you'll be left wondering, "With so many training opportunities available and all the fun and innovative ways to get that training, why didn't I get trained sooner?"

Podcast: <https://podcast.scouting.org/cubcast/2019/may-2019-training-why-you-need-it-and-how-to-get-it/>



May 2019 – Bullying



Talking about bullying doesn't have to be uncomfortable. You just have to shine a light on it. We get a lot of questions regarding how to handle bullying in a Scouting context, so we thought this might be a good time to talk to Cody Solesbee, a doctoral student in the School of Psychology at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln. He's a researcher for the Nebraska Bullying Prevention and Intervention Initiative, which has a goal of addressing the personal, social, and cultural factors that underlie bullying behaviors in order to advance solutions to promote healthy relationships within families, schools, communities, and out-of-school organizations like Scouting.

Podcast: <https://podcast.scouting.org/scoutcast/2019/may-2019-bullying/>

Training Opportunities

Upcoming IOLS Training in May 4-5, 2019



Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills Training will be presented by Goose Creek District at Camp Highroad on May 4-5, 2019.

Outdoor skills are critical to the success of any Scouting program. IOLS provides leaders with the basic outdoor skills needed to start a program right and keep it going.

IOLS is the required outdoor training for all Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters. The course is also ideal for Venturing leaders because it focuses on building confidence and competence in Leaders conducting outdoor camping experiences.

All Leaders should wear their Class A Scout Leader Uniform.

Please bring a chair and a water bottle for class sessions.

Also bring full camping gear for an overnight stay; camping overnight is part of the course.

Meals will be provided. Please provide any dietary restrictions.

There is a \$40 fee for this class.

Please Register online: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-26941>

If you need additional information, please email walt.johnson@goosecreekdistrict.org

Swimming and Water Rescue (SWR)



What: This is the hands-on in-water training that is recommended in Safe Swim Defense guidelines for anyone who supervises Scout swimming activities. This course certifies leaders to conduct BSA swim classification tests and gives leaders the confidence in their water rescue capabilities needed to safely conduct swimming activities. This course replaced BSA Lifeguard as the training for unit leaders supervising unit swimming activities. This training is available at Camp Snyder and at Goshen Scout Reservation camp waterfronts during 2019 summer camp season.

Prerequisites: Safe Swim Defense (available online at <https://myscouting.scouting.org/>)

Fee: \$60 (includes the required course text – Aquatics Supervision No. 34737) \$30 if you already have the book.

Who: Older youth (min. 15 years old) and adult leaders.

Where: Camp Snyder.

Dates:

- June 1, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, registration deadline is May 27
- August 10, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, registration deadline is Aug 5

Registration: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-25404>.

Aquatics Supervision Training: Paddle Craft Safety (PCS)



What: This is the hands-on training that is recommended in Safety Afloat guidelines for anyone conducting Scout boating activities. Two versions of the course are offered: The Basic course covers flat water introductory boating skills and basic trip planning. The River course includes skills and knowledge development that are required for conducting trips on moving water. The Basic course is a prerequisite for the moving water course.

These courses are required for any NCAC Scouters who are leading James River Canoe Treks out of the Lenhok'sin High Adventure Camp.

Who: Older youth (min. 15 years old) and adult leaders.

Where/When:

- Basic sessions .
 - September 21, 2019, 9am-5pm Camp William B. Snyder. Registration deadline: Sept 16

Cost: \$30 + \$30 for the required textbook: BSA's Aquatics Supervision

- River sessions.
 - September 22, 2019, 9am-5pm Potomac River. Registration deadline: Sept 16

Cost: \$50

Registration:

- basic - <https://scoutingevent.com/082-25420>
- river - <https://scoutingevent.com/082-25419>

NCAC Camps' OPI: Wilderness First Aid



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.

Courses are offered at Camp Snyder in Haymarket

- May 10 (6 PM) - May 12 (12 PM)

Cost: \$160

Register at: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-24507>

Powder Horn 2019



What is Powder Horn?

In Scouting, Powder Horn is the vessel to sustain the spirit of the outdoors in our youth today. Along with the spirit of the outdoors, you will also gather knowledge to share, motivate and direct youth. Powder Horn will give you the necessary skills to oversee a high adventure program. It will also help you identify local resources for your group's program.

What do I need to do before the course?

Complete the following on-line trainings at My.Scouting.org:

- Youth Protection: Boy Scout or Venturing
- Safety Afloat
- Safe Swim Defense
- Weather Hazard
- Climb on Safely
- Trek Safely

What will we do?

Powder Horn is organized around the Venturing Program's High Adventure elements and Boy Scouting's High Adventure Merit badge elements. It is intended to help adult leaders get started finding and using the resources for high-adventure programs.

Who can attend Powder Horn?

All registered adult leaders and youth (14 and up) are welcome. All participants must be registered members of the Boy Scouts of America. Adults must have completed Leader Specific Training for your registered position.

Youth participants will be provided a Personal Resource Questionnaire which must be completed by the applicant; a letter of recommendation from their Scoutmaster or Advisor is also required.

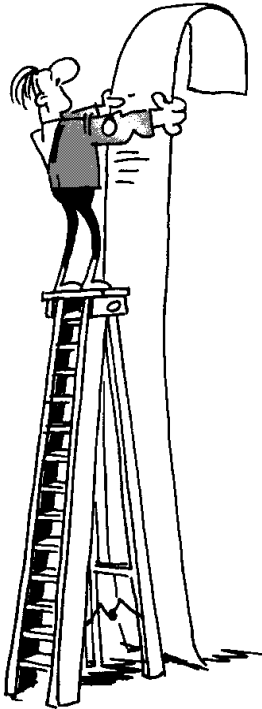
When: 24 – 26 August 2019 (Saturday – Monday)

Where: Camp St Charles, 15375 Stella Maris Dr, Newberg, MD 20664

Registration: <https://scoutingevent.com/082-24637>

Cost: \$300, \$350 if registered after May 5, 2019.

District Calendar



May 2019

- 1 **District Court of Honor**
- 4-5 **IOLS Training**
- 8 **Program Launch**
- 8 OA Chapter Meeting
- 10-12 **OA Spring Ordeal**
- 22 District Committee & Commissioner RT
- 27 Memorial Day

June 2019

- 7 Last Day of School
- 12 Roundtable
- 12 OA Chapter Meeting
- 17-21 **Goose Creek Day Camp**
- 17-20 **Goose Creek Twilight Camp**
- 26 District Committee & Commissioner RT

July 2019

- 4 Independence Day

August 2019

- 14 Roundtable
- 14 OA Chapter Meeting
- 22 First Day of School
- 28 District Committee & Commissioner RT

September 2019

- 2 Labor Day
- 11 Roundtable
- 11 OA Chapter Meeting
- 25 District Committee & Commissioner RT

October 2019

- 9 Roundtable
- 9 OA Chapter Meeting
- 12-13 **Webelos-o-ree**
- 14 Columbus Day
- 23 District Committee & Commissioner RT
- 28 Student Holiday

November 2019

- 2 **SFF Post-it Note Distribution**
- 9 **SFF Food Pickup**
- 13 Roundtable
- 13 OA Chapter Meeting
- 27 District Committee & Commissioner RT
- 27-29 School Holiday
- 30 **Final Date for Recharter Turn In**

December 2019

- 11 Roundtable
- 11 OA Chapter Meeting
- 18 **Annual District Business Meeting**
- 23-31 Winter Break

January 2020

- 1 Holiday
- 8 Roundtable
- 8 OA Chapter Meeting
- 20 MLK Jr. Day
- 21 Moveable School Holiday
- 22 District Committee & Commissioner RT

February 2020

- 7 Scout Jumuah
- 8 Scout Sabbath
- 9 Scout Sunday
- 12 Roundtable
- 12 OA Chapter Meeting
- 17 President's Day
- 26 District Committee & Commissioner RT

March 2020

- 2 School Holiday
- 7 **District Pinewood Derby**
- 11 Roundtable
- 11 OA Chapter Meeting
- 25 District Committee & Commissioner RT
- 27 School Holiday
- 27-29 **Spring Camporee**

April 2020

- 6-10 School Holiday
- 8 Roundtable
- 8 OA Chapter Meeting
- 22 District Committee & Commissioner RT