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Greetings to all.

The next regular edition is scheduled for early next week (in advance of the Dec. 13 Chain Bridge District roundtable). Here are three time-sensitive updates & reminders for Chainemail readers until then.

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1) District Rechartering Training:
(from John Brown, Jr., District Commissioner)

Units Rechartering Training will be conducted at the December Roundtable. Our commissioner staff will lead this training session (from 7:00pm - 8:00pm). All Unit leaders and committee members that are involved with preparing and submitting their recharter package should attend this training. Our experienced commissioners will share recharter basics but more importantly make you aware of a number of changes since last year. So, it's very important that all units are represented and take advantage of this training that will help contribute to a smoother rehartering process. The Rechartering time table and package drop-off locations and dates will be promulgated at the meeting and also in the next Cub and Chainemail editions.

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2) Scouting for Food: Missed Donations & Note on Results
(from Paul Maloney, District Scouting for Food Coordinator)

Every year there are some Scouting For Food donations that are not collected during the SFF collection Saturday. If you have picked up any missed donations, and you want to get them to AFAC, please bring to the December CBD Round Table (December 13) and drop them off there, and we'll get them to AFAC. If you have a really large donation (say more than seven or eight bags), please let Paul Maloney know (at

paul.maloney.v2-at-gmail.com) and he'll arrange to pick it up directly from you.

Additionally, thanks to all the scouts and adults that worked so hard on Scouting For Food in 2012, particularly those units that took on new or expanded areas. Thanks to your scouts and adults efforts, we collected 59,000 pounds of donations in 2012 - a very important "good turn".

The results for 2012 were lower than usual, in fact lower than any of the past five years. I think it's fair to say that we're all disappointed at that, particularly since so many scouts and adults worked really hard this year. The average number of hours this year worked per scout is 3.5 hours, which for most troops or packs is typically 2 hours on the first Saturday and 1.5 hours on the second. That's a significant effort and I thank you for it.

The full Scouting for Food results will be posted on the Chain Bridge District's web page on the Scouting for Food Link.
www.boyscouts-ncac.org/scouting-for-food/50185

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3) Unit Journey to Excellence Forms Now Due in January

Unit leaders should be preparing the unit Journey to Excellence (JTE) form. Your unit's JTE form (2012) must be submitted separately this year, unlike last year when the forms were submitted with the unit recharter packages. The JTE forms cover the calendar year (January through December). All JTE forms must be submitted by Roundtable night, January 10th. Roundtable is conducted at the Arlington, LDS Chapel (8:00pm - 9:15pm) 1600 N. Inglewood St.. Unit Commissioners will be engaged in the JTE collection process and wiill be available to assist you and answer any questions.

Contact your unit commissioner for more information or help locating the proper form. If you need help identifying your unit commissioner, contact district commissioner John Brown Jr. at
703 201-1304, or e-mail to j_brownjr-at-verizon.com

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4) Send in District Awards Nominations Now!

Remember to send nominations for the District Award of Merit to Pauline Clark) by COB Friday, December 14. This is a *HARD* deadline so DO NOT DELAY! Her email address is: pauline.clark-at-verizon.com

A nomination form can be downloaded at
www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/33720.pdf
or contact Pauline Clark (at the e-mail above) for a form in MS Word.

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5) New Troop Chartered
(from Larry Hume, District Membership Chair)

Troop 164, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 14516 at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, 830 S. 23rd Street Arlington 22202, has recently been chartered. The new unit was organized by Committee Chair Joseph Mazel (joe.mazel4-at-gmail.com), Scoutmaster Larry Hume (ScoutmasterTroop164-at-gmail.com), and Assistant Scoutmaster Clay Henderson (whendersonjr-at-gmail.com).

Welcome Troop 164 to the Chain Bridge District!

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6) Winter Preparedness Week

Winter Preparedness Week is now (Dec. 2-8), so this is the time to get ready (or recheck your preparations) for possible bad weather this winter. Information and resources are available online at www.ReadyVirginia.gov.

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Hope there was something there for you!

Send news and new contact info to chainemail-at-twelfthpoint.com

-Paul

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