THE BLUE BLAZE

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The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

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Upcoming Events

December

21 Popcorn, final payment due from units
22 District Committee Meeting, 7:30pm Church of Christ, 1305 N. Market St. Frederick
23 Eagle Review
28 Inter-troop sports event (Bowling) contact shawnyoungberg@comcast.net
31 Silver Beaver and Award of Merit nominations due

January

12 Roundtable (Boy Scout/Cub Scout/Venturing/OA) 7:15pm old St. John's School, 114 E 2nd St. Frederick
12 Training at Roundtable: Cubmaster Leader Specific Training, contact cubpack570@hotmail.com
Boy Scout Leader Specific Training (2), contact allenonthelake@comcast.net
14 Commissioner's Meeting, 7:30pm Walkersville LDS Chapel
18 Inter-troop sports event (Basketball), contact shawnyoungberg@comcast.net
23 Commissioner's College, contact walkersville.scouts@gmail.com
26 District Committee Meeting, 7:30pm Church of Christ, 1305 N. Market St. Frederick
27 Eagle Review
30 Trainer's Edge, contact allenonthelake@comcast.net

February

7 Scout Sunday
8 100th Anniversary of Boy Scouts of America
9 Roundtable (Boy Scout/Cub Scout/Venturing/OA) 7:15pm old St. John's School, 114 E 2nd St. Frederick
9 Cub Scout Leader Specific Training, contact cubpack570@hotmail.com
11 Commissioner's Meeting, 7:30pm Walkersville LDS Chapel
13 Scout Sabbath
15 Inter-troop Sports Event, contact shawnyoungberg@comcast.net
23 District Committee Meeting, 7:30pm Church of Christ, 1305 N. Market St. Frederick
24 Eagle Review
27 Deadline to register for the First Aid Meet, contact lewcar@comcast.net

You are welcome to take training in any District

For more information, visit http://www.boyScouts-ncac.org/openrosters/view_homepage.asp?orgkey=1934.

Overall Training Chairman	Colby Child	301-271-4111	mudrat@erols.com.
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Varsity Training Chairman	Mike Haderlie	301-703-2114	mhaderlie@gmail.com.

District Key 3 Leadership

Tim Richardson, District Director trichardson@boyscouts-ncac.org 240-529-6188
Ed Clayson, District Chairman, eclays@fred.net 301-845-2015
Randy Johnson, District Commissioner, walkersville.Scouts@gmail.com 240-529-7363

Recharter

Each recharter packet has an access code number in the upper right corner of the envelope. With that code, you will be able to log onto the recharter site http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org/openrosters/ViewOrgPageLink.asp?LinkKey=16908&orgkey=1988 . Our district window for recharter will be open from Dec. 1 till Feb. 28. By starting now to get registrations updated and fees collected, you can have your recharter process completed before the holidays. If you have any questions, contact your Unit Commissioner or District Commissioner Randy Johnson at walkersville.scouts@gmail.com or by phone at 240-529-7363.

Centennial Quality Unit Forms

The 2009 and 2010 Centennial Quality Unit forms are in your recharter packets. Arrange to go over the forms with your Unit Commissioner or District Commissioner, Randy Johnson and have them completed, signed and turned in between now and December 31. If you have questions, contact your Unit Commissioner or Randy Johnson at 240-529-7363 or Walkersville.scouts@gmail.com.

Scouting for Food

Don't forget to log on and report the amount of food and the number of people that participated in your Scouting for Food Good Turn. Click on this link: https://boyscouts-ncac.doubleknot.com/form/formjump.asp?bidx=0&orgkey=370&surveyID=15095 and simply fill out the form. Not only will you get a Scouting For Food participation ribbon for your efforts, but you will be contributing to the effort to show the community what Scouting is all about. Also if you click on the following link you can upload your favorite photos of Scouting collecting food to the WUSA9 website http://www.wusa9.com/life/community/photogallery.aspx

Bowling Tournament

The 6th Annual Boy Scout Bowling Tournament will be held Monday December 28, 2009 beginning at 10:00AM at Terrace Lanes, 12 W. College Terrace, Frederick, MD 21701. The cost is $7.50 and each Scout will play two games of ten pin bowling. To register and for more information, contact Shawn Youngberg at 240-344-7733 or shawnyoungberg@comcast.net. Registration is requested by December 20th.

District Award of Merit

The District Award of Merit is the highest award that a Council can award to a District Scouter. If you know of a Scouter in your unit who has contributed significantly to Scouting at the District level, please consider filling out an application and submitting it to Shawn Youngberg, Chairman of the Award of Merit Committee. All applications must be submitted by December 31, 2009. You can download a copy of the application at http://www.boyscouts-ncac.org/openrosters/DocDownload.asp?orgkey=1988&id=63819 . Applications can be mailed to Shawn Youngberg, 5821 Woodwinds Cir., Frederick, MD 21703. If you have questions, contact Shawn at 240-344-7733 or shawnyoungberg@comcast.net .

The Scout Law Breakfast Buffets

COME CELEBRATE 100 YEARS OF SCOUTING AND THE SCOUT LAW WITH AN ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST BUFFET AT CAMP WILLIAM B. SNYDER IN 2010!

LOCATION:

CAMP WILLIAM B. SNYDER
6100 ANTIOCH ROAD
HAYMARKET, VA
20169

TIME:

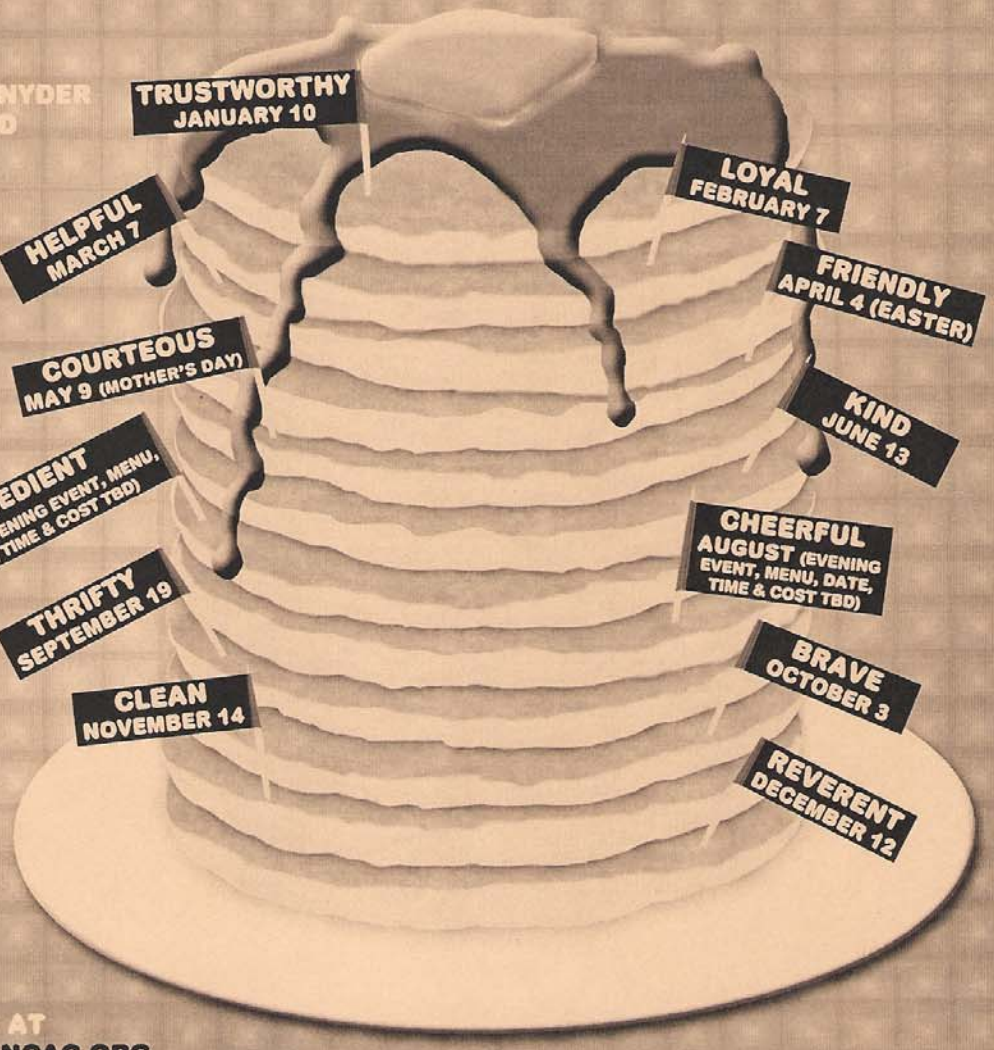
7AM - 1PM

MENU:

PANCAKES
EGGS
SAUSAGE
FRUIT
CEREAL
MILK
JUICE
TEA
COFFEE

COST:

$10 ONLINE PRE-REGISTRATION OR $12 AT-THE-DOOR (CASH & CHECKS ONLY)
REGISTRATION AVAILABLE ONLINE AT **WWW.BOYSCOUTS-NCAC.ORG** BEGINNING JANUARY 2, 2010



THIS IS AN OPEN-TO-THE-PUBLIC EVENT AND THE ENTIRE FAMILY IS WELCOME TO ATTEND!

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT CAMP WILLIAM B. SNYDER, THE NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA COUNCIL, BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

ARCHDIOCESAN CATHOLIC COMMITTEE ON SCOUTING
BALTIMORE

Annual Scout Mass
Sunday, March 7, 2010

St. John the Evangelist Church
116 East 2nd Street, Frederick, MD 21703
www.stjohn-frederick.org

The Archdiocese of Baltimore will hold its annual Scout Mass on Sunday, March 7, 2010 **at 2:30 PM** at St. John the Evangelist Parish with Bishop Rozanski presiding. This year's Scout Mass patch features an image of the church steeple. St. John's is the oldest consecrated church in the Archdiocese of Baltimore, and as such, the steeple has come to symbolize Catholicism in Western Maryland. The patches ***must*** be pre-ordered by your unit and are $3.00 each.

Again this year! Patches are available for mail delivery ahead of time if you would like to have them for your Parish's own Scout Mass in February. Please order **by January 15, 2010** and include postage with your order of $2.00 for ten and under plus $1.00 for each additional ten patches. Remember to indicate on the order form below that you would like your patches mailed. The patches will be distributed to your unit representative before the Archdiocesan Scout Mass at St. John the Evangelist if you are not having them mailed.

DIRECTIONS FROM BALTIMORE AND EAST OF FREDERICK

Take Rt. 70 West
Take Exit 56 "Patrick Street/Frederick Fairgrounds"
Follow Patrick Street to East Street and turn right onto East Street .
Take East Street to E. Second Street (2 Blocks).
Turn left onto E. Second Street .
Go about one block and St. John's Church is on the left (large white church at the corner of E. Second Street and Chapel Alley).

Parking is available in the Parking Deck: Church Street Deck - located at 17 E. Church Street
From Market Street, take a right onto E. Church Street, then an immediate left into parking garage.

For info, contact: Amy Spessard at (301) 662-8288 x1102 or amy.spessard@stjohn-frederick.org or Mike Parrish at (410) 592-5693 or mparrish19@yahoo.com

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Contact Information: (please PRINT, cut off at dotted line and include with your check)

Unit Type: (Circle) Troop Pack Crew Program: Boy Scout or Girl Scout Unit No. _____

Contact Name: _____ Contact Phone: (____) _____
Street Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____
Number of Patches Ordered: _____ Check Amount Enclosed: _____

I will pick up patches before 3/7 Scout Mass _____ (OR) Mail the patches (postage included) _____

Make checks payable to "CCS" and mail to: Amy Spessard, 112 East 2nd Street, Frederick, MD 21701

CATOCTIN MOUNTAIN DISTRICT

PRESENTS THE SIXTH ANNUAL

INTER TROOP BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Date: Monday, January 18, 2010

Time: 9AM

Place: LDS Stake Center
199 North Place
Frederick, MD 21701

Two Age Groups: 11-13 and 14-17

3 on 3
Double Elimination Format

Special Three Point Shooting Compitition

To Register and More Information Contact:
Shawn Youngberg
Phone: 240-344-7733
Email: shawnyoungberg@comcast.net

PLEASE REGISTER BEFORE ATTENDING

Scouter Breakfast

Our annual Scouter Breakfast will be held February 13, 2010 from -11am at the Mountain Gate Restaurant in Thurmont. The cost is $10 per person. For more information, contact Ron Layman at 845-6208 or layman2@verizon.net.

50th Anniversary of First Aid Meet

Our Frederick County First Aid Meet will be held on March 13, 2010 at the Calvary Assembly in Walkersville from 5pm until 10pm. This will be the 50th First Aid Meet, so save the date and make sure your Scouts are practicing their first aid skills in preparation to take part in this special event. A detailed flier will be sent by separate mailing as soon as it is available. If you have questions, contact Lew Raeder at lewcar@comcast.net.

Super Derby March 13th

This year the Super Derby Chairman, John Stalnaker, is throwing in a twist. Not only will the Cub Scouts be able to race their cars, but adults, Scouts, siblings and even Venturers can get in on the fun. The entry fee will be $5. More information will follow. Get your derby car kits and get creative. But remember, all cars still have to be gravity powered!

Den Chief Training

As many of you already know, a Den Chief (a Boy Scout who is trained to work with Cub Scouts) is a resource that is very valuable in helping the younger boys to bridge into Scouting. The Den Chief is also a big help to Den Leaders as they conduct the weekly den meetings.

If you have Scouts in your Troops who are interested in working with younger boys or if your Pack could use a Den Chief, please contact Doug O'Connor at docor@verizon.net or 240-372-8114. Doug will arrange a Den Chief training and can be the link between trained Den Chiefs and the Packs that need them.

Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and Happy New Year

Click on the link below to see a greeting prepared just for you from Jim and Linda
http://www.bluemountain.com/view.pd?i=220476152&m=8999&rr=y&source=bma999